

**Divisibility properties of the number of \mathbf{F}_p -points of schemes
defined over \mathbf{Z}**

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Let X be a scheme of finite type over \mathbf{Z} . For any prime p we consider $N_X(p)$ the number of \mathbf{F}_p -points of the scheme X/\mathbf{F}_p . Given a in \mathbf{Z} , we study the set $\{p : p \nmid N_X(p) - a\}$.

In case $\dim X$ is small (lower than 3), we give a simple criterion for this set to be infinite and in this case we prove it has positive lower density.