

ALGEBRA AND NUMBER THEORY
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Galois theory of iterated endomorphisms

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Abstract: The basic question we study is the following. Given an abelian algebraic group A defined over \mathbf{Q} , a point α in $A(\mathbf{Q})$, and a prime ℓ , what fraction of primes p have the property that the reduced point α in $A(\mathbf{F}_p)$ has order coprime to ℓ ?

Associated with the choice α and ℓ is an arboreal Galois representation. We give surjectivity criteria for this representation and use these to answer the question above in many examples where A is an algebraic torus or an elliptic curve.

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