

# The First Level of $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extensions and Compatibility of Heuristics

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## Theorem

*Let  $p$  be an odd prime and let  $G$  be the cyclic group of order  $p$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}_p[G]$  be the  $p$ -adic group ring of  $G$ . If  $A_1$  is a non-trivial finite cyclic  $\mathbb{Z}_p[G]$ -module such that the Tate cohomology group  $\hat{H}^0(G, A_1) = 0$ , then  $A_1$  is isomorphic as an abelian group to one of the groups listed in the previous theorem.*



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- Analyzing the structure of  $\mathbb{Z}_p[G]/I$  yields the theorem.



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 & \text{Prob}(A_1 \text{ is cyclic} \mid A_0 \text{ cyclic } p^m) \\
 &= \frac{\text{Total weight of cyclic } A_1}{\text{Total weight of all } A_1 \text{ with } A_0 \text{ cyclic } p^m} \\
 &= \frac{(p - 1)/(p - 1)p^m}{1/(p - 1)p^{m-1}} \\
 &= \frac{p - 1}{p}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore, the EJV heuristics for  $\lambda = 1$  are compatible with the CL heuristics.

This also indicates that all the possible groups listed in the theorem should occur.

	# of $d$	9	$9 \times 3$	$3 \times 3 \times 3$	$9 \times 9$	$27 \times 9$	$27 \times 27$
$3 \nmid d$	18315	.6669	.1118	.1104	.0728	.0267	.0079
$3 \mid d$	12096	.6685	.1132	.1122	.0703	.0227	.0091
Predicted		.6667	.1111	.1111	.0741	.0247	.0082

$81 \times 27$	$81 \times 81$	$3^5 \times 3^4$	$3^5 \times 3^5$	$3^6 \times 3^5$
.0023	.0008	.0003	.0001	.0001
.0027	.0010	.0003	.0000	.0000
.0027	.0009	.0003	.0001	.0000

**Table:**  $A_0$  is cyclic of order 3. Distribution of 3-parts of  $A_1$  for fundamental discriminants of the form  $-1 - 3j$  for  $10^6 \leq j \leq 10^6 + 2 \times 10^5$  (the line  $3 \nmid d$  and of the form  $-3j$  for  $10^6 \leq j \leq 10^6 + 2 \times 10^5$  (the line  $3 \mid d$ ).

	Number of $d$	25	$25 \times 5$	$25 \times 5 \times 5$	$25 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5$
$-2 - 5k$	588	.8078	.1582	.0272	.0051
$-3 - 5k$	561	.7843	.1765	.0196	.0143
$-5k$	482	.8050	.1515	.0353	.0083
Predicted		.8000	.1600	.0320	.0048

$5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5$	$25 \times 25 \times 5 \times 5$	$25 \times 25 \times 25 \times 5$	$25 \times 25 \times 25 \times 25$
.0000	.0017	.0000	.0000
.0018	.0018	.0000	.0018
.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.0016	.0013	.0003	.0001

**Table:**  $A_0$  is cyclic of order 5. Distribution of 5-parts of  $A_1$  for fundamental discriminants of the form  $-2 - 5k$ ,  $-3 - 5k$ , and  $-5k$  for  $10^6 \leq k < 10^6 + 10^4$ .



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