

On the Rasmussen-Tamagawa conjecture for QM-abelian surfaces

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Abstract

In a previous article, we proved the Rasmussen-Tamagawa conjecture for QM-abelian surfaces over almost all imaginary quadratic fields. In this article, we generalize the previous work to QM-abelian surfaces over number fields of higher degree. We also give several explicit examples.

§ 1. Introduction

For a number field K and a prime number p , let \overline{K} denote an algebraic closure of K , and let \tilde{K}_p denote the maximal pro- p extension of $K(\mu_p)$ in \overline{K} which is unramified away from p , where μ_p is the group of p -th roots of unity in \overline{K} . For a number field K , an integer $g \geq 0$ and a prime number p , let $\mathcal{A}(K, g, p)$ denote the set of K -isomorphism classes of abelian varieties A over K , of dimension g , which satisfy

$$(1.1) \quad K(A[p^\infty]) \subseteq \tilde{K}_p,$$

where $K(A[p^\infty])$ is the subfield of \overline{K} generated over K by the p -power torsion of A . It follows from [16, Theorem 1, p.493] that an abelian variety A over K has good reduction at any prime of K not dividing p if its class belongs to $\mathcal{A}(K, g, p)$, because the extension $K(A[p^\infty])/K(\mu_p)$ is unramified away from p . So we can conclude that $\mathcal{A}(K, g, p)$ is a finite set ([18, 1. Theorem, p.309], cf. [7, Satz 6, p.363]). For fixed K and g , define the set

$$\mathcal{A}(K, g) := \{([A], p) \mid p : \text{prime number}, [A] \in \mathcal{A}(K, g, p)\}.$$

We have the following conjecture concerning finiteness for abelian varieties, which is called the Rasmussen-Tamagawa conjecture ([13, p.2391]):

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Conjecture 1.1 ([15, Conjecture 1, p.1224]).

Let K be a number field, and let $g \geq 0$ be an integer. Then the set $\mathcal{A}(K, g)$ is finite.

For elliptic curves, we have the following result related to Conjecture 1.1 (owing to [10, Theorem 7.1, p.153] and [11, Theorem B, p.330]):

Theorem 1.2 ([15, Theorem 2, p.1224 and Theorem 4, p.1227]).

Let K be \mathbb{Q} or a quadratic field which is not an imaginary quadratic field of class number one. Then the set $\mathcal{A}(K, 1)$ is finite.

We are interested in higher dimensional cases, in particular, in the case of QM-abelian surfaces, which are analogous to elliptic curves. Let B be an indefinite quaternion division algebra over \mathbb{Q} . Let

$$d = \text{disc}(B)$$

be the discriminant of B . Then $d > 1$ and d is the product of an even number of distinct prime numbers. Choose and fix a maximal order \mathcal{O} of B . If a prime number p does not divide d , fix an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p \cong M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

of \mathbb{Z}_p -algebras. Now we recall the definition of QM-abelian surfaces.

Definition 1.3 (cf. [6, p.591]).

Let S be a scheme over \mathbb{Q} . A QM-abelian surface by \mathcal{O} over S is a pair (A, i) where A is an abelian surface over S (i.e. A is an abelian scheme over S of relative dimension 2), and $i : \mathcal{O} \hookrightarrow \text{End}_S(A)$ is an injective ring homomorphism (sending 1 to id). Here $\text{End}_S(A)$ is the ring of endomorphisms of A defined over S . We assume that A has a left \mathcal{O} -action. We will sometimes omit “by \mathcal{O} ” and simply write “a QM-abelian surface” if there is no fear of confusion.

For a number field K and a prime number p , let $\mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)_B$ be the set of K -isomorphism classes of abelian varieties A over K in $\mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)$ such that there is an injective ring homomorphism $\mathcal{O} \hookrightarrow \text{End}_K(A)$ (sending 1 to id). Let us also define the set

$$\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B := \{([A], p) \mid p : \text{prime number}, [A] \in \mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)_B\}.$$

Let h_K denote the class number of K . Conjecture 1.1 for QM-abelian surfaces has been partly confirmed.

Theorem 1.4 ([4, Theorem 9.3], cf. [5]).

Let K be an imaginary quadratic field with $h_K \geq 2$. Then the set $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$ is finite.

The main result of this article is the following theorem, which is a generalization of Theorem 1.4 to number fields of higher degree.

Theorem 1.5.

Let K be a finite Galois extension of \mathbb{Q} which does not contain the Hilbert class field of any imaginary quadratic field. Assume that there is a prime number q which splits completely in K and satisfies $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}) \not\cong M_2(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}))$. Then the set $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$ is finite.

In the next section, we prove Theorem 1.5. In §4, we give examples of the main result after recalling needed facts in §3.

Remark.

(1) The condition (1.1) is equivalent to the following assertion (see [15, Lemma 3, p.1225] or [13, Definition 4.1, p.2390]):

The abelian variety A has good reduction outside p , and the group $A[p](\overline{K})$ consisting of p -torsion points of A has a filtration of G_K -modules $\{0\} = V_0 \subseteq V_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq V_{2g-1} \subseteq V_{2g} = A[p](\overline{K})$ such that V_i has dimension i for each $1 \leq i \leq 2g$, where G_K is the absolute Galois group of K . Furthermore, for each $1 \leq i \leq 2g$, there is an integer $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that G_K acts on V_i/V_{i-1} by $gv = \theta_p(g)^{a_i}v$, where $g \in G_K$, $v \in V_i/V_{i-1}$, and θ_p is the mod p cyclotomic character.

(2) Conjecture 1.1 is equivalent to the following assertion:

There exists a constant $C_{RT}(K, g) > 0$ depending on K and g such that we have $\mathcal{A}(K, g, p) = \emptyset$ for any prime number $p > C_{RT}(K, g)$.

(3) The set $\mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)_B$ (resp. $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$) is a subset of $\mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)$ (resp. $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)$). If one of the following two conditions is satisfied, we know that the sets $\mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)_B$, $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$ are empty for a trivial reason: there are no QM-abelian surfaces by \mathcal{O} over K ([17, Theorem 0, p.136], [8, Theorem (1.1), p.93]).

(i) K has a real place.

(ii) $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K \not\cong M_2(K)$.

(4) Let \mathcal{QM} be the set of isomorphism classes of indefinite quaternion division algebras over \mathbb{Q} . Define the set

$$\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_{\mathcal{QM}} := \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{QM}} \mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$$

which is a subset of $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)$. We then have the following corollary to Theorem 1.4 (see [4, Corollary 9.5]):

Let K be an imaginary quadratic field with $h_K \geq 2$. Then the set $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_{\mathcal{QM}}$ is finite.

(5) Conjecture 1.1 is solved for any K and g when restricted to semi-stable abelian varieties ([13, Corollary 4.5, p.2392]) or abelian varieties with abelian Galois representations ([14, Theorem 1.2]). See also [2, §6] for a summary.

Notation

For a field k , let \bar{k} denote an algebraic closure of k , let k^{sep} denote the separable closure of k inside \bar{k} , and let $G_k = \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)$.

For an integer $n \geq 1$ and a commutative group (or a commutative group scheme) G , let $G[n]$ denote the kernel of multiplication by n in G .

For a prime number p and an abelian variety A over a field k , let $T_p A := \varprojlim A[p^n](\bar{k})$ be the p -adic Tate module of A , where the inverse limit is taken with respect to multiplication by $p : A[p^{n+1}](\bar{k}) \rightarrow A[p^n](\bar{k})$.

For a number field K , let \mathcal{O}_K denote the ring of integers of K , let K_v denote the completion of K at v where v is a place (or a prime) of K , and let $\mathbf{Ram}(K)$ denote the set of prime numbers which are ramified in K .

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§ 2. Galois representations

A QM-abelian surface has a Galois representation which looks like that of an elliptic curve as explained below (cf. [12]). Let k be a field of characteristic 0, and let (A, i) be a QM-abelian surface by \mathcal{O} over k , where \mathcal{O} is a fixed maximal order of B which is an indefinite quaternion division algebra over \mathbb{Q} . We consider the Galois representations associated to (A, i) . Take a prime number p not dividing $d = \text{disc}(B)$. We then have isomorphisms of \mathbb{Z}_p -modules:

$$\mathbb{Z}_p^4 \cong T_p A \cong \mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p \cong M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p).$$

The middle is also an isomorphism of left \mathcal{O} -modules; the last is also an isomorphism of \mathbb{Z}_p -algebras (which was fixed in §1). We sometimes identify these \mathbb{Z}_p -modules. Take a \mathbb{Z}_p -basis

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

of $M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$. Then the image of the natural map

$$M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p) \cong \mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p \hookrightarrow \text{End}(T_p A) \cong M_4(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

lies in $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} aI_2 & bI_2 \\ cI_2 & dI_2 \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_p \right\}$, where $I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. The G_k -action on $T_p A$ induces a representation

$$\rho_{A/k,p} : G_k \longrightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p}(T_p A) \subseteq \text{Aut}(T_p A) \cong \text{GL}_4(\mathbb{Z}_p),$$

where $\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p}(T_p A)$ is the group of automorphisms of $T_p A$ commuting with the action of $\mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p$. The above observation implies

$$\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p}(T_p A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} X & 0 \\ 0 & X \end{pmatrix} \mid X \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p) \right\} \subseteq \text{GL}_4(\mathbb{Z}_p).$$

Then the representation $\rho_{A/k,p}$ factors as

$$\rho_{A/k,p} : G_k \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} X & 0 \\ 0 & X \end{pmatrix} \mid X \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p) \right\} \subseteq \text{GL}_4(\mathbb{Z}_p).$$

Let

$$\rho_{(A,i)/k,p} : G_k \longrightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

denote the Galois representation determined by “ X ”, so that we have $\rho_{(A,i)/k,p}(\sigma) = X(\sigma)$ if $\rho_{A/k,p}(\sigma) = \begin{pmatrix} X(\sigma) & 0 \\ 0 & X(\sigma) \end{pmatrix}$ for $\sigma \in G_k$. Let

$$\bar{\rho}_{A/k,p} : G_k \longrightarrow \text{GL}_4(\mathbb{F}_p) \quad (\text{resp. } \bar{\rho}_{(A,i)/k,p} : G_k \longrightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p))$$

denote the reduction of $\rho_{A/k,p}$ (resp. $\rho_{(A,i)/k,p}$) modulo p . Note that this construction of $\bar{\rho}_{(A,i)/k,p}$ is slightly different from that in [4, §2], but the resulting representations are the same.

We have the following criterion for Conjecture 1.1 for QM-abelian surfaces.

Lemma 2.1.

Assume that there is a constant $C(B, K)$ depending on B and a number field K such that $\bar{\rho}_{(A,i)/K,p}$ is irreducible for any prime number $p > C(B, K)$ and any QM-abelian surface (A, i) by \mathcal{O} over K . Then the set $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$ is finite.

Proof.

Take an element $([A], p) \in \mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$. Since $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(K, 2, p)$, we know that $\bar{\rho}_{A/K,p}$

is conjugate to $\begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$. By the definition of $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$, there is an embedding

$i : \mathcal{O} \hookrightarrow \text{End}_K(A)$. Then (A, i) is a QM-abelian surface by \mathcal{O} over K . We have seen that there is a map $X : G_K \longrightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$ such that $\bar{\rho}_{A/K,p}(\sigma) = \begin{pmatrix} X(\sigma) & 0 \\ 0 & X(\sigma) \end{pmatrix}$ for any

$\sigma \in G_K$. Then there is a matrix $M = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & M_2 \\ M_3 & M_4 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_4(\mathbb{F}_p)$ (where M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4

are 2×2 matrices) such that $M^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} X(\sigma) & 0 \\ 0 & X(\sigma) \end{pmatrix} M \in \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ for any $\sigma \in G_K$.

We claim the following.

(C): There is a matrix $H \in \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$ such that $H^{-1}X(\sigma)H \in \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ for any $\sigma \in G_K$.

Let $M_1 = (\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2)$, $M_3 = (\mathbf{c}_1 \ \mathbf{c}_2)$ and $M^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} X(\sigma) & 0 \\ 0 & X(\sigma) \end{pmatrix} M = \begin{pmatrix} s(\sigma) & t(\sigma) & * & * \\ 0 & u(\sigma) & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$.

Then $X(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_1 = s(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_1$, $X(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_2 = t(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_1 + u(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_2$, $X(\sigma)\mathbf{c}_1 = s(\sigma)\mathbf{c}_1$, and $X(\sigma)\mathbf{c}_2 = t(\sigma)\mathbf{c}_1 + u(\sigma)\mathbf{c}_2$ for any $\sigma \in G_K$. If $\mathbf{a}_1 \neq \mathbf{0}$, take a vector $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{F}_p^2$ not contained in the linear subspace $\mathbb{F}_p\mathbf{a}_1$ and put $H = (\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{b})$. Then (C) holds. If $\mathbf{a}_1 = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{a}_2 \neq \mathbf{0}$, then $X(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_2 = u(\sigma)\mathbf{a}_2$, and so (C) holds. If $\mathbf{a}_1 = \mathbf{a}_2 = \mathbf{0}$, then $\mathbf{c}_1 \neq \mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{c}_2 \neq \mathbf{0}$ because the matrix $M = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & M_2 \\ M_3 & M_4 \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible. Then (C) follows.

In this case $\bar{\rho}_{(A,i)/K,p}$ is reducible, and so $p \leq C(B, K)$. Therefore $\#\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B < \infty$. \square

Theorem 1.5 is a consequence of the following theorem (Theorem 2.2) together with Lemma 2.1. Before stating this theorem, we need some preparation. For a number field K , let \mathcal{M} be the set of prime numbers q such that q splits completely in K and q does not divide $6h_K$. Let \mathcal{N} be the set of primes \mathfrak{q} of K such that \mathfrak{q} divides some prime number $q \in \mathcal{M}$. Take a finite subset $\emptyset \neq \mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ such that \mathcal{S} generates the ideal class group of K . For each prime $\mathfrak{q} \in \mathcal{S}$, fix an element $\alpha_{\mathfrak{q}} \in \mathcal{O}_K \setminus \{0\}$ satisfying $\mathfrak{q}^{h_K} = \alpha_{\mathfrak{q}}\mathcal{O}_K$. For a prime number q , put

$$\mathcal{FR}(q) := \{ \beta \in \mathbb{C} \mid \beta^2 + a\beta + q = 0 \text{ for some integer } a \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } |a| \leq 2\sqrt{q} \}.$$

For $\mathfrak{q} \in \mathcal{S}$, put $N(\mathfrak{q}) = \#(\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{q})$. Then $N(\mathfrak{q})$ is a prime number. For a finite Galois extension K of \mathbb{Q} , define the sets (cf. [3], [4])

$$\mathcal{M}'_1(K) :=$$

$$\left\{ (\mathfrak{q}, \varepsilon'_0, \beta_{\mathfrak{q}}) \mid \mathfrak{q} \in \mathcal{S}, \varepsilon'_0 = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathrm{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})} a'_\sigma \sigma \text{ with } a'_\sigma \in \{0, 4, 6, 8, 12\}, \beta_{\mathfrak{q}} \in \mathcal{FR}(N(\mathfrak{q})) \right\}$$

(where ε'_0 is an element of the group ring $\mathbb{Z}[\mathrm{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})]$),

$\mathcal{M}'_2(K) := \left\{ \text{Norm}_{K(\beta_q)/\mathbb{Q}}(\alpha_q^{\varepsilon'_0} - \beta_q^{12h_K}) \in \mathbb{Z} \mid (q, \varepsilon'_0, \beta_q) \in \mathcal{M}'_1(K) \right\} \setminus \{0\},$
 $\mathcal{N}'_0(K) := \{ l : \text{prime number} \mid l \text{ divides some integer } m \in \mathcal{M}'_2(K) \},$
 $\mathcal{T}(K) := \{ l' : \text{prime number} \mid l' \text{ is divisible by some prime } q' \in \mathcal{S} \} \cup \{2, 3\},$
 and
 $\mathcal{N}'_1(K) := \mathcal{N}'_0(K) \cup \mathcal{T}(K) \cup \mathbf{Ram}(K).$
 Note that all the sets, $\mathcal{FR}(q), \mathcal{M}'_1(K), \mathcal{M}'_2(K), \mathcal{N}'_0(K), \mathcal{T}(K),$ and $\mathcal{N}'_1(K),$ are finite.

Theorem 2.2 ([3, Theorem 6.5]).

Let K be a finite Galois extension of \mathbb{Q} which does not contain the Hilbert class field of any imaginary quadratic field. Assume that there is a prime number q which splits completely in K and satisfies $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}) \not\cong M_2(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}))$. Let $p > 4q$ be a prime number which also satisfies $p \nmid d$ and $p \notin \mathcal{N}'_1(k)$. Then the representation

$$\bar{\rho}_{(A,i)/K,p} : G_K \longrightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$$

is irreducible for any QM-abelian surface (A, i) by \mathcal{O} over K .

§ 3. Points on Shimura curves

Let M^B be the coarse moduli scheme over \mathbb{Q} , parameterizing isomorphism classes of QM-abelian surfaces by \mathcal{O} . Then M^B is a proper smooth curve over \mathbb{Q} , called a Shimura curve. The notation M^B is permissible, although we should write $M^{\mathcal{O}}$ instead of M^B because, even if we replace \mathcal{O} by another maximal order \mathcal{O}' , we have a natural isomorphism $M^{\mathcal{O}} \cong M^{\mathcal{O}'}$ since \mathcal{O} and \mathcal{O}' are conjugate in B . We discuss points on M^B , and the consequences of this section will be used to provide examples of Theorem 1.5 (see Proposition 4.1 in §4). For real points on M^B , we know the following.

Theorem 3.1 ([17, Theorem 0, p.136]).

We have $M^B(\mathbb{R}) = \emptyset$.

The genus of the Shimura curve M^B is 0 if and only if $d \in \{6, 10, 22\}$ ([1, Lemma 3.1, p.168]). The defining equations of such curves are

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{cases} d = 6 & : x^2 + y^2 + 3 = 0, \\ d = 10 & : x^2 + y^2 + 2 = 0, \\ d = 22 & : x^2 + y^2 + 11 = 0 \end{cases}$$

(see [9, Theorem 1-1, p.279]). In these cases, for a field k of characteristic 0, the condition $M^B(k) \neq \emptyset$ implies that the base change $M^B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} k$ is isomorphic to the projective line \mathbb{P}^1_k , and so $\#M^B(k) = \infty$.

Theorem 3.2 ([8, Theorem (1.1), p.93]).

Let k be a field of characteristic 0. A point of $M^B(k)$ can be represented by a QM-abelian surface by \mathcal{O} over k if and only if $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} k \cong M_2(k)$.

Remark.

For a field k of characteristic 0, note that if $\sharp M^B(k) = \infty$ and $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} k \cong M_2(k)$, then there are infinitely many \bar{k} -isomorphism classes of QM-abelian surfaces (A, i) by \mathcal{O} over k .

Next we quote a recent result concerning algebraic points on Shimura curves of $\Gamma_0(p)$ -type, which is related to Theorem 2.2 (but there is no implication from or to that theorem). For a prime number p not dividing d , let $M_0^B(p)$ be the coarse moduli scheme over \mathbb{Q} parameterizing isomorphism classes of triples (A, i, V) where (A, i) is a QM-abelian surface by \mathcal{O} and V is a left \mathcal{O} -submodule of $A[p]$ with \mathbb{F}_p -dimension 2. Then $M_0^B(p)$ is a proper smooth curve over \mathbb{Q} , which we call a Shimura curve of $\Gamma_0(p)$ -type. We have a natural map $M_0^B(p) \rightarrow M^B$ over \mathbb{Q} defined by $(A, i, V) \mapsto (A, i)$. So, Theorem 3.1 implies $M_0^B(p)(\mathbb{R}) = \emptyset$ for any p . For a finite Galois extension K of \mathbb{Q} , define the finite sets

$$\mathcal{M}_1(K) :=$$

$$\left\{ (\mathfrak{q}, \varepsilon_0, \beta_{\mathfrak{q}}) \left| \mathfrak{q} \in \mathcal{S}, \varepsilon_0 = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})} a_{\sigma} \sigma \text{ with } a_{\sigma} \in \{0, 8, 12, 16, 24\}, \beta_{\mathfrak{q}} \in \mathcal{FR}(N(\mathfrak{q})) \right. \right\}$$

(where ε_0 is an element of the group ring $\mathbb{Z}[\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})]$),

$$\mathcal{M}_2(K) := \{ \text{Norm}_{K(\beta_{\mathfrak{q}})/\mathbb{Q}}(\alpha_{\mathfrak{q}}^{\varepsilon_0} - \beta_{\mathfrak{q}}^{24h_K}) \in \mathbb{Z} \mid (\mathfrak{q}, \varepsilon_0, \beta_{\mathfrak{q}}) \in \mathcal{M}_1(K) \} \setminus \{0\},$$

$$\mathcal{N}_0(K) := \{ l : \text{prime number} \mid l \text{ divides some integer } m \in \mathcal{M}_2(K) \},$$

and

$$\mathcal{N}_1(K) := \mathcal{N}_0(K) \cup \mathcal{T}(K) \cup \mathbf{Ram}(K).$$

The following theorem is proved by a method similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2 (cf. [11]).

Theorem 3.3 ([3, Theorem 1.4]).

Let K be a finite Galois extension of \mathbb{Q} which does not contain the Hilbert class field of any imaginary quadratic field. Assume that there is a prime number q which splits completely in K and satisfies $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}) \not\cong M_2(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}))$. Let $p > 4q$ be a prime number which also satisfies $p \neq 13$, $p \nmid d$ and $p \notin \mathcal{N}_1(K) \cup \mathcal{N}'_1(K)$.

(1) If $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K \cong M_2(K)$, then $M_0^B(p)(K) = \emptyset$.

(2) If $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K \not\cong M_2(K)$, then $M_0^B(p)(K) \subseteq \{\text{elliptic points of order 2 or 3}\}$.

Here an elliptic point of order 2 (resp. 3) is a point whose corresponding triple (A, i, V) (over \bar{K}) satisfies $\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{O}}(A, V) \cong \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ (resp. $\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$), where $\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{O}}(A, V)$ is the

group of automorphisms of A defined over \overline{K} commuting with the action of \mathcal{O} and stabilizing V .

§ 4. Examples

We give several explicit examples of Theorem 1.5 in the following proposition.

Proposition 4.1.

Let $d \in \{6, 10, 22\}$ and $K \in \{\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5}), \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5), \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})\}$. Assume $(d, K) \neq (22, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5))$. Then there are infinitely many \overline{K} -isomorphism classes of QM-abelian surfaces (A, i) by \mathcal{O} over K , and the set $\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B$ is finite.

To prove Proposition 4.1, we need the following four lemmas.

Lemma 4.2.

Let K be $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})$ (resp. $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$, resp. $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})$). Then a prime number q splits completely in K if and only if $q \equiv 1, 23, 47, 49 \pmod{60}$ (resp. $q \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$, resp. $q \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$).

Proof.

A prime number q splits in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$ (resp. $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$) if and only if $q \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{12}$ (resp. $q \equiv 1, 3, 7, 9 \pmod{20}$). Then the assertion for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})$ follows. The rest of the assertions are trivial. □

Lemma 4.3.

Let d be 6 (resp. 10, resp. 22). For a prime number q , we have $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}) \not\cong M_2(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}))$ if and only if $q \equiv 2, 5, 7, 11, 17, 23 \pmod{24}$ (resp. $q \equiv 1, 7, 9, 11, 19, 21, 23, 29, 31, 39 \pmod{40}$, resp. $q \equiv 2, 7, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 29, 31, 35, 39, 41, 43, 47, 51, 57, 61, 63, 65, 71, 73, 79, 83, 85, 87 \pmod{88}$).

Proof.

For a quadratic field L , we have $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} L \not\cong M_2(L)$ if and only if there is a prime divisor of d which splits in L . The prime number 2 (resp. 3, resp. 5, resp. 11) splits in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$ if and only if $q \equiv -1 \pmod{8}$ (resp. $q \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$, resp. $q \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$, resp. $q \equiv 2, 6, 7, 8, 10 \pmod{11}$). Then we have done. □

Lemma 4.4.

Let $d \in \{6, 10, 22\}$ and $K \in \{\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5}), \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5), \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})\}$. Assume $(d, K) \neq (22, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5))$. Then $\sharp M^B(K) = \infty$.

Proof.

It suffices to show $M^B(K) \neq \emptyset$. Looking at (3.1), it is enough to show $M^B(K_v) \neq \emptyset$ for any place v of K , owing to the Hasse principle. If v is infinite, it is trivial since $K_v = \mathbb{C}$. For $d = 6$ (resp. $d = 10$, resp. $d = 22$) and a prime number p , we have $M^B(\mathbb{Q}_p) = \emptyset$ if and only if $p = 3$ (resp. $p = 2$, resp. $p = 11$). (To show $M^B(\mathbb{Q}_p) \neq \emptyset$, if $p \neq 2$, consider the equations in (3.1) modulo p and use Hensel's lemma; if $p = 2$, find explicit solutions of the equations $(\sqrt{-7})^2 + 2^2 + 3 = 0$ with $\sqrt{-7} \in \mathbb{Q}_2$ and $(\sqrt{-15})^2 + 2^2 + 11 = 0$ with $\sqrt{-15} \in \mathbb{Q}_2$. To show $M^B(\mathbb{Q}_p) = \emptyset$, we use the fact that the equation $x^2 + y^2 + p = 0$ has a solution in \mathbb{Q}_p if and only if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.) For any quadratic extension L of \mathbb{Q}_p , we have $M^B(L) \neq \emptyset$. So, for $d = 6$ (resp. $d = 10$, resp. $d = 22$), it suffices to show that K_v contains a quadratic extension of \mathbb{Q}_3 (resp. \mathbb{Q}_2 , resp. \mathbb{Q}_{11}) for any place v of K above 3 (resp. 2, resp. 11).

For a prime number p , let $e_p(K)$ (resp. $f_p(K)$, resp. $g_p(K)$) be the ramification index of p in K/\mathbb{Q} (resp. the degree of the residual field extension above p in K/\mathbb{Q} , resp. the number of primes of K above p). For

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5}) \text{ (resp. } \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5), \text{ resp. } \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})), \text{ we have} \\ (e_3(K), f_3(K), g_3(K)) &= (2, 1, 2) \text{ (resp. } (1, 4, 1), \text{ resp. } (1, 16, 1)), \\ (e_2(K), f_2(K), g_2(K)) &= (2, 1, 2) \text{ (resp. } (1, 4, 1), \text{ resp. } (1, 8, 2)), \\ (e_{11}(K), f_{11}(K), g_{11}(K)) &= (1, 2, 2) \text{ (resp. } (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{4}), \text{ resp. } (1, 16, 1)). \end{aligned}$$

Then K_v contains a quadratic extension of \mathbb{Q}_3 (resp. \mathbb{Q}_2 , resp. \mathbb{Q}_{11}) for any place v of K above 3 (resp. 2, resp. 11) unless $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$ and $v|11$. Note that if $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$ and $v|11$, then $K_v = \mathbb{Q}_{11}$. For the proof of the next lemma, we add

$$(e_5(K), f_5(K), g_5(K)) = (2, 2, 1) \text{ (resp. } (4, 1, 1), \text{ resp. } (1, 16, 1)).$$

□

Lemma 4.5.

Let $d \in \{6, 10, 22\}$ and $K \in \{\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5}), \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5), \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})\}$. Assume $(d, K) \neq (22, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5))$. Then $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K \cong M_2(K)$.

Proof.

It suffices to show $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K_v \cong M_2(K_v)$ for any place v of K . It is trivial if v is infinite, or if v is finite and does not divide d . By the computation in the proof of Lemma 4.4, no prime divisor of d splits completely in K unless $(d, K) = (22, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5))$. So, if $(d, K) \neq (22, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5))$, and if v is finite and divides d , then K_v contains a quadratic extension of $\mathbb{Q}_{p(v)}$, where $p(v)$ is the residual characteristic of v . In such a case, $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K_v \cong M_2(K_v)$.

□

(Proof of Proposition 4.1)

The only imaginary quadratic subfields of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})$ are $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$ and $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-15})$, which are not of class number one. Since the extension $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$ (resp.

$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-15})$ is ramified over the primes above 3 (resp. 2), the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})$ is not the Hilbert class field of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$ (resp. $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-15})$). The only quadratic subfield of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$ (resp. $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})$) is $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$ (resp. $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{17})$). So, none of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{-5})$, $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_5)$, $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{17})$ contains the Hilbert class field of any imaginary quadratic field. By Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3, there is a prime number q which splits completely in K and satisfies $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}) \not\cong M_2(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q}))$. Then Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 2.2 imply $\#\mathcal{A}(K, 2)_B < \infty$. By the remark in §3, together with Lemmas 4.4 and 4.5, there are infinitely many \overline{K} -isomorphism classes of QM-abelian surfaces (A, i) by \mathcal{O} over K .

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