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Surjectivity of Galois representations of quadratic \mathbb{Q} -curves

One initial tool in Wiles' proof of Fermat's last theorem is using the Galois representation on the p -torsion of an elliptic curve and proving that this representation is irreducible except for p very small (with an absolute bound). This was obtained by Mazur in 1977, and we can more generally ask if this representation is surjective for large enough p (with an absolute bound again). Surprisingly, we still don't know the answer to this question (called "Serre's uniformity problem") for elliptic curves over \mathbb{Q} without CM, because of a particularly resistant part of the problem. In this talk, I will study quadratic imaginary \mathbb{Q} -curves, which are "almost" elliptic curves over \mathbb{Q} , and prove that for (explicit) large enough p , the representation is surjective. I will explain how the proof works, and why we bypass the resistant part in this specific situation. If time allows it, I will also briefly describe how to use these \mathbb{Q} -curves to solve certain diophantine equations.