Abelian varieties over finite fields

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Introduction

We could try to classify *isomorphism classes of abelian varieties*. The theory of moduli spaces of polarized abelian varieties answers this question completely. This is a geometric theory. However in this general, abstract theory it is often not easy to exhibit explicit examples, to construct abelian varieties with required properties.

A coarser classification is that of studying *isogeny classes of abelian varieties*. A wonderful and powerful theorem, the Honda-Tate theory, gives

a complete classification of isogeny classes of abelian varieties over a finite field,

see Theorem (1.2).

The basic idea starts with a theorem by A. Weil, a proof for the Weil conjecture for an abelian variety A over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$:

the geometric Frobenius π_A of A/K is an algebraic integer
which for every embedding $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) \to \mathbb{C}$ has absolute value $\mid \psi(\pi_A) \mid = \sqrt{q}$.

For an abelian variety A over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ the assignment $A \mapsto \pi_A$ associates to A its geometric Frobenius π_A; the isogeny class of A gives the conjugacy class of the algebraic integer π_A, and

conversely an algebraic integer which is a Weil q-number
determines an isogeny class, as J. Tate and T. Honda showed.

Geometric objects are constructed and classified up to isogeny by a simple algebraic invariant. This arithmetic theory gives access to a lot of wonderful theorems. In these notes we describe this theory, we give some examples, applications and some open questions.

In appendices we have gathered some information we need for statements and proofs of the main result. When reading these notes, anytime something seems unclear, please find the relevant notions in one of the appendices.

Instead of reading these notes it is much better to read the wonderful and clear [76]. Some proofs have been worked out in more detail in [77].

All material discussed below will be contained eventually in [GM]. That book by G. van der Geer and B. Moonen can be used as a reference for all material we need, and for all results we discuss. However, as a final version of this book is not yet available, we also give other references. In referring to [GM] we will usually not be precise as the final numbering can be different from the one available now.

Further recommended reading:
Abelian varieties: [44], [33], [12] Chapter V.
Honda-Tate theory: [76], [26], [77].
Abelian varieties over finite fields: [75], [78], [80], [67].
Group schemes: [65], [51].
Endomorphism rings and endomorphism algebras: [71], [22], [75], [78], [57].
CM-liftings: [59], [10].

Contents:

Some notation. We use to write K for an arbitrary field, most of the times a finite field, and k for an algebraically closed field. We write g for the dimension of an abelian variety, unless otherwise stated. We write p for a prime number, fixed in these notes. We write ℓ for a prime number, which usually is different from the characteristic of the base field, respectively invertible in the sheaf of local rings of the base scheme. We write $\mathbb{F} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$. We use the notation M for a field, sometimes a field of definition for an abelian variety in characteristic zero.

We will use L as notation for a field, usually the center of an endomorphism algebra; we will see that in our cases this will be a totally real field or a CM-field. We write P for a CM-field, usually of degree $2g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$.

A discrete valuation on a base field usually will be denoted by v, whereas a discrete valuation on a CM-field usually will be denoted by w. If w divides p, the normalization chosen will be given by $w(p) = 1$

We write $\lim_{\leftarrow i}$ for the notion of "projective limit" or "inverse limit". We write $\mathrm{colim}_{i\rightarrow}$ for the notion of "inductive limit" or "direct limit".

For a field M we denote by Σ_M the set of discrete valuations (finite places) of M. If moreover M is of characteristic zero, we denote by $\Sigma_M^{(p)}$ the set of discrete valuations with residue characteristic equal to p.

1 Main topic/survey

(1.1) Definition. Let p be a prime number, $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$; write $q = p^n$. A Weil q-number is an algebraic integer π such that for every embedding $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi) \to \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$| \psi(\pi) | \quad = \quad \sqrt{q}.$$

We say that π and π' are *conjugated* if there exists an isomorphism $\mathbb{Q}(\pi) \cong \mathbb{Q}(\pi')$ mapping π to π'.
Notation: $\pi \quad \sim \quad \pi'$.

Equivalently: *the minimum polynomials of π and π' over $\mathbb{Q}$ are equal.* We write $W(q)$ for the set conjugacy classes of Weil q-numbers.

In this definition $|\cdot|$ denotes the *complex absolute value* given by $|\, a+b\sqrt{-1}\,| = \sqrt{a^2+b^2}$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. We will show that for any Weil q-number π there exists an element $\overline{\pi} = \rho(\pi) \in \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$ such that for any $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi) \to \mathbb{C}$ the number $\psi(\overline{\pi})$ is the complex conjugate of $\psi(\pi)$; moreover we show that $\pi \cdot \overline{\pi} = q$.

As Weil proved, we will see that the geometric Frobenius π_A of a simple abelian variety over the finite field $\mathbb{F}_q$, with $q = p^n$, is a Weil q-number, see Theorem (3.2). We will see that

$$A \sim B \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_A \sim \pi_B,$$

i.e. abelian varieties defined over the same finite field isogenous over that field define conjugated Weil numbers. We will write

$$\{ \text{ simple abelian variety over } \quad K\}/\sim_K \quad =: \quad \mathcal{M}(K,s)$$

for the set of isogeny classes of simple abelian varieties over K.

(1.2) Theorem (Honda, Serre and Tate). *Fix a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. The assignment $A \mapsto \pi_A$ induces a bijection*

$$\boxed{\{\text{simple abelian variety over } \quad K\}/\sim_K = \mathcal{M}(K,s) \quad \xrightarrow{\sim} \quad W(q), \quad A \mapsto \pi_A}$$

from the set of K-isogeny classes of K-simple abelian varieties defined over K and the set $W(q)$ of conjugacy classes of Weil q-numbers.
See [76]. The fact

- that the map is defined follows by Weil,
- the map is injective by Tate, and
- surjective by Honda and Tate.

This map will be denoted by

$$\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{M}(K,s) \quad \longrightarrow \quad W(q).$$

This theorem will be the main topic of these talks. On the road to these notions we will encounter various notions and results, which will be exposed below (sometimes in greater generality than strictly necessary to understand this beautiful theorem).

(1.3) Definition. We say that a Weil q-number π is *effective* if there exists an abelian variety A over $\mathbb{F}_q$ such that $\pi = \pi_A$. I.e. π is effective if it is in the image of the map $\mathcal{W} : A \mapsto \pi_A$.

We indicate some steps in a proof of (1.2), which will be elaborated below. Write $K = \mathbb{F}_q$, with $q = p^n$.

ONE (Weil) *For a simple abelian variety A over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ the Weil conjecture implies that π_A is a Weil q-number, see* Section 3. *Hence the map*

$$\{\text{simple abelian variety over } \quad K\} \quad \longrightarrow \quad W(K), \qquad A \mapsto \pi_A$$

is well-defined.

TWO (Tate) *For simple abelian varieties A, B defined over a finite field we have:*

$$A \sim B \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \pi_A \sim \pi_B.$$

See (5.3). Note that $A \sim B$ only makes sense if A and B are defined over the same field. Note that $\pi_A \sim \pi_B$ implies that A and B are defined over the same finite field. This shows that the map $\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{F}_q, s) \to W(q)$ is *well-defined and injective.*

THREE (Honda) *Suppose given $\pi \in W(q)$. There exists a finite extension $K = \mathbb{F}_q \subset K' := \mathbb{F}_{q^N}$ and an abelian variety B' over K' with $\pi^N = \pi_{B'}$.*
See [26], Theorem 1; see Section 10 and see Theorem (12.3). This step says that for every Weil q-number there *exists $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that π^N is effective.*

FOUR (Tate) *If $\pi \in W(q)$ and there exists $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that π^N is effective, then π is effective.* See Section 10.

This result by Honda plus the last step shows that $(A \mod \ \sim) \mapsto (\pi_A \mod \ \sim)$ is *surjective.*

These four steps together show that the map

$$\boxed{\mathcal{W} : \ \{\text{simple abelian variety over } \quad K\}/\sim_K \ = \ \mathcal{M}(K, s) \quad \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \quad W(q)}$$

is bijective, thus proving the main theorem of Honda-Tate theory.

In 1966/1967 Serre wrote a letter to Tate in which he explained a proof of the Manin conjecture. That method proved the surjectivity result proved by Honda. Therefore, sometimes the theory discussed here is called the Honda-Serre-Tate theory. As Serre's proof was never published we can also use the terminology Honda-Tate theory.

(1.4) Some examples Consider the following examples.
(1) Choose $q = p^n$, and choose $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Let $\pi := \zeta_i \cdot \sqrt{q}$, where ζ_i is a primitive $i-$th root of unity.
(2) Choose coprime positive integers $d > c > 0$, and choose p. Let π be a zero of

$$T^2 + p^c T + p^{d+c}.$$

(3) Let $\beta := \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}$, and $q = p^n$. Let π be a zero of

$$T^2 - \beta T + q.$$

In all these cases we see that π is a Weil q-number. *How can we see that these numbers belong to an isogeny class of an abelian variety simple over $\mathbb{F}_q$?* Using Theorem (1.2) this follows; however these examples might illustrate that this theorem is non-trivial. If such an isogeny class exists *what is the dimension of these abelian varieties? how can we compute this? What are the p-adic properties of such an abelian variety?*

(1.5) Remark/Definition. We say that an abelian variety A over a field K is *isotypic* if there exists an abelian variety B simple over K and an isogeny $A \sim B^\mu$ for some $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$; in this case we will define $\pi_A := \pi_B$; note that $f_A = (f_B)^\mu$. Note that If C is isotypic over K and $K \subset K'$ then $C \otimes K'$ is isotypic; if moreover K is finite, and $[K' : K] = N$ then $(\pi_C)^N = \pi_{C \otimes K'}$. We know that the property " A is simple " can get lost under a field extension; however the property " A is isotypic " is preserved, and the formation $A \mapsto \pi_A$ commutes under base extension with exponentiation as explained.

2 Weil numbers and CM-fields

(2.1) Definition. A field L is said to be a CM-field if L is a finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}$ (i.e. L is a number field), there is a subfield $L_0 \subset L$ such that $L_0/\mathbb{Q}$ is totally real, i.e. every $\psi_0 : L_0 \to \mathbb{C}$ gives $\psi_0(L_0) \subset \mathbb{R}$, and L/L_0 is quadratic totally imaginary, i.e. $[L : L_0] = 2$ and for every $\psi : L \to \mathbb{C}$ we have $\psi(L) \not\subset \mathbb{R}$.

Remark. The quadratic extension L/L_0 gives an involution $\rho \in \mathrm{Aut}(L/L_0)$. For every embedding $\psi : L \to \mathbb{C}$ this involution on a CM-field corresponds with the restriction of complex conjugation on $\mathbb{C}$ to $\psi(L)$.

(2.2) Proposition. 3 *Let π be a Weil q-number.*

(ℝ) *Either for at least one $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi) \to \mathbb{C}$ we have $\psi(\pi) \in \mathbb{R}$; in this case we have:*
  (ℝe) *n is even, $\sqrt{q} \in \mathbb{Q}$, and $\pi = +p^{n/2}$, or $\pi = -p^{n/2}$, or*
  (ℝo) *n is odd, $\sqrt{q} \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$, and $\psi(\pi) = \pm p^{n/2}$.*
In particular in case (ℝ) *we have $\psi(\pi) \in \mathbb{R}$ for every ψ.*

(ℂ) *Or for every $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi) \to \mathbb{C}$ we have $\psi(\pi) \notin \mathbb{R}$* (equivalently: for at least one ψ we have $\psi(\pi) \notin \mathbb{R}$). *In case* (ℂ) *the field $\mathbb{Q}(\pi)$ is a* CM-*field.*

See (15.7), where we explain these cases in the Honda-Tate theory.

Proof. The claims in (ℝ) follow from the fact that $\pm p^{n/2}$ are precisely those real numbers with absolute value taken in $\mathbb{C}$ are equal to $\sqrt{q}$.

If at least one embedding ψ gives $\psi(\pi) \notin \mathbb{R}$, then we are not in case (ℝ), hence all embeddings have this property. Then

$$\psi(\pi) \cdot \overline{\psi(\pi)} = q.$$

Write $\beta := \pi + \frac{q}{\pi}$. Then

$$\overline{\psi(\beta)} = \overline{\psi(\pi)} + q/\overline{\psi(\pi)} = \frac{q}{\psi(\pi)} + \psi(\pi) = \beta,$$

hence $L_0 := \mathbb{Q}(\beta)$ is totally real. For any Weil q-number π with $\psi(\pi) \notin \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$\beta := \pi + \frac{q}{\pi}, \qquad (T - \psi(\pi))(T - \overline{\psi(\pi)}\ ) = T^2 - \beta T + q \in \mathbb{Q}(\beta)[T].$$

We are in the case that $\psi(\pi) \notin \mathbb{R}$ for every ψ, and $L_0 := \mathbb{Q}(\beta)$ is totally real and L/L_0 is totally complex. Hence L is a CM-field. □

(2.3) Remark. We see a characterization of Weil q-numbers:

$$\beta := \pi + \frac{q}{\pi} \quad \text{is a totally real integer,}$$

and either $\pi = \sqrt{q} \in \mathbb{R}$ or π is a zero of

$$T^2 - \beta \cdot T + q, \quad \text{with} \quad |\, \psi(\beta) \,| < 2\sqrt{q} \quad \text{for any} \quad \psi : \mathbb{Q}(\beta) \to \mathbb{R}.$$

Using this it is easy to construct Weil q-numbers, see Section 15.

3 The Weil conjecture for abelian varieties over a finite field

(3.1) The geometric Frobenius. For a scheme $A \to S$ over a base $S \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)$ in characteristic p there is the relative Frobenius

$$F_{A/S} : A \longrightarrow A^{(p)},$$

see (21.2). If moreover A/S is a group scheme this is a homomorphism. If $S = \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_{p^n})$ there is a canonical identification $A^{(p^n)} \cong_S A$, and we define:

$$\left(A \overset{F_{A/S}}{\longrightarrow} A^{(p)} \overset{F_{A^{(p)}/S}}{\longrightarrow} A^{(p^2)} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow A^{(p^n)} = A \right) =: \pi_A,$$

and endomorphism of A, called *the geometric Frobenius* of $A/\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$. Sometimes we will write (in abused notation) " $\pi_A = F^n$ ".

(3.2) Theorem (Weil). *Let A be a simple abelian variety over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$; consider the endomorphism $\pi_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$, the geometric Frobenius of $A/\mathbb{F}_q$. The algebraic number π_A is a Weil q-number, i.e. it is an algebraic integer and for every embedding $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) \to \mathbb{C}$ we have*

$$|\, \psi(\pi) \,| \quad = \quad \sqrt{q}.$$

See [81], page 70; [82], page 138; [44], Theorem 4 on page 206.

(3.3) Proposition. *For any polarized abelian variety A over a field the Rosati-involution $\dagger : D \to D := \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is positive definite bilinear form on D, i.e. for any non-zero $x \in D$ we have $\mathrm{Tr}(x \cdot x^\dagger) > 0$.* □

See [44], Th. 1 on page 192, see [12], Th. 17.3 on page 138. For the notation D and for the notion of the Rosati involution defined by a polarization, see Section 16

(3.4) Proposition. *For a simple abelian variety A over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ we have*

$$\pi_A \cdot (\pi_A)^\dagger \quad = \quad q.$$

Here $\dagger : D \to D := \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is the Rosati-involution.

One proof can be found in [44], formula (i) on page 206; also see [12], Coroll. 19.2 on page 144.

Another proof of (3.4) can be given by duality (see (21.9)):

$$\Big(F_{A/S} : A \to A^{(p)}\Big)^t \quad = \quad V_{A^t/S} : (A^{(p)})^t \to A^t.$$

From this we see that

$$\pi_{A^t} \cdot (\pi_A)^t = (F_{A^t})^n \cdot (V_{A^t})^n = ((F{\cdot}V)_{A^t})^n = p^n = q,$$

where we make the shorthand notation F^n for the n times iterated Frobenius morphism, and the same for V^n. See [GM], 5.21, 7.34 and Section 15. $\square(3.4)$

Note that our abused notation does not give serious trouble: for an abelian variety B we have

$$F_{B^{(p^{-1})}} V_B = V_{B^{(p)}} F_B \quad \in \quad \mathrm{End}(B)$$

as follows from fonctoriality of the construction of F and V; this implies " $F^n V^n = (FV)^n$ " in the proof above.

(3.5) We give a proof of (3.2) using (3.4) and (3.3). Note that $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_a)$ is the center of D, see (5.4) (1). Hence $\dagger$ on D induces an involution on L. Hence $\dagger$ induces an involution $\dagger_{\mathbb{R}}$ on $L \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$. This algebra is a finite product of copies of $\mathbb{R}$ and of $\mathbb{C}$. The involution $\dagger_{\mathbb{R}}$ is a positive definite $\mathbb{R}$-linear involution on this product. We see that this implies that $\dagger_{\mathbb{R}}$ is the identity on every real factor, stabilizes every complex factor, and is the complex conjugation on those factors. Conclusion:

$$\forall x \in L, \quad \forall\ \psi : L \to \mathbb{C} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \psi(x^\dagger) = \overline{\psi(x)}.$$

Hence

$$q = \pi_A{\cdot}(\pi_A)^\dagger = \psi\left(\pi_A{\cdot}(\pi_A)^\dagger\right) = \psi(\pi_A){\cdot}\overline{\psi(\pi_A)}.$$

Hence

$$|\ \psi(\pi_A)\ | \quad = \quad \sqrt{q}.$$

$\square(3.2)$

4 Abelian varieties with CM

(4.1) smCM We say that an abelian variety X over a field K *admits sufficiently many complex multiplications over* K, abbreviated by "smCM over K", if $\mathrm{End}^0(X)$ contains a commutative semi-simple subalgebra of rank $2{\cdot}\dim(X)$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. Equivalently: for every simple abelian variety Y over K which admits a non-zero homomorphism to X the algebra $\mathrm{End}^0(Y)$ contains a field of degree $2{\cdot}\dim(Y)$ over $\mathbb{Q}$.

Equivalently. Suppose $A \sim \Pi B_i$, where each of the B_i is simple. We say that A admits smCM, if every $\mathrm{End}^0(B_i)$ contains a CM-subfield of degree $2{\cdot}\dim(B_i)$ over $\mathbb{Q}$.

For other characterizations, see [15], page 63 and [41], page 347.

Note that if a simple abelian variety X of dimension g over a field *of characteristic zero* admits smCM then its endomorphism algebra $L = \mathrm{End}^0(X)$ is a CM-field of degree $2g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. We will use he notion "CM-type" in the case of an abelian variety X over $\mathbb{C}$ which admits

smCM, and where the type is given, i.e. the action of the endomorphism algebra on the tangent space $T_{X,0} \cong \mathbb{C}^g$ is part of the data, see below.

Note however that there exist (many) abelian varieties A admitting smCM (defined over a field of positive characteristic), such that $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is not a field.

We could use the terminology " A has complex multiplication" to denote the cases with $\mathrm{End}(A) \supsetneqq \mathbb{Z}$.

By Tate we know that an abelian variety over a finite field admits smCM, see (5.4). By Grothendieck we know that an abelian variety which admits smCM up to isogeny is defined over a finite field, see (4.4).

It can be proved that if a simple abelian variety A admits smCM in the sense defined above, then $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ contains a CM-field of degree $2{\cdot}\dim(A)$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. Note that a field E with $E \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ and $[E : \mathbb{Q}] = 2{\cdot}\dim(A)$ however need not be a CM-field; see (15.5).

Terminology. Let $\varphi \in \mathrm{End}^0(A)$. Then $d\varphi$ is a K-linear endomorphism of the tangent space. If the base field is $K = \mathbb{C}$, this is just multiplication by a complex matrix x, and every multplication by a complex matrix x leaving invariant the lattice Λ, where $A(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}^g/\Lambda$, gives rise to an endomorphism of A. If $g = 1$, i.e. A is an elliptic curve, and $\varphi \notin \mathbb{Z}$ then $x \in \mathbb{C}$ and $x \notin \mathbb{R}$. Therefore an endomorphism of an elliptic curve over $\mathbb{C}$ which is not in $\mathbb{Z}$ is sometimes called "a complex multiplication". Later this terminology was extended to all abelian varieties.

Warning. Sometimes the terminology "an abelian variety with CM" is used, when one wants to say "admitting smCM"; we will not adopt that confusing terminology. An elliptic curve E has $\mathrm{End}(E) \supsetneqq \mathbb{Z}$ if and only if it admits smCM. However it is easy to give an abelian variety A which "admits CM", meaning that $\mathrm{End}(A) \supsetneqq \mathbb{Z}$, such that A does not admit smCM. However we will use the terminology "a CM-abelian variety" for an abelian variety which admits smCM.

It can happen that an abelian variety A over a field K does not admit smCM, and that $A \otimes K'$ does admit smCM.

(4.2) Exercise. *Show that for any elliptic curve E defined over $\mathbb{Q}$ we have* $\mathrm{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}$.

Show there exists an abelian surface A over $\mathbb{Q}$ with $\mathbb{Z} \neq \mathrm{End}(A) = \mathrm{End}(A \otimes \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$.

Show there exists an abelian variety A over a field k such that $\mathbb{Z} \subsetneqq \mathrm{End}(A)$ and such that A does not admit smCM.

(4.3) Remark. An abelian variety over a field of characteristic zero which admits smCM is defined over a number field. See [72], Proposition 26 on page 109. Also see [53].

We will see that a theorem of Tate, see Theorem (5.4) implies that an abelian variety defined over a finite field does admit smCM.

(4.4) Remark. The converse of Tate's result (5.4) (2) is almost true. Grothendieck showed: *Let A be an abelian variety over a field which admits smCM; then A is isogenous with an abelian variety defined over a finite extension of the prime field*; see [53].

It is easy to give an example of an abelian variety, over a field of characteristic p, with smCM which is not defined over a finite field.

Also see [83], Th. 1.4. In [83] we also find: if A in positive characteristic admits smCM by a field L, and the ring of integers $\mathcal{O}_L$ is contained in $\mathrm{End}(A)$ then A can be defined over a finite field, see [83], Th. 1.3.

(4.5) Lemma. *Let K be a field, and let A be an abelian variety simple over K which admits* smCM. *Choose a* CM-*field P with $[P:\mathbb{Q}] = 2{\cdot}\dim(A)$ inside $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$.* (This is possible by Lemma (10.1).) *Then there exists a K-isogeny $A \sim_K B$ such that $\mathcal{O}_P \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(B)$, where $\mathcal{O}_P$ is the ring of integers of P.* □

(4.6) Definition CM-type. Let P be a CM-field of degree $2g$. Let C be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. The set $\mathrm{Hom}(P,C)$ has $2g$ elements. For any $\varphi : P \to C$ the homomorphism $\varphi{\cdot}\rho$ is different from φ. A subset $\Phi \subset \mathrm{Hom}(P,C)$ is called a CM-type for P if $\mathrm{Hom}(P,C) = \Phi \coprod \rho(\Phi)$. Equivalently: For every $\varphi : P \to C$ either $\varphi \in \Phi$ or $\varphi{\cdot}\rho \in \Phi$.

(4.7) Let A be an abelian variety simple over $\mathbb{C}$ which admits smCM. Let $P = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$. This is a CM-field of degree $2{\cdot}\dim(a)$. The action of P on the tangent space $\mathbf{t}_{A,0}$ splits as a direct sum of one-dimensional representations (as P is commutatiive and $\mathbb{C}$ is algebraically closed of charactersitic zero). Hence this representation is given by $\Phi = \{\varphi_1, \cdots, \varphi_g\}$. One shows this is a CM-type (i.e. these homomorphisms $\varphi_i : P \to C$ are mutually different and either $\varphi \in Phi$ or $\varphi{\cdot}\rho \in \Phi$. For the converse construction see (19.6).

(4.8) The reflex field. See [72], [32]. Let P be a CM-field, and let $\rho \in \mathrm{Aut}(P)$ be the involution on P which is complex conjugation under every complex embedding.

Let (P,Φ) be a CM-type. The *reflex field* L' defined by (L,Φ) is the finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}$ generated by all traces:

$$L' := \mathbb{Q}(\sum_{\varphi\in\Phi} \varphi(x) \mid x \in L).$$

If $L/\mathbb{Q}$ is Galois we have $L' \subset L$. It is known that L' is a CM-field.

Suppose B is an abelian variety, simple over $\mathbb{C}$, with smCM by $P = \mathrm{End}^0(B)$. The representation of P on the tangent space of B defines a CM-type. It follows that any field of definition for B contains L'; see [72], 8.5, Prop. 30; see [32], 3.2 Th. 1.1. Conversely for every such CM-type and every field M containing L' there exists an abelian variety B over M having smCM by L with CM-type Φ.

5 Tate: The structure of $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$: abelian varieties over finite fields.

Main references: [75], [76]. Also see the second printing of [44], especially Appendix 1 by C. P. Ramanujam.

(5.1) For a simple abelian variety over a field K the algebra $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a division algebra. By the classification of Albert, see (18.3), we know the structure theorem of such algebras (18.5). Moreover, for any algebra in the list by Albert there is an abelian variety having this as endomorphism algebra. However over a finite field not all types do appear, there are restrictions; see (15.7).

(5.2) Tate described properties of the endomorphism algebra of a simple abelian variety over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$, with $q = p^n$. We write π_A for the geometric Frobenius of A, and $f_A = f_{A,\pi_A}$ for the characteristic polynomial of π_A. We write Write $\mathrm{Irr}_{\pi_A} \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$ for the minimum polynomial of π_A over $\mathbb{Q}$. For the definition of a characteristic polynomial of an endomorphism, see (16.8).

The following theorems are due to Tate (and much more); these results can be found: [75], Theorem 1 on page 139, [75], Theorem 2 on page 140 and [76], Th. 1 on page 96, [44], Appendix 1.

(5.3) Theorem (Tate). *Let A be an abelian variety over the finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. The characteristic polynomial $f_{A,\pi_A} = f_A \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$ of $\pi_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$ is of degree $2\cdot\dim(A)$, the constant term equals $q^{\dim(A)}$ and $f_A(\pi_A) = 0$.*

If an abelian variety A is K-simple then f_A is a power of the minimum polynomial $\mathrm{Irr}(\pi_A) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$.

Let A and B be abelian variety over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. Then:

$$A \text{ is } K\text{-isogenous to an abelian subvariety of } B \text{ iff } f_A \text{ divides } f_B.$$

In particular

$$A \sim_K B \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad f_A = f_B.$$

Remark. Note that for an abelian variety A over a finite field the characteristic polynomial f_A of $\pi_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$ is a power of an irreducible polynomial then A is isotypic (not necessarily simple); it seems that a statement in [77] in Th. 1.1 of "The theorem of Honda and Tate" needs a small correction on this point.

For an abelian variety A over a field the endomorphism algebra $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a semi-simple ring. If moreover A is K-simple, then $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a division ring (hence a simple ring).

(5.4) Theorem (Tate). *Suppose A is as simple abelian variety over a finite field K.*
(1) *The center of $D := \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ equals $L := \mathbb{Q}(\pi_A)$.*
(2) *Moreover*

$$2g \quad = \quad [L:\mathbb{Q}]\cdot\sqrt{[D:L]},$$

where g is the dimension of A. Hence: every abelian variety over a finite field admits smCM. See (4.1). *We have:*

$$f_A \quad = \quad (\mathrm{Irr}_{\pi_A})^{\sqrt{[D:L]}}.$$

(3) *Suppose A is* simple,

$$\mathbb{Q} \quad \subset \quad L := \mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) \quad \subset \quad D = \mathrm{End}^0(A).$$

The central simple algebra D/L

- *does not split at every real place of L,*
- *does split at every finite place not above p,*
- *and for a discrete valuation w of L with $w \mid p$ the invariant of D/L is given by*

$$\mathrm{inv}_w(D/L) = \frac{v(\pi_A)}{w(q)}\cdot[L_w:\mathbb{Q}_p] \mod 1,$$

where L_w is the local field obtained from L by completing at w.

(5.5) Corollary/Notation. Using Brauer theory, see Section 17, and using this theorem by Tate we see that the structure of D follows once $\pi = \pi_A$ is given. In particular the dimension g of A follows from π. *We will say that D is the algebra determined by the Weil number π.*
For a given Weil q-number the division algebra with invariants as described by the theorem will be denoted by $D = \mathcal{D}(\pi)$. We write $e(\pi) = [\mathbb{Q}(\pi) : \mathbb{Q}]$, and $r(\pi)^2 = [\mathcal{D}(\pi) : \mathbb{Q}(\pi)]$ and $g(\pi) = e(\pi)\cdot r(\pi)/2$.
Note that $g(\pi) \in \mathbb{Z}$. Indeed, in case $(\mathbb{R}e)$ we have $e = 1, r = 2$. In all other cases we have that e is even. See (15.7).

(5.6) Remark/Exercise. Let A be an abelian variety of dimension g simple over a field K. Write $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$.
(1) If $\mathrm{char}(K) = 0$ and A admits smCM then D is a field.
(2) If K is finite and the p-rank $f = f(A)$ satisfies $f \geq g - 1$, "A is ordinary or A is almost ordinary", then D is commutative, see [57], Proposition 3.14.
(3) There are many examples where K is finite, $f(A) < g - 1$, and D is not commutative.
(4) There are many examples of a simple abelian variety over a field k, with either $\mathrm{char}(k) = 0$ or $\mathrm{char}(k) = p$ and A ordinary such that D is not commutative; see (18.5)

6 Injectivity

(6.1) Exercise/Construction. Let K be a field, and let A and B be abelian varieties over K. Assume there exists an isogeny $\varphi : A \to B$. Choose an integer $N > 0$ which annihilates (the finite group scheme which is) $\mathrm{Ker}(\varphi)$. Show there exists an isogeny $\psi : B \to A$ such that $\psi\cdot\varphi = N\cdot 1_A$. Construct

$$\Phi : \quad \mathrm{End}^0(A) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathrm{End}^0(B), \quad \Phi(x) := \frac{1}{N}\cdot\varphi\cdot x\cdot\psi.$$

(1) *Show that Φ is a homomorphism. Construct Ψ by $\Psi(y) = \psi\cdot y\cdot\varphi/N$. Show $\Psi\cdot\Phi = Id$ and $\Phi\cdot\Psi = Id$. Conclude that*

$$\Phi : \quad \mathrm{End}^0(A) \quad \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \quad \mathrm{End}^0(B)$$

is an isomorphism.
(2) *Show that Φ is independent of the choice of ψ and N.*
(3) *Show that $\varphi\cdot\psi = N\cdot 1_B$.*
Remark. Take $A = B$, and $\varphi \in \mathrm{End}(A)$. We have constructed the inverse φ^{-1} in $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$.

(6.2) Exercise. Let $A \sim B$ be a K-isogeny of simple abelian varieties over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$; using the construction (6.1) this isogeny gives an isomorphism $\mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) \cong \mathbb{Q}(\pi_B)$. *Show that this maps π_A tot π_B.*

(6.3) By Theorem (3.2) by Weil we see that for a simple abelian variety A over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ indeed π_A is a Weil q-number. If A and B are K- isogenous, π_A and π_B are conjugated. Hence

$$\boxed{\mathcal{W} : \{\text{simple abelian variety over} \quad K\}/\sim_K \quad \longrightarrow \quad W(q), \qquad A \mapsto \pi_A,}$$

is well-defined.

We have seen in (5.3) (2) that Tate showed that A and B are K-isogenous if and only if $f_A = f_B$. Hence this map $\mathcal{W}$ is *injective*.

7 Abelian varieties with good reduction

References: [46], [11], [70], [66], [6], [56].
This section mostly contains references to known (non-trivial) results.

(7.1) Definition. Let A be an abelian variety over a field K. Let v be a discrete valuation of K. We say that A has *good reduction* at v if there exists an abelian scheme $\mathcal{A} \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_v)$ with generic fiber $\mathcal{A} \otimes K \cong A$.

We say that A has *potentially good reduction* at v if there exist a finite extension $K \subset K'$, a discrete valuation v' over v such that $A' := A \otimes K'$ has good reduction at v'.

(7.2) The Néron minimal model. Let Let A be an abelian variety over a field K. Let v be a discrete valuation of K. Consider the category of smooth morphisms $Y \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_v) = S$ and the contravariant functor on this category given by

$$Y/S \quad \mapsto \quad \mathrm{Hom}_K(Y \times_S \mathrm{Spec}(K), A).$$

We say that $\mathcal{A} \to S$ is the *Néron minimal model*, abbreviation: Nmm, of A at v if it represents this functor.

(7.3) Theorem (Néron). *For every A/K and every v the Néron minimal model of A at v exists.* □
See [46]; see [12], Section VIII.

(7.4) Theorem (Chevalley). *Let G be a group variety over a field m.* (That is: this is an algebraic group scheme $G \to \mathrm{Spec}(m)$ which is connected, and geometrically reduced.) *There exists a filtration by subgroup varieties $G_1 \subset G_2 \subset G$ over m such that G_1 is a torus* (i.e. $G_1 \otimes \overline{m}$ is isomorphic with a product of copies of $\mathbb{G}_m$), *G_2/G_1 is unipotent and G/G_2 is an abelian variety.*

(7.5) Definition. Let A be an abelian variety over a field K. Let v be a discrete valuation of K. We say that A has *stable reduction* at v if the special connected fiber $A^0_{k_v}$ of the Néron minimal model $\mathcal{A}$ has in its Chevalley decomposition the unipotent part equal to zero. We say A has *potentially stable reduction* at $v \in \Sigma_K$ if there exist a finite extension $K \subset K'$, a discrete valuation v' over v such that $A' := A \otimes K'$ has stable reduction at v'.

(7.6) We refer to the literature, especially to [66], for the notions of ℓ-adic representations, algebraic monodromy, and the fact that for an abelian variety at a discrete valuation of the base field the monodromy on the inertia group of v is quasi-unipotent.

As a corollaries of these ideas on shows:

Theorem (The Néron-Ogg-Shafarevich criterion). *Suppose A has stable, respectively good reduction at v and $B \sim_K A$. Then B has stable, repectively good reduction at v.*

Theorem (Grothendieck). *Every A/K has potentially stable reduction at every $v \in \Sigma_K$.*

(7.7) Corollary. *Let A be an abelian variety over a field K which admits* smCM. *At every $v \in \Sigma_K$ the abelian variety A has potentially good reduction.*

Sketch of a proof. After extension of the base field we can assume that A has stable reduction at v. Up to isogeny we can write $A \sim \prod B_i$, with every B_i simple. By the Néron-Ogg-Shafarevich criterion we conclude every B_i has stable reduction. Hence it suffice to show: if A is K-simple + has good reduction at v + admits smCM then it A has good reduction at v.

Let $\mathcal{A}$ be its Nmm, and let $G = A^0_{k_v}$ be the connected component of the special fiber of $\mathcal{A} \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_v)$. By properties of the Nmm we conclude that $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \subset \mathrm{End}(G)$. Consider the Chevalley decomposition in this case $G_1 = G_2 \subset G$. Let μ be the dimension of G_1. We obtain homomorphisms

$$\mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}(G_1), \qquad \mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}(G/G_1).$$

If $\mu = \dim(G_1) > 0$ it follows that $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}(G_1) \subset \mathrm{Mat}(\mu, \mathbb{Z})$; it follows that this homomorphism is injective; given the fact that A admits smCM we derive a contradiction. Hence $\mu = 0$. Alternative argument: if $\mu > 0$, the dimension of $B = G/G_1$ is strictly smaller than $\dim(A)$ and the fact that A has smCM shows there does not exist a homomorphism $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}^0(B)$ This contradiction shows $\mu = 0$, and hence A admits good reduction at v. □

(7.8) Remark. Let R be an integral domain, $\mathcal{A} \to S = \mathrm{Spec}(R)$ an abelian scheme, and $R \to K$ a homomorphism to a field K. Write $A_K = \mathcal{A} \otimes_R K$. We obtain a homomorphism

$$\mathrm{End}(\mathcal{A}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathrm{End}(A_K).$$

This homomorphism is injective.

In general this homomorphism is *not surjective*.

If R is normal and K is the field of fractions of R the homomorphism is surjective.

If ℓ is a prime not equal to the characteristic of K, the additive factor group $\mathrm{End}(A_K)/\mathrm{End}(\mathcal{A})$ has no ℓ-torsion.

There are many examples where $R \to R/I = K$ gives a factor group $\mathrm{End}(A_K)/\mathrm{End}(\mathcal{A})$ does have p-torsion, where $p = \mathrm{char}(K)$.

8 p-divisible groups

Also see Section 20.

(8.1) For an abelian variety A over a base S and a prime number ℓ which is invertible in the structure sheaf on S one defines the ℓ-Tate module $T_\ell(A) := \lim_{\leftarrow i} \ A[\ell^i]$. This is a pro-group scheme. It can also be viewed as a local system with fiber $\mathbb{Z}_\ell$ under the fundamental group of S.

For a prime number not necessarily invertible on the base we choose another strategy:

(8.2) Definition. Let S be a scheme. Let $h \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. A p-divisible group, of height h, over S is an inductive system of finte flat group schemes $G_i \to S, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, such that:

- the rank of $G_i \to S$ equals $p^{h\cdot i}$;
- p^i annihilates G_i;
- there are inclusions $G_i \hookrightarrow G_{i+1}$ such that
- $G_{i+1}[p^i] = G_i$.
- Consequently $G_{i+j}/G_i = G_j$.

We will write $G = \mathrm{colim}_{i\to} G_i$; this limit considerd in the category of inductive systems of finite group schemes. A p-divisible group is also called a Barsotti-Tate group.

Examples. (1) For any abelian scheme $A \to S$ (over any base),

$$\{A[p^i]; i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\}$$

is a p-divisible group. This will be denoted by $A[p^\infty]$. This notation should be understood symbolically: there is no morphism "$\times\infty$" and hence, strictly speaking, no "kernel" $A[p^\infty]$. **(2)** Consider $\mathbb{G}_{m,S} \to S$, the multiplicative group over any base. Then

$$\mathbb{G}_{m,S}[p^i] =: G_i = \mu_{p^i,S}, \quad \text{and this defines} \quad \mathbb{G}_{m,S}[p^\infty] \to S,$$

a p-divisible group over S. **(3)** Consider $\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$, which is a profinite group, which can be given by $\mathrm{colim}_{i\to}(\mathbb{Z}/p^i)$. By considering the constant group schemes $\underline{\mathbb{Z}/p^i)}_S$ we obtain a p-divisible group $\underline{\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)}_S$.

(8.3) The Serre dual of a p-divisible group. Let $G = \{G_i\}/S$ be a p-divisible group over some base scheme S. The surjections $G_{i+1} \twoheadrightarrow G_{i+1}/G_1 = G_i$ define by Cartier duality inclusions $(G_i)^D \hookrightarrow (G_{i+1})^D$. This defines a p-divisible group

$$G^t := \{(G_i)^D \mid i\} \to S,$$

which is called the Serre dual of $G \to S$.

Note that $G \mapsto G^t$ is a duality, which is is defined by purely algebraic methods. We see duality $A \mapsto A^t$, see (16.2), which is a (non-trivial) geometric theory. Notation is chosen in this way, because the duality theorem connects these two operation in a natural way: $A^t[p^\infty] = A[p^\infty]^t$, see (16.6); note tat this fact is more involved than this simple notation suggests.

(8.4) Exercise. Show that $(\mathbb{G}_{m,S}[p^\infty])^t = \underline{\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p}_S$.

9 Newton polygons

For a p-divisible group X or an abelian variety A over a field of characteristic p a Newton polygon $\zeta = \mathcal{N}(X)$, respectively $\xi = \mathcal{N}(A) := \mathcal{N}(A[p^\infty])$ is defined, see Section 21. Here we will give an easier definition in case we work with an abelian vareity over a finite field, and we show that this is indeed the correct notion.

(9.1) Notation. Let $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ be a finite field, $q = p^n$ and let A be an abelian variety over K of dimension g. Note that the geometric Frobenius $\pi = \pi_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$ has a characteristic polynomial $f_A \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$; this is a monic polynomial of degree $2g$.

Suppose that A is simple over K. The algebraic integer π is a zero of its minimal polynomial $\mathrm{Irr}(\pi) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$; this is a monic polynomial, and its degree equals $e = \mathbb{Q}(\pi) : \mathbb{Q}]$. In this case $f_A = (\mathrm{Irr}(\pi))^r$, where r^2 is the degree of $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ over its centre $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$.

Suppose $f_A = \sum_j \ b_j T^{2g-j}$. We define $\xi = \xi(A)$ as a *lower convex hull*, written as lch(), which is the Newton polygon of f_A compressed by the factor n:

$$\xi(A) = \mathrm{lch}\left(\{(j, v_p(b_j)/n) \mid o \le j \le 2g\}\right).$$

Note that if $\mathrm{Irr}(\pi) = \sum_i c_i T^{e-i}$ then $\xi(A) = \mathrm{lch}(\{(r{\cdot}i, r{\cdot}v_p(c_i)/n) \mid 0 \le i \le e\})$.

(9.2) Theorem. *Let A be an abelian variety isotypic over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$, with $q = p^n$. As above we write $\pi = \pi_A$, the geometric Frobenius of A, and $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$ with $[L : \mathbb{Q}] = e$ and $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ with $[D : L] = r^2$ and $\dim(A) = g = er/2$. Let $X = A[p^\infty]$. Consider the set $\Sigma_L^{(p)}$ of discrete valuations of L dividing the rational prime number p. Let $L \subset P \subset D$, where P is a* CM*-field of degree $2g$* (existence assured by (10.1). *If necessary we replace A be a K-isogenous abelian variety* (again called A) *such that $\mathcal{O}_P \subset \mathrm{End}(A)$, see* (4.5). *Then also $\mathcal{O}_L \subset \mathrm{End}(A)$.*
(1) *The decomposition*

$$D \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p = \prod_{w \in \Sigma_L^{(p)}} D_w, \quad \mathcal{O}_L = \prod \mathcal{O}L_w,$$

gives a decomposition $X = \prod_w \ X_w$.
(2) *The height of X_w equals $[L_w : \mathbb{Q}_p]{\cdot}r$.*
(3) *The p-divisible group X_w is isoclinic of slope γ_w equal to $w(\pi_A)/w(q)$; note that $q = p^n$.*
(4) *Let $\overline{w}$ be the discrete valuation obtained from w by complex conjugation; $\gamma_w + \gamma_{\overline{w}} = 1$.*
See [80]. We will give a proof of one of the details.
Proof. (3) Fix $w \in \Sigma_L^{(p)}$, and write $Y = X_w$. Write $w(\pi_A)/n = d/h$ with $\gcd(d, h) = 1$. The kernel of

$$Y \xrightarrow{F} Y^{(p)} \xrightarrow{F} \cdots \xrightarrow{F} Y^{(p^{nh})}$$

will be denoted by $Y[F^{nh}]$
Claim. $Y[F^{nh}] = Y[p^{nd}]$.
The action of π on Y is given by F^n. We see that $w(F^{nh}/p^{nd}) = 0$. This proves that this quotient (in $\mathcal{O}_L$) acts by a unit on Y, which proves the claim.

By the Dieudonné-Manin theory we know that $Y \otimes \mathbb{F} \sim \prod G_{d_i,c_i} \otimes \mathbb{F}$. We know that $G_{d_i,c_i}[F^{c_i+d_i}] = G_{d_i,c_i}[p^{d_i}]$. By the claim this proves that in this decomposition only factors $(d_i, c_i) = (d, h-d)$ do appear, see (21.15). This proves proves that Y is isoclinic of slope equal to d/h.

(9.3) Notation. Let $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ be a finite field, $q = p^n$ and let A be an abelian variety over K of dimension g. Note that the geometric Frobenius $\pi = \pi_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$ has a characteristic polynomial $f_A \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$; this is a monic polynomial of degree $2g$.

(9.4) Corollary. *The polygon $\xi(A)$ constructed above for an abelian variety A over a finite field equals the Newton polygon $\mathcal{N}(A)$,* as defined in Section 21.

(9.5) Remark. Let A be an abelian variety over a finite field. By the Dieudonné-Manin theory we know that $A[p^\infty] = X$ has the property that there exists a p-divisible group Y over $\mathbb{F}_p$ such that $X \otimes \mathbb{F} \sim Y \otimes \mathbb{F}$. Hence $\xi(A) = \mathcal{N}(A) = \mathcal{N}(Y)$ as we have seen above. We could try to prove the corollary above by comparing the minimum polynomial of π_A and the same of Y over some common finite field. However in general one cannot compute f_A from the characteristic polynomial of $Y/\mathbb{F}_p$, as is shown by examples below.

(9.6) **(1)** Let E be a supersingular elliptic curve over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. We will see, (14.6), that there exists a root of unity ζ_i such that $\pi_E \sim \zeta_i\sqrt{q}$. Hence $\pi' := \pi_{E\otimes K'} = q^i$, with $K' = \mathbb{F}_{q'}$, where $q' = q^{2i} = p^{2ni}$. We can choose $Y/\mathbb{F}_q$ with $F_Y = \pm\sqrt{p}$ and $Y \otimes \mathbb{F} \cong E[p^\infty] \otimes \mathbb{F}$. Note the curious fact that in this case $(F_Y)^{2ni} = \pi'$.
(2) Let E be an ordinary elliptic curve over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$, with $f_E \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$ the characteristic polynomial of π_E. For $Y = G_{(1,0)} + G_{(0,1)}$ we have $E[p^\infty] \otimes \mathbb{F} \cong Y \otimes \mathbb{F}$, but for every finite field $K' \supset K$ the p-divisible groups $E[p^\infty] \otimes K'$ and $Y \otimes K'$ are not isomorphic. In this case the minimal polynomial of the geometric Frobenius of $E \otimes K'$ is different from the same of $Y \otimes K'$.

(9.7) The Shimura-Taniyama formula. Suppose given an abelian variety A of CM-type (P, Φ) over a number field M having good reduction at a discrete valuation $v \in \Sigma_M$. Can we compute from these data the slopes of the geometric Frobenius π_0 of the reduction A_0/K_v over the residue class field of v ? The formula of Shimura and Taniyama precisely gives us this information.

Let $\mathcal{A}$ be the Nmm of A at v. We have

$$P = \mathrm{End}^0(A) = \mathrm{End}^0(\mathcal{A}) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(A_0).$$

Let ℓ be a prime different form the characteristic of K_v. We see that $P \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell$. As $P : \mathbb{Q}] = 2{\cdot}\dim(A)$ it follows that $P \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is its own centralizer; hence $L := \mathbb{Q}(\pi_{A_0}) \subset P$. Moreover $\pi := \pi_{A_0}$ is integral over $\mathbb{Z}$; hence $\pi \in \mathcal{O}_P$.

Let C be an algebraically closed field containing $\mathbb{Q}_p$. We have

$$H := \mathrm{Hom}(P, C), \quad H_w = \mathrm{Hom}(P_w, C), \quad H = \coprod_{w \in \Sigma_P^{(p)}} H_w.$$

We define $\Phi_w := \Phi \cap H_w$. Write $K_v = \mathbb{F}_q$. With these notations we have:

(9.8) Theorem (the Shimura-Taniyama formula).

$$\forall w \in \Sigma_P, \quad w \mid p, \quad \frac{w(\pi)}{w(q)} = \frac{\#(\Phi_w)}{\#(H_w)}.$$

See [72], §13; see [37], Corollary 2.3.
Tate gave a proof based on "CM-theory for p-divisible groups. See [76],Lemma 5; see [77], Shimura-Taniyama formula by B. Conrad, Theorem 2.1.

10 Surjectivity

In this section we prove surjectivity of the map $\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{M}(K, s) \to W(q)$, hence finishing a proof for Theorem (1.2). We indicate the structure of the proof by subdividing it into the various steps.

Step (1) We start with a choice $q = p^n$, and with the choice of a Weil q-number π. Proving $\mathcal{W}$ is surjective means proving every Weil number is effective, see (1.3). In case $\pi \in \mathbb{R}$ we know effectivity. From now on we suppose that π is non-real.

Step (2) The Weil q-number π determines a number field $\mathbb{Q}(\pi) = L$ and a division algebra $D = \mathcal{D}(\pi)$; see (5.5). In the case considered L s a CM-field.

Step (3) We choose a CM-field $P \subset D$ of degree $2g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$.

(10.1) Lemma. *Suppose given a* CM*-field L and a central division algebra $L \subset D$. There exists $L \subset P \subset D$ where P is a* CM*-field splitting D/L.* □
See [76], Lemme 2 on page 100.
See Exercise (15.5)

Step (4) Given π and $L \subset P \subset D = \mathcal{D}(\pi)$ as above we choose a CM-type Φ for P such that

$$\forall w \in \Sigma_L^{(p)}, \quad w \mid p, \quad \frac{w(\pi)}{w(q)} = \frac{\#(\Phi_w)}{\#(H_w)}.$$

Here $\Sigma_L^{(p)}$ is the set of finite places of L dividing p. We have a decomposition $L \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p = \prod L_w$; hence a decomposition

$$H := \mathrm{Hom}(L, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}) = \coprod \mathrm{Hom}(L_w, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}); \quad \text{write} \quad H_w = \mathrm{Hom}(L_w, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}; \qquad \Phi = \coprod \Phi_w.$$

The set $\Phi \subset H$ defines the sets $\Phi_w \subset H_w$; conversely $\{\Phi_w \mid w \in \Sigma_L^{(p)}\}$ determines Φ.
Construction. Notation will be chosen in relation with (9.2). For every $w \in \Sigma_L^{(p)}$ we define:

- $\beta_w = w(\pi)/w(q)$;
- $h_w = [L_w : \mathbb{Q}_p] \cdot r$, where $r = r_\pi = \sqrt{[\mathcal{D}(\pi) : \mathbb{Q}(\pi)]}$;
- $d_w := h_w \cdot \beta_w$.

Note that complex conjugation induces (for every embedding) an involution $\rho : P \to P$, which restricts to an involution $\rho : L \to L$ which is also complex conjugation on L. We see that $\rho(w) = w$ or $\rho(w) \neq w$. In the first case $\beta_w = 1/2$; in this case we choose for $\Phi_w \subset H_w$ any subset such that $\#(\Phi_w) = \#(H_w)/2$. If $\rho(w) \neq w$ we make a choice $\Phi_w \subset H_w$ such that $\#(\Phi_w) = d_w$, and we define $\Phi_{\rho(w)} = H_{\rho(w)} - \Phi_w \cdot \rho$; this ends a choice for the pair $\{w, \rho(w)\}$. This ends the construction.

Step (5) Given the CM-type (P, Φ) we construct B over M as follows.

(10.2) *We choose a number field M, an abelian variety B defined over M, and $v \in \Sigma_M^{(p)}$ with residue class field $K_v := \mathcal{O}_v/m_v \supset \mathbb{F}_q$ such that* $\mathrm{End}^0(B) = P$, *with Φ as* CM-type, *and such that B has good reduction at v.*
Notation. Write $[K_v : \mathbb{F}_q] = m$; write B_v for the abelian variety defined over K_v obtained by reduction of B at v.
Proof. By (19.6) we construct an abelian variety B' over $\mathbb{C}$ of CM-type (P, Φ). By [72], Proposition 26 on page 109 we know that B'' can be defined over a number field. We can choose a finite extension so that all complex multiplications are defined over that field. By (7.7) we know that an abelian variety with smCM has potentially good reduction; hence we can extend the base field to achieve good reduction everywhere. We choose a discrete valuation dividing p. After a finite extension we can achieve that B is an abelian variety defined over a number field M, with $B \otimes_M \mathbb{C} \cong B'$, and $v \in \Sigma_M^{(p)}$ such that all properties mentioned above are satisfied.

(10.3) Lemma. *Let E be a number field, i.e. $[E : \mathbb{Q}] < \infty$. A root of unity $\zeta \in E$ has the properties:*
(i) for every $\psi : E \to \mathbb{C}$ we have $\mid \zeta \mid = 1$,
(ii) for every finite prime w we have $w(\zeta) = 0$.
Conversely an element $\zeta \in E$ satisfying (i) and (ii) is a root of unity. □
See [25], page 402 (page 520 in the second printing).

Step (6) *Suppose given π, and (P, Φ) and B/M as constructed above. There exist $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and an s-root of unity ζ_s such that*

$$\pi^m = \zeta_s \cdot \pi_{B_v}.$$

This implies that

$$\pi^{ms} = \pi_{B_v}^s = \pi_{B_v \otimes \mathbb{F}_{q^{ms}}}.$$

Hence π^N is effective with $N := ms$.
Also see Theorem (12.3).
Proof. We have $\pi \in \mathcal{O}_L \subset P$. Also we have $\pi_{B_v} \in \mathcal{O}_P$. Let $\zeta := \pi^m/\pi_{B_v}$, where $[K_v : \mathbb{F}_q] = m$. As π^m and π_{B_v} are Weil $\#(K_v)$-numbers condition (i) of the previous lemma is satisfied. For every prime not above p these numbers are units, hence condition (ii) is satisfied for primes of P not dividing p. For every $w \in \Sigma_P^{(p)}$ we can apply the Shimura-Taniyama formula, see (9.8), to π_{B_v}; for the restriction of w to L we can apply (9.2) (3) to π; these shows that $w(zeta) = 1$ for every $w \in \Sigma_P^{(p)}$. Hence the conditions mentioned in the previous lemma are satisfied. By the lemma $\zeta \in \mathcal{O}_P$ is a root of unity, say $\zeta = \zeta_s$. Hence π^N is effective for $N := ms$. This means that $\pi^N \pi_{B_v \otimes \mathbb{F}_{q^{ms}}}$ is effective. □

(10.4) The Weil restriction functor. Suppose given a finite extension $K \subset K'$ of fields (we could consider much more general situations, but we will not do that); write $S = \mathrm{Spec}(K)$ and $S' = \mathrm{Spec}(K')$. We have the base change functor

$$\mathrm{Sch}_{/S} \quad \to \quad \mathrm{Sch}_{S'}, \qquad T \mapsto T_{S'} := T \times_S S'.$$

The *right adjoint functor* to the base change functor is denoted by

$$\Pi = \Pi_{S'/S} = \Pi_{K'/K} \ : \ \mathrm{Sch}_{S'} \quad \to \quad \mathrm{Sch}_{/S}, \qquad \mathrm{Mor}_S(T, \Pi_{S'/S}(Z)) \cong \mathrm{Mor}_{S'}(T_{S'}, Z).$$

In this situation Weil showed that $\Pi_{S'/S}(Z)$ exists. In fact, consider $\times_{S'}^{[K':K]} = Z \times_{S'} \cdots \times_{S'} Z$, the self-product of $[K' : K]$ copies. It can be shown that $\times_{S'}^{[K':K]}$ can be descended to K in such a way that it solves this problem. Note that $\Pi_{S'/S}(Z) \times_S S' = \times_{S'}^{[K':K]} Z$. For a more general situation, see [23], Exp. 195, page 195-13.

(10.5) Lemma. *Let B' be an abelian variety over a finite field K'. Let $K \subset K'$, with $[K' : K] = N$. Write*

$$B := \Pi_{K'/K}\, B'; \quad \textit{then} \quad f_B(T) = f_{B'}(T^N).$$

□

See [76], page 100.

By Step 6 and by the previous lemma we conclude:

(10.6) Corollary. *Let π be a Weil q-number and $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that π^N is effective. Then π is effective.* □

See [76], Lemme 1 on page 100.

Remark. The abelian variety B_v as constructed above is isotypic and hence π_{B_v} is well-defined. It might be that the B_v thus obtained is not simple. Moreover $A := \Pi_{K'/K}(B_v)$ is isotypic with $\pi_A \sim \pi$.

Step (7) End of the proof. We conclude that π is effective. Hence $\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{M}(K, s) \to W(q)$ is surjective. □Theorem (1.2)

Warning. For a K-simple abelian variety A over $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ in general it can happen that for a (finite) extension $K \subset K'$ the abelian variety $A \otimes K'$ is not K'-simple.

(10.7) Exercise. *Notation and assumptions as above; in particular $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ is a finite field, $[K' : K] = N$. Write $A' = A \otimes K'$. Write $\pi' = \pi_A^N$.*

Show that $\mathrm{End}(A) = \mathrm{End}(A')$ *iff* $\mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) = \mathbb{Q}(\pi')$.

Show that $\mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) = \mathbb{Q}(\pi')$ for every $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ implies that A is absolutely simple (i.e. $A \otimes \mathbb{F}$ is simple).

Construct K, A, K' such that $\mathbb{Q}(\pi_A) \neq \mathbb{Q}(\pi_{A'})$ and A' is K'-simple.

11 A conjecture by Manin

We recall an important corollary from the Honda-Tate theory, observed independently by Honda and by Serre.

(11.1) Definition. Let ξ be a Newton polygon. Suppose it consists of slopes $\beta_1 \geq \cdots \geq \beta_h$. We say that ξ is it symmetric if $h = 2g$ is even, and for every $1 \leq i \leq h$ we have $\beta_i = 1 - \beta_{h+1-i}$.

(11.2) Proposition. *Let A be an abelian variety in positive characteristic, and let $\xi = \mathcal{N}(A)$ be its Newton polygon. Then ξ is symmetric.*

Over a finite field this was proved by Manin, see [36], page 74; in that proof the functional equation of the zeta-function for an abelian variety over a finite field is used. The general case

(an abelian variety over an arbitrary field) follows from [51], Theorem 19.1; see (21.16).
A **proof** of this proposition in case we work over a finite field also can be given using (9.2).

Does the converse hold? I.e.:

(11.3) Conjecture (Manin, see [36], Conjecture 2 on page 76).
Suppose given a prime number p and a symmetric Newton polygon ξ. Then there exists an abelian variety A over a field of characteristic p with $\mathcal{N}(A) = \xi$.

Actually if such an abelian variety does exist, then there exists an abelian variety with this Newton polygon over a finite field. This follows by a result of Grothendieck and Katz about Newton polygon strata being Zariski closed in $\mathcal{A}_g \otimes \mathbb{F}_p$; see [30], Th. 2.3.1 on page 143.

(11.4) Proof of the Manin Conjecture (Serre, Honda), see [76], page 98. We recall that Newton polygons can be described by a sum of ordered pairs (d, c). A symmetric Newton polygon can be written as

$$\xi = f\cdot((1,0)+(0,1)) + s\cdot(1,1) + \sum_i \quad ((d_i,c_i)+(c_i,d_i))\,,$$

with $f \geq 0$, $\ s \geq 0$ and moreover $d_i > c_i > 0$ being coprime integers. Note that $\mathcal{N}(A) \cup \mathcal{N}(B) = \mathcal{N}(A \times B)$; here we write $\mathcal{N}(A) \cup \mathcal{N}(B)$ for the Newton polygon obtained by taking all slopes in $\mathcal{N}(A)$ and in $\mathcal{N}(B)$, and arranging them in non-decreasing order. We know that for an ordinary elliptic curve E we have $\mathcal{N}(E) = (1,0)+(0,1)$, and for a supersingular elliptic curve we have $\mathcal{N}(E) = (1,1)$, and both types exist. Hence the Manin Conjecture has been settled if we can handle the case

$$(d,c)+(c,d) \text{ with } \gcd(d,c) = 1 \text{ and } d > c > 0.$$

For such integers we consider a zero π of the poynomial

$$P = T^2 + p^c\cdot T + p^n, \qquad n = d + c, \quad q = p^n.$$

Clearly $(p^c)^2 - 4\cdot p^n < 0$, and we see that π is an imaginary quadratic Weil q-number. Note that

$$(T^2 + p^c\cdot T + p^n)/p^{2c} \quad = \quad (\frac{T}{p^c})^2 + (\frac{T}{p^c}) + p^{d-c}.$$

As $d > c$, we see that $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi)/\mathbb{Q}$ is an imaginary quadratic extension in which p splits. Moreover, using (5.4) (3), the Newton polygon of P tells us the p-adic values of zeros of P; this shows that the invariants of D/L are c/n and d/n. This proves that $[D : L] = n^2$. Using Theorem (1.2) we have proved the existence of an abelian variety A over $\mathbb{F}_q$ with $\pi = \pi_A$, hence $\mathrm{End}^0(A) = D$. In particular the dimension of A equals $n = d + c$. Using (9.2) (3) we conclude that $\mathcal{N}(A) = (d,c)+(c,d)$. Hence the Manin conjecture is proved. □

(11.5) Exercise. *Let $g > 2$ be a prime number and let A be an abelian variety simple over a finite field K of dimension g. Show that either* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is a field, or* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is of* Type(1,g), i.e. a division algebra of rank g^2 central over an imaginary quadratic field. *Show that for any odd prime number in every characteristic both types of endomorphism algebras do appear.* See [57], 3.13.

(11.6) Exercise. Fix a prime number p, fix coprime positive integers $d > c > 0$. Consider all division algebras D such that there exists an abelian variety A of dimension $g := d+c$ over some finite field of characteristic p such that $[\mathrm{End}^0(A) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2g^2$ and $\mathcal{N}(A) = (d,c) + (c,d)$. *Show that this gives a infinite set of isomorphism classes of such algebras.*

(11.7) We have seen a proof of the Manin conjecture using the Honda-Tate theory. For a reference to a different proof, see (21.17).

12 CM-liftings of abelian varieties

References: [59], [10].

(12.1) Definition. Let A_0 be an abelian variety over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$. We say A/R is a *lifting of A_0 to characteristic zero* if R is an integral domain of characteristic zero, with a ring homomorphism $R \to K$, and $A \to \mathrm{Spec}(R)$ is an abelian scheme such that $A \otimes_R K = A_0$.

(12.2) Definition. Suppose A_0 be an abelian variety over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ such that A_0 admits smCM. We say A is a CM-*lifting of A_0 to characteristic zero* if A/R is a lifting of A_0, and if moreover A/R admits smCM. If this is the case we say that A_0/K satisfies (CML). Moreover, if $L \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A_0)$ is a CM- field of degree $2g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$ and $\mathrm{End}^0(A) = L$ we say that A_0/K satisfies (CML) by L.

We say that A_0/K satisfies (CMLN), if A_0 admits a CM-*lifting to a normal characteristic zero domain.*
Note that in these cases $\mathrm{End}^0(A_M) = \mathrm{End}^0(A) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(A_0)$ need not be bijective.

The proof in the Section 10 in fact shows (see Step 6):

(12.3) Theorem (Honda). *Let $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. Let A_0 be an abelian variety, defined and simple over K. Let $P \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A_0)$ is a* CM*-field of degree $2g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. There exists a finite extension $K \subset K'$, an abelian variety B_0 over K' and a K'-isogeny $A_0 \otimes_K K' \sim B_0$ such that B_0/K' satisfies* (CMLN) *by P.* □
See [76],

Question 1. *Is an isogeny necessary* ?
Question 2. *Is a field extension necessary* ?

(12.4) Theorem I. *For any $g \geq 3$ and for any $0 \leq f \leq g-2$ there exists an abelian variety A_0 over $\mathbb{F} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$, with $\dim(A) = g$ and of p-rank $f(A) = f$, such that A_0 does not admit a* CM*-lifting to characteristic zero.*
See [59], Th. B on page 131.

We indicate the essence of the proof; for details, see [59].
(1) Suppose given a prime number p, and a symmetric Newton polygon ξ which is non-supersingular with $f(\xi) \leq g-2$. Using [34] choose an abelian variety C over $\mathbb{F} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ with $\mathcal{N}(C) = \xi$ such that $\mathrm{End}^0(C)$ is a field.
(2) Choose an abelian variety B over a finite field K such that $B \otimes \mathbb{F} \sim C$, such that

$a(B) = 2$ and such that for every $\alpha_p \subset B$ we have $a(B/\alpha_p) \leq 2$. Fix an isomorphism $(\alpha_p \times \alpha_p)_K \xrightarrow{\sim} B[F,V] \subset B$.
Important observation. Suppose $t \in \mathbb{F}$; suppose $B_{\mathbb{F}}/((1,t)(\alpha_p) =: A_t$ can be defined over K', with $K \subset K' \subset \mathbb{F}$. Then $t \in K'$.
(3) We study all quotients of the form $B_{\mathbb{F}}/((1,t)(\alpha_p) = A_t$ and see which one could be CM-lifted to characteristic zero. Because $\mathrm{End}^0(B)$ is a field, we can classify all such CM-liftings over $\mathbb{C}$, and arrive at:
(4) There exist $K \subset K' \subset \Gamma \subset \mathbb{F}$ such that $[K' : K] < \infty$, moreover Γ/K' is a pro-p-extension, and if $t \notin \Gamma$ then A_t does not a CM-lift to characteristic zero. Note that $\Gamma \subsetneqq \mathbb{F}$, and hence the theorem is proved. □

Conclusion. An isogeny is necessary. *In general, an abelian variety defined over a finite field does not admit a* CM*-lifting to characteristic zero.*

(12.5) Definition. Let $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. Let A_0 be an abelian variety, defined over K. We say that A_0/K satisfies (CMLI), can be CM- lifted after an isogeny, if there exist $A_0 \sim B_0$ such that B_0 satisfies (CML). We say A_0/K satisfies (CMLNI), if moreover B_0 satisfies (CMLN).

(12.6) At present it is an open problem whether any abelian variety defined over a finite field satisfies (CMLI), see (22.2)

(12.7) Theorem IIs / Example. (Failure of CMLN.) (B. Conrad) *Let $\pi = p\zeta_5$. This is a Weil p^2-number. Suppose $p \equiv 2, 3 \pmod 5$.* Note that this implies that p is inert in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)/\mathbb{Q}$. *Let A be any abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ in the isogeny class corresponding to this Weil number by the Honda-Tate theory, see* (1.2). Note that $\dim(A) = 2$ and $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \cong L = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$ and A is supersingular. *The abelian variety $A/\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ does not satisfy* CMLN *up to isogeny.*

(12.8) Remark. The previous example can be generalized. Let ℓ be a prime number such that $L = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_\ell)$ contains no proper CM field (e.g. ℓ is a Fermat prime). Let p be a rational prime, such that the residue class field of L above p has degree more than 2. Let $\pi = p\zeta_\ell$ and proceed as above. Note that also in this example we obtain a supersingular abelian variety.

(12.9) Theorem IIns / Example. (Failure of CMLN.) (Chai) *Let p be a rational prime number such that $p \equiv 2,\ 3 \pmod 5$, i.e. p is inert in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)/\mathbb{Q}$. Suppose $K/\mathbb{Q}$ is imaginary quadratic, such that p is split in $K/\mathbb{Q}$ with an element $\beta \in O_K$ such that $O_K \cdot \beta$ is one of the primes above p in O_K* (to ensure existence of β, take for example the class number of K to be equal to 1). *Let L/K be an extension of degree 5 generated by $\pi := \sqrt[5]{p^2\beta}$. We see that π is a Weil p-number. Let A be any abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_p$ in the isogeny class corresponding to this Weil number by the Honda-Tate theory, see* (1.2). *Note that* $\dim(A) = 5$, *the Newton polygon of A has slopes equal to* $2/5$ *respectively* $3/5$, *and* $\mathrm{End}(A)$ *is a field of degree* 10 *over* $\mathbb{Q}$. *The abelian variety $A/\mathbb{F}_p$ does not satisfy* (CMLN) *up to isogeny.*

Conclusion. A field extension is necessary. *In general, an abelian variety defined over a finite field does not satisfy* (CMLNI).

13 The residual reflex condition ensures (CMLN)

(13.1) Remark. Suppose P is a CM-field, and let Φ be a CM-type for P. Let w' be a discrete valuation of the reflex field P'; write $K_{w'}$ for its residue class field. Suppose B is an abelian variety defined over a number field M such that B/M admits smCM of type (P,Φ). Then $M \supset L'$; see (4.8) for references. Let v be a discrete valuation of M extending w'. Suppose B has good reduction at v. Let B_v/K_v be the reduction of B at v.

The residual reflex condition. Then K_v contains $K_{w'}$.

(13.2) Proof of (12.7). We see that $\mathrm{End}^0(A) = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5) = L$. Note that $L/\mathbb{Q}$ is Galois; hence $L' \subset L$; moreover $L'/\mathbb{Q}$ is a CM-field; hence $L' = L$; this equality can also be checked directly using the possible CM-types for $L = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$. Suppose there would exist up to isogeny over $K = \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ a CM-lifting B/M to a field of characteristic zero. We see that the residue class field $K' = K_v$ of M contains the residue class field $K_{w'}$ of L'. As p is inert in $L = L'$ it follows that $K \supset K_{w'} = \mathbb{F}_{p^4}$. This contradicts the fact that A is defined over $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$. □(12.7)

A proof of (12.9) can be given along the same lines, by showing that $K_{w'} \supset \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$.

(13.3) Given a CM-type (P,Φ) and a discrete valuation w' of the reflex field P' we obtain $K_{w'} \supset \mathbb{F}_p$. We see that in order that A_0/K with $K = \mathbb{F}_q$ does allow a lifting with CM-type (P,Φ) it is necessary that it satisfies the *residual reflex condition*: $K_{w'} \subset K$. Moreover note that the triple (P,Φ,w') determines the Newton polygon of B_v (notation as above): see [76], page 107, Th. 3, see (9.8). The triple (P,Φ,w') will be called a p-adic CM-type, where p is the residue characteristic of w'. The following theorem says that the *residual reflex condition is sufficient for ensuring* (NLCM) *up to isogeny.*

(13.4) Theorem III. *Let A_0/K be an abelian variety of dimension g simple over a finite field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$. Let $L \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A_0)$ be a* CM *-field of degree $2{\cdot}g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. Suppose there exists a p-adic* CM*-type (L,Φ,w') such that it gives the Newton polygon of A_0 and such that $K_{w'} \subset K$. Then A_0 satisfies* (NLCM) *up to isogeny.*
See [10], Section 5 for more details.

(13.5) Suppose $M \supset R \twoheadrightarrow K$, where R is a normal domain and $M = Q(R)$ the field of fractions, and K a residue field. Suppose $\mathcal{A} \to \mathrm{Spec}(R)$ is an abelian scheme. Then

$$\mathrm{End}(A_M) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{End}(A) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(A_K).$$

Exercise. *In case ℓ is a prime number not equal to the characteristic of K, show that* $\mathrm{End}(A_K)/\mathrm{End}(A)$ *has no ℓ-torsion.*

Exercise. *Give an example where* $\mathrm{End}(A_K)/\mathrm{End}(A)$ *does have torsion.*

We conclude that we obtain $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(A_K)$. In general this is not an equlity.

Exercise. *Give examples of A over R such that* $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \subsetneqq \mathrm{End}^0(A_K)$.

(13.6) In order to be able to lift an abelian variety from characteristic p to characteristic zero, and to have a good candidate in characteristic zero whose reduction modulo p gives the required Weil number we have to realize that in general an endomorphism algebra in positive characteristic does not appear for that dimension as an endomorphism algebra in characteristic zero. However "less structure" will do:

(13.7) Exercise ***.** Let E be an elliptic curve over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$. Let $X = E[p^\infty]$ be its p-divisible group. Show:

(1) For every $\beta \in End(X)$ the pair (X, β) can be lifted to characteristic zero.

For every $b \in \mathrm{End}(E)$ *the pair* (E, b) *can be llifted to characteristic zero.* See [58], Section 14, in particular 14.7.

Remark/Exercise. *There exists an elliptic curve* E *over a local field* M *such that* E *has good reduction, such that* $\mathrm{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}$ *and* $\mathrm{End}(E[p^\infty]) \supsetneqq \mathbb{Z}_p$.

Remark. We see that in order that the Tate conjecture holds for abelian varieties we better assume that the base field is of finite type over the prime field; therefore Grothendieck formulated his "anabelian conjecture" for hyperbolic curves over such fields; it came as a big surprise that this conjecture for curves actually is true over local fields, as Mochizuchi showed, see [38].

14 Elliptic curves

(14.1) Exercise. Let A be an elliptic curve over a local field in mixed characteristic zero/p, such that $\mathrm{End}(A) \supsetneqq \mathbb{Z}$. Let $E = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$. Note that $E/\mathbb{Q}$ is an imaginary quadratic extension. Suppose A has good reduction modulo p. Show:

If p *is ramified or if* p *is inert in* $\mathbb{Q} \subset E$ *then* A_0 *is supersingular.*

If p *is is split in* $\mathbb{Q} \subset E$ *then* A_0 *is ordinary.*

(Note that in the case studied $\mathrm{End}(A) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(A_0)$; you may use this.)

(14.2) Exercise. We say that E an elliptic curve (an abelian variety of dimension one) defined over a field M of characteristic p is *supersingular* if $E[p](\overline{M}) = 0$.
(1) *Let* E *be a supersingular elliptic curve over some field* $M \supset \mathbb{F}_p$. *Show that*

$$\mathrm{Ker}(E \xrightarrow{F_E} E^{(p)} \xrightarrow{F_{E^{(p)}}} E^{(p^2)}) = E[p].$$

(2) *Show that* $j(E) \in \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$.
(3) *Show that* E *can be defined over* $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$.

(14.3) Remark. As Deuring showed, for any elliptic curve E we have $(j(E) \in K) \Rightarrow (E$ can be defined over $K)$. An obvious generalization for abelian varieties of dimension $g > 1$ does not hold; in general it is difficult to determine a field of definition for A, even if a field of definition for its moduli point is given.
In fact, as in formulas given by Tate, see [74] page 52, we see that for $j \in K$ an elliptic curve over K with that j invariant exists:

- $\mathrm{char}(K) \neq 3, \quad j = 0: \quad Y^2 + Y = X^3$;
- $\mathrm{char}(K) \neq 2, \quad j = 1728: \quad Y^2 = X^3 + X$;
- $j \neq 0, \quad j \neq 1728 \quad :$

$$Y^2 + XY = X^3 - \frac{36}{j - 1728}X - \frac{1}{j - 1728}.$$

Deuring showed that the endomorphism algebra of a supersingular elliptic curve over $\mathbb{F} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ is the quaternion algebra $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$; this is the division algebra, of degree 4, central over $\mathbb{Q}$ unramified outside $\{p, \infty\}$. This was an inspiration for Tate to prove his structure theorems for endomorphism algebras of abelian varieties defined over a finite field, and as Tate already remarked, it reproved Deuring's result.

(14.4) Endomorphism algebras of eliptic curves. *Let E be an elliptic curve over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$. We write $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$ for the quaternion algebra central over $\mathbb{Q}$, ramified exactly at the places ∞ and p. One of the following three (mutually exclusive) cases holds:*

(1) (2.1.s) $\boxed{E \text{ is ordinary; then } \mathrm{End}^0(E) = L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_E)}$
is an imaginary quadratic field in which p **splits**. *Conversely if $\mathrm{End}^0(E) = L$ is a quadratic field in which p splits, E is ordinary. In this case, for every field extension $K \subset M$ we have $\mathrm{End}^0(E) = \mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M)$.*

(2) (2.1.ns) $\boxed{E \text{ is supersingular, and } \mathrm{End}^0(E) \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}.}$
This is the case if and only if $\pi_E \in \mathbb{Q}$. For every field extension $K \subset M$ we have $\mathrm{End}^0(E) = \mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M)$.

(3) (1.2) $\boxed{E \text{ is supersingular, and } \mathrm{End}^0(E) = L \supsetneqq \mathbb{Q}.}$
In this case $L/\mathbb{Q}$ is an imaginary quadratic field in which p does **not split**. *There exists an integer N such that $\pi_e^N \in \mathbb{Q}$. In that case $\mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M) \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$ for any field M containing $\mathbb{F}_{q^N}$.*

If E is supersingular over a finite field either (2.1.ns) *or* (1.2) *holds.*

A proof can be given using (14.6). Here we indicate a proof independent of that classification of all elliptic curves over a finite field.

Proof. By (5.4) we know that for an elliptic curve e over a finite field we have $L := \mathbb{Q}(\pi_E)$ and $D = \mathrm{End}^0(E)$ and

$$[L : \mathbb{Q}] \cdot \sqrt{[D : L]} = ed = 2g = 2.$$

Hence $e = 2, d = 1$ or $e = 1, d = 2$. We obtain three cases:
(2.1.s) $[L : \mathbb{Q}] = e = 2$ and $D = L$, hence $d = 1$, and p is split in $L/\mathbb{Q}$.
(2.1.ns) $[L : \mathbb{Q}] = e = 2$ and $D = L$, hence $d = 1$, and p is not split in $L/\mathbb{Q}$.
(1.2) $L = \mathbb{Q}, \quad [D : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$; in this case $e = 1, \quad d = 2$ and $D \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$.

Moreover we have seen that either $\pi_E \in \mathbb{R}$, and we are in case (1.2) or $\pi_E \notin \mathbb{R}$ and $D = L := \mathbb{Q}(\pi_E) = \mathbb{Q}$ and $L/\mathbb{Q}$ is an imaginary quadratic field.

Write $\overline{E}$ for $E \otimes \mathbb{F}$. For a p-divisible group X write $\mathrm{End}^0(X) = \mathrm{End}(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p$. We have the natural maps

$$\mathrm{End}(E) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(E) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(E[p^\infty]) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(E[p^\infty]) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(\overline{E}[p^\infty]).$$

Indeed the ℓ-adic map $\mathrm{End}(A) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_\ell \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(T_\ell(E))$ is injective, as was proved by Weil. The same arguments of that proof are valid for the injectivity of $\mathrm{End}(A) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(A[p^\infty])$ for any abelian variety over any field, see (20.7), see [80], Theorem 5 on page 56. Hence

$$\mathrm{End}^0(E) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(E[p^\infty]).$$

Claim (One) (2.1.ns) or (1.2) $\implies$ E is supersingular.

Proof. *Suppose* (2.1.ns) *or* (1.2), *suppose that E is ordinary, and arrive at a contradiction.* If E is ordinary we have

$$E[p^\infty] \otimes \overline{K} \quad = \quad \overline{E}[p^\infty] \otimes \overline{K} \quad \cong \quad \mu_{p^\infty} \times \underline{\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p}.$$

Moreover

$$\mathrm{End}^0(\mu_{p^\infty}) \quad = \quad \mathbb{Z}_p, \qquad \mathrm{End}^0(\underline{\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p}) \quad = \quad \mathbb{Z}_p$$

(over any base field). In case (2.1.ns) we see that $D_p = \mathrm{End}^0(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$ is a quadratic extension of $\mathbb{Q}_p$. In case (1.2) we see that $D_p = \mathrm{End}^0(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$ is a quaternion algebra over $\mathbb{Q}_p$. In both cases we obtain

$$\mathrm{End}(E) \to \mathrm{End}^0(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p \to \mathrm{End}^0(\overline{E}[p^\infty] \otimes \overline{K}) = \mathrm{End}^0(\mu_{p^\infty} \times \underline{\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p}) = \mathbb{Q}_p \times \mathbb{Q}_p.$$

As $(D_p \to \mathbb{Q}_p) = 0$ we conclude that $(\mathrm{End}(E) \to \mathrm{End}(E[p^\infty])) = 0$; this is a contradiction with the fact that the map $\mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}(E) \to \mathrm{End}(E[p^\infty])$ is non-zero. Hence Claim (One) has been proved. □

Claim (Two) (2.1.s) $\implies$ E is ordinary.

Proof. *Suppose* (2.1.s), *suppose that E that E is supersingular, and arrive at a contradiction.* Note that $E'[p^\infty]$ is a simple p-divisble group for any supersingular curve E' over any field. Hence $\mathrm{End}^0(E[p^\infty])$ is a division algebra. Suppose that we are in case (2.1.s). Then $\mathbb{Q}(\pi_E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p \cong \mathbb{Q}_p \times \mathbb{Q}_p$. This shows that if this were true we obtain an injective map

$$\mathbb{Q}(\pi_E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p \cong \mathbb{Q}_p \times \mathbb{Q}_p \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p \hookrightarrow \mathrm{End}^0(E[p^\infty])$$

from $\mathbb{Q}_p \cong \mathbb{Q}_p$ into a division algebra; this is a contradiction. This proves Claim (Two). □

By Claim (One) and Claim (Two) it follows that

$$E \text{ is ordinary} \iff \text{(2.1.s)}, \qquad E \text{ is supersingular} \iff (\text{ (2.1.ns) or (1.2) }).$$

Claim (Three) If E is supersingular then for some $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ we have $\pi_E^N \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Proof. If we are in case (1.2) we know $\pi_E \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Suppose we are in case (2.1.ns), and write $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_E)$. Write $\pi = \pi_E$ and consider $\zeta = \pi^2/q \in L$.

- Note that ζ has absolute value equal to one for every complex embedding (by the Weil conjecture), see (3.2).
- Note that for any discrete valuation v' of L not dividing p the element ζ is a unit at v'. Indeed π factors p^n, so π is a unit at w.
- As we are in case (2.1.ns) there is precisely one prime v above p.

The product formula $\Pi_w \mid \zeta \mid_w = 1$, the product running over all places of L, in the number field L (see [25], second printing, §20, absolute values suitably normalized) then shows that ζ is also a unit at v. By (10.3) we conclude that ζ is a root of unity. This proves Claim (Three). □

We finish the proof. If E is ordinary, $\mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M)$ is not of degree four over $\mathbb{Q}$, hence $\mathrm{End}^0(E) = \mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M)$ for any ordinary eliptic curve over a finite field K , and any extension $K \subset M$.

If we are in case (1.2) clearly we have $\mathrm{End}^0(E) = \mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M)$ for any extension $K \subset M$.

If we are in case (2.1.ns) we have seen in Claim (Three) that for some $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ we have $\pi_E^N \in \mathbb{Q}$. Hence for every $K \subset \mathbb{F}_{q^N} \subset M$ we have

$$\mathrm{End}^0(E) = L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_E) \subsetneqq \mathrm{End}^0(E \otimes M) \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}.$$

□

(14.5) Definition/Remark/Exercise. (1) An abelian variety A of dimension g over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ is called *supersingular* if there exists an isogeny $A \otimes k \sim E^g \sim k$, where E is a supersingular elliptic curve, and k is algebraically closed.
(2) Tate and Oort showed:

$$A \text{ is supersingular} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{N}(A) = \sigma,$$

where $\sigma = g(1,1)$ is the Newton polygon having only slopes equal to zero.
(3) We see that $g > 1$ and $\mathcal{N}(A) = \sigma$ implies that A is not absolutely simple. This is an exceptional case. Indeed, for any symmetric Newton polygon $\xi \neq \sigma$ and any p there exists an absolutely simple abelian variety A in characteristic p with $\mathcal{N}(A) = \xi$; see [34].
(4) Let A be a simple abelian variety over the finite field $\mathbb{F}_q$. Show:

$$A \text{ is supersingular} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \pi_A \sim \zeta \cdot \sqrt{q},$$

where ζ is a root of unity.

(14.6) Classification of isogeny classes of all elliptic curves over finite fields.
See [78], Th. 4.1 on page 536.

Let E be an elliptic curve over a finite field $K = \mathbb{F}_q$, with $q = p^n$, and $\pi = \pi_E$. Then $\mid \pi \mid = \sqrt{q}$ (for every embedding into $\mathbb{C}$), hence $\pi + \overline{\pi} =: \beta \in \mathbb{Z}$ has the property $\mid \beta \mid \leq 2\sqrt{q}$. For every E over a finite field $\pi = \pi_E$ is a zero of

$$P = T^2 - \beta \cdot T + q, \qquad \beta^2 \leq 4q.$$

The Newton polygon of E equals the Newton polygon of P with the vertical axis compressed by n. Hence:

$$(p \text{ does not divide } \beta) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad (E \text{ is ordinary}),$$

and

$$(v_p(\beta) > 0) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad (E \text{ is supersingular}) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad v_p(\beta) \geq v_p(q)/2 = n/2.$$

We write $D = \mathrm{End}^0(E), \quad L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi), \quad e = [L : \mathbb{Q}], \quad \sqrt{[D : \mathbb{Q}]} = d$. Note that $ed = 2$. Hence $L = \mathbb{Q}$ iff $D \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$. If $L/\mathbb{Q}$ is quadratic, then L is imaginary. Note that if L is quadratic over $\mathbb{Q}$ then E is supersingular iff p is non-split in $L/\mathbb{Q}$.

We have the following possibilities. Moreover,
using (1.2) we see that these cases do all occur for an elliptic curve over some finite field.

(1) $\boxed{p \text{ does not divide } \beta}$,
E is *ordinary*, $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_E)$ is imaginary quadratic over $\mathbb{Q}$, and p is split in $L/\mathbb{Q}$; no restrictions on p, no restrictions on n.

In all cases below p divides β and E is *supersingular*. We write either $q = p^{2j}$ or $q = p^{2j+1}$.

(2) $\beta^2 = 4q \quad \boxed{\beta = \mp 2\sqrt{q} = \mp 2p^j, \quad n = 2j \text{ is even}}$.
Here $\pi = \pm p^j = \pm\sqrt{q}$, and $L = \mathbb{Q}, \quad D \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$.

In all cases below E is *supersingular*, $\pi_E \notin \mathbb{Q}$, hence $\mathbb{Q} \subsetneqq L = D \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$.

(3) $\beta^2 = 3q \quad \boxed{p = 3, \quad \beta = \pm 3^{j+1}}, \quad q = 3^{2j+1}$.
Here $p = 3, \quad n = 2j + 1$ is odd, and $\pi \sim \zeta_3\sqrt{q}$ or $\pi \sim \zeta_6\sqrt{q}$; $\quad L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$.

(4) $\beta^2 = 2q \quad \boxed{p = 2, \quad \beta = \pm 2^{j+1}}, \quad q = 2^{2j+1}$.
Here $p = 2, \quad n = 2j + 1$ is odd, and $\pi \sim \zeta_8\sqrt{q}$; $\quad L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$.

(5) $\beta^2 = q \quad \boxed{\beta = \pm\sqrt{q} = \pm p^j, \quad p \not\equiv 1 \pmod 3}, \quad n = 2j$ is even, and $L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$.
Here $\pi \sim \zeta_6\sqrt{q}$, respectively $\pi \sim \zeta_3\sqrt{q}$.

If we are not in one of the cases above we have $\beta = 0$.

(6) $\boxed{\beta = 0, \quad n \text{ is odd}}$, $\quad \pi \sim \pm\sqrt{-q}, \quad$ no restrictions on p; $\quad L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-p})$.

(7) $\boxed{\beta = 0, \quad n \text{ is even}, \quad p \not\equiv 1 \pmod 4}$, $\quad \pi \sim \pm p^j\sqrt{-1}, \quad q = p^{2j}; \quad L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$.

In particular we see:

if E is supersingular over a finite field, $\pi_E \sim \zeta_r\sqrt{q}$ with $r \in \{1,2,3,4,6,8,12\}$.

Proof. Let E be an elliptic curve over $\mathbb{F}_q$. We have seen restrictions on β. If p does not divide $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}$, we see that $\beta^2 - 4q < 0$, and (1) is clear.

If we are not in case (1) we see that p divides β and E is supersingular. If $\beta^2 = 4q$, we are in Case (2); this is clear, see (15.7).

If $\beta^2 = 3q$, we obtain $p = 3$ and we are in case (3)

If $\beta^2 = 2q$, we obtain $p = 2$ and we are in case (4).

If $\beta^2 = q$ we obtain $L = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_3)$; because p is non-split in $L/\mathbb{Q}$ we obtain $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod 3$ in this case; this proves (5).

Claim. *Suppose we are not in one of the cases* (1) – (5); *then* $\beta = 0$.
Suppose p divides β, i.e. not case (1), and $\beta^2 < 4q$, i.e. not case (2). If $q = p^{2j}$ and $\beta \neq 0$, write $\beta = b{\cdot}p^j$; we see that $\beta^2 = (b{\cdot}p^j)^2 < 4p^{2j}$; hence $b^2 = 1$, and we are in case (5). If $q = p^{2j+1}$ and $\beta \neq 0$, write $\beta = b{\cdot}p^{j+1}$, we see that $\beta^2 = (b{\cdot}p^{j+1})^2 < 4p^{2j+1}$; hence $b^2{\cdot}p < 4$, and we are either in case (3) or in case (4). This proves the claim.

If $\beta = 0$ and n odd, we have $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-p})$. We are in case (6), no restrictions on p.

If $\beta = 0$ and n is even, we have $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$. As p is non-split in $L/\mathbb{Q}$ we see that $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod 4$. We are in case (7).

This ends the proof of the classification of all elliptic curves over a finite field as given in [78], pp. 536/7. □

15 Some examples and exercises

(15.1) Definition / Remark. Let A be an abelian variety over a field K and let $K_0 \subset K$. We say that A *can be defined over* K_0 if there exists a field extension $K \subset K'$ and and abelian variety B_0 over K_0 such that $B_0 \otimes_{K_0} K' \cong A \otimes_K K'$. – The following exercise shows that this *does not imply in general that we can choose* B_0 *such that* $B_0 \otimes_{K_0} K \cong A$.

(15.2) Exercise. Let p be a prime number, $p \equiv 3 \pmod 4$. Let $\pi := p^2{\cdot}\sqrt{-1}$.
(1) *Show that* π *is a* p^4*-Weil number.* Let A be an abelian variety over $K := \mathbb{F}_{p^4}$ such that $\pi_A \sim \pi$. *Determine* $\dim(A)$. *Describe* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$.
(2) *Show there does not exist an abelian variety* B_0 *over* $K_0 := \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ *such that* $B_0 \otimes_{K_0} K \cong A$.
(3) *Show there exists a field extension* $K \subset K'$ *and and abelian variety* B_0 *over* K_0 *such that* $B_0 \otimes_{K_0} K' \cong A \otimes_K K'$. I.e. A can be defined over K_0.

(15.3) Exercise. *Give an example of a simple abelian variety* A *over a field such that* $A \otimes \overline{K}$ *is not simple.*

(15.4) Exercise. Consider the following examples.
(1) Let $\beta := \sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$, and $q = p^n$. Let π be a zero of

$$T^2 - \beta T + q.$$

(2) Choose coprime positive integers $d > c > 0$, and choose p. Let π be a zero of

$$T^2 + p^c T + p^{d+c}.$$

(3) Choose $q = p^n$ and $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Let $\pi := \zeta_i \cdot \sqrt{q}$, where ζ_i is a primitive $i-$th root of unity.

(a) *Show that every of these numbers π indeed is a Weil q-number.*
For each of these let A_π be an abelian variety simple over $\mathbb{F}_q$ having this number as geometric Frobenius endomorphism.
(b) *Determine* $\dim(A_\pi)$ *and its Newton poygon* $\mathcal{N}(A_\pi)$.
(c) *For every possible choice of π determine the smallest $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that for every $t > 0$ we have*

$$\mathrm{End}^0(A_\pi \otimes \mathbb{F}_{q^N}) = \mathrm{End}^0(A_\pi \otimes \mathbb{F}_{q^{Nt}}).$$

(15.5) Exercise/Remark. Suppose A is an abelian variety over a field K which admits smCM. Let $E \subset D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ be a subfield of degree $[E : \mathbb{Q}] = 2g = 2 \cdot \dim(A)$. In this case E not be a CM field.
Construct A, K, E, where A is an abelian variety over K, a finite field, such that $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is of Type IV(1,g), i.e. A admits smCM, and D is a division algebra central over degree g^2 over an imaginary quadratic field $L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_A)$, and $L \subset E \subset D$ is a field which splits D/L such that E is not a CM-field.

(15.6) Exercise. Consider the number π constructed in (12.7), respectively (12.9). Prove it is a Weil number and determine $\mathcal{D}(\pi)$, and g_{pi} and the Newton polygon of the isogeny class thus constructed.

(15.7) Let π be a Weil q-number. Let $\mathbb{Q} \subset L \subset D$ be the central algebra determined by π. We remind the reader that

$$[L : \mathbb{Q}] =: e, \quad [D : L] =: d^2, \quad 2g := e \cdot d. \qquad \text{See Section 18.}$$

As we have seen in Proposition (2.2) there are three possibilities:

($\mathbb{R}$e) *Either $\sqrt{q} \in \mathbb{Q}$, and $q = p^n$ with n an* **even** *positive integer.* $\boxed{\text{Type III(1)}, \quad g = 1}$
In this case $\pi = +p^{n/2}$, or $\pi = -p^{n/2}$. Hence $L = L_0 = \mathbb{Q}$. We see that $D/\mathbb{Q}$ has rank 4, with ramification exactly at ∞ and at p. We obtain $g = 1$, we have that $A = E$ is a supersingular elliptic curve, $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is of Type III(1), a definite quaternion algebra over $\mathbb{Q}$. This algebra was denoted by Deuring as $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$. Note that "all endomorphisms of E are defined over K", i.e. for any

$$\forall \quad K \subset K' \quad \text{we have} \quad \mathrm{End}(A) = \mathrm{End}(A \otimes K').$$

($\mathbb{R}$o) *Or $q = p^n$ with n an* **odd** *positive integer and $\sqrt{q} \notin \mathbb{Q}$.* $\boxed{\text{Type III(2)}, \quad g = 2}$
In this case $L_0 = L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$, a real quadratic field. We see that D ramifies exactly at the two infinite places with invariants equal to $(n/2) \cdot 2/(2n) = 1/2$. Hence D/L_0 is a definite quaternion algebra over L_0, it is of Type III(2). We conclude $g = 2$. If $K \subset K'$ is an extension of odd degree we have $\mathrm{End}(A) = \mathrm{End}(A \otimes K')$. If $K \subset K'$ is an extension of even degree

$A \otimes K'$ is non-simple, it is K'-isogenous with a product of two supersingular elliptic curves, and $\mathrm{End}^0(A \otimes K')$ is a 2×2 matrix algebra over $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$, and

$$\forall \quad 2 \mid [K' : K] \quad \text{we have} \quad \mathrm{End}(A) \neq \mathrm{End}(A \otimes K').$$

($\mathbb{C}$) *For at least one embedding* $\psi : \mathbb{Q}(\pi) \to \mathbb{C}$ *we have* $\psi(\pi) \notin \mathbb{R}$. $\boxed{\mathrm{IV}(e_0, d), \quad g := e_0 \cdot d}$
In this case all conjugates of $\psi(\pi)$ are non-real. We can determine $[D : L]$ knowing all $v(\pi)$ by (5.4) (3); here d is the greatest common divisor of all denominators of $[L_v : \mathbb{Q}_p] \cdot v(\pi)/v(q)$, for all $v \mid p$. This determines $2g := e \cdot d$. The endomorphism algebra is of Type $\mathrm{IV}(e_0, d)$. For $K = \mathbb{F}_q \subset K' = \mathbb{F}_{q^m}$ we have

$$\mathrm{End}(A) = \mathrm{End}(A \otimes K') \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mathbb{Q}(\pi) = \mathbb{Q}(\pi^m).$$

(15.8) Exercise. *For each of the numbers below show it is a Weil number, determine* q*, determine the invariants* e_0, e, d, g*, describe the structure of* D*, and describe the structure of* $\mathrm{End}^0(A \otimes_K K')$ *for any field extension* $K \subset K'$*.*
(1) $\pi = \sqrt{-p}$,
(2) $\zeta = \zeta_3 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-3}, \quad \pi = \zeta \cdot \sqrt{-p}$,
(3) π is a zero of $T^2 - \sqrt{2} \cdot T + 8$,

(15.9) Remark/Exercise. It is interesting to study the behavior of isomorphism classes and of isogeny classes of abelian varieties over finite fields under field extensions. See [78], page 538:

(15.9).1 Example. Let $q = p^n$ with n *even*. Consider $\beta_+ = +2\sqrt{q}$, and $\beta_- = -2\sqrt{q}$. The polynomial $P = T^2 - \beta \cdot T + q$ in both cases gives a Weil q-number. The resulting (isogeny classes) E_+, respectively E_- consist of elliptic curves, with $\mathrm{End}^0(E)$ quaternionic over $\mathbb{Q}$, the case of "all endomorphisms are defined over the base field". These isogeny classes do not coincide over $\mathbb{F}_q$:

$$\beta_\pm = \pm 2\sqrt{q}, \qquad E_+ \not\sim_{\mathbb{F}_q} E_-; \quad \text{however} \quad E_+ \otimes K' \sim_{K'} E_- \otimes K'$$

for the quadratic extension $K = \mathbb{F}_q \subset K' := \mathbb{F}_{q^2}$.

Note that in these cases the characteristic polynomial $f_{E_\pm}$ of the geometric Frobenius equals P^2.
Waterhouse writes: "But the extension which identifies these two classes created also a new isogeny class ... It is this sort of non-stable behavior which is overlooked in a treatment like Deuring's which considers only endomorphism rings over $\overline{k}$..."

(15.9).2 Exercise/Example. *Classify all isogeny classes of elliptic curves, and their endomorphism algebras for every* p*, for every* $q = p^n$*.* See (14.6).

(15.9).3 Exercise. *Write* $\mathrm{EIsom}(q)$ *for the set of isomorphism classes of elliptic curves over* $\mathbb{F}_q$*. Let* $K = \mathbb{F}_q \subset K' = \mathbb{F}_{q^N}$ *be an extension of finite fields. There is a natural map*

$$\mathrm{EIsom}(q) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathrm{EIsom}(q^N) \qquad [E] \mapsto [E \otimes_K K'].$$

Show that this map is not injective, and is not surjective.

(15.9).4 Exercise. *Write* $\mathrm{Isog}(q)$ *for the set of isogeny classes of abelian varieties over* $\mathbb{F}_q$. *Show that for* $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ *the natural map* $\mathrm{Isog}(q) \to \mathrm{Isog}(q^N)$ *is not injective, and is not surjective.*

(15.10) Exercise. *Show that* $h := Y^3 - 6Y^2 + 9T - 1 \in \mathbb{Q}[Y]$ *is irreducible. Let* β *be a zero of* h. *Show that for any* $\psi_0 : \mathbb{Q}(\beta) \to \mathbb{C}$ *we have* $\psi_0(\beta) \in \mathbb{R}$, *i.e.* β *is totally real, and that* $0 < \psi_0(\beta) < 5$, *hence* β *is totally positive. Let* π *be a zero of* $T^2 - \beta{\cdot}T + 3$. *Determine the dimension of* A *such that* $\pi_A = \pi$.

(15.11) Exercise. Let $L_0 = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$. Choose a rational prime number p inert in $L_0/\mathbb{Q}$. Let $\beta := (2 - \sqrt{2}){\cdot}p$. Let π be a zero of the polynomial

$$g := T^2 - \beta T + p^4.$$

(a) *Show that the discriminant of* g *is negative.*
(b) *Show that* π *is a* q*-Weil number with* $q = p^4$.
(c) Let A be an abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_q$ with $\pi_A = \pi$. Let

$$\mathbb{Q} \quad \subset \quad L_0 = \mathbb{Q}(\beta) \quad \subset \quad L = \mathbb{Q}(\pi) \quad \subset \quad D := \mathrm{End}^0(A).$$

Determine: $g = \dim(A)$, *the structure of* D *and the Newton polygon* $\mathcal{N}(A)$.

This can be generalized to:

(15.12) Exercise. Let $g \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Let $e_0, d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ with $e_0{\cdot}d = g$. *Show there exists an abelian variety* A *over* $\mathbb{F} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_\mathrm{p}}$ *with* $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ of $\mathrm{Type}(e_0, d)$.

(15.13) Exercise. Let $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ be coprime integers. Let $g = m{+}n$. Let $e_0, d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ with $e_0{\cdot}d = g$. *Show there exists an abelian variety* A *over* $\overline{\mathbb{F}_\mathrm{p}}$ *with* $D = \mathrm{End}_0(A))$ *of* $\mathrm{Type}(e_0, d)$ *and* $\mathcal{N}(A) = (m, n) + (n, m)$.

(15.14) Exercise. Let E be an elliptic curve over a field of characteristic $p > 0$, and let $L \subset \mathrm{End}^0(E)$ be a field quadratic over $\mathbb{Q}$. *Show that* L *is imaginary. Show there exists a* CM*-lifting of* (E, L) *to characteristic zero.*

(15.15) Exercise. Let p be a prime number, and let $P := T^{30} + pT^{15} + p^{15}$. Write $K_n = \mathbb{F}_{p^n}$.
(a) *Show that* $P \in \mathbb{Q}[T]$ *is irreducible.* Let π be a zero of g. *Show that* π *is a* p*-Weil number.* Let A be an abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_p$ such that $\pi_A \sim \pi$.
(b) *Describe the structure of* $\mathrm{End}(A)$ *and compute* $\dim(A)$.
(c) *Show that*

$$\mathrm{End}(A) \quad \subsetneqq \quad \mathrm{End}(A \otimes K_3) \quad \subsetneqq \quad \mathrm{End}(A \otimes K_{15}),$$

and describe the structures of these endomorphism algebras. Show that A *is absolutely simple.*

(15.16) Exercise. (See Section 9.) Let m and n be coprime integers, $m > n \geq 0$. Write $h := m + n$. For every $b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ write

$$g_b := T^2 + p^{2bn}(1 - 2p^{be}) + p^{2bh}, \quad e := h - 2n = m_n.$$

(a) *Show that the discriminant of g_b is negative; conclude that $g_b \in \mathbb{Q}[T]$ is irreducible.* Let π_b be a zero of g_b. *Show that π_b is a p^{2bh}-Weil number.* Let A_b be an abelian variety with $\pi_{A_b} \sim \pi_b$.
(b) *Describe the structure of* $\mathrm{End}(A_b)$ *and determine the Newton polygon $\mathcal{N}(A_b)$.*
(c) *Show that*

$$\#\Big(\{\ell \mid \ell \text{ is a prime number and } \exists b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \text{ such that } \ell \text{ divides } (4p^{be} - 1)\}\Big) = \infty.$$

[Hint: you might want to use the reminder below.]
(d) *Show that the set $\{\mathbb{Q}(\pi_b) \mid b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}\}/\cong_{\mathbb{Q}}$ is an infinite set of isomorphism classes of quadratic fields.*
(e) *Conclude that*

$$\{A_b \otimes \overline{\mathbb{F}_p} \mid b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}\}$$

defines an infinite number of $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$-isogeny classes with Newton polygon equal to $(m,n)+(n,m)$.
(f) *Show that for any symmetric Newton polygon $\xi \neq \sigma$ which is not supersingular, there exists infinitely many isogeny classes of hypersymmetric abelian varieties over $\mathbb{F}_p$ having that Newton polygon.*

Reminder. Let S be a set of primes, and $\mathbb{Z}_S$ the ring of rational numbers with denominators using only products of elements of S; write $(\mathbb{Z}_S)^*$ for the multiplicative group of units in this ring. A conjecture by Julia Robinson, later proved as a corollary of a theorem by Siegel and Mahler says:

$$\#\left(\{\lambda \mid \lambda \in (\mathbb{Z}_S)^*, \quad \lambda - 1 \in (\mathbb{Z}_S)^*\}\right) < \infty;$$

this is a very special case of: [31], Th. 3.1 in 8.3 on page 194.

16 Appendix 1: Abelian varieties

For the notion of abelian variety over a field, abelian scheme over a base scheme, isogenies, and much more we refer to the literature. But let us at least give one definition.

(16.1) Definition. Let S be a scheme. We say that $G \to S$ is a *group scheme* over S if $\mathrm{Mor}_S(-, G)$ represents a group functor on the category of schemes over S.
A group scheme $A \to S$ is an *abelian scheme* if A/S is smooth and proper with geometrically irreducible fibers. If $S = \mathrm{Spec}(K)$, an abelian scheme over S is called an *abelian variety* defined over K.

From these properties it follows that A/S is a commutative group scheme. However the name does not come from this, but from the fact that certain integrals of differential forms on a Riemann surface where studied by Niels Henrik Abel, and that the values of such integral are in an agebraizable complex torus; hence these objects were called abelian varieties.

Warning. In most recent papers there is a distinction between an abelian variety defined over a field K on the one hand, and $A \otimes_K K'$ over $K' \supsetneq K$ on the other hand. The notation

$\mathrm{End}(A)$ stands for the ring of endomorphisms of A over K. This is the way Grothendieck taught us to choose our notation.

In pre-Grothendieck literature and in some modern papers there is a confusion between on the one hand A/K and "the same" abelian variety over any extension field. In such papers there is a confusion. Often it is not clear what is meant by "a point on A", the notation $\mathrm{End}_K(A)$ can stand for the "endomorphisms defined over K", but then sometimes $\mathrm{End}(A)$ can stand for the "endomorphisms defined over $\overline{K}$".

Please adopt the Grotendieck convention that a scheme $T \to S$ is what it is, and any scheme obtained by base extension $S' \to S$ is denoted by $T \times_S S' = T_{S'}$, etc.

An abelian variety A over a field K, as defined above, is a "complete group variety defined over K" (in pre-Grothendieck terminology). In particular $A \otimes \overline{K}$ is an integral algebraic scheme.

Exercise. *Show that $G \to S$ is a group scheme over S iff there exist morphisms $S \to A$, and $m : A \times A \to A$ and $i : A \to A$ satisfying certain properties encoded in commutative diagrams as given by the group axioms.*

(16.2) For an abelian variety over a field K the *dual abelian variety* $A^t = \underline{\mathrm{Pic}}^0_A$ exists. This is an abelian variety of the same dimension as A.

For the definition of a polarization see [44]; [42], 6.2; see [GM]. A divisor D on an abelian variety A defines a homomorphism $\phi_D : A \to A^t$; in case this divisor is ample ϕ_D is an isogeny. For an abelian variety A over a field K an isogeny $\varphi : A \to A^t$ is called a *polarization* if over some over-field of K this homomorphism can be defined by an ample divisor. We say we have a *principal polarization* if $\varphi : A \to A^t$ is an isomorphism.

As every abelian variety admits a polarization we see that A and A^t are isogenous.

(16.3) Let A be an abelian variety over a field K We write $D = \mathrm{End}^0(A) = \mathrm{End}(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$, called the *endomorphism algebra* of A. Let $\varphi : A \to A^t$ be a polarization. We define $\dagger : D \to D$ by $\dagger(x) := \varphi^{-1} \cdot x^t \cdot \varphi$; for the existence of φ^{-1} in D, see (6.1).This map is an *anti-involution* on the algebra D, called the Rosati-involution. If φ is a principal polarization, we have $\dagger : \mathrm{End}(A) \to \mathrm{End}(A)$.

(16.4) Exercise. *Show there exists a polarized abelian variety (A, μ) over a field k such that the Rosati involution $\dagger : \mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ does not map $\mathrm{End}(A) \subset \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ into itself.*

(16.5) Duality for finite group schemes. For a finite, locally free, *commutative* group scheme $N \to S$ there is a dual group scheme, denoted by N^D, called the Cartier dual of N; for $N = \mathrm{Spec}(B) \to \mathrm{Spec}(A) = S$ we take $B^D := \mathrm{Hom}_A(B, A)$, and show that $N^D := \mathrm{Spec}(B^D)$ exists and is a finite group scheme over S. See [51], I.2.

(16.6) Duality theorem. *Let S be a locally noetherian base scheme. Let $\varphi : A \to B$ be an isogeny of abelian schemes over S, with kernel $N = \mathrm{Ker}(\varphi)$. The exact sequence*

$$0 \quad \to \quad N \quad \longrightarrow \quad A \quad \xrightarrow{\varphi} \quad B \quad \to \quad 0$$

gives rise to an exact sequence

$$0 \quad \to \quad N^D \quad \longrightarrow \quad B^t \quad \xrightarrow{\varphi^t} \quad A^t \quad \to \quad 0.$$

□

See [51]. Theorem 19.1. For the definition of N^D, see (16.5).

(16.7) Corollary. *Let S be a locally noetherian base scheme and let $A \to S$ be an abelian scheme. There is a natural isomorphism $A^t[p^\infty] = A[p^\infty]^t$.* □

(16.8) The characteristic polynomial of an endomorphism. Let A be an abelian variety over a field K of $\dim(A) = g$, and and let $\varphi \in \mathrm{End}(A)$; then there exists a polynomial $f_{A,\varphi} \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$ of degree $2g$ called *the characteristic polynomial of* φ; it has the property that for any $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have $f_{A,\varphi}(\varphi - t) = \deg(\varphi - t)$; see [12] page 125. See (20.1) for the definition of $T_\ell(A)$; for every $\ell \neq \mathrm{char}(K)$ the polynomial $f_{A,\varphi}$ equals the characteristic polynomial of $T_\ell(\varphi) \in \mathrm{End}(T_\ell(A)(\overline{K})) \cong M_{2g}(\mathbb{Z}_\ell)$.

(16.9) Exercise. Let K be a field, and A an abelian variety over K of dimension g. *Show there is a natural homomorphism*

$$\mathrm{End}(A) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathrm{End}(\mathfrak{t}_A) \cong M_g(K)$$

by $\varphi \mapsto d\varphi$.

If $\mathrm{char}(K) = 0$, *show this map is injective.*

If $\mathrm{char}(K) = p > 0$, *show this map is not injective.*

Let E be an elliptic curve over $\mathbb{Q}$. *Show that* $\mathrm{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}$. *Construct an elliptic curve E over $\mathbb{Q}$ with* $\mathrm{End}(E) \subsetneqq \mathrm{End}(E) \otimes \mathbb{C}$.

Remark. There does exist an abelian variety A over $\mathbb{Q}$ with $\mathbb{Z} \subsetneqq \mathrm{End}(A)$.

(16.10) Exercise. *Show that over a field of characteristic p, the kernel of* $\mathrm{End}(A) \to \mathrm{End}(\mathfrak{t}_A) \cong M_g(K)$ *can be bigger than* $\mathrm{End}(A) \cdot p$.

(16.11) We say an abelian variety $A \neq 0$ over a field K is *simple* or we say A is K-simple, if for any abelian subvariety $B \subset A$ we have either $0 = B$ or $B = A$.

Theorem (Poincaré-Weil). *For any abelian variety $A \neq 0$ over a field K there exist simple abelian varieties B_i and integers $s_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and an isogeny $A \sim_K \Pi B_i^{s_i}$.*

(16.12) Exercise. Give an example of a simple abelian variety A over a field such that $A \otimes \overline{K}$ is not simple.

17 Appendix 2: Central simple algebras

Basic references: [7], [64], [8] Chapter 7, [68] Chapter 10. We will not give a full treatment of this theory here.

(17.1) A module over a ring is *simple* if it is non-zero, and it has no non-trivial submodules.

A module over a ring is *semisimple* if it is a direct sum of simple submodules.

A ring is called *semisimple* if it is non-zero, and if it is semisimpe as a left module over itself.

A ring is called *simple* if it is semisimple and if there is only one class of simple left ideals.

A finite product of simple rings is semisimple.

The matrix algebra $M_r(D)$ over a division algebra D for $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ is simple.

Wedderburn's theorem says that for a central simple algebra (see below) R over a field L there is a central division algebra D over L and an isomorphism $R \cong M_r(D)$ for some $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.

Examples of rings which are not semisimple: $\mathbb{Z}$, $K[T]$, $\mathbb{Z}/p^2$.
Examples of rings which are simple: a field, a division algebra (old terminology: "a skew field"), a matrix algebra over a division algebra.

(17.2) **Exercise.** Let $A \neq 0$ be an abelian variety over a field K. (Suggestion, see (16.11), and see (15.7).)
(1) *Show that* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is a semisimple ring.*
(2) *Prove: if* $A \sim B^s$*, where* B *is simple and* $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$*, then* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is a simple ring.*
(3) *Prove: if* A *is simple, then* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is a division algebra.*

(17.3) **Definition.** Let L be a field. A *central simple algebra* over L is an L-algebra Γ such that
(1) Γ is finite dimensional over L,
(2) L is the center of Γ,
(3) Γ is a simple ring.
We say that $\Gamma = D$ is a central division algebra over L if moreover D is a division algebra.

Suppose a field L is given. Let D and D' be central simple algebras over L. We say that D and D' are similar, notation $D \sim D'$ if there exist $m, m' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and an isomorphism $D \otimes_L \mathrm{Mat}(m, L) \cong D' \otimes_L \mathrm{Mat}(m', L)$. the set of 'similarity classes" of central simple algebras over L will be denoted by $\mathrm{Br}(L)$. On this set we define a "multiplication" by $[D_1]\cdot[D_2] := [D_1 \otimes_L D_2]$, this is well defined, and an "inverse" $[D] \mapsto [D^{\mathrm{opp}}]$, where D^{opp} is the opposite algebra. As every central simple algebra is a matrix algebra over a central division algebra over L (Wedderburn's Theorem) one can show that under the operations given $\mathrm{Br}(L)$ is a group, called the *Brauer group* of L. See the literature cited for definitions, and properties.

(17.4) **Facts** (Brauer theory).
(1) *For any local field* L *there is a canonical homomorphism*

$$\mathrm{inv}_L : \mathrm{Br}(L) \to \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}.$$

(2) *If* L *is non-archimedean, then* $\mathrm{inv}_L : \mathrm{Br}(L) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ *is an isomorphism.*
If $L \cong \mathbb{R}$ *then* $Br(L) \cong \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}$.

If $L \cong \mathbb{C}$ *then* $\mathrm{Br}(L) = 0$.

(3) *If* L *is a global field, there is an exact sequence*

$$0 \quad \to \quad \mathrm{Br}(L) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \bigoplus_v \mathrm{Br}(L_v) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \quad \to \quad 0.$$

Note the use of this last statement: any central simple algebra over a global field L is uniquely determined by a finite set of non-zero invariants at places of L. We will see that this gives us the possibility to describe endomorphism algebras of (simple) abelian varieties.

For explicit descriptions of some division algebras see [5]. Note that such explicit methods can be nice to have a feeling for what is going on, but for the general theory you really need Brauer theory.

(17.5) Example. For a (rational) prime number p we consider the invariant $1/2$ at the prime p in $\mathbb{Z}$, i.e. $p \in \Sigma_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and the invariant $1/2$ at the infinite prime of $\mathbb{Q}$. As these invariants add up to zero in $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ there is a division algebra central over $\mathbb{Q}$ given by these invariants. This is a quaternion algebra, split at all finite places unequal to p. In [17] this algebra is denoted by $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$. By (5.4) we see that a supersingular elliptic curve E over $\mathbb{F}$ has endomorphism algebra $\mathrm{End}^0(E) \cong \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$

18 Appendix 3: Endomorphism algebras.

Basic references: [71], [44], [33] Chapt. 5, [57].
We will see: *endomorphism algebras* of abelian varieites can be classified. In many cases we know which algebras do appear. However we will also see that it is difficult in general to describe all orders in these algebras which can appear as the *endomorphism ring* of an abelian variety.

(18.1) Proposition (Weil). *Let* A, B *be abelian varieties over a field* K. *Let* ℓ *be a prime different from the cahracteristic of* K. *Let* $T_\ell(A)$, *respectively* $T_\ell(A)$ *be the Tate-*ℓ*-groups as defined in* (20.1). *The natural homomorphisms*

$$\mathrm{Hom}(A,B) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}(A,B) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_\ell \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}(T_\ell(A)T_\ell(B))$$

are injective. □
See [44], Th. 3 on page 176.

(18.2) Proposition. *Let* A, B *be abelian varieties over a field* K. *The group* $\mathrm{Hom}(A,B)$ *is free abelian of finite rank. In fact,*

(1) $\mathrm{rank}\,(\mathrm{Hom}(A,B)) \leq 4 \cdot g_A \cdot g_B$;

(2) *if the characteristic of* K *equals zero,* $\mathrm{rank}\,(\mathrm{Hom}(A,B)) \leq 2 \cdot g_A \cdot g_B$. □

We write $\mathrm{End}(A)$ for the endomorphism ring of A and $\mathrm{End}^0(A) = \mathrm{End}(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ for the endomorphism algebra of A. By Wedderburn's theorem every central simple algebra is a matrix algebra over a division algebra. If A is K-simple the algebra $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a division algebra; in that case we write:

$$\mathbb{Q} \quad \subset \quad L_0 \quad \subset \quad L := \mathrm{Centre}(D) \quad \subset \quad D = \mathrm{End}^0(A);$$

here L_0 is a totally real field, and either $L = L_0$ or $[L : L_0] = 2$ and in that case L is a CM-field. In case A is simple $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is one of the four types in the Albert classification. We write:

$$[L_0 : \mathbb{Q}] = e_0, \quad [L : \mathbb{Q}] = e, \quad [D : L] = d^2.$$

The Rosati involution $\dagger : D \to D$ is positive definite. A simple division algebra of finite degree over $\mathbb{Q}$ with a positive definite anti-isomorphism which is positive definite is called an Albert algebra. Applications to abelian varieties and the classification has been described by Albert, [1], [2], [3].

(18.3) Albert's classification.
Type I(e_0) Here $L_0 = L = D$ is a totally real field.

Type II(e_0) Here $d = 2$, $e = e_0$, $\mathrm{inv}_v(D) = 0$ for all infinite v, and D is an indefinite quaternion algebra over the totally real field $L_0 = L$.

Type III(e_0) Here $d = 2$, $e = e_0$, $\mathrm{inv}_v(D) \neq 0$ for all infinite v, and D is an definite quaternion algebra over the totally real field $L_0 = L$.

Type IV(e_0, d) Here L is a CM-field, $[F : \mathbb{Q}] = e = 2e_0$, and $[D : L] = d^2$.

(18.4) Theorem. *Let A be an abelian variety over a field K. Then $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is an Albert algebra.* □
See[44], Theorem 2 on page 201.

(18.5) As Albert, Shimura and Gerritzen proved: for any prime field $\mathbb{P}$, and every Albert algebra D there exists an algebraically closed field $k \supset \mathbb{P}$ and an abelian variety A over k such that $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \cong D$; see [57], Section 3 for a discussion and references. In case $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{F}_p$ in all these cases one can choose for A an ordinary abelian variety.

(18.6) A more refined question is to study the *endomorphism ring* of an abelian variety.
Remark. Suppose A is an abelian variety over a finite field. Let π_A be its geometric Frobenius, and $\nu_A = q/\pi_A$ its geometric Verschiebung. We see that $\pi_A, \nu_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$. Hence the index of $\mathrm{End}(A)$ in a maximal order in $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is quite small, in case A is an abelian variety over a finite field. This is in sharp contrast with:

(18.7) Exercise. Let L be a field quadratic over $\mathbb{Q}$ with ring of integers $\mathcal{O}_L$. Show that for any order $R \subset L$ there is a number $f \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that $\mathcal{O}_L = \mathbb{Z} + f \cdot \mathcal{O}_L$ (and, usually, this number f is called the conductor). *Show that for any imaginary quadratic L and any $f \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ there exists an elliptic curve E over $\mathbb{C}$ such that* $\mathrm{End}(E) \cong \mathbb{Z} + f \cdot \mathcal{O}_L$.
Conclusion. The index of $\mathrm{End}(A)$ in a maximal order in $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is in general not bounded when working over $\mathbb{C}$.

(18.8) Exercise. Show there for every integer m and for every algebraically closed field $k \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ not isomorphic to $\mathbb{F}$ there exists a simple abelian surface over k such that $E := \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ and $[\mathcal{O}_E : \mathrm{End}(A)] > m$.

(18.9) Remark. For a simple *ordinary* abelian variety A over a finite field the orders contained in $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ and containing π_A and ν_A are precisely all possible orders in the isogeny class of A, see [78], Th. 7.4.

However this may fail for a non-ordinary abelian variety, see [78], page 555/556, where an example is given of an order containing π_A and ν_A, but which does not appear as the endomorphism ring of any abelian variety.

We see difficulties in determining which orders in $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ can appear as the endomorphism ring of some $B \sim A$.

Much more information on endomorphism rings of abelian varieties over finite fields can be found in [78].

(18.10) Exercise. Let A be a simple abelian variety over an algebraically closed field k *which admits* smCM.

(1) *If the characteristic of k equals zero,* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is commutative.*

(2) *If A is simple and ordinary over $\mathbb{F}$ then* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is commutative.*

(3) However if A is simple and non-ordinary over $\mathbb{F}$ there are many examples showing that $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ may be non-commutative. *Give examples.*

(4) *Show there exists an ordinary abelian variety B over an algebraically closed field of positive characteristic such that* $\mathrm{End}(B)$ *is not commutative.* (Hence $k \ncong \mathbb{F}$, and B does not admit smCM.)

(18.11) Exercise. *Let $K \subset K'$ be a an extension of finite field. Let A be an ordinary abelian variety over K such that $A \otimes K'$ is simple. Show that* $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}^0(A \otimes K')$ *is an isomorphism.*

In [78], Theorem 7.2 we read that for simple and ordinary abelian varieties "$\mathrm{End}(A)$ is commutative and unchanged by base change". Some care has to be take in understanding this.

(18.12) Exercise. Choose a prime number p, and let π be a zero of the polynomial $T^4 - T^2 + p^2$. Show that π is a Weil p-number; let A be an abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_p$ (determined up to isogeny) which has π as geometric Frobenius. Show that A is a simple, ordinary abelian surface. Show that $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \to \mathrm{End}^0(A \otimes \mathbb{F}_{p^2})$ is not an isomorphism.

(18.13) Remark/Exercise. *Choose $p > 0$, choose a symmetric Newton polygon ξ which is not supersingular. Then there exists a simple abelian variety A over $\mathbb{F}$ with $\mathcal{N}(A) = \xi$ such that* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is commutative*; see [34]. For constructions of other endomorphism algebras see [9], Th. 5.4 of an abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}$

(18.14) Let A be a simple abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_p$. Suppose that $\psi(\pi_A) \notin \mathbb{R}$. *Show that* $\mathrm{End}(A)$ *is* commutative (hence $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a field) (an easy exercise, or see [78], Th.6.1). In this case every order containing π_A and ν_A in $D = L = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is the endomorphism algebra of an abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_p$.

Exercise. Show *there does exist a simple abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_p$ such that* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is not commutative.*

(18.15) For abelian varieties over a *finite field* separable isogenies give an equivalence relation, see [78], Th. 5.2.
Exercise. *Show that there exists an abelian variety A over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ such that separable isogenies do not give an equivalence relation in the isogeny class of A.*

(18.16) **Remark.** If $K \subset K'$ is an extension of fields, and A is a simple abelian variety over K, then $A' := A \otimes_K K'$ may be K'-simple or non-K'-simple; both cases do appear, and examples are easy to give. The natural map $\mathrm{End}(A) \to \mathrm{End}(A')$ is en embedding which may be an equality, but also inequality does appear; examples are easy to give, see (16.9), (15.15).

(18.17) **Exercise.** *Let g be an odd prime number, and let A be a simple abelian variety over a finite field of dimension g. Show:*

- *either* $\mathrm{End}(A)$ *is commutative,*
- *or* $\mathrm{End}^0(A)$ *is of* $\mathrm{Type}(1, g)$, *and* $\mathcal{N}(A)$ *has exactly two slopes and the p-rank of A is equal to zero.*

See [57], (3.13).

(18.18) **Existence of endomorphism fields** Let A be an abelian variety which admits smCM over a field K. If $\mathrm{char}(K) = 0$ and A is simple then $D := \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a field. However if $\mathrm{char}(K) = p > 0$, the ring $\mathrm{End}(A)$ need not be commutative. For examples see Section 15.

Suppose k is an algebraically closed field of $\mathrm{char}(k) = p$, and let A be a supersingular abelian variety, i.e. $\mathcal{N}(A) = \sigma$, all slopes are equal to $1/2$; then $A \otimes k \sim E^g$, where E is a supersingular elliptic curve. We have $D := \mathrm{End}^0(A) = \mathrm{Mat}(K_{p,\infty}, g)$; in particular D is *not commutative* and for $g > 1$ the abelian variety A is *not simple*. However this turns out to be the only exceptional case in characteristic p where such a general statement holds.

(18.19) **Theorem** (Lenstra and FO). *Let ξ be a symmetric Newton polygon, and let p be a prime number. Suppose that $\xi \neq \sigma$, i.e. not all slopes in ξ are equal to $1/2$. Then there exists an abelian variety A over $m = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ such that $D = L = \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ is a field.* Necessarily A is simple and L is a CM-field of degree $2{\cdot}\dim(A)$ over $\mathbb{Q}$.
See [34].

(18.20) **Corollary.** *For any p and for any $\xi \neq \sigma$ there exists a simple abelian variety A over $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ with $\mathcal{N}(A) = \xi$.*

For more general constructions of endomorphism algebra with given invariants of an abelian variety over a finite field, see [9], Section 5.

19 Appendix 4: Complex tori with smCM

See [72], [63],

(19.1) Let A be an abelian variety over $\mathbb{C}$. Write $T := A(\mathbb{C})$. This is a *complex torus*, i.e. a complex Lie group obtained as quotient $\mathbb{C}^g/\Lambda$, where $\mathbb{Z}^{2g} \cong \Lambda \subset \mathbb{C}^g \cong \mathbb{R}^{2g}$ is a discrete subgroup. Indeed, we have an exact sequence

$$0 \quad \to \mathbb{Z}^{2g} \cong \quad \Lambda \quad \longrightarrow \quad V \cong \mathbb{C}^g \quad \stackrel{e}{\longrightarrow} \quad T = A(\mathbb{C}) \quad \to \quad 0.$$

Here there are at least two different interpretations of the homomorphism e.

One can take the tangent space $V := \mathbf{t}_{A,0}$. This is also the tangent space of the complex Lie groep T. The *exponential map* of commutatieve complex Lie groups gives $e : V \to T$.

One can also consider the topological space T, and construct its *universal covering space* $V := \tilde{T}$. This is a complex Lie group (in a unique way) such that the covering map e is a homomorphism. The kernel is the fundamental group $\pi_1(T, 0) = \Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2g}$.

(19.2) The complex torus $T := A(\mathbb{C})$ is algebraizable, i.e. comes form an algebraic variety. If this is the case, the structure of algebraic variety, and the structure of algebraic group giving the complex torus is unique up to isomorphism (note that a complex torus is compact); see [69], corollaire on page 30.

In general a complex torus of dimension at least two need not be algebraizable as is show by the following two examples.

(19.3) **Example.** Choose any abelian variety A over $\mathbb{C}$ of dimension $g > 1$. There exists an analytic family $\mathcal{T} \to \mathcal{M}$, where $\mathcal{M}$ is a unit cube of dimension g^2, such that over that infinitesimal thickening of the origin is the formal deformation space $\mathrm{Def}(A)$. Every polarization μ on A gives a regular formal subscheme $S_\mu \subset \mathrm{Def}(A)$ of dimension $g(g+1)/2$. Let $C \to \mathcal{M}$ be a one dimensional regular analytic curve inside $\mathcal{M}$ whose tangent space is not contained in the tangent spaces to S_μ for any μ; such a curve exists because the set of polarizations on A is countable and because $g(g+1)/2 < g^2$ for $g > 1$. One shows that there exists a point $s \in C$ such that $\mathcal{T}_s$ is not algebraizable.

(19.4) **Example** (Zarhin - FO). Choose a division algebra of finite degree over $\mathbb{Q}$ *which is not an Albert algebra*. For example take a field which is not totally real, and which is not a CM-field; e.g. $D = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$. By [63], Corollary 2.3 we know there exists a complex torus T with $\mathrm{End}^0(T) \cong D$. If this torus would be algebraizable, $A(\mathbb{C}) \cong T$, then this would imply $\mathrm{End}^0(A) \cong D$ by GAGA, see [69], Proposition 15 on page 29. By Albert's classification this is not possible, see (18.4).

(19.5) Let A be an abelian variety over $\mathbb{C}$. Suppose it is simple. Suppose it admits smCM. In that case $\mathrm{End}^0(A) = P$ is a field of degree $2g$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. Moreover P is a CM-field. We obtain a representation $\rho_0 : P \to \mathrm{End}(\mathbf{t}_{A,0}) \cong \mathrm{GL}(g, \mathbb{C})$. As P is commutative and $\mathbb{C}$ is algebraically closed this representation splits a a direct sum of 1-dimensional representations. Each of these is canonically equivalent to giving a homomorphism $P \to \mathbb{C}$. One shows that these g homomorphisms are mutually different, and that no two are complex conjugated. Conclusion: ρ_0 is a CM-type, call it Φ; conversely a CM-type gives such a representation P operating via a diagonal matrix given by the elements of Φ. This process $(A/\mathbb{C}, P) \mapsto (P, \Phi)$ can be reversed, and the construction gives complex tori which are algebraizable.

(19.6) Theorem *Let (P, Φ) be a* CM-type. *There exists an abelian variety A over $\mathbb{C}$ with $P \cong \mathrm{End}^0(A)$ such that the representation ρ_0 of P on the tangent space $\mathbf{t}_{A,0}$ is given by the* CM-type Φ. □
See [72], §6. There are many more references possible.

20 Appendix 5: Tate-ℓ and Tate-p conjectures for abelian varieties

Most important reference: [75]. Also see [86]

(20.1) Notation. Let A be an abelian vareity over a scheme S, let ℓ be a prime number invertible in the sheaf of local rings on S. Write

$$T_\ell(A) = \lim_{\leftarrow i} A[l^i].$$

This is called the Tate-ℓ-group of A/S.

(20.2) Let G be a group scheme over a base scheme S such that the rank of G is prime to every residue characteristic of S, i.e. the rank of G is invertible in the sheaf of local rings on S. Then $G \to S$ is étale; citeFO-reduced.

(20.3) étale finite group schemes as Galois modules. (Any characteristic.) Let K be a field, and let $G = \mathrm{Gal}(K^{\mathrm{sep}}/K)$. The main theorem of Galois theory says that there is an equivalence between the category of algebras étale and finite over K, and the category of finite sets with a continuous G-action. Taking group-objects on both sides we arrive at:
Theorem. *There is an equivalence between the category of étale finite group schemes over K and the category of finite continuous G-modules.*
See [79], 6.4. Note that this equivalence also holds in the case of not necessarily commutative group schemes.

Naturally this can be generalized to: let S be a connected scheme, and let $s \in S(\Omega)$ be a base point, where Ω is an algebraically closed field; let $\pi = \pi_1(S, s)$. *There is an equivalence between the category of étale finite group schemes* (not necessarily commutative) *over S and the category of finite continuous π-systems.*

Exercise. *Write out the main theorem of Galois theory as a theory describing separable field extensions via sets with continuous action by the Galois group. Then formulate and prove the equivalent theorem for étale finite group scheme over an arbitrary base as above.*

Conclusion. The Tate-ℓ-group of an abelian scheme A/S such that ℓ is invertible on S either can be seen as a pro-finite group scheme, or equivalently it can be seen as a projective system of finite modules with a continuous action of the fundamental group of S.

(20.4) Exercise. For an abelian variety A over a field K and a prime number $\ell \neq \mathrm{char}(K)$ the natural map

$$\mathrm{End}(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_\ell \quad \hookrightarrow \quad \mathrm{End}(T_\ell(A)(\overline{K}))$$

is *injective*, as Weil showed. Prove this statement.

(20.5) Theorem (Tate, Faltings, and many others). *Suppose K is of finite type over its prime field.* (Any characteristic different from ℓ.) *The canonical map*

$$\mathrm{End}(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_\ell \quad \xrightarrow{\sim} \quad \mathrm{End}(T_\ell(A)) \cong \mathrm{End}_{G_K}((\mathbb{Z}_\ell)^{2g})$$

is an isomorphism.
This was conjectured by Tate. In 1966 Tate proved this in case K is a finite field, see [75]. The case of function field in characteristic p was proved by Zarhin and by Mori, see [84], [85], [40]; also see [39], pp. 9/10 and VI.5 (pp. 154-161).

The case K is a number field this was open for a long time; it was finally proved by Faltings in 1983, see [19]. For the case of a function field in characteristic zero, see [20], Th. 1 on page 204.

(20.6) We like to have a p-adic analogue of (20.5). For this purpose it is convenient to have p-divisible groups instead of Tate-ℓ-groups:
Definition. Let A/S be an abelian scheme, and let p be a prime number (no restriction on p). We write

$$A[p^\infty] = \mathrm{colim}_{i\to}\, A[p^i],$$

called the p-divisible group (or the Barsotti-Tate group) of A/S.

Remark. Historically a Tate-ℓ-group is defined as a projective system, and the p-divisible group as an inductive system; it turns out that these are the best ways of handling these concepts (but the way in which direction to choose the limit is not very important). We see that the p-divisible group of an abelian variety should be considered as the natural substitute for the Tate-ℓ-group. Note that $A[p^\infty]$ is defined over any base, while $T_\ell(A)$ is only defined when ℓ is invertible on the base scheme.

The notation $A[p^\infty]$ is just symbolic; there is no morphism "p^∞", and there is no kernel of this.

(20.7) Exercise. For an abelian variety A over a field K and a prime number p the natural map

$$\mathrm{End}(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p \quad \hookrightarrow \quad \mathrm{End}((A)[p^\infty])$$

is *injective*. Prove this statement. Or see [80], theorem 5 on page 56.

(20.8) Remark. On could feel the objects $T_\ell(A)$ and $A[p^\infty]$ as *arithemetic objects* in the following sense. If A and B are abelian varieites over a field K which are isomorphic over $\overline{K}$, then they are isomorphic over a finite extension of K; these are geometric objects. Suppose X and Y are p-divisible groups over a field K which are isomorphic over $\overline{K}$ then they need not be isomorphic over a finite extension of K, these are arithmetic objects. The same statement for pro-ℓ-group schemes

(20.9) Theorem (Tate and De Jong). *Let K be a field finitely generated over $\mathbb{F}_p$. Let A and B be abelian varieties over K. The natural map*

$$\mathrm{Hom}(A,B) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p \quad \xrightarrow{\sim} \quad \mathrm{Hom}(A[p^\infty], B[p^\infty])$$

is an isomorphism.
This was proved by Tate in case K is a finite field; a proof was written up in [80]. The case

of a function field over a finite field was proved by Johan de Jong, see [27], Th. 2.6. This case follows from the result by Tate and from the following result on extending homomorphisms (20.10).

(20.10) Theorem (Tate, De Jong). *Let R be an integrally closed, Noetherian integral domain with field of fractions K.* (Any characteristic.) *Let X, Y be p-divisible group over* $\mathrm{Spec}(R)$. *Let $\beta_K : X_K \to Y_K$ be a homomorphism. There exists (uniquely) $\beta : X \to Y$ over* $\mathrm{Spec}(R)$ *extending β_K.*
This was proved by Tate, under the extra assumption that the characteristic of K is zero. For the case $\mathrm{char}(K) = p$, see [27], 1.2 and [28], Th. 2 on page 261.

21 Appendix 6: Some properties in characteristic p

See [36]. For information on group schemes see [51], [65], [79].

In characteristic zero we have strong tools at our disposal: besides algebraic-geometric theories we can use analytic and topological methods. It seems that we are at a loss in positive characteristic. However the opposite is true. Phenomena, only occurring in positive characteristic provide us with strong tools to study moduli spaces. And, as it turns out again and again, several results in characteristic zero can be derived using reduction modulo p. These tools in positive characteristic will be of great help in this talk.

(21.1) A finite group scheme in characteristic zero, of more generally a finite group scheme of rank prime to all residue characteristics, is étale over the base; e.g. see [52]. However if the rank of a finite group scheme is not invertible on the base, it need not be étale.

(21.2) The Frobenius morphism. For a scheme T over $\mathbb{F}_p$ (i.e. $p{\cdot}1 = 0$ in all fibers of $\mathcal{O}_T$), we define the *absolute Frobenius morphism* $\mathrm{fr} : T \to T$; if $T = \mathrm{Spec}(R)$ this is given by $x \mapsto x^p$ in R.

For a scheme $A \to S$ over $\mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)$ we define $A^{(p)}$ as the fiber product of $A \to S \xleftarrow{\mathrm{fr}} S$. The morphism $\mathrm{fr} : A \to A$ factors through $A^{(p)}$. This defines $F_{A/S} = F_A : A \to A^{(p)}$, a morphism over S; this is called *the relative Frobenius morphism.* If A is a group scheme over S, the morphism $F_A : A \to A^{(p)}$ is a homomorphism of group schemes. For more details see [65], Exp. VII$_A$.4. The notation $A^{(p/S)}$ is (maybe) more correct.

Example. Suppose $A \subset \mathbb{A}^n_R$ is given as the zero set of a polynomial $\sum_I a_I X^I$ (multi-index notation). Then $A^{(p)}$ is given by $\sum_I a_I^p X^I$, and $A \to A^p$ is given, on coordinates, by raising these to the power p. Note that if a point $(x_1, \cdots, x_n) \in A$ then indeed $(x_1^p, \cdots, x_n^p) \in A^{(p)}$, and $x_i \mapsto x_i^p$ describes $F_A : A \to A^{(p)}$ on points.

Let $S = \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)$; for any $T \to S$ we have a canonical isomorphism $T \cong T^{(p)}$. In this case $F_{T/S} = \mathrm{fr} : T \to T$.

(21.3) Verschiebung. Let A be a *commutative* group scheme over a characteristic p base scheme. In [65], Exp. VII$_A$.4 we find the definition of the "relative Verschiebung"

$$V_A : A^{(p)} \to A; \quad \text{we have:} \quad F_A{\cdot}V_A = [p]_{A^{(p)}}, \quad V_A{\cdot}F_A = [p]_A.$$

In case A is an abelian variety we see that F_A is surjective, and $\mathrm{Ker}(F_A) \subset A[p]$. In this case we do not need the somewhat tricky construction of [65], Exp. VII$_A$.4, but we can define V_A by $V_A \cdot F_A = [p]_A$ and check that $F_A \cdot V_A = [p]_{A^{(p)}}$.

(21.4) Examples of finite group scheme of rank p. Let $k \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ be an algebraically closed field, and let G be a commutative group scheme of rank p over k. Then we are in one of the following three cases:

$G = \underline{\mathbb{Z}/p}_k$. This is the scheme $\mathrm{Spec}(k^p)$, with the group structure given by $\mathbb{Z}/p$. Here $V_G = 0$ and $\overline{F_G}$ is an isomorphism.

$G = \alpha_p$. We write $\alpha_p = \mathbb{G}_{a,\mathbb{F}_p}[F]$ the kernel of the Frobenius morphism on the linear group $\mathbb{G}_{a,\mathbb{F}_p}$. This group scheme is defined over $\mathbb{F}_p$, and we have the habit to write for any scheme $S \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)$ just α_p, although we should write $\alpha_p \times_{\mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)} S$. For any field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ we have $\alpha_{p,K} = \mathrm{Spec}(K[\tau]/(\tau^p))$ and the group structure is given by the comultiplication $\tau \mapsto \tau \otimes 1 + 1 + \tau$ on the algebra $K[\tau]/(\tau^p)$. Here $V_G = 0 = F_G$.

$G = \mu_{p,k}$. We write $\mu_{t,K} = \mathbb{G}_{m,K}[t]$ for any field K and any $t \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$. Here $F_G = 0$ and V_G is an isomorphism. Note that the algebras defining $\alpha_{p,\mathbb{F}_p}$ and $\mu_{p,\mathbb{F}_p}$ are isomorphic, but the comultiplications are different.

Any finite commutative group scheme over k of rank a power of p is a successive extension of group schemes of these three types. for an arbitrary field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ the first and the last example can be "twisted" by a Galois action. However if $G \otimes_K k \cong \alpha_{p,k}$ then $G \cong \alpha_{p,K}$.

For duality, and for the notion of "local" and "etale" group scheme see [51].

Commutative group scheme of p-power rank over a perfect base field can be classified with the help of Dieudonné modules, not dicussed here, but see [36], see [16].

(21.5) For an abelian variety A over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$ we define its p-rank $f(A) = f$ as the integer such that $A[p](\overline{K}) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p)^f$.

We say A is *ordinary* iff $f(A) = \dim(A) =: g$.

(21.6) For a classification of ordinary abelian varieties over finite fields (using Serre-Tate canonical lifts, and classical theory) see the wonderful paper [14].

(21.7) Examples. If E is an elliptic curve in characteristic p then:

$$E \quad \text{is ordinary} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E[p](\overline{K}) \neq 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E[F] := \mathrm{Ker}(F : E \to E^{(p)}) \otimes k \cong \mu_p.$$

In this case $E[p] \otimes k \cong \mu_p \times \underline{\mathbb{Z}/p}$.

$$E \quad \text{is supersingular} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E[p](\overline{K}) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E[F] := \mathrm{Ker}(F : E \to E^{(p)}) \cong \alpha_p.$$

In this case $E[p]$ is a non-trivial extension of α_p by α_p.

Warning. For a higher dimensional abelian varieties $A[F]$ and $A[p]$ can be quite complicated.

(21.8) Exercise. *Show that the following properties are equivalent:*
(1) *A is ordinary,*
(2) $\mathrm{Hom}(\alpha_p, A) = 0$,
(3) *the kernel of $V : A^{(p)} \to A$ is étale,*
(4) *the rank of the group $\mathrm{Hom}(\mu_p, A \otimes \overline{K})$ equals p^g.*
(5) $\mathrm{Hom}(\mu_p, A \otimes \overline{K}) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p)^g$.

(21.9) Duality; see [GM], Chapter V. For a finite locally free group scheme $G \to S$ over a base $S \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)$ we study $F_{G/S} : G \to G^{(p)}$. We can apply Cartier-duality.

Fact.

$$\left(F_{G/S} : G \to G^{(p)}\right)^D \quad = \quad \left(V_{G^D} : (G^{(p)})^D = (G^D)^{(p)} \to G^D\right).$$

In the same way Cartier duality gives $(V_G)^D = F_{G^D}$.

Using duality of abelian varieties, in particular see [51], Theorem 19.1, we arrive at:

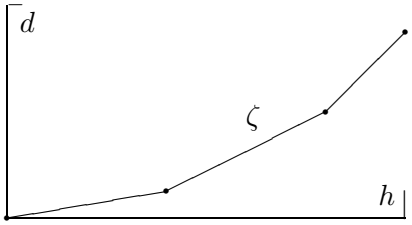
For an abelian scheme $A \to S$ over a base $S \to \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p)$ we have

$$\left(F_{A/S} : A \to A^{(p)}\right)^t \quad = \quad \left(V_{A^t} : (A^{(p)})^t = (A^t)^{(p)} \to A^t\right), \quad \text{and} \quad (V_A)^t = F_{A^t}.$$

(21.10) Newton polygons. In order to being able to handle the isogeny class of $A[p^\infty]$ we need the notion of Newton polygons.

Suppose given integers $h, d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$; here $h =$ "height", $d =$ "dimension", and in case of abelian varieties we will choose $h = 2g$, and $d = g$. A Newton polygon γ (related to h and d) is a polygon $\gamma \subset \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ (or, if you wish in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$), such that:

- γ starts at $(0, 0)$ and ends at (h, d);
- γ is lower convex;
- any slope β of γ has the property $0 \leq \beta \leq 1$;
- the breakpoints of γ are in $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$; hence $\beta \in \mathbb{Q}$.



Note that a Newton polygon determines (and is determined by)

$$\beta_1, \cdots, \beta_h \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } 0 \leq \beta_1 \leq \cdots \leq \beta_h \leq 1 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \zeta.$$

Sometimes we will give a Newton polygon by data $\sum_i (d_i, c_i)$; here $d_i, c_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, with $\gcd(d_i, c_i) = 1$, and $d_i/(d_i + c_i) \leq d_j/(d_j + c_j)$ for $i \leq j$, and $h = \sum_i (d_i + c_i)$, $d = \sum_i d_i$. From these data we construct the related Newton polygon by choosing the slopes $d_i/(d_i + c_i)$ with multiplicities $h_i = d_i + c_i$. Conversely clearly any Newton polygon can be encoded in a unique way in such a form.

Remark. The Newton polygon of a polynomial. Let $g \in \mathbb{Q}_p[T]$ be a monic polynomial of degree h. We are interested in the p-adic values of its zeroes (in an algebraic closure of $\mathbb{Q}_p$).

These can be computed by the Newton polygon of this polynomial. Write $g = \sum_j \gamma_j T^{h-j}$. Plot the pairs $(j, v_p(\gamma_j))$ for $0 \leq j \leq h$. Consider the lower convex hull of $\{(j, v_p(\gamma_j)) \mid j\}$. This is a Newton polygon according to the definition above. *The slopes of the sides of this polygon are precisely the p-adic values of the zeroes of g, ordered in non-decreasing order.*
Exercise. Prove this.
Hint. Write $g = \Pi\,(T - z_i)$, with $z_i \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$. Write $\beta_i := v_p(z_i) \in \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$. Suppose the order of the $\{z_i\}$ chosen in such a way that

$$0 \leq \beta_1 \leq \beta_2 \leq \cdots \leq \beta_i \leq \beta_{i+1} \leq \cdots \leq \beta_h.$$

Let σ_j be the elementary symmetric functions in z_i. Show that:

$$\sigma_j = \gamma_j, \quad v_p(\sigma_j) \geq \beta_1 + \cdots + \beta_j, \quad \beta_h = v_p(\gamma_h),$$

and

$$N < h, \quad \beta_N < \beta_{N+1} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \sigma_N = \beta_1 + \cdots + \beta_N.$$

□

(21.11) *A p-divisible group X over a field of characteristic p determines uniquely a Newton polygon.* The general definition can be found in [36]. The isogeny class of a p-divisible group over and algebraically closed field k uniquely determines (and is uniquely determined by) its Newton polygon:

(21.12) **Theorem** (Dieudonné and Manin), see [36], "Classification theorem " on page 35 .

$$\{X\}/\sim_k \quad \xrightarrow{\sim} \quad \{\text{Newton polygon}\}$$

(21.13) We sketch the construction of a Newton polygon of a p-divisible group X, or of an abelian variety.

(**Incorrect.**) Here we indicate what the Newton polygon of a p-divisible group is (in a slightly incorrect way ...). Consider "the Frobenius endomorphism" of X. This has a "characteristic polynomial". This polynomial determines a Newton polygon, which we write as $\mathcal{N}(X)$, the Newton polygon of X. For an abelian variety A we write $\mathcal{N}(A)$ instead of $\mathcal{N}(A[p^\infty])$.

Well, this "definition" is correct over $\mathbb{F}_p$ as ground field. However over any other field $F : X \to X^{(p)}$ is not an endomorphism, and the above "construction" fails.

Over a finite field there is a method which repairs this. Let A be an abelian variety over $\mathbb{F}_q$. The geometric Frobenius $\pi_A \in \mathrm{End}(A)$ has a characteristic polynomial $f = f_A = f_{A,\pi_A} \in \mathbb{Z}[T] \subset \mathbb{Q}_p[T]$. Take $\mathrm{NP}(f_A)$ the Newton polygon of f_A. That is: write $f = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq 2g} b_i T^{2g-i}$; consider all points $\{(i, v_p(b_i))\}$ in the plane, and let $\mathrm{NP}(f_A)$ be the lower convex hull of this set of points. Note that $(0, v_p(b_0)) = (0, 0)$, because the polynomial is monic, and $(2g, v_p(b_{2g})) = (2g, n{\cdot}2g)$, because $b_{2g} = q^{2g} = p^{n \cdot 2g}$. We define $\mathcal{N}(A)$, the Newton polygon of A to be the lower convex hull of the set of $\{(i, \frac{1}{n}{\cdot}v_p(b_i))\}$.

However one can define the Newton polygon of an abelian variety over an arbitrary field in positive characteristic. we can work with the "explanation" given above: $\mathcal{N}(X)$ is the "Newton polygon of the Frobenius on X".

(21.14) Dieudonné-Manin theory. (We only give some definitions and facts.) For coprime integers $d, c \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ one can define a p-divisible group $G_{d,c}$. In fact, $G_{1,0} = \mathbb{G}_m[p^\infty]$, and $G_{0,1} = (\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)$. For $d > 0$ and $c > 0$ we have a formal p-divisible group $G_{d,c}$ of dimension d and of height $h = d + c$. We do not give the construction here; see the first two chapters of Manin's thesis [36]; the definition of $G_{d,c}$ is on page 35 of [36]. The p-divisible group $G_{d,c}$ is defined over $\mathbb{F}_p$; we will use the same symbol for this group over any base field or base scheme over $\mathbb{F}_p$, i.e. we write $G_{d,c}$ instead of $G_{d,c} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} K$.

Let $K = \mathbb{F}_{p^n}$, and $X = G_{d,c} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} K$. Let $\pi_X \in \mathrm{End}(X)$ be the geometric Frobenius. Then

$$\boxed{v_p(\pi_X) = \tfrac{d \cdot n}{h}, \quad h := d + c, \quad q = p^n.}$$

In [36], Chapter II we find:
Theorem. *Let k be an algebraically closed field of characteristic p. Let X be a p-divisible group over k. Then there exists an isogeny*

$$X \quad \sim \quad \prod_i G_{d_i,c_i}.$$

see [36], Classification Theorem on page 35.

The isogeny class of $\prod_i G_{d_i,c_i}$ will be encoded in the form of a Newton polygon. The simple p-divisible group $G_{d,c}$ will be represented by $d + c$ slopes equal to $d/(d + c)$. The slopes of $\sum_i G_{d_i,c_i}$ will be ordered in non-decreasing order. For a p-divisible group of dimension d, height h with $h = d + c$ together these slopes form a polygon in $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$.

Example. Suppose $A[p^\infty] = X \sim G_{d,c} \times G_{c,d}$. Then the Newton polygon $\mathcal{N}(A)$ of A equals $(d, c) + (c, d)$; this has $d + c$ slopes equal to $d/(d + c)$ and $d + c$ slopes equal to $c/(d + c)$.

The theorem just cited reads: *there is a bijection between the set of k-isogeny classes of p-divisible groups over k and the set of Newton polygons:*

$$\{X\}/\sim_k \quad \xrightarrow{\sim} \quad \{\text{Newton polygon}\}$$

(21.15) Exercise. Let Y be a p-divisible group over a field K. Suppose $Y \sim \prod_i G_{d_i,c_i}$. Suppose there exist integers $d, h \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that $Y[F^h] = Y[p^d]$. Show: *only factors G_{d_i,c_i} do appear with $d_i/(d_i + c_i) = d/h$.*

(21.16) Proposition. *For every pair (d, c) of coprime non-negative integers we have $G_{d,c} \cong (G_{c,d})^t$. Let A be an abelian variety over a field $K \supset \mathbb{F}_p$, and $X = A[p^\infty]$. The Newton polygon $\mathcal{N}(A) := \mathcal{N}(X)$ is symmetric,* in the sense of (11.1).
Proof. The first equality follows form the definitions.

By (16.6) we have $A[m]^D = A^t[m]$ for every $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Hence $A[p^\infty]^t = A^t[p^\infty]$; use the definition of the Serre dual X^t; this formula is less trivial than notation suggests. Hence $G_{d,c}$and $G_{c,d}$ appear with the same multiplicity in the isogeny type of $X = A[p^\infty]$. This proves symmetry of $\mathcal{N}(X)$. □

(21.17) A proof for the Manin Conjecture. We have seen that the Manin Conjecture can be proved using the Honda-Tate theory, see Section 11. In [61], Section 5 we find a proof of that conjecture, using only methods of characteristic p. We sketch that proof (and please see the reference cited for notations and details).

We know that the conjecture holds for $G_{1,1}$: in every characteristic p there exists a supersingular elliptic curve, and $E[p^\infty] \cong G_{1,1}$. Hence every supersingular p-divisibel group is algebraizable. We show that for a given $g \geq 1$ there exists an abelian variety A_0 with a principal polarization λ_0 such that A_0 is supersingular, and $a(A_0) = 1$. Methods of [61] show that for a given symmetric Newton polygon ξ, which automatically lies below $\sigma = \mathcal{N}(A_0)$, there exists a formal deformation of $(X_0, \lambda_0) = (A_0, \lambda_0)[p^\infty]$ to (X, λ) with $\mathcal{N}(X) = \xi$. By the Serre-Tate Theorem we know that a formal deformation of an algebraizable p-divisible group is algebraizable; hence there exists (A, λ) with $(X, \lambda) = (A, \lambda)[p^\infty]$; this proves the Manin Conjecture.

22 Some questions

In this section we gather some remarks, questions and open problems.

(22.1) Definition. Let B_0 be an abelian variety over a field K of characteristic $p > 0$. We say B is a CM-lift of B_0 if there exists an integral domain R of characteristic zero with a surjective homomorphism $R \twoheadrightarrow K$ with field of fractions $Q(R)$ and an abelian scheme $B \to \mathrm{Spec}(R)$ such that $B \otimes K \cong B_0$ and such that $B \otimes Q(R)$ admits smCM.

Remarks. (1) If A_0 admits a CM-lift, then $A_0 \otimes K$ admits smCM.
(2) By Tate we know that any abelian variety over a finite field admits smCM, [75].
(3) If A_0 is an *ordinary* abelian variety over a finite field K, then by using the canonical Serre-Tate lift we see that A_0 admits a CM-lift.
(4) Deuring has proved that any elliptic curve over a finite field admits a CM-lift; see [17], pp. 259 – 263; for a proof also see [58], Section 14, in particular 14.7.
(5) The previous method can be used to show that any abelian variety of dimension g defined over a finite field of p-rank equal to $g - 1$ admits a CM-lift; use [58], 14.6.
(6) We have seen that for an abelian variety A_0 over a finite field K there exists a finite extension $K \subset K'$, and a K'-isogeny $A_0 \otimes K' \sim B_0$ such that B_0 admits a CM lift. *Do we really need the finite extension and the isogeny to assure a CM-lift* ?
(7) (We need the isogeny.) In [59], Theorem B we find: *suppose $g \geq 3$, and let f be an integer, $0 \leq f \leq g - 2$. Then there exists an abelian variety A_0 over $\mathbb{F} := \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ of dimension g with p-rank equal to f such that A_0 does not admit a CM-lift.*

(22.2) Question. (Do we need a finite extension?) *Does there exist a finite field K and an abelian variety A_0 over K such that any B_0 over K isogenous over K with A_0 does not admit a* CM-*lift?*

(22.3) In the proof of the Honda-Tate theorem analytic tools are used. Indeed we construct CM abelian varieties over $\mathbb{C}$ in order to prove surjectivity of the map $A \mapsto \pi_A$. As a corollary of the Honda-Tate theory we have seen a proof of the Manin Conjecture. However it turns out that for the Manin Conjecture we now have a purely geometric proof, indeed a proof which only uses characteristic p methods, see [61], Section 5.

(22.4) Open Problem. *Does there exist a proof of the Honda-Tate theorem* (1.2) *only using methods in characteristic p ?*

(22.5) Over an algebraically closed field k of characteristic zero for a given g it is exactly known which algebras can appear as the endomorphism algebra of a simple abelian variety over k; see [71], pp. 175/176; also see [44] pp. 202/203; see [33], 5.5.

For any Albert algebra (an algebra of finite dimension over $\mathbb{Q}$, with a positive definite anti-involution, equivalently: a finite product of algebras in the classification list of Albert), and any characteristic, there exists a simple abelian variety over an algebraically closed field of that characteristic having that endomorphism algebra; see [71], pp. 175/176 and [44] pp. 202/203 for characteristic zero; for arbitrary characteristic see [22]; for a discussion see [57], Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.4.

(22.6) Open Problem. *Suppose a prime number $p > 0$ given. Determine for every $g \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ the possible endomorphism algebras appearing for that g in characteristic p.*

(22.7) Open Problem. *For every characteristic and every $g \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ determine all possible endomorphism rings of an abelian variety over an algebraically closed field in that characteristic.*

(22.8) Exercise. *For an abelian variety of dimension g over a field K of characteristic zero we have*

$$m(X) := \frac{2g}{[\mathrm{End}^0(A) : \mathbb{Q}]} \quad \in \quad \mathbb{Z}.$$

Give examples of an abelian variety A in positive characteristic where

$$\frac{2g}{[\mathrm{End}^0(A) : \mathbb{Q}]} \quad \notin \quad \mathbb{Z}.$$

(22.9) Expectation. *For every $\gamma \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0}$ and every prime number $p > 0$ there exists a field k in characteristic p, and an abelian variety A over k such that*

$$\frac{2g}{[\mathrm{End}^0(A) : \mathbb{Q}]} \quad = \quad \gamma.$$

See [60], Section 2.

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