

ON THE FIELD EXTENSION BY COMPLEX MULTIPLICATION

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An abelian variety A with sufficiently many complex multiplications determines over a certain algebraic number field F an abelian extension K_c , namely, the union of all extensions corresponding to ideal sections of A in the sense of the theory of complex multiplication. If we observe K_c as a subfield of the maximal abelian extension K_a of F , there arises a problem to investigate which part of K_a is covered by K_c . In the classical case where A is an elliptic curve, it is known that $K_a = K_c$, and there is also a result obtained in [4] for the general case.

In the present paper, we shall define for any abelian extension K over F and for any prime number l the l -dimension $\dim_l(K/F)$ of K/F , and show that $\dim_l(K_c/F)$ is, for every l , equal to a very simple invariant which we shall call the rank of A and denote by $\text{rank } A$. The rank of A depends only on an elementary, group theoretical property of the CM-type to which A belongs, and $\text{rank } A \leq \dim A + 1$. After the proof of this main result, we shall give an example of nondegenerate abelian variety, i.e., an abelian variety with $\text{rank } A = \dim A + 1$. Such an example is given by the Jacobian variety of a hyperelliptic curve of Fermat type. At the end of the paper, we shall add a remark that $\dim_l(K_a/F) = \dim_l(K_c/F)$ holds for some special cases where, among others, a condition about the unit group of F with respect to l is satisfied. This fact suggests that, in many cases, a large part of the maximal abelian extension is obtained by complex multiplication.

1. Preliminaries. First of all, we propose to summarize some results about infinite abelian groups. (For details, see [1].) We denote by l a prime number, and by \mathcal{Q}_l [resp. \mathcal{Z}_l] the rational l -adic field [resp. the ring of l -adic integers]. A discrete abelian group X is called a torsion group if every element of X has a finite order, and X is called an l -group if every element of X has a finite order which is a power of l . An element x of an abelian l -group is called divisible if there exists an element $y \in X$ with $x = y^{l^m}$ for any power l^m of l . If every element of X is divisible, X is called divisible. The union X_∞ of all divisible subgroups of an abelian l -group X is also a divisible subgroup of X , which is called the maximal divisible subgroup of X . The character group $\text{char } X_\infty$ of X_∞ becomes in an obvious way a torsion free \mathcal{Z}_l module. If $\text{char } X_\infty$ is finitely generated over \mathcal{Z}_l , we call the dimension

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of char X_∞ over Z_l the dimension of X , and denote it by $\dim X$. Let X, X_1, X_2 be three abelian l -groups with finite dimensions. Then the exactness of

$$0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X \rightarrow X_2 \rightarrow 0$$

implies

$$(1) \quad \dim X = \dim X_1 + \dim X_2$$

whenever one of the following two conditions is satisfied: (i) either X_1 or X_2 is a finite group; (ii) X_1 is divisible.

If X is a torsion abelian group, then there is a natural decomposition $X = \prod_l X_l$ of X , where X_l is the l -component of X , i.e., the maximal l -group contained in X . Under this situation, we can define the l -dimension $\dim_l X$ of X by setting $\dim_l X = \dim X_l$.

Let K be an abelian extension over an algebraic number field F of finite degree, and let $G = G(K/F)$ be the Galois group of K/F . Then G is a compact abelian group, and the character group $\text{char } G$ of G is a discrete, countable, torsion abelian group. Furthermore, it follows from the class field theory that $\dim_l \text{char } G$ is finite for any prime number l [2], which will be called the l -dimension of K/F and will be denoted by $\dim_l(K/F)$. We say that K/F is a divisible l -extension, if $\text{char } G$ is a divisible l -group. If in general $\dim_l(K/F) = d$, then K/F contains a subfield K' such that $G(K'/F)$ is isomorphic to Z_l^d . Namely, K' is the field corresponding to the maximal divisible subgroup of the l -component of $\text{char } G$. The field K' is uniquely determined. K'/F is divisible, and every divisible subfield of K/F is contained in K' . We shall call the field K' the maximal divisible l -subfield of K/F .

We now propose to recall some terminologies and results in the theory of complex multiplication of abelian varieties. For details we refer to [5]. Let F be an algebraic number field of degree $n = 2m$ which contains a totally imaginary subfield F' as a quadratic extension of a totally real field, and let $\{\phi_i\}$ be the set of m distinct isomorphisms of F into \mathbb{C} . Then the pair $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ is called a CM-type if, for any i, j , the restrictions of ϕ_i, ϕ_j to F' are not complex conjugates of each other. Let L be a normal extension over \mathbb{Q} containing F , and let ϕ_i denote also a fixed prolongation of ϕ_i to L . Set, furthermore, $G(L/\mathbb{Q}) = G$, $G(L/F) = H$, and $S = H\phi_1 + \cdots + H\phi_m$. Then the CM-type $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ is called primitive if $\gamma S = S (\gamma \in G)$, implies $\gamma \in H$. For a primitive CM-type, we have $F = F'$. Let now H^* be the group of all $\gamma \in G$ such that $S\gamma = S$, let F^* be the field corresponding to H^* , and let $\{\psi_i\}$ be the set of all distinct isomorphisms of F^* into \mathbb{C} induced by the elements of S^{-1} . Then $(F^*; \{\psi_i\})$ is a primitive CM-type which is called the dual of $(F; \{\phi_i\})$. A primitive CM-type is the dual of its dual. If $(F^*; \{\psi_i\})$ is the dual of a CM-type $(F; \{\phi_i\})$, and α [resp. \mathfrak{a}] is a number [resp. an ideal of F], then α^{ϕ_i} [resp. \mathfrak{a}^{ϕ_i}] is a number [resp. an ideal of F^*].

Let $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ be a CM-type, and let A be an abelian variety belonging to the

dual $(F^*; \{\psi_i\})$ of $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ in the sense of the theory of complex multiplication. Let \mathfrak{b} be an integral ideal of F^* , let $b \neq 0$ be a natural number divisible by \mathfrak{b} , and let $H(\mathfrak{b})$ be the group of all ideals \mathfrak{a} prime to b of F such that there exists an element $\mu \in F^*$ with

$$\prod_i \mathfrak{a}^{\phi_i} = (\mu), \quad \mu \bar{\mu} = N\mathfrak{a}, \quad \mu \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{b}}.$$

Then, the extension over F obtained by the \mathfrak{b} -section of A is the class field $K_{\mathfrak{b}}$ over F corresponding to $H(\mathfrak{b})$. This is a main theorem in the theory of complex multiplication of abelian varieties [5] (see also [4]). The union $\bigcup K_{\mathfrak{b}}$ of all $K_{\mathfrak{b}}$ will be called the maximal extension obtained by complex multiplication of A . For our purpose, it is not necessary to give a precise definition of an abelian variety belonging to a CM-type, the ideal section of an abelian variety, etc. Our starting point is simply the class field $K_{\mathfrak{b}}$ over the ideal group $H(\mathfrak{b})$.

2. Rank of a CM-type. Let $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ be a CM-type and $(F^*; \{\psi_i\})$ be its dual. Let L, G, H, H^* , and S be as in §1. Furthermore, let ϕ_i [resp. ψ_i] denote also a prolongation to L of the original ϕ_i [resp. ψ_i], and define γ_{ij} by

$$\gamma_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \phi_i \psi_j^{-1} \in S, \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then $C = (\gamma_{ij})$ is an $m \times m^*$ matrix, where $2m = (F:\mathbb{Q})$, $2m^* = (F^*:\mathbb{Q})$, and C depends neither on the choice of prolongations of ϕ_i, ψ_i , nor on the choice of L . Now we define the rank of the CM-type $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ by

$$\text{rank}(F; \{\phi_i\}) = \text{rank } C + 1.$$

If we consider an abelian variety A belonging to $(F; \{\phi_i\})$, we shall call $\text{rank}(F; \{\phi_i\})$ also the rank of A , and use the notation $\text{rank } A$. The rank is an elementary, group theoretical invariant of a CM-type, and we have obviously $\text{rank}(F; \{\phi_i\}) \leq m + 1$. We say that $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ or an abelian variety belonging to $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ is nondegenerate if $\text{rank}(F; \{\phi_i\}) = m + 1$. It follows easily from the definition that the rank of a CM-type is equal to the rank of its dual, and that a nondegenerate CM-type is primitive.

The following lemma explains a meaning of the rank of a CM-type.

LEMMA 1. *Notations being as above, let $R(G)$ be the group ring of G over a principal ideal domain R . Let Φ be the operator which maps $x \in R(G)$ to $x^\Phi = \sum_{\sigma \in S} x\sigma$. Then the dimension of $R(G)^\Phi$ over R is equal to the rank of the CM-type $(F; \{\phi_i\})$.*

Proof. Consider a general element $x = \sum_{\xi \in G} x_\xi \xi$ of $R(G)$. Then,

$$x^\Phi = \sum_{\sigma \in S} \left(\sum_{\xi} x_\xi \xi \right) \sigma = \sum_{\tau \in G} \left(\sum_{\xi} \delta_{\xi, \tau} x_{\xi^{-1}} \right) \tau,$$

where

$$\delta_{\xi, \tau} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \xi\tau \in S, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For the proof of the lemma, it is sufficient to show $\text{rank } D = \text{rank } (F; \{\phi_i\})$ with $D = (\delta_{\xi, \tau})$. Let $\rho \in G$ be the complex conjugation of L . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} G &= H\phi_1 + \cdots + H\phi_m + H\rho\phi_1 + \cdots + H\rho\phi_m \\ &= H^*\psi_1 + \cdots + H^*\psi_{m^*} + H^*\rho\psi_1 + \cdots + H^*\rho\psi_{m^*} \\ &= \psi_1^{-1}H^* + \cdots + \psi_{m^*}^{-1}H^* + \psi_1^{-1}\rho H^* + \cdots + \psi_{m^*}^{-1}\rho H^* \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{h\xi, \tau h^*} &= \delta_{\xi, \tau}, \\ \delta_{\rho\xi, \tau} + \delta_{\xi, \tau} &= 1, \\ \delta_{\xi, \tau\rho} + \delta_{\xi, \tau} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

for $\xi, \tau \in G, h \in H, h^* \in H^*$ (cf. [5]). Therefore we have a relation between D and C in the following form containing a Kronecker product of matrices:

$$D = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} J + C & J - C \\ J - C & J + C \end{pmatrix} \times J^*,$$

where J [resp. J^*] is an $m \times m^*$ [resp. $(g/2m) \times (g/2m^*)$] matrix whose entries are all 1, g being the order of G . Denote by D' the first factor, including $\frac{1}{2}$, of the above product. Then, $\text{rank } D = \text{rank } D'$. To determine $\text{rank } D'$, we may assume without any loss of generality that $\psi_1 = 1$ or ρ . If $\psi_1 = 1$, then all the entries of the first column of $\frac{1}{2}(J + C)$ are 1. If $\psi_1 = \rho$, then all the entries of the first column of $\frac{1}{2}(J - C)$ are 1.

Let now in general M, J be two matrices of the same size, and assume that the entries of M are 1 or 0, and that the entries of J are all 1. Then,

$$\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} M & J - M \\ J - M & M \end{pmatrix} = \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} M & J \\ J & 2J \end{pmatrix}.$$

If, furthermore, the entries of the first column of M are all 1, we have

$$\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} M & J \\ J & 2J \end{pmatrix} = \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} M & 0 \\ J & J \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} M & J - M \\ J - M & M \end{pmatrix} = \text{rank } M + 1 = \text{rank}(2M - J) + 1.$$

If we apply this result to our special case of $M = \frac{1}{2}(J + C)$ or $M = \frac{1}{2}(J - C)$, we obtain

$$\text{rank } D' = \text{rank } C + 1,$$

which proves the lemma.

3. Main result. Our main result is the following:

THEOREM 1. *Let $(F_j; \{\phi_i\})$ be a CM-type, and let K_c be the maximal extension over F obtained by the complex multiplication of an abelian variety A belonging to the dual $(F^*; \{\psi_i\})$ of $(F; \{\phi_i\})$. Then*

$$\dim_l(K_c/F) = \text{rank } A$$

for any prime number l .

Proof. Let L be a normal field of finite degree over \mathcal{Q} which contains the absolute class field over F . Then, for any ideal \mathfrak{a} of L , there is an element $\mu_0 \in F$ such that $N_{L/F}\mathfrak{a} = (\mu_0)$. The product $\mu = \prod_i \mu_0^{\phi_i}$ lies in F^* , and we have $\mu\bar{\mu} = N\mathfrak{a}$. In other words, we find a $\mu \in F^*$ with $\prod_i (N_{L/F}\mathfrak{a})^{\phi_i} = (\mu)$, $\mu\bar{\mu} = N\mathfrak{a}$. This property determines μ up to a root of unity. Furthermore, if we denote by b a natural number, by $u(b)$ the group of residue classes mod b in F^* represented by numbers prime to b , and by $w(b)$ the subgroup of $u(b)$ consisting of residue classes represented by roots of unity in F^* , then $\mathfrak{a} \rightarrow \mu$ defines a homomorphism of the group of ideals prime to b of L into $u(b)/w(b)$. We denote the image of this homomorphism by $c'(b)$. Let $K_{(b)}$ be the extension over F obtained by the (b) -section of A . Then, by the class field theoretical characterization of $K_{(b)}$, given in §1, the Galois group of $K_{(b)}L/L$ is isomorphic to $c'(b)$.

Let $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k, \dots$ be a sequence of natural numbers such that b_k divides b_{k+1} , and that there exists a $b_k \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$ for any natural number N . Then, there is a natural epimorphism $u(b_k) \leftarrow u(b_{k+1})$, and, since $K_c = \bigcup K_{(b_k)}$, the limit group $\lim c'(b_k)$ is isomorphic to the Galois group of K_cL/L . Denote by $c(b)$ the subgroup of $c'(b)$ consisting of images of all principal ideals prime to b of L . Then, there is a natural epimorphism $c(b_k) \leftarrow c(b_{k+1})$.

Now, in general, a commutative diagram of homomorphisms of additive groups

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 C_1 & \leftarrow & C_2 & \leftarrow & C_3 \leftarrow \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 C'_1 & \leftarrow & C'_2 & \leftarrow & C'_3 \leftarrow \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 C''_1 & \leftarrow & C''_2 & \leftarrow & C''_3 \leftarrow \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

with exact columns and epimorphic horizontal mappings gives rise to an exact sequence

$$(2) \quad 0 \rightarrow \lim C_k \rightarrow \lim C'_k \rightarrow \lim C''_k \rightarrow 0.$$

Apply this result to $C_k = c(b_k)$, $C'_k = c'(b_k)$, $C''_k = c'(b_k)/c(b_k)$. Then, since C''_k is a homomorphic image of the ideal class group of L , it follows from (1) that it is sufficient for our purpose to observe $\lim c(b_k)$ instead of $\lim c'(b_k)$.

Set $\alpha^\Phi = \prod_i (N_{L/F} \alpha)^{\rho_i}$ for $\alpha \in L$. Then, Φ defines a homomorphism of the multiplicative group of numbers prime to b in L into $u(b)$. Let $v(b)$ be the image of this homomorphism. Then we have $c(b) = v(b)w(b)/w(b) \cong v(b)/v(b) \cap w(b)$. Apply this time (2) to $C_k = v(b_k) \cap w(b_k)$, $C'_k = v(b_k)$, $C''_k = c(b_k)$. Then, since C_k is a subgroup of the group of roots of unity in F^* , the determination of $\dim_l (K_c/F)$ is reduced to the determination of $\dim_l \text{char } \lim v(b_k)$.

If $b = \prod p^{a_p}$ is the prime number decomposition of b , then $v(b)$ is the direct product of $v(p^{a_p})$. This shows that

$$\lim v(b_k) \cong \prod_p \lim v(p^k),$$

where the product is extended over all prime numbers. But, for any p , $\lim v(p^k)$ is a subgroup of $\lim u(p^k)$ which is isomorphic to the unit group $(F^* \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p)^*$ of $F^* \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$, and $(F^* \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p)^*$ contains no subgroup isomorphic to Z_l unless $p = l$. So, $\dim_l (K_c/F)$ is equal to the l -dimension of $\text{char } \lim v(l^k)$.

The homomorphism Φ is naturally extended to $V = (L \otimes \mathbb{Q}_l)^*$, and the image V^Φ is a subgroup of $U = (F^* \otimes \mathbb{Q}_l)^*$. If we denote by $U(l^k)$ the group of $u \in U$ with $u \equiv 1 \pmod{l^k}$, we have the following commutative diagram with natural homomorphisms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V^\Phi U(l^k)/U(l^k) & \longleftarrow & V^\Phi U(l^{k+1})/U(l^{k+1}) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ v(l^k) & \longleftarrow & v(l^{k+1}). \end{array}$$

Since V^Φ is closed in U , we have $\lim v(l^k) = V^\Phi$. According to the theory of local fields, V contains a subgroup of finite index which is isomorphic to the additive group of the group ring $Z_l(G)$ over Z_l of the Galois group G of L/\mathbb{Q} . Hence, by Lemma 1, the l -dimension of $\text{char } V^\Phi$ is equal to $\text{rank } A$, which proves the theorem.

REMARK. By a similar argument used in this proof, we can also show that $\text{char } \lim c'(l^k)$ has the same l -dimension as $\text{char } \lim v(l^k)$. This means that the maximal divisible l -subfield of K_c/F is contained in the field obtained by l -power sections of A .

4. **A special case.** As was already mentioned in §2, the rank of a CM-type $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ is by definition not greater than $m + 1$ if $(F; \mathbb{Q}) = 2m$. We call the difference $m + 1 - \text{rank}(F; \{\phi_i\})$ the defect of $(F; \{\phi_i\})$. A CM-type, or an abelian

variety belonging to it, is nondegenerate if the defect of the CM-type is 0. Whereas we can find many nondegenerate CM-types through simple calculations, it sometimes turns out a nontrivial problem to determine the rank of a given CM-type. The main aim of the remaining part of the present paper is to show that the Jacobian varieties of certain well-known curves of Fermat type are nondegenerate. To do this, we require two lemmas.

LEMMA 2. *Let $(F; \{\sigma_i\})$ be a CM-type such that F/\mathbb{Q} is an abelian extension. Denote by G the Galois group of F/\mathbb{Q} , and by $\rho \in G$ the complex conjugation of F . Then, the defect of $(F; \{\sigma_i\})$ is equal to the number of characters ψ of G satisfying $\sum_i \psi(\sigma_i) = 0, \psi(\rho) = -1$.*

Proof. Let ψ_1, \dots, ψ_m be all characters of G which take -1 at ρ . Set

$$\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(\sigma_1) & \dots & \psi_m(\sigma_1) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \psi_1(\sigma_m) & \dots & \psi_m(\sigma_m) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then $\Psi^{-1} = (1/m)^t \bar{\Psi}$. Set now for $\tau \in G$

$$\varepsilon_{ij}^\tau = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \sigma_i \tau = \sigma_j, \\ -1, & \text{if } \sigma_i \tau = \rho \sigma_j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and put $(\varepsilon_{ij}^\tau) = E(\tau)$. Furthermore, set

$$D(\tau) = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(\tau) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \psi_m(\tau) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we have $E(\tau)\Psi = \Psi D(\tau)$, so that $E(\tau)\bar{\Psi} = \bar{\Psi}D(\tau)$. If on the other hand J_j is the $m \times m$ matrix whose entries of the j th column are all 1 and other entries are all 0, then the entries c_{ij} of the matrix

$$C' = E(\sigma_1)J_1 + \dots + E(\sigma_m)J_m$$

are given by

$$c'_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \sigma_i \sigma_j \in S, \\ -1, & \text{if } \sigma_i \sigma_j \in \rho S, \end{cases}$$

where $S = \{\sigma_i\}$. Denote now by H^* the group of all $\gamma \in G$ such that $S\gamma = S$, and recall that the dual of $(F; \{\sigma_i\})$ consists of the subfield F^* of F corresponding to H^* and the set of distinct isomorphisms induced on F^* by the elements of $\{\sigma_i^{-1}\}$. Then it follows from the definition of the matrix C in §2 that C' is of the form (C, C, \dots, C) .

Thus we have $\text{rank } C' = \text{rank } C$. Therefore the defect of $(F; \{\sigma_{ij}\})$ is equal to $m - \text{rank } C'$. If we set here

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i \psi_1(\sigma_i) & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sum_i \psi_m(\sigma_i) \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} C' &= \frac{1}{m} (\overline{\Psi} \overline{D(\sigma_1)}' \Psi J_1 + \cdots + \overline{\Psi} \overline{D(\sigma_m)}' \Psi J_m) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \overline{\Psi} (\overline{D(\sigma_1)} DJ_1 + \cdots + \overline{D(\sigma_m)} DJ_m) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \overline{\Psi} \overline{D(\sigma_1)} J_1 + \cdots + \overline{D(\sigma_m)} J_m = \frac{1}{m} \overline{\Psi} D' \overline{\Psi}. \end{aligned}$$

So, $C' = \overline{\Psi} D \Psi^{-1}$. This proves the lemma.

LEMMA 3 (H. W. LEOPOLDT). *Let $p = 2m + 1$ be an odd prime number, and let ψ be a character of the group of nonzero residue classes of $\mathbf{Z}(p)$ such that $\psi(-1) = -1$. Then, $\sum_{a=1}^m \psi(a) \neq 0$.*

Proof. Consider the sum

$$\Theta = \sum_{a=1}^{2m} \psi(a)a.$$

Then we have always $\Theta \neq 0$, because Θ is a factor contained in the class number formula for the p th cyclotomic field. Set now

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(a)a, & A' &= \sum_{a=m+1}^{2m} \psi(a)a, \\ A_1 &= \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(2a-1)(2a-1), & A_2 &= \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(2a) \cdot 2a, \\ B &= \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(a), & B_1 &= \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(2a-1). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\Theta = A + A'$, and

$$A' = \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(p-a)(p-a) = -pB + A.$$

Hence

$$(3) \quad \Theta = 2A - pB.$$

On the other hand, since

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &= - \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(p - (2a - 1)) \\ &= -\psi(2) \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(m + 1 - a) = -\psi(2)B, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= -B_1 + 2 \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(2a - 1)a = -B_1 - 2 \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(p - (2a - 1))a \\ &= -B_1 - 2\psi(2) \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(m + 1 - a)a \\ &= -B_1 + 2\psi(2) \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(m + 1 - a)(m + 1 - a) \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad - 2\psi(2)(m + 1) \sum_{a=1}^m \psi(m + 1 - a) \\ &= \psi(2)B + 2\psi(2)A - \psi(2)(p + 1)B \\ &= 2\psi(2)A - p\psi(2)B. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it follows from $\Theta = A_1 + A_2$ and $A_2 = 2\psi(2)A$ that

$$(4) \qquad \Theta = 4\psi(2)A - p\psi(2)B.$$

By (3) and (4), we have

$$2(1 - 2\psi(2))A = p(1 - \psi(2))B.$$

So, using (3) again, one obtains finally

$$(1 - 2\psi(2))\Theta = p(1 - \psi(2))B - p(1 - 2\psi(2))B = p\psi(2)B.$$

This shows $B \neq 0$, which proves the lemma.

Denote by J the Jacobian variety of a complete, nonsingular model of the curve $y^2 = 1 - x^p$, $p = 2m + 1$ being an odd prime number. Let ζ be a primitive p th root of unity, and let $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m$ be automorphisms of $F = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta)$ determined by $\zeta^{\sigma_i} = \zeta^i$ ($i = 1, \dots, m$). Then, the abelian variety J belongs to the primitive CM-type $(F; \{\sigma_i\})$, (see [5]), and it follows immediately from Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 that $(F; \{\sigma_i\})$ is nondegenerate. Thus we have the following

THEOREM 2. *Let p be an odd prime number. Then, the Jacobian variety of a complete, nonsingular model of the curve $y^2 = 1 - x^p$ is nondegenerate.*

REMARK. Let $(F; \{\phi_i\})$ be a CM-type, let K_a be the maximal abelian extension

over F , and K_c be the maximal extension over F obtained by the complex multiplication of an abelian variety A belonging to the dual $(F^*; \{\psi_{ij}\})$ of $(F; \{\phi_{ij}\})$. Then, Theorem 1 shows $\dim_l(K_c/F) \leq m + 1$, if $2m = (F:\mathbb{Q})$. The equality holds if and only if $(F; \{\phi\})$ is nondegenerate.

Now, let us consider $\dim_l(K_a/F)$. The elements in $F \otimes \mathbb{Q}_l$ which are congruent to 1 mod l form a multiplicative group U_1 , and U_1 is regarded as a vector space over \mathbb{Z}_l , because for any $u \in U_1$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_l$, we can define u^α . The dimension of U_1 in this sense is $2m$. Denote by μ_l the dimension of \mathbb{Z}_l -subspace of U_1 spanned by units of F contained in U_1 . Then $\mu_l \leq m - 1$ by Dirichlet's unit theorem, and it is shown in [2] that $\dim_l(K_a/F) = 2m - \mu_l$. Therefore $\dim_l K_a/F \geq m + 1$, and the equality holds if and only if $\mu_l = m - 1$.

The equality $\mu_l = m - 1$ is equivalent to the assertion that the l -adic regulator as defined in [3] is different from 0. If this is the case, the above argument shows that $\dim_l(K_a/F) = \dim_l(K_c/F)$ for a nondegenerate CM-type $(F; \{\phi_{ij}\})$. Therefore, by (1), the maximal divisible l -subfield of K_a/F coincides with the maximal divisible l -subfield of K_c/F .

It might be of some interest to point out that an analogous situation is also found in the case of cyclotomic extensions. Let F be a totally real field, let K_a be the maximal abelian extension over F , and let K_c be the maximal cyclotomic extension over F . Then it is easily seen that $\dim_l(K_c/F) = 1$ for any prime number l , and we have $\dim_l(K_a/F) = 1$ if $\mu_l = (F:\mathbb{Q}) - 1$. This means that the maximal divisible l -subfield of K_a/F is the same as that of K_c/F if $\mu_l = (F:\mathbb{Q}) - 1$.

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