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COMPUTING LOCAL CONSTANTS FOR CM ELLIPTIC CURVES

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ABSTRACT. Let E/k be an elliptic curve with CM by \mathcal{O} . We determine a formula for (a generalization of) the arithmetic local constant of [5] at almost all primes of good reduction. We apply this formula to the CM curves defined over \mathbf{Q} and are able to describe extensions F/\mathbf{Q} over which the \mathcal{O} -rank of E grows.

1. Introduction. Let p be an odd rational prime. Let $k \subset K \subset L$ be a tower of number fields, with K/k quadratic, L/K p -power cyclic and L/k Galois with a dihedral Galois group, i.e., a lift of $1 \neq c \in \text{Gal}(K/k)$ acts by conjugation on $g \in \text{Gal}(L/K)$ as $cgc^{-1} = g^{-1}$. In [5] Mazur and Rubin define arithmetic local constants δ_v , one for each prime v of K , which describe the growth in \mathbf{Z} -rank of E over the extension L/K . Specifically (cf., [5, Theorem 6.4]), for $\chi : \text{Gal}(L/K) \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbf{Q}}^\times$ an injective character and S a set of primes of K containing all primes above p , all primes ramified in L/K and all primes where E has bad reduction,

$$(1.1) \quad \text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}[\chi]} E(L)^\chi - \text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(K) \equiv \sum_{v \in S} \delta_v \pmod{2}.$$

To phrase their result this way, we must assume the Shafarevich-Tate conjecture¹, and we keep this assumption throughout.

In [1], the theory of arithmetic local constants is generalized to address the \mathcal{O} -rank of varieties with complex multiplication (CM) by an order \mathcal{O} , and we continue in that direction with specific attention to the elliptic curve case. Following [1], we assume that $\mathcal{O} \subset \text{End}_K(E)$ is the maximal order in a quadratic imaginary field \mathbf{K} , p is unramified in \mathcal{O} , and $\mathcal{O}^c = \mathcal{O}^\dagger = \mathcal{O}$ where \dagger indicates the action of the Rosati

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involution (see [6, subsection I.14]). When $\mathbf{K} \not\subset k$, these assumptions imply $K = k\mathbf{K}$.

Our present aim is to provide a simple formula for the local constants δ_v (see Definition 2.2) for primes $v \nmid p$ of good reduction. We then will use a result [1, Section 6] which generalizes (1.1), with \mathbf{Z} replaced by \mathcal{O} , to determine conditions under which the \mathcal{O} -rank of E grows. In Section 3 we will describe, via class field theory, dihedral extensions F/\mathbf{Q} which satisfy those conditions, in order to give some concrete setting to the results of Section 2.

2. Computing the local constant. Suppose p splits² in \mathcal{O} , i.e., $p\mathcal{O} = \mathfrak{p}_1\mathfrak{p}_2$, with $\mathfrak{p}_1 \neq \mathfrak{p}_2$. We denote $R = \mathcal{O}/p\mathcal{O}$ and $R_i = \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}_i$ for $i = 1, 2$, so that $R \cong R_1 \oplus R_2$.

Definition 2.1. If M is an \mathcal{O} -module of exponent p , define the R -rank of M by

$$\text{rank}_R M := (\text{rank}_{R_1} M \otimes_R R_1, \text{rank}_{R_2} M \otimes_R R_2).$$

The following definition is the same as in [1, 5]. Fix a prime v of K , and let u and w be primes of k below v and of L above v , respectively. Denote k_u, K_v and L_w for the completions of k, K and L at u, v and w , respectively. If $L_w \neq K_v$, let L'_w be the extension of K_v inside L_w with $[L_w : L'_w] = p$, and otherwise let $L'_w = L_w = K_v$.

Definition 2.2. Define the arithmetic local constant $\delta_v := \delta(v, E, L/K)$ by

$$\delta_v \equiv \text{rank}_R \frac{E(K_v)}{E(K_v) \cap N_{L_w/L'_w} E(L_w)} \pmod{2}.$$

Now, we will consider primes v of K such that E has good reduction at $v, v \nmid p, v^c = v$ and v ramifies in L/K (corresponding to [5, Lemma 6.6]). Under these conditions, [5, Theorem 5.6] shows that

$$(2.1) \quad \dim_{\mathbf{F}_p} \frac{E(K_v)}{E(K_v) \cap N_{L_w/L'_w} E(L_w)} \equiv \dim_{\mathbf{F}_p} E(K_v)[p] \pmod{2}.$$

Proposition 2.4 below shows that we are able to replace $\dim_{\mathbf{F}_p}$ by rank_R in (2.1). We first need Lemma 2.3, which follows Lemmas 5.4 and 5.5 of [5], and our proof is meant only to address the change from $\dim_{\mathbf{F}_p}$ to rank_R .

Let \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{L} be finite extensions of \mathbf{Q}_ℓ , with $\ell \neq p$, and suppose \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} is a finite extension.

Lemma 2.3. *Suppose \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} is cyclic of degree p , E is defined over \mathcal{K} and has good reduction. Then:*

- (i) $\text{rank}_R E(\mathcal{K})/pE(\mathcal{K}) = \text{rank}_R E(\mathcal{K})[p]$.
- (ii) *If \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} is ramified, then $E(\mathcal{K})/pE(\mathcal{K}) = E(\mathcal{L})/pE(\mathcal{L})$ and*

$$N_{\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}}E(\mathcal{L}) = pE(\mathcal{K}).$$

- (iii) *If \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} is unramified, then $N_{\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}}E(\mathcal{L}) = E(\mathcal{K})$.*

Proof. When $\ell \neq p$, we have $E(\mathcal{K})/pE(\mathcal{K}) = E(\mathcal{K})[p^\infty]/pE(\mathcal{K})[p^\infty]$. Since $E(\mathcal{K})[p^\infty]$ is finite, (i) follows from the exact sequence of \mathcal{O} -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow E(\mathcal{K})[p] \longrightarrow E(\mathcal{K})[p^\infty] \longrightarrow pE(\mathcal{K})[p^\infty] \longrightarrow 0.$$

The content of (ii) and (iii) is on the level of sets, so the proof is exactly as in [5, Lemma 5.5]. □

We return to the notation of Definition 2.2.

Proposition 2.4. *If $v \nmid p$ and L_w/K_v is nontrivial and totally ramified, then*

$$\delta_v \equiv \text{rank}_R E(K_v)[p] \pmod{2}.$$

Proof. As in [5, Proof of Theorem 5.6], Lemma 2.3 (ii) yields $N_{L_w/L'_w} E(L_w) = pE(L'_w)$, and hence $E(K_v) \cap pE(L'_w) = pE(K_v)$. So by Definition 2.2 and Lemma 2.3 (i),

$$\delta_v \equiv \text{rank}_R \frac{E(K_v)}{pE(K_v)} \equiv \text{rank}_R E(K_v)[p] \pmod{2}. \quad \square$$

Now, fix a prime v of K . We denote κ_u for the residue field of k_u , $q = \#\kappa_u$ for the size of finite field κ_u and \tilde{E} for the reduction of E to κ_u .

Proposition 2.5. *Suppose $v \nmid p$, v is ramified in L/K and $v^c = v$. If E has good reduction at v , then $\delta_v \equiv (1, 1)$ if and only if $p \mid \#\tilde{E}(\kappa_u)$.*

Proof. We follow the notation of [5, Lemma 6.6]. Since $v^c = v$, we know that K_v/k_u is quadratic, and it is unramified by [5, Lemma 6.5 (ii)]. Let Φ be the Frobenius generator of $\text{Gal}(K_v^{ur}/k_u)$, so Φ^2 is the Frobenius of $\text{Gal}(K_v^{ur}/K_v)$.

The proof of Lemma 6.6 [5] shows that the product of the eigenvalues α, β of Φ on $E[p]$ is -1 . Also, $E(K_v)[p] = E[p]^{\Phi^2=1}$ is equal (as a set) to $E[p]$ or is trivial depending on whether or not $\{\alpha, \beta\} = \{1, -1\}$, respectively. Since E has CM by \mathcal{O} , $E[p]$ is a rank 1 R -module (see, e.g., [10, Section II.1]), so the former case yields

$$\delta_v \equiv \text{rank}_R E(K_v)[p] = (1, 1) \pmod{2}.$$

By assumption, $v \nmid p$, so p is prime to the characteristic of κ_u , and therefore the reduction map restricted to p -torsion is injective [9, subsection VII.3]. We also know $E[p]$ is unramified [9, subsection VII.4], and so the eigenvalues of Φ acting on $E[p]$ coincide \pmod{p} with the eigenvalues of the q -power Frobenius map ϕ_q on $\tilde{E}[p]$. We know [9, Section V] that the characteristic polynomial of ϕ_q is $T^2 - aT + q$, where $a = q + 1 - \#\tilde{E}(\kappa_u)$, and from the above comments $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$. Therefore, Φ having eigenvalues ± 1 is equivalent to $a \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ and in turn equivalent to $\#\tilde{E}(\kappa_u) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$. \square

Corollary 2.6. *If $\mathbf{K} \not\subset k$, then $\delta_v \equiv (1, 1)$.*

Proof. To see that $p \mid \#\tilde{E}(\kappa_u)$, we show that $a = 0$ under our assumptions on v , where $a = q + 1 - \#\tilde{E}(\kappa_u)$ as above³. The theory of complex multiplication gives $a = \pi_u + \bar{\pi}_u$ for some $\pi_u \in \mathcal{O}$ such that $\pi_u \bar{\pi}_u = q$ (see, e.g., [3, Theorem 14.16], [10, subsection II.10] or [8] for a thorough discussion). As $\mathbf{K} \not\subset k$, we have $K = k\mathbf{K}$, and we let $\psi = \psi_{E/K}$ be the Grössencharacter associated to E and K (see

[10, subsection II.9] or [4]). By comparing their effect on $K(E[\ell])$, where ℓ is prime to v , we see that $\psi(v)^c = \psi(v^c)$, and since $v = v^c$, we have that $\psi(v)$ is fixed by c . It follows that $\psi(v)$ is rational, the corresponding $\pi_v \in \mathcal{O} \subset \text{End}_K(E)$ is integral, and in fact, $\pi_v = \pm q$ by degree arguments. In addition, $\pi_u^2 = \pi_v$, and we will see that $\pi_u = \sqrt{-q}$ is purely imaginary. Indeed, π_u having no real part implies $a = \pi_u + \bar{\pi}_u = 0$; hence,

$$\#\tilde{E}(\kappa_u) \equiv q + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

and $\delta_v \equiv (1, 1)$ by Proposition 2.5.

Suppose instead that $\pi_u = \sqrt{q}$ is real⁴. If, in addition, we suppose π_u is integral then the reduction $\phi_q \in \text{End}(\tilde{E})$ of π_u would commute with all endomorphisms of \tilde{E} . As $\mathbf{K} \not\subset k$, there is some $\rho \in \text{End}_K(E)$ such that $\rho \neq \rho^c$, and hence, $\tilde{\rho} \neq \tilde{\rho}^c$. Thus, for some $P \in \tilde{E}(\kappa_u)$, $P^c = P$ and $\tilde{\rho}(P^c) \neq \tilde{\rho}^c(P)$. As the action of c on κ_u coincides with that of Frobenius $\tilde{\Phi}$, it follows that $\tilde{\rho}$ does not commute with $\tilde{\Phi}$, and in turn $\tilde{\rho}$ does not commute with the Frobenius endomorphism $\phi_q \in \text{End}(\tilde{E})$ induced by $\tilde{\Phi}$.

If $\pi_u = \sqrt{q}$ is real and irrational, then $k \subsetneq \mathbf{Q}(\pi_u)k \subset K$ and so $c \in \text{Gal}(K/k)$ acts non-trivially on π_u , i.e., $\pi_u^c = -\sqrt{q}$. It follows that

$$q = N_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{Q}}(\pi_u) = \pi_u \pi_u^c = -q,$$

which is a contradiction, and we conclude π_u is purely imaginary as desired. \square

Define a set \mathfrak{S}_L of primes v of K by

$$\mathfrak{S}_L := \{v \mid p, \text{ or } v \text{ ramifies in } L/K, \text{ or where } E \text{ has bad reduction}\}.$$

Theorem 2.7 [1, Theorem 6.1]. *Let $\chi : \text{Gal}(L/K) \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbf{Q}}^\times$ be an injective character and $\mathcal{O}[\chi]$ the extension of \mathcal{O} by the values of χ . Assuming the Shafarevich-Tate conjecture,*

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}[\chi]} E(L)^\chi - \text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E(K) \equiv \sum_{v \in \mathfrak{S}_L} \delta_v \pmod{2}.$$

We now consider a dihedral tower $k \subset K \subset F$ where F/K is p -power abelian. Following [5, Section 3], we note that there is a bijection between cyclic extensions L/K in F and irreducible rational representations ρ_L of $G = \text{Gal}(F/K)$. The semi-simple group ring $\mathbf{K}[G]$ decomposes as

$$\mathbf{K}[G] \cong \oplus_L \mathbf{K}[G]_L,$$

where $\mathbf{K}[G]_L$ is the ρ_L -isotypic component of $\mathbf{K}[G]$. For each L , it suffices to deal with an injective character $\chi : \text{Gal}(L/K) \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbf{Q}}^\times$ appearing in the direct-sum decomposition of $\rho_L \otimes \overline{\mathbf{Q}}^\times$, and $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}[\chi]} E(F)^\times$ is independent⁵ of the choice of χ .

Theorem 2.8. *Assume $\mathbf{K} \not\subset k$.⁶ Suppose that, for every prime v satisfying $v^c = v$ and which ramifies in F/K , we have $v \nmid p$ and E has good reduction at v . For m equal to the number of such v , if $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E(K) + m$ is odd, then*

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E(F) \geq [F : K].$$

Proof. Fix a cyclic extension L/K inside F . If v is a prime of K and $v^c \neq v$, then $\delta_v \equiv \delta_{v^c}$ and hence $\delta_v + \delta_{v^c} \equiv (0, 0) \pmod{2}$ by [5, Lemma 5.1]. If $v^c = v$ and v is unramified in L/K , then v splits completely in L/K by [5, Lemma 6.5 (i)]. It follows that N_{L_w/L'_w} is surjective, and so $\delta_v \equiv (0, 0)$ by Definition 2.2. The remaining primes v are precisely those named in the assumption, so Proposition 2.6 gives $\sum_v \delta_v \equiv (m, m) \pmod{2}$. Thus,

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}[\chi]} E(L)^\times \equiv \text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E(K) + m \pmod{2},$$

and we have assumed that the right-hand side is odd.

From [5, Corollary 3.7], it follows that

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E(F) = \sum_L (\dim_{\mathbf{Q}} \rho_L) \cdot (\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}[\chi]} E(L)^\times).$$

As the previous paragraph applies for every cyclic L/K in F we see from the decomposition of $\mathbf{K}[G]$ that $E(F) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$ contains a submodule isomorphic to $\mathbf{K}[G]$, and the claim follows. \square

3. CM elliptic curves defined over \mathbf{Q} . Here, we will consider the CM elliptic curves E defined over \mathbf{Q} (as in [10, A.3]). For each E , our aim is to determine⁷ examples of dihedral towers $\mathbf{Q} \subset K \subset F$ over which, according to Theorem 2.8, the \mathcal{O} -rank of E grows. As we have assumed $\mathcal{O} \subset \text{End}_K(E)$, we will consider towers in which $K = \mathbf{K}$ (see Section 1). All of our calculations will be done using Sage [11].

Let E_D/\mathbf{Q} be the elliptic curve of minimal conductor⁸ defined over \mathbf{Q} with CM by $K_D = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$. We determine computationally⁹ $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(K_D)$, and for $D = 3$, we see that this group is finite. For $D = 4, 7$, the situation is less certain, as Sage only tells us that $E_D(\mathbf{Q})$ is finite and $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(K_D) \leq 2$. For each of the remaining CM curves E_D defined over \mathbf{Q} , one can (provably) calculate that $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(\mathbf{Q}) = 1$. We also have that $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(K_D) \geq \text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(\mathbf{Q}) = 1$ and $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(K_D)$ cannot be even, so $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E_D(K_D) \geq 1$. For $D = 8, 11, 19, 43, 67$ and 163 , Sage gives an upper bound⁷ of 3 for $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E_D(K_D)$ and so, for these D , we can conclude that in fact $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}} E_D(K_D) = 1$.

3.1. Dihedral extensions of \mathbf{Q} . Recall that p is a fixed odd rational prime. Presently, we also fix $D \in \{3, 4, 7, \dots, 163\}$, and let $E = E_D, K = K_D$. We are interested in abelian extensions F/K which are dihedral over \mathbf{Q} , and these are exactly the extensions contained in the ring class fields of K (see [3, Theorem 9.18]).

Let \mathcal{O}_f be an order in \mathcal{O}_K of conductor f . We have a simple formula for the class number $h(\mathcal{O}_f)$ of \mathcal{O}_f using, for example, [3, Theorem 7.24], and noting that, we have $h(\mathcal{O}_K) = 1$,

$$h(\mathcal{O}_f) = \frac{f}{[\mathcal{O}_K^\times : \mathcal{O}_f^\times]} \cdot \prod_{\text{primes } \ell | f} \left(1 - \left(\frac{-D}{\ell} \right) \frac{1}{\ell} \right).$$

For $D \neq 3, 4$, we have $\mathcal{O}_K^\times = \{\pm 1\}$ and, for $D = 4$, we have $\#\mathcal{O}_K^\times = 4$, so in both of these cases $[\mathcal{O}_K^\times : \mathcal{O}_f^\times]$ is prime to p . For $D = 3$, one can show that $[\mathcal{O}_K^\times : \mathcal{O}_f^\times] = 3$ when $f > 1$. The following paragraphs require only minor adjustments for the case $p = D = 3$.

Taking f to be an odd rational prime such that $(-D/f) = \pm 1$, the class number becomes $h(\mathcal{O}_f) = f \mp 1$, and so the ring class field $H_{\mathcal{O}_f}$ associated to \mathcal{O}_f is an abelian extension of K of degree $f \mp 1$. Thus, for $f \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$, we have a (non-trivial) p -power subextension F/K which is dihedral over \mathbf{Q} .

Next, we need to understand the ramification in F/K . As K has class number 1, we know there are no unramified extensions of K , and so we must ensure that F satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 2.8. A prime v of K ramifies in $H_{\mathcal{O}_f}/K$ if and only if $v \mid f\mathcal{O}_K$ (see, for example, [3, Exercise 9.20] and recall f is odd). If we choose f so that $-D$ is not a square $(\bmod f)$, f is inert in K/\mathbf{Q} , and so $f\mathcal{O}_K$ is prime and, moreover, the only prime that ramifies in $H_{\mathcal{O}_f}/K$. If $f\mathcal{O}_K$ does not ramify in F/K , then the p -extension F/K is contained in the Hilbert class field H_K of K . As $H_K = K$, this is impossible, so $f\mathcal{O}_K$ ramifies in F/K and no other primes ramify in F/K . Taking f such that $f \nmid D$ and $-D$ is a square $(\bmod f)$, we have that f is not inert and does not ramify in K/\mathbf{Q} . As in the previous case, the primes of K above f both ramify in the p -extension F/K contained in $H_{\mathcal{O}_f}$.

Now, suppose $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}}E(K)$ is odd¹⁰. To apply Theorem 2.8, we must have an even number m of primes v such that $v^c = v$, v ramifies in F/K , E has good reduction at v and for which $p \mid \#\tilde{E}(\mathbf{Z}/f\mathbf{Z})$. First, we can guarantee $m = 0$ if the only primes v which ramify in F/K do not satisfy $v^c = v$, e.g., taking $f \nmid D$ with $(-D/f) = 1$. Table 3.1 gives, for each D and for $p = 3, 5, 7$, the smallest prime f which gives an extension of degree p following this recipe. We note that we do not need Proposition 2.5 for this case.

If we wish to allow for primes v satisfying $v^c = v$, we choose two p -extensions F_1 and F_2 from two distinct rational primes f_i as above with $f_i \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ and $(-D/f_i) = -1$, for $i = 1, 2$. The compositum $F = F_1F_2$ will satisfy our requirements. Indeed, firstly F is an abelian p -extension of K and is contained in the ring class field $H_{\mathcal{O}_{f_1f_2}}$, hence dihedral over \mathbf{Q} with only $f_1\mathcal{O}_K$ and $f_2\mathcal{O}_K$ ramifying in F/K . Secondly, as each f_i is inert in K/\mathbf{Q} , each is a supersingular prime for E (this follows from the arguments in Corollary 2.6) and hence p divides $\#\tilde{E}(\mathbf{Z}/f_i\mathbf{Z}) = f_i + 1$. Thus, E and the p -extension F/K satisfy the hypotheses of Theorem 2.8. Table 3.2 below gives, for each D and for $p = 3, 5, 7$, the smallest pair of distinct primes f_1, f_2 which give extensions of degree p^2 following this recipe.

Next, suppose $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{O}}E(K)$ is even.¹¹ In this case, we need m to be odd in order to apply Theorem 2.8. The same ideas as above still work, and in Table 3.3 we list, for each D and for $p = 3, 5, 7$, the smallest prime f for which Theorem 2.8 guarantees $\text{rank} \geq p$.

Remark 3.1. Though there are algorithms in the literature to compute the defining polynomial of a class field (e.g., [2, Section 6], [3, subsection 11-3]) and such computational problems are of interest independently, we make no attempt here to explicitly determine the ring class fields $H_{\mathcal{O}_f}$. As is apparent from Table 3.2, our method of determining a field to which Theorem 2.8 applies involves ring class fields of large degree in a computationally inefficient way.

TABLE 3.1. Case $m = 0$.

D	$p = 3$		$p = 5$		$p = 7$	
	f	$[F : K]$	f	$[F : K]$	f	$[F : K]$
4	13	3	41	5	29	7
7	43	3	11	5	29	7
8	43	3	11	5	43	7
11	31	3	31	5	71	7
19	7	3	11	5	43	7
43	13	3	11	5	127	7
67	103	3	71	5	29	7
163	43	3	41	5	43	7

TABLE 3.2. Case $m = 2$.

D	$p = 3$			$p = 5$			$p = 7$		
	f_1	f_2	$[F : K]$	f_1	f_2	$[F : K]$	f_1	f_2	$[F : K]$
4	11	23	9	19	59	25	83	139	49
7	5	41	9	19	59	25	13	41	49
8	5	23	9	29	79	25	13	167	49
11	2	29	9	29	79	25	13	41	49
19	2	29	9	29	59	25	13	41	49
43	2	5	9	19	29	25	223	349	49
67	2	5	9	79	109	25	13	41	49
163	2	5	9	19	29	25	13	139	49

TABLE 3.3. Case $m = 1$.

	$p = 3$		$p = 5$		$p = 7$	
D	f	$[F : K]$	f	$[F : K]$	f	$[F : K]$
3	17	3	29	5	41	7
4	11	3	19	5	83	7
7	5	3	19	5	13	7

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ENDNOTES

1. Without this assumption, all statements regarding \mathcal{O} -rank of E would be replaced by analogous statements regarding $\mathcal{O} \otimes \mathbf{Z}_p$ -corank of the p^∞ -Selmer group $\text{Sel}_{p^\infty}(E/K)$ of E .

2. The simpler case of p being inert in \mathcal{O} , i.e., $\mathcal{O}/p\mathcal{O}$ is a field, is treated similarly.

3. That $a = 0$ in this case is known (see [10, Exercise 2.30], [4, Section 4, Theorem 10] or [7, Theorem 7.46] for generalization to higher dimensional abelian varieties); we include an argument for completeness.

4. The case $\pi_u = -\sqrt{q}$ follows the same argument.

5. We could instead write that $\dim_{\overline{\mathbf{Q}}}(E(F) \otimes \overline{\mathbf{Q}})^\chi$ is independent of the choice of χ .

6. The case $\mathbf{K} \subset k$ is similar, with m equal to the number of v such that $p \mid \#\tilde{E}(\kappa_v)$.

7. Determined up to the correspondence of class field theory.

8. See [10, page 483], with $f = 1$ (in Silverman's notation), for a Weierstrass equation.

9. Specifically with Sage's interface to John Cremona's 'mwrnk' and Denis Simon's 'simon_two_descent.'

10. The cases $D = 8, 11, \dots, 163$, and possibly $D = 4, 7$.
11. The case $D = 3$, and possibly $D = 4, 7$.

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