

Cassels-Tate pairing on hyperelliptic curves

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Some notations

- Fix a number field k .
- $f := \prod_{i=1}^l (X - e_i) \in k[X]$, with $e_i \in \bar{k}$ are pairwise distinct, and l odd.

- Define

$$C := Y^2 = f(X), \quad (1)$$

and let $\Delta := \{T_i := (e_i, 0) : 1 \leq i \leq l\}$, and T_0 be the point at infinity. (Δ is a $G_k := \text{Gal}(\bar{k}/k)$ set.)

- For a place v of k , k_v denotes its completion with respect to v and \mathfrak{k}_v the residue field.
- Let J be the jacobian variety associated to C .
- Let J_v denote the variety J defined over k_v .

preliminaries contd...

- J can be identified with $\text{Pic}^0(C)$.
- $P \in J$, then $P := [(P_1) + (P_2) + \dots + (P_m) - m(T_0)]$,
 $m \leq g = (l-1)/2$, with $(P_1) + (P_2) + \dots + (P_m) \in \div(C)$ in **general position**.
- $C \hookrightarrow J$ via the map $P \mapsto [(P) - (T_0)]$.
- The étalé algebra associated to Δ

$$L := k[X]/\langle f(X) \rangle \cong \bigoplus_{\Delta_i} k[X]/\langle f_i(X) \rangle \cong \bigoplus_{\Delta_i} L_i,$$

Δ_i s are orbits of Δ .

- $\alpha \in \text{Sel}^{(2)}(J) \subset L^\times / (L^\times)^2$ and $\alpha \notin J/2J$, then $\alpha := (d_1, \dots, d_l)$ with $d_i = \alpha(e_i)$.

Some theoretical aspects

Theorem (Mordell-Weil)

$$J(k) \cong J(k)_{tors} \oplus Z^{r_J},$$

where $\#J(k)_{tors} < \infty$, $r_J :=$ *algebraic rank*.

- In order to compute $J(k)_{tors}$ we use the injection $J(k)_{tors} \hookrightarrow J(\mathbb{k}_v)$, for a place of good reduction.
- No unconditional algorithm to compute r_J is known.
- Assuming BSD, r_J may be computed using $r_{an}(J) := \text{ord}(L(J, s = 1))$.

Upper and lower bounds

- **Lower bound:** Find points and check for independence.
- **Upper bound:** Use descent.
- See if they match!

The Kummer sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow J[n] \hookrightarrow J \longrightarrow J \longrightarrow 0 \quad (2)$$

Applying galois cohomology:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \frac{J(k)}{nJ(k)} & \hookrightarrow & H^1(G_k, J[n]) & \longrightarrow & H^1(G_k, J)[n] \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \searrow \alpha & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \prod_v \frac{J(k_v)}{nJ(k_v)} & \hookrightarrow & \prod_v H^1(G_{k_v}, J[n]) & \longrightarrow & \prod_v H^1(G_{k_v}, J_v)[n] \longrightarrow 0,
 \end{array}$$

Descent sequence

We have the n -descent sequence.

$$0 \longrightarrow \frac{J(k)}{nJ(k)} \hookrightarrow \text{Sel}^{(n)}(J) \longrightarrow \text{III}[n] \longrightarrow 0, \quad (3)$$

where n^{th} Selmer group

$$\text{Sel}^{(n)}(J) = \ker(\alpha),$$

and the Tate-Shafarevich group

$$\text{III} := \ker \left(H^1(G_k, J) \longrightarrow \prod_v H^1(G_{k_v}, J_v) \right).$$

- $\text{Sel}^{(n)}(J)$ is finite and effectively computable in principle.
- $\text{rank}_{\mathbb{F}_p}(\text{Sel}^{(p)}(J))$ bounds the $\text{rank}_{\mathbb{F}_p}(\frac{J(k)}{pJ(k)})$.
- If $\text{III}[n]$ is trivial then $\text{Sel}^{(n)}(J) \cong \frac{J(k)}{nJ(k)}$.

Higher descent

- If $(m, n) = 1$, $\text{Sel}^{(mn)}(J) \cong \text{Sel}^{(n)}(J) \times \text{Sel}^{(m)}(J)$.
- If $t \geq 2$, then $\text{Sel}^{p^t}(J)$ is known as **higher p -descent**.
- We have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \frac{J(k)}{p^t J(k)} & \hookrightarrow & \text{Sel}^{(p^t)}(J) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow p \\
 \frac{J(k)}{p^{t-1} J(k)} & \hookrightarrow & \text{Sel}^{(p^{t-1})}(J)
 \end{array} \tag{4}$$

We have

$$\frac{J(k)}{pJ(k)} \subseteq p\text{Sel}^{(p^2)}(J) \subseteq \text{Sel}^{(p)}(J). \tag{5}$$

Cassels-Tate pairing (CTP)

- CTP (denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{CT}$) was defined by **J.W.S. Cassels** for elliptic curves.
- **John Tate** generalized it to abelian varieties.
- CTP has following properties:
 - $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{CT} : \text{III} \times \text{III} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$.
 - CTP is an anti-symmetric pairing.
 - $\forall \alpha \in \text{III}[n], \langle \beta, \alpha \rangle_{CT} = 0 \iff \beta \in n\text{III}$.

Pulling back $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{CT}$ on $\text{Sel}^{(n)}(J)$, we have:

Theorem (Cassels)

$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_{CT} = 0$ for all $\beta \in \text{Sel}^{(n)}(J)$, $\iff \alpha \in n\text{Sel}^{(n^2)}(J)$.

Known results

- **Poonen and Stoll** give three definitions of CTP on polarized abelian varieties and show that CTP at best is anti-symmetric.
- **Swinnerton-Dyer** computed CTP between $\text{Sel}^{(2)}(E)$ and $\text{Sel}^{(2^n)}(E)$.
- **Fischer and Newton** computed CTP on $\text{Sel}^{(3)}(E)$.
- **van Beek and Fischer** compute CTP on Selmer groups of odd prime degree isogeny on elliptic curves.
- The above computations were based on **Weil-pairing** based definition.

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- Fischer and Donnelly used homogenous space based definition to compute CTP on $\text{Sel}^{(2)}(J)$.
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- We aim to compute CTP on jacobians of genus 2 curves.
- Jiali Yan has computed the CTP for genus 2 curves where f **splits completely** over $k[X]$ for the following:
 - 2-selmer group using **homogenous space** definition.
 - Richelot's isogeny using **Weil-pairing** definition.
- If one of the **twisted Kummer surface** has a k -rational point.
- Use **Albanese-Albanese** definition of CTP to compute it.

Albanese-Albanese definition

We have two partially defined, evaluation based, galois equivariant pairings:

- $\langle \operatorname{div}(f), D \rangle_1 : (\operatorname{Princ}(C) \times \operatorname{Div}^0(C))^\perp \longrightarrow \bar{k}^\times$,
 $\langle \operatorname{div}(f), D \rangle_1 = \prod_{P \in \operatorname{Supp}(D)} f(P)^{v_P(D)}$.
- $\langle D, \operatorname{div}(f) \rangle_2 : (\operatorname{Div}^0(C) \times \operatorname{Princ}(C))^\perp \longrightarrow \bar{k}^\times$,
 $\langle D, \operatorname{div}(f) \rangle_2 = \prod_{P \in \operatorname{Supp}(D)} f(P)^{v_P(D)}$.
- $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2$ match on $(\operatorname{Princ}(C) \times \operatorname{Princ}(C))^\perp$ (**Weil Reciprocity**), and are defined when $\operatorname{Supp}(\operatorname{div}(f)) \cap \operatorname{Supp}(D) = \emptyset$.
- Let U_1, U_2 be the induced cup-products on galois cohomology.

Albanese-Albanese definition contd.

Let $\alpha, \alpha' \in \text{Sel}^{(n)}(J)$.

- **Global part:**

- Lift α, α' to $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}' \in C^1(G_k, \text{Div}^0(C))$.
- $\partial\mathfrak{a}, \partial\mathfrak{a}'$ take values in $\text{Princ}(C)$.
- Let $\eta := \partial\mathfrak{a} \cup_1 \mathfrak{a}' - \mathfrak{a} \cup_2 \partial\mathfrak{a}' \in Z^3(k, \bar{k}^\times) \implies \eta = \partial\varepsilon$, for $\varepsilon \in C^2(k, \bar{k}^\times)$.
- The above statements follow using the galois cohomology on Kummer sequence and on

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Princ}(C) \hookrightarrow \text{Div}^0(C) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}^0(C) \longrightarrow 0,$$

and using $H^3(k, \bar{k}^\times)$ is trivial.

- **Local part:**

- There exists $P_v \in J_v$, with $\partial P_v = \alpha_v$.
- Lift P_v to a degree zero divisor \mathfrak{p}_v , and $\mathfrak{a}_v - \partial\mathfrak{p}_v$ takes values in $\text{Princ}(C)$.
- Consider $\gamma_v := (\mathfrak{a}_v - \partial\mathfrak{p}_v) \cup_1 \mathfrak{a}'_v - \mathfrak{p}_v \cup_2 \partial\mathfrak{a}'_v - \varepsilon_v$.

Albanese-Albanese definition contd.

γ_v represents some class $c_v \in H^2(k_v, \bar{k}_v^\times) \cong \text{Br}(k_v)$.

Definition

For $(\alpha, \alpha') \in \text{Sel}^{(n)}(J) \times \text{Sel}^{(n)}(J)$ we have:

$$\langle \alpha, \alpha' \rangle_{CT} = \sum_v \text{inv}_v(c_v)$$

Two bottlenecks:

- ① **Global bottleneck:** Computation of ε s.t. $\partial\varepsilon = \eta$
 - Determining the field extension M in which ε takes values, and the field M' through which it factors.
 - M, M' are depend on the solutions to the system of “skewed” linear equations:

$$\sigma\varepsilon(\tau, \rho) + \varepsilon(\sigma, \tau\rho) - \varepsilon(\sigma\tau, \rho) + \varepsilon(\sigma, \tau) = \eta(\sigma, \tau, \rho).$$

- ② **Local bottleneck/s:** Computation of c_v represented by 2-cocycle γ_v
 - γ_v mostly will have a complicated description.
 - Determine a 1-cochain ξ_v s.t. $\gamma_v - \partial\xi_v$ has a description simple enough to compute c_v .

We prove the following theorem:

Theorem

Let C be an elliptic curve ($l = 3$), and $\alpha, \alpha' \in \text{Sel}^{(2)}(J)$, represented by (d_1, d_2, d_3) , (d'_1, d'_2, d'_3) , with $d_1 d_2 d_3 \in k^2$, and $d'_1 d'_2 d'_3 \in k^2$ and $d_i, d'_i \in k(e_i)$, then

$$(-1)^{2\langle \alpha, \alpha' \rangle_{CT}} = \prod_v [\alpha, \alpha']_v,$$

where

$$[\alpha, \alpha']_v = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^3 (\delta_{v,i}, d'_i)_{k_v}, & f \text{ splits over } k, \\ (\delta_{v,1}, d'_1)_{k_v} (\delta_{v,2}, d'_2)_{k_v(e_2)} & e_1 \in k \text{ and } [k(e_2) : k] = 2, \\ (\delta_{v,1}, d'_1)_{k_v(e_1)} & [k(e_1) : k] \geq 3, \end{cases}$$

where $\delta_{v,i} \in k_v(e_i)$, and (\cdot, \cdot) denotes the *Hilbert's symbol*.

Some simplifications!

- Let $M^\Delta := \{(m_P)_{P \in \Delta} : m_P \in M\}$, for a G_k module M .
- M^Δ is a galois module under the natural action:

$$\theta_P^\sigma = \sigma(\theta_{\sigma^{-1}P}).$$

True 2-descent: Following generalized explicit descent technique of **Bruin, Poonen, and Stoll** we have:

- $\Delta \hookrightarrow J[2]$.
- $0 \longrightarrow \langle (1)_{P \in \Delta} \rangle \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^\Delta \longrightarrow J[2] \longrightarrow 0$.

Dualizing we get:

$$0 \longrightarrow J[2] \longrightarrow \mu_2^\Delta \longrightarrow \langle (1)_{P \in \Delta} \rangle^\vee \longrightarrow 0.$$

Galois cohomology gives:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mu_2^\Delta(k) & & & & & & \\
 \downarrow & & & & & & \\
 R(k) & \longrightarrow & H^1(k, J[2]) & \hookrightarrow & H^1(k, \mu_2^\Delta) & & \\
 & & & & \updownarrow \simeq & & \\
 \bigoplus_{\Delta_i} H^1(L_i, \mu_2^{\{P_i\}}) & \hookrightarrow & \bigoplus_{\Delta_i} H^1(L_i, \mu_2^{\Delta_i}) & \xrightarrow{\text{cor}} & \bigoplus_{\Delta_i} H^1(k, \mu_2^{\Delta_i}) & & \\
 \updownarrow \simeq & & & & & & \\
 \bigoplus_{\Delta_i} H^1(L_i, \langle [P_i - T_0] \rangle) & & & & & &
 \end{array}$$

Lemma

If $\alpha \in H^1(k, J[2])$, then we have:

$$\alpha := \sum_{\Delta_i} \text{cor}(\alpha_i),$$

where $\alpha_i \in H^1(L_i, \langle [P_i - T_0] \rangle)$.

Corollary

$$\langle \alpha, \alpha' \rangle_{CT} = \sum_{\Delta_i} \langle \alpha, \text{cor}(\alpha'_i) \rangle_{CT}.$$

Theorem

We have: $\langle \alpha, \text{cor}(\alpha'_i) \rangle_{CT} = \langle \text{res}(\alpha), \alpha'_i \rangle_{CT}$.

The above theorem follows by using: $a \cup \text{cor}(b) = \text{cor}(\text{res}(a) \cup b)$, for cochains a and b .

Assume $e_1 \in k$, $\eta'_1(\sigma, \tau, \rho)$ is only depended on $\chi(\sigma), \chi(\tau), \chi'(\tau), \chi'(\rho)$ where χ, χ'_1 are elements of $H^1(k, \mu_2^\Delta)$ and $H^1(k, \mu_2^{\{P_1\}})$ (resp.) representing α, α'_1 .

Let M be a galois extension of $k(\sqrt{d_1}, \dots, \sqrt{d_l})$, s.t. $M \cap k(\sqrt{d'_1}) = k$, and M is also galois over k .

Lemma

If there is an ε_1 satisfying $\partial\varepsilon_1 = \eta_1$ with such that $\varepsilon_1(\sigma, \tau)$ takes values in M and only depends on $\sigma|_M, \chi'_1(\sigma)$, and $\chi'_1(\tau)$, then:

- $\sigma\varepsilon_1(id, 1, 1) = \varepsilon_1(\sigma|_M, \chi'_1(\sigma), 1)$.
- $\frac{\varepsilon_1(id, 1, 1) = \varepsilon_1(id, 1, -1)}{\varepsilon_1(id, -1, -1)} = \frac{\varepsilon_1(\sigma|_M, 1, -1)}{\varepsilon_1(\sigma|_M, -1, -1)}$.
- $\frac{\sigma(\varepsilon_1(id, 1, 1) * \varepsilon_1(id, -1, -1))}{\varepsilon_1(id, -1, -1)\varepsilon_1(\sigma|_M, 1, -1)^2} = \eta_1(\chi(\sigma), \chi(\tau) = (1, \dots, 1), -1, -1)$.

Hence we require only $\varepsilon_1(id, 1, 1), \varepsilon_1(id, -1, -1)$ to compute ε_1 entirely.

Definition

An $\alpha = (d_1, \dots, d_l) \in \text{Sel}^{(2)}(J)$ is said to be **good** if each of the conics $C_{1j}(u, v) := d_1 u^2 - d_j v^2 + e_1 - e_j$, has a solution over $k(e_1, e_j)$. A curve C is **good** if the subgroup generated by good elements is of **index 2**.

If α is good, then we have an ε_1 of the above form with

$$M = K(\sqrt{d_1}, \sqrt{d_2}, \dots, \sqrt{d_l}).$$

- **Hope:** Most of the curves are good.
- $\text{rk}_{\mathbb{F}_2} \text{Sel}^{(2)}(J) \geq 2$, $r_{an}(J) = 0$: **1207** on LMFDB, all good.
- $\text{rk}_{\mathbb{F}_2} \text{Sel}^{(2)}(J) \geq 2$, $r_{an}(J) = 1$: **538** on LMFDB, all good.
- $\text{rk}_{\mathbb{F}_2} \text{Sel}^{(2)}(J) \geq 4$, $r_{an}(J) \geq 2$: **4** on LMFDB, all good.
- $x^5 + A$, $0 < A < 1000$, and A is prime: **168** curves, all good.

An example with complex multiplication

Let

$$C := Y^2 = X^l + A,$$

- The jacobian of C has an isogeny $\lambda := 1 - \zeta_l$ of degree l defined over $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$.
- $L := K(\sqrt{A})$, then $\text{Sel}^{(\lambda)} \subset \text{Ker}(N_{L/K} : L^\times / (L^\times)^l \rightarrow K^\times / (K^\times)^l)$.
- If $A := 2^{l-2}b^l$, then one can compute ε .
- Otherwise we obtain $\eta' := \eta - \partial\varepsilon \in Z^3(L, \mu_l)$.
- Since $H^3(L, \mu_l) = 0$, the aim is to find 2-cochain $\varepsilon' \in C^2(L, \mu_l)$ s.t. $\partial\varepsilon = \eta'$.

Thank You!