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# 一类 $\mathbf{Q}$ 曲线的基本算术性质

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**摘 要:** 本文对任意模 4 余 3 的正整数  $D$  构造了一类以判别式为  $-D$  的虚二次域的整数环为复乘的椭圆曲线, 并将考察其基本性质, 如有理扭点, 自同态环以及模性等.

**关键词:** 椭圆曲线; 复乘;  $\mathbf{Q}$  曲线

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## Some basic arithmetic properties of a class of $\mathbf{Q}$ -curves

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we construct elliptic curves with complex multiplications by the integer ring of  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$  for any positive integer  $D$  congruent to 3 modulo 4 and establish their basic properties. Our results generalize those of Gross.

**Key words:** Elliptic Curve; Complex multiplication;  $\mathbf{Q}$ -curve  
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### 1 Introduction

In number theory, the arithmetic of elliptic curves over a number field has been an area of great interests. To understand it, much effort have been devoted to the study of the congruent number elliptic curve  $E: y^2z = x^3 - xz^2$  (See, for example, Ref. [1, 2]).

The congruent number elliptic curve is an elliptic curve with CM by the Gauss integer ring  $\mathbf{Z}[i]$ . In Ref. [3], Gross defined some elliptic curves with complex multiplications by the integer ring of  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-p})$  for any prime  $p$  congruent to 3 modulo 4 (see also Ref. [4]). In that paper, Gross also established the basic properties of such curves, such as their rational torsion groups,  $\epsilon$ -factors, endomorphism rings and modularity.

In this paper, we will generalize Gross' results to the case  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$  with  $D$  any positive integer congruent to 3 modulo 4, which will be called Gross curves. In the second section, we construct the Gross curves from the point of view of CM theory. Let  $E$  be any such curve and  $F = \mathbf{Q}(j(E))$ , then the main results can be summarized as the following

**Theorem 1.1** (1)  $E(F)_{\text{tor}} \simeq \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$  or  $0$ , according to whether  $(\frac{2}{D}) = 1$  or  $-1$ ;

(2) The  $\epsilon$ -factor of  $L(E, s)$  equals to  $(\frac{2}{D})$ ;

(3) There is a nontrivial morphism  $\pi: X_0(D^2) \rightarrow E$  over  $F$ , where  $X_0(D^2)$  is the modular curve of level  $D^2$ .

It is hoped that the results here will be useful

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for further study of the arithmetic properties of the Gross curves.

## 2 Construction of the Gross curves

Let  $D$  be a square free integer with  $D > 3$  and  $D \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

Let  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$ ,  $O$  the integer ring of  $K$ ,  $H =$  the Hilbert class field of  $K$ . For any ideal  $a \subseteq O$ , let  $K(a)$  be the ray class field modulo  $a$ .

Consider the continuous homomorphism  $\varphi_0: K^\times (\prod_v O_v^\times) \rightarrow K^\times (O_\infty^\times = C^\times)$  satisfying

$$(1) \varphi_0|_{K^\times} = \text{id}_{K^\times};$$

$$(2) \begin{array}{ccc} \prod_v O_v^\times & \longrightarrow & \{\pm 1\} \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \delta \\ \prod_{v|\sqrt{-D}} O_v^\times & \longrightarrow & (O/\sqrt{-D})^\times \end{array}$$

Here  $\delta$  maps  $x = a + b \frac{1 + \sqrt{-D}}{2} (a, b \in \mathbf{Z})$  to

$$\left(\frac{x \pmod{\sqrt{-D}}}{D}\right) = \left(\frac{a + \frac{b}{2}}{D}\right), \text{ where } \left(\frac{\cdot}{D}\right) \text{ is}$$

the Jacobi symbol. Note that  $D \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  ensures this  $\varphi_0$  is well defined.

From

$$0 \rightarrow K^\times (\prod_v O_v^\times) \rightarrow A_{K^\times} \rightarrow Cl(K) \rightarrow 0$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(Cl(K), \bar{K}^\times) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A_{K^\times}, \bar{K}^\times) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(K^\times (\prod_v O_v^\times), \bar{K}^\times) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

because  $\text{Ext}^1(Cl(K), \bar{K}^\times) = 0$  as  $\bar{K}^\times$  is divisible hence injective. From this, we have

**Theorem 2.1** There is a continuous homomorphism  $\varphi: A_K^\times \rightarrow \bar{K}^\times$  such that  $\varphi|_{K^\times (\prod_v O_v^\times)} = \varphi_0$ , in particular this character is of conductor  $(\sqrt{-D})$ . This character is unique up to a character of  $Cl(K)$ .

Let  $\chi: A_H^\times \rightarrow K^\times$  be defined as  $\chi = \varphi \circ N_K^H$ , where  $N_K^H$  is the norm map. By the CM theory, there is a unique isogeny class of elliptic curves over  $H$  with CM by  $O$  and the associated character  $\chi$ . We will call any elliptic curves in this isogeny class a Gross curve of level  $D$ .

From now on, we fix an elliptic curve  $E$  in

this isogeny class and let  $F = \mathbf{Q}(j(E))$ . Then we have  $\text{Gal}(H/F) = \langle \tau \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}/(2)$  and  $\text{Gal}(H/Q) \cong Cl(K) \rtimes \langle \tau \rangle$ , with  $\tau$  acts as inverse.

## 3 Rational torsion points and the $\epsilon$ - factors

Recall that (see Ref. [3], Chapter1) for any nonzero prime  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $O$ , the action of  $G_H$  on  $E[\mathfrak{p}]$  is given by  $\rho_{\mathfrak{p}}: G_H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(E[\mathfrak{p}])$  which sending  $x = (x_v)$  to  $\chi(x) \cdot N_{K_{\mathfrak{p}}}^H(x)$  for any  $x \in A_H^\times$ . This allows us to determine the  $H$  - rational torsion points as following:

**Proposition 3.1** Let  $d \in \mathbf{Z}$  satisfying  $(d, D) = 1, d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $E^{(d)}$  the quadratic twist of  $E$  by  $d$ . Then we have

(1) If (2) splits in  $K$ , then  $E(H)_{\text{tor}} = E[2]$  and  $E(F)_{\text{tor}} \cong \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$ ;

(2) If (2) is inertia in  $K$ , then

$$E(H)_{\text{tor}} = E(F)_{\text{tor}} \cong \{1\}.$$

**Proof** When  $D$  is a prime, this has been proved in Ref. [3], so we may assume  $D$  is not a prime. Note that as  $(-d, D) = 1$  and  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $E^{(d)}$  has good reduction at places of  $H$  over (2) and bad reduction at those dividing  $dD$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a nonzero prime of  $O$ . We claim that if  $(\mathfrak{p}) \geq 3$ , then  $E[\mathfrak{p}] \not\subseteq E(H)$ . This is because if  $(\mathfrak{p}, D) = 1$ , then  $E$  has good reduction at the places of  $H$  over  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Then by the Lubin-Tate theory, we have  $\text{Gal}(H(E[\mathfrak{p}])/H) \cong (O/\mathfrak{p})^\times$  and so  $E[\mathfrak{p}] \not\subseteq E(H)$ . If  $\mathfrak{p} | D$ , we choose another prime  $\mathfrak{q}$  of  $O$  which also divides  $D$  and  $\mathfrak{w}$  a place of  $H$  over  $\mathfrak{q}$ . By the construction of  $\varphi$ , there is some  $x_{\mathfrak{q}} \in O_{\mathfrak{q}}^\times$  such that  $\varphi(x_{\mathfrak{q}}) = -1$ ; as  $H$  over  $K$  is unramified everywhere, there is  $y_{\mathfrak{w}} \in O_{H_{\mathfrak{w}}}^\times$  with  $N_{K_{\mathfrak{q}}}^H(y_{\mathfrak{w}}) = x_{\mathfrak{q}}$ . Then we have  $\rho_{\mathfrak{p}}((\dots, y_{\mathfrak{w}}, \dots)) = \varphi(x_{\mathfrak{q}}) = -1$ , so also  $E[\mathfrak{p}] \not\subseteq E(H)$ . This proves the claim.

If (2) is inertia in  $K$ , then  $\#k(\mathfrak{p}) \geq 3$  for any  $\mathfrak{p}$ , so proves the second assertion.

If (2) splits in  $K$ , say  $(2) = \mathfrak{p} \cdot \bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Then as  $E[2] = E[\mathfrak{p}] \oplus E[\bar{\mathfrak{p}}]$ , it is easy to see from the above argument that  $E[2] \subseteq E(H)$ . Because  $\mathfrak{p}^\tau = \bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ , we have  $E(F) = E(H)^\tau \cong \mathbf{Z}/(2)$ .

Let  $\varphi$  be the character as in Prop 3.1, which

is determined up to  $Cl(k)$ .

Let  $\psi$  be the unitarization of the associated Hecke character of  $\varphi$ . So we have

$$\psi(x) = \left( \frac{x_\infty}{|x_\infty|_C} \right)^{-1} \cdot \prod_{v|D} \left( \frac{x_v \pmod{\sqrt{-D}}}{p_v} \right)$$

for any  $x = (x_v) \in C^\times \cdot \prod O_v^\times$ , where  $p_v$  means the prime below  $v$ . Now we want to determine the  $\varepsilon$ -factor of  $L(s, \psi)$ .

Fix an additive character  $a_v$  for any any place  $v$  of  $K$  as in Ref. [5]. Then for any unitary Hecke character  $\psi$ , define (Ref. [6])

(1)  $L$ -factor:

If  $v < \infty$  and  $\psi_v$  is unramified, let  $L_v(s, \psi_v) = [1 - \psi_v(\mathfrak{p}_v)N(\mathfrak{p}_v)]^{-1}$ ;

If  $v < \infty$  and  $\psi_v$  is ramified, let  $L_v(s, \psi_v) = 1$ ;

If  $v = \mathbb{R}$  and  $\psi_v = (\text{sgn})^\delta$  ( $\delta = 0, 1$ ), Let  $L_v(s, \psi_v) = \pi^{\frac{s+\delta}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{s+\delta}{2})$ ;

If  $v = \mathbb{C}$  and  $\psi_v(x_v) = |x_v|_v^\nu \cdot \left( \frac{x_v}{|x_v|_v} \right)^k$  for some  $\nu \in i\mathbb{R}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , let

$$L_v(s, \psi_v) = 2(2\pi)^{s+\nu+\frac{1+k}{2}} \cdot \Gamma(s + \nu + \frac{|k|}{2}).$$

(2)  $\gamma$ -factor:

$$\gamma_v(s, \psi_v, a_v) = \zeta_v(1 - s, \psi_v^{-1}, \hat{\Phi}_v) \zeta_v(s, \psi_v, \Phi_v),$$

for any  $\varphi_v \in S(K_v)$ .

(3)  $\varepsilon$ -factor:

$$\varepsilon_v(s, \psi_v) = \frac{\gamma_v(s, \psi_v, a_v) \cdot L_v(s, \psi_v)}{L_v(1 - s, \psi_v^{-1})},$$

which is independent from the choice of  $a_v$ . Moreover, we know that  $\varepsilon_v = 1$  for any finite place  $v$  such that both  $\psi_v$  and  $a_v$  are unramified. Let  $\varepsilon(s, \psi) = \prod \varepsilon_v(s, \psi_v)$ .

Our aim is to calculate  $\varepsilon_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v)$  (for any  $v$ ) and  $\varepsilon(\frac{1}{2}, \psi)$  for the unitary Hecke character  $\psi$  corresponding to  $E$ .

•  $v = \infty$ :

We have  $K_v = C$  and  $\nu = 0, k = -1$ , so

$$L_v(s, \psi_v) = 2(2\pi)^{s+\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \Gamma(s + \frac{1}{2})$$

and then

$$L_v(1 - s, \psi_v^{-1}) = 2(2\pi)^{1-s+\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \Gamma(1 - s + \frac{1}{2}).$$

Then by the calculation in Ref. [5], we get

$$\varepsilon_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v) = \gamma_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v, a_v) = i.$$

•  $v \times \infty \cdot D$ :

In this case, both  $a_v$  and  $\psi_v$  are unramified,

so  $\varepsilon_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v) = 1$ .

•  $v | D$ :

Notations as in Ref. [5], we have the conductor  $f_v$  of  $\psi_v$  is  $(\sqrt{-D})$  and  $\delta_v = (\sqrt{-D})$ . Moreover,  $\sqrt{-D}$  is a uniformizer at  $v$ .

Let  $p_v^{-t_v} = \psi_v(\sqrt{-D})$  and  $\psi'_v = \psi_v \cdot \|\cdot\|_v^{-t_v}$  so that  $\psi'_v(\sqrt{-D}) = 1$  and  $\varepsilon_v(s, \psi_v) = \varepsilon_v(s + t_v, \psi'_v)$ .

By Ref. [5], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_v(s, \psi_v)^{-1} &= N(\delta_v f_v)^{s+t_v-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot N(f_v)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \\ &\sum_{a \in (O_v^\times / 1 + \mathfrak{p})} \psi'_v(a) e^{2\pi i \langle \frac{tra}{D} \rangle} = \\ &p_v^{2s+2t_v-\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \sum_{a \in (\mathbb{Z}/p_v)^\times} \left( \frac{a}{p_v} \right) e^{2\pi i \langle \frac{2a}{D} \rangle}. \end{aligned}$$

So that we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v)^{-1} &= \\ &p_v^{2t_v} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_v}} \cdot \left( \frac{-2D/p_v}{p_v} \right) \cdot \sum_{a \in (\mathbb{Z}/p_v)^\times} \frac{a}{p_v} e^{2\pi i \frac{a}{p_v}}. \end{aligned}$$

By the well known result about the signature of Gauss sum (Ref. [7]), we find that:

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v) &= \psi_v(-D) \cdot \left( \frac{-2D/p_v}{p_v} \right), \text{ if } p_v \\ &\equiv 1 \pmod{4}; \\ \varepsilon_v(\frac{1}{2}, \psi_v) &= -i \cdot \psi_v(-D) \cdot \left( \frac{-2D/p_v}{p_v} \right), \text{ if } p_v \\ &\equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \\ \varepsilon(\frac{1}{2}, \psi) &= \left( \frac{2}{D} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Because  $1 = \psi(-D) = \psi_\infty(-D) \cdot \prod_{v|D} \psi_v(-D)$  and  $\psi_\infty(-D) = -1$ , we have  $\prod_{v|D} \psi_v(-D) = -1$ .

Then the result is easily verified.

### 4 Endomorphism rings and the modularity

In this section, we will determine the endomorphism rings of  $A^{(d)} = Res_{F/Q}(E^{(d)})$  for any  $d$

∈ Q<sup>×</sup>.

Firstly, one observes that

$$\text{End}(A^{(d)} = \prod_{\sigma, \sigma' \in \text{Gal}(H/K)} \text{Hom}((E^{(d)})^\sigma, (E^{(d)})^{\sigma'}),$$

as

$$A^{(d)} = \prod_{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(H/K)} (E^{(d)})^\sigma \text{ over } H. \text{ In particular,}$$

an element of End(A<sup>(d)</sup>) can be represented by a matrix α = (φ<sub>σ,σ'</sub>). For any ρ ∈ Gal(H/K), we have ρ(α) = (ρ(φ<sub>σ,σ'</sub>)) = (φ<sub>ρσ,ρσ'</sub>).

Let R<sub>K</sub> = ∑<sub>σ ∈ Gal(H/K)</sub> Hom((E<sup>(d)</sup>)<sup>σ</sup>, E<sup>(d)</sup>) · σ, be the ring such that (φ · σ) · (φ' · σ') = (φ ∘ (φ')<sup>σ</sup>)σσ'.

**Lemma 4.1** R<sub>K</sub> ⊗ Q = End<sub>K</sub>(A<sup>(d)</sup>) ⊗ Q. Immediate from the above arguments.

**Lemma 4.2** R<sub>K</sub> ⊗ Q is commutative.

Choose a set of ideals {a} in O relatively prime to D, such that {σ<sub>a</sub>} = Gal(H/K). By Ref. [8], page 42, Proposition 1.5, there is a φ<sub>a</sub> ∈ Hom((E<sup>(d)</sup>)<sup>σ<sub>a</sub></sup>, E<sup>(d)</sup>) for each a satisfying φ<sub>a</sub> ∘ (φ<sub>b</sub>)<sup>σ<sub>a</sub></sup> = φ<sub>b</sub> ∘ (φ<sub>a</sub>)<sup>σ<sub>b</sub></sup>. This is what we want for R<sub>K</sub> ⊗ Q to be commutative.

**Proposition 4.3** End<sub>Q</sub>(A<sup>(d)</sup>) ⊗ Q is a totally real field.

**Proof** As A<sup>(d)</sup> = ∏<sub>σ ∈ Gal(H/K)</sub> (E<sup>(d)</sup>)<sup>σ</sup> over H, so A<sup>(d)</sup> is a simple abelian variety over K. Hence the center of End<sub>K</sub>(A<sup>(d)</sup>)<sub>Q</sub> is a CM field (note as K ⊆ End<sub>K</sub>(A<sup>(d)</sup>)<sub>Q</sub>, it can not be totally real). By Lemma 4.2, End<sub>K</sub>(A<sup>(d)</sup>)<sub>Q</sub> is commutative, so it is a CM field itself. Then

$$\text{End}_Q(A^{(d)}) \otimes Q = (\text{End}_K(A^{(d)})_Q)^{\text{Gal}(K/Q)}$$

is totally real.

Now we come back to the elliptic curve E over F and the original character φ. Recall that E is just an arbitrarily fixed elliptic curve in isogeny class as in Prop 3.1 and F = Q(j(E)). In the following, we always let A = Res<sub>F/Q</sub>E be the corresponding abelian variety defined over Q. It is well known that L(s, A/Q) = L(s, E/F) = ∏<sub>σ ∈ Gal(H/K)</sub> L(s, φ<sup>σ</sup>).

**Lemma 4.4** Let f<sub>φ</sub>(z) = ∑<sub>(a,D)=1</sub> φ(a) · e<sup>2πi·N<sub>K/Q</sub>(a)·z</sup> (z ∈ C with I<sub>m</sub>(z) > 0), then f<sub>φ</sub>(z) is an eigenform in S<sub>2</sub>(Γ<sub>0</sub>(D<sup>2</sup>)).

**Proof** This is just Lemma 3 of Ref. [9]. Note that f<sub>φ</sub>(z) is an eigenform because L(s, f<sub>φ</sub>)

= L(s, φ) has Eulerian product.

Let T be the field generated by the image of φ. Then T is a CM field with T<sup>+</sup> = Q({a<sub>n</sub>}).

By Theorem 7.14 and Theorem 7.15 of Ref. [10], there is a sub-abelian variety i: A → J<sub>0</sub>(D<sup>2</sup>) over Q and an embedding θ: T<sup>+</sup> → End<sub>Q</sub>(A), such that T<sub>n</sub> |<sub>A</sub> = θ(a<sub>n</sub>) for any n, where T<sub>n</sub> is the Hecke operator.

**Proposition 4.5** There is a Q-curve E/F with character χ such that Res<sub>F/Q</sub>E ≅ A, where F = Q(j(E)).

**Proof** By Theorem 1 of Ref. [9], A is isogenous to E<sup>⊕h</sup> for some elliptic curve with CM by O. Then we have also A isogenous to (E<sup>σ</sup>)<sup>⊕h</sup> for any σ ∈ Gal(H/Q). So E' is isogenous to E<sup>σ</sup> for any σ ∈ Gal(H/Q), i. e. E' is a Q-curve (note that Q̄-i-sogeny is automatically H-isogeny).

It is clear that there is a Q-morphism between ∏<sub>σ</sub> (E')<sup>σ</sup> and A. Because ∏<sub>σ</sub> (E')<sup>σ</sup> is simple over Q, this morphism must be an isogeny. Then, modulo the kernel, we find an E such that Res<sub>F/Q</sub>E = ∏<sub>σ</sub> (E)<sup>σ</sup> ≅ A.

As L(E/F, s) = L(s, χ) = L(s, A/Q) = ∏ τL(s, f<sup>τ</sup>) = L(s, χ) (up to finite Euler factors), we have χ<sub>E</sub> = χ.

Consider the dual π: J<sub>0</sub>(D<sup>2</sup>)<sup>ν</sup> → A of i, composed with the canonical X<sub>0</sub>(D<sup>2</sup>) → J<sub>0</sub>(D<sup>2</sup>)<sup>ν</sup> and an isomorphism A<sup>ν</sup> ≅ A (as A is a product of elliptic curves), we get a Q-morphism (also denoted by π) π: X<sub>0</sub>(p<sup>2</sup>) → A. Thus we get the following corollary:

**Corollary 4.6** There is a non-trivial F-morphism π: X<sub>0</sub>(D<sup>2</sup>) → E.

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