

# Endomorphisms of abelian varieties

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Last example  $\Rightarrow A_n := \ker(a \mapsto na)$  is finite, and being isogenous is an equivalence relation [Mil08, Rem. 8.6].

# References



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