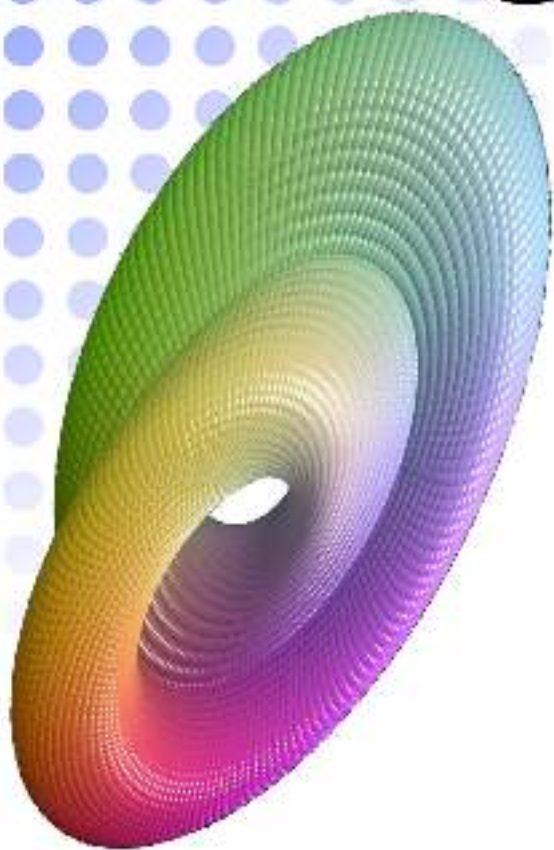


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Thue-Mahler equations and modular forms

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While there are interesting Diophantine equations that can be tackled using elementary methods, most of them seem attackable only by employing some of the deeper tools in mathematics. A simplest family of such equations is provided by Thue-Mahler equations. I will explain how they can be solved using the theory of modular forms and elliptic curves. The resulting method is concrete enough to produce an algorithm which produces a complete set of solutions to each cubic Thue-Mahler equation.