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Curves of low genus and k-th power consecutive values of quadratic polynomials

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In 2000, Vojta solved the *n*-squares problem under the Bombieri-Lang conjecture, by explicitly finding all the curves of genus 0 or 1 on certain surfaces related to this problem.

In this talk I will sketch a refined version of the geometric method implicit in Vojta's work, and I will discuss applications of this method (under the Bombieri-Lang conjecture) to the problem of bounding the number of consecutive k-th power values of quadratic polynomials. For k=2, this confirms a speculation by E. Gonzalez-Jimenez and X. Xarles, and independently by J. Browkin and J. Brzezinski.