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Guillermo Mantilla* (mantilla@math.wisc.edu), Madison, WI 53705. *The growth of Mordell-Weil ranks on tower of Jacobians*. Preliminary report.

In this talk we describe a technique to bound the growth of Mordell-Weil ranks in towers of Jacobians of modular curves. In more detail, we will show the following result.

Let $p > 2$ be a prime, and let J_n be the Jacobian of the principal modular curve $X(p^{n+1})$. Let F be a number field with μ -invariant μ , and such that $J_0[p] \subseteq F$. We show that there exists a constant C , depending on F and p , such that

$$\text{rank} J_n(F) \leq \left(\frac{2p}{p^2-1}\right)[F : \mathbb{Q}] \dim J_n + C' p^{2n} + 2\mu n$$

for all n .

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