

# Bounding Selmer Groups of Finite Galois Modules

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### Theorem (Shankar-T)

*Assume the Refined BSD Conjecture. Then  $\delta_{5, 2} = \frac{1}{16}$ .  
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- For exact  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\max(|\text{Sel}(A)|, |\text{Sel}(C)|) \leq |\text{Sel}(B)| \leq |\text{Sel}(A)| \cdot |\text{Sel}(C)|.$$

- (Poitou-Tate) For  $A^D := \text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{G}_m)$ ,

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*(Klys, 2018)* 
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Thank you!