

Let  $K$  be an algebraic number field of degree  $n$ ; let  $h(K)$  be the number of divisor classes of the field  $K$ ;  $\mathcal{G}: v^2 = u^4 + au^2 + b$  is the Jacobian curve over  $K$ ;  $b(a^2 - 4b) = c^2 \prod_{i=1}^N q_i$ , where  $C$  is an integral divisor,  $q_1, \dots, q_N$  are distinct prime divisors. One proves that there exists an effectively computable constant  $C = C(n, h(K), N)$ , such that the order  $m$  of the torsion of any primitive  $K$ -point on  $\mathcal{G}$  is bounded by it:  $m \leq C$ .

Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be an algebraic number field of degree  $n$ ; let  $h(\mathcal{K})$  be the number of the divisor classes of the field  $\mathcal{K}$ ; let  $\mathcal{G}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  be the Jacobi curve

$$v^2 = u^4 + au^2 + b$$

and the elliptic curve

$$y^2 = x^3 + rx + s,$$

respectively, defined over the ring of integers from  $\mathcal{K}$ .

In [2] one has proved the uniform boundedness of the torsion of the elliptic curves over an arbitrary  $\mathcal{K}$ ; unfortunately, the proof given there is very cumbersome. In [3], Mazur has made a complete investigation of the torsion of the curve  $\mathcal{H}$  in the case when  $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{Q}$ , the field of rational numbers; one does not succeed to generalize those arguments to a field  $\mathcal{K}$  of degree  $n > 1$ .

The purpose of this paper is to give a simple proof of the following proposition.

THEOREM. Let

$$\mathcal{G}: v^2 = u^4 + au^2 + b$$

be a Jacobi curve over the field  $\mathcal{K}$ ;

$$b(a^2 - 4b) = c^2 \prod_{i=1}^N q_i,$$

where  $C$  is an integer divisor,  $q_i$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, N$ ) are distinct prime divisors. Then there exists an effectively computable constant  $C = C(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$ , depending only on  $n$ ,  $h(\mathcal{K})$ , and  $N$ , such that the order  $m$  of any primitive  $\mathcal{K}$ -point on  $\mathcal{G}$  is bounded by it:  $m \leq C$ .

In particular, this theorem yields a simple proof for the uniform boundedness of the torsions of the Jacobi curves in the formulation indicated by N. G. Chebotarev in his remarks to the Russian edition of Galois' works [1] (see, in particular, p. 240).

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From this theorem, at the end of this paper, one derives a corollary regarding the torsion of elliptic curves.

Thus, let  $\mathcal{G}$  be the curve  $v^2 = u^3 + au^2 + b$  and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a point on it taken in an arbitrary manner. First we note that if  $t\mathcal{P} = \{u_t, v_t\}$ , then on the basis of the formulas for the addition of points on  $\mathcal{G}$ ,

$$u_{2t} = \frac{u_t^4 - b}{2u_t v_t}, \quad v_{2t} = \frac{v_t^4 - (a^2 - 4b)u_t^4}{4u_t^2 v_t^2},$$

$$u_{2t+1}u_1 = \frac{u_t^2 u_{t+1} - b}{u_t^2 - u_{t+1}^2}, \quad v_{2t+1}v_1 = \frac{v_t^2 v_{t+1} - (a^2 - 4b)u_t^2 u_{t+1}^2}{(u_t^2 - u_{t+1}^2)^2}.$$

Therefore, to the coordinates  $u_t, v_t$  one can associate  $u_t, v_t, w_t$  by the following recursion formulas

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_{2t} &= u_t^4 - b w_t^4, & v_{2t} &= v_t^4 - (a^2 - 4b)u_t^4 w_t^4, & w_{2t} &= 2u_t v_t w_t, \\ u_{2t+1}u_1 &= u_t^2 u_{t+1}^2 - b w_t^2 w_{t+1}^2, \\ v_{2t+1}v_1 &= v_t^2 v_{t+1}^2 - (a^2 - 4b)u_t^2 u_{t+1}^2 w_t^2 w_{t+1}^2, \\ w_{2t+1}w_1 &= u_t^2 w_{t+1}^2 - u_{t+1}^2 w_t^2. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

LEMMA 1.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_t &= u_1^{\frac{1-t}{2}} \sum_{i+j+s=[t^2/4]}^{[t/4]} \sum_{j=0}^{[t^2/8]} \sum_{s=0}^{[t^2/4]} a_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ v_t &= v_1^{\frac{1-t}{2}} \sum_{i+j+s=[t^2/2]}^{[t/2]} \sum_{j=0}^{[t^2/4]} \sum_{s=0}^{[t^2/2]} b_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ w_t &= (u_1 v_1)^{\frac{1-t}{2}} w_1 \sum_{i+j+s=[t^2/4]-\frac{1+t}{2}}^{[t/4]-\frac{1+t}{2}} \sum_{j=0}^{[t^2/8]} \sum_{s=0}^{[t^2/4]-\frac{1+t}{2}} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2)$$

where  $\alpha = u_1^4$ ,  $\beta = 4a u_1^2 w_1^2$ ,  $\gamma = b w_1^4$ , and  $a_{i,j,s}$ ,  $2b_{i,j,s}$ ,  $c_{i,j,s}$  are integral rational numbers satisfying the conditions

$$a_{[t^2/4],0,0} = b_{[t^2/2],0,0} = 1, \quad a_{0,0,[t^2/4]} = (-1)^{[t/2]}, \quad a_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{[t/2]} c_{s,j,i}$$

for  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,

$$a_{t^2/4,0,0} = b_{t^2/2,0,0} = 1, \quad c_{t/4-1,0,0} = t, \quad a_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{t/2} a_{s,j,i}, \quad c_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{t/2-1} c_{s,j,i}$$

for  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $a_{i,j,0} = 0$  (for all  $j > 0$ ),  $b_{i,j,s} = b_{s,j,i}$ .

Proof. We use the method of mathematical induction. For  $t=1$  the validity of the lemma is obvious. We assume now that the lemma holds for all  $t < N$ . We show that in this case it holds also for  $t=N$ . On the basis of the recursion formulas (1) we have

$$u_N = u_{N/2}^4 - 6w_{N/2}^4, \quad v_N = v_{N/2}^4 - (\alpha^2 - 46)u_{N/2}^4 w_{N/2}^4, \quad w_N = 2u_{N/2} v_{N/2} w_{N/2}$$

for  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_N u_1 &= u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 - 6w_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2, \\ v_N v_1 &= v_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 v_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 - (\alpha^2 - 46)u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2, \\ w_N w_1 &= u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 - u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (3)$$

for  $N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Let  $t = (N \pm e)/2$ , where  $e$  is the absolute smallest residue of the number  $N$  modulo 2. Since  $t < N$ , we have, by assumption,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_t &= u_1^{\frac{1+(-1)^t}{2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{s=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} a_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ v_t &= v_1^{\frac{1+(-1)^t}{2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{s=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} b_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ w_t &= (u_1 v_1)^{\frac{1+(-1)^t}{2}} w_1 \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{s=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t-1}{2} \rfloor} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$$

where  $a_{i,j,s}$ ,  $2b_{i,j,s}$ ,  $c_{i,j,s}$  are integral rational numbers and

$$a_{t^2/4,0,0} = b_{t^2/4,0,0} = 1, \quad c_{t^2/4-1,0,0} = t, \quad a_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{i+j} a_{s,j,i}, \quad c_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{i+j} c_{s,j,i}$$

for  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  ;

$$a_{\lfloor \frac{t^2}{4} \rfloor, 0, 0} = b_{\lfloor \frac{t^2}{4} \rfloor, 0, 0} = 1, \quad a_{0,0,\lfloor \frac{t^2}{4} \rfloor} = (-1)^{\lfloor \frac{t^2}{4} \rfloor} t, \quad a_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{i+j} c_{s,j,i}$$

for  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $a_{i,j,0} = 0$  ( $j > 0$ ),  $b_{i,j,s} = b_{s,j,i}$ . From (3) and (4) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} u_N &= u_1^{\frac{1+(-1)^N}{2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{s=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} a_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ v_N &= v_1^{\frac{1+(-1)^N}{2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{s=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} b_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ w_N &= (u_1 v_1)^{\frac{1+(-1)^N}{2}} w_1 \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{s=0}^{\lfloor \frac{N-1}{2} \rfloor} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{i,j,s}$ ,  $2b_{i,j,s}$ ,  $c_{i,j,s}$  are integral rational numbers,  $a_{[N/4],0,0} = b_{[N/4],0,0} = 1$ ,  $c_{[N/4],0,0} = N$  for  $N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $a_{N/4,0,0} = b_{N/4,0,0} = 1$ ,  $c_{N/4-1,0,0} = N$  for  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $a_{i,j,0} = 0$  (for all  $j > 0$ ).

We perform the substitution  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} \rightarrow \{\tau, \rho, \alpha\}$  in the expressions (3). By assumption, this substitution carries  $\{u_{2t}, v_{2t}, w_{2t}/u_1 v_1 w_1\}$ ,  $\{u_{2s+1}/u_1, v_{2s+1}/v_1, w_{2s+1}/w_1\}$  into  $\{(-1)^t u_{2t}, v_{2t}, (-1)^{t-1} w_{2t}/u_1 v_1 w_1\}$ ,  $\{(-1)^s w_{2s+1}/w_1, v_{2s+1}/v_1, (-1)^s u_{2s+1}/u_1\}$ , respectively, only if  $2t, 2s+1 < N$ . Because of this, from (3) it follows that

$$\{u_N, v_N, w_N/u_1 v_1 w_1\} \rightarrow \{(-1)^{N/2} u_N, v_N, (-1)^{N/2-1} w_N/u_1 v_1 w_1\}$$

for  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and

$$\{u_N/u_1, v_N/v_1, w_N/w_1\} \rightarrow \{(-1)^{[N/2]} w_N/w_1, v_N/v_1, (-1)^{[N/2]} u_N/u_1\}$$

for  $N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Thus,

$$a_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{N/2} a_{s,j,i}, \quad b_{i,j,s} = b_{s,j,i}, \quad c_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{N/2-1} c_{s,j,i}$$

in the case  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and

$$a_{i,j,s} = (-1)^{[N/2]} c_{s,j,i}, \quad b_{i,j,s} = b_{s,j,i}$$

in the case  $N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

In the following three lemmas, we shall consider  $u_t, v_t, w_t$  over the ring  $K[u_1, v_1, w_1]$

**LEMMA 2.** If  $b(a^2 - 4b) \neq 0$ , then the polynomials  $u_t, v_t, w_t$  are pairwise relatively prime.

**Proof.** Form  $v^2 = u^4 + a u^2 w^2 + b w^4$  and Lemma 1 it follows that

$$(u^4, v^2, w^4) = (u^4, v^2) = (v^2, w^4) = (w^4, u^4). \quad (5)$$

Therefore, the polynomials  $u_t, v_t, w_t$  are pairwise relatively prime. Then, by virtue of  $b(a^2 - 4b) \neq 0$ , formulas (1), and the same lemma, we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (u_{t/2}^4, v_{t/2}^2, w_{t/2}^4) &\equiv 0 \pmod{(u_t^4, v_t^2, w_t^4)}, \quad t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ (u_{t-1/2}^4, v_{t-1/2}^2, w_{t-1/2}^4) &\equiv 0 \pmod{(u_t^4, v_t^2, w_t^4) \times (u_1^4, v_1^2, w_1^4)}, \quad t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

Applying the method of mathematical induction to the congruences (6) and taking into account (5), we obtain the assertion of the lemma.

**LEMMA 3.** For arbitrary  $c$  and  $d$  we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_{c+d} u_{c-d} &= u_c^2 u_d^2 - b w_c^2 w_d^2, \quad w_{c+d} w_{c-d} = u_d^2 w_c^2 - u_c^2 w_d^2, \\ v_{c+d} v_{c-d} &= v_c^2 v_d^2 - (a^2 - 4b) u_c^2 u_d^2 w_c^2 w_d^2. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (7)$$

Proof. By assumption

$$u_a = u_a/w_a, \quad v_a = v_a/w_a^2 \quad (a=c, d, c+d),$$

and therefore from the formulas of addition of points on the curve  $\mathcal{G}$  we derive the following identities

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{u_c^2 u_d^2 - 6w_c^2 w_d^2}{u_{c+d} u_{c-d}} &= \frac{u_d^2 w_c^2 - u_c^2 w_d^2}{w_{c+d} w_{c-d}} = \frac{f}{g}, \\ \frac{v_c^2 v_d^2 - (a^2 - 4b) u_c^2 u_d^2 w_c^2 w_d^2}{v_{c+d} v_{c-d}} &= \frac{f^2}{g^2}. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8)$$

Since  $6(a^2 - 4b) \neq 0$  and the polynomials  $u_a, v_a, w_a$  are pairwise relatively prime, from (8) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (u_{c-d} u_{c+d}, v_{c-d} v_{c+d}, w_{c-d} w_{c+d}) &= 1, \\ (u_c^2, v_c^2, w_c^2)(u_d^2, v_d^2, w_d^2) &= 1 = O(\text{mod}((u_d^2 w_c^2 - u_c^2 w_d^2)^2, \\ v_c^2 v_d^2 - (a^2 - 4b) u_c^2 u_d^2 w_c^2 w_d^2, (u_c^2 u_d^2 - 6w_c^2 w_d^2)^2)); \end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon u_{c+d} u_{c-d} &= u_c^2 u_d^2 - 6w_c^2 w_d^2, \quad \varepsilon w_{c+d} w_{c-d} = u_d^2 w_c^2 - u_c^2 w_d^2, \\ \varepsilon^2 v_{c+d} v_{c-d} &= v_c^2 v_d^2 - (a^2 - 4b) u_c^2 u_d^2 w_c^2 w_d^2, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (9)$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is the identity of the ring  $\mathcal{K}[u_1, v_1, w_1]$ . Due to the fact that the parameters  $u_1, w_1$  are arbitrary and that under the substitution  $\{u_1, v_1, w_1\} \rightarrow \{tu_1, t^2v_1, tw_1\}$   $\varepsilon$  is invariant, the equation satisfied by  $\varepsilon$  has only coefficients from the field  $\mathcal{K}$ . Thus,  $\varepsilon$  is the identity of the field  $\mathcal{K}$ , depending, possibly, on  $c$  and  $d$ , but independent of  $u_1, v_1$ , and  $w_1$ . Comparing the coefficients of the higher powers of  $u_1$  in identities (9) and taking into account Lemma 1, we obtain  $\varepsilon = 1$ , which is what we had to prove.

LEMMA 4. For arbitrary  $c$  and  $d$  we have

$$u_{c \pm d} w_{c \mp d} = u_c w_c v_d \mp u_d w_d v_c, \quad (10)$$

where the upper or the lower signs are taken simultaneously.

Proof. Since, by virtue of the addition formulas, we have

$$\frac{u_{c+d} w_{c-d}}{u_{c-d} w_{c+d}} = \frac{u_c w_c v_d - u_d w_d v_c}{u_c w_c v_d + u_d w_d v_c},$$

while on the basis of Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned} u_{c+d} u_{c-d} w_{c+d} w_{c-d} &= (u_{c+d} w_{c-d})(u_{c-d} w_{c+d}) = \\ &= (u_d^2 w_c^2 - u_c^2 w_d^2)(u_c^2 u_d^2 - 6w_c^2 w_d^2) = u_c^2 w_c^2 v_d^2 - u_d^2 w_d^2 v_c^2, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$\varepsilon u_{c \mp d} w_{c \mp d} = u_c w_c v_d \mp u_d w_d v_c, \quad (11)$$

where  $\varepsilon$  does not depend on  $u_1, v_1, w_1$  and  $\varepsilon^2 = 1$ . Comparing, as in the previous lemma, the coefficients of the highest powers of  $u_1$ , we obtain from (11):  $\varepsilon(c \mp d) = c \mp d$ ,  $\varepsilon = 1$ . The lemma is proved.

We note that since for  $b=0$  we have

$$u_t = u_1^{t^2}, \quad v_t = u_1^{2t^2-2t} \frac{(v_1 + \sqrt{a} u_1 w_1)^t + (v_1 - \sqrt{a} u_1 w_1)^t}{2},$$

$$w_t = u_1^{t^2-2t} \frac{(v_1 + \sqrt{a} u_1 w_1)^t - (v_1 - \sqrt{a} u_1 w_1)^t}{2\sqrt{a}},$$

while for  $a^2 - 4b = 0$  we have

$$v_t = v_1^{t^2}, \quad u_{2t} = v_1^{2t^2-2t} \frac{(u_2 + \sqrt{-a/2} w_2)^t + (u_2 - \sqrt{-a/2} w_2)^t}{2},$$

$$w_{2t} = v_1^{2t^2-2t} \frac{(u_2 + \sqrt{-a/2} w_2)^t - (u_2 - \sqrt{-a/2} w_2)^t}{\sqrt{-2a}},$$

it follows that relation (7) and (10) are valid for arbitrary values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**LEMMA 5.** If  $O_m = \{u/w, v/w^2\}$  is a primitive point of order  $m$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ , then for any  $k$ , relatively prime with  $m$ , we have

$$(w_k / (u_k, w_k)) = (w_1 / (u_1, w_1)). \quad (12)$$

Proof. First we note that for any natural  $t$  we have.

$$w_t / (u_t, w_t) \equiv 0 \pmod{w_1 / (u_1, w_1)}.$$

Indeed, for  $t=1$  the validity of this statement is obvious, therefore, if it holds for all  $t \leq N$ , then from the formulas

$$u_{N+1} = u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 - b w_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2, \quad w_{N+1} = 2 u_{\frac{N+1}{2}} v_{\frac{N+1}{2}} w_{\frac{N+1}{2}} \quad (N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}),$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_{N+1} u_1 &= u_{N/2}^2 u_{N/2+1}^2 - b w_{N/2}^2 w_{N/2+1}^2, \\ w_{N+1} w_1 &= u_{N/2}^2 w_{N/2+1}^2 - u_{N/2+1}^2 w_{N/2}^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (N \equiv 0 \pmod{2})$$

it follows that

$$\frac{w_{N+1}}{(u_{N+1}, w_{N+1})} \equiv 0 \pmod{\frac{w_{(N+1)/2}}{(u_{N/2+1}, w_{N/2+1})}}, \quad N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2},$$

$$\frac{w_{N+1} w_1}{(u_{N+1}, w_{N+1})(u_1, w_1)} \equiv O \left( \text{mod } \frac{w_{N/2} w_{N/2+1}}{(u_{N/2}, w_{N/2})(u_{N/2+1}, w_{N/2+1})} \right),$$

$$N \equiv O \pmod{2},$$

which, by virtue of the assumption

$$w_t / (u_t, w_t) \equiv O \pmod{w_1 / (u_1, w_1)} \quad (t \leq N)$$

gives

$$w_{N+1} / (u_{N+1}, w_{N+1}) \equiv O \pmod{w_1 / (u_1, w_1)}.$$

Thus,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} w_h / (u_h, w_h) &\equiv O \pmod{w_1 / (u_1, w_1)}, \\ w_{h^2} / (u_{h^2}, w_{h^2}) &\equiv O \pmod{w_h / (u_h, w_h)}. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (13)$$

Then, since  $(h, m) = 1$ , the congruence  $h^q \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$  is always solvable. Therefore, selecting for  $q$  one of the solutions of the mentioned congruence, from (13) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} w_h / (u_h, w_h) &\equiv O \pmod{w_1 / (u_1, w_1)}, \\ w_1 / (u_1, w_1) &\equiv O \pmod{w_h / (u_h, w_h)}, \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$(w_h / (u_h, w_h)) = (w_1 / (u_1, w_1)).$$

**LEMMA 6.** If  $\sigma_m$  is a primitive  $K$ -point of order  $m$  on  $\mathcal{G}$ , then for  $\varphi(m) > n$  we have

$$u_i \equiv 0 \pmod{w_i}, \quad v_i \equiv 0 \pmod{w_i^2}. \quad (14)$$

**Proof.** Let  $m = 2^{t_0} \prod_i p_i^{t_i}$  be the canonical expansion of the number  $m$  into prime factors. If  $t_0 > 0$ , then necessarily  $u_{m/2} v_{m/2} = 0$ , which by virtue of Lemma 1 gives (14). Therefore, it is sufficient to consider only the case  $m = \prod_i p_i^{t_i}$ ,  $(p_i, 2) = 1$ .

a)  $q \geq 2$ . We rewrite the equality  $m \sigma_m = \sigma$  in the form  $p_i(m \sigma_m / p_i) = \sigma$  ( $i=1, 2$ ). Then

$$w_m = w_{m/p_i} \sum_{i=0}^{[m^2/4p_i^2]} \sum_{j=0}^{[m^2/8p_i^2]} \sum_{s=0}^{[m^2/4p_i^2]} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s = 0.$$

$$i+j+s = [m^2/4p_i^2]$$

We have  $w_{m/p_i} \neq 0$  since in the opposite case the point  $\sigma_m$  would have order  $< m$ . Consequently,

$$\sum_{i,j,s} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s = 0, \quad \alpha = u_{m/p_i}^4, \quad \beta = 4a u_{m/p_i}^2 / w_{m/p_i}^2, \quad \gamma = 6w_{m/p_i}^4,$$

from where, by virtue of Lemma 1, we have

$$p_i = 0 \pmod{W_{m/p_i} / (U_{m/p_i}, W_{m/p_i})} \quad (i=1, 2).$$

But  $(p_1, p_2) = 1$ , and, on the basis of Lemma 5,

$$W_{m/p_i} / (U_{m/p_i}, W_{m/p_i}) = 0 \pmod{W_1 / (U_1, W_1)},$$

therefore  $U_1 = 0 \pmod{W_1}$ ,  $W_1 = 0 \pmod{W_1^2}$ .

b)  $m = p^4$ . We divide the group of all points  $\alpha \sigma_p + \beta \sigma'_p$  ( $\alpha, \beta = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$ ) of order  $p$  on  $\mathcal{E}$  into  $p+1$  disjoint classes  $T_t$  ( $t = 1, 2, \dots, p+1$ ) in such a manner that to the same class there should belong the points  $h\alpha \sigma_p + h\beta \sigma'_p$ , where  $h = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ , while  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are fixed numbers for the same class.

Since

$$W_m = W_{m/p} \sum_{i=0}^{[p^2/4]} \sum_{j=0}^{[p^2/8]} \sum_{s=0}^{[p^2/4]} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s$$

and  $W_{m/p} \neq 0$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=0}^{[p^2/4]} \sum_{j=0}^{[p^2/8]} \sum_{s=0}^{[p^2/4]} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \quad (15)$$

$$i+j+s = [p^2/4]$$

where  $\alpha = U_{m/p}$ ,  $\beta = 4a U_{m/p}^2 W_{m/p}^2$ ,  $\gamma = b W_{m/p}^4$ . Assume that for the same class  $T_t$  we have  $W_{\alpha,\beta} / (U_{\alpha,\beta}, W_{\alpha,\beta}) = q_t$ . On the basis of Lemma 1, we have  $c_{[p^2/4],0,0} = p$  and  $c_{0,0,[p^2/4]} = (-1)^{[p/2]}$  and therefore, by virtue of Lemma 5,

$$p = 0 \pmod{\left( \prod_{t=1}^{p+1} q_t \right)^{p-1}}. \quad (16)$$

From (15) it follows that

$$\sum_{j,s} c_{i,j,s} (4a)^j b^s = p \sum_{\alpha_i, \beta_i} u_{\alpha_1, \beta_1} u_{\alpha_2, \beta_2} \dots u_{\alpha_t, \beta_t}, \quad 2j+4s=t,$$

from where, taking into account (16), the arbitrariness of  $a, b$ , and the rationality of  $c_{i,j,s}$ , we obtain

$$c_{i,j,s} = 0 \pmod{p}, \quad 2j+4s < p-1. \quad (17)$$

We write the following system of equalities

$$\left. \begin{aligned} U_{m/p^t} &= U_{m/p^{t+1}} \sum_{i=0}^{[p^2/4]} \sum_{j=0}^{[p^2/8]} \sum_{s=0}^{[p^2/4]} a_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s, \\ W_{m/p^t} &= W_{m/p^{t+1}} \sum_{i=0}^{[p^2/4]} \sum_{j=0}^{[p^2/8]} \sum_{s=0}^{[p^2/4]} c_{i,j,s} \alpha^i \beta^j \gamma^s. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (18)$$



Since  $a_{[p^{1/4}],0,0}=1$  and on the basis of Lemma 5, we have

$$W_{m/p^t}/(U_{m/p^t}, W_{m/p^t}) = O(\text{mod } W_{m/p^{t+1}}/(U_{m/p^{t+1}}, W_{m/p^{t+1}})), \quad (19)$$

from (16)-(19) one obtains immediately

$$\left. \begin{aligned} W_p/(U_p, W_p) &= O(\text{mod } [W_1/(U_1, W_1)]^p), \\ W_{p^{q-1}}/(U_{p^{q-1}}, W_{p^{q-1}}) &= O(\text{mod } [W_{p^{q-2}}/(U_{p^{q-2}}, W_{p^{q-2}})]^p), \\ p &= O(\text{mod } [W_{p^{q-1}}/(U_{p^{q-1}}, W_{p^{q-1}})]^{p^{q-1}}), \\ p &= O(\text{mod } [W_1/(U_1, W_1)]^{\varphi(m)}). \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (20)$$

By assumption, the degree of the field  $K$  does not exceed  $n$ , therefore for  $(U_1, W_1) \neq O(\text{mod } W_1)$  from (20) we have  $p \equiv O(\text{mod } p^{\varphi(m)})$ , and hence there follows  $n > \varphi(m)$ , which contradicts the condition  $\varphi(m) > n$ . The lemma is proved

Let  $K'$  be the minimal field in which the divisors from  $K$  are principal.

**LEMMA 7.** If  $O_m$  is a primitive  $K$ -point of order  $\varphi(m) > 4n$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ , then

$$u_1 = q u'_1, \quad v_1 = q^2 v'_1, \quad a = q^2 A, \quad b = q^4 B, \quad (A, B) = 1, \quad (21)$$

where  $q, u'_1, v'_1, A, B$  are integers from  $K'$ .

Proof. Since, by assumption,  $a, b$  are integers and  $\varphi(m) > n$ , on the basis of Lemma 6 it follows that  $u_1$  and  $v_1$  are integers from the field  $K$ . Then, if  $q$  is an integer from  $K'$  and  $\nu_q(a u_1^2) > \nu_q(u_1^4)$  or  $\nu_q(b)$ , where  $\nu_q(c)$  is the  $q$ -exponent of the number  $c$ , then  $\nu_q(u_1^4) = \nu_q(b)$ . Indeed, in the case  $m \not\equiv 0(\text{mod } 2)$   $\nu_q(u_1^4) > \nu_q(b)$  is not possible since

$$W_m/W_1^{m^2} = 0 = \sum_{i,j,s} c_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad c_{0,0,[m^2/4]} = (-1)^{[m/2]}$$

and  $a, b, u_1, c_{i,j,s}$  are integers, while  $\nu_a(b) > \nu_a(u_1^4)$ , similarly to Lemma 6, contradicts the condition  $\varphi(m) > 4n$ . However, in the case  $m \equiv 0(\text{mod } 2)$ , but  $m \not\equiv 0(\text{mod } 4)$ , for

$$W_{m/2}/W_1^{m^2/2} = v_1 \sum_{i,j,s} b_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s = 0$$

by virtue of  $v_1 = 0, b_{[m^2/8],0,0} = b_{0,0,[m^2/8]} = 1, \nu_q(b) = \nu_q(u_1^4)$ , for

$$U_{m/2}/W_1^{m^2/4} = u_1 \sum_{i,j,s} a_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s = 0, \quad u_1 \neq 0$$

$\nu_q(u_1^4) < \nu_q(b)$  is not possible by virtue of  $a_{[m^2/16],0,0} = 1$ , while  $\nu_q(b) < \nu_q(u_1^4)$ , similarly to Lemma 6, is not feasible for  $\varphi(m) > 4n$ , provided one notes that for  $u_1 \rightarrow \sqrt{b}/u_1$   $U_{m/2}$  becomes  $u_1^{-m^2/4} b^{(m^2+4)/16} W_{m/2}$ . If, however,  $m \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4)$ , then  $\nu_q(b) = \nu_q(u_1^4)$  follows from the conditions:  $U_{m/2} V_{m/2} = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} U_{m/2} &= W_1^{-m^2/4} \sum_{i,j,s} a_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad a_{m^2/16,0,0} = (-1)^{m/4} a_{0,0,m^2/16} = 1, \\ V_{m/2} &= W_1^{-m^2/4} \sum_{i,j,s} b_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad b_{m^2/8,0,0} = b_{0,0,m^2/8} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Further, if  $v_p(au_1^2) \leq v_p(u_1^4)$ ,  $v_p(b)$ , then for  $v_p(au_1^2) < v_p(b)$ ,  $v_p(au_1^2) < v_p(u_1^4)$  from  $v_1^2 = u_1^4 + au_1^2 + b$  we have  $a = q^2A$ ,  $b = q^4B$ ,  $u_1 = qu_1'$ ,  $v_1 = q^2v_1'$ ,  $v_p(A, B) = 0$ , while for  $v_p(au_1^2) = v_p(b)$ ,  $v_p(au_1^2) < v_p(u_1^4)$  in the case  $m \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , taking into account the conditions  $c_{0,j,s} = 0$  (for all  $j > 0$ ) and  $c_{0,0,[m/4]} = (-1)^{[m/2]}$ , proved in Lemma 1, we obtain  $v_p(u_1^4) = v_p(au_1^2) = v_p(b)$ , that is,  $a = q^2A$ ,  $b = q^4B$ ,  $u_1 = qu_1'$ ,  $v_1 = q^2v_1'$ ,  $v_p(A, B) = 0$ , while in the case  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $u_{m/2}v_{m/2} = 0$  we have: a)  $v_{m/2}^2 = b$ ,  $b = q^{2s}B$ ,  $v_p(au_1^2) = v_p(b)$ ,  $a = q^{2s}A$ ,  $u_1 = q^2u_1'$ ,  $v_1 = q^{2s}v_1'$ ,  $b = q^{4s}B'$ ,  $v_p(A, B') = 0$ ; b)  $(2u_{m/2}^2 + a)^2 = a^2 - 4b$ ,  $v_p(b) = q^{2s}B$ ,  $v_p(au_1^2) = v_p(b)$ ,  $a = q^{2s}A$ ,  $u_1 = q^2u_1'$ ,  $v_1 = q^{2s}v_1'$ ,  $b = q^{4s}B'$ ,  $v_p(A, B') = 0$ , which is what we intended to prove.

**LEMMA 8.** For any integer  $p$  from  $K'$  and point  $O_m$  for which  $uv \neq 0$ , we have

$$v_p(b) \geq 2v_p(u), \quad v_p(a^2 - 4b) \geq 2v_p(v). \quad (22)$$

**Proof.** According to Lemma 1, we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{a) } w_t/w_1^{t^2} &= \sum_{i,j,s} c_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad c_{0,0,[t/4]} = (-1)^{[t/2]}, \quad t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ u_t/u_1 &\rightarrow (-1)^{[t/2]} (b/u_1)^{t-1} w_t/w_1 \text{ for } u_1 \rightarrow b/u_1, \quad t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ \text{b) } v_t/w_1^{2t} &= \sum_{i,j,s} b_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad b_{0,0,[t/2]} = 1, \quad u_t v_t = 0, \\ u_{2t}/w_1^{4t} &= \sum_{i,j,s} a_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad a_{0,0,t} = (-1)^t, \\ \text{c) } v_{2t}/w_1^{8t} &= \sum_{i,j,s} b_{i,j,s} u_1^{4i+2j} (4a)^j b^s, \quad b_{0,0,2t} = 1, \quad u_{2t} v_{2t} = 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (23)$$

Therefore, taking into account that  $a_{i,j,s}$ ,  $2b_{i,j,s}$ ,  $c_{i,j,s}$  are rational integers, from (23) we obtain: a)  $v_p(b) \geq 2v_p(u)$  ( $m=t$ ,  $m \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ), b)  $v_p(b) \geq 2v_p(u)$  ( $m=2t$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ), c)  $v_p(b) \geq 2v_p(u)$  ( $m=4t$ ).

The inequality  $v_p(a^2 - 4b) \geq 2v_p(v)$  follows a completely similar manner from the relations of Lemma 1 if one takes into account the isogeny of the curves  $v^2 = u^4 + au^2 + b$  and  $v^2 = u^4 - 2au^2 + a^2 - 4b$ .

**LEMMA 9.** If  $p$  is an odd number such that  $v_p(b) > 0$ , then for any natural  $t < \varphi(m)/4n$  for  $(a, b) = 1$  we have

$$v_p(u_t)/v_p(b) = \{t v_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}, \quad (24)$$

where  $\{c\}$  is the distance from  $c$  to the nearest integer.

**Proof.** We carry out the proof by the method of mathematical induction. Since on the basis of (22) we have  $v_p(u_1)/v_p(b) \leq 1/2$ , it follows that  $v_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = \{v_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}$ . Thus, for  $t=1$  the lemma holds. We assume now that the lemma has been proved for  $t < N$  and we show that in this case it holds also for  $t=N$ . We consider separately the following two cases: 1)  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , 2)  $N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

1)  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  . By the formulas (1) we have

$$u_N = u_{N/2}^2 - 6w_{N/2}^2, \quad w_N = 2u_{N/2}w_{N/2}.$$

If  $v_p(u_{N/2}) = v_p(b)/4$  , then, taking into account that  $v_p(u_{N/2}) = v_p(w_{N/2})$ , by virtue of (a, b) = 1 we have  $v_p(u_N) \geq v_p(b)/2$  . On the other hand, by Lemma 8 we have  $v_p(u_N) < v_p(b)/2$  and, consequently,  $v_p(u_N) = v_p(b)/2$  . By assumption,  $v_p(u_{N/2}) = v_p(b)/4 = \{Nv_p(u_1)/2v_p(b)\}v_p(b)$  , that is,  $\pm 1/4 + r = Nv_p(u_1)/2v_p(b)$  ,  $r$  being an integer, which yields  $Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = \pm 1/2 + 2r$ ,  $\{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}v_p(b) = v_p(b)/2 = v_p(u_N)$ .

If, however,  $v_p(u_{N/2}) \neq v_p(b)/4$  , then by virtue of the fact that  $p$  is odd we have  $v_p(u_N) = \min \{4v_p(u_{N/2}), v_p(b) - 2v_p(u_{N/2})\}$  . From here one can easily conclude that in the case  $4v_p(u_{N/2}) < v_p(b)$  one has

$$v_p(u_N) = 2v_p(u_{N/2}) = 2\{Nv_p(u_1)/2v_p(b)\}v_p(b) = \{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}v_p(b),$$

while in the case  $4v_p(u_{N/2}) > v_p(b)$  one has

$$v_p(u_N) = v_p(b) - 2v_p(u_{N/2}) = v_p(b) - 2\{Nv_p(u_1)/2v_p(b)\}v_p(b) = \{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}v_p(b),$$

that is, again  $v_p(u_N) = \{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}v_p(b)$ .

2)  $N \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  . By the formulas (1) we have

$$u_N u_1 = u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 - 6w_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2,$$

$$w_N w_1 = u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 - u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}^2 w_{\frac{N-1}{2}}^2.$$

a)  $v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) = v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}})$  . By assumption,

$$v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}})/v_p(b) = \{(N-1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b)\},$$

$$v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}})/v_p(b) = \{(N+1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b)\}.$$

Let  $(N+1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = \alpha + \tau$ ,  $(N-1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = \pm \alpha + \beta$ , where  $\tau, \beta$  are integers and  $|\alpha| \leq 1/2$  . Since  $v_p(u_1)/v_p(b) \leq 1/2$  , we have  $(N-1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = -\alpha + \beta$ ,  $2v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) + 2v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}) \neq v_p(b)$  ; indeed, if  $2v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) + 2v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}) = v_p(b)$  , then  $(\tau + \beta)/(N-1/2)$  has to be an integer which, by virtue of the fact that  $N$  is odd, is not possible. Consequently,  $v_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = \{2\alpha\}$ ,  $v_p(w_1 w_N)/v_p(b) \geq 2|\alpha| + 2v_p(w_{\frac{N-1}{2}} w_{\frac{N+1}{2}})/v_p(b)$  , whence

$$0 \leq v_p(u_N)/v_p(b) \leq \min \{1, 4|\alpha|\} - 2|\alpha| - \{2\alpha\} \leq 0, \quad v_p(u_N) = 0.$$

But  $Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = \tau + \beta$  , therefore  $0 = v_p(u_N)/v_p(b) = \{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}$  .

b)  $2v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) + 2v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}) = v_p(b)$  . As in the previous case, we set  $(N+1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = \alpha + \tau$  ,  $(N-1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = \beta + \delta$  , where  $|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq 1/2$  , while  $\tau, \delta$  are integers. On the basis of what we had before,  $|\alpha| \neq |\beta|$  , therefore  $v_p(u_N)/v_p(b) \geq 1 - 2\min \{|\alpha|, |\beta|\} > 1/2$  , which is not possible.

c)  $v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) \neq v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}})$  ,  $2v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) + 2v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}) \neq v_p(b)$ . We have

$$v_p(u_N) + v_p(u_1) = \min\{2v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}) + 2v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}}), v_p(b)\} - 2\min\{v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}}), v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}})\}.$$

We denote  $v_p(u_{\frac{N-1}{2}})/v_p(b)$ ,  $v_p(u_{\frac{N+1}{2}})/v_p(b)$  by  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . If  $2\{\alpha\} + 2\{\beta\} < 1$ , then  $\alpha < \beta$ , therefore  $v_p(u_N) + v_p(u_1) = 2\max\{\alpha, \beta\}v_p(b) = 2\alpha v_p(b)$ , whence  $v_p(u_N)/v_p(b) = \{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}$ .

If, however,  $2\{\alpha\} + 2\{\beta\} > 1$ , then

$$v_p(u_N) + v_p(u_1) = v_p(b) - 2\min\{\alpha, \beta\}v_p(b),$$

from where we obtain

$$(N+1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = \pm\alpha + \tau, \quad (N-1)v_p(u_1)/2v_p(b) = \pm\beta + \delta,$$

$$Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = \pm\alpha \pm \beta + \tau + \delta, \quad v_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = \pm\alpha \mp \beta + \tau - \delta,$$

$$v_p(u_N)/v_p(b) = 1 - 2\min\{\alpha, \beta\} - v_p(u_1)/v_p(b) = 1 - 2\min\{\alpha, \beta\} - \{\alpha - \beta\} = \{\alpha + \beta\} = \{Nv_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\}.$$

The lemma is proved.

LEMMA 10. We have congruence

$$m v_p(u_1) \equiv 0 \pmod{v_p(b)}. \quad (25)$$

Proof. By the definition of points of finite order, for any number  $t$  we have  $v_p(u_t) = v_p(u_{m-t})$ ; therefore, for  $(p, 2) = 1$  and  $t < \varphi(m)/4n$  we have

$$\{t v_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\} = \{(m-t) v_p(u_1)/v_p(b)\},$$

from where, by virtue of the arbitrariness of  $t$ , we obtain (25).

On the basis of the isogeny of the curves  $v^2 = u^4 + au^2 + b$  and  $v^2 = u^4 - 2au^2 + a^2 - 4b$ , we obtain by analogy:

LEMMA 11. If  $p$  is odd number such that  $v_p(a^2 - 4b) > 0$ , then for any natural number  $t < \varphi(m)/4n$  we have

$$v_p(v_t) = \{t v_p(v_1)/v_p(a^2 - 4b)\} v_p(a^2 - 4b). \quad (26)$$

LEMMA 12.

$$m v_p(v_1) \equiv 0 \pmod{v_p(a^2 - 4b)}. \quad (27)$$

LEMMA 13. Assume that  $\delta_p(u) = v_p(u) - v_p(2)$ ,  $\delta_p(b) = v_p(b) - 4v_p(2)$ . For any natural number  $t < \varphi(m)/4n$  we have

$$\delta_p(u_t) = \delta_p(b)/4 \quad (28)$$

in the case  $\delta_p(b) \leq 0$  and

$$\delta_p(u_t) = \{t \delta_p(u_1)/\delta_p(b)\} \delta_p(b)$$

in the case  $\delta_p(b) > 0$

Since for an odd  $p$  the formulas (24), (28) coincide, it is sufficient to consider only the case  $2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ .

If  $v_p(b) \leq 4v_p(2)$ , then by virtue of Lemmas 1 and 7 we have  $v_p(u^4) = v_p(4u^2) = v_p(b)$  for  $v_p(b) = 4v_p(2)$  and  $v_p(u^4) = v_p(b)$  for  $v_p(b) < 4v_p(2)$ . If, however,  $v_p(b) > 4v_p(2)$ , then on the basis of the same lemmas we have  $v_p(u) > v_p(2)$ , as a consequence of which, setting  $\delta_p(u) = v_p(u) - v_p(2)$ ,  $\delta_p(b) = v_p(b) - 4v_p(2)$  and applying the reasoning of Lemma 9, we obtain as a result the relation (28).

On the same basis we have

LEMMA 14. Let  $\delta_p(v) = v_p(v) - 2v_p(2)$ ,  $\delta_p(a^2 - 4b) = v_p(a^2 - 4b) - 8v_p(2)$ . For any natural number  $t < \varphi(m)/4n$  we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta_p(v_t) &= \delta_p(a^2 - 4b)/4 \\ \delta_p(v_t) &= \{t\delta_p(v_1)/\delta_p(b)\}\delta_p(b) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (29)$$

in the case  $\delta_p(a^2 - 4b) \leq 0$  and

in the case of  $\delta_p(a^2 - 4b) > 0$ .

We separate the divisors of  $u_1$  and  $v_1$  into classes in such a manner that to the same class there will belong those  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  for which  $\delta_{a_i}(u_1)/\delta_{a_i}(b) = i$ ,  $\delta_{b_i}(v_1)/\delta_{b_i}(a^2 - 4b) = i$ . Then, on the basis of the above-proved lemma we can easily derive the

COROLLARY. Let  $\mathcal{K}'$  be the minimal field in which all the divisors from  $\mathcal{K}$  are principal. For any natural number  $t < m/2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= \varepsilon_t \mathcal{P}_0 \sigma_0 T_{(m,t)}^{-1} \prod_{d_i \parallel m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} A_{d_{i,j}}^{\{t_j/d_i\}d_i}, \\ v_t/u_t &= \varepsilon'_t \mathcal{P}'_0 \sigma'_0 T_{(m,t)}^{-1} \prod_{d_i \parallel m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} B_{d_{i,j}}^{\{t_j/d_i\}d_i}, \\ (d_{i,j}) &= 1 \\ b &= \sigma_0^4 \mathcal{P}_0^4 \prod_{d_i \parallel m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} A_{d_{i,j}}^{d_i} \cdot c, \\ a^2 - 4b &= \sigma_0'^4 \mathcal{P}_0'^4 \prod_{d_i \parallel m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} B_{d_{i,j}}^{d_i} \cdot d, \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

where  $\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon'_t, \dots, c, d$  are integers from  $\mathcal{K}'$ ,  $1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\varepsilon}$ ,  $4 \equiv 0 \pmod{\sigma_0^4 \sigma_0'^4}$ ;  $A, B, c, d$  are pairwise relatively prime,  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{T_{(m,t)}}$ ,  $T_{(m,t)} = 1$  in the case  $m/(m,t) \neq p^2, 2p^2$  ( $p$  is prime) or  $\varphi(m)/4n > t$ .

Proof of the Theorem. Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the curve

$$au^4 - b = cv^4 \quad (31)$$

By the geometric method of tracing secants to the curve (31), it is easy to establish that if  $P_1 = \{u_1, v_1\}$ ,  $P_2 = \{u_2, v_2\}$  are points on  $\mathcal{H}$ , then  $P_1 \pm P_2 = \{u_{\pm}, v_{\pm}\}$ , where

$$u_{\pm} = \frac{u_1 v_2 \mp u_2 v_1}{u_2^2 - u_1^2}, \quad v_{\pm} = \frac{cv_1 v_2 (u_1^2 + u_2^2) \mp 2u_1 u_2 (au_1^2 u_2^2 - b)}{(u_2^2 - u_1^2)^2} \quad (32)$$

and  $\{u_{\pm}, v_{\pm}\}$  are points of the curve  $c^2 u^4 - ab = v^4$ . First of all we note that if  $(a, b, c) = 1$ ,  $\nu_q(u, bc) = \nu_q(v, ab) = 0$  and  $\nu_{q_1}(u_1) \nu_{q_1}(u_2) \geq 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_2}(v_1/u_1) \nu_{q_2}(v_2/u_2) \geq 0$ , where  $q_1$  is arbitrary and  $q_2$  is odd, then  $\nu_{q_1}(u_{\pm}) \leq 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}) \leq 0$ , respectively. Indeed, we set  $u_i = \alpha_i/\beta_i$ ,  $v_i = \gamma_i/\beta_i$ , where  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i) = 1$  ( $i=1,2$ ). Then, by multiplying the formulas (32) one can obtain

$$cu_+ u_- = \frac{a\alpha_1^2 \alpha_2^2 + b\beta_1^2 \beta_2^2}{\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2}, \quad v_+ v_- = \frac{c^2 \gamma_1^2 \gamma_2^2 - 4ab\alpha_1^2 \alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 \beta_2^2}{(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2)^2} \quad (33)$$

a)  $\nu_{q_1}(u_1) \nu_{q_1}(u_2) < 0$ . Obviously, for this case  $\nu_{q_1}(u_1), -\nu_{q_1}(u_2) > 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_1 \beta_2) = 0$  or  $\nu_{q_1}(u_2) > 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_1 \beta_2) = 0$ . Therefore,  $\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_1 \beta_1 \gamma_2 \mp \alpha_2 \beta_2 \gamma_1) > 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2) = 0$ , i.e.,  $\nu_{q_1}(u_{\pm}) > 0$ .

b)  $\nu_{q_2}(v_1/u_1) \nu_{q_2}(v_2/u_2) < 0$ . Since  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_1 \beta_1), \nu_{q_2}(\gamma_2) > 0$  or  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_2 \beta_2), \nu_{q_2}(\gamma_1) > 0$  and  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_i, \beta_i) = 0$  ( $i=1,2$ ), we have  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2) = 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_2}\{c\gamma_1 \gamma_2 (\alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2 + \alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2) \mp 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta_1 \beta_2 (a\alpha_1^2 \alpha_2^2 - b\beta_1^2 \beta_2^2)\} > 0$ , whence  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}) > 0$ .

c)  $\nu_{q_1}(u_1) \nu_{q_1}(u_2) > 0$ . According to (33) and the conditions  $\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_1 \alpha_2) = 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_1}(\beta_1), \nu_{q_1}(\beta_2) > 0$  or  $\nu_{q_1}(\beta_1 \beta_2) = 0, \nu_{q_1}(\alpha_1), \nu_{q_1}(\alpha_2) > 0$ , we have

$$\nu_{q_1}(u_+ u_-) = -\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2), \quad (34)$$

but

$$\nu_{q_1}(u_{\pm}) = \nu_{q_1}(\alpha_1 \beta_1 \gamma_2 \mp \alpha_2 \beta_2 \gamma_1) - \nu_{q_1}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2) > -\nu_{q_1}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2),$$

as a consequence of which, on the basis of (34), each of the numbers  $\nu_{q_1}(u_{\pm})$  must be negative.

d)  $\nu_{q_2}(v_1/u_1) \nu_{q_2}(v_2/u_2) > 0$ . If  $\nu_{q_2}(\gamma_1/\alpha_1 \beta_1), \nu_{q_2}(\gamma_2/\alpha_2 \beta_2) < 0$ , then  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}) < 0$  on the basis of what has been proved before and, therefore, it is sufficient to consider only the case  $\nu_{q_2}(\gamma_1), \nu_{q_2}(\gamma_2) > 0$ . For  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2) = 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_1 \beta_1 \gamma_2 \mp \alpha_2 \beta_2 \gamma_1) > 0$ ,  $\nu_{q_2}(u_{\pm}) > 0$  and  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}) < 0$ ; in the case  $\nu_{q_2}(\alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2 - \alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2) > 0$  We rewrite Eq. (31) in the form  $a - bu_1^4 = cv_1^4$ , where  $u_1 = 1/u$ ,  $v_1 = v/u^4$ . Then, since  $q_2$  is odd,  $(a\alpha_1^4 \alpha_2^4 - b\beta_1^4 \beta_2^4)^2 - ab(\alpha_1^4 \beta_2^4 - \alpha_2^4 \beta_1^4)^2 = c^2 \gamma_1^4 \gamma_2^4$  and  $\nu_{q_2}(\gamma_1), \nu_{q_2}(\gamma_2), \nu_{q_2}(\alpha_1^2 \beta_2^2 - \alpha_2^2 \beta_1^2) > 0$ , we have  $\nu_{q_2}(a\alpha_1^4 \alpha_2^4 + b\beta_1^4 \beta_2^4) = 0$  and  $1/u_{\pm} = (\alpha_1 \beta_1 \gamma_2 \pm \alpha_2 \beta_2 \gamma_1) / (a\alpha_1^4 \alpha_2^4 + b\beta_1^4 \beta_2^4)$ , therefore  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}') = 0$ . Consequently  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}'/u_{\pm}') < 0$ , but  $v_{\pm}'/u_{\pm}' = (v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}^4)/(1/u_{\pm}) = v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}$ , whence  $\nu_{q_2}(v_{\pm}/u_{\pm}) < 0$ .

Assume now that  $O_m = \{u_1, v_1\}$  is a  $\mathcal{K}$ -point of order  $m$  on  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\varphi(m) > 4n$ . Then for every  $t$  from the interval  $1, 2, \dots, [m/2]$ , satisfying the condition  $m/(m, t) > 4n$ , on the basis of the corollary we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
u_t^4 + au_t^2 + b &= v_t^2, \\
u_{2t} &= \varepsilon_{2t} \varepsilon_0 \mathcal{P}_0 \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{A}_{d_i, j}^{\{2t_j/d_i\}d_i} = \\
&= \varepsilon_t \varepsilon_0 \mathcal{P}_0 \mathcal{A}_t^2 \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{A}_{d_i, j}^{\{2t_j/d_i\}d_i} \\
&\quad (d_i, 2) = 1 \\
v_{2t}/u_{2t} &= \varepsilon'_{2t} \varepsilon'_0 \mathcal{P}_0 \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{B}_{d_i, j}^{\{2t_j/d_i\}d_i} = \\
&= \varepsilon'_t \varepsilon'_0 \mathcal{P}_0 \mathcal{B}_t^2 \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{B}_{d_i, j}^{\{2t_j/d_i\}d_i} \\
&\quad (d_i, 2) = 1
\end{aligned} \right\} \quad (35)$$

(  $\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon'_t$  are some products of the first powers of basis units of the field  $\mathcal{K}'$  ),

$$b(a^2 - 4b) = cd C^2 \prod_{(d_i, 2) = 1} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} (\mathcal{A}_{d_i, j} \mathcal{B}_{d_i, j})^{d_i} = q^2 \prod_{s=1}^N q_s.$$

Since  $c, d, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  are pairwise relatively prime, it follows that  $\mathcal{A} = \prod_{i=1}^{N_1} q_i \mathcal{A}_i^2, \mathcal{B} = \prod_{i=1}^{N_2} q_i \mathcal{B}_i^2$  ( $N_1, N_2 \leq N$ ) for all  $d_i \neq 0 \pmod{2}$ , where  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  are elements of the field  $\mathcal{K}'$ . According formulas (10) we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
u_{\alpha+\beta} + u_{\alpha-\beta} &= 2 \frac{u_\alpha u_\beta}{u_\alpha^2 - u_\beta^2} \frac{v_\alpha}{u_\alpha}, \\
u_{\alpha+\beta} - u_{\alpha-\beta} &= 2 \frac{u_\alpha u_\beta}{u_\alpha^2 - u_\beta^2} \frac{v_\beta}{u_\beta}.
\end{aligned} \right\} \quad (36)$$

From (35) and (36) we obtain

$$a^2 u^4 - b^2 = c v^2, \quad \prod_{s=1}^N q_s \equiv 0 \pmod{abc}. \quad (37)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
au^2/b &= \varepsilon_{2\alpha+2\beta} \varepsilon_{2\alpha-2\beta}^{-1} \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{A}_{d_i, j}^{\{2(\alpha+\beta)_j/d_i\} - \{2(\alpha-\beta)_j/d_i\}} d_i, \\
cv^2 &= \varepsilon_{2\alpha} \varepsilon_{2\beta}^{-1} \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{B}_{d_i, j}^{\{2\alpha_j/d_i\} - \{2\beta_j/d_i\}} d_i \times \\
&\quad \times \left[ \varepsilon_{2\alpha+2\beta} \varepsilon_{2\alpha-2\beta}^{-1} \prod_{d_i | m} \prod_{j=1}^{[d_i/2]} \mathcal{A}_{d_i, j}^{\{2(\alpha+\beta)_j/d_i\} - \{2(\alpha-\beta)_j/d_i\}} d_i - 1 \right]^2 \\
&\quad \equiv 0 \pmod{\varepsilon}, \quad u, v \in \mathcal{K}'.
\end{aligned} \right\} \quad (38)$$

Thus, if  $a^2 u^4 - b^2 = c v^2$  is a group of curves, related by the condition  $abc = c, \sum_{s=1}^N \nu_{q_s}(abc) < N$  then, at least on one of them there exist at least  $m/c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$  points, whose coordinates are determined by the formulas (38).

Obviously, the rank  $\tau$  of the curve (37) does not exceed the constant  $c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$ , which depends only on  $n$ ,  $N$  and on the number of classes of the divisors  $h(\mathcal{K})$  of the given field  $\mathcal{K}$ .

Any  $\tau+1$  points  $Q_j = \{u_j/w_j, v_j/w_j^2\}$  (from  $j=1, 2, \dots, \tau+1$ ) from (38) are linearly dependent, i.e., for some integral rationals  $a_j$  (not simultaneously equal to 0) one has

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\tau+1} a_j Q_j = O, \quad (39)$$

where  $O$  is the zero point on the curve  $E: v^2 = u^4 - a^2 b^2 c^2$ .

First of all we note that due to  $2\alpha, 2\beta, 2\alpha \pm 2\beta \not\equiv 0 \pmod{m}$ , we have

$$\{2(\alpha+\beta)_j/m\} \neq \{2(\alpha-\beta)_j/m\}, \quad \{2\alpha_j/m\} \neq \{2\beta_j/m\}. \quad (40)$$

Applying now Lemma 1 to the curve (37), we have: if  $\mathcal{P} = \{u_1/w_1, v_1/w_1^2\}$  is an arbitrary point on (37) and  $2^t \mathcal{P} = \{u_{2^t}/w_{2^t}, v_{2^t}/w_{2^t}^2\}$ , then

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_{2^t} &= \sum_{i=0}^{2^{t-1}-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^{t-1}-1} a_{i,j} (a^4 u_1^4)^i (-b^2 w_1^4)^j, & a_{i,j} &= (-1)^{2^{t-1}-i-j} a_{j,i}, \\ v_{2^t} &= \sum_{i=0}^{2^{t-1}-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^{t-1}-1} b_{i,j} (a^2 u_1^4)^i (-b^2 w_1^4)^j, & b_{i,j} &= b_{j,i}, \\ w_{2^t} &= u_1 v_1 w_1 \sum_{i=0}^{2^{t-1}-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^{t-1}-1} c_{i,j} (a^2 u_1^4)^i (-b^2 w_1^4)^j, & c_{i,j} &= (-1)^{2^{t-1}-i-j} c_{j,i}, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (41)$$

where  $a_{2^{t-1}-1,0} = b_{2^{t-1}-1,0} = 1$ . From formulas (41) one can see that for the points  $O_{2^t} = \{u_{2^t}, v_{2^t}\}$ ,  $t > 0$ , of order  $2^t$  of the curve  $E$   $v_{2^t}$  consists of powers of the divisor 2, while  $u_{2^t}$  is a unit. Therefore, if in (39)  $v_2(a_j) > 0$ , then, setting  $a_j = 2b_j$  and taking into account that, on the basis of (40) and on the basis of the assertion proved at the beginning of the theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_+ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\tau+1} b_j Q_j = O_2 = \{u_+/w_+, v_+/w_+^2\}, \\ (u_+, v_+, w_+) &= 1, \quad u_+ v_+ w_+ \equiv 0 \pmod{\prod_{i,j} A_{a_{i,j}} B_{a_{i,j}}}, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain that  $A_{a_{i,j}}, B_{a_{i,j}}$  consists of powers of the divisors of the pair. We assume now that in (39)  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\tau+1}, 2) = 1$ . The points  $\{u/w, v/w^2\}$ ,  $(u, v, w) = 1$  and  $\{u'/w', v'/w'^2\}$ ,  $(u', v', w') = 1$  will be considered equivalent if their coordinates satisfy the congruences

$$uw' = u'w, \quad vw'^2 = v'w^2 \pmod{\prod_{i,j} A_{a_{i,j}} B_{a_{i,j}}}.$$

Obviously,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\tau+1} a_j Q_j \sim \sum_{j=1}^{\tau+1} e_j Q_j, \quad (42)$$



where  $\theta_j$  is the absolute smallest residue of the number  $a_j$  relative to mod 2. For sufficiently large values of  $d_i$  in comparison with  $r$ , one may select points  $Q_{a_j}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, r+1$ ) such that on the basis of (42) one should have the congruences

$$u_+ \equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, \theta_i}}, \quad w_+ \equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, \theta_i}},$$

where

$$(u_+/w_+, v_+/w_+) = \sum_{j=1}^{r+1} a_j Q_j, \quad (u_+, v_+, w_+) = 1.$$

Indeed, by virtue of (42), for the proof of our assertion it is sufficient to consider only equivalent points and, therefore, without loss of generality, one can set  $a_t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  ( $j < t, t < r+1$ ). Assume that in (36) we have  $\alpha + \beta = d_i + 1$ ,  $\alpha - \beta = d_i - 1$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, t$ ), where  $d_i \neq 1, > 0$  and are sufficiently small in comparison with  $d_i$ , and also  $d_i > d_{i-1} + 2$ . In this case  $\nu_{A_{d_i, 1}}(u_{d_i+1})$  and  $\nu_{A_{d_i, 1}}(u_{d_i-1})$  are equal to  $d_i + 1$  and  $d_i - 1$ , respectively. Now we select  $\delta$  so that we should have the inequalities

$$\{(d_i + 1)\delta/d_j\} > \{(d_i - 1)\delta/d_j\} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, t-1)$$

and

$$\{(d_t + 1)\delta/d_j\} < \{(d_t - 1)\delta/d_j\}.$$

For this it is sufficient to take

$$(d_t - 1)\delta = (d_j - c)/2,$$

where  $0 < c < 2(d_t - 1)$ . Indeed,

$$\{(d_t + 1)\delta/d_j\} d_j = \{(d_j - c)/2d_j + (d_j - c)/d_j(d_t - 1)\} d_j = \{(d_j + c)2d_j - (d_j - c)/d_j(d_t - 1)\} d_j < \{(d_j - c)/2d_j\} d_j$$

and

$$\{(d_i + 1)\delta/d_j\} d_j = (d_i + 1)\delta, \quad \{(d_i - 1)\delta/d_j\} d_j = (d_i - 1)\delta \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, t-1)$$

by virtue of  $d_t > d_i + 2$  and  $\delta = (d_j - c)/2(d_t - 1)$ . For such values of  $d_i$ , on the basis of (42) we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_+ &\equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, 1}}, \quad w_+ \equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, 1}} \\ u_+ &\equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, 3}}, \quad w_+ \equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, 3}} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (43)$$

in the case  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and

in the case  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Since  $\sum_{j=1}^{r+1} a_j Q_j = 0$ , from (43) it follows that

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, 1}} \quad (t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}),$$

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{A_{d_i, 3}} \quad (t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}).$$

Selecting for the basis point  $O_m = \{u_l, v_l\}$  of order  $m$  on  $\mathcal{W}$  the point  $\{u_l, v_l\}$ , where  $l$  is arbitrary, relatively prime with  $m$ , for  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  we shall have

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, (1/\ell)}},$$

i.e., all  $\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, j}$  for  $d_i > c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$  are units of the field  $\mathcal{K}'$ .

In the case  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  we denote by  $\mathcal{R}$  the sum of the ranks  $\mathcal{r}$  of all group curves (37), related by the condition  $abc = C$ ,  $\prod_{j=1}^{\mathcal{R}} a_{j,i} \equiv 0 \pmod{C}$ , and we consider the system

$$T_i = \{u_i, v_i\} = \sum_{j=1}^{\mathcal{R}} a_{j,i} Q_j,$$

where  $Q_j \in (37)$  and all the possible coordinates  $u_i, v_i$  are determined by formulas (38). From the collection of points  $T_i$  we select  $\mathcal{R}$  points for which

$$T_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\mathcal{R}} a_{j,i} Q_j \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, \mathcal{R}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{N}_2(\|a_{j,i}\|) = \min.$$

Then for any of the remaining points  $T_{\delta}$  one has the equality

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mathcal{R}} b_i T_i + b_{\delta} T_{\delta} = O, \quad (44)$$

where  $b_i, b_{\delta}$  are integers and  $b_{\delta} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . From (44) one can see that for at least  $d_i/c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$  points one has the relation

$$T_{\delta_1} \sim T_{\delta_2} \quad (\delta_1 \neq \delta_2). \quad (45)$$

Inserting in (36)  $\{\alpha, \beta\} = \{2 + \beta_i, \beta_i\}$ ,  $\{2 - \beta_j, \beta_j\}$ ,  $\beta_i, \beta_j \in \{1, 2, \dots, [d_i/2]\}$ , from (44) we derive

$$u_{2+2\beta_1}/u_2 \sim u_2/u_{2-2\beta_2}, \quad u_2^2 \sim u_{2+2\beta_1} u_{2-2\beta_2}. \quad (46)$$

Obviously, for any  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  we have

$$\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, [d_i/2]}}(u_2^2) < \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, [d_i/2]}}(u_{2+2\beta_1} u_{2-2\beta_2}),$$

and therefore from (46) it follows that

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, [d_i/2]}}. \quad (47)$$

As in the previous case, together with (47) one has the congruences

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, ([d_i/2]/t)}}, \quad (t, m) = 1,$$

whence

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{A}_{d_i, j}}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, [d_i/2], \quad (j, d_i) = 1.$$

Finally, making use of the isogeny of the curves  $u^4 + au^2 + b = v^2$  and  $u^4 - 2au^2 + a^2 - 4b = v^2$ , we obtain similarly

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{B}_{d_i, j}}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, [d_i/2], \quad (j, d_i) = 1.$$

Thus, for sufficiently large  $d_i$  in comparison with  $c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$ , we have

$$1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\prod_{d_i | n} \mathcal{B}_{d_i} \mathcal{H}_{d_i}}.$$

Taking in (36)  $\alpha, \beta \equiv 0 \pmod{\text{g.c.d.}(d_i)}$  ( $d_i < c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N)$ ), we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_\alpha + 1 &= \varepsilon_\beta (\varepsilon_\alpha - 1), \quad 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\varepsilon_\alpha}, \\ \varepsilon_\alpha &= u_{(2\alpha+1)\text{g.c.d.}(d_i)} / u_{\text{g.c.d.}(d_i)} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (48)$$

But Eq. (48) over the field  $\mathcal{K}'$  has only a finite number of solutions.

Therefore, taking into account that  $u_{(2\alpha+1)\text{g.c.d.}(d_i)} \neq u_{(2\beta+1)\text{g.c.d.}(d_i)}$  for  $2\alpha_1 \neq 2\alpha_2 \pmod{m/\text{g.c.d.}(d_i)}$ , from this we deduce that

$$m < c(n, h(\mathcal{K}), N).$$

The theorem is proved.

COROLLARY. The torsion of the elliptic curves, birationally isomorphic over some extensions of the field  $\mathcal{K}$  with the curve

$$\mathcal{T}: y^2 = x(x-1)(x-t^2),$$

is uniformly bounded by the constant  $c(n, h(\mathcal{K}))$ , depending only on the power  $n$  and on the number of classes of divisors  $h(\mathcal{K})$  of this field.

Indeed, it is sufficient to rewrite the equation of the curve  $\mathcal{T}$  in the form

$$v^2 = (u^2 - (t-1)^2)(u^2 - (t+1)^2),$$

$$u = y/x, \quad v = 2x - 1 - t^2 - y^2/x^2$$

and to take into account that from the birational isomorphism of the elliptic curves there follows the birational isomorphism of the corresponding Jacobi curves.

Thus, we have proved the uniform boundedness of the torsion of the Jacobi and elliptic curves in that formulation of the problem which was indicated in [1, p. 240].

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