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Abelian Varieties over Finite Fields

Set $q = p^m$, p prime.

Given X/\mathbb{F}_q , we have the geometric Frobenius

$$\pi_X: X \rightarrow X$$

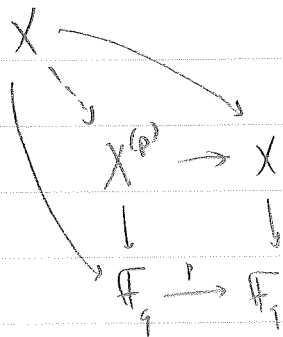
which acts as id on $|X|$ and sends $f \mapsto f^q$ for $f \in \mathcal{O}_X(U)$.

eg. $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n$, then

$$\pi_X((a_0: \dots: a_n)) = (a_0^q: \dots: a_n^q)$$

Have absolute Frobenius, $F: X \rightarrow X^{(p)}$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{eg. } X: y^2 = x^3 + i \quad / \mathbb{F}_9 \\ X^{(3)}: y^2 = x^3 + i^3 = x^3 - i \end{array} \right)$$



We see that $X^{(p^m)} = X$ and $F^m = \pi_X$.

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ of \mathbb{F}_q -schemes, then $\pi_Y \circ f = f \circ \pi_X$.

Now: Let X be an abelian variety over \mathbb{F}_q .

By the above, we have π_X commutes with all elements of $\text{End}^0(X) = \text{End}(X) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$.

Let f_x be the characteristic polynomial of $T_e(\pi_X): V_e(X) \rightarrow V_e(X)$ ($e \neq p$).

(Alt def: $f_x \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ monic of deg $2g$, $g = \dim(X)$ such that
 $f_x(n) = \deg([n] - \pi_X)$.
See 12.18.)

Prop 16.3: Assume X is elementary (i.e. X is isogenous to A^n for A simple).

Then $\mathbb{Q}[\pi_X] \subseteq \text{End}^0(X)$ is a field and f_x is a power of the minimal polynomial of π_X over \mathbb{Q} .

Pf: Since X is elementary, $\mathbb{Z}(\text{End}^0(X))$ is a field containing $\mathbb{Q}[\pi_X]$.

Let g be the minimal polynomial of π_X over \mathbb{Q} .

Let α be a root of f .

Then $g(\alpha)$ is an eigenvalue of $g(V_e(\pi_X)) = V_e(g(\pi_X)) = V_e(0) = 0$

Hence $g(\alpha) = 0$. □

Theorem 16.4

Let $g = \dim(X)$.

(i) Every root of f_x satisfies $|\alpha| = \sqrt{q}$.

(ii) If α is a root of f_x , then $\bar{\alpha}$ is a root with the same multiplicity.

In particular, if $\alpha = \pm \sqrt{q}$ is real, then it occurs with even multiplicity.

We need some facts before proving this (ref 5.20, 5.21):

• There exists $V: X^{(p)} \rightarrow X$ such that $V \circ F = [p]_X$, $F \circ V = [p]_{X^{(p)}}$.

Using $\deg F = p^g$, get $\deg V = p^g$.

• By induction, $V^m \circ F^m = [p^m]$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{m+1} \circ F^{m+1} &= V \circ (V^m \circ F^m) \circ F \\ &= V \circ [p^m] \circ F = [p^m] \circ [p] = [p^{m+1}] \end{aligned}$$

We also need facts about F and V relative to X^\vee (ref 7.33, 7.34).

$$F_x^\vee = V_{x^\vee}: (X^\vee)^{(p)} \rightarrow X^\vee \quad (\text{identifying } (X^\vee)^{(p)} = (X^{(p)})^\vee).$$

PF of thm 16.4:

(i) Reduce to the case where X is simple.

We have an isogeny $h: X \rightarrow X_1 \times \dots \times X_s$ with X_i simple.

Then h induces an isomorphism $h: V_e(X) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigoplus_i V_e(X_i)$

So $f_x = f_{x_1} f_{x_2} \dots f_{x_s}$.

Hence we can assume X is simple.

Let $\lambda: X \rightarrow X^\vee$ be a polarisation of X , and \cdot^\dagger be the corresponding Rosati involution on $\text{End}^0(X)$.

We will show that

$$\pi_x \cdot \pi_x^\dagger = q.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_x \pi_x^\dagger &= \pi_x \cdot \lambda^{-1} \cdot \pi_x^\vee \cdot \lambda \\ &= \lambda^{-1} \cdot \pi_x \pi_x^\vee \cdot \lambda \quad (\text{since } \pi_x \in \mathbb{Z}(\text{End}^0(X))). \\ &= \lambda^{-1} q \cdot \lambda \\ &= q \end{aligned}$$

To see $\pi_x \pi_x^\vee = q$, recall $\pi_x = F_{X^\vee}^m$.

Then $\pi_x^\vee = (F_X^m)^\vee = (F_X^\vee)^m = V_{X^\vee}^m$.

So

$$\pi_x \pi_x^\vee = F_{X^\vee}^m V_{X^\vee}^m = [p^m]$$

As X is simple, $\mathbb{Q}[\pi_x]$ is a field.

Thus f_x is a power of $g := \text{min poly of } \pi_x / \mathbb{Q}$.

So the complex roots of f_x are

$z(\pi_x)$ for every embedding $z: \mathbb{Q}[\pi_x] \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$

Since $\pi_x^\dagger = q / \pi_x$, we see that $\mathbb{Q}[\pi_x] \subseteq \text{End}^0(X)$ is stable under \cdot^\dagger .

We have two cases for such a $K = \mathbb{Q}(\pi_x)$

(a) K is a totally real field, and $\tau = \text{id}$

(b) K is a CM field, and $\tau = \bar{}$

Hence, we get $z(\pi_x \cdot \pi_x^\tau) = z(\pi_x) z(\overline{\pi_x}) = q$

for any $z: K \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

(ii) If $\pm\sqrt{q}$ is a root of f_x , then we are in the case K totally real.

If \sqrt{q} has multiplicity n , then $-\sqrt{q}$ has multiplicity $2g-n$.

Thus $f_x(0) = (-1)^n q^g$.

However, we also have $f_x(0) = \deg(0 - \pi_x) = q^g$.

Thus n is even. □

Our goal for future talks:

Theorem (Honda-Tate)

We have a bijection

$$\left\{ \text{isogeny classes of } X/\mathbb{F}_q \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \text{conjugacy classes of } q\text{-Weil numbers} \right\}$$

where

q -Weil numbers are algebraic integers α such that $|z(\alpha)| = \sqrt{q}$ for all $z: \mathbb{Q}(\alpha) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

Using a relation between a curve C/\mathbb{F}_q and its Jacobian $J(C)$,
one can show:

Theorem (Hasse-Weil-Serre bound)

$$q^{n+1} - g \lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor \leq \# C(\mathbb{F}_q) \leq q^{n+1} + g \lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor \quad \text{where } g = g(C).$$

Proof hint: Use Lefschetz trace formula and the fact

$$H^i(C, \mathbb{Q}_\ell) \cong H^i(J(C), \mathbb{Q}_\ell).$$

□

Application

$$\text{Let } J = J_0(103) = J(X_0(103))$$

Let w be the Atkin-Lehner involution.

Then

$$J \sim J_+ \times J_- \quad \text{where } J_\pm = \ker(w \pm \text{id})$$

$$\dim(J_+) = 8 \quad \text{and} \quad \dim(J_-) = 6.$$

In fact, $\exists f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(103))$ an eigenform such that if $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n q^n$

then $[K = \mathbb{Q}(a_n)_{n \geq 1} : \mathbb{Q}] = 6$ and

$$\text{Tr}(F_{J_\pm, \ell}; T_\ell(J_\pm)) = \text{Tr}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(a_\ell) \quad \text{for } \ell \neq p, p \neq 103$$

We can compute $\text{Tr}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(a_2) = 4$

This implies that $J_- \times \mathbb{F}_2$ is not the Jacobian of a curve over \mathbb{F}_2 .

If it were, i.e. $J \times \mathbb{F}_2 = J(C)$, then
 $\#C(\mathbb{F}_2) = 2+1-4 = -1$, contradiction! (*)

A similar thing works at 17.

Note: (*) follows from $\#C(\mathbb{F}_q) = \sum (-1)^i \text{Tr}(F/H^i(C))$.
 $= 1 + q^n - \text{Tr}(F|V_e J(C))$