# **Complex Multiplication**

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- If every prime in K is unramified in L, then L/K is unramified.

# The case over $\mathbb{Q}$

• Can we explicitly describe the set of numbers that generates (unramified) abelian extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$ ?

### Theorem 1 (Kronecker-Weber)

Every finite abelian extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  is contained in a cyclotomic extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)$  for some N > 0.

### Theorem 2 (Hermite-Minkowski)

There are no unramified extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

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- Complex Multiplication: this piece of **arithmetic** information will be extracted from studying **geometric** objects, namely, elliptic curves (or more generally, abelian varieties).

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### What is an elliptic curve?

By an **elliptic curve** E/K, we understand

- a one-dimensional nonsingular projective variety over K of genus one, together with a special point O ∈ E;
- or more naively, a curve given by so-called Weierstrass equation

$$y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B, \quad A, B \in K$$

(N.B. the equation takes this simplified form only if  $char(\overline{K}) \neq 2, 3$ .) Two elliptic curves are isomorphic iff they have the same *j*-invariant:

$$j(E) = \frac{1728(4A)^3}{-16(4A^3 + 27B^2)}$$

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• Let End(E) be the ring of isogenies from E to itself, is the map

$$[-]: \mathbb{Z} \to \operatorname{End}(E)$$

is an isomorphism, or is  $\operatorname{End}(E)$  strictly larger than  $\mathbb{Z}$ ?

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## CM of elliptic curves

### Theorem 3

Let  $E/\mathbb{C}$  be an elliptic curve. Then either  $\operatorname{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}$  or  $\operatorname{End}(E)$  is isomorphic to an order of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$  for some D > 0.

N.B. Let K be a number field. An **order** R of a K is a subring of K that is finitely generated as  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module and spans K over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

For example,  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $\{a + 2bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  are both orders of  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ . The ring of integers is the largest order.

### Definition 4

An elliptic curve  $E/\mathbb{C}$  has **complex multiplication** (or CM for short) by R if R = End(E) is an order of an imaginary quadratic field.

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- In fact, there is an equivalence of categories between:
  - elliptic curve E over  $\mathbb C$  with isogenies, and
  - $\bullet\,$  lattices  $\Lambda\subset\mathbb{C}$  up to homothety, with

$$\operatorname{Hom}(\Lambda_1,\Lambda_2) = \{ \alpha \in \mathbb{C} \mid \alpha \Lambda_1 \subset \Lambda_2 \}.$$

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# Proof of Theorem 3

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Suppose  $E/\mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  as Lie groups. Up to homothety replace  $\Lambda$  by  $\mathbb{Z} + \tau \mathbb{Z}$  for some  $\tau \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ . For any  $\alpha \in \text{End}(E) \cong \{\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \mid \alpha \Lambda = \Lambda\}$ , there exists  $m, n, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\alpha = m + n\tau$  and  $\alpha \tau = p + q\tau$ . Eliminate  $\tau$ , we get

$$\alpha^2 - (m+q)\alpha + np = 0,$$

so that  $\operatorname{End}(E)$  is an integral extension of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . If  $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $n \neq 0$ , so eliminating *n* we get an quadratic equation

$$n\tau^2+(m-q)\tau-p=0.$$

Since  $\tau \notin \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\tau)$  is an imaginary quadratic field.

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## Construction of class fields

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Let R be an order of an imaginary quadratic field K. Let  $E/\mathbb{C}$  be an elliptic curve with CM by R. Then

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• Moral of the story: *j*-invariant and coordinate of torsion points generate abelian extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$  for some D > 0.

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- The fractional ideal (x) associated to an idèle  $x \in \mathbf{A}_{K}^{\times}$  is

$$(x) = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} \mathfrak{p}^{\mathrm{ord}_{\mathfrak{p}}(x_{\mathfrak{p}})},$$

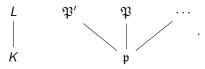
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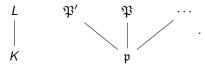
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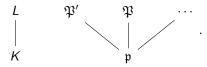
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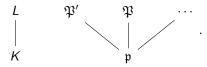
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- If L/K is abelian, then  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{P}} = \sigma_{\mathfrak{P}'}$ , so we simply write  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{p}}$ .

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- Let  $f : \mathbb{C}/\mathfrak{a} \xrightarrow{\sim} E(\mathbb{C})$  be a complex-analytic isomorphism.

#### Theorem 6 (The main theorem of CM of elliptic curves)

There exists a unique complex-analytic isomorphism  $f': \mathbb{C}/(s)^{-1}\mathfrak{a} \xrightarrow{\sim} E^{\sigma}(\mathbb{C})$  such that the following diagram commutes:

# The associated Hecke character

• A Hecke character of a number field K is a continuous map

$$\psi : \mathbf{A}_{K}^{\times} \to \mathbb{C}^{\times}$$
 that satisfies  $\chi(L^{\times}) = 1$ .

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ranging over primes  $\mathfrak{P}$  of L. Each local L-factor is given by

$$L_{\mathfrak{P}}(E/L,T)=1-a_{\mathfrak{P}}T+q_{\mathfrak{P}}T^{2},$$

where  $q_{\mathfrak{P}} = \operatorname{Nm}_{L/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{P}$  and  $a_{\mathfrak{P}} = q_{\mathfrak{P}} + 1 - \#\widetilde{E}(\kappa_{\mathfrak{P}})$ ,  $\kappa_{\mathfrak{P}}$  is the residue field of L at  $\mathfrak{P}$ . In the case when E has bad reduction at  $\mathfrak{P}$ , we define

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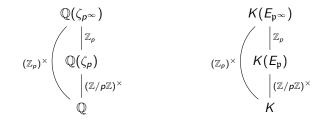
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It is the degree of the maximal étale K-subalgebra of B.

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- By the lemma and the fact that A is semisimple, A has CM if and only if each of its simple factors has CM.

#### Theorem 8

An abelian variety  $A/\mathbb{C}$  has CM if and only if

- (if A is simple)  $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{Q}}(A)$  is a CM-field of degree  $2 \dim A$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ;
- (if A is isotypic) End<sub>Q</sub>(A) contains a field of degree 2 dim A over Q;
- $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{Q}}(A)$  contains an étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -subalgebra of dimension  $2 \dim A$ .

Moreover, the number field (resp. étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -subalgebra) can be chosen to be a CM-field (resp. CM-algebra) invariant under the Rosati involution induced by a polarization of A.

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Theorem 10 (The main theorem of CM of abelian varieties)

There is a unique isomorphism  $\xi' : \mathbb{C}^g/u(\operatorname{Nm}_{\Phi}(s)^{-1}\mathfrak{a}) \xrightarrow{\sim} A^{\sigma}$  such that  $A^{\sigma}$  is of type  $(K, \Phi, \operatorname{Nm}_{\Phi}(s)^{-1}\mathfrak{a}, \operatorname{Nm}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}((s))\tau)$  with respect to  $\xi'$ , and the following diagram commutes:

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# A little history

- The classical theory of CM was developed by Weber, Fueter, Hasse and Duering before 1950s.
- The main theorem we gave above was restricted over the reflex field  $K^*$ . It was due to Shimura, Taniyama, and Weil in the 1950s. It is sufficient for constructing class fields, though.
- The most general case over  $\mathbb Q$  was proved by Langlands, Tate, and Deligne in the 1980s, also called motivic CM theory.

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