

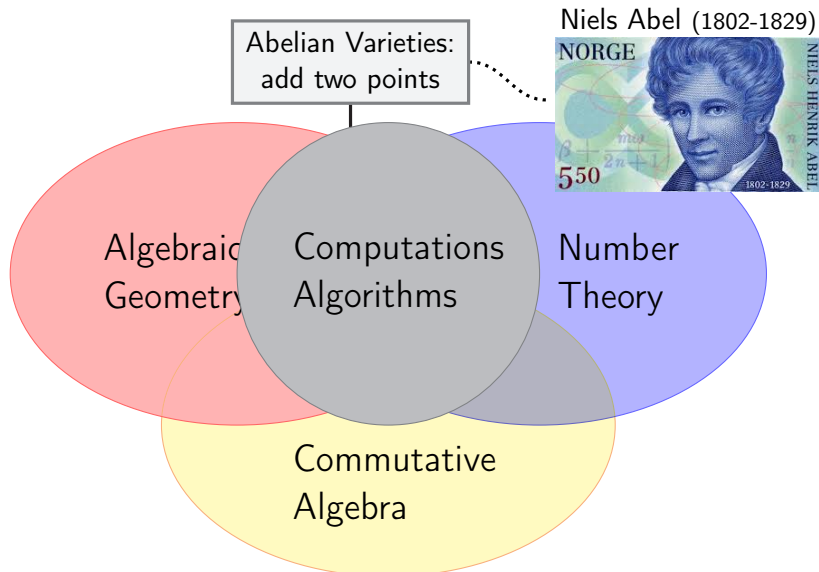
# Cohen-Macaulay type of endomorphism rings of abelian varieties over finite fields

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# What do I do for a living?



# Abelian varieties: what are they ?

Abelian varieties are connected projective group varieties.

Abelian varieties of dim. 1  
are called **elliptic curves**.

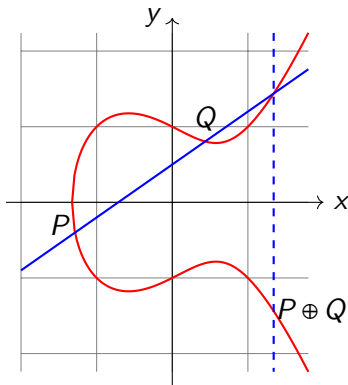
Eg: over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $y^2 = x^3 - x + 1$

We can add points:

$P, Q \rightsquigarrow P \oplus Q$

Equations are impractical in  
dim  $\geq 2$ .

We need a better way to  
represent them...



## Abelian varieties over $\mathbb{C}$ vs $\mathbb{F}_q$

- Let  $A/\mathbb{C}$  be an abelian variety of dimension  $g$ .
- Then  $A(\mathbb{C})$  is a **torus**:  $T := \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda$ , where  $\Lambda \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}^{2g}$ .
- $T$  admits a non-degenerate Riemann form  $\longleftrightarrow$  polarization.
- In fact,  $A \mapsto A(\mathbb{C})$  induces an **equivalence** of categories:

$$\{\text{abelian varieties } / \mathbb{C}\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda \text{ with } \Lambda \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{2g} \text{ admitting a Riemann form} \right\}.$$

- In **char.  $p > 0$**  such an equivalence **cannot exist**: there are (supersingular) elliptic curves with quaternionic endomorphism algebras.
- Nevertheless, as we will see later, over a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , we obtain analogous results if we restrict ourselves to certain **subcategories** of AVs.
- **WARNING**: all morphisms, endomorphisms, isogenies, etc. are defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

# Isogeny classification over $\mathbb{F}_q$

- An **isogeny**  $A \rightarrow B$  is a surjective morphism with finite kernel.
- $A/\mathbb{F}_q$  comes with a **Frobenius** endomorphism, that induces an action

$$\text{Frob}_A: T_\ell A \rightarrow T_\ell A \text{ for any } \ell \neq p,$$

where  $T_\ell(A) = \varprojlim A[\ell^n] \simeq \mathbb{Z}_\ell^{2g}$ .

- $h_A(x) := \text{char}(\text{Frob}_A)$  is a  **$q$ -Weil** polynomial.
- **Honda-Tate** theory:
  - $h_A(x)$  is **the isogeny invariant**

$$A \sim_{\mathbb{F}_q} B \text{ iff } h_A(x) = h_B(x),$$

- the association

$$\text{isogeny class of } A \longmapsto h_A(x)$$

allows us to **enumerate** all AVs up to isogeny.

# Endomorphism rings

- $\text{End}(A)$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of finite rank ...
- ...  $\text{End}(A) \subset \text{End}(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ .
- Denote by  $\pi_A \in \text{End}(A)$  the Frobenius endomorphism of  $A$ .
- Tate:  $h_A(x)$  is squarefree  $\iff \text{End}(A)$  is commutative.  
(We will assume this for the rest of the talk.)
- Set  $K = \mathbb{Q}[x]/(h_A) = \mathbb{Q}[\pi]$ . It is an **étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra**  
(i.e. a finite product of number fields).
- The association  $\pi_A \mapsto \pi$  allows us to identify  $\text{End}(A)$  with a special kind of subring of  $K$ :
- $\mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi] \subseteq \text{End}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$  are orders in  $K$   
(an **order**  $R$  in  $K$  is a subring  $R \subset K$  such that  $R \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}^{\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} K}$ ).
- **Plan:** study  $A$  by studying some comm. algebra properties of  $\text{End}(A)$ .

## Orders and fractional ideals in étale $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebras

- Let  $R$  be an order in a étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra  $K$ .
- A **fractional  $R$ -ideal** is a sub- $R$ -module  $I \subset K$  such that  $I \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}^{\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} K}$ .
- Given fr.  $R$ -ideals  $I, J$  then

$$(I : J) = \{a \in K : aJ \subseteq I\} \quad \text{and} \quad I^t = \{a \in K : \text{Tr}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(aI) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}\}$$

are also fr.  $R$ -ideals.

- The order  $(I : I)$  is the **multiplicator ring** of  $I$  and satisfies:

$$(I : I)^t = I \cdot I^t.$$

- A fr.  $R$ -ideal  $I$  is invertible if  $I(R : I) = R$  ...
- ... or, equivalently,  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  as  $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules for every  $\mathfrak{m}$  maximal  $R$ -ideal.  
( $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is the completion of  $R$  at  $\mathfrak{m}$ )
- If  $I$  is invertible, then  $(I : I) = R$ .

# Cohen-Macaulay type and Gorenstein orders

- Def: The **(Cohen-Macaulay) type** of  $R$  at a maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  is

$$\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) := \dim_{R/\mathfrak{m}} \frac{R^t}{\mathfrak{m}R^t}.$$

- Def:  $R$  is **Gorenstein** at  $\mathfrak{m}$  if  $\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) = 1$ .
- Remark: these definitions coincides with the 'usual' ones.
- Ex: monogenic  $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$  and maximal  $\mathcal{O}_K$  orders are Gorenstein.  
(also  $\mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]$  for AVs).
- Ex: pick a prime  $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\text{type}_{\ell\mathcal{O}_K}(\mathbb{Z} + \ell\mathcal{O}_K) = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} K - 1$ .



# Classification for orders of type $\leq 2$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathfrak{m}$  be a maximal ideal of  $R$ , and  $I$  a fr.  $R$ -ideal with  $(I : I) = R$ .

- 1 If  $\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) = 1$  (Gorenstein) then  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  as  $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules.
- 2 If  $\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) = 2$  then either  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  or  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t$  as  $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -modules.

Part 1 is contained (in a much more general form) in the "Ubiquity" paper by H. Bass.

Part 2 is new, and we give a proof.

## Lemma

Let  $U, V, W$  be vectors spaces (over some field). Assume that  $\dim W \geq 2$ , and let  $m : U \otimes V \rightarrow W$  be a surjective map. Then:

- 1  $\exists u \in U$  such that  $\dim(m(u \otimes V)) \geq 2$ , or
- 2  $\exists v \in V$  such that  $\dim(m(U \otimes v)) \geq 2$ .

## Proof of Part 2

- Put  $U = I/\mathfrak{m}I$ ,  $V = I^t/\mathfrak{m}I^t$  and  $W = R^t/\mathfrak{m}R^t$ .
- By assumption  $R^t = I \cdot I^t$ , so the map  $m: U \otimes V \rightarrow W$  induced by multiplication  $I \times I^t \rightarrow R^t$  is surjective.
- Moreover,  $\dim W = 2$  (because of the assumption on the type).
- By the Lemma:
  - ①  $\exists x \in I$  such that  $m((x + \mathfrak{m}I) \otimes V) = \frac{xI^t + \mathfrak{m}R^t}{\mathfrak{m}R^t}$  equals  $W$ .  
By Nakayama's lemma:  $I_{\mathfrak{m}}^t \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t \iff R_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq I_{\mathfrak{m}}, \dots$
  - ② ...or,  $\exists y \in I^t$  such that  $U \otimes m(U \otimes (y + \mathfrak{m})I^t) = W$  implying  $I_{\mathfrak{m}}^t \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}} \iff I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t$ .

## Back to AVs: Categorical equivalence(s)

Fix a squarefree characteristic poly  $h(x)$  of Frobenius  $\pi$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .  
Put  $K = \mathbb{Q}[x]/h = \mathbb{Q}[\pi]$ . Let  $\mathcal{I}_h$  be the corresponding isogeny class.

### Theorem

*If  $q = p$  is prime or that  $\mathcal{I}_h$  is ordinary (coeff. of  $x^g$  in  $h(x)$  is  $\not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ ) then there is an **equivalence** of categories*

$$\begin{array}{c} \{ \mathcal{I}_h \text{ with } \mathbb{F}_q\text{-morphisms} \} \\ \updownarrow \\ \{ \text{fr. } \mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]\text{-ideals with linear morphisms} \} \end{array}$$

*Moreover, if  $A \mapsto I$  then  $A^\vee \mapsto \bar{I}^t$ , where  $\bar{\cdot}$  is defined by  $\bar{\pi} = q/\pi$  (the CM-involution).*

References: Deligne, Howe, Centeleghe-Stix, Bergström-Karemaker-M.

## AVs: Isomorphism classes

- We get a bijection

$$\{ \text{isom. classes of AVs in } \mathcal{I}_h \} \longleftrightarrow \{ \text{isom. classes of fr. } \mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]\text{-ideals} \} \\ := \text{ICM}(\mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]) \text{ ideal class monoid}$$

- If  $\mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi] = \mathcal{O}_K$  is the maximal order then  $\text{ICM}(\mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]) = \text{Pic}(\mathcal{O}_K)$  is a product of class groups of number fields and we are good.
- **Problem:**  $\mathbb{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]$  might not be a Dedekind ring  $\rightsquigarrow$  **non-invertible** ideals.

# ICM : Ideal Class Monoid

Let  $R$  be an **order** in an étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra  $K$ .

- Recall: for **fractional  $R$ -ideals**  $I$  and  $J$

$$I \simeq_R J \iff \exists x \in K^\times \text{ s.t. } xI = J.$$

- We have

$$\mathrm{ICM}(R) \supseteq \mathrm{Pic}(R) = \{\text{invertible fractional } R\text{-ideals}\} / \simeq_R$$

with equality  $\S$  iff  $R = \mathcal{O}_K$

- Simplify the problem by localizing: **weak equivalence**  
(Dade, Taussky, Zassenhaus '62)

$$I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq_{R_{\mathfrak{m}}} J_{\mathfrak{m}} \text{ for every } \mathfrak{m} \in \mathrm{mSpec}(R)$$



$$1 \in (I : J)(J : I) \quad \text{easy to check!}$$

## Compute $\text{ICM}(R)$

Let  $\mathcal{W}(R)$  be the set of weak eq. classes. Partition w.r.t. the multiplier ring:

$$\mathcal{W}(R) = \bigsqcup_{R \subseteq S \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K} \mathcal{W}_S(R)$$

$$\text{ICM}(R) = \bigsqcup_{R \subseteq S \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K} \text{ICM}_S(R)$$

the “pedix”  $-_S$  means  
“only classes with multiplier ring  $S$ ”

### Theorem (M.)

For every over-order  $S$  of  $R$ ,  $\text{Pic}(S)$  acts *freely* on  $\text{ICM}_S(R)$  and

$$\mathcal{W}_S(R) = \text{ICM}_S(R) / \text{Pic}(S).$$

Repeat for every  $R \subseteq S \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K \rightsquigarrow \text{ICM}(R)$ .

## Compute $\text{ICM}(R)$

- To compute the overorders: see Hoffman-Sircana.
- To compute  $\text{Pic}(S)$ : see Klüners-Pauli.
- To compute  $W(R) = \sqcup W_S(R)$ :
- all representatives can be found in

$$\left\{ \text{sub-}R\text{-modules of } \mathcal{O}_K / \mathfrak{f}_R \right\} \quad \text{finite}$$

where  $\mathfrak{f}_R = (R : \mathcal{O}_K)$  is the conductor of  $R$ .

- Can we use the type? Write  $W_S(R) = \prod_{\mathfrak{m} \in S} (W_S(R))_{\mathfrak{m}}$ .
- We have proven that:  
if the type of  $S$  at  $\mathfrak{m}$  is 1 then  $(W_S(R))_{\mathfrak{m}} = \{[S_{\mathfrak{m}}]\}$ , while  
if the type of  $S$  at  $\mathfrak{m}$  is 2 then  $(W_S(R))_{\mathfrak{m}} = \{[S_{\mathfrak{m}}], [S_{\mathfrak{m}}^t]\}$

## AVs: Group of rational points

### Theorem ( Springer-M. )

$\mathcal{J}_h$  and  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\pi] = \mathbb{Q}[x]/h$  as before.

Let  $R$  be an order in  $K$  and  $\mathfrak{m}$  a maximal ideal of  $R$  (possibly but not necessarily above  $p$ ). Assume:

$$\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) \leq 2 \text{ for every } \mathfrak{m} \supseteq (1 - \pi)R.$$

Then for every  $A \in \mathcal{J}_h$  such that  $\text{End}(A) = R$  we have that  $A(\mathbb{F}_q) \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} R/(1 - \pi)R$ .

Proof: Say that  $A \mapsto I$ . Then  $A(\mathbb{F}_q) = \ker(1 - \pi_A) = \frac{I}{(1 - \pi)I} =: M$ .

$M$  is finite:  $M = \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{m} \supset (1 - \pi)R} M_{\mathfrak{m}}$ .

If  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  then  $M_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq_R \frac{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}{(1 - \pi)R_{\mathfrak{m}}}$ .

If  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t$  then  $M_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq_R \frac{R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t}{(1 - \pi)R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t} \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \frac{R_{\mathfrak{m}}}{(1 - \pi)R_{\mathfrak{m}}}$ .



## AVs: self-duality

### Theorem ( Springer-M. )

$\mathcal{J}_h$  and  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\pi] = \mathbb{Q}[x]/h$  as before.

Let  $R$  be an order in  $K$  and  $\mathfrak{m}$  a maximal ideal of  $R$ . Assume:

$$R = \overline{R}, \quad \mathfrak{m} = \overline{\mathfrak{m}}, \quad \text{and} \quad \text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) = 2.$$

Then for every  $A \in \mathcal{J}_h$  such that  $\text{End}(A) = R$  we have that  $A \neq A^\vee$ . In particular, such an  $A$  cannot be principally polarized nor a Jacobian.

Proof: Say that  $A \mapsto I$ . Hence  $A^\vee \mapsto \overline{I}^t$ .

By the Classification: either  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  or  $I_{\mathfrak{m}} \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t$ .

In the first case:  $\overline{I}_{\mathfrak{m}}^t = \overline{I}_{\mathfrak{m}}^t \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t \neq R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ .

Similarly, in the second:  $\overline{I}_{\mathfrak{m}}^t = \overline{I}_{\mathfrak{m}}^t \simeq R_{\mathfrak{m}} \neq R_{\mathfrak{m}}^t$ .

In both cases:  $I \neq \overline{I}^t \iff A \neq A^\vee$ .

## Some stats and refs

How often do the hypothesis of the previous theorem ( $R = \overline{R}$ , exists  $\mathfrak{m} = \overline{\mathfrak{m}}$  with  $\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) = 2$ ) do occur?

We computed the isomorphism classes of AVs/ $\mathbb{F}_q$  (see LMFDB xyz) for 615.269 isogeny classes (for  $1 \leq g \leq 5$  and various  $q$ ).

We encountered

- 3.914.908 commutative endomorphism rings, of which:
- 72.6% satisfy  $R = \overline{R}$ ;
- 10.3% satisfy  $R = \overline{R}$  and are non-Gorenstein;
- 7.4% satisfy  $R = \overline{R}$ , are non-Gorenstein and  $\exists \mathfrak{m} = \overline{\mathfrak{m}}$  s.t. with  $\text{type}_{\mathfrak{m}}(R) = 2$ .

# Thank you!

Main references:

- *Cohen-Macaulay type of orders, generators and ideal classes*  
<https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.03758>
- *Abelian varieties over finite fields and their groups of rational points*  
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- Magma package for étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebras  
<https://github.com/stmar89/AlgEt> (also in Magma 2-28.1)