

Asymptotics For Number

Fields And Class Groups

Project Group: Expected  
expectations

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# Distributions of Class Groups

## Quadratic fields

- conditions at infinity (Real vs. Imag.) has a big effect on the class group.
- MB-heuristics imply non-arch local concl. have no effect.

Goal: Investigate this in further cases (higher degree) (more conditions)

# Cubic fields (K cubic field)

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How to count  $\#\text{Sur}(\text{Gal}(K), \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$ ?

Do local conditions affect this?

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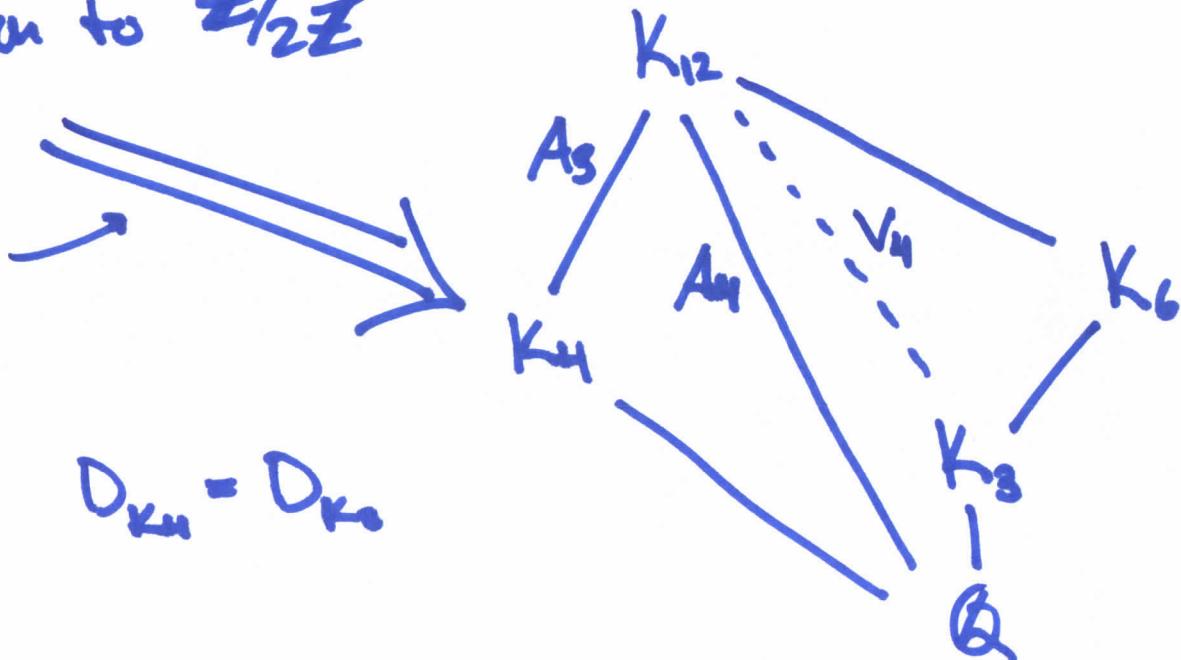
Condition at  $\infty$ :  $K_3$  cyclic cubic (totally real)

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Surjection to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

Heilbronn

$$\text{s.t. } D_{K_H} = D_{K_3}$$



Decomposition Group	Inertia Group	Splitting Type in $K_3$	Splitting Type in $K_4$
1	1	(1, 1, 1)	(1, 1, 1, 1)
$\langle\langle(123)\rangle\rangle$	1	(3)	(1, 3)
* $\langle\langle(123)\rangle\rangle$	(123)	(1 <sup>3</sup> )	(1, 1 <sup>3</sup> )
$\langle\langle(12)(34)\rangle\rangle$	1	(1, 1, 1)	(2, 2)
* $\langle\langle(12)(34)\rangle\rangle$	(12)(34)	(1, 1, 1)	(1 <sup>2</sup> , 1 <sup>2</sup> )
$W_4 = V_4$	(12)(34)	(1, 1, 1)	(2 <sup>2</sup> )

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$$\#\left\{ \text{our } (\text{Cl}(K_3), \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}) : K_3 \text{ cyclic cubic, totally split at 7} \right\}$$

$$|D_{K_3}| < X$$

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$$\#\left\{ \cdot | D_{K_4} | < X : K_4 \text{ A}_4\text{-quartic, totally split at 7 or } (7) = P_1 P_2 \right\}$$

+(Extra conditions)

Bhargava has results on counting S4-quartics  
 . . . but we don't know how to  
 count A4-quartics.

We can still compute local factors and make predictions using MB-heuristics, in this and more difficult cases.

# Possible Galois Groups

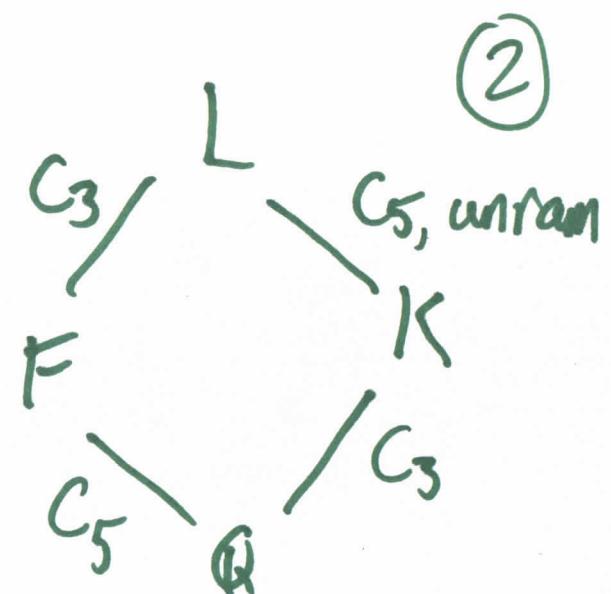
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$$A_4 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{L} \\ | \\ L = K_6 \\ | \\ C_2, \text{ unram} \\ | \\ K = K_3 \\ | \\ C_3 \\ | \\ Q \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Gamma_5 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{L} \\ | \\ L \\ | \\ C_5, \text{ unram} \\ | \\ K \\ | \\ C_3 \\ | \\ Q \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Gamma_7 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{L} \\ | \\ L \\ | \\ C_7, \text{ un-} \\ | \\ ram \\ | \\ K \\ | \\ C_3 \\ | \\ Q \end{array} \right.$$

$$P_5 \cong (C_5)^k \rtimes C_3, \quad k \neq 1.$$



$k \neq 3$ :  $C_3 = \langle \alpha \rangle$ .  $\alpha$  acting on  $(C_5)^3$

Must have 1 as an eigenvalue.

$$\Rightarrow P_5 \cong (C_5 \times C_5) \rtimes (C_5 \times C_3)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Unram extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . #

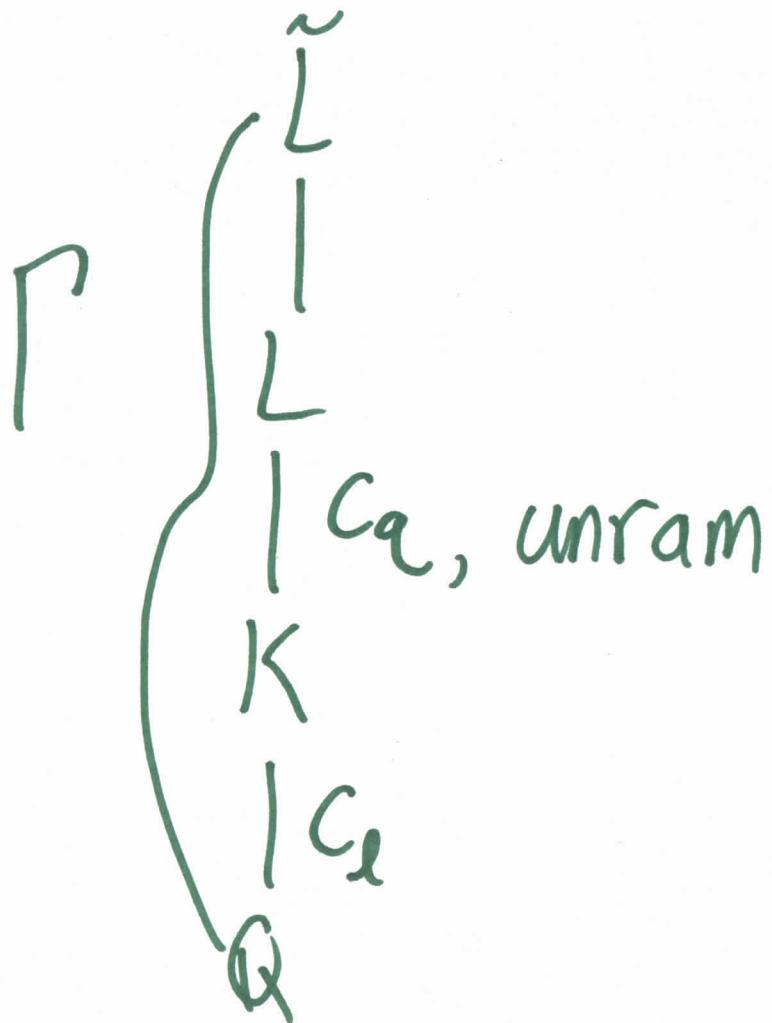
$$\Gamma_7 \cong (C_7)^\kappa \times C_3 ; \quad \kappa = 1, 2, \text{ or } 3. \quad (3)$$

Although: •  $\alpha$  acting on  $(C_7)^\kappa$

Cannot have 1 as an eigenvalue.

• If  $\kappa \geq 2$ , all eigenvalues  
of  $\alpha$  cannot be the same.

More generally:  $\Gamma \cong (C_\alpha)^\kappa \times C_\ell$  4



Notation:

- $C_L = \langle \alpha \rangle$ ,  $\alpha$  acts on  $(C_q)^\kappa$  by  $\ell_\alpha$ .
- $\forall \alpha \in \Gamma, v \in (C_q)^\kappa$

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## Proposition

- 1)  $\varphi_d$  cannot have any eigenvalues  $= 1$
- 2) If  $\kappa \geq 2$ , all eigenvalues of  $\varphi_d$  cannot be the same.
- 3)  $q^{\kappa} \equiv 1 \pmod{l}$ 

And, 1) implies:
- 4) There are  $l-1$  conjugacy classes of elements of order  $l$ .

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## Proof of 4)

a) Total # elts order  $l$  is

$$q^k(l-1):$$

$$(v_\alpha)^l = (v + \varphi_\alpha(v) + \dots + \varphi_\alpha^{l-1}(v)) \cdot \cancel{q^k}$$

$$= (I + \varphi_\alpha + \dots + \varphi_\alpha^{l-1})(v)$$

$= 0$  b/c 1 not an eigenvalue  
of  $\varphi_\alpha$ .

b) # elts in each c. class of order  $l$  element is  $(q^k \cdot l)/l = q^k$ .

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c) Therefore, # Conjugacy  
classes of elts of order  $l$  is

$$\frac{q^k(l-1)}{q^k} = l-1. //$$

# Local Factors

$$\tilde{L} \quad \Gamma = \text{Gal}(\tilde{L}/\mathbb{Q}) = C_q^k * C_e$$

$\uparrow$   
A

nr |  $C_q$   
K |  $C_e$   
 $\mathbb{Q}$

Goal: Determine the local factors in Malle-Bhargava for counting these.

$$E(\# \text{Surj}(Cl(K) \rightarrow C_q)) = ?$$

Local factor at  $p$ :  $(\rho^{*l})$

$$\sum_{[y] \in \Gamma} (\text{disc } y)^{-s}$$

with  $[y] = [y^p]$

Also restrict to  $y \notin A$  (else L/K ram.)

$\iff y = v\alpha$  for  $v \in A$ ,  $\alpha \in C_\ell$ ,  $\alpha \neq \text{id}$

$\iff \text{ord}(y) = l$   
(or  $y = 1$ )

## Facts:

- $\Gamma$  has  $(l-1)$  conjugacy classes of elements of order  $l$ .
- If  $y$  has order  $l$ , its centralizer is  $\langle y \rangle$ .
- $[y] = \{v'x : v' \in A\}$  ( $y = vx$ )
- $y^p = v'x^p$  for some  $v' \in A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } [y] = [y^p] &\iff \alpha = \alpha^p \\ &\iff p \equiv 1 \pmod{l} \end{aligned}$$

Local factor is:

- 1 if  $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{l}$
- $1 + (l-1) p^{-(l-1)s}$  if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{l}$
- Hard if  $p = l$ .

Same as local factor for  
Counting  $C_\ell$  fields!

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Local restrictions?

Ex: Require  $p$  to split completely in  $K$ .

Requires  $K/\mathbb{Q}$  unram. at  $p$ ,  
and  $\text{Frob}_p \in A$ . (For  $C_\ell$ ,  $\text{Frob}_p = 1$ .)

$$\text{Local factor} = \frac{1}{|\Gamma|} \sum_{\rho: G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow \Gamma} (\text{disc } \rho)^{-s}$$

$$= \frac{1}{|\Gamma|} (\# \text{Frob})$$

$$\text{For } \Gamma = A \rtimes C_\ell, \quad \frac{1}{q^k \cdot \ell} \cdot q^k = \frac{1}{\ell}$$

$$\text{For } C_\ell, \quad \frac{1}{\ell} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\ell}$$

Even if we have

to sum up over several  
possible  $\Gamma$ , this  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$   
is independent of  $\Gamma$ ,  
so it doesn't matter.

Ramified local conditions?

Ex: Let  $K/\mathbb{Q}_p$  ( $p \equiv 1 \pmod l$ )

be a totally ramified Ce extn.

Require  $K_p = K$ .

$\rho: G_{Q_p} \rightarrow \Gamma$  is given by

$x \cdot y$  with  $xyx^{-1} = y^p = y$ .

$\Rightarrow x \in \langle y \rangle$

$\Rightarrow \text{im } \rho \cong C_\ell$

$\Rightarrow \rho: G_{Q_p} \xrightarrow{\rho_1} C_\ell \xrightarrow{\rho_2} \Gamma$

$\rho_1$  determines  $K_p$ .

$p_1, p_2$  are independent,

so all  $\mathcal{K}$  occur equally often.

Jones-Roberts: There are  $l$  of them.

$$\text{Local factor} = \frac{l-1}{l} p^{-(l-1)s}$$

Same for  $C_l$ .

Moral:

Consider  $E(\# \text{Surj}(CI(K) \rightarrow C_L))$

as  $K$  ranges through

$C_L$ -extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Tame,  
non-arch  
↗

~~The~~ Malle - Bhargava  $\Rightarrow$  any local condition on  $K$  does not affect this.

$$\text{Let } D(G, X) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Cubic fields } K \\ \mid \text{Gal}(K) \cong G \end{array} \mid \mid \text{Disc } K \mid < X \right\}$$

Using data for cubics with  $\mid \text{Disc } K \mid < 10^7$ , we computed

$$\frac{1}{\# D(C_3, 10^7)} \sum_{K \in D(C_3, 10^7)} \frac{\# \text{Sur}(\text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K), \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})}{\# U(\mathcal{O}_K)[2] - 1} \approx 0.26$$

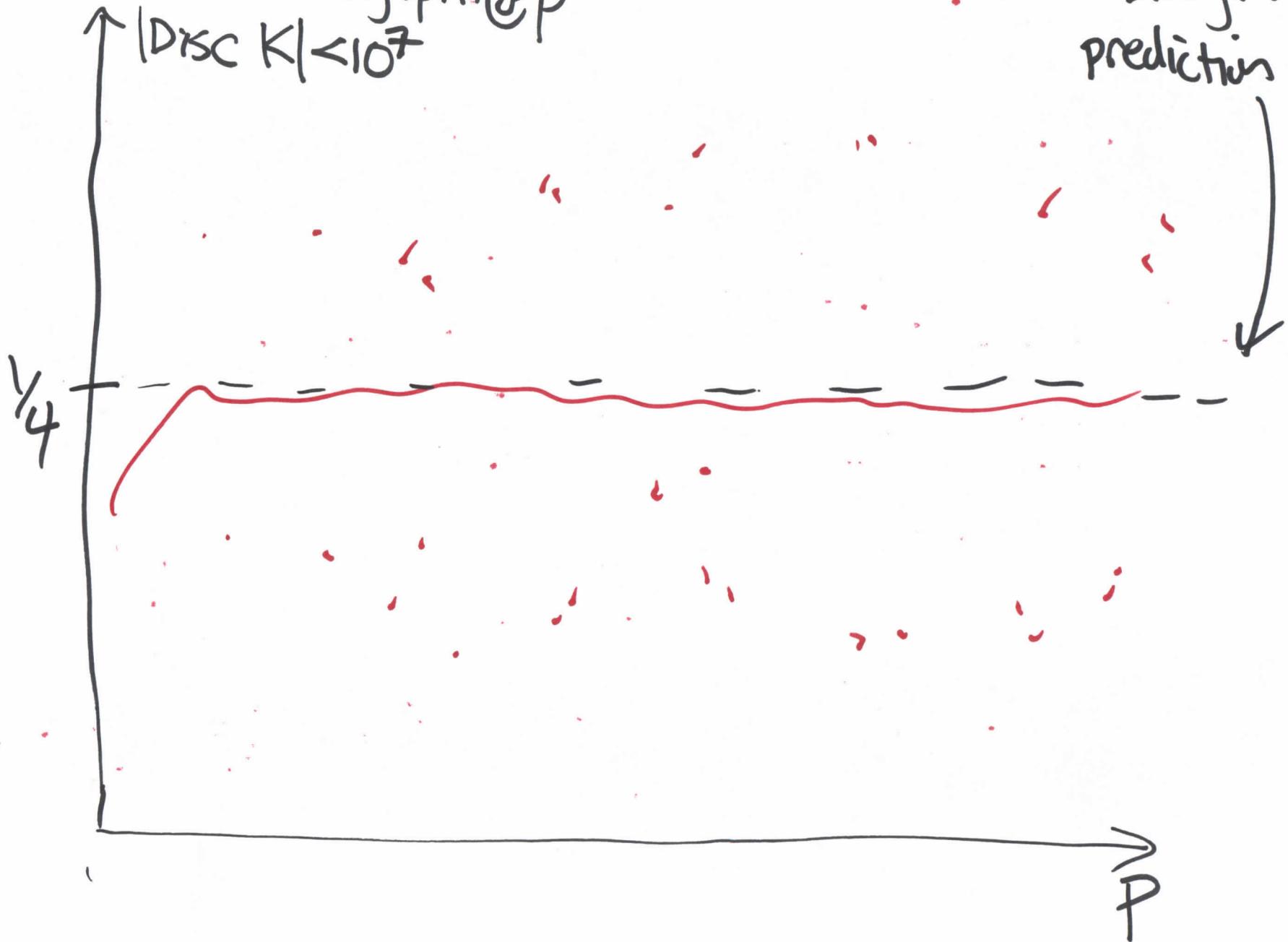
and for primes  $p < 1000$

$$\frac{1}{\# D(C_3, 10^7; p \text{ totally split})} \sum_{\substack{K \in D(C_3, 10^7), \\ p \text{ totally split}}} \# \text{Sur}(\text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K), \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$$

### C<sub>3</sub> cubics

$\partial h_2$ -moment |  
Totally split @ p  
 $|Disc K| < 10^7$

Malle-Bhargava prediction



For various  $X < 10^7$  we computed and compared.

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{complex} \\ K/\mathbb{Q} \text{ $S_3$-cubic} \\ |\text{Disc } K| < X}}$$

$$\# \text{Sur}(\text{Cl}(O_K), (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}))$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{complex} \\ K/\mathbb{Q} \text{ $S_3$-cubic, complex} \\ |\text{Disc } K| < X}} 1$$

AND

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{complex} \\ K/\mathbb{Q} \text{ $S_3$-cubic} \\ |\text{Disc } K| < X \\ \text{$\mathfrak{f}$ totally split in } O_K}}$$

$$\# \text{Sur}(\text{Cl}(O_K), \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$$

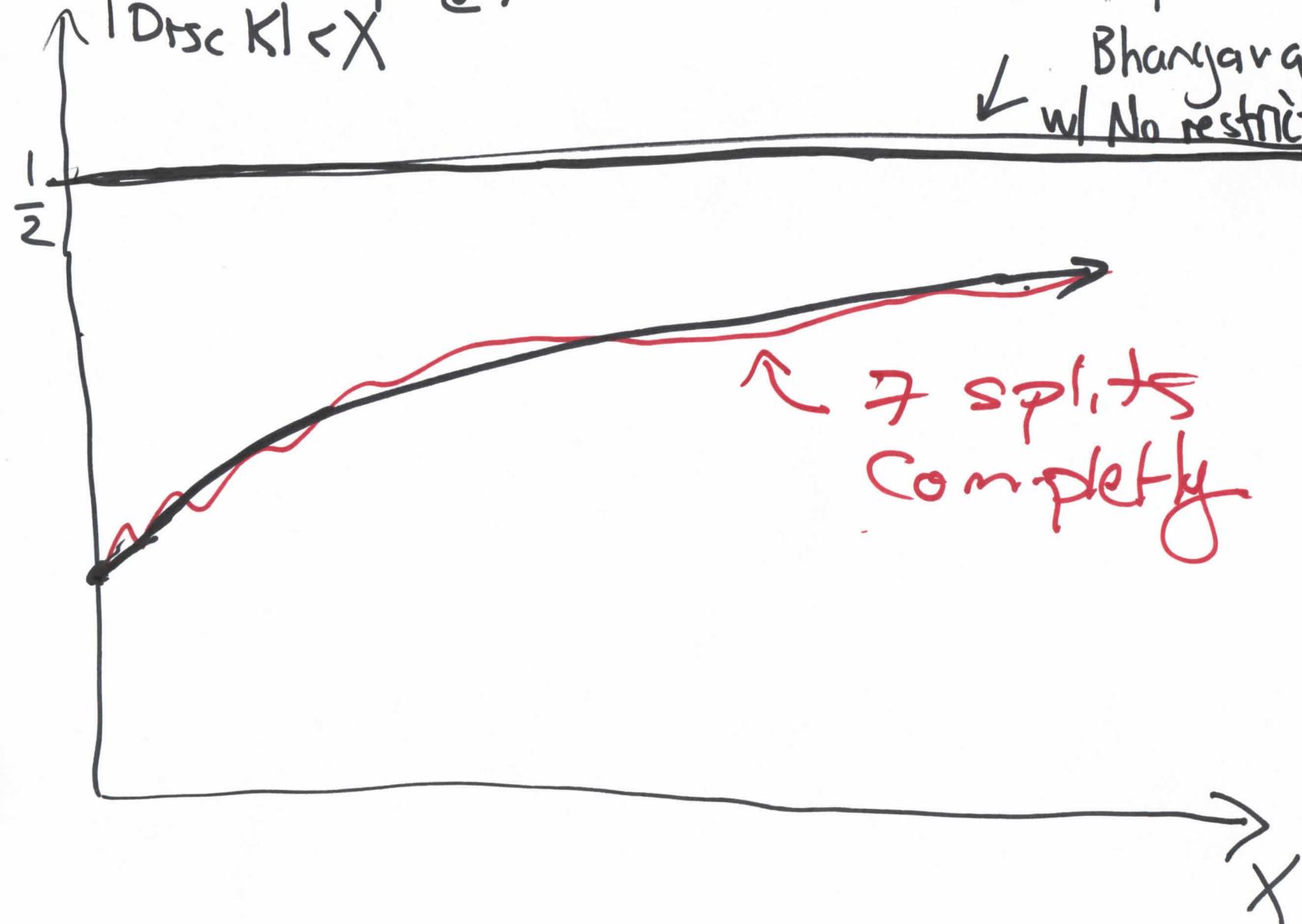
$$\sum_{\substack{\text{same}}} 1$$

$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -moment / Complex  $S_3$  Cubics

Totally  
Split & 7

$|Disc K| < X$

limit proven by  
Bhangara  
w/ No restriction



# Non-Cyclic Cubic Fields:

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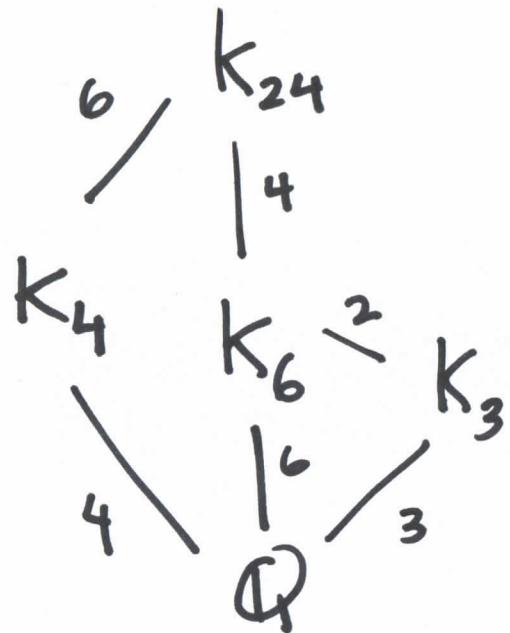
- (1) Establish the relationship between unramified quadratic extensions  $K_6$  of cubic fields  $K_3$  and quartic fields  $K_4$
- (2) When  $K_3$  is split completely at some rational prime  $l$  into  $l, l, l_3$ , determine what the condition on  $K_4$  is for  $\text{Frob}_{l_1}$  to be trivial in the Galois group  $\text{Gal}(K_6/K_3)$  of the unramified extn.

(3) Combine (1) & (2) in order to translate  
the following global question:

Q: How frequently are  $l_1, l_2, l_3$  all trivial  
in order two quotients of the class group  
of  $K_3$ ? (The other option is  $l_1$  trivial and  
 $l_2, l_3$  nontrivial.)  $\xrightarrow{\text{case 1}}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{case 2}}$

(4) Apply a theorem of Bhargava to answer  
the question above, namely count  
quartic fields with certain local conditions.

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→ What do we need to know about  $K_4$  in order to say that a prime  $l$  is split completely in  $K_3$ ?

$$\text{Gal}(K_{24}/\mathbb{Q}) \cong S_4$$

→ How can we detect when

$$\text{Gal}(K_{24}/K_6) \cong V_4$$

$K_6/K_3$  is unramified in terms of  $K_4$ ?

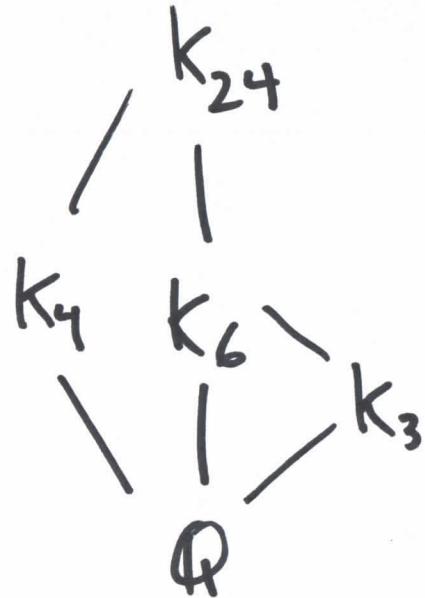
$$\text{Gal}(K_{24}/K_3) \cong D_4$$

$$\text{Gal}(K_{24}/K_4) \cong S_3$$

$$\text{Gal}(K_6/K_3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

Decomposition Group	Inertia Group	Splitting Type in $K_3$	Splitting Type in $K_4$ <sup>(4)</sup>
(*) 1	1	(1, 1, 1)	(1, 1, 1, 1)
(12)	1	(1, 2)	(1, 1, 2)
(12)	(12)	(1 <sup>2</sup> , 1)	(1, 1, 1 <sup>2</sup> )
(*) (12)(34)	1	(1, 1, 1)	(2, 2) ·
(12)(34)	(12)(34)	(1, 1, 1)	(1 <sup>2</sup> , 1 <sup>2</sup> ) ·
(123)	1	(3)	(1, 3)
(123)	(123)	(1 <sup>3</sup> )	(1 <sup>3</sup> , 1)
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Now, we are ready to translate our global condition on  $K_3$ :<sup>(5)</sup>



Case (i):  
 $\text{Frob}_{\ell} = 1$

$$Fr_{ub} l_i = \left( \frac{l_i}{K_C/K_2} \right) = 1, \forall i.$$

Case (ii):

$$\text{Frob}_l = \underline{(12)(34)}$$

$$\text{Frob}_{\ell_1} = \left( \frac{\ell_1}{k_2/k_3} \right) = 1$$

$$\text{Frob}_{\ell j} = \left( \frac{\ell j}{k_2/k_3} \right) = -1, \quad j=2, 3.$$

By a theorem of Bhargava (2004) about counting<sup>(6)</sup>  
quartic number fields, we obtain

THM: For a fixed rational prime  $l$ , as we  
vary over  $S_3$ -cubic number fields in which  
 $l$  splits completely into  $l_1 l_2 l_3$ , the  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -  
moment of case (i) is  $\frac{1}{3}$  the  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -moment  
of case (ii).

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Why might this happen?

Option 1:  
(no ordering)

(0,0,0)

(1,1,0)

~~4~~ Option 2:  
(ordering)

(0,0,0)

(0,1,1)

(1,0,1)

(1,1,0)

Our theorem supports the conjecture that if we restrict to  $S_3$ -cubic number fields  $K$  in which  $\ell$  splits completely as  $\ell_1\ell_2\ell_3$ , then  $\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3$  are distributed as random ordered elements in  $\text{Cl}(K)$ .