Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer for curves

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Conjecture (Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer, Tate)

Assuming that $L(\operatorname{Jac} X/\mathbb{Q}, s)$ has an analytic continuation to \mathbb{C} ,

- $\operatorname{rank}(\operatorname{Jac} X/\mathbb{Q}) = \operatorname{ord}_{s=1}L(\operatorname{Jac} X/\mathbb{Q}, s)$,
- the leading term in the Taylor expansion of $L(\operatorname{Jac} X/\mathbb{Q},s)$ at s=1 is

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Lemma

Let \mathcal{X} be a regular model of X over \mathbb{Z}_p , if Frob_p acts trivally on \mathcal{X} $L_p(\operatorname{Jac} X, T) = (1 - pT)^{N_l}(1 - T)^{N_c}Z_p(\mathcal{X}, T),$

where $N_I = \#$ irreducible comps of \mathcal{X} , $N_C = \#$ connected comps of \mathcal{X} .

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Any questions?