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The Shimura-Taniyama conjecture has been almost solved [W][W-T] [Di]. This is the first report of our work on modular conjecture. Its a special case of the modular conjecture for the abelian variety of $GL(2)$ -type (due to Serre[Se]). We give a partial answer to its conjecture for abelian variety of $GL(2)$ -type with extra twistings [Sh][Mo1][Ri1]. The abelian variety A over \mathbb{Q} is a \mathbb{Q} -simple abelian variety whose ring of endomorphisms over \mathbb{Q} is an order of an algebraic number field of degree equal to $\dim A$. By the congruence relation [Sh][De], we know that any \mathbb{Q} -simple factor of the jacobian variety $J_1(N)$ of modular curves $X_1(N)$ is of $GL(2)$ -type. The modular conjecture for abelian variety A over \mathbb{Q} of $GL(2)$ -type states that A is isogenous over \mathbb{Q} to a \mathbb{Q} -simple factor of $J_1(N)$ for the integer N with $N^{\dim A} = \text{conductor of } A/\mathbb{Q}$. The \mathbb{Q} -curve E is an elliptic curves over $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$ which is isogenous to its conjugate E^σ for any $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ [Gr]. The \mathbb{Q} -HBV is an abelian variety A over $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$ whose ring of full endomorphism is an order of totally real algebraic number fields of degree = $\dim A$ and its F -isogeny to its conjugate A^σ for any $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ [Ri2]. The \mathbb{Q} -curves are special cases of \mathbb{Q} -HBV, we know that any \mathbb{Q} -HBV is a simple factor of an abelian variety of $GL(2)$ -type [Py]. Now, let A be an abelian variety over \mathbb{Q} of $GL(2)$ -type and E the field of fractions of the ring of endomorphisms over \mathbb{Q} . Then E is totally real or CM-field [Mu]. Let F be the center of the \mathbb{Q} -algebra of the ring $M = (\text{End}_{\bar{\mathbb{Q}}} A) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ of full ring of endomorphisms of A . Then F is totally real algebraic number field or an imaginary quadratic field. In the first case, M is isomorphic to a matrix algebra $M_r(F)$ or $M_r(D)$ for totally indefinite quaternion algebra over F . In the latter case, M is isomorphic to $M_r(F)$ and A is isogenous over $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$ to r -tuple of an elliptic curve with complex multiplication by F . We call the latter case CM-type. If A is CM-type, then A is modular [Sh]. So, we discuss non CM case. We may assume that the maximal order \mathcal{O}_E of E acts on A over \mathbb{Q} [Sh]. Let ρ be a prime of \mathcal{O}_E , lying over a rational prime p , $V_\rho(A) = V_p(A) \otimes E_\rho$, and $\rho = \rho_\rho$ the Galois representation of $G = G_\mathbb{Q} = \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ on $V_\rho(A)$. Then $\det \rho_\rho = \varepsilon \cdot \theta_p$ for the cyclotomic character θ_p and a character ε of

finite order. By a famous result of Faltings (Tate-Shavarevich conjecture), A is modular if and only if ρ_p associates to a cusp form of $\Gamma_1(N)$ of weight 2. The field E is generated by $a_l = \text{Tr} \rho_p(\sigma_l)$ for primes $l \nmid p$ -conductor of A/\mathbb{Q} and Frobenius element σ_l of l , and F is generated by $a_l^2 \varepsilon^{-1}(l)$ for primes $l \nmid p$ -cond. of A/\mathbb{Q} [Mo1][Ri1]. For a Dirichlet character χ , let A_χ be an abelian variety over \mathbb{Q} obtained by the χ -twisting [Sh]. Then A_χ is determined up to isogeny over \mathbb{Q} . We note that A is modular if and only if A_χ is modular [Sh].

Now, let $\delta = \delta(E/F(\zeta_r))$ be the different of E over $F(\zeta_r)$ for $r =$ order of ε and a primitive r -th character ζ_r . Our first result is as follows. We may assume that \mathcal{O}_E of integers of E acts on A over \mathbb{Q} . For a prime \wp of \mathcal{O}_E , let $\rho = \rho_\wp$ be the \wp -adic representation on the \wp -divisible points on A , and $\bar{\rho}$ its reduction mod \wp .

Th 1 Assume that there exists a prime \wp of \mathcal{O}_E which divides δ , $\wp|p \neq 2$, and A has semistable reduction at p . Then,

- (1) There exists a quadratic field k such that $\bar{\rho}$ is isomorphic to the induced representation $\text{Ind}_k^{\mathbb{Q}} \chi$ for a character χ of $G_k = \text{Gal}(\bar{k}/k)$.
- (2) If $p \geq 5$ or $p = 3$ and k is imaginary or A has super singular reduction at p , then A is modular.

For its proof, see [Mo2]. It has many corollaries. Let E be a non-CM \mathbb{Q} -curve defined over an extension L of \mathbb{Q} of $(2, \dots, 2)$ -type, and $A = \text{Re}_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(E/L)$ is \mathbb{Q} -simple. Define the degree $N = N_E$ of E by the l.c.m of the square free degrees of isogenies $\varphi : E \rightarrow E^\sigma$ for $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q})$. The following is a partial result for the Ribet's conjecture for \mathbb{Q} -curves [Ri3]. This can be extend to \mathbb{Q} -HBV.

Th 2 If a prime $p \geq 5$ divides N and A has semistable reduction at p , then A is modular.

The \mathbb{Q} -curves of degree N corresponds to \mathbb{Q} -rational points of the modular curves $X_0^*(N) = X_0(N)/\langle \{W_l\} \rangle_{l|(N)}$ for Atkin involutions W_l [El]. We get many examples, if $X_0^*(N) = \mathbb{P}^1$. cf [Py].

For other examples, we explain the QM-curves. The QM-curve is a curve C over \mathbb{Q} of genus 2 such that the ring of full endomorphisms of its jacobian variety $J(C)$ is an order of indefinite quaternion algebra D and $\text{End}_{\mathbb{Q}} J(C) \neq \mathbb{Z}$. Hashimoto-Murabayashi calculated many examples [H-M].

Th 3 If a prime $p \neq 2$ ramifies in D , and C has good reduction at p , then $J(C)$ is modular.

The above results can be extended to more general cases. Using Pyle's [Py] results, we have many examples of modular QM-curves over number fields [H-M]. Further, the condition on reduction at p can be improved in some cases. Especially, if the abelian variety A of $GL(2)$ -type has potentially ordinary reduction at p , then we have a criterion for modular conjecture.

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