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ABSTRACT. Using Galois theory, we construct explicitly (in all complex dimensions  $\geq 2$ ) an infinite family of simple g-dimensional complex tori T that enjoy the following properties.

- The Picard number of T is 0; in particular, the algebraic dimension of T is 0.
- If  $T^{\vee}$  is the dual of T then  $\operatorname{Hom}(T, T^{\vee}) = \{0\}.$
- The automorphism group  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  of T is isomorphic to  $\{\pm 1\} \times \mathbb{Z}^{g-1}$ .
- The endomorphism algebra  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  of T is isomorphic to a purely imaginary number field of degree 2g.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

It is known that a "very general" complex torus T of complex dimension  $\dim(T) = g \ge 2$  has the algebraic dimension a(T) = 0. But the explicit examples of such tori with g > 2 are very scarce. For g = 2 one may find the explicit examples of complex tori with algebraic dimension zero in [EF, Appendix] and [BL, Example 7.4]. (All the tori of complex dimension 1 have algebraic dimension 1.)

The aim of this paper is to provide explicit examples of simple complex tori T with a(T) = 0 in all complex dimensions  $g \ge 2$ .

The tori we construct have some interesting additional properties and may be viewed as non-algebraic analogues of abelian varieties of CM type, see [LangCM, pp. 12–13 and Th. 4.1 on p. 15]. They also played an important role in C. Voisin's construction of counterexamples to Kodaira's *algebraic approximation problem* [Vo04, Vo06], see also [GS]. (We discuss her results about tori in Remark 1.6 below.) We start with the following definitions.

**Definition 1.1.** A positive-dimensional complex torus X is called *simple* if  $\{0\}$  and X are the only complex subtori of X (see, e.g., [BL, Chapter I, Section 7]).

**Definition 1.2.** A complex torus T of dimension  $g \ge 2$  is called *special* if it enjoys the following properties.

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- (a) T is simple and has algebraic dimension 0. In addition, its endomorphism algebra  $\operatorname{End}^0(T) = \operatorname{End}(T) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  is isomorphic to a purely imaginary number field of degree 2g.
- (b) The Picard number  $\rho(T)$  of T is 0.
- (c) If  $T^{\vee}$  is the dual of T then  $\text{Hom}(T, T^{\vee}) = \{0\}$ . In particular, complex tori T and  $T^{\vee}$  are not isogenous.
- (d) Let  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  be the automorphism group of the complex Lie group T. Then  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  is isomorphic to  $\{1, -1\} \times \mathbb{Z}^{g-1}$ . In particular,  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  is an infinite commutative group, whose torsion subgroup is a cyclic group of order 2.

Our main result is the following

**Theorem 1.3.** Let  $g \ge 2$  be an integer and E a degree 2g number field that enjoys the following properties.

- (i) E is purely imaginary;
- (ii) E has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Choose any isomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras

$$\Psi: E_{\mathbb{R}} := E \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \to \oplus_{i=1}^{g} \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C}^{g}$$

$$\tag{1}$$

and a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice  $\Lambda$  of rank 2g in  $E \subset E_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Isomorphism  $\Psi$  provides  $E_{\mathbb{R}}$  with the structure of a g-dimensional complex vector space.

Then the complex torus  $T = T_{E,\Psi,\Lambda} := E_{\mathbb{R}}/\Lambda$  is special and its endomorphism algebra End<sup>0</sup>(T) is isomorphic to E.

We present explicit examples of such fields (see Sections 6, 7, 8) for all  $g \ge 2$ .

**Remark 1.4.** Some authors call number fields that enjoy the property (ii) of Theorem 1.3 *primitive*. One may view Proposition 2.1 below as a justification of this terminology.

**Remark 1.5.** Suppose that  $g \geq 2$  and a degree 2g number field E enjoys the properties (i)-(ii) of Theorem 1.3. Let  $\Gamma$  be an integer lattice of rank 2g in E and  $T_0 = T_{E,\Psi,\Gamma}$  the corresponding complex torus of dimension g. If  $\Lambda$  is any subgroup of finite index in  $\Gamma$  then it is also an integer lattice of rank 2g in  $E \subset E_{\mathbb{R}}$ . By Theorem 1.3, all complex tori  $T = T_{E,\Psi,\Lambda}$  are special and  $\operatorname{End}^0(T) \cong E$ . On the other hand, the set of all tori  $T_{E,\Psi,\Lambda}$  is precisely the isogeny class of  $T_0$  (up to an isomorphism). Let  $\mathscr{X}_g \to B_g$  be a versal family of complex tori of dimension g that was constructed in [BL, Sect. 10]. (Every complex torus of dimension g appears as its fiber.) Its base  $B_g$  is a homogeneous  $\operatorname{GL}_{2g}(\mathbb{R})$ -space. Each isogeny class is a  $\operatorname{GL}_{2g}(\mathbb{Q})$ orbit in  $B_g$ , which is a dense subset of  $B_g$ , because  $\operatorname{GL}_{2g}(\mathbb{Q})$  is a dense subgroup of  $\operatorname{GL}_{2g}(\mathbb{R})$ . Therefore each isogeny class is dense in the moduli space  $B_g/\operatorname{GL}_{2g}(\mathbb{Z})$  of complex tori of dimension g. This implies that the subset of all g-dimensional special tori is dense in the moduli space.

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**Remark 1.6.** Let  $T = V/\Gamma$  be a complex torus of dimension  $g \ge 2$  where V is a g-dimensional complex vector space and  $\Gamma$  is a discrete lattice of rank 2g in V. Let  $\phi_T$  be a holomorphic endomorphism of the complex Lie group T and  $\phi_{\Gamma}$  is the endomorphism of  $\Gamma$  induced by  $\phi_T$ . Let  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  be the characteristic polynomial of  $\phi_{\Gamma}$ , which is monic of degree 2g. Suppose that the polynomial f(x) is separable, has no real roots and its Galois group  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is the full symmetric group  $\mathbf{S}_{2g}$ . Such a pair  $(T, \phi_T)$  is called a scenic torus in [GS, Sect. 3, p. 271]. C. Voisin [Vo04, Sect. 1] proved that a scenic T is not algebraic and its Picard number is 0. It follows from Theorem 1.3 that T is actually special. Indeed, let E be the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -subalgebra of  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  generated by  $\phi_T$ . The conditions on f(x) and  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  imply that f(x) is irreducible and  $E \cong \mathbb{Q}[x]/f(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$  is a purely imaginary number field of degree 2g. The condition on  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  implies (thanks to Example 2.3 below) that E has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Thus all conditions of Theorem 1.3 are met.

The proof of Theorem 1.3 is based on results of [OZ]. Properties (b), (c), (d) of Definition 1.2 are consequences of the following assertions concerning the **endomorphism algebra** 

$$\operatorname{End}^0(T) = \operatorname{End}(T) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$$

of T. Recall [OZ] that  $\operatorname{End}^{0}(T)$  is a finite-dimensional (not necessarily semisimple)  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra.

**Proposition 1.7.** Let T be a complex torus of dimension  $g \ge 2$ . Suppose that  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  is a degree 2g number field that does not contain a subfield of degree g. Then

(a) T is a simple complex torus of algebraic dimension 0;

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(b) The Picard number  $\rho(T)$  of T is 0, i.e., its Néron-Severi group  $NS(T) = \{0\}.$ 

**Proposition 1.8.** Let T be a complex torus of dimension  $g \ge 2$ . Suppose that  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  is a degree 2g number field that does not contain a proper subfield except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

If  $T^{\vee}$  is the dual of T then  $\operatorname{Hom}(T, T^{\vee}) = \{0\}$ . In particular, T is not isogenous to  $T^{\vee}$ .

**Proposition 1.9.** Let T be a complex torus of positive dimension. Suppose that the endomorphism algebra  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  is a purely imaginary number field of degree 2s that does not contain roots of unity except  $\{1, -1\}$ . Let  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  be the automorphism group of the complex Lie group T.

Then  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  is isomorphic to  $\{\pm 1\} \times \mathbb{Z}^{s-1}$ . In particular,  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$  is commutative and its torsion subgroup is a cyclic group of order 2.

As a by-product we get examples of poor manifolds for any dimension.

The notion of a poor manifold was introduced in [BZ20]. It is a complex compact connected manifold containing neither rational curves nor analytic subsets of codimension 1 (and, *a fortiori*, having algebraic dimension 0).

It was proven in [BZ20] that for a  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bundle X over a poor manifold Y the group  $\operatorname{Bim}(X)$  of its bimeromorphic selfmaps coincides with the group  $\operatorname{Aut}(X)$  of its biholomorphic automorphisms; the latter has the commutative identity component  $\operatorname{Aut}_0(X)$  and the order of any finite subgroup of the quotient  $\operatorname{Aut}(X)/\operatorname{Aut}_0(X)$  is bounded by a constant depending on X only.

As it was mentioned in [BZ20], a complex torus T has algebraic dimension a(T) = 0 if and only if it is poor. There exists an explicit example of a K3 surface that does *not* contain analytic subsets of codimension 1 ([McM]) and therefore is poor. We prove the following

**Theorem 1.10.** Let T be a complex torus of dimension  $g \ge 2$ . Suppose that  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  contains a a degree 2g number field E with the same 1 such that E does not contain a CM subfield.

Then T has algebraic dimension 0 and therefore is poor. In addition, there exist a simple complex torus S and a positive integer r such that T is isogenous to the self-product  $S^r$  of S.

**Remark 1.11.** Let us note an additional property of special tori. The notion of the invariant Brauer group  $Br_T(T)$  of a complex toris T was introduced in [OSVZ] (see also [Cao]). This group is a finite abelian group of exponent 2.

We claim that  $\operatorname{Br}_T(T) = \{0\}$  if T is special. Indeed,  $\operatorname{Br}_T(T)$  is isomorphic to a subquotient of  $\operatorname{Hom}(T, T^{\vee})$  [OSVZ, Sect. 3.3, displayed formula (13) and Prop. 3.19]. Since  $\operatorname{Hom}(T, T^{\vee}) = \{0\}$  for special T, the group  $\operatorname{Br}_T(T)$ is also  $\{0\}$ .

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we give some background. Section 3 contains proofs of main results. In Section 4 we prove Theorem 1.10. In Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 we present a plenty of explicit examples of certain number fields that give rise to special tori. (Notice that explicit examples of simple complex 2-dimensional tori T with a(T) = 0 and Picard number 0 were given in [EF, Appendix] and [BL, Example 7.4] in terms of their period lattices.)

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#### 2. A CONSTRUCTION FROM THE GALOIS THEORY

As usual,  $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$  stand for the ring of integers and fields of rational, real, and complex numbers respectively. We write  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  for an algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Let us recall the properties of a purely imaginary number field E.

We may view it as  $E = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ , where  $\alpha \in E$  and there is an irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  polynomial  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  of degree 2g such that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ . The property of E to be purely imaginary means that f(x) has no real roots in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\alpha_1, \overline{\alpha_1}, \ldots, \alpha_q, \overline{\alpha_q}$  be roots of f(x) (here  $\overline{\alpha_i}$  stands for the complex conjugate

of  $\alpha_j$ ). There are 2g field embeddings  $E \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , namely, two for every  $j, 1 \leq j \leq g$ :

$$\sigma_j: 1 \to 1, \alpha \to \alpha_j$$

and

$$\overline{\sigma_j}: 1 \to 1, \alpha \to \overline{\alpha_j}.$$

For every choice of g-tuple  $(\tau_1, \ldots, \tau_g)$ , where each  $\tau_j$  is either  $\sigma_j$  or  $\overline{\sigma_j}$  we define an injective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra homomorphism

$$\Psi: E \hookrightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^{g} \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C}^{g}, E \ni e \mapsto (\tau_{1}(e), \dots, \tau_{g}(e)) \in \mathbb{C}^{g}$$
(2)

that extends by  $\mathbb{R}$ -linearity to a homomorphism  $\Psi: E_{\mathbb{R}} \to \mathbb{C}^{g}$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras (we keep the notation  $\Psi$ ). Actually,  $\Psi$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras. Indeed, let  $\{\beta_{1}, \ldots, \beta_{2g}\}$  be a basis of the 2g-dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space E. It is proven in [LangCM, Proof of Th. 4.1 on pp. 15–16] that the 2g-element set

$$\{\Psi(\beta_1),\ldots,\Psi(\beta_{2q})\}\subset\mathbb{C}^{g}$$

is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$ . It follows that the image  $\Psi(E_{\mathbb{R}})$  has  $\mathbb{R}$ -dimension 2g. Since

$$\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(E_{\mathbb{R}}) = 2g = \dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{C}^g),$$

 $\Psi : E_{\mathbb{R}} \to \mathbb{C}^{g}$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras. There are precisely  $2^{g}$  isomorphisms of  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras  $E_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\mathbb{C}^{g}$  of the form  $\Psi = (\tau_{1}, \ldots, \tau_{g})$ , where  $\tau_{i}$  are defined in (2). We will use these isomorphisms in order to construct complex tori  $E_{\mathbb{R}}/\Gamma$  with needed properties where  $\Gamma$  is a discrete lattice of maximal rank in E. We will need the following elementary construction from Galois theory.

Let  $n \geq 3$  be an integer and  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  a degree *n* irreducible polynomial. This means that the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra

$$K_f = \mathbb{Q}[x]/f(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$$

is a degree *n* number field. Let  $\mathscr{R}_f \subset \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  be the *n*-element set of roots of f(x). If  $\alpha \in \mathscr{R}_f$  then there is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebras

$$\Phi_{\alpha}: K_f = \mathbb{Q}[x]/f(x)\mathbb{Q}[x] \cong \mathbb{Q}(\alpha), x \mapsto \alpha \tag{3}$$

where  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  is the subfield of  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  generated by  $\alpha$ . Clearly,  $K_f$  (and hence,  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ ) is purely imaginary if and only if f(x) has no real roots.

Let  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f) \subset \mathbb{Q}$  be the splitting field of f(x), i.e., the subfield of  $\mathbb{Q}$ generated by  $\mathscr{R}_f$ . Then  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f) \subset \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  is a finite Galois extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  containing  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ . We write  $G = \operatorname{Gal}(f)$  for the Galois group  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)/\mathbb{Q})$ of  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)/\mathbb{Q}$ , which may be viewed as a certain subgroup of the group  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  of permutations of  $\mathscr{R}_f$ . The irreducibility of f(x) means that  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  is a *transitive* permutation subgroup of  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_f)$ . Let us consider the stabilizer subgroup

$$G_{\alpha} = \{ \sigma \in G \mid \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha \} \subset G.$$
(4)

Clearly,  $G_{\alpha}$  coincides with the Galois group  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)/\mathbb{Q}(\alpha))$  of Galois extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)/\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ . If one starts to vary  $\alpha$  in  $\mathscr{R}_f$  then all the subgroups  $G_{\alpha}$  constitute a conjugacy class in G.

The following assertion is certainly well known but we failed to find a suitable reference.

**Proposition 2.1.** The following conditions are equivalent.

(i)  $K_f$  has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

(ii)  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

(iii)  $G_{\alpha}$  is a maximal subgroup in G.

(iv) G is a primitive permutation subgroup of  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_f)$ .

Remark 2.2.

- (1) A transitive permutation group G is primitive if and only if the stabilizer of a point is a maximal subgroup of G [Pa, Prop. 3.4 on p. 15].
- (2) Every 2-transitive permutation group is primitive [Pa, Prop. 3.8 on p. 18].

*Proof of Proposition 2.1.* It follows from (3) that (i) and (ii) are equivalent. It follows from Remark 2.2(1) that (iii) and (iv) are equivalent.

Let us prove that (ii) and (iii) are equivalent. Let H be a subgroup of G that contains  $G_{\alpha}$ . Let us consider the subfield of H-invariants

$$F := \mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)^H = \{ e \in \mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f) \mid \sigma(e) = e \,\,\forall \sigma \in H \} \subset \mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f).$$

Clearly F is contained  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)^{G_\alpha} = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha).$ 

There is a bijection between the set of subfields  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  and the set of the subgroups of G (see e.g., [Lang, Chapter VI, Theorem 1.1]). If H is neither  $G_{\alpha}$  nor G (i.e.,  $G_{\alpha}$  is not maximal) then F is neither  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  nor  $\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)^G = \mathbb{Q}$ . This means if (iii) does not hold then (ii) does not hold as well.

Conversely, let F be a field that lies strictly between  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then the Galois group  $H := \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_f)/F)$  is a proper subgroup of G that contains  $G_{\alpha}$  but does not coincide with it. Hence  $G_{\alpha}$  is not maximal. This means that if (ii) does not hold then (iii) does not hold as well. This ends the proof.

**Example 2.3.** Suppose that  $n \geq 4$ . Let  $\operatorname{Alt}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  be the only index two subgroup of  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_f)$ , which is isomorphic to the **alternating group**  $\mathbf{A}_n$ . Then both  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  and  $\operatorname{Alt}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  are doubly transitive permutation groups [Pa] and therefore are primitive. It follows from Proposition 2.1 that if  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  coincides with either  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  or  $\operatorname{Alt}(\mathscr{R}_f)$  then  $K_f$  does not contain a proper subfield except  $\mathbb{Q}$ . In other words,  $K_f$  does not contain a proper subfield except  $\mathbb{Q}$  if  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  is isomorphic either to the full symmetric group  $\mathbf{S}_n$  or to the alternating group  $\mathbf{A}_n$ . (The case of  $\mathbf{S}_n$  was discussed earlier in [LO, Sect. 3, p. 51].)

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#### 3. PROOFS OF MAIN RESULTS

If X is a complex torus then its endomorphism algebra  $\operatorname{End}^0(X) = \operatorname{End}(X) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  will be denoted also by D(X) in order to be consistent with the notation in [OZ].

In the following definition, **smCM** is short for sufficiently many Complex Multiplications: this terminology is inspired by a similar notion for abelian varieties introduced by F. Oort [O].

**Definition 3.1.** Let T be a positive-dimensional complex torus and E a number field of degree  $2 \dim(T)$ . We say that T is a **smCM**-torus or a **smCM**-torus with multiplication by E if there is a Q-algebra embedding  $E \hookrightarrow D(T)$  that sends  $1 \in E$  to the identity automorphism of E.

The following assertion is contained in [OZ, Corollary 1.7 on p. 15].<sup>1</sup>

**Proposition 3.2.** Let T be a positive-dimensional smCM-torus with multiplication by a number field E.

Then there are a simple complex torus S and a positive integer r such that

- (1)  $r \ divides \ 2 \dim(T);$
- (2) T is isogenous to  $S^r$ ;
- (3)

$$[D(S):\mathbb{Q}] = 2\dim(S); \tag{5}$$

(4) the field E contains a subfield, HDG(T), that is isomorphic to D(S), and

$$r = \frac{2\dim(T)}{\dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(\mathrm{HDG}(T))}.$$
(6)

The next lemma is an almost immediate corollary of Proposition 3.2.

**Lemma 3.3.** Let T be a positive-dimensional complex torus with smCM by a field  $E \subset D(T)$ . Suppose that at least one of the following conditions holds.

(i) D(T) = E.

(ii) E has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Then T is a simple torus and D(T) = E.

*Proof of Lemma 3.3.* By Proposition 3.2, there are a simple complex torus S and a positive integer r with properties (1-4) of Proposition 3.2.

This implies that D(T) is isomorphic to the matrix algebra  $\operatorname{Mat}_r(D(S))$ of size r over D(S). In particular, D(T) is not a field if r > 1. This implies readily that in case (i) of Lemma 3.3 r = 1 and therefore T is isogenous to simple S and therefore is simple itself; by assumption, D(T) = E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>There is a typo in the assertion 2 of this Corollary. Namely, one should read in the displayed formula  $[D(S):\mathbb{Q}]$  (not  $[E:\mathbb{Q}]$ ).

Let us do the case (ii). The absence of intermediate subfields in E implies that either  $D(S) = \mathbb{Q}$  or  $D(S) \cong E$ . In light of (5),  $[D(S) : \mathbb{Q}]$  is even, which implies that  $D(S) \cong E$  and, therefore,

$$\dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(\mathrm{HDG}(T)) = [E:\mathbb{Q}] = [D(S):\mathbb{Q}] = 2g = 2\dim(T).$$
(7)

It follows that  $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{HDG}(T)) = 2 \dim(T)$ . Now (6) implies that r = 1, hence, T is isogenous to simple S and, therefore, is a simple torus itself. In addition,

$$D(T) \cong D(S) \cong E. \tag{8}$$

So, the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra D(T) is isomorphic to its subfield E and therefore coincides with E.

**Lemma 3.4.** Let T be a simple complex torus of positive dimension g such that its endomorphism algebra D(T) is a degree 2g number field E that is not CM. Then a(T) = 0.

Proof. Every complex torus T admits a maximal quotient abelian variety  $T_a$  such that dim  $T_a = a(T)$  ([BL, Ch. 2, Sect. 6]). The (connected) kernel of the surjective homomorphism  $T \to T_a$  is a (complex) subtorus of T. Thus, if T is simple, either it is an abelian variety or a(T) = 0. Suppose T is an abelian variety. Then Albert's classification of endomorphism algebras of simple complex abelian varieties [Mum, Section 1, Application I] implies that E = D(T) has degree  $[E : \mathbb{Q}] \leq 2g$ ; if the equality holds then E is a CM field. Since E has degree 2g but is not a CM field, we get a contradiction that proves that a(T) = 0.

**Remark 3.5.** If T is a torus with smCM by a field E,  $g = \dim(T) > 1$ , and condition (ii) of Lemma 3.3 holds then E is not a CM field, because a degree 2g CM field contains a (totally) real subfield of degree g.

Proof of Proposition 1.7. We are given that E = D(T) is a number field of degree 2g, hence T is a smCM torus and condition (i) of Lemma 3.3 holds. Thus T is a simple complex torus of positive dimension g. The absence of degree g subfields in E implies that E is not a CM field (see Remark 3.5). It follows from Lemma 3.4 that T has algebraic dimension 0.

Suppose that  $NS(T) \neq \{0\}$ . Then there exists a holomorphic line bundle  $\mathscr{L}$  on T, whose first Chern class  $c_1(\mathscr{L}) \neq 0$ . Then  $\mathscr{L}$  gives rise to a nonzero morphism of complex tori

$$\phi_{\mathscr{L}}: T \to T^{\vee}$$

where the g-dimensional complex torus  $T^{\vee} = \operatorname{Pic}^0(T)$  is the dual of T (see [BL, Ch. 2, Sect. 3]).

Since T is simple and both T and  $T^{\vee}$  have the same dimension g, the nonzero morphism  $\phi_{\mathscr{L}}$  is an isogeny of complex tori. This means that T is a nondegenerate complex torus [BL, Ch. 2, Prop. 3.1] in the terminology of [BL]. Since T is simple,  $\mathscr{L}$  is a "polarization" on T (see [BL, Proposition 1.7, Ch. 2, Sect. 1]).

Let

$$\operatorname{End}^0(T) \to \operatorname{End}^0(T), \ u \mapsto u'$$

be the Rosati involution attached to  $\mathscr{L}$  [BL, Ch. 2, Sect. 3]. If it is nontrivial then the subalgebra of its invariants is a degree g subfield of the field  $E = \operatorname{End}^0(T)$  (see [Lang, Theorem 1.8, Chapter VI]). However, by our assumption, such a subfield does not exist. This implies that the Rosati involution is the identity map. It follows from [BL, Ch. 5, Prop. 1.2, last assertion] that  $2g = [E : \mathbb{Q}]$  divides g, which is nonsense. The obtained contradiction implies that  $c_1(\mathscr{L})$  is always 0, i.e.,  $\operatorname{NS}(T) = \{0\}$ .  $\Box$ 

Proof of Proposition 1.8. Let us present complex torus T as the quotient

$$T = V/I$$

where V is a g-dimensional complex vector space and  $\Gamma$  a discrete additive subgroup of rank 2g. Let

$$\Gamma_{\mathbb{O}} := \Gamma \otimes \mathbb{Q}, \ \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} := \Gamma \otimes \mathbb{R}$$

be 2g-dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}$ - and  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector spaces, respectively.

Note that  $V \cong \mathbb{C}^g$  coincides with  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}$  endowed with complex structure. Namely, there is

$$J \in \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}),$$

which is multiplication by  $\mathbf{i} = \sqrt{-1}$  in the  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space V. Moreover,

$$\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(V) = \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}), \ \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(V) = \{ u \in \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}) \mid uJ = Ju \}.$$

We have

$$J^2 = -1, \ J^{-1} = -J. \tag{9}$$

It is known ([Ha, Proposition 5.2.11]) that  $\operatorname{End}(T) \subset \operatorname{End}(\Gamma)$  and

$$\operatorname{End}(T) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R} = \operatorname{End}^{0}(T) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} = \{ u \in \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}) \mid uJ = Ju \}.$$
(10)

In particular, the 2g-dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}$  carries the natural structure of a faithful  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$ -module. Recall that  $E = \operatorname{End}^0(T)$  is a number field of degree 2g. Hence,  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}$  becomes the one-dimensional *E*-vector space and therefore *E* coincides with its own centralizer in  $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}})$ . This implies that if we put

$$E_{\mathbb{R}} = E \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \subset \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} = \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}})$$

then  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}$  becomes the free  $E_{\mathbb{R}}$ -module of rank 1 and therefore  $E_{\mathbb{R}}$  coincides with its own centralizer in  $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}})$ . This implies that  $J \in E_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** Let  $B : \Gamma \times \Gamma \to \mathbb{Z}$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -bilinear form. Let us extend it by  $\mathbb{R}$ -linearity to the  $\mathbb{R}$ -bilinear form

$$\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} \times \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} \to \mathbb{R},$$

which we continue to denote by B. Suppose that

$$B(Jv_1, Jv_2) = B(v_1, v_2) \ \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}.$$
(11)

Then  $B \equiv 0$ .

Proof of Lemma 3.6. Clearly,

$$B(\Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}, \Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}) \subset \mathbb{Q}.$$
 (12)

The J-invariance of B means that

$$B(Jv_1, v_2) = B(v_1, J^{-1}v_2) = -B(v_1, Jv_2) \; \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}$$
(13)

because  $J^{-1} = -J$  (since  $J^2 = -1$ ). It follows that the  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector subspace

$$E_{\mathbb{R}}^{-} = \{ u \in E_{\mathbb{R}} \mid B(u(v_1), v_2) = -B(v_1, u(v_2)) \; \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} \}$$

of  $E_{\mathbb{R}}$  is not zero. In light of (12), there is a nonzero  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector subspace  $E^-$  of E such that

$$E_{\mathbb{R}}^{-} = E^{-} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$$

Clearly,  $E^- = E^-_{\mathbb{R}} \bigcap E$  and

$$E^{-} = \{ u \in E \mid B(u(v_1), v_2) = -B(v_1, u(v_2)) \; \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}. \}$$

Let  $u_{-}$  be a nonzero element of  $E^{-}$ . Clearly,

$$u_{-} \notin \mathbb{Q} \subset E.$$

On the other hand,

$$u_+ := u_-^2 \in E$$

also does not lie in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , because otherwise  $\mathbb{Q} + \mathbb{Q} \cdot u_{-}$  is a quadratic subfield of E, which does not contain quadratic subfields. (Recall that  $[E : \mathbb{Q}] = 2g > 2$ .) Notice that

$$B(u_{+}(v_{1}), v_{2}) = B(v_{1}, u_{+}(v_{2})) \; \forall v_{1}, v_{2} \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

Let us consider

$$E^+ = \{ u \in E_{\mathbb{R}} \mid B(u(v_1), v_2) = B(v_1, u(v_2)) \; \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} \}.$$

Clearly,  $E^+$  is a subfield of E that contains  $u_+$  and therefore does not coincide with  $\mathbb{Q}$ . This implies that  $E^+ = E$ . It follows that for all  $u \in E_{\mathbb{R}}$ 

$$B(u(v_1), v_2) = B(v_1, u(v_2)) \ \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}.$$

Since  $J \in E_{\mathbb{R}}$ , it follows from (13) that

$$B(Jv_1, v_2) = 0 \ \forall v_1, v_2 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}$$

Since J is an automorphism of  $\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}$ , we get  $B \equiv 0$ .

We continue to prove Proposition 1.8. Let us recall a description of the dual complex torus  $T^{\vee}$  of T ([BL, Ch. 1, Sect. 4], [Ke, Sect. 1.4]). Namely,  $T^{\vee} = V^{\vee}/\Gamma^{\vee}$  where  $V^{\vee}$  is the complex vector space of all  $\mathbb{C}$ -antilinear maps  $l: V \to \mathbb{C}$  while

$$\Gamma^{\vee} = \{ l \in V^{\vee} \mid \operatorname{Im}(l(\Gamma)) \subset \mathbb{Z} \}.$$

The structure of a complex vector space on  $V^{\vee}$  is defined by the operator  $J^{\vee} \in \operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}}(V^{\vee})$  such that  $J^{\vee}(l) = il$ , i.e.  $J^{\vee}(l)(v) = il(v)$ . By construction,

$$J^{\vee}(l) = -l \circ J \ \forall l \in V^{\vee}$$
(14)

(recall that l is antilinear).

Let  $f: T \to T^{\vee}$  be a morphism of complex tori (viewed as complex Lie group). Then (see [BL, Ch. 1, Sect. 1, p. 4] and [OSVZ, Sect. 3.3]) there exists (a lifting of f, i.e.,) a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $F: V \to V^{\vee}$  such that  $F(\Gamma) \subset \Gamma^{\vee}$  and

$$f(v+\Gamma) = F(v) + \Gamma^{\vee} \in V^{\vee}/\Gamma^{\vee} = T^{\vee} \; \forall v + \Gamma \in V/\Gamma = T.$$

Let us consider the sesquilinear form

$$H: V \times V \to \mathbb{C}, v_1, v_2 \mapsto F(v_1)(v_2)$$

and its imaginary part (which is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -bilinear form)

$$B = \operatorname{Im}(H) : V \times V \to \mathbb{R}, \ v_1, v_2 \mapsto \operatorname{Im}\left((F(v_1)(v_2))\right).$$

Clearly,

$$B(\Gamma,\Gamma) \subset \mathbb{Z}, \ H(Jv_1, Jv_2) = H(v_1, v_2) \ \forall v_1, v_2 \in V = \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}$$

This implies that

$$B(Jv_1, Jv_2) = B(v_1, v_2) \ \forall v_1, v_2 \in V = \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}.$$

By Lemma 3.6,  $B \equiv 0$ . This implies that  $H \equiv 0$  and therefore F = 0. It follows that f = 0, which ends the proof.

Proof of Proposition 1.9. Clearly,  $\operatorname{End}(T)$  is an order in the purely imaginary number field  $E = \operatorname{End}(T) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  of degree 2s; its group of invertible elements (units)  $\operatorname{End}(T)^*$  coincides with  $\operatorname{Aut}(T)$ . It is also clear that the roots of unity in  $\operatorname{End}(T)$  are precisely 1 and -1. Now the desired result follows from Dirichlet's theorem about units [BS, Ch. II, Sect. 4, Th. 5].  $\Box$ 

Proof of Theorem 1.3. We keep the notation of Theorem 1.3. Let us put  $T := T_{E,\Psi,\Lambda}$  and consider

$$O := \{ u \in E \mid u \cdot \Lambda \subset \Lambda \} \subset E.$$
(15)

Then O is an order in E [BS, Ch. VII, Sect. 2, Th. 3]. Multiplications by elements of O in  $E_{\mathbb{R}}$  give rise to the ring embedding

$$O \hookrightarrow \operatorname{End}(T),$$
 (16)

which extends by  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linearity to the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra embedding

$$E = O \otimes \mathbb{Q} \hookrightarrow \operatorname{End}(T) \otimes \mathbb{Q} = D(T).$$
(17)

This allows us to view E as a certain  $\mathbb{Q}$ -subalgebra of D(T). Note that  $1 \in E$  is mapped to  $1 \in D(T)$ . Recall that

$$[E:\mathbb{Q}] = 2g = 2\dim(T).$$

Appying Lemma 3.3, we conclude that T is simple and D(T) = E.

Recall that  $\dim(T) \geq 2$ . Applying Lemma 3.4 to T and taking into account Remark 3.5, we obtain that the algebraic dimension of T is 0. It follows from already proven Propositions 1.7 and 1.8 that  $NS(T) = \{0\}$  and  $Hom(T, T^{\vee}) = \{0\}$ .

In order to prove assertion (d), notice that E does not contain any roots of unity except  $\{1, -1\}$ . Indeed, if this is not the case then either E contains a primitive fourth root of unity  $\sqrt{-1}$  or a primitive pth root of unity  $\zeta$  where p is an odd prime. In all these cases E contains a quadratic subfield that is either  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$  or  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-p})$  (if p is congruent to 3 mod 4) or  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$  (if pis congruent to 1 mod 4). Since E does not contain a quadratic subfield, it does not contain any roots of unity except  $\{1, -1\}$ . Now the assertion (d) follows readily from Proposition 1.9.

**Example 3.7.** Let  $T = V/\Gamma$  be a complex torus of dimension  $g \ge 2$  where V is a g-dimensional complex vector space and  $\Gamma$  is a discrete lattice of rank 2g in V. Let  $\phi_T$  be a holomorphic endomorphism of the complex Lie group T that enjoys the following properties.

If  $\phi_{\Gamma}$  is the endomorphism of  $\Gamma$  induced by  $\phi_T$  and  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  the characteristic polynomial of  $\phi_{\Gamma}$  (which is monic of degree 2g) then it is separable, has no real roots and its Galois group  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a transitive primitive subgroup of the full symmetric group  $\mathbf{S}_{2q}$ .

Let E be the Q-subalgebra of  $\operatorname{End}^0(T)$  generated by  $\phi_T$ . The conditions on f(x) and  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  imply that f(x) is irreducible and  $E \cong \mathbb{Q}[x]/f(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$ is a purely imaginary number field of degree 2g. In light of Proposition 2.1, the condition on  $\operatorname{Gal}(f)$  implies that E has no proper subfields except Q. Applying Theorem 1.3, we conclude that T is a special torus and  $\operatorname{End}^0(T) = E$ .

#### 4. Poor tori

**Definition 4.1** (See [BZ20]). We say that a compact connected complex manifold Y of positive dimension is *poor* if it enjoys the following properties.

- The algebraic dimension a(Y) of Y is 0.
- Y does not contain analytic subspaces of codimension 1.
- Y contains no rational curve, i.e., an image of a non-constant holomorphic map P<sup>1</sup> → X. (In other words, every holomorphic map P<sup>1</sup> → Y is constant.)

Let Y be a poor manifold. Obviously,  $\dim(Y) \ge 2$ . For a surface, *poor* means the absence of any curve  $C \subset Y$ . An explicit example of a K3 surface having this property may be found in [McM] and in [BHPV, Proposition 3.6, Chapter VIII]). Explicit examples of complex 2-dimensional tori Y with a(Y) = 0 are given in [BL, Example 7.4]. It is proven in [CDV, Theorem 1.2] that if a compact Kähler 3-dimensional manifold has no nontrivial subvariety then it is a complex torus.

On the other hand, a complex torus T with  $\dim(T) \ge 2$  and a(T) = 0 is a poor Kähler manifold. Indeed, a complex torus T is a Kähler manifold that does not contain rational curves. If a(T) = 0, it contains no analytic subsets of codimension 1 [BL, Corollary 6.4, Chapter 2]. Thus a complex torus T is poor if and only if a(T) = 0.

We will use the following properties of poor manifolds.

**Lemma 4.2.** Let X, Y be two complex compact connected manifolds and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a surjective holomorphic map. Assume that Y is poor. Then

- (1) if  $F_y := f^{-1}(y)$  is finite for every  $y \in Y$  then X is poor; (2) if  $F_y := f^{-1}(y)$  is a poor manifold with  $\dim(F_y) = \dim(X) \dim(Y)$ for every  $y \in Y$  then X is poor.

In particular, the direct product of poor manifolds is a poor manifold.

*Proof.* For proving (1), let us note that f is an unramified cover of Y. Indeed, the image R under f of the ramification locus is either empty or has pure codimension 1 in Y ([DG, Section 1, 9], [Pe, Theorem 1.6], [Re]). Since Y is poor, R is empty. Now statement (1) follows from [BZ20, Lemma 3.1].

Let us prove (2). Assume that  $C \subset Y$  is a rational curve. If  $C \subset F_y$ for some  $y \in Y$  then  $F_y$  is not poor, which is not the case. Thus f(C) is a rational curve in Y which is also impossible, since Y is poor. Assume that  $D \subset Y$  is an analytic irreducible subspace of codimension 1 and  $y \in Y$ . If  $D \cap F_y \neq \emptyset$ , then  $D \supset F_y$ , since otherwise  $D \cap F_y$  would have codimension one in  $F_y$ . Thus f(D) is an analytic subspace of Y ([Re], [Nar, Theorem 2, Chapter VII) and

$$\dim(f(D)) = \dim(D) - \dim(F_y) = \dim(Y) - 1,$$

which is impossible since Y is poor. Thus, X is poor: it contains neither rational curves nor analytic subspaces of codimension 1. 

**Remark 4.3.** Let X be as in Lemma 4.2. The fact that a(X) = 0 follows also from [Ue, Theorem 3.8]).

Proof of Theorem 1.10. Notice that T is a torus with smCM by E. Thanks to Proposition 3.2, T is isogenous to  $S^r$  where S is a simple torus such that its endomorphism algebra D(S) is isomorphic to a subfield of E. Hence, D(S)is not a CM field. Applying Lemma 3.4, we conclude that the algebraic dimension of S is 0. According to Lemma 4.2, this implies that a(T) = 0 as well.

#### 5. Explicit examples

Our goal is to describe an explicit construction of simple complex tori T with algebraic dimension 0 in all complex dimensions  $g \ge 2$ . In order to apply Theorem 1.3 and Proposition 2.1, let us find a degree 2g monic irreducible polynomial  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  such that

- f(x) has no real roots;
- Gal(f) is primitive.

Suppose that we are given such a f(x) (see this section below). Then the quotient  $E = \mathbb{Q}[x]/f(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$  is a degree 2g purely imaginary field that does not contain proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We write  $\tilde{x}$  for the image of x in E.

Then  $\{1, \tilde{x}, \tilde{x}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}^{2g-1}\}$  is a basis of the Q-vector space E of dimension 2g. It follows that

$$\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}[\tilde{x}] = \mathbb{Z} \cdot 1 + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \tilde{x} + \dots + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \tilde{x}^{2g-1} \subset E$$

is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of rank 2g with the basis

$$\{1, \tilde{x}, \tilde{x}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}^{2g-1}\}.$$

Let  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_g \in \mathbb{C}$  be all the roots of f(x) with positive imaginary part. Then

$$\{\alpha_1, \bar{\alpha}_1, \dots, \alpha_g, \bar{\alpha}_g\}$$

is the set of all complex roots of f(x). Let

$$\tau_j : E = \mathbb{Q}[x] / f(x) \mathbb{Q}[x] \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \ u(x) + f(x) \mathbb{Q}[x] \mapsto u(\alpha_j)$$

be the Q-algebra homomorphism that sends  $\tilde{x} \in E$  to  $\alpha_j$   $(1 \leq j \leq g)$ . As in the beginning of Section 2, the direct sum of all  $\tau_i$  defines an injective Q-algebra homomorphism

$$\Phi: E \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}^g, \beta \mapsto (\tau_1(\beta), \dots, \tau_g(\beta)),$$

which extends to the isomorphism  $\Phi : E_{\mathbb{R}} \cong \mathbb{C}^g$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras. If  $\beta \in E \subset E_{\mathbb{R}}$  then

$$\Phi(\beta) = (\tau_1(\beta), \dots, \tau_g(\beta)) \in \mathbb{C}^g.$$

In particular,

$$\Phi(1) = (1, \dots, 1), \Phi(\tilde{x}) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_g)$$

and therefore

$$\Phi(\tilde{x}^k) = (\alpha_1^k, \dots, \alpha_g^k)$$

for all nonnnegative integers k. This implies that the 2g-element set

$$(1,\ldots,1),(\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_g),(\alpha_1^2,\ldots,\alpha_g^2),\ldots,(\alpha_1^{2g-1},\ldots,\alpha_g^{2g-1})$$

is a basis of the lattice  $\Phi(\Lambda) \subset \mathbb{C}^{g}$ .

Let us consider the g-dimensional complex torus

$$\Gamma(f) := \mathbb{C}^g / \Phi(\Lambda).$$

It follows from Theorem 1.3 combined with and Proposition 2.1 that T(f) is a special torus and  $\operatorname{End}^0(T(f)) \cong \mathbb{Q}[x]/f(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$ .

Below we present such polynomials for every even degree  $2g \ge 2$ . (See also an explicit example for g = 4 in [GS, Sect. 3A, pp. 271–272].)

## 6. TRUNCATED EXPONENTS

Let  $n \ge 1$  be an integer. Let us consider the truncated exponent

$$\exp_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{x^j}{j!} \in \mathbb{Q}[x] \subset \mathbb{R}[x].$$

Notice that its derivative

$$\exp'_{n}(x) = \exp_{n-1}(x) = \exp_{n}(x) - \frac{x^{n}}{n!} \quad \forall n \ge 2.$$

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**Lemma 6.1.** If  $n \ge 2$  is an even integer then  $\exp_n(x)$  has no real roots.

*Proof.* Since  $\exp_n(x)$  is an even degree polynomial with positive leading coefficient, it takes on the smallest possible value on  $\mathbb{R}$  at a certain  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$0 = \exp'_{n}(x_{0}) = \exp_{n}(x_{0}) - \frac{x_{0}^{n}}{n!}$$

$$\exp_{n}(x_{0}) = \frac{x_{0}^{n}}{n!}$$
(18)

and therefore

$$\exp_n(x_0) = \frac{x_0^n}{n!}.$$
(18)

If  $x_0 = 0$  then  $1 = \exp_n(0) = 0$ , which is not the case. This implies that  $x_0 \neq 0$ . Taking into account that n is even, we obtain from (18) that  $\exp_n(x_0) > 0$ . Since  $\exp_n(x_0)$  is the smallest value of the function  $\exp_n$  on the whole  $\mathbb{R}$ , the polynomial  $\exp_n$  takes on only positive values on  $\mathbb{R}$  and therefore has no real roots.

By a theorem of Schur [Col],  $\operatorname{Gal}(\exp_n(x)) = \mathbf{S}_n$  or  $\mathbf{A}_n$ . It follows from Example 2.3 combined with Lemma 6.1 that if n = 2g is even then

$$E = K_g := \mathbb{Q}[x] / \exp_{2g}(x) \mathbb{Q}[x]$$

is a degree 2g purely imaginary field that has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Now the construction of Section 5 applied to  $f(x) = \exp_{2g}(x)$  gives us for all  $g \ge 2$  a special g-dimensional complex torus  $T(\exp_{2g})$  with endomorphism algebra  $K_g = \mathbb{Q}[x]/\exp_{2g}(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$ .

# 7. Selmer polynomials

Another series of examples is provided by polynomials

$$\operatorname{selm}_{2g}(x) = x^{2g} + x + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}[x] \subset \mathbb{Q}[x] \subset \mathbb{R}[x].$$
(19)

Notice that  $\operatorname{selm}_{2g}(x)$  takes on only positive values on the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ , hence, it does not have real roots. Indeed, if  $a \in \mathbb{R}, |a| \ge 1$  then  $a^{2g} + a \ge 0$  and therefore

$$\operatorname{selm}_{2q}(a) = (a^{2g} + a) + 1 \ge 1 > 0.$$

If  $a \in \mathbb{R}, |a| < 1$  then a + 1 > 0 and therefore

$$\operatorname{selm}_{2q}(a) = a^{2g} + (a+1) \ge a+1 > 0.$$

Let us assume that g is not congruent to 1 mod 3. Then 2g is not congruent to 2 mod 3 and therefore, by a theorem of Selmer [Sel56, Th. 1],  $\operatorname{selm}_{2g}(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Notice that the coefficient of the trinomial  $\operatorname{selm}_{2g}(x)$  at x and its constant term are relatively prime, square free and coprime to both 2g and 2g - 1. It follows from [NV] (see also [Os, Cor. 2 on p. 233]) applied to  $a_0 = b_0 = c = 1, n = 2g$ ) that  $\operatorname{Gal}(\operatorname{selm}_{2g}(x)) = \mathbf{S}_{2g}$ .

It follows from Example 2.3 that if a positive integer g is not congruent to 1 mod 3 then

$$E = M_g := K_{\operatorname{selm}_{2g}} = \mathbb{Q}[x]/\operatorname{selm}_{2g}(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$$

is a degree 2g purely imaginary field that has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Now the construction of Subsection 5 gives us for all  $g \ge 2$  that are not congruent to 1 mod 3, a g-dimensional special complex torus  $T(\operatorname{selm}_{2g})$  with endomorphism algebra  $M_g$ .

Notice that if  $g \geq 5$  is not congruent to 1 mod 3 then g-dimensional special complex tori  $T(\exp_{2g})$  and  $T(\operatorname{selm}_{2g})$  are not isogenous. Indeed, suppose that they are isogenous. Then their endomorphism algebras (which are actually number fields)  $K_g$  and  $M_g$  are isomorphic. It follows from [Os, the last assertion of Cor. 2 on p. 233] (applied to  $a_0 = b_0 = c = 1, n = 2g$ ) that all the ramification indices in the field extension  $M_g/\mathbb{Q}$  do not exceed 2. On the other hand, it is proven in [Zar03, Sect. 5] that there is a prime p that enjoys the following properties.

- $g+1 \le p \le 2g+1 := n-1$ .
- One of ramification indices over p in the field extension  $K_g/\mathbb{Q}$  is divisible by p. In particular, this index

$$\geq p \geq g+1 \geq 5+1=6>2.$$

This implies that number fields  $K_g$  and  $M_g$  are not isomorphic. The obtained contradiction proves that the tori  $T(\exp_{2g})$  and  $T(\operatorname{selm}_{2g})$  are not isogenous.

# 8. Polynomials with doubly transitive Galois group.

The following construction was inspired by so called *Mori polynomials* [Mori, Zar16]. As above,  $g \ge 2$  is an integer, hence  $2g - 1 \ge 3$ . Let us fix

- a prime divisor l of 2g 1;
- a prime p that is congruent to 1 modulo 2g 1;
- an integer b that is not divisible by l and that is a primitive root mod p;
- an integer c that is not divisible by l.

We call such a (l, p, b, c) a *g*-admissible quadruple.

**Remark 8.1.** Let  $g \ge 2$  and l be any prime divisor of 2g - 1. In light of Dirichlet's Theorem about primes in arithmetic progressions (which allows us to choose p) and Chinese Remainder Theorem (which allows us to choose b), there are infinitely many g-admissible quadruples (l, p, b, c).

Now let us consider a monic degree 2g polynomial

$$f_g(x) = f_{g,l,p,b,c}(x) := x^{2g} - bx - \frac{pc}{l^l} \in \mathbb{Z}[1/l][x] \subset \mathbb{Q}[x].$$
(20)

**Lemma 8.2.** (i) The polynomial  $f_g(x) = f_{g,l,p,b,c}(x)$  is irreducible over the field  $\mathbb{Q}_l$  of *l*-adic numbers and therefore over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

- (ii) The polynomial  $(f_g(x) \mod p) \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$  is a product  $x (x^{2g-1} b \mod p)$ of a linear factor x and an irreducible (over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ ) degree 2g - 1 polynomial  $x^{2g-1} - (b \mod p)$ .
- (iii) Let  $\operatorname{Gal}(f_g)$  be the Galois group of  $f_g(x)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  viewed as a transitive subgroup of  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_{f_g})$ .

Then transitive  $\operatorname{Gal}(f_g)$  contains a permutation  $\sigma$  that is a cycle of length 2g - 1. In particular,  $\operatorname{Gal}(f_g)$  is a doubly transitive permutation subgroup of  $\operatorname{Perm}(\mathscr{R}_{f_g})$ .

(iv) The polynomial  $f_q(x)$  has no real roots if and only if

$$c < \frac{l^l \left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{1/(2g-1)} \left(\frac{b}{2g} - 1\right)}{p}.$$
(21)

- (v) Let  $\ell$  be a prime that divides b, does not divide 2glp, and such that c is congruent to  $\ell$  modulo  $\ell^2$ . Then the discriminant of the number field  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/f_a(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$  is divisible by  $\ell$ .
- (vi) Let  $\ell$  be a prime that divides c and does not divide (2g-1)pb. Then the discriminant of the number field  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/f_g(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$  is not divisible by  $\ell$ .

**Remark 8.3.** Let (l, p, b, c) be a *g*-admissible quadruple. Let N be a positive integer such that

$$N > \frac{l^l \left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{1/(2g-1)} \left(\frac{b}{2g} - 1\right)}{p} - c.$$

- (1) Replacing c by  $c_1 = c Nlp$ , we get a g-admissible quadruple  $(l, p, b, c_1)$  such that the corresponding polynomial  $f_{l,g,p,b,c_1}(x)$  has no real roots, in light of Lemma 8.2(iii) and (21).
- (2) Let ℓ be a prime that satisfies conditions (v) (respectively (vi)) of Lemma 8.2 with respect to (l, p, b, c). Let c<sub>2</sub> = c − Nlpℓ<sup>2</sup>. Then (l, p, b, c<sub>2</sub>) is also a g-admissible quadruple and f<sub>l,g,p,b,c1</sub>(x) has no real roots, in light of the previous remark (applied to Nℓ<sup>2</sup> instead of N). In addition, c<sub>2</sub> is congruent to ℓ modulo ℓ<sup>2</sup> (respectively, is not divisible by ℓ). In other words, ℓ also satisfies the congruence properties similar to conditions (v) (respectively to (vi)) of Lemma 8.2 where c is replaced by c<sub>2</sub>. It follows from Lemma 8.2(v) (respectively (vi)) that the discriminant of Q[x]/f<sub>l,g,p,b,c1</sub>(x)Q[x] is divisible by ℓ).

Proof of Lemma 8.2. (i) The *l*-adic Newton polygon of  $f_g(x)$  consists of one segment that connects its endpoints (0, -l) and (2g, 0), which are its only integer points, since prime *l* does not divide 2*g*. Now the irreducibility of  $f_g(x)$  follows from Eisenstein–Dumas Criterion ([Mott, Corollary 3.6, p. 316], [Gao, p. 502]).

(ii) The conditions on b and p imply that for each divisor d > 1 of 2g - 1 the residue  $b \mod p$  is not a dth power  $m^d$  for any  $m \in \mathbb{F}_p$ . It follows from theorem 9.1 of [Lang, Ch. VI, Sect. 9] that the polynomial  $x^{2g-1} - (b \mod p)$  is *irreducible* over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  and therefore its Galois group over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  is a cyclic group of order 2g - 1.

(iii) Let us consider the reduction

$$f_q(x) = (f_q(x) \mod p) \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$$

of  $f_g(x)$  modulo p. Clearly,  $\overline{f}_g(x) = x(x^{2g-1} - (b \mod p))$  is a product in  $\mathbb{F}_p[x]$  of relatively prime linear x and irreducible  $x^{2g-1} - (b \mod p)$ . This implies that  $\mathbb{Q}\left(\mathscr{R}_{f_g}\right)/\mathbb{Q}$  is unramified at p and a corresponding Frobenius element in

$$\operatorname{Gal}\left(\mathbb{Q}(\mathscr{R}_{f_g})/\mathbb{Q}\right) = \operatorname{Gal}(f_g) \subset \operatorname{Perm}\left(\mathscr{R}_{f_g}\right)$$

is a cycle of length 2g - 1. This proves (iii).

(iv). Since  $f_g(x)$  has even degree and positive leading coefficient, it reaches its smallest value on  $\mathbb{R}$  at a certain real point that is zero of its derivative  $f'_g(x) = 2gx^{2g-1} - b$ . The only real zero of  $f'_g(x)$  is  $\beta = (b/2g)^{\frac{1}{2g-1}}$ . Hence,  $f_g(x)$  has no real roots if and only if  $f_g(\beta) > 0$ . We have

$$f_{g}(\beta) = \beta^{2g} - b\beta - \frac{pc}{l^{l}} = \left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{2g/2g-1} - b\left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{1/(2g-1)} - \frac{pc}{l^{l}} = \left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{1/(2g-1)} \left(\frac{b}{2g} - 1\right) - \frac{pc}{l^{l}}.$$

This implies that  $f_q(\beta) > 0$  if and only if

$$\left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{1/(2g-1)} \left(\frac{b}{2g}-1\right) > \frac{pc}{l^l},$$

i.e.,

$$c < \frac{l^l}{p} \left(\frac{b}{2g}\right)^{1/(2g-1)} \left(\frac{b}{2g} - 1\right).$$

This proves (iv).

(v)-(vi). Let us consider the degree 2g number field  $E := \mathbb{Q}[x]/f_g(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$ and its discriminant  $\Delta_E \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The formula for the discriminant of a trinomial [FS, Example 834] tells us that the discriminant  $\text{Discr}(f_g)$  of  $f_g(x)$ is

$$\operatorname{Discr}(f_g) = (-1)^{g(2g-1)} (2g)^{2g} \left(\frac{pc}{l^l}\right)^{2g-1} + (-1)^{(2g-1)(g-1)} (2g-1)^{2g-1} b^{2g} = (22)$$
$$\pm \left(\frac{p}{l^l}\right)^{2g-1} (2g)^{2g} c^{2g-1} \mp (2g-1)^{2g-1} b^{2g} \in \mathbb{Z}[1/l].$$

Notice that there is a *nonzero* rational number r such that

$$r^2 \cdot \mathbf{\Delta}_E = \operatorname{Discr}(f_g) \tag{23}$$

(see, e.g., [BS, Algebraic Extensions, Sect. 2.3, especially, formula 2.12] applied to  $k = \mathbb{Q}$  and K = E).

In the case of (v), there are integers  $c_1, b_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$c = \ell(1 + c_1\ell), \ b = \ell b_1.$$

It follows from (22) that

$$\operatorname{Discr}(f_g) = \ell^{2g-1} \cdot u_1 + \ell^{2g} u_2$$

where  $u_1 \in \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  is an  $\ell$ -adic unit and  $u_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  is an integer. This implies that  $\operatorname{Discr}(f_g) = \ell^{2g-1}u$  where  $u \in \mathbb{Q}$  is an  $\ell$ -adic unit. Since 2g - 1 is odd, it follows from (23) that  $\Delta_E$  is divisible by  $\ell$ , which proves (v).

In the case of (vi), it follows from (22) that

$$\operatorname{Discr}(f_q) = \ell^{2g-1}v_1 + v_2$$

where  $v_1 \in \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  is an  $\ell$ -adic unit and  $v_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  is an integer not divisible by  $\ell$ . This implies that  $\operatorname{Discr}(f_g) \in \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  is an  $\ell$ -adic unit. Taking into account that  $\ell \neq l$ , we obtain that the reduction modulo  $\ell$ 

$$f_q(x) \mod \ell \in (\mathbb{Z}[1/l]/\ell\mathbb{Z}[1/l])[x] = \mathbb{F}_{\ell}[x]$$

of  $f_g(x)$  is a degree 2g monic polynomial with coefficients in  $\mathbb{F}_{\ell}$  and without repeated roots. It follows from [FS, Ch. III, Sect 2, Th. 23 on p. 129] (applied to  $\mathfrak{o} = \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  and  $\mathfrak{p} = \ell \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$ ) that the prime ideal  $\ell \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  of the Dedekind ring  $\mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  is unramified in E. This means that the discriminant ideal  $\Delta_E \cdot \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  of  $\mathbb{Z}[1/l]$  is not contained in  $\ell \mathbb{Z}[1/l]$ . It follows that  $\Delta_E$  is not divisible by  $\ell$ , which proves (vi).

Now assume that we have chosen c in such a way that inequality (21) holds. It can be done, in light of Remark 8.3. Then we have:

- $f_q(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and has no real roots (Lemma 8.2(i));
- the group  $\operatorname{Gal}(f_g)$  is doubly transitive (Lemma 8.2(iii));
- the group  $\operatorname{Gal}(f_g)$  is primitive (Remark 2.2).

It follows from Lemma 8.2 that

$$E = L_g = L_{g,l,p,b,c} := \mathbb{Q}[x]/f_{g,l,p,b,c}(x)\mathbb{Q}[x]$$

is a degree 2g purely imaginary field that has no proper subfields except  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Now the construction of Section 5 gives us for all  $g \geq 2$  a special gdimensional complex torus  $T_{g,l,p,b,c} := T(f_{g,l,p,b,c})$  with endomorphism algebra  $L_{g,l,p,b,c}$ .

### 9. ISOGENY CLASSES.

Let  $g \ge 2$  be an integer. The aim of this section is to construct infinitely many mutually non-isogenous special g-dimensional complex tori.

Let us choose a g-admissible quaduple (l, p, b, c) that satisfies (21). The construction of Section 8 gives us a special complex torus  $T^{(1)} := T_{g,l,p,b,c}$ of dimension g. Suppose that n is a positive integer and we have already constructed n mutually non-isogenous g-dimensional special complex tori

$$T^{(k)} = T_{q,l,p,b_k,c_k}, \ 1 \le k \le n$$

where each  $(l, p, b_k, c_k)$  is a g-admissible quaduple such that  $f_{g,l,p,b_k,c_k}(x)$  has no real roots. In particular, the endomorphism algebra of  $T^{(k)}$  is isomorphic to the purely imaginary number field  $L_{g,l,p,b_k,c_k}$ .

Let us choose

- an odd prime  $\ell \neq l, p$  that does not divide g, and is unramified in all number fields  $L_{g,l,p,b_k,c_k}$   $(1 \leq k \leq n)$ , i.e., does not divide the discriminant of any  $L_{g,l,p,b_k,c_k}$ ;
- an integer  $b_{n+1}$  that is not divisible by l and is a primitive root mod p.

Assume additionally, that  $b_{n+1}$  is divisible by  $\ell$ . Since all three primes  $l, p, \ell$ are distinct, such a  $b_{n+1}$  does exist, thanks to Chinese Remainder Theorem. Now let us choose an integer  $c_{n+1}$  that is not divisible by l and congruent to  $\ell$  modulo  $\ell^2$ . Then  $(l, p, b_{n+1}, c_{n+1})$  is a g-admissible quadruple such that the discriminant of the number field  $L_{g,l,p,b_{n+1},c_{n+1}}$  is divisible by  $\ell$ , thanks to Lemma 8.2(v). According to Remark 8.3, one may also choose  $c_{n+1}$  in such a way that  $f_{g,l,p,b_{n+1},c_{n+1}}(x)$  has no real roots., i.e., the field  $L_{g,l,p,b_{n+1},c_{n+1}}$ is purely imaginary. This gives us a special g-dimensional complex torus  $T^{(n+1)} = T_{g,l,p,b_{n+1},c_{n+1}}$ , whose endomorphism algebra  $\operatorname{End}^0(T^{(n+1)})$  is isomorphic to the field  $L_{g,l,p,b_{n+1},c_{n+1}}$ , which is ramified at  $\ell$ .

Our choice of  $\ell$  implies that  $L_{g,l,p,b_{n+1},c_{n+1}}$  is not isomorphic to any of  $L_{g,l,p,b_k,c_k}$  with  $k \leq n$ . It follows that  $T^{(n+1)}$  is not isogenous to any of  $T^{(k)}$  with  $k \leq n$ . In light of results of Section 8, all  $T^{(1)}, \ldots, T^{(n)}, T^{(n+1)} \ldots$  are special g-dimensional mutually non-isogenous complex tori.

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