

ON THE TATE-SHAFAREVICH GROUPS OVER BIQUADRATIC EXTENSIONS

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Abstract. Let A be an abelian variety defined over a number field K . Let L be a biquadratic extension of K with Galois group G and let $\text{III}(A/K)$ and $\text{III}(A/L)$ denote, respectively, the Tate-Shafarevich groups of A over K and over L . Assuming $\text{III}(A/L)$ is finite, we compute $[\text{III}(A/K)]/[\text{III}(A/L)]$ where $[X]$ is the order of a finite abelian group X .

1. Introduction

Let L/K be a biquadratic extension of number fields with Galois group $G = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$. Write \overline{K} , G_K , M_K , K_v for the algebraic closure of K , $\text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K)$, a complete set of places on K , the completion of K at the place $v \in M_K$, respectively. Fix a place $\tilde{v} \in M_L$ lying above v for each $v \in M_K$. Denote $\text{Gal}(L_w/K_w)$ by G_w for $w \in M_L$.

Let A be an abelian variety defined over K . Define $\text{Res}_{L/K}(A)$ to be the restriction of scalars of A from L to K with a morphism $\phi: \text{Res}_{L/K}(A) \rightarrow A$ defined over L . For the definition and properties of the restriction of scalars, see [6, p.5]. Let φ be a 3-dimensional integral representation of G associated with the quotient G -module $\mathbf{Z}[G]/\mathbf{Z}(1 + \sigma + \tau + \sigma\tau)$ such that

$$\varphi(\sigma) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \varphi(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then there is a twist A_φ of A^3 defined over K with an isomorphism $\tilde{\varphi}: A_\varphi \rightarrow A^3$ defined over L such that $\sigma(\tilde{\varphi}) = \varphi(\sigma) \circ \tilde{\varphi}$.

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The conjecture of Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer predicts the leading coefficient of the Taylor expansion for the L -function attached to A/K at $s = 1$. The conjectured leading coefficient is the product of several algebraic invariants including the order of the Tate-Shafarevich group.

Let $\text{III}(A/K)$ and $\text{III}(A/L)$ denote the Tate-Shafarevich groups of A over K and over L , respectively. We assume throughout that these groups are finite. We write $[X]$ for the order of a finite abelian group X . Note that $\text{Res}_{L/K}(A)$ is isogeneous to $A \times A_\varphi$ over K . But the Tate-Shafarevich group is not an isogeny invariant and in general,

$$[\text{III}(A/L)] \neq [\text{III}(A/K)][\text{III}(A_\varphi/K)].$$

The difference was computed exactly for quadratic extensions in [7, Main Theorem] and for cyclic extensions in [8, Main Theorem]. In this paper we derive a simple formula relating $[\text{III}(A/L)]$, $[\text{III}(A/K)]$ and $[\text{III}(A_\varphi/K)]$ for the biquadratic extension L/K .

Main Theorem. *Assume that the Tate-Shafarevich groups are finite. Let A^\vee be the dual variety of A . Then*

$$\frac{[\text{III}(A/K)][\text{III}(A_\varphi/K)]}{[\text{III}(A/L)]} = \frac{[\widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A^\vee(L))][\text{H}^1(G, A(L))]}{\prod_{v \in M_K} [\text{H}^1(G_{\tilde{v}}, A(L_{\tilde{v}}))]},$$

where \tilde{v} is the fixed place of L lying above v for each $v \in M_K$.

Proof. Because $\text{Ker}(\mathcal{F}) = \text{Ker}(\text{res}_A: \text{III}(A/K) \rightarrow \text{III}(A/L))$, it is obvious from Theorem 1 and Corollary 3. \square

2. Tate-Shafarevich groups over biquadratic extensions

Write res_A for the restriction map $\text{H}^1(K, A) \rightarrow \text{H}^1(L, A)$. From [7, Theorem 6] we have the following equality

$$(1) \quad \frac{[\text{III}(A_\varphi^\vee/L) \cap \text{res}_{A_\varphi^\vee}(\text{H}^1(K, A_\varphi^\vee))]}{[\text{III}(A_\varphi^\vee/K)]} = \frac{[\text{Ker}(\mathcal{F}_0)] \prod_{v \in M_K} [\text{H}^1(G_{\tilde{v}}, A_\varphi^\vee(L_{\tilde{v}}))]}{[\widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A_\varphi(L))][\text{H}^1(G, A_\varphi^\vee(L))]}$$

with the dual abelian variety A_φ^\vee of the abelian variety A_φ and the map $\mathcal{F}_0: \widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A_\varphi(L)) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in M_K} \widehat{\text{H}}^0(G_{\tilde{v}}, A_\varphi(L_{\tilde{v}}))$.

Define 1 to be the identity automorphism on A . Define 4×1 matrix

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } 3 \times 4 \text{ matrix } M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Then we have a}$$

short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{M_1} A^4 \xrightarrow{M_2} A^3 \longrightarrow 0.$$

With the regular representation reg of G , we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{M_1} & A^4 & \xrightarrow{M_2} & A^3 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \text{reg}(\bullet) \downarrow & & \varphi(\bullet) \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{M_1} & A^4 & \xrightarrow{M_2} & A^3 \longrightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

which induces a short exact sequence of abelian varieties over K

$$(2) \quad 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f_1} \text{Res}_{L/K}(A) \xrightarrow{f_2} A_\varphi \longrightarrow 0$$

such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A) & \xrightarrow{f_2} & A_\varphi \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \Phi \downarrow & & \tilde{\varphi} \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{M_1} & A^4 & \xrightarrow{M_2} & A^3 \longrightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

where $\Phi = (\phi, \sigma(\phi), \tau(\phi), \sigma\tau(\phi))$.

Now we have the dual exact sequence of (2)

$$(3) \quad 0 \longrightarrow A_\varphi^\vee \xrightarrow{f_2^\vee} \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee) \xrightarrow{f_1^\vee} A^\vee \longrightarrow 0.$$

From the property of the restriction of scalars $\text{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee)$, we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_\varphi^\vee & \longrightarrow & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee) \\ \parallel & \searrow & \uparrow \\ & A^\vee & \\ & \uparrow p_1 & \\ & (A^\vee)^3 & \\ \parallel & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ A_\varphi^\vee & \longrightarrow & \text{Res}_{L/K}((A^\vee)^3), \end{array}$$

where p_1 is the projection to the first component. Combining the above diagram with (2) and (3), we have the commutative diagram:

$$(4) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & A_\varphi^\vee & \xrightarrow{f_2^\vee} & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee) & \xrightarrow{f_1^\vee} & A^\vee & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A_{\varphi\varphi}^\vee & \longrightarrow & \text{Res}_{L/K}((A^\vee)^3) & \longrightarrow & A_{\varphi\varphi}^\vee & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ & & & & \text{Res}_{L/K}((A^\vee)^2) & \equiv & \text{Res}_{L/K}((A^\vee)^2). & & \end{array}$$

Note that in the commutative diagram (4) the vertical exact sequences split. Thus $A_{\varphi\varphi}^\vee \cong A^\vee \times \text{Res}_{L/K}((A^\vee)^2)$. Now we have the isomorphism $\text{H}^1(G, A_\varphi^\vee(L)) \cong \widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A^\vee(L))$ by computing the long exact sequence:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & \widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A^\vee(L)) & \longrightarrow & \text{H}^1(K, A_\varphi^\vee) & \longrightarrow & \text{H}^1(K, \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee)) \\ & & \uparrow \cong & & \parallel & & \uparrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \text{H}^1(G, A_\varphi^\vee(L)) & \longrightarrow & \text{H}^1(K, A_\varphi^\vee) & \longrightarrow & \text{H}^1(K, \text{Res}_{L/K}((A^\vee)^3)). \end{array}$$

For the local case we get $\text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A_\varphi^\vee(L_{\bar{v}})) \cong \widehat{\text{H}}^0(G_{\bar{v}}, A^\vee(L_{\bar{v}}))$ and thus $[\text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A_\varphi^\vee(L_{\bar{v}}))] = [\text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A(L_{\bar{v}}))]$ because $[\widehat{\text{H}}^0(G_{\bar{v}}, A^\vee(L_{\bar{v}}))] = [\text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A(L_{\bar{v}}))]$ from the local duality theorem(see [7, Theorem 2]).

Similarly we have the isomorphism $\widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A_\varphi(L)) \cong \text{H}^1(G, A(L))$ from the dual diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \longrightarrow & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A) & \longrightarrow & A_\varphi & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & A_{\varphi\varphi} & \longrightarrow & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^3) & \longrightarrow & A_\varphi & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\ & & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^2) & \equiv & \text{Res}_{L/K}(A^2). & & & & \end{array}$$

Note that from the above isomorphism $\widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A_\varphi(L)) \cong \text{H}^1(G, A(L))$, we get $\text{Ker}(\mathcal{F}_0) \cong \text{Ker}(\text{H}^1(G, A(L)) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in M_K} \text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A(L_{\bar{v}})))$.

Theorem 1. *Defining $\mathcal{F}: \text{H}^1(G, A(L)) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in M_K} \text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A(L_{\bar{v}}))$ we have*

$$\frac{[\text{III}(Res_{L/K}(A^\vee)/K) \cap \text{Ker}(f_1^\vee)]}{[\text{III}(A_\varphi/K)]} = \frac{[\text{Ker}(\mathcal{F})] \prod_{v \in M_K} [\text{H}^1(G_{\bar{v}}, A(L_{\bar{v}}))]}{[\widehat{\text{H}}^0(G, A^\vee(L))][\text{H}^1(G, A(L))]}.$$

Proof. From the diagram (4) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{III}(A_\varphi^\vee/L) \cap \text{res}_{A_\varphi^\vee}(\text{H}^1(K, A_\varphi^\vee)) &\cong \text{III}(Res_{L/K}(A^\vee)/K) \cap f_2^\vee(\text{H}^1(K, A_\varphi^\vee)) \\ &= \text{III}(Res_{L/K}(A^\vee)/K) \cap \text{Ker}(f_1^\vee). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the theorem by putting above computation to the equation (1). \square

3. Cassels pairing

When $\text{III}(A/K)$ is finite, there is a canonical pairing

$$\text{III}(A/K) \times \text{III}(A^\vee/K) \longrightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z},$$

which is non-degenerate. This pairing will be called Cassels pairing. For details, see [2], [3, pp.96–99] and [5, p.292].

Let $\langle -, - \rangle_K : \text{III}(A/K) \times \text{III}(A^\vee/K) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}$ be the Cassels pairing for A/K , and let $\langle -, - \rangle_L : \text{III}(A/L) \times \text{III}(A^\vee/L) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}$ be the Cassels pairing for A/L .

Write cores_{A^\vee} for the corestriction map $\text{H}^1(L, A^\vee) \rightarrow \text{H}^1(K, A^\vee)$ (for the definition see [4, p.259]).

Theorem 2. For $a \in \text{III}(A/K)$ and $b^\vee \in \text{III}(A^\vee/L)$

$$\langle a, \text{cores}(b^\vee) \rangle_K = \langle \text{res}(a), b^\vee \rangle_L.$$

Proof. See [7, p.216]. \square

Corollary 3. We get

$$\frac{[\text{III}(Res_{L/K}(A^\vee)/K) \cap \text{Ker}(f_1^\vee)]}{[\text{Ker}_A(\text{res}: \text{III}(A/K) \rightarrow \text{III}(A/L))]} = \frac{[\text{III}(A/L)]}{[\text{III}(A/K)]}.$$

Proof. We have an isomorphism $\text{H}^1(K, Res_{L/K}(A^\vee)) \cong \text{H}^1(L, A^\vee)$ from Shapiro's lemma (see [1, (6.2) Proposition]). From the previous theorem and the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathrm{H}^1(K, \mathrm{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee)) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathrm{H}^1(L, A^\vee) \\
\searrow f_1^\vee & & \downarrow \text{cores} \\
& & \mathrm{H}^1(K, A^\vee),
\end{array}$$

we have the isomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{III}(\mathrm{Res}_{L/K}(A^\vee)/K) \cap \mathrm{Ker}(f_1^\vee) &\cong \mathrm{III}(A^\vee/L) \cap \mathrm{Ker}(\text{cores}) \\
&\cong \mathrm{Hom}(\mathrm{III}(A/L)/\mathrm{res}_A(\mathrm{III}(A/K)), \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}).
\end{aligned}$$

Then from the isomorphism $\mathrm{III}(A/K)/\mathrm{Ker}(\mathrm{res}_A) \cong \mathrm{res}_A(\mathrm{III}(A/K))$, the corollary follows. \square

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