

Inequalities of Liouville's type on a curve

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Abstract. Let C be an algebraic curve defined over the field of algebraic numbers. For any pair of distinct algebraic points located on C , we describe diophantine inequalities involving the distance of these two points for all possible metrics. Our estimates refine earlier results of the same kind obtained using G -functions, and are made totally explicit when the curve is given by a plane equation.

We also give some applications to effective versions of Hilbert's Irreducibility Theorem and to Runge's method.

