

# Introduction to the Zilber-Pink conjecture

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# Dimension of intersection

- Given two varieties  $V$  and  $W$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , one expects that  $\dim(V \cap W) = \dim V + \dim W - n$ .
- Two curves in a two-dimensional space are likely to intersect, while two curves in a three-dimensional space are not. If they do intersect, then we have an *unlikely intersection*.

## Theorem

Let  $V, W \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  be irreducible algebraic varieties and  $X \subseteq V \cap W$  be an irreducible component of the intersection. Then

$$\dim X \geq \dim V + \dim W - n.$$

## Definition

$X$  is an *atypical* component of  $V \cap W$  if  $\dim X > \dim V + \dim W - n$ .

- Let  $\mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{C})$  be the multiplicative group  $(\mathbb{C}^\times; \cdot, 1)$ .
- An *algebraic torus* is an irreducible algebraic subgroup of  $\mathbb{G}_m^n(\mathbb{C})$ .
- A torus of dimension  $d$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{G}_m^d(\mathbb{C})$ .
- Algebraic subgroups of  $\mathbb{G}_m^n(\mathbb{C})$  are defined by several equations of the form

$$y_1^{m_1} \cdots y_n^{m_n} = 1.$$

- For any such subgroup the connected component of the identity element is an irreducible algebraic subgroup of finite index and is a torus. Every such group is equal to a disjoint union of a torus and its torsion cosets.

# Special and atypical subvarieties

## Definition

Irreducible components of algebraic subgroups of  $\mathbb{G}_m^n(\mathbb{C})$ , that is, torsion cosets of tori, are the *special varieties*. These are defined by equations of the form  $y_1^{m_1} \cdots y_n^{m_n} = \zeta$  where  $\zeta$  is a root of unity.

If  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  is a rational translate of a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear subspace then  $\exp(2\pi i U)$  is special.

## Definition

For a variety  $V \subseteq \mathbb{G}_m^n(\mathbb{C})$  and a special variety  $S \subseteq \mathbb{G}_m^n(\mathbb{C})$ , a component  $X$  of the intersection  $V \cap S$  is an *atypical subvariety* of  $V$  if  $\dim X > \dim V + \dim S - n$ .

## Definition

The *atypical set* of  $V$ , denoted  $\text{Atyp}(V)$ , is the union of all atypical subvarieties of  $V$ .

# Conjecture on Intersections with Tori

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*If  $V$  is not contained in a proper special subvariety of  $\mathbb{G}_m^n(\mathbb{C})$  then  $\text{Atyp}(V)$  is a proper Zariski closed subset of  $V$ .*

# A brief history of CIT

- In his model theoretic analysis of the complex exponential field and Schanuel's conjecture, Zilber came up with CIT [Zil02].
- Schanuel's conjecture (see [Lan66, p. 30]) states that for any  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linearly independent complex numbers  $z_1, \dots, z_n$

$$\text{td}_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_n, e^{z_1}, \dots, e^{z_n}) \geq n.$$

Assuming CIT, Schanuel's conjecture implies a uniform version of itself.

- Zilber showed that the generalisation of CIT to semi-abelian varieties implies the Manin-Mumford and Mordell-Lang conjectures.

# A brief history of CIT

- Bombieri-Masser-Zannier independently proposed an equivalent conjecture in [BMZ07].
- They had proven CIT for curves in an earlier paper [BMZ99].
- Pink proposed a similar and more general conjecture for mixed Shimura varieties, again independently [Pin05b, Pin05a]. which generalises André-Oort, Manin-Mumford and Mordell-Lang.
- The general conjecture is now known as the Zilber-Pink conjecture.
- We will only consider the Zilber-Pink conjecture for semi-abelian varieties and  $Y(1)^n$ .

## Definition

- An *abelian variety* is a connected complete algebraic group (think of elliptic curves).
- A *semi-abelian variety* is a commutative algebraic group  $\mathfrak{G}$  which is an extension of an abelian variety by a torus. For example, a product of elliptic curves and algebraic tori is a semi-abelian variety.

## Definition

- A *special* subvariety of a semi-abelian variety  $\mathfrak{G}$  is a torsion coset of a semi-abelian subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$ .
- Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety and  $V \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  be an algebraic subvariety. An *atypical* subvariety of  $V$  in  $\mathfrak{G}$  is a component  $X$  of an intersection of  $V$  with a special variety  $T \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  such that  $\dim X > \dim V + \dim T - \dim \mathfrak{G}$ .



## Conjecture (Zilber–Pink for semi-abelian varieties)

*Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety and  $V \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  be an algebraic subvariety. Then  $V$  contains only finitely many maximal atypical subvarieties.*

## Conjecture

*Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety and  $V \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  be an algebraic subvariety. Then there is a finite collection  $\Sigma$  of proper special subvarieties of  $\mathfrak{G}$  such that every atypical subvariety  $X$  of  $V$  is contained in some  $T \in \Sigma$ .*

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# Manin-Mumford conjecture

## Theorem (Manin-Mumford conjecture; Raynaud, Hindry)

*Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety and  $V \subsetneq \mathcal{G}$  be a subvariety. Then  $V$  contains only finitely many maximal special subvarieties. In particular, an irreducible curve contains finitely many special points unless it is special itself.*

## Remark

*Lang asked the following question in the 1960s. Assume  $f(x, y) = 0$  contains infinitely many points  $(\xi, \eta)$  whose coordinates are roots of unity. What can be said about  $f$ ?*

The Manin-Mumford conjecture can be deduced from Zilber-Pink.

- First, we may assume  $V$  is not contained in a proper special subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$ . Otherwise we would replace  $\mathfrak{G}$  by the smallest special subvariety containing  $V$  and translate by a torsion point if necessary. This is to make sure that  $V$  is not an atypical subvariety of  $V$ .
- Now if  $T \subseteq V \subsetneq \mathfrak{G}$  and  $T$  is special then it is an atypical subvariety of  $V$  for

$$\dim T > \dim V + \dim T - \dim \mathfrak{G}.$$

- If  $T \subseteq V$  is maximal special then either  $T$  is maximal atypical in  $V$  or it is contained (and is maximal special) in a maximal atypical subvariety of  $V$ . So we can proceed inductively.

# Weakly special and $\Gamma$ -special subvarieties in semi-abelian varieties

## Definition

Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety and let  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  be a subgroup of finite rank.

- A *weakly special* subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$  is a coset of an irreducible algebraic subgroup.
- A  $\Gamma$ -*special* subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$  is a translate of an irreducible algebraic subgroup by a point of  $\Gamma$ . In other words, a weakly special subvariety is  $\Gamma$ -special if it contains a point of  $\Gamma$ .

Theorem (Mordell-Lang conjecture; Faltings, Vojta, McQuillan,...)

*Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety and let  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{G}$  be a subgroup of finite rank. Then an algebraic variety  $V \subseteq \mathcal{G}$  contains only finitely many maximal  $\Gamma$ -special subvarieties.*

Theorem (Mordell-Lang conjecture)

*If  $V \cap \Gamma$  is Zariski dense in  $V$  then  $V$  is a finite union of  $\Gamma$ -special varieties.*

Remark

*The Mordell-Lang conjecture for abelian varieties, combined with the Mordell-Weil theorem, implies the Mordell conjecture (Faltings's theorem), namely, a curve of genus  $\geq 2$  defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$  has only finitely many rational points.*

## Theorem (Zilber, Kirby, Bombieri-Masser-Zannier)

*Let  $V$  be an algebraic subvariety of a semi-abelian variety  $\mathfrak{G}$ . Then there is a finite collection  $\Sigma$  of proper algebraic subgroups of  $\mathfrak{G}$  such that every atypical component of an intersection of  $V$  with a weakly special subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$  is contained in a coset of some  $T \in \Sigma$ .*

This theorem is also true uniformly for parametric families of algebraic varieties. The proof is based on the Ax-Schanuel theorem.

## Theorem (Ax, 1971)

*If  $f_1(\bar{z}), \dots, f_n(\bar{z})$  are complex analytic functions defined on some open domain  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^m$ , and no  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combination of  $f_i$ 's is constant, then*

$$\text{td}_{\mathbb{Q}}(f_1, \dots, f_n, e^{f_1}, \dots, e^{f_n}) \geq n + \text{rk} \left( \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial z_j} \right).$$

# The $j$ -function

- Let  $\mathbb{H} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) > 0\}$  be the complex upper half-plane.
- $\text{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{R})$  is the group of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with real entries and positive determinant. It acts on  $\mathbb{H}$  via linear fractional transformations. That is, for  $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{R})$  we define

$$gz = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}.$$

- The function  $j : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a modular function of weight 0 for the modular group  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  defined and analytic on  $\mathbb{H}$ .
- $j(\gamma z) = j(z)$  for all  $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ .

# Modular polynomials

- For  $g \in \mathrm{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$  we let  $N(g)$  be the determinant of  $g$  scaled so that it has relatively prime integral entries.
- For each positive integer  $N$  there is an irreducible polynomial  $\Phi_N(X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$  such that whenever  $g \in \mathrm{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$  with  $N = N(g)$ , the function  $\Phi_N(j(z), j(gz))$  is identically zero.
- Conversely, if  $\Phi_N(j(x), j(y)) = 0$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{H}$  then  $y = gx$  for some  $g \in \mathrm{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$  with  $N = N(g)$ .
- The polynomials  $\Phi_N$  are called *modular polynomials*.
- $\Phi_1(X, Y) = X - Y$  and all the other modular polynomials are symmetric.
- For a complex number  $w$  its *Hecke orbit* is the set  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \Phi_N(w, z) = 0 \text{ for some } N\}$ .



# Special and atypical varieties in the modular setting

## Definition

A *special* subvariety of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  (coordinatised by  $\bar{y}$ ) is an irreducible component of a variety defined by modular equations, i.e. equations of the form  $\Phi_N(y_i, y_k) = 0$  for some  $1 \leq i, k \leq n$  where  $\Phi_N(X, Y)$  is a modular polynomial.

## Definition

A subvariety  $U \subseteq \mathbb{H}^n$  (i.e. an intersection of  $\mathbb{H}^n$  with some algebraic variety) is called  *$\mathbb{H}$ -special* if it is defined by some equations of the form  $z_i = g_{i,k} z_k$ ,  $i \neq k$ , with  $g_{i,k} \in \mathrm{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$ , and some equations of the form  $z_i = \tau_i$  where  $\tau_i \in \mathbb{H}$  is a quadratic number. For such a  $U$  the image  $j(U)$  is special.

Atypical subvarieties and  $\mathrm{Atyp}(V)$  are defined exactly as before.

## Conjecture

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## Theorem (Pila)

*Let  $V \subsetneq \mathbb{C}^n$  be a variety. Then  $V$  contains only finitely many maximal special subvarieties.*

## Remark

*This theorem follows from modular ZP.*

# Weakly special and $\Gamma$ -special varieties in $Y(1)^n$

## Definition

- A *weakly special* subvariety of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is an irreducible component of a variety defined by equations of the form  $\Phi_N(x_i, x_k) = 0$  and  $x_l = c_l$  where  $c_l \in \mathbb{C}$  is a constant.
- A special variety is called *strongly special* if no coordinate is constant on it.

## Definition

Let  $\Gamma$  be a finite subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

- A point  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is  $\Gamma$ -special if every coordinate of  $z$  is either special or is in the Hecke orbit of some  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .
- A weakly special subvariety of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is  $\Gamma$ -special if it contains a  $\Gamma$ -special point.

## Theorem (Habegger-Pila, [HP12])

*Let  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  be an algebraic variety and let  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}$  be a finite subset. Then  $V$  contains only finitely many maximal  $\Gamma$ -special subvarieties.*

## Definition

An atypical subvariety of  $V$  is called *strongly atypical* if it does not have any constant coordinates.

## Theorem (Weak Modular Zilber-Pink, [PT16])

*Every algebraic subvariety  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  contains only finitely many maximal strongly atypical subvarieties.*

Weak ZP is true uniformly in parametric families.

## Theorem (Uniform weak modular ZP)

*Given a parametric family of algebraic subvarieties  $(V_q)_{q \in Q}$  of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , there is a finite collection  $\Sigma$  of proper special subvarieties of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that for every  $q \in Q$  and for every strongly atypical subvariety  $X$  of  $V_q$  there is  $T \in \Sigma$  with  $X \subseteq T$ .*

# Ax-Schanuel for the $j$ -function

- Let  $\Gamma := \{(\bar{z}, j(\bar{z})) : z_i \in \mathbb{H}\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{2n}$  be the graph of  $j$ .
- Let  $\text{pr}_j : \mathbb{C}^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  be the projection onto the  $j$ -coordinates, i.e. the second  $n$  coordinates.

## Theorem (Pila-Tsimerman, [PT13])

*Let  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{2n}$  be an algebraic variety and let  $A$  be an analytic component of the intersection  $V \cap \Gamma$ . If  $\dim A > \dim V - n$  then  $\text{pr}_j A$  is contained in a proper weakly special subvariety of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .*

## Theorem (Uniform Ax-Schanuel for $j$ , [Asl18, Theorem 7.8])

*Let  $(V_q)_{q \in Q}$  be a parametric family of algebraic subvarieties of  $\mathbb{C}^{2n}$ . Then there is a finite collection  $\Sigma$  of proper special subvarieties of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that for every  $q \in Q(\mathbb{C})$ , if  $A_q$  is an analytic component of the intersection  $V_q \cap \Gamma$  with  $\dim A_q > \dim V_q - n$ , and no coordinate is constant on  $\text{pr}_j A_q$ , then  $\text{pr}_j A_q$  is contained in some  $T \in \Sigma$ .*

# Proof of uniform weak ZP

- Fix a  $q \in Q(\mathbb{C})$  and consider the variety  $V_q$ .
- Let  $S$  be special and  $X \subseteq V_q \cap S$  be strongly atypical, i.e.  $\dim X > \dim V_q + \dim S - n$ .
- Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{H}^n$  be special such that  $j(U) = S$ .
- $\dim(U \times X) \cap \Gamma = \dim X > \dim(U \times V_q) - n$ .
- We can now apply uniform Ax-Schanuel to the family  $W_r \times V_q$  where  $W_r$  varies over all subvarieties of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  defined by  $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ -relations.
- A differential algebraic proof is given in [Asl18] (Theorem 5.2).



# Optimal varieties

Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety or  $Y(1)^n$ .

## Definition

For  $X \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  the *special closure* of  $X$ , denoted  $\langle X \rangle$ , is the smallest special variety containing  $X$ .

## Definition

- For a subvariety  $X \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$  the *defect* of  $X$  is the number

$$\delta(X) := \dim \langle X \rangle - \dim X.$$

- Let  $V$  be a subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$ . A subvariety  $X \subseteq V$  is *optimal* (in  $V$ ) if for every subvariety  $Y \subseteq V$  with  $X \subsetneq Y$  we have  $\delta(Y) > \delta(X)$ .

## Remark

*It is easy to show that a maximal atypical subvariety is optimal.*

# Zilber-Pink in terms of optimal varieties

The following conjecture is equivalent to Zilber-Pink.

## Conjecture

*Let  $V$  be a subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$ . Then  $V$  contains only finitely many optimal subvarieties.*

Daw and Ren reduced ZP to a point counting problem.

## Conjecture

*Let  $V$  be a subvariety of  $\mathfrak{G}$ . Then  $V$  contains only finitely many points which are optimal in  $V$ .*

## Theorem ([DR18])

*The above conjecture implies ZP.*

# o-minimality proof of weak ZP (sketch)

- We need to show that  $V$  contains finitely many optimal subvarieties with no constant coordinate.
- Restrict  $j$  to a fundamental domain  $\mathbb{F}$ . Then it is definable in the o-minimal structure  $\mathbb{R}_{\text{an,exp}}$ . For  $A \subseteq \mathbb{F}^n$  let  $\langle A \rangle$  be the smallest special variety containing  $A$ , and define  $\delta(A) = \dim \langle A \rangle - \dim A$ .
- Let  $Z := j^{-1}(V) \cap \mathbb{F}^n$ .
- If  $U \subseteq \mathbb{F}^n$  is special and a component  $X \subseteq j(U) \cap V$  is optimal in  $V$ , then  $A := j^{-1}(X) \subseteq U \cap Z$  is optimal in  $Z$ .
- Consider the set  $\mathfrak{M}$  of all Mobius subvarieties (i.e. defined by  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ -relations)  $M$  of  $\mathbb{F}^n$  such that  $\dim M - \dim(M \cap Z) < \dim N - \dim(N \cap Z)$  whenever  $M \cap Z \subsetneq N \cap Z$  and  $M \cap Z$  has no constant coordinate. This is a definable set.
- Ax-Schanuel theorem implies that  $\mathfrak{M}$  consists of strongly special subvarieties of  $\mathbb{F}^n$ , that is, subvarieties defined by  $\text{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$ -relations.
- Thus, we have a definable subset of a countable set in an o-minimal structure which must be finite.

# Yet another formulation of ZP

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a semi-abelian variety or  $Y(1)^n$ .

For an integer  $d$  let  $\mathcal{G}^{[d]}$  denote the union of all special subvarieties of  $\mathcal{G}$  of dimension  $\leq d$ .

## Conjecture

*Let  $V \subseteq \mathcal{G}$  be an algebraic variety which is not contained in a proper special subvariety of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $V \cap \mathcal{G}^{[\dim \mathcal{G} - \dim V - 1]}$  is not Zariski dense in  $V$ .*

## Further known cases and reductions

- CIT for curves: Bombieri-Masser-Zannier [BMZ99].
- ZP for curves in abelian varieties defined over a number field: Habegger and Pila [HP16].
- ZP for *non-degenerate* varieties in  $\mathbb{G}_m^n$  defined over  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}$ .
- Habegger and Pila reduced ZP in the abelian and modular settings to a “Large Galois Orbit” statement [HP16].
- Pila and Scanlon have established a differential algebraic ZP theorem where they allow atypical subvarieties to have constant coordinates which are non-constant in the differential field [Sca18].
- A weak ZP statement in the modular setting where atypical subvarieties are allowed to have constant coordinates which are special was proven in [Asl19]. More general results, combining weak ZP with Mordell-Lang, have also been proven there.
- See [Zan12] for various other statements.

# J-special varieties

Consider the function  $J : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$ ,  $J : z \mapsto (j(z), j'(z), j''(z))$ .

Recall that a subvariety  $U \subseteq \mathbb{H}^n$  is called  $\mathbb{H}$ -special if it is defined by some equations of the form  $z_i = g_{i,k} z_k$ ,  $i \neq k$ , with  $g_{i,k} \in \mathrm{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$ , and some equations of the form  $z_i = \tau_i$  where  $\tau_i \in \mathbb{H}$  is a quadratic number. For such a  $U$  we denote by  $\langle\langle U \rangle\rangle$  the Zariski closure of  $J(U)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}^{\mathrm{alg}}$ .

## Definition

A  $J$ -special subvariety of  $\mathbb{C}^{3n}$  is a set  $\langle\langle U \rangle\rangle$  where  $U$  is a special subvariety of  $\mathbb{H}^n$ .

## Definition

For a variety  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{3n}$  we let the  $J$ -atypical set of  $V$ , denoted  $\mathrm{Atyp}_J(V)$ , be the union of all atypical components of intersections  $V \cap T$  in  $\mathbb{C}^{3n}$  where  $T \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{3n}$  is a  $J$ -special variety.

In unpublished notes Pila proposed the following conjecture.


## Conjecture (Pila, “MZPD”)


*For every algebraic variety  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{3n}$  there is a finite collection  $\Sigma$  of proper  $\mathbb{H}$ -special subvarieties of  $\mathbb{H}^n$  such that*


$$\text{Atyp}_J(V) \cap J(\mathbb{H}^n) \subseteq \bigcup_{\substack{U \in \Sigma \\ \bar{\gamma} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})^n}} \langle\langle \bar{\gamma} U \rangle\rangle.$$


Weak versions and differential/functional analogues of this conjecture have been proven in [Spe19] and [Asl18].


For example, the above statement holds if we replace  $\text{Atyp}_J(V)$  with the *strongly*  $J$ -atypical set of  $V$  which is the union of all  $J$ -atypical subvarieties  $X$  of  $V$  such that none of the irreducible components of  $X \cap J(\mathbb{H}^n)$  has a constant coordinate.

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