# Maps between isolated points on modular curves

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An isolated point is one which does not belong to such an infinite family.

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- 1. Suppose that  $H' = (G \cap H')H$ . If x is isolated, then so is y.
- 2. Suppose that  $G \cap H' = G \cap H$ . If y is isolated, then so is x.

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Let  $x \in X_1(2p)$  be a non-CM isolated point with  $j(x) \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then p = 37 and  $j(x) \in \{-9317, -162677523113838677\}$ .