

Isogeny Classes of Abelian Varieties over Finite Fields in the LMFDB



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Abstract This document is intended to summarize the theory and methods behind `fq_isog` collection inside the `ab_var` database in the LMFDB as well as some observations gleaned from these databases. This collection consists of tables of Weil q -polynomials, which by the Honda-Tate theorem are in bijection with isogeny classes of abelian varieties over finite fields.

1 Introduction

The LMFDB (L-Functions and Modular Forms Database) includes a database of isogeny classes of abelian varieties defined over finite fields. This database can be accessed at <https://www.lmfdb.org/Variety/Abelian/Fq/>. The purposes of this paper are on the one hand to document the theoretical results on which these methods depend (Sect. 2) and some of the algorithms used to compile the data (Sect. 3); and on the other hand to extract some observations from the compiled data, including comparison of some statistical data with relevant heuristics (Sect. 4) and collecting some examples pertaining to theorems and conjectures in the literature (Sect. 5).

For small dimension g and prime power $q = p^r$, the database contains searchable lists of complete sets of isogeny classes of abelian varieties of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q . Table 1 shows the range of g and q covered by the database as well as the total number of isogeny classes of a given dimension.

We note that by “Bound on q ” we mean that the set of isogeny classes of abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_q has been computed for every prime power less than or equal to q . In dimensions $g = 1$ and 2 , isogeny classes of abelian varieties defined over \mathbf{F}_q for powers of $2, 3, 5$, and 7 up to 1024 have also been included. The isogeny class count is the total count of isogeny classes in the database, including for q a power of $2, 3, 5$, and 7 up to 1024 in dimensions 1 and 2 .

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Table 1 The number of isogeny classes for each dimension

Dimension	Bound on q	Isogeny class count
1	499	6184
2	211	1,253,897
3	25	1,055,307
4	5	183,607
5	3	281,790
6	2	164,937

For each isogeny class, we report a variety of invariants including the following:

- L-polynomial;
- Newton polygon (and hence p -rank and ordinarity);
- endomorphism algebra;
- Frobenius angles and angle rank;
- whether the isogeny class contains a principally polarized abelian variety or even a Jacobian (when known);
- whether the isogeny class is simple;
- when it is simple, the number field defined by the L-polynomial, and the Galois group of its splitting field;
- when it is not simple, the simple isogeny factors appearing in its decomposition;
- whether the isogeny class is geometrically simple;
- the point counts over small extensions of the base field;
- if the isogeny class contains a Jacobian, the point counts for its curve over small extensions of the base field (if the isogeny class is not known to contain a Jacobian, the same computation is performed and referred to as the point counts of the “virtual curve” associated to this isogeny class);
- whether the isogeny class is a base change of an isogeny class defined over a smaller field (i.e., whether the isogeny class is primitive), and if it is not primitive, the primitive isogeny classes for which it is a base change;
- the twists of the isogeny class: the isogeny classes to which it becomes isogenous after a base change.

Some of the questions we kept in mind in our analysis of the data are:

- How does the number of objects in the database vary with g and q ?
- How are these objects distributed if we sort with respect to the Galois group, Newton polygon, or angle rank?
- How is the number of points on the abelian variety distributed? Does this change if we fix other invariants?
- What are the extreme values of the number of points?

There are, of course, many more questions one can ask, but some would require further data compilation; this is especially true for questions regarding the distinction between Jacobians of curves and more general abelian varieties. We discuss possible future directions of inquiry at the very end of the paper (Sect. 6).

We conclude this introduction by directing the reader to some of the highlights of the paper.

- A tabulation of Galois groups of Weil polynomials (Sect. 4.2). We attempt to explain the results using Malle’s heuristics on the distribution of Galois groups of number fields, but the constants appearing in this method do not fit well with the data.
- Verification of some cases of a conjecture by Pries on the existence of abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_p with prescribed p -ranks (Problem 4.5).
- A list of possible combinations of p -rank, angle rank and Galois groups for a fixed p -rank (Sect. 4.4). This is closely related to the Tate conjecture for abelian varieties, as in the work of Lenstra and Zarhin [LZ93].
- Some analysis of the endomorphisms algebras for abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_q for small g and q , in line with a question of Oort (Sect. 4.5).
- An analysis of point counts on abelian varieties on average over isogeny classes, rather than over isomorphism classes (Sect. 4.6). The data suggests a fit not to the Sato-Tate distribution, but an alternate distribution which we have not found in the literature (called herein the isogeny Sato-Tate distribution).
- A characterization of maximal and minimal abelian varieties, including an explanation of how they are unrelated to maximality and minimality of curves, as well as some open questions regarding simple abelian varieties (Sect. 4.7).
- An example of a supersingular curve of genus 5 in characteristic 3, whose existence we were unable to infer from any general constructions (Example 5.11).
- Some counterexamples against a conjecture by Ahmadi-Sparlinski concerning the angle rank of ordinary Jacobians (Example 5.15).

2 Background

In this section, we recall various standard facts about abelian varieties and their zeta functions.

2.1 Weil Numbers, Characteristic Polynomials of Frobenius, and Zeta Functions

Here we follow [FO08, pg. 9] (up to a sign convention). Let \mathbf{Q}^{alg} be an algebraic closure of \mathbf{Q} , \mathbf{Z}^{alg} be the ring of algebraic integers in \mathbf{Q}^{alg} , and $w \in \mathbf{Z}$. A *Weil q -number of weight w* is an element $\alpha \in \mathbf{Q}^{\text{alg}}$ satisfying:

1. there exists $i \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $q^i \alpha \in \mathbf{Z}^{\text{alg}}$; and
2. for any embedding $\psi : \mathbf{Q}^{\text{alg}} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$, $|\psi(\alpha)| = q^{w/2}$.

Hereafter we only consider Weil q -numbers which are *effective*, meaning that $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}^{\text{alg}}$ (and hence $w \geq 0$).

Such numbers arise from the zeta functions of varieties over finite fields as follows: Let X be a variety over \mathbf{F}_q , a finite field of cardinality q and characteristic p . Then we define

$$Z(X/\mathbf{F}_q, T) := \exp \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \#X(\mathbf{F}_{q^n}) \frac{T^n}{n} \right).$$

For any Weil cohomology theory $X \mapsto H^w(X)$ (e.g., ℓ -adic étale cohomology for $\ell \neq p$, or Berthelot's p -adic rigid cohomology), we have

$$Z(X/\mathbf{F}_q, T) = \prod_{w=0}^{2 \dim(X)} L_w(T)^{(-1)^{1+w}}, \quad L_w(T) := \det(1 - FT | H^w(X)),$$

where $F: X \rightarrow X$ denotes the action of Frobenius.

If X is smooth and proper of dimension n , then the eigenvalues of F on $H^w(X)$ are Weil q -numbers of weight w ; for étale cohomology this is Deligne's theorem [Del74], while for rigid cohomology it follows from Deligne's theorem by a result of Katz–Messing [KM74]. Also, if we define $\zeta(X, s) := Z(X/\mathbf{F}_q, q^{-s})$, then we have a functional equation

$$\zeta(X, n - s) = \pm (q^{n/2} q^{-s})^{\chi_{\text{top}}} \zeta(X, s)$$

which follows from Poincaré duality (see [FK88, §II.1] for the étale case and [Ked06a] for the p -adic case). In the displayed formula above, χ_{top} is the topological Euler characteristic; if X is the reduction of a variety over a number field then χ_{top} is the alternating sum of the Betti numbers of the cohomology of the complex manifold obtained by taking the \mathbf{C} -points of the variety in characteristic zero.

In the special case where $X = A$ is an abelian variety of dimension g , $\dim H^1(A) = 2g$ and $H^w(A) = \wedge^w H^1(A)$ for $w = 0, \dots, 2g$. We summarize this second relation by saying that $L_w(T) = \wedge^w L_1(T)$. We refer to $L_1(T)$ as the *L -polynomial* of A and to its reverse $\det(T - F | H^1(X))$ as the *characteristic polynomial* of A , or the *Weil polynomial* of A . We use these two terms interchangeably throughout the text.

2.2 Weil Polynomials

Define a *Weil q -polynomial* (or Weil polynomial when q is understood) to be a monic polynomial over \mathbf{Z} whose roots are all Weil q -numbers of weight 1. (Since we are exclusively interested in abelian varieties, we consider only Weil q -numbers

of weight 1 in what follows.) A standard first step in classifying Weil polynomials is the following observation left as an exercise to the reader.

Proposition 2.1 *Let $f \in \mathbf{Q}[T]$ be an irreducible polynomial with all real roots. Let $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$ satisfy $f(\beta) = 0$. Choose $q = p^n$ such that for all $\psi: \mathbf{Q}(\beta) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ we have $\psi(\beta)^2 - 4q < 0$. If π is a zero of $T^2 - \beta T + q = 0$, then π is a Weil q -number of weight 1.*

As a converse, we have the following characterization of Weil q -numbers.

Lemma 2.2 (Weil q -number Characterization) *Let π be a Weil q -number of weight 1.*

1. *If $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ has a real embedding, then $\pi = \pm\sqrt{q}$.*
2. *Suppose that $\psi: \mathbf{Q}(\pi) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ is a non-real embedding, then*
 - (a) *$\beta := \pi + q/\pi$ is totally real;*
 - (b) *$\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ is a CM-field with maximal totally real subfield $\mathbf{Q}(\beta)$, and π has no real embeddings;*
 - (c) *π is a solution of $T^2 - \beta T + q$ where $\psi(\beta^2 - 4q) < 0$ for all $\psi: \mathbf{Q}(\pi) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$.*

Proof

1. In this case, $\psi(\pi)^2 = \psi(\pi)\overline{\psi(\pi)} = q$.
2. (a) Since π has absolute value \sqrt{q} in every embedding, q/π is its complex conjugate.
- (b) The fact that $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ is CM is [Hon68, Proposition 4], and the second part follows.
- (c) Consider the equation

$$T^2 - \beta T + q = 0.$$

Let $\gamma = \pi - q/\pi$ and note that $\beta^2 - 4q = \gamma^2$. The quadratic formula gives $\frac{1}{2}(\beta \pm \gamma)$ as the solutions, which simplify to π and q/π . The second half of the statement follows from the fact that π has no real embeddings. \square

2.3 Weil Polynomials and Isogeny Classes of Abelian Varieties

For most classes of varieties over a fixed finite field, among the possible zeta functions consistent with the Weil conjectures, it is difficult to predict in advance exactly which ones occur. However, for abelian varieties, this question is completely solved by the Honda-Tate theorem; we follow the treatment of this result given in [WM71].

Let A and B be abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_q with characteristic polynomials

$$P_A(T) := \det(T - F|H^1(A)), \quad P_B(T) := \det(T - F|H^1(B));$$

these are Weil q -polynomials. The Honda-Tate theorem makes the following assertions:

- P_A divides P_B if and only if B is isogenous (over \mathbf{F}_q) to a product in which A occurs as a factor; in particular, A and B are isogenous if and only if $P_A = P_B$.
- If A is simple, then $P_A = h_A^e$ for some irreducible $h_A(T) \in \mathbf{Z}[T]$ and some positive integer $e = e_A$ which can be read off explicitly from h_A (see below).
- Every irreducible Weil q -polynomial occurs as h_A for some A (which is unique up to isogeny).

We explain the rule for computing e_A for A simple in the context of analyzing the \mathbf{Q} -endomorphism algebra $E := \text{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$. Let π be the class of T in $\mathbf{Q}(\pi) := \mathbf{Q}[T]/(h_A(T))$, and identify π with the action of Frobenius in E . Then E is a division algebra with center $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ and

$$2g = [\mathbf{Q}(\pi) : \mathbf{Q}]e_A, \quad e_A = \sqrt{[E : \mathbf{Q}(\pi)]}.$$

The Brauer invariant $\text{inv}_v(E)$ of E at a place v of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ is given as follows:

- For v finite and not lying above p , $\text{inv}_v(E) = 0$.
- For v finite and lying above p ,

$$\text{inv}_v(E) \equiv -(\log_q |\pi|_v)[K_v : \mathbf{Q}_p] \pmod{\mathbf{Z}}.$$

- For v archimedean, $\text{inv}_v(E) = \frac{1}{2}$ if v is real (which by Lemma 2.2 means $\pi = \pm\sqrt{q}$) and 0 otherwise.

The exponent e_A can now be computed as

$$e_A = \text{lcd}_v\{\text{inv}_v(E)\},$$

where lcd denotes the least common denominator. In particular, $e_A = 1$ whenever A is ordinary or “almost ordinary” (see Sect. 2.4).

2.4 Newton Polygons, p -rank and Ordinarity

Let A be an abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_q and define P_A as in Sect. 2.3. The *normalized Newton polygon* of P_A is the lower convex hull of the set

$$\left\{ \left(i, \frac{\text{ord}_p(a_i)}{\text{ord}_p(q)} \right) : i = 0, \dots, 2g \right\}$$

where $P_A(T) = T^{2g} + a_1 T^{2g-1} + \cdots + a_{2g}$. (This is invariant under base extension.) The normalized Newton polygon of P_A is the graph of a piecewise linear function on $[0, 2g]$ with changes of slope only at integer values. In particular, on each of the intervals $[0, 1], \dots, [2g-1, 2g]$ the function has a unique slope; we call these the *slopes* of $P_A(T)$. For any place v of $K = \mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ above p , the slopes of $P_A(T)$ coincide with the ratios $v(\alpha)/v(q)$ as α varies over the roots of P_A .

The normalized Newton polygon of A satisfies the following properties:

- The left endpoint is $(0, 0)$ and the right endpoint is $(2g, g)$.
- The vertices are all lattice points with nonnegative second coordinate.
- The vertices are symmetric: (i, j) is a vertex if and only if $(2g - i, g - j)$ is a vertex. Equivalently, (i, j) lies above the polygon if and only if $(2g - i, g - j)$ does so.

We say that any convex polygon satisfying these conditions is *eligible in dimension g* . For N, N' two eligible polygons, we write $N \leq N'$ if N' lies on or above N , and $N < N'$ if $N \leq N'$ and $N \neq N'$. The eligible Newton polygons in dimension g form a partially ordered set with unique minimal and maximal elements. The minimal polygon is the one with vertices $(0, 0), (g, 0), (2g, g)$, in which the slopes are 0, 1 (each with multiplicity g); when this occurs we say that A is *ordinary*. If we exclude the ordinary Newton polygon, then there is again a unique minimal polygon, with vertices $(0, 0), (g-1, 0), (g+1, 1), (2g, g)$; when this occurs we say that A is *almost ordinary*, as in [LZ93]. The maximal polygon is the one with vertices $(0, 0), (2g, g)$, in which the slopes are $\frac{1}{2}$ (with multiplicity $2g$); when this occurs we say that A is *supersingular*.

Define the *elevation* of an eligible Newton polygon N in dimension g as the number of lattice points (i, j) with $1 \leq i \leq g, j \geq 0$ which lie strictly below N . (This is not standard terminology.)

Lemma 2.3 *Let N, N' be eligible Newton polygons in dimension g with $N < N'$. Then there exists an eligible Newton polygon N'' in dimension g such that $N < N'' \leq N'$ and the elevation of N'' is one more than that of N .*

Proof Since $N < N'$, there must exist a vertex (i, j) of N lying strictly below N' ; by symmetry, $(2g - i, g - j)$ also lies strictly below N' . Let N'' be the lower convex hull of the set of lattice points lying on or above N exclusive of (i, j) and $(2g - i, g - j)$; this choice has the desired form. \square

Corollary 2.4 *The poset of eligible Newton polygons in dimension g is catenary: any two maximal chains between the same endpoint have the same length (namely the difference in elevation).*

For any positive integer d , by Katz [Kat81] the Newton polygon defines a locally closed stratification on the coarse moduli space $\mathcal{A}_{g,d}$ of g -dimensional abelian varieties equipped with a polarization of degree d^2 .

Theorem 2.5 *Let N be an eligible Newton polygon of dimension g .*

1. *There is a (nonempty) stratum of $\mathcal{A}_{g,d}$ with Newton polygon N .*
2. *Each irreducible component of this stratum has codimension equal to the elevation of N .*
3. *If N is not the supersingular Newton polygon, then the corresponding stratum is geometrically irreducible.*

Proof For the supersingular Newton polygon, this is contained in [LO98, Theorem 4.9]. For general N , apply Lemma 2.3 repeatedly to construct a maximal chain $N_0 < \dots < N_1$ containing N , where N_0 and N_1 are the ordinary and supersingular Newton polygons. By the supersingular case, the length of the chain (which is the elevation of N_1) equals the codimension of each irreducible component of the supersingular stratum.

We now appeal to the de Jong–Oort purity theorem [dJO00, Theorem 4.1], which asserts that the Newton polygon stratification on $\mathcal{A}_{g,d}$ jumps purely in codimension 1. For each Newton polygon N in the chosen chain, the union X_N of all strata corresponding to Newton polygons on or above N is a closed subscheme of $\mathcal{A}_{g,d}$; the codimension of X_N starts at 0 for $N = N_0$, increases by at most 1 at each step, and ends with the elevation of N_1 . Consequently, it must increase by exactly 1 at each step; from this, the first two claims follow. The third claim is a theorem of Chai–Oort [CO11, Theorem A]. \square

2.5 Galois Groups

Let π be a Weil q -number. By Lemma 2.2, either $\pi = \pm\sqrt{q}$ or $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ is CM; assume hereafter that the second case occurs. Write $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)^{\text{gal}}$ for the Galois closure of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ and set $2d = [\mathbf{Q}(\pi) : \mathbf{Q}] = \frac{2g}{e}$. Let $G = \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}(\pi)^{\text{gal}}/\mathbf{Q})$, considered as a subgroup of S_{2d} by its action on the conjugates of π .

Lemma 2.6 *Let G be the Galois group of a Weil q -number π .*

1. *G is a subgroup of $W_{2d} := C_2^d \rtimes S_d$ which acts transitively on the $2d$ roots, where here W_{2d} is the wreath product of C_2 by S_d .*
2. *G contains complex conjugation, which is the unique nontrivial element of the center of W_{2d} .*

Proof The fact that $G \subseteq W_{2d}$ and contains complex conjugation follows from [Dod84, Prop 1.1]. Transitivity follows from the fact that $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ is a field, the claim that the center of W_{2d} has order 2 follows from its presentation as a semidirect product, and that complex conjugation is central is [Hon68, Prop 1 (b)]. \square

Note that we usually have $d = g$. In this case, we conjecture that Lemma 2.6 gives the only constraints on G :

Conjecture 2.7 *Suppose that G is a transitive subgroup of W_{2g} containing complex conjugation. Then there is a Weil q -number π such that $\text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}(\pi)^{\text{gal}}/\mathbf{Q}) \cong G$.*

Note that the condition on containing complex conjugation is necessary: when $g = 4$ there is a transitive subgroup of W_8 (with transitive label $8T14$ and abstractly isomorphic to S_4) that does not contain complex conjugation and thus does not arise as the Galois group of a CM-field.

2.6 Frobenius Angle Rank

For A an abelian variety of dimension g with L -polynomial $L(T) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (1 - \alpha_i T)$, the *angle rank* of A is the quantity

$$\delta(A) = \dim_{\mathbf{Q}}(\text{Span}_{\mathbf{Q}}(\{\arg(\alpha_i) : 1 \leq i \leq 2g\} \cup \{\pi\})) - 1 \in \{0, \dots, g\}.$$

Equivalently, $\delta(A)$ equals the number of multiplicatively independent elements in the set $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2g}, q^{1/2}\}$, which equals the rank of the Frobenius torus associated to A [Chi92].

The angle rank detects multiplicative relations among the roots of L ; these are closely related to exceptional Hodge classes on powers of A .¹ For example, by a theorem of Zarhin [Zar94, Theorem 3.4.3], $\delta(A) = g$ if and only if there are no exceptional Hodge classes on any power of A . On the other end, $\delta(A) = 0$ if and only if A is supersingular; this follows from the fact, proven here in Example 5.1, that an abelian variety A is supersingular if and only if $\pi_A = \zeta \sqrt{q}$ for ζ a root of unity.

Another useful observation is that if A is simple and $0 < \delta(A) < g$, then the inclusion $G \subseteq W_{2d}$ from Lemma 2.6 must be strict, because the action of G preserves \mathbf{Q} -linear relations between π and the $\arg(\alpha_i)$. For a more refined version of this statement, and more about angle rank, see [DKZB21].

2.7 Bounds on Point Counts

Recall that if A is an abelian variety of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q with characteristic polynomial $(T - \alpha_1) \cdots (T - \alpha_{2g})$, then

$$\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) = (1 - \alpha_1) \cdots (1 - \alpha_{2g}).$$

¹A *Hodge class* is an étale cohomology class that is invariant under the twisted action of Frobenius. A Hodge class is *exceptional* if it is not in the ring (under cup product) generated by Hodge classes of weight two. The Tate conjecture states that the space of Hodge classes is spanned by the images of algebraic cycles under the cycle class map to l -adic cohomology. This remains an open problem.

The Weil bound implies

$$(\sqrt{q} - 1)^2 \leq \#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g} \leq (\sqrt{q} + 1)^2;$$

this can be sharpened a bit to give

$$\lceil (\sqrt{q} - 1)^2 \rceil \leq \#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g} \leq \lfloor (\sqrt{q} + 1)^2 \rfloor$$

(see [AHL12, Théorème 1.1] or [AHL13, Corollary 2.2, Corollary 2.14]). For general A , these bounds are best possible: for $g = 1$, it follows from the Honda-Tate theorem (or an earlier theorem of Deuring) that $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)$ can take the values $q + 1 \pm \lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor$, and the same is then true for arbitrary g by taking powers.

In light of the fact (which we just used) that

$$\#(A_1 \times_{\mathbf{F}_q} A_2)(\mathbf{F}_q) = \#A_1(\mathbf{F}_q) \times \#A_2(\mathbf{F}_q),$$

it is natural to separately consider what happens when A is required to be simple. In this case, if we exclude A of low dimension, the Weil bounds can be sharpened further.

Theorem 2.8 ([Kad19, Theorem 2.5]) *If A is simple of dimension $g > 1$, then*

$$\lfloor (\sqrt{q} - 1)^2 \rfloor + 1 \leq \#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g} \leq \lceil (\sqrt{q} + 1)^2 \rceil - 1.$$

Note that this is an improvement on the bound stated earlier when q is a square.

For small q , one can make some additional improvements:

Theorem 2.9 ([Kad19, Theorem 3.2]) *For values of q listed below, one has the following lower and upper bounds on $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g}$ for $g \geq 4$. (More precisely, the bounds hold for all g outside of an explicit finite set of exceptional choices of A , each of which has dimension at most 3; see [Kad19, Table 2, Table 3].)*

q	2	3	4	8	9
lower bound	1	1.359	2.2750	4.635	5.47
upper bound	4.0347	5.6333	7.3818	13.05	14.303

Looking at an asymptotic version of the question, one can see that there is not much room left for potential improvement in these bounds. Building on [AHL13], Kadets has shown the following:

Theorem 2.10 ([Kad19, Proposition 1.4, Theorem 1.6]) *Define*

$$a(q) := \liminf_A \#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g}, \quad A(q) := \limsup_A \#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g},$$

where in both cases A varies over simple abelian varieties of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q . Then

$$\lfloor (\sqrt{q}-1)^2 \rfloor + 1 \leq a(q) \leq \lceil (\sqrt{q}-1)^2 \rceil + 2, \quad \lfloor (\sqrt{q}+1)^2 \rfloor - 2 - q^{-1} \leq A(q) \leq \lceil (\sqrt{q}+1)^2 \rceil - 1.$$

The cases where $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) = 1$ have been classified by Madan–Pal (modulo Remark 2.12).

Theorem 2.11 ([MP77, Theorem 4]) *Suppose that A is simple of dimension g and that $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) = 1$.*

- *We must have $q \leq 4$. (This is easy: if $q \geq 5$, then $\sqrt{q} - 1 > 1$ and the Weil bound implies the claim.)*
- *If $q = 3$ or $q = 4$, then $g = 1$. (For $q = 4$, this is the equality case of the Weil bound. For $q = 3$ a more careful argument is needed.)*
- *If $q = 2$, then the characteristic polynomial of A belongs to an explicit (infinite) list enumerated in op. cit.*

Remark 2.12 In [MP77, Theorem 4], the case $q = 2$ of Theorem 2.11 is asserted modulo a conjecture of Robinson [Rob64]: for n a positive integer and $\zeta_n = e^{2\pi i/n}$, $\zeta_n^2 + 6\zeta_n + 1$ is not a square in $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$ unless $n = 7$ or $n = 30$. This was confirmed by Robinson [Rob77] using a method of Cassels [Cas69] and Loxton [Lox72].

Remark 2.13 A closely related question to Theorem 2.11 is to classify simple abelian varieties A of genus g over \mathbf{F}_q for which $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) = \#A(\mathbf{F}_{q^n})$ for some $n > 1$ (meaning that A acquires no new points over \mathbf{F}_{q^n}). In [Kad19, Corollary 3.4], it is shown (using Theorems 2.8 and 2.9) that this cannot occur for $n \geq 4$; for $n = 3$ it can only occur for $q = 2, g = 1$; and for $n = 2$ it occurs precisely when A is the quadratic isogeny twist (see Definition 3.3) of one of the cases listed in Theorem 2.11.

This in turn implies a corresponding classification for curves over \mathbf{F}_q which acquire no new points over \mathbf{F}_{q^n} , using the classification of function fields of class number one (see Example 5.16).

3 Algorithms

We summarize some of the main algorithms used to compute data about abelian varieties in the LMFDB. The code [DKRV20] used is available at

<https://github.com/LMFDB/abvar-fq>.

3.1 Enumerating Weil Polynomials

We begin with the algorithm for enumerating Weil q -polynomials of fixed degree for a fixed prime power q . This algorithm originated in [AKR10] and was described in more detail in [Ked08, Section 5] and [KS16, Section 2], to which the reader is referred for more details.

Remark 3.1 The code for enumerating Weil polynomials was incorporated into Sage-9.1.beta0 [S⁺20] in January 2020.

As noted earlier, identifying Weil q -polynomials of degree $2g$

$$P(T) = T^{2g} + a_1 T^{2g-1} + \cdots + a_{2g}$$

is equivalent to identifying polynomials of degree g with integer coefficients

$$Q(T) = T^g + b_1 T^{g-1} + \cdots + b_g$$

whose roots are all real and belong to the interval $[-2\sqrt{q}, 2\sqrt{q}]$, via the relation

$$P(T) = T^g Q(T + q/T).$$

In particular, for any integer $i \in \{1, \dots, g\}$, a_1, \dots, a_i uniquely determine b_1, \dots, b_i and vice versa. The strategy is to catalog these polynomials recursively: given a putative choice of a_1, \dots, a_{i-1} (or equivalently b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}), use various techniques to impose necessary conditions on a_i (or equivalently b_i), then recurse on the remaining options. Some of these necessary conditions are as follows:

- Rolle's theorem: the roots of $Q^{(g-i)}(T)$ must all be real and belong to $[-2\sqrt{q}, 2\sqrt{q}]$. This can be verified by computing a subresultant (Sturm-Habicht) sequence.
- Connectivity: the set of values of b_i satisfying the previous condition is either a closed interval or empty.
- Power sums: the i -th power sum of the roots of $P(T)$ must have absolute value at most $q^{i/2}$.
- Descartes's rule of signs: the polynomials $Q(T + 2\sqrt{q})$ and $(-1)^g Q(-2\sqrt{q} - T)$ have all roots real and nonpositive, so their coefficients must be nonnegative.
- Hamburger criterion: for s_0, s_1, \dots the sequence of power sums of Q , the Hankel matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_0 & s_1 & s_2 & \cdots \\ s_1 & s_2 & s_3 & \cdots \\ s_2 & s_3 & s_4 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

is nonnegative definite (equivalently, its principal minors are nonnegative).

- Hausdorff criterion: for all i, j , the sum of $(2\sqrt{q} - x)^i (2\sqrt{q} + x)^j$ as x varies over the roots of Q is nonnegative.

A crucial but counterintuitive point is that while some subsets of these conditions together form sufficient constraints to identify Weil q -polynomials, no subset gives sufficient “on-line” criteria. That is, they cannot be applied directly to detect whether a given sequence a_1, \dots, a_k can be extended to give the coefficients of some Weil polynomial; the conditions can only be checked once a full sequence has been generated. Therefore we impose “more” conditions than are sufficient to cut down the search space as much as possible as early as possible in the computation.

One serious issue with this calculation is that, while it is trivial to check the output for false positives (e.g., Sage has a built-in function `is_weil_polynomial` to test whether a given integer polynomial is a Weil polynomial), it is rather difficult to check for false negatives other than by generating Weil polynomials using another method (e.g., by computing zeta functions of abelian varieties) and checking for their presence. One useful consistency check is to run the computation for $q = 1$, where the answer is known: by Kronecker’s theorem, the irreducible Weil q -polynomials for $q = 1$ are precisely the cyclotomic polynomials. One can also attempt to use the explicit descriptions of the spaces of Weil polynomials given for $g = 3$ in [Hal10], for $g = 4$ in [HS12], and for $g = 5$ in [Soh13]. Our results mostly matched in the $g = 3$ case (we found a few extra non-simple examples), while the conditions in [HS12, Thm. 1.1] and [Soh13, Thm. 2.1] were not actually satisfied by all of the Weil polynomials that we found.

3.2 Point Counts

As noted earlier, for A an abelian variety of dimension g , we have $H^i(A) = \wedge^i H^1(A)$ for $i = 1, \dots, 2g$, so the zeta function of A is determined completely by the L -polynomial $L(T)$. In particular, if we write $L(T) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (1 - \alpha_i T)$, then

$$\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (1 - \alpha_i) = L(1).$$

Similarly, for any positive integer r ,

$$\#A(\mathbf{F}_{q^r}) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (1 - \alpha_i^r) = \text{Res}(L(T), T^r - 1).$$

In particular,

$$\#A(\mathbf{F}_{q^2}) = L(1)L(-1).$$

3.3 Curve Point Counts

If A is isogenous to the Jacobian of a curve C , then the sequence $c_n := \#C(\mathbf{F}_{q^n})$ satisfies

$$\frac{L(T)}{(1-T)(1-qT)} = \exp\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{n} T^n\right).$$

In fact, whether or not A is isogenous to a Jacobian, the sequence c_n consists of integers, which we report as the point counts of a “virtual curve” with Jacobian A . If the c_n violate any known constraints on the point counts of a curve of genus g , then A cannot be isogenous to a Jacobian; these include trivial constraints (such as $c_1 \geq 0$ and $c_{mn} \geq c_n$) and some less trivial ones (e.g., the Ihara bound).

3.4 Base Change, Primitivity and Isogeny Twists

If A is an abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_q , then the Weil polynomials for A and for the base change of A to \mathbf{F}_{q^r} are related as follows.

Proposition 3.2 *Suppose $P(T) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (T - \alpha_i)$ is the Weil polynomial associated to A/\mathbf{F}_q by the Honda-Tate theorem. Then the Weil polynomial associated to the base change of A to \mathbf{F}_{q^r} is*

$$P_r(T) := \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (T - \alpha_i^r).$$

Proof The roots of $P(T)$ are the eigenvalues of the action of the q -Frobenius on $H^1(A)$, and the q^r -Frobenius is just the r th power of the q -Frobenius. \square

Definition 3.3 We say that A is *primitive* if A is not isogenous to the base change of any abelian variety defined over a subfield of \mathbf{F}_q . We say that two abelian varieties A and B are *isogeny twists* if they become isogenous after some finite extension of \mathbf{F}_q . The *isogeny twist class* of A is the set of isogeny twists of A .

Corollary 3.4 *If A and B are simple abelian varieties of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q with associated Weil numbers α and β , then A and B are isogeny twists if and only if $\alpha = \zeta\beta$ for some root of unity ζ .*

We use various methods for computing $P_r(T)$. The simplest is to just factor $P(T)$ approximately over \mathbf{C} , raise each root to the r th power and then recognize the coefficients of the product as integers. In order to make this approach rigorous, one needs to use ball arithmetic in \mathbf{C} and increase the precision if there are multiple integers within the error bounds for any coefficient.

The second approach is to symbolically express the coefficients of $P_r(T)$ as polynomials in the coefficients of $P(T)$ using Newton's identities to change basis between elementary symmetric polynomials and power sums. For small values of r the resulting transformation is not difficult to compute but for values of r larger than about 10 the memory footprint of the algorithm grows rapidly. We therefore only use this approach for smooth values of r , where cached transformations can be repeatedly applied to compute the overall base change.

Finally, the base change can be computed using polynomials over the cyclotomic field $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_r)$. In particular, we can use the identity

$$P_r(T^r) = \prod_{i=0}^{r-1} P(\zeta_r^i T)$$

to determine $P_r(T)$. An equivalent approach is to compute $P_r(T)$ as the resultant of $P(U)$ and $U^r - T$.

Since we are enumerating Weil polynomials for many q , we can use these methods for computing base changes to easily determine which isogeny classes are primitive, and to find primitive models for those which are not. We simply compute all base changes from \mathbf{F}_q to \mathbf{F}_{q^r} when both prime powers are contained in the database.

Determining which abelian varieties are isogeny twists of each other is a little more difficult. The condition in Corollary 3.4 is difficult to determine directly from Weil polynomials. We can improve it slightly as follows.

Proposition 3.5 *Two simple abelian varieties A and B are isogenous over $\overline{\mathbf{F}}_q$ if and only if there exists a number field K containing Galois conjugates π'_A and π'_B of π_A and π_B such that $\pi'_A \mathcal{O}_K = \pi'_B \mathcal{O}_K$.*

Proof The requirement that π'_A and π'_B generate the same ideal is equivalent to $\pi'_A = u\pi'_B$ for some unit $u \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Then u has absolute value 1 at every finite place, and because $|\pi'_A|_v = |\pi'_B|_v = \sqrt{q}$ for every infinite place v , u has absolute value 1 at every infinite place as well. Therefore u is a root of unity by Kronecker and we may invoke Corollary 3.4. \square

This result is not sufficient for our purposes for two reasons. First, it seems to require computations in Galois closures since we need to work with arbitrary conjugates of π'_A and π'_B . Second, as with Corollary 3.4, it only applies when both

A and B are simple, yet it is possible for a simple abelian variety to be a isogeny twist of a non-simple one.

Instead, we break up the set of isogeny classes for each g and q into clusters based on invariants, then use a pairwise test to further refine these clusters into isogeny twist classes. Isogeny twists will have the same slopes and the same geometric endomorphism algebra, whose computation we describe in the next section. These two invariants are sufficient to divide up isogeny classes into clusters whose size is already usually in the single digits, and is at most several hundred for the values of g and q that we consider. We then use the following result for each pair of isogeny classes in the cluster.

Proposition 3.6 ([CMSV19, Sec. 7.2]) *Suppose A and B are abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_q with Weil polynomials $P(T)$ and $Q(T)$. If there is an isogeny from A to B defined over \mathbf{F}_{q^r} then the cyclotomic polynomial $\Phi_r(T)$ divides the resultant $\text{Res}_z(P(z), z^{2g}Q(T/z))$.*

If we set m to be the least common multiple of the orders of all cyclotomic polynomials dividing this resultant, then we can determine whether A and B are isogeny twists by computing the base changes $P_m(T)$ and $Q_m(T)$ and checking for equality. Note that to find the product of all cyclotomic polynomials dividing a given polynomial, it is not necessary to factor it fully; there is a more efficient algorithm of Beukers–Smyth [BS02, §2] that finds cyclotomic factors using the Euclidean algorithm. (In Sage, a polynomial over \mathbf{Q} has a method `cyclotomic_part` implementing this algorithm.)

3.5 Endomorphism Algebras

The method for determining the Brauer invariants of the endomorphism algebra $\text{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ is described in Sect. 2.3; given an irreducible Weil polynomial h_A these invariants give the power e_A such that $h_A^{e_A}$ is the characteristic polynomial of an isogeny class of abelian varieties over a finite field. We can also use Proposition 3.6 with $B = A$ to find all possible extension degrees where the endomorphism algebra might change, and then compute the endomorphism algebra anew for each such base change. These two results allow us to, for an isogeny class defined over a finite field \mathbf{F}_q , give the endomorphism algebra of the base change of this isogeny class over any finite extension of \mathbf{F}_q .

We refer to the minimal extension over which all endomorphisms are defined as the *endomorphism field*; one can search the database by degree of the endomorphism field, which we call the *endomorphism degree*.

For the convenience of the reader, we now explain how to describe the endomorphism algebra of a simple isogeny class A over a finite field \mathbf{F}_q given its Brauer invariants and its characteristic polynomial. This is enough to describe the endomorphism algebra of any isogeny class, as, if A is isogenous to an abelian variety

$$A_1^{n_1} \times A_2^{n_2} \times \cdots \times A_r^{n_r}$$

where each A_i is simple and A_i is not isogenous to A_j if $i \neq j$, then

$$\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q) \cong M_{n_1}(\mathrm{End}(A_1/\mathbf{F}_q)) \times \cdots \times M_{n_r}(\mathrm{End}(A_r/\mathbf{F}_q)).$$

Assume now that A is simple. We begin by determining the center of the endomorphism algebra of A : If the characteristic polynomial is $h_A^{e_A}$ for h_A irreducible, then the center of $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ is the field $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$ generated by π_A . We then compute the degree of $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ over its center. Its square root is given by the order of the class of $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ in the Brauer group of its center, by Tate [Tat66, p. 142]. By the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Br}(F_A) \rightarrow \bigoplus_v \mathrm{Br}(F_{A,v}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z} \rightarrow 0,$$

where $F_A = \mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$, this is the least common denominator of the Brauer invariants of $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$, or more simply put, e_A .

To complete our description of $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$, we note that by Tate [Tat66, Theorem 2 and its proof], if $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$ has a real place, then either $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A = \mathbf{Q}$ and $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ is the quaternion algebra over \mathbf{Q} that is ramified at p and ∞ , or $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ and $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ is the quaternion algebra over $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ ramified at both real places and nowhere else.

Otherwise, $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$ is totally complex. If $e_A = 1$, then $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q) = \mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$. Otherwise, $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ is ramified only at places dividing p , and we identify the isomorphism class of $\mathrm{End}^0(A/\mathbf{F}_q)$ by its degree over $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$ and its Brauer invariants at the places above p in $\mathbf{Q}[x]/h_A$.

3.6 Principal Polarizations

A priori, the isogeny class associated to a Weil polynomial consists of unpolarized abelian varieties. In particular, to show how polarizations may vary within an isogeny class, we remind the reader of the following standard facts:

1. For $g \geq 2$ and over an algebraically closed field, every abelian variety is isogenous to one that is principally polarizable.
2. For every field, there exist abelian varieties defined over that field which are not principally polarizable. For example, over an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero, there is a simple proof that every principally polarizable abelian variety is isogenous to an abelian variety without a principal polarization.² However, this last fact is not true in general, see Example 5.10.

²See <https://mathoverflow.net/questions/16992/non-principally-polarized-complex-abelian-varieties>.

3. Polarization also behaves poorly under decomposition into isogeny factors: An abelian variety can be principally polarizable without all of its isogeny factors being principally polarizable. See [How95, Example 13.8] or 3.2.ac_c_ad, which contains a Jacobian whose two-dimensional factor is not principally polarizable.

The takeaway from these facts is that the quality of admitting a principal polarization is not an isogeny invariant. Therefore in the database, when we say that an isogeny class is principally polarizable, we mean that there exists some abelian variety in the class which is principally polarizable.

Of the 2,945,722 isogeny classes in the database, there are only 3037 such that we cannot determine if the class has a principal polarization. These isogeny classes all occur in dimension greater than 3: 358 are in dimension 4, 515 are in dimension 5, and 2164 are in dimension 6.

We now discuss methods for determining when an isogeny class is principally polarizable. This code was provided by Howe; the version we use is implemented in the `has_principally_polarizable` function [DKRV20].

For simplicity, the algorithm considers only the case of simple abelian varieties. We note that since an isogeny class is principally polarizable when all of its isogeny factors are, the database does indicate that a nonsimple isogeny class is principally polarizable when all of its factors are. We remind the reader however that, as remarked above, the converse is not true, which does mean that certain non-simple cases are currently completely out of the reach of our implemented tests, and might be principally polarizable even though not all of their factors are.

Our algorithm depends on the dimension of the isogeny class: In the case $g = 1$, every isogeny class is principally polarizable. In the case $g = 2$, we apply a result of [HMNR08], which tests for principal polarizations based on a condition on the coefficients of the Weil polynomial. These conditions are that an isogeny class is *not* principally polarizable if and only if $a_1^2 - a_2 = q$, $a_2 < 0$, and every prime divisor of a_2 is 1 mod 3.

We now list the collection of tests that are implemented in the database in higher dimension. First, if g is odd and A is simple then its isogeny class is principally polarizable, which takes care of $g = 3$ and $g = 5$.

In addition, in the ordinary case, we can completely determine whether an isogeny class is principally polarizable, using Corollary 11.4 and Proposition 11.5 of [How95]. We note that the details of the proofs are given in §14 of [How93] for readers who would like to see them. The test relies on the fact that in the ordinary case, $N_K/\mathbf{Q}(\pi - q/\pi)$ is always a square and we can consider its positive square root N . If $q > 2$, there is a principally polarized variety in the isogeny class if and only if $N \equiv (\text{coeff of } T^g) \pmod{q}$. If $q = 2$, we have a similar congruence condition but for a power of 2: there is a principally polarized abelian variety in the isogeny class if and only if $N \equiv (\text{coeff of } T^g) \pmod{2^2}$.

Remark 3.7 In [How95], Howe gives an algorithm for determining when an ordinary isogeny class (simple or not) contains a principally polarizable variety, but the non-simple case has not been implemented yet and we did not implement it for the database.

Remark 3.8 Howe has explained to us that the congruence conditions come from wanting to determine if N , the positive square root of $N_{K/\mathbf{Q}}(\pi + q/\pi)$, is the same as the square root specified by certain p -adic conditions. The result is then explained by the fact that the middle coefficient of the Weil polynomial is congruent modulo q to the square root specified by the p -adic conditions. When $q > 2$, the congruence is enough to compare the signs of the two square roots. However, when $q = 2$ we have $1 \equiv -1 \pmod{2}$, which explains the need to work modulo 4.

Finally, in even dimension, we verify some conditions on the field K generated by the Weil q -number π to allow us to determine if certain isogeny classes are principally polarizable (this is [How96, Theorem 1.1]). First, if K is totally real then the class is principally polarizable. (Although if $g \geq 4$ and A is simple, K is always a CM field.) Otherwise, K is a CM field. To set up the notation we will need, let $P(T)$ be the characteristic polynomial of an isogeny class of abelian varieties. Write $P(T) = h(T)^e$ for h irreducible; then h is the minimal polynomial of a Weil q -number π . Let $K = \mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ and $K_+ = \mathbf{Q}(\pi + q/\pi)$ be the CM field and its totally real subfield, respectively. Then we know that there is a principally polarizable abelian variety in the isogeny class associated to $P(T)$ if either K/K_+ is ramified at a finite prime, or there is a prime of K_+ that divides $\pi - q/\pi$ and is inert in K/K_+ . We note that this second condition requires some work to test for, and we use the fact that a prime is inert in K/K_+ if and only if the prime ideal is equal to its complex conjugate to do so.

3.7 Jacobian Testing

Given a characteristic polynomial, to test if there exists a Jacobian with this characteristic polynomial, we apply six results from Howe and Lauter's Magma package <http://ewhowe.com/Magma/IsogenyClasses.magma>. (They were re-implemented for the LMFDB by Howe.) This code accompanies the paper [HL12]; see especially Sect. 6 of the article for a high-level overview of the software. In addition, the comments in the code are excellent, so rather than repeat an explanation of the tests, we refer the reader to these two excellent references. We note that currently the LMFDB does not implement positive Jacobian testing in genus 4 and higher.

3.8 Angle Rank

We have two algorithms to compute the angle rank of an isogeny class of abelian varieties: one that is numerical, and one that is algebraic and therefore yields a provably true answer. In the current version of the LMFDB, the angle rank $\delta(A)$ is computed numerically using lattice basis reduction.

This is done in the following way: We first approximate the roots α_i of the characteristic polynomial $P(T)$ numerically as pairs of floats (the real and imaginary parts of the number). We then pair each root α_i to its complex conjugate (which is also a root of $P(T)$) and retain only one number from each pair of complex conjugates, as we know that $\arg(\alpha_i)/2\pi$ and $\arg(\bar{\alpha}_i)/2\pi$ have a linear relation over \mathbf{Q} . Following this, we compute $\arg(\alpha_i)/2\pi$ numerically (using the principal branch of the logarithm) for the g remaining α_i to get values t_1, \dots, t_g . Finally, to determine the dimension of the \mathbf{Q} -span of the appropriate set (the reader can go to Sect. 2.6 for a reminder of the definition of angle rank), we apply an LLL algorithm with a certain precision to the tuple $[t_1, \dots, t_g, 1]$ (PARI's `linddep`). Note that in these computations the branch of the logarithm chosen for the computations does not matter because we eventually take a \mathbf{Q} -vector space span with 1.

For the sake of completeness, we present below the algebraic algorithm yielding a provably true answer as well. Roughly speaking, the algorithm relies on expressing the roots of $P(T)$ in a common generating set for some S -units of the splitting field of $P(T)$. It would of course have been preferable to use this algorithm in the database instead, but at the time this computation was performed for the database (2015), the implementation of the software computing S -units in Sage was not fast enough to deploy on the full database. See Sect. 6.1 for a possible workaround.

We now present the algebraic algorithm: Let A be an abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_q where $q = p^a$. Let K be the splitting field of $P(T) = P_A(T) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (T - \alpha_i)$. For the computation of the angle rank we consider

$$\Gamma = \langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{2g} \rangle,$$

the multiplicative subgroup of K^\times generated by the roots of $P_A(T)$. In order to compute $\delta(A)$ we use the fact that

$$\mathrm{rk}(\Gamma) = \delta(A).$$

The first two authors discuss the group Γ in the sister paper [DKZB21], where some explicit relations are computed. Let $S = \{P \in \mathrm{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_K) : P|p\}$ be the collection of primes of K above p . The key observation is that Γ is a subgroup of the group of S -units of K :

$$\Gamma \leq \mathcal{O}_{K,S}^\times.$$

Using Sage we can then compute generators³ for $\mathcal{O}_{K,S}^\times$:

$$\mathcal{O}_{K,S}^\times = \langle \zeta, u_1, \dots, u_r \rangle$$

³The particular function we use was written by Cremona: http://doc.sagemath.org/html/en/reference/number_fields/sage/rings/number_field/unit_group.html. We also remark that there is an additional quite large bottleneck in this algorithm due to the need to compute the splitting field of the characteristic polynomial.

where ζ is a root of unity generating the torsion part of $\mathcal{O}_{K,S}^\times$ and u_1, \dots, u_r are of infinite order, and attempt to compute the rank of Γ in this basis, before proceeding, however, we eliminate the torsion part of Γ , if any. Let m be the cardinality of the group of roots of unity in K^\times . Then to compute the rank of Γ it suffices in fact to compute the rank of $\Gamma^m = \langle \alpha_1^m, \dots, \alpha_{2g}^m \rangle$, since

$$\mathrm{rk}(\Gamma) = \delta(A_{\mathbf{F}_q}) = \delta(A_{\mathbf{F}_{q^m}}) = \mathrm{rk}(\Gamma^m).$$

Here, the equality of angle ranks follows from the fact that δ computes \mathbf{Q} -linear relations, and $\arg(\alpha)/2\pi$ and $\arg(\beta)/2\pi$ have a \mathbf{Q} -linear relation if and only if $\arg(\alpha^m)/2\pi$ and $\arg(\beta^m)/2\pi$ do.

We then write each α_i^m in terms of the generating elements u_j , and obtain a vector of exponents with integer coefficients. We then form a $r \times 2g$ matrix Y whose columns are these vectors, and the rank of this matrix gives us our answer:

$$\mathrm{rk}(Y) = \delta(A_{\mathbf{F}_q}) + 1.$$

We note that the explicit relations in Γ mentioned above are derived from the matrix Y ; several examples of these computations can be found in [DKZB21].

4 Statistics vs. Heuristics

This database naturally invites investigation of the following motivating questions:

- How does the number of objects in the database vary with q and g ?
- How about if we sort by the Galois group of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$, the Newton polygon, or the angle rank?
- How is the number of points on the abelian variety distributed?
- What are the extreme values of the number of points?

In this section, we gather the data available in the database and informing these questions, and compare it to the predictions given by heuristics.

4.1 The Number of Isogeny Classes

In order to set bounding boxes for our data collection, we needed to estimate

$$N(g, q) = \text{number of isogeny classes of } g\text{-dimensional abelian varieties over } \mathbf{F}_q.$$

We initially chose the limits described in Table 1 using an incorrect estimate on the growth of $N(g, q)$: Believing that $N(g, q)$ grows like $q^{g(g+1)/2}$ (rather than the correct asymptotic $q^{g(g+1)/4}$; see below), for each g we included data for q with $q^{g(g+1)/2} \leq 10^7$ to bound the number of isogeny classes per pair (g, q) .⁴ We later extended the bounds in order to include more fields of small characteristic in dimension up to 3, and to make the range of included q contiguous in dimension 3.⁵

We now give a more careful analysis that better models the numerical data that we have observed for $N(g, q)$. Since by Honda-Tate these isogeny classes are in bijection with characteristic polynomials, one reasonable heuristic is to count Weil q -polynomials of degree $2g$. This amounts to counting lattice points in the set of $(a_1, \dots, a_g) \in \mathbf{R}^g$ for which the polynomial

$$T^g + a_1 T^{g-1} + \dots + a_g$$

has all roots in the interval $[-2\sqrt{q}, 2\sqrt{q}]$; it is reasonable to approximate this count by the volume of the region. This volume has been computed by DiPippo and Howe [DH98, Proposition 2.2.1]:⁶ it equals

$$\left(\frac{2^g}{g!} \prod_{i=1}^g \left(\frac{2i}{2i-1} \right)^{g+1-i} \right) q^{g(g+1)/4}. \quad (4.1)$$

This turns out to be a good prediction in practice; see Table 2 for some examples.

For the sake of completeness, we note two facts: First, according to [DH98], for q large compared to g , the dominant contribution to the count is from ordinary abelian varieties. Secondly, to obtain the number of ordinary isogeny classes from the formula for the total number of isogeny classes, we simply multiply by a factor of $\varphi(q)/q$.

Table 2 Predicted versus actual values for the number of isogeny classes of ordinary/arbitrary abelian varieties of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q

g	q	Ordinary		Arbitrary	
		Predicted	Actual	Predicted	Actual
3	25	284,444	284,740	355,556	332,166
4	5	104,025	105,600	130,032	132,839
5	3	170,796	171,180	256,194	267,465
6	2	72,362	74,122	144,724	164,937

⁴We also included $(5, 3)$, where $q^{g(g+1)/2} \approx 1.4 \cdot 10^7$, and we only included q up to 500 for $g = 1$, rather than 10^7 .

⁵Namely, we added powers of 2, 3, 5, 7 up to 1024 for $g \in \{1, 2\}$, and raised the bound for $g = 3$ from 13 to 25.

⁶We remark that the bounds used in *op. cit.* are also related to the original iterator described in [Ked08] which some reader might find enlightening.

Table 3 Predicted versus actual (least squares) values for the equation $\log N(g, q) = a \log(q) + b$

g	a		b	
	Predicted	Actual	Predicted	Actual
1	0.5	0.4971	1.3863	1.3717
2	1.5	1.4178	2.3671	2.5302
3	3	2.9135	3.1248	3.2598
4	5	4.5452	3.7283	4.2707
5	7.5	7.2188	4.2141	4.5660

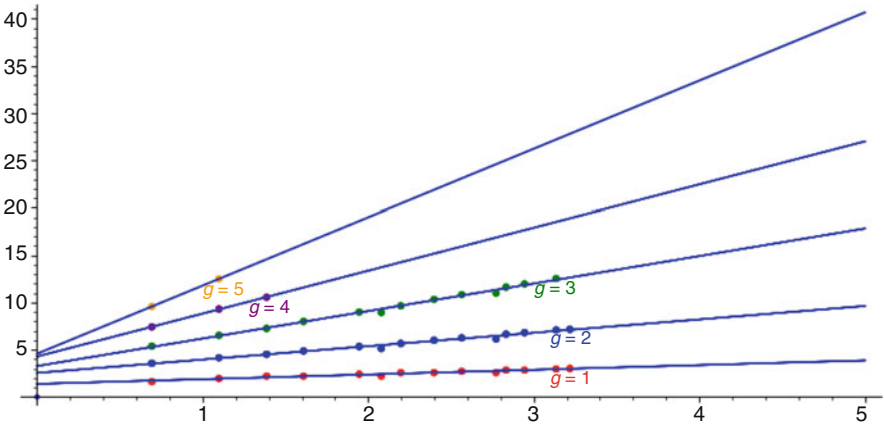


Fig. 1 Plots of $(\log q, \log N(g, q))$ for each g and $q \leq 27$ in the database. The least square values of $\log N(g, q) = a \log q + b$ are given in Table 3

Another way to evaluate our prediction for $N(g, q)$ is to make a least-squares fit for values a, b such that $\log N(g, q) \approx a \log q + b$. The results are given in Table 3. The log-log plot of q vs $N(g, q)$ is given in Fig. 1.

While we do not yet have data for isomorphism classes (see Sect. 6.3), it is worth noting that one can derive heuristics for counts of isomorphism classes within an isogeny class using Oort’s theory of *isogeny leaves* in moduli spaces of abelian varieties [Oor09].

4.2 Galois Groups

Let $P(T)$ be the characteristic polynomial of an isogeny class of abelian varieties, and $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)^{\text{gal}}$ be the splitting field of P over \mathbf{Q} . How can one expect $\text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}(\pi)^{\text{gal}}/\mathbf{Q})$ to be distributed as the isogeny class varies? To answer this question, we need to explain Malle’s conjecture [Mal02, Mal04] and the invariant $a(G)$ for a finite group $G \subseteq S_n$. The exposition given here follows the treatment in [Mal02] (see the introduction for example). Given $g \in S_n$ we define

$$\text{index}(g) = n - \text{\#number of cycles in the cycle decomposition of } g.$$

We then define

$$a(G) = \frac{1}{\min\{\text{index}(g) : g \in G \setminus 1\}}.$$

Example 4.1

1. $\text{index}((12)(34)) = 4 - 2 = 2$
2. $a(S_4) = 1$
3. $a(D_4) = 1$
4. $a(A_4) = 1/2$
5. $a(C_4) = 1/2$

Let K be a number field, and n be an integer. We define the following counting functions for number fields L of degree n over K :

$$N_{K,n}(X) = \#\{L : [L : K] = n, |\text{Disc}(L/K)| \leq X\},$$

$$N_{K,n,G}(X) = \#\{L : [L : K] = n, |\text{Disc}(L/K)| \leq X, \text{Gal}(L^{\text{gal}}/K) = G\}.$$

First, we have Linnik's conjecture (c.f. *op. cit.*) that there exists a constant $c_0 = c_0(K, n)$ such that

$$N_{K,n}(X) \sim c_0 X \text{ as } X \rightarrow \infty. \quad (4.2)$$

Next, the (weak) Malle conjecture states that for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist constants $c_1, c_{2,\varepsilon}$ such that

$$c_1 X^{a(G)} < N_{K,n,G}(X) < c_{2,\varepsilon} X^{a(G)+\varepsilon}. \quad (4.3)$$

Assuming these conjectures, given a base field K , we can describe how the proportion of extensions with Galois group G should behave on a log-log scale:

Lemma 4.2 *Assuming Eqs. (4.2) and (4.3) we have*

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N_{K,n,G}(X)}{\log N_{K,n}(X)} = a(G).$$

Proof Assume the Malle and Linnik conjectures. We will prove the upper bound and omit the proof of the lower bound as it is similar and easier. Since $N_{K,n}(X) \sim c_0 X$, there exists some $\varepsilon_1(X)$, approaching zero as $X \rightarrow \infty$, such that $N_{K,n}(X) = c_0 X(1 + \varepsilon_1(X))$. Applying Malle's conjecture, we then have, for all $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\frac{\log N_{K,n,G}(X)}{\log N_{K,n}(X)} < \frac{a(G) + \varepsilon + \frac{\log c_{2,\varepsilon}}{\log(X)}}{1 + \frac{\log c_0}{\log(X)} + \frac{\log(1+\varepsilon_1(X))}{\log(X)}} \rightarrow a(G) + \varepsilon \text{ as } X \rightarrow \infty.$$

This proves that for all $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N_{K,n,G}(X)}{\log N_{K,n}(X)} < a(G) + \varepsilon,$$

and hence

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N_{K,n,G}(X)}{\log N_{K,n}(X)} \leq a(G).$$

A simpler bound using the lower end of Malle’s conjecture proves

$$a(G) \leq \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N_{K,n,G}(X)}{\log N_{K,n}(X)},$$

which gives the result. □

Because of this result, we might expect that a group G should appear as $\text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}(\pi)^{\text{gal}}/\mathbf{Q})$ with frequency such that the log-log ratios have a limiting value for each G as $q \rightarrow \infty$. While this does seem to be the case, the precise value of these ratios does not seem to coincide with Malle’s constant $a(G)$, and seems to be more complicated. Table 4 shows them for $g = 3$. If we let $\tilde{a}(G)$ denote these limits, to the authors it seems that

$$\tilde{a}(6\text{T}11) = 1, \quad \tilde{a}(6\text{T}3) = \tilde{a}(6\text{T}6) \approx 3/5, \quad 1/10 \leq \tilde{a}(6\text{T}1) \leq 3/10,$$

and we have no theoretical explanation for why this is the case. We do note that there seems to be some partial progress on these type of conditional Malle distributions in [BSMT17].

Remark 4.3 Alternatively, it may be the case that these distributions fit closer to a “polynomials-in-a-box” distribution. The study of the Galois group of a random polynomial goes back to van der Waerden [vdW36], and an excellent summary (and further developments) is given in [Zyw10]. One can prove (see [BSK20]) that the number of monic polynomials of degree d which are irreducible and have

Table 4 For $g = 3$ we have plotted $\log N(g, q, G)/\log N(g, q)$. Observe the phenomena for 6T1 at powers of 3. Also, note that none of these can possibly be $a(G)$ for some G , which must be of the form $1/n$ for $1 \leq n \leq 2g = 6$ (as these numbers are 1.00, 0.50, 0.33, 0.25, 0.20, 0.16)

Group\q	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	11	13
6T1	0.31636	0.11844	0.26715	−∞	0.30254	0.23744	0.14698	0.25954	0.28031
2T1	−∞	−∞	−∞	−∞	−∞	0.079146	−∞	−∞	−∞
6T3	0.60225	0.59221	0.66064	0.58783	0.60854	0.54666	0.63575	0.57555	0.60162
6T11	0.88343	0.96285	0.97157	0.98768	0.99256	0.99380	0.99424	0.99707	0.99743
6T6	0.60225	0.60257	0.58913	0.59649	0.58877	0.60836	0.58708	0.59022	0.59007

coefficients in $[-L/2, L/2]$ is asymptotic to L^d . Let's call this number $B_d(L)$. If we let $B_{d,G}(L)$ be the number of monic irreducible polynomials with coefficients in $[-L/2, L/2]$ with Galois group G , then in analogy with Malle one could naively guess that for every group G transitive on d elements, there exists some $\alpha(G) \leq 1$ such that for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist constants c_1 and $c_{2,\varepsilon}$ and $R > 0$ such that for every $L > R$ one has

$$c_1 L^{d\alpha(G)} < B_{d,G}(L) < c_{2,\varepsilon} L^{d(\alpha(G)+\varepsilon)}.$$

If such constants exist, is it the case that $\tilde{\alpha}(G) = \alpha(G)$?

4.3 Newton Polygons Data and p -rank Strata

As discussed in Sect. 2.4, for any given positive integer d , the coarse moduli space $\mathcal{A}_{g,d}$ of g -dimensional abelian varieties equipped with a polarization of degree d^2 admits a locally closed stratification by Newton polygons, in which the stratum corresponding to an individual polygon is equidimensional of codimension equal to the elevation of the polygon. A reasonable guess is that for any given eligible Newton polygon P in dimension g , the proportion of isogeny classes of abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_q with Newton polygons lying on or above P is cq^{-e} where e is the elevation of P and c is the number of geometrically irreducible components of the stratum over \mathbf{F}_q . By Theorem 2.5, $c = 1$ unless P is the supersingular stratum; in the supersingular case the stratum is reducible and not all irreducible components may be defined over \mathbf{F}_q , but it is guaranteed that $c > 0$ [Yu17]. One can even give an explicit formula for c when $q = p$ [Ibu18, Thm. 4.6].

For example, in dimension 3 the Newton polygons are linearly ordered (see Fig. A.1). In Fig. 2, we give a plot of

$$\log_q \left(\frac{N(3, q, P)}{N(3, q)} \right)$$

for each of the five possible Newton polygons, where $N(g, q, P)$ is the number of isogeny classes with Newton polygon on or above P , and $N(g, q)$ is the total number of isogeny classes. Note that the values for q prime agree quite well with the discussion above, while for non-prime q there are more isogeny classes in the smaller strata than expected. We have no explanation for this behavior. Moreover, the supersingular stratum lies consistently above -4 and $\log_q (N(3, q, P)/N(3, q))$ is increasing with q , suggesting that the number of geometrically irreducible components increases as some nonzero power of q .

Remark 4.4 In dimension 4, every Newton polygon stratum in $\mathcal{A}_{4,1}$ occurs for the Jacobian of some curve. For strata of codimension at least 2 this is implied by Shankar and Tsimerman [ST18, Proposition 2.4]; this leaves only the ordinary

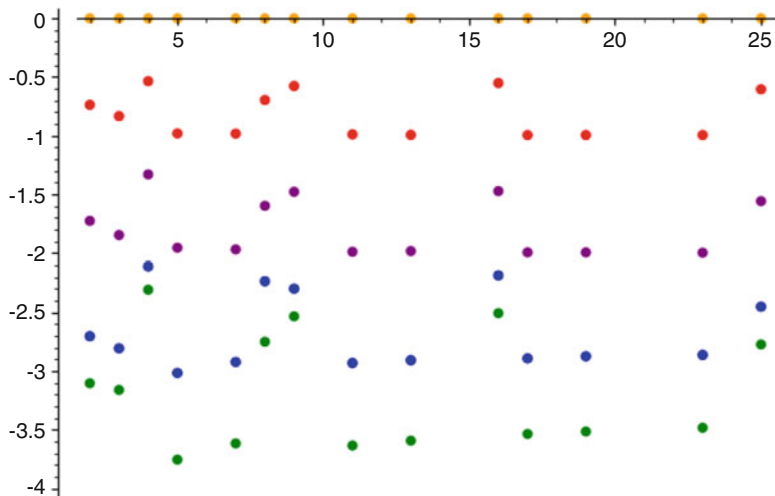


Fig. 2 $\log_q(N(3, q, P)/N(3, q))$ as a function of q , where $N(g, q, P)$ is the number of isogeny classes with Newton polygon on or above P . Colors indicate P , with orange the ordinary stratum and green the supersingular stratum

stratum which includes the generic Jacobian, and the almost ordinary stratum which includes the generic non-ordinary Jacobian.

Problem 4.5 The following question is due to Pries (see <http://aimpl.org/cohomabelian/>): Let p be a prime number. For a fixed dimension g and a fixed p -rank f , what is the smallest field of definition of a simple abelian variety over $\overline{\mathbf{F}}_p$ with dimension g and p -rank f ?

For each pair (g, q) for which the LMFDB contains data, we have verified that each of $0, \dots, g$ occurs as the p -rank of at least one simple abelian variety of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q .

4.4 Frobenius Angle Rank

Table 5 shows for each g and angle rank δ with $0 \leq \delta \leq g$ which p -ranks do not appear in our database.

From Table 5 some simple patterns emerge.

- Angle rank 0 implies p -rank 0. This is known in general because angle rank 0 is equivalent to supersingularity.
- Up to $g = 4$, every positive angle rank can occur for ordinary abelian varieties (i.e., for p -rank g). However, please note that for $g = 5$ we only cover $q = 2, 3$, and for $g = 6$ we only cover $q = 2$.
- If $\delta = 1$ then the p -rank is 0 or g .

Table 5 Excluded p -ranks for simple abelian varieties

Dimension	Angle rank	Forbidden p -ranks
1	0	1
	1	0
2	0	1,2
	1	0,1
	2	0
3	0	1,2,3
	1	1,2
	2	0,1,3
	3	none
4	0	1,2,3,4
	1	1,2,3
	2	1,3
	3	3
	4	none
5	0	0,1,2,3,4,5
	1	1,2,3,4
	2	0,1,2,3,4,5
	3	0,1,2,3,4,5
	4	1,3,5
	5	none
6	0	1,2,3,4,5,6
	1	1,2,3,4,5
	2	1,5
	3	1,3,5
	4	0,1,3,5,6
	5	5
	6	none

- For $g \geq 3$, if $\delta = 2$ then the p -rank cannot be 1.
- The p -rank $g - 1$ only occurs when $\delta = g - 1$ or $\delta = g$. This follows from a theorem of Lenstra–Zarhin [LZ93, Theorem 5.7], who also show that the case $\delta = g - 1$ cannot occur if g is even [LZ93, Theorem 5.8].

For discussions in this direction we refer the reader to the forthcoming paper [DKZB21].

4.5 Endomorphism Algebras

We motivate this section with the following open problem:

Problem 4.6 ([Oor08, Open Problem 22.6]) For each $g > 0$ and p determine the possible endomorphism algebras occurring in that characteristic.

As a first step we focus on simple abelian varieties, since the general case is expressible in terms of matrix algebras over the endomorphism algebras of the simple constituents. We can then break this problem up into two parts: understanding the center of the endomorphism algebra, and understanding the endomorphism algebra as a division algebra over its center.

The center of the endomorphism algebra of an abelian variety A is just the number field $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ defined by $h_A(T)$, where $P_A(T) = h_A(T)^e$. In order to analyze the possible centers that can arise, we look at statistics on the discriminant Δ of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$. It is useful to normalize the discriminant in two ways. First, we consider the root discriminant $\text{rd} = |\Delta|^{1/n}$ instead, where $n = [\mathbf{Q}(\pi) : \mathbf{Q}]$. The root discriminant is often more useful when considering number fields of different degrees. Second, we use the following result to rescale the root discriminant in a way that allows comparison across different values of q .

Theorem 4.7 *Let A be a simple abelian variety of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q with associated Weil number π . Then the root discriminant rd of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ is bounded by*

$$\text{rd} \leq 2gq^{g/2}.$$

Proof By Mordell [Mor60, Eq. 17], the maximum possible *polynomial* discriminant for a polynomial of degree $2g$ whose roots all have absolute value \sqrt{q} is $(2g)^{2g}q^{g(2g-1)}$. Applied to the polynomial $h_A(T)$, this yields the bound

$$\text{rd} \leq \frac{2g}{e}q^{g/e-1/2}.$$

This implies the desired bound when $e > 1$, so we may assume hereafter that $e = 1$. To improve the bound in this case, we distinguish between the discriminant Δ of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ and the discriminant Δ' of $P_A(T)$; it will suffice to check that the ratio Δ'/Δ is divisible by $q^{g(g-1)}$.

Put $\beta = \pi + q/\pi$, let Δ_0 be the discriminant of $\mathbf{Q}(\beta)$, and let Δ'_0 be the discriminant of the minimal polynomial of β over \mathbf{Q} . Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2g}$ be the conjugates of π in \mathbf{Q}^{alg} , sorted so that $\alpha_i \alpha_{2g-i} = q$ for $i = 1, \dots, g$. Then on one hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta'}{(\Delta_0')^2} &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^g (\alpha_i - \alpha_{2g-i})^2 \right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^g \prod_{j=i+1}^g \left(\frac{(\alpha_i - \alpha_j)(\alpha_i - \alpha_{2g-j})(\alpha_j - \alpha_{2g-i})(\alpha_{2g-j} - \alpha_{2g-i})}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_{2g-i} - \alpha_j - \alpha_{2g-j})^2} \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^g (\alpha_i - q/\alpha_i)^2 \right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^g \prod_{j=i+1}^g \left(\frac{(\alpha_i - \alpha_j)(\alpha_i - q/\alpha_j)(\alpha_j - q/\alpha_i)(q/\alpha_j - q/\alpha_i)}{(\alpha_i + q/\alpha_i - \alpha_j - q/\alpha_j)^2} \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^g (\alpha_i - q/\alpha_i)^2 \right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^g \prod_{j=i+1}^g \left(\frac{\alpha_i^{-2} \alpha_j^{-2} (\alpha_i - \alpha_j)(\alpha_i \alpha_j - q)(\alpha_i \alpha_j - q)(q \alpha_i - q \alpha_j)}{\alpha_i^{-2} \alpha_j^{-2} (\alpha_i - \alpha_j)^2 (\alpha_i \alpha_j - q)^2} \right)^2 \right) \\ &= q^{g(g-1)} \prod_{i=1}^g (\alpha_i - q/\alpha_i)^2. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, the relative discriminant of $\mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ over $\mathbf{Q}(\beta)$ divides the polynomial discriminant of $x^2 - \beta x + q$, which is $(\pi - q/\pi)^2$. Consequently,

$$\frac{\Delta}{\Delta_0^2} \quad \text{divides} \quad \prod_{i=1}^g (\alpha_i - q/\alpha_i)^2.$$

By writing

$$\frac{\Delta'}{\Delta} = \frac{\Delta'}{(\Delta'_0)^2} \left(\frac{\Delta'_0}{\Delta_0} \right)^2 \frac{\Delta_0^2}{\Delta}$$

and noting that Δ'_0 is divisible by Δ_0 , we deduce that Δ'/Δ is divisible by $q^{g(g-1)}$ as claimed. \square

In Figs. A.2, A.3, A.4, A.5, A.6, and A.7 we give distributions of both the polynomial and number field root discriminants for the different values of g in the database. In the polynomial case, we divide the root discriminant by $2gq^{\frac{2g-1}{2}}$, and in the number field case we divide by $2gq^{g/2}$. The distribution in the number field case appears to be a sum of copies of the polynomial distribution after further rescaling by the appropriate roots of reciprocals of integers. This phenomenon is especially apparent in the $g = 2$ case because of the simple nature of the polynomial distribution. Large spikes can be seen at $1/2$, $1/3$, $1/4$ and $1/5$ corresponding to an extra factor of 2^4 , 3^4 , 4^4 or 5^4 in the index of the maximal order in the equation order of the number field; smaller spikes are visible at $1/\sqrt{2}$ and $1/\sqrt{3}$ corresponding to extra factors of 2^2 and 3^2 .

Of course, while the endomorphism algebra is usually commutative, sometimes it is not. In order to give some insight into the non-commutative cases, we provide statistics on the possible Brauer invariants of the endomorphism algebra as a division algebra over its center. Table A.10 in the center summarizes the results. The length of the sequence of invariants gives the number of places above p in the center, and we have collapsed all of the commutative endomorphism algebras into a single row for each value of g .

4.6 Isogeny Sato-Tate Distribution

What is the distribution of $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)$? What about when we restrict to ones with certain invariant types? From the Lang-Weil estimates (Sect. 2.7) we know that

$$\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) = q^g + O(q^{g-1/2}) \text{ as } q \rightarrow \infty.$$

This asymptotic suggests that the normalized error

$$E := \frac{\#A(\mathbf{F}_q) - q^g}{q^{g-1/2}}$$

will form an interesting probability distribution $P_{g,q}$ as we vary over all A 's of a fixed dimension g defined over \mathbf{F}_q .

Let us consider what happens if we fix g and take a limit as $q \rightarrow \infty$. Writing $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2g}$ for the Frobenius eigenvalues with $\alpha_i \alpha_{g+i} = q$ for $i = 1, \dots, g$, we have

$$E = q^{-g+1/2} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{2g} (1 - \alpha_i) - \prod_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} q^{-1/2} \alpha_i + o(q^{-1/2});$$

consequently, the distribution of E will have the same limiting behavior as the distribution of the normalized Frobenius trace of A .

The philosophy of Katz–Sarnak [KS99] would predict that the distribution of the Frobenius trace should converge to the trace distribution for random matrices in the Lie group $\mathrm{USp}(2g)$. This convergence holds if we average over isomorphism classes of principally polarized abelian varieties, as this forms a geometric family with maximal monodromy [KS99, Theorem 11.0.4] to which one may apply Deligne's equidistribution theorem [KS99, Theorem 9.2.6].

However, since we do not currently have the data of how many isomorphism classes constitute a given isogeny class, we are only able to compute the average over isogeny classes. We thus predict a different distribution, given by a function whose value at a_1 is proportional to the measure of the set of $(a_2, \dots, a_g) \in \mathbf{R}^{g-1}$ for which $T^g + a_1 T^{g-1} + \dots + a_g$ has all roots in $[-2, 2]$. We compute this distribution using the method of DiPippo–Howe (see Sect. 4.1). By computing Jacobian determinants, we see that integrating 1 over the space of coefficients (a_1, \dots, a_g) is the same as integrating $1/g!$ over the space of power sums (p_1, \dots, p_g) , or integrating $1/g!$ times the Vandermonde determinant $V(r_1, \dots, r_g) = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq g} (r_j - r_i)$ over the space of ordered tuples of roots (r_1, \dots, r_g) . That is, the desired distribution is given (up to a normalizing factor) by the distribution function

$$f(x) = \int_{S \cap H_x} V(r_1, \dots, r_g) d\mu_{H_x}$$

where S denotes the simplex

$$S = \{(r_1, \dots, r_g) \in \mathbf{R}^g : -2 \leq r_1 \leq \dots \leq r_g \leq 2\}$$

and H_x denotes the hyperplane $r_1 + \dots + r_g = x$. Let us write this as an iterated integral over r_1, \dots, r_{g-1} , substituting $r_g = x - r_1 - \dots - r_{g-1}$; the endpoints of integration of r_j are then

$$\max\{r_{j-1}, x - 2(g-j) - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} r_k\}, \quad \min\{2, \left(x - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} r_k\right) / (g-j+1)\}$$

(writing $r_0 = -2$). In particular, the distribution function is continuous, even, and piecewise polynomial: on each interval $[-2g+4(i-1), -2g+4i]$ for $i = 1, \dots, g$, it is a polynomial of degree $(g-1)(g+2)/2$ with rational coefficients. For the extreme values $i = 1$ and $i = g$, this polynomial is a scalar multiple of $(2g - |x|)^{(g-1)(g+2)/2}$.

Using Mathematica, we computed the distribution functions $f_g(x)$ for $g \leq 4$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g = 1 : & \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & |x| \leq 2 \\ 0 & |x| > 2 \end{cases} \\
 g = 2 : & \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2^7} (4 - |x|)^2 & |x| \leq 4 \\ 0 & |x| > 4 \end{cases} \\
 g = 3 : & \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2^{13}} (15|x|^4 - 200|x|^2 + 816) & |x| \leq 2 \\ \frac{3}{2^{15}} (6 - |x|)^5 & 2 < |x| \leq 6 \\ 0 & |x| > 6 \end{cases} \\
 g = 4 : & \begin{cases} \frac{5(-|x|^9 - 72|x|^8 - 2304|x|^7 + 64512|x|^6 - 516096|x|^5 + 1548288|x|^4 - 7077888|x|^2 + 24117248)}{3 \cdot 2^{27}} & |x| \leq 4 \\ \frac{5}{3 \cdot 2^{27}} (8 - |x|)^9 & 4 < |x| \leq 8 \\ 0 & |x| > 8. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

See Fig. 3 for plots of the distribution for $g \leq 4$, and Figs. A.8, A.9, and A.10 for plots of this prediction against our data. A table of moments for $g = 3, 4, 5, 6$ is given in Table 6.

It is natural to ask about the limit as $g \rightarrow \infty$. While we do not have a general formula for $f_g(x)$, we can give some evidence that the limiting distribution f_∞ is a Gaussian with variance 2, which is also the limit of the Sato-Tate distributions

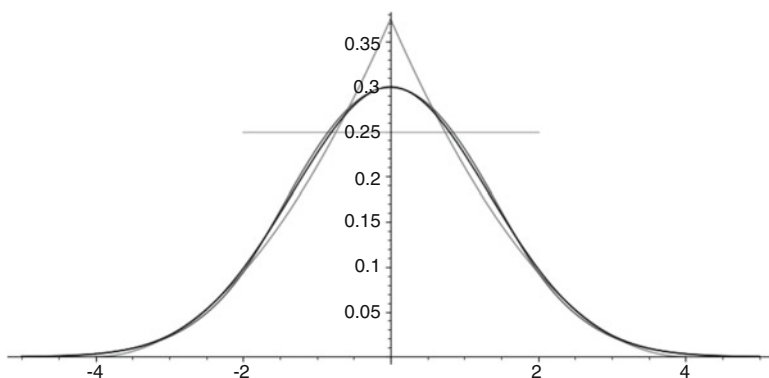


Fig. 3 Isogeny Sato-Tate distribution for $g \leq 4$

Table 6 Even moments for the isogeny Sato-Tate distributions for $g = 3, 4, 5, 6$

g	2nd	4th	6th	8th	10th	12th	14th
3	1.7142	8.6857	71.7575	796.1318	10750.4655	166954.5839	2.8786×10^6
4	1.7777	9.4199	82.5201	1001.4566	15384.2906	282674.8553	5.9748×10^6
5	1.8181	9.8834	89.1908	1121.6573	18035.9973	351973.2932	8.0435×10^6
6	1.8461	10.2041	93.7929	1203.9623	19814.7906	397315.2698	9.3803×10^6

Table 7 Predicted moments from Eq. (4.4)

r	4	6	8	10	12	14
$\tilde{m}_6^{(r)}$	10.2041	93.7929	1203.9623	19814.7906	397315.2698	9.3803×10^6
$\left(\tilde{m}_6^{(2)}\right)^{r/2} (r-1)!!$	10.2243	94.3750	1219.5797	20263.1948	411486.7236	9.8754×10^6

[DS94, Theorem 6].⁷ Let $m_\infty^{(r)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^r f_\infty(x) dx$ and let $\tilde{m}_g^{(r)}$ be a numerical approximation to $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^r f_g(x) dx$. If f_∞ were Gaussian, we would have

$$m_\infty^{(r)} = (m_\infty^{(2)})^{r/2} (r-1)!! \quad (4.4)$$

for even r . As Table 7 shows, this identity already holds approximately for $g = 6$.

The authors don't have enough data to determine what happens when we restrict to isogeny classes of abelian varieties with a fixed Newton polygon, endomorphism algebra, delta rank, or Galois group. We expect similar interesting distributions in these cases as $q \rightarrow \infty$ as we normalize the dimensions appropriately. We also remark that a determination of the conjectural distribution of point counts also remains open (for say, $P(T)$ of a fixed degree $2g$ and fixed Galois group G).

4.7 Maximal and Minimal Point Counts

The question of the maximum number of points on a curve of given genus over a given finite field has been studied quite extensively, due to its connection with error-correcting codes via the Goppa construction. The web site <https://manypoints.org> tabulates most known results on this question. In this section we investigate minimal and maximal point counts of abelian varieties.

We will say an isogeny class $[A]$ is *maximal* (resp. *minimal*) for a fixed g and q when $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)$ is the maximum (resp. minimum) of

$$\{\#B(\mathbf{F}_q) : B \text{ an abelian variety of dim } g \text{ over } \mathbf{F}_q\}$$

⁷It may be feasible to prove that the limiting distribution is Gaussian by bounding the difference in moments directly.

Table 8 Maximal and minimal abelian varieties ($g = 3$)

	$\#A(\mathbb{F}_q)$	$P_A(T)$	Newton Polygon	Jac?
$q = 3$:	343	$(T^2 + 3T + 3)^3$	ss	No
	1	$(T^2 - 3T + 3)^3$	ss	No
$q = 4$:	729	$(T + 2)^6$	ss	No
	1	$(T - 2)^6$	ss	No
$q = 5$:	1000	$(T^2 + 4T + 5)^3$	ord	No
	8	$(T^2 - 4T + 5)^3$	ord	No
$q = 7$:	2197	$(T^2 + 5T + 7)^3$	ord	No
	27	$(T^2 - 5T + 7)^3$	ord	No
$q = 8$:	2744	$(T^2 + 5T + 8)^3$	ord	???
	64	$(T^2 - 5T + 8)^3$	ord	No
$q = 9$:	4096	$(T + 3)^6$	ss	???
	64	$(T - 3)^6$	ss	No
$q = 11$:	5832	$(T^2 + 6T + 11)^3$	ord	No
	216	$(T^2 - 6T + 11)^3$	ord	No

While studying maximal (resp. minimal) abelian varieties is formally similar to studying maximal (resp. minimal) curves, it is not directly related: an isogeny class being maximal (resp. minimal) has nothing to do with it containing the Jacobian of some maximal (resp. minimal) curve. See Example 5.8 for explicit examples.

In a similar vein one might also naively expect that, since Artin-Schreier curves are all maximal and known to be supersingular (see Example 5.5), an abelian variety A being maximal (resp. minimal) might imply that A is supersingular. Indeed, in some references (such as [KP19]) the terms *maximal* and *minimal* are used to refer exclusively to supersingular abelian varieties. However, we will see below that a maximal (resp. minimal) abelian variety in our sense need not be supersingular.

When looking at the data our first observation is that for a fixed g, q we almost always found that there were unique isogeny classes A_{\max} and A_{\min} with $L(A_{\max}, T) = L(A_{\min}, -T)$. This equality implies that A_{\min} and A_{\max} are quadratic isogeny twists.

Example 4.8 When $g = 3$ and $q = 3$ we have $P(A_{\min}, T) = T^6 - 9T^5 + 36T^4 - 81T^3 + 108T^2 - 81T + 27$ which is 3.3.aj_bk_add and $P(A_{\max}, T) = T^6 + 9T^5 + 36T^4 + 81T^3 + 108T^2 + 81T + 27$, which is 3.3.j_bk_dd.

We now explain our findings. In Table 8, we report the unique minimal and maximal isogeny classes for $g = 3$ and $3 \leq q \leq 25$. These are all isogenous to cubes of elliptic curves, and the minimal and maximal examples for a given q are isogeny twists of each other; but some are ordinary and some are supersingular. We omit $q = 2$ because it is a bit anomalous: there are 7 minimal isogeny classes (and a unique maximal one). See Lemmas 4.9 and 4.10 for an explanation of these observations.

We now investigate these observations. Recall that the (sharpened) Weil bounds on an abelian variety A of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q take the form

$$\lceil (\sqrt{q} - 1)^2 \rceil \leq \#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g} \leq \lfloor (\sqrt{q} + 1)^2 \rfloor. \quad (4.5)$$

These are precisely the maximal and minimal values appearing in Table 8. We are thus led to ask whether equality in the upper (resp. lower) bounds happens only for a power of a maximal (resp. minimal) elliptic curve, or equivalently whether the inequalities become strict if we restrict to simple abelian varieties of dimension greater than 1. This is in fact claimed in both [AHL12, Théorème 1.1] and [AHL13, Corollary 2.2, Corollary 2.14], but we have already seen by an example that this is false for $q = 2$; moreover, Theorem 2.11 implies that there are infinitely many g for which there exists a simple abelian variety A of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_2 with $\#A(\mathbf{F}_2) = 1$.

On the other hand, by working more closely through the literature, we can recover an argument that the inequalities become strict.

Lemma 4.9 *For $q = 5, 7$, assume that $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)^{1/g} > N_q$ for every abelian variety A of dimension g defined over \mathbf{F}_q , where $N_5 = 2.708$ and $N_7 = 3.970$ (reported to us by Kadets). Then for all $q > 2$, the inequalities (4.5) become strict for simple abelian varieties of dimension greater than 1.*

Proof First, by inspection of the proof of [AHL13, Proposition 2.17], one deduces that the lower bound is strict for $q \geq 8$; thus only the cases $q = 3, 4, 5, 7$ are at issue. For $q = 3$ and $q = 4$, Theorem 2.9 implies that the lower bound is strict (for $q = 4$ we may also apply Theorem 2.8). For $q = 5$ and $q = 7$, one can obtain similar lower bounds by emulating the calculation used to prove Theorem 2.9. Kadets reports that a nonrigorous version of the calculation gives the lower bounds 2.708 for $q = 5$ and 3.970 for $q = 7$, but as of this writing a rigorous calculation remains to be made. \square

We raise our observations to the status of theorems below.

Lemma 4.10 *Under the hypothesis of Lemma 4.9, for every $g > 1$ and every $q > 2$ there exists unique maximal and minimal isogeny classes of dimension g . These classes are quadratic isogeny twists of each other and are a power of the unique maximal (resp. minimal) isogeny class of elliptic curves. Finally, the class is supersingular or ordinary according to whether p divides $\lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor$.*

Proof By Theorem 2.8, one always gets a maximal (resp. minimal) abelian variety of a given dimension over \mathbf{F}_q by taking a power of the maximal (resp. minimal) elliptic curve over \mathbf{F}_q . By the discussion following Eq. (4.5), this is unique except for the minimal case over \mathbf{F}_2 in some genera—the isogeny class of an elliptic curve is determined by a single point count. In particular, since the minimal and maximal elliptic curve over \mathbf{F}_q are isogeny twists of each other, the same is true of their powers. \square

Table 9 A table of the unique simple-maximal and simple-minimal Weil polynomials for $g = 3$

	$\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)$	$P_A(T)$	NP	Jac?
$q = 5$:	631	$T^6 + 8T^5 + 34T^4 + 93T^3 + 170T^2 + 200T + 125$	ord	Yes
	25	$T^6 - 8T^5 + 32T^4 - 85T^3 + 160T^2 - 200T + 125$	ord	No
$q = 7$:	1561	$T^6 + 11T^5 + 59T^4 + 195T^3 + 413T^2 + 539T + 343$	ord	???
	71	$T^6 - 11T^5 + 59T^4 - 195T^3 + 413T^2 - 539T + 343$	ord	No
$q = 8$:	2157	$T^6 + 12T^5 + 69T^4 + 243T^3 + 552T^2 + 768T + 512$	ord	???
	111	$T^6 - 12T^5 + 69T^4 - 243T^3 + 552T^2 - 768T + 512$	ord	No
$q = 9$:	2911	$T^6 + 13T^5 + 81T^4 + 305T^3 + 729T^2 + 1053T + 729$	ord	???
	169	$T^6 - 13T^5 + 81T^4 - 305T^3 + 729T^2 - 1053T + 729$	ord	No
$q = 11$:	4861	$T^6 + 15T^5 + 105T^4 + 439T^3 + 1155T^2 + 1815T + 1331$	ord	???
	323	$T^6 - 15T^5 + 105T^4 - 439T^3 + 1155T^2 - 1815T + 1331$	ord	No
$q = 13$:	7181	$T^6 + 16T^5 + 122T^4 + 555T^3 + 1586T^2 + 2704T + 2197$	ord	???
	615	$T^6 - 16T^5 + 120T^4 - 543T^3 + 1560T^2 - 2704T + 2197$	ord	No
$q = 16$:	12649	$T^6 + 19T^5 + 166T^4 + 847T^3 + 2656T^2 + 4864T + 4096$	ord	???
	1189	$T^6 - 19T^5 + 166T^4 - 847T^3 + 2656T^2 - 4864T + 4096$	ord	No
$q = 17$:	14351	$T^6 + 19T^5 + 169T^4 + 885T^3 + 2873T^2 + 5491T + 4913$	ord	???
	1539	$T^6 - 19T^5 + 167T^4 - 871T^3 + 2839T^2 - 5491T + 4913$	ord	No
$q = 19$:	19601	$T^6 + 21T^5 + 201T^4 + 1119T^3 + 3819T^2 + 7581T + 6859$	ord	???
	2113	$T^6 - 21T^5 + 197T^4 - 1085T^3 + 3743T^2 - 7581T + 6859$	ord	No
$q = 23$:	32671	$T^6 + 24T^5 + 258T^4 + 1591T^3 + 5934T^2 + 12696T + 12167$	ord	???
	4049	$T^6 - 24T^5 + 258T^4 - 1591T^3 + 5934T^2 - 12696T + 12167$	ord	???
$q = 25$:	40391	$T^6 + 25T^5 + 281T^4 + 1809T^3 + 7025T^2 + 15625T + 15625$	ord	???
	5473	$T^6 - 25T^5 + 281T^4 - 1809T^3 + 7025T^2 - 15625T + 15625$	ord	???

Remark 4.11 As asserted in Lemma 4.10, whether or not the maximal and minimal elliptic curves over \mathbf{F}_q , and hence the resulting abelian varieties, are supersingular or ordinary depends on whether or not $\lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor$ is divisible by p . When $q = p$, this divisibility holds only for $p = 2, 3$ (as otherwise $0 < 2\sqrt{p} < p$). When q is a square, so $q = p^{2e}$, we have $\lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor = 2\sqrt{p^{2a}} = 2p^a$ which is obviously divisible by p . In other cases, $q = p^{2e+1}$ for some positive integer e and we are asking whether the base- p expansion of $2\sqrt{p}$ has a zero in the e -th position after the radix point; this can occur but is rather sporadic.⁸

Following the discussion in Sect. 2.7, we now restrict attention to simple abelian varieties. We say that an isogeny class $[A]$ of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q is *simple-maximal* (resp. *simple-minimal*) if $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)$ is maximal (resp. minimal) among simple abelian varieties of dimension g over \mathbf{F}_q . In Table 9, we report the unique simple-maximal and simple-minimal isogeny classes for $g = 3$ and $5 \leq q \leq 25$. For each of $q = 2, 3, 4$, there are 2 simple-minimal isogeny classes (and a unique simple-maximal one).

⁸The *radix point* is the analogue of the decimal point for a general base expansion.

Table 10 A table of the unique simple-maximal and simple-minimal Weil polynomials for $g = 4$

	$\#A(\mathbb{F}_q)$	$P_A(T)$	NP	Jac?
$q = 3$:	979	$T^8 + 7 T^7 + 27 T^6 + 72 T^5 + 143 T^4 + 216 T^3 + 243 T^2 + 189 T + 81$	ord	???
	5	$T^8 - 6 T^7 + 13 T^6 - 10 T^5 + T^4 - 30 T^3 + 117 T^2 - 162 T + 81$	ord	No
$q = 4$:	2521	$T^8 + 9 T^7 + 42 T^6 + 132 T^5 + 305 T^4 + 528 T^3 + 672 T^2 + 576 T + 256$	ord	???
	29	$T^8 - 9 T^7 + 41 T^6 - 125 T^5 + 285 T^4 - 500 T^3 + 656 T^2 - 576 T + 256$	ord	No
$q = 5$:	5599	$T^8 + 11 T^7 + 62 T^6 + 229 T^5 + 601 T^4 + 1145 T^3 + 1550 T^2 + 1375 T + 625$	ord	???
	61	$T^8 - 10 T^7 + 45 T^6 - 130 T^5 + 305 T^4 - 650 T^3 + 1125 T^2 - 1250 T + 625$	ord	No

Table 11 Bounds and extreme values for $\#A(\mathbb{F}_q)^{1/g}$ for a simple abelian variety A of dimension g over \mathbb{F}_q . The bounds for $q = 2, 3, 4$ are taken from [Kad19]; the bounds for $q = 5$ were computed numerically (but not rigorously) by Kadets using the same method (see Lemma 4.9)

q	g	Lower bound	Minimum	Maximum	Upper bound
2	4	1	1	3.940	4.035
2	5	1	1.149	3.717	4.035
2	6	1	1	3.697	4.035
3	4	1.359	1.495	5.594	5.634
3	5	1.359	1.670	5.423	5.634
4	4	2.275	2.321	7.086	7.382
5	4	2.708	2.795	8.615	8.938

We make a few curious observations about this data which we are unable to rigorously explain. For one, all of the simple-maximal and simple-minimal examples are ordinary. For another, the simple-maximal and simple-minimal varieties are most often isogeny twists of each other, but not always (see $q = 5, 13, 17, 19$); in any case, they have opposite sign patterns (the coefficients of $P_A(T)$ are positive for A simple-maximal and alternate in sign for A simple-minimal). Finally, note that the simple-maximal variety for $q = 5$ is a Jacobian.

In Table 10, we give similar information for $g = 4$, and in Table 11 we compare the extreme values of $\#A(\mathbb{F}_q)^{1/g}$ to the bounds given in Theorem 2.9.

5 An Isogeny Class Scavenger Hunt

In this section, we describe a number of examples related to questions or results in the literature.

Several of these examples involve Jacobians of curves, whereas the LMFDB does not currently contain complete information about Jacobians of curves of genus at

least 4 (Sect. 6.2). To generate these examples, we used Sage [S⁺20] to exhaust over hyperelliptic curves, computing zeta functions until we found one of the desired form. (This can also be done in Magma [BCP97].)

5.1 Some Basic Examples

Example 5.1 (Supersingular Elliptic Curves) One of the first interesting examples of abelian varieties are supersingular elliptic curves defined over finite fields. If E is an elliptic curve defined over a finite field, we have

$$\zeta(E/\mathbf{F}_q, T) = \frac{1 - aT + qT^2}{(1 - T)(1 - qT)},$$

with $a \in \mathbf{Z}$ and $|a| < 2\sqrt{q}$ by the Hasse-Weil bound. In addition, if E is supersingular then $a \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, for p the characteristic of \mathbf{F}_q . Therefore if p is prime and $p \geq 5$, then there is a unique isogeny class of supersingular elliptic curves over \mathbf{F}_p , namely the one with $a = 0$. This means that

$$P_E(T) = T^2 + q = (T - i\sqrt{q})(T + i\sqrt{q});$$

a similar phenomenon holds in more generality. Indeed, when A/\mathbf{F}_q is a simple abelian variety, A is supersingular if and only if $\pi_A = \zeta\sqrt{q}$ for ζ a root of unity: namely, if A is supersingular, then π/\sqrt{q} is an algebraic number with norm 1 in every finite and infinite place, so by Kronecker-Weber it is a root of unity.

In contrast, while an elliptic curve defined over a finite field has p -rank zero if and only if it is supersingular, this does not hold in higher dimension, even for simple abelian varieties. For example, isogeny class 3.2.ac_c_ac is geometrically simple of p -rank 0, but has Newton polygon slopes $[1/3, 1/3, 1/3, 2/3, 2/3, 2/3]$ and therefore is not supersingular. (This is the smallest dimension for which p -rank 0 does not imply supersingular.) Conversely, a supersingular isogeny class always has p -rank 0.

We finally comment on the endomorphism rings of supersingular elliptic curves. While every supersingular elliptic curve has geometric endomorphism ring a maximal order in a quaternion algebra, it is not the case that every endomorphism is defined over the field of definition of the elliptic curve. For example, there are supersingular elliptic curves defined over \mathbf{F}_p for each prime p (belonging to the isogeny class with $a = 0$, as above), but each of them has endomorphism ring isomorphic to an order in an imaginary quadratic field and only acquires its extra endomorphisms over an extension of \mathbf{F}_p . For example, isogeny class 1.3.ad has endomorphism degree 6, by which we mean that its geometric endomorphisms are defined over \mathbf{F}_{36} ; isogeny class 1.2.ac has endomorphism degree 4; and isogeny class 1.2.a has endomorphism degree 2.

Example 5.2 We now give examples of particularly uncomplicated Weil polynomials for $g = 2$ and $g = 4$. These polynomials can be useful to check conjectures when one wants to produce examples quickly by hand. We first observe that by Lemma 2.2 a Weil polynomial $P_A(T) = P(T)$ of an abelian variety A of dimension g can be written as

$$P(T) = \prod_{i=1}^g (T^2 - \beta_i T + q) \quad (5.1)$$

where $\beta_i = \alpha_i + q/\alpha_i$ is totally real, and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2g}$ are the roots of the Weil polynomial, arranged so that $\alpha_i \alpha_{2g-i} = q$ for $i = 1, \dots, g$.

When $g = 2$, we can expand this to obtain:

$$P(T) = T^4 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2)T^3 + (2q + \beta_1\beta_2)T^2 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2)qT + q^2.$$

For r a positive integer, choosing $\beta_1 = \sqrt{r}$ and $\beta_2 = -\sqrt{r}$ gives a nice family of examples. In fact, for any positive integer a not divisible by p such that $2q > |a|$, letting $r = 2q - a$ gives the characteristic polynomial

$$P(T) = T^4 + aT^2 + q^2$$

for an abelian surface. (Note that we require $p \nmid a$ to ensure that $e_A = 1$; see Sect. 2.3.) This isogeny class has Weil q -numbers

$$+\sqrt{\frac{-a + \sqrt{a^2 - 4q^2}}{2}}, +\sqrt{\frac{-a - \sqrt{a^2 - 4q^2}}{2}}, -\sqrt{\frac{-a + \sqrt{a^2 - 4q^2}}{2}}, -\sqrt{\frac{-a - \sqrt{a^2 - 4q^2}}{2}}.$$

Even more concretely, for $q = 5$ any $a \in \{-9, -8, \dots, 8, 9\}$ is admissible. In the case $a = -1$ this is 2.5.a_ab.

One can generalize the above example by considering (5.1) where β_1, \dots, β_g are totally real algebraic integers which form a union of Galois orbits over \mathbf{Q} and q is a sufficiently large prime power.

Another pleasing family of isogeny classes can be obtained by considering the case of $g = 4$ with two isogeny factors of dimension 2 each with Weil polynomial of the form $T^4 + a_i T^2 + q^2$ as above. In this case this isogeny class has Weil polynomial

$$(T^4 + a_1 T^2 + q^2)(T^4 + a_2 T^2 + q^2) = T^8 + (a_1 + a_2)T^6 + (2q^2 + a_1 a_2)T^4 + (a_1 + a_2)q^2 T^2 + q^4,$$

which we can specialize to $a_1 = c + b\sqrt{d}$ and $a_2 = c - b\sqrt{d}$, where a_1 and a_2 are algebraic integers, and as before $2q > |a_i|$ for each i , to give

$$a_1 + a_2 = 2c, \quad a_1 a_2 = c^2 - db^2,$$

and

$$P(T) = T^8 + 2cT^6 + (2q^2 + c^2 - db^2)T^4 + 2cq^2T + q^4.$$

In the special case $c = 1, b = 2, d = 2, q = 5$ this is [4.5.a_c_a_br](#).

Example 5.3 ([\[AP11, Example 2.1\]](#) and [4.3.a_a_a_g](#)) Consider the hyperelliptic curve given by

$$C : y^2 = x^9 + x^7 + 2x^5 + x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2 + x.$$

The genus of this curve is 4 and

$$L(C/\mathbf{F}_3, T) = 81T^8 + 6T^4 + 1.$$

This example was computed by writing down the shape of the zeta function and equating terms in the truncated Taylor series.

Example 5.4 ([\[Voi05, Example 2.3\]](#) and [3.2.a_a_f](#)) The isogeny class of the Jacobian of a curve C over \mathbf{F}_q can be identified by knowing $\#C(\mathbf{F}_{q^r})$ for $1 \leq r \leq g$. In the examples where C is a projective curve defined by $x^3y + x^3z + y^3z = 0$ or $x^3y + y^3z + xz^3 = 0$ over \mathbf{F}_2 , C has genus 3 and we can compute point counts “by hand” using a presentation of the field:

r	1	2	3	4
$\#C(\mathbf{F}_{2^r})$	3	4	24	17

This allows us to solve explicitly for the L -polynomial (see *op. cit.*)

$$L(T) = 8T^6 + 5T^3 + 1.$$

Example 5.5 Artin-Schreier curves are fan favorites. An affine Artin-Schreier curve has a model

$$U_{f,q} : y^q - y = f_d(x)$$

where $f_d(x) \in \mathbf{F}_q[x]$ is a polynomial of degree d . After a desingularization of the naive projective model one gets a proper model $X = X_{f,q}$. In the case where $q = p$, the genus of this curve is $g = (d-1)(p-1)/2$, and for $d = 5$ and $p = 3$ the curve has genus 4 so its Jacobian will be in our database. How can we find it? It turns out that the point counts of such a curve can be explicitly computed:

$$\#X_{f,q}(\mathbf{F}_{q^n}) = 1 + \left(\sum_{\psi \in \widehat{\mathbf{F}_q} \setminus \{1\}} S(\psi, n) \right) + q^n.$$

In the above expression the ψ 's are additive characters and the S 's are character sums given by

$$S(\psi, n) := \sum_{b \in \mathbf{F}_{q^n}} \psi(\mathrm{Tr}_{q,n}(f(b))), \quad \mathrm{Tr}_{q,n}(a) := \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a^{q^i}.$$

All of the additive characters of \mathbf{F}_q are parametrized by $a \in \mathbf{F}_p$ and take the form $\chi_a: \mathbf{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ where

$$\chi_a(b) = \zeta_p^{a \mathrm{Tr}_{\mathbf{F}_q/\mathbf{F}_p}(b)}.$$

For details on this computation see [Mue13, §2.1 and §2.2].

In the special case where $f(x) = x^5$, we computed the values of these characters using Sage, and found that $\#X(\mathbf{F}_{3^n}) = 4, 10, 28, 154, 244$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$. Searching our database gives [4.3.a_a_s](#), as the isogeny class of the Jacobian. This isogeny class contains supersingular abelian varieties, as expected.

In the special case $f(x) = x^5 + 2x + 1$, we again compute $\#X(\mathbf{F}_{3^n}) = 1, 7, 55, 91, 271$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$, and find that the Jacobian belongs to [4.3.ad_d_j_abb](#), another non-simple supersingular isogeny class; this time the isogeny factors are not isogenous to each other.

Example 5.6 The isogeny class [2.2.a_ad](#) provides an example of a principally polarizable isogeny class of abelian varieties of dimension 2 over \mathbf{F}_2 which does not contain a Jacobian (Example [5.21](#) is another example in higher dimension).

Also, as discussed previously, there exist principally polarizable abelian varieties which have isogeny factors whose isogeny classes are not principally polarizable. For instance, the $g = 4$, $q = 5$ isogeny class [4.5.ak_bp_adq_hc](#) has a $g = 2$ isogeny factor [2.5.ac_ab](#) which contains no principally polarizable abelian surface.

For interested readers, we point out that our methods don't allow us to determine if the particular $g = 4$ simple isogeny class [4.5.ag_o_au_bj](#) contains a principally polarizable abelian variety. We are unable to do so whenever the isogeny class is not ordinary, and its associated CM field $K = \mathbf{Q}(\pi)$ (which in this particular case is [8.0.268960000.3](#)) is unramified over its totally real subfield K_+ and every prime of K_+ dividing $\pi - q/\pi$ is not inert in K/K_+ . In short, the condition in [How96, Theorem 1.1] summarized in Sect. [3.6](#) does not completely answer the question: "Does this non-ordinary isogeny class contain a principally polarizable variety?"

Remark 5.7 Howe points out to us that the 2-dimensional isogeny class [2.2.a_ad](#) presented in the above example is one from a family that is in the Appendix to [MN02]. The theorem in *op. cit.* is that no polynomial of the form $T^4 + (1 - 2q)T^2 + q^2$ is the Weil polynomial of a Jacobian of a curve over \mathbf{F}_q . One can also see that such an isogeny class contains a principally polarized abelian variety. It is the restriction of scalars from \mathbf{F}_{q^2} to \mathbf{F}_q of an elliptic curve with Weil polynomial $T^2 + (1 - 2q)T + q^2$.

Example 5.8 In this example we show that maximality or minimality of a curve has nothing to do with the associated Jacobian being maximal or minimal as an abelian variety in the sense of Sect. 4.7. Indeed, the isogeny class [3.3.aj_bk_add](#) is minimal for $q = 3$ and $g = 3$ with $\#A(\mathbf{F}_3) = 1$, but it does not contain a Jacobian since its virtual curve count has $\#C(\mathbf{F}_3) = -5$. Therefore, a minimal curve of genus 3 over \mathbf{F}_3 cannot have minimal Jacobian.

Example 5.9 When $g = 6$ and $q = 2$ there exist isogeny twists [6.2.a_ac_a_c_a_a](#) and [6.2.a_c_a_c_a_a](#) which have different number fields (with the same discriminant). The two number fields have a different number of places above 2 (3 in one case and 4 in the other), so the Brauer invariants of their endomorphism algebras are different: $(0, 0, 0)$ vs $(0, 0, 0, 0)$.

Example 5.10 (Communicated to us by Howe) Consider isogeny class [2.2.b_b](#), which has characteristic polynomial $P(T) = T^4 + T^3 + T^2 + 2T + 4$. The ring $\mathbf{Z}[\pi, q/\pi]$ is a maximal order in a field with class number one, and therefore this isogeny class contains a single isomorphism class of abelian varieties. Furthermore, this abelian variety must have a principal polarization (by [How95] or by the more general Theorem 1 of [How96]). This shows that while over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0 every abelian variety is isogenous to an abelian variety that does not admit a principal polarization, this is not true in general (cf. Sect. 3.6).

5.2 Supersingular Curves

It is not clear whether every eligible Newton polygon can occur for curves of a given characteristic (see Remark 5.13), and the following is a related long-standing open problem.

Question 1 For every prime p and every positive integer g , does there exist a genus g curve over $\overline{\mathbf{F}}_p$ whose Jacobian is supersingular?

This is known for $g \leq 4$ [KHS19]. It is also known for all g when $p = 2$ [vdGvdV95]; however, these curves cannot always be taken to be hyperelliptic [SZ02]. Some higher-genus cases are treated in [LMPT18, LMPT19]; however, the following example is not covered by those papers (nor by [vdGvdV95], which handles some genera for $p > 2$).

Example 5.11 Let C be the hyperelliptic curve over \mathbf{F}_3 given by

$$y^2 = x^{11} + 2x^9 + x^5 + x^3 + x.$$

Then

$$L(C/\mathbf{F}_3, T) = 1 + 3T^2 + 81T^8 + 243T^{10},$$

so the Jacobian A of C is supersingular and belongs to isogeny class [5.3.a_d_a_a_a](#).

Remark 5.12 One can also consider curves whose Jacobians are *superspecial*, meaning that they are isomorphic (not just isogenous) to a product of supersingular elliptic curves. Ekedahl [[Eke87](#)] showed there do not exist superspecial genus 4 curves in characteristics 2 and 3, and asked whether conversely they exist in all characteristics at least 5; this question was answered negatively by Kudo–Harashita [[KH17](#)], who showed that none exist in characteristic 7.

Remark 5.13 The moduli space \mathcal{M}_g of curves of genus g has dimension $3g - 3$, which is much smaller than the length of a maximal chain of inclusions of Newton strata in \mathcal{A}_g , which is asymptotic to $g^2/4$ (see [Corollary 2.4](#)). However, unlike \mathcal{A}_g , which has irreducible strata except for the supersingular case, Newton strata in \mathcal{M}_g can be much more reducible. While it is conceivable that there are enough strata in \mathcal{M}_g to account for all possible Newton polygons, it does not seem likely.

5.3 Ordinarity and Angle Ranks

The following is a conjecture of Ahmadi–Shparlinski.

Conjecture 5.14 ([\[AS10, §5\]](#)) Every ordinary geometrically simple Jacobian has maximal angle rank.

This is verified in the database in dimensions 2 and 3. This is a theorem in dimension 2, even without the ordinary condition: [\[AS10, Theorem 2\]](#). It is also a theorem in dimension 3, but this time it requires the ordinary condition: [\[Zar15, Theorem 1.1\]](#).

We verified the conjecture in dimension 4 over \mathbf{F}_2 as follows. According to the LMFDB, there are 52 isogeny classes of ordinary, geometrically simple abelian varieties with angle rank at most 3 (in fact they are all equal to 3). Since at the time of verification the LMFDB did not yet contain full data about whether an isogeny class in dimension greater than 3 contains a Jacobian, we used the fact that every nonhyperelliptic genus 4 curve is the intersection of a quadric and a cubic in \mathbf{P}^3 to compute the zeta functions of all genus 4 curves over \mathbf{F}_2 . We found 620 distinct zeta functions, none of which occur among the previous list of 52. (This result has been independently confirmed by Xarles [[Xar20](#)], and the corresponding data added to the LMFDB.)

As an aside, note that [\[Zar15, Theorem 1.1\]](#) implies that for each of the 52 isogeny classes in the previous paragraph, the endomorphism algebra must contain an imaginary quadratic field, which we have confirmed.

By contrast, the conjecture fails in dimension 4 over \mathbf{F}_3 and \mathbf{F}_5 , as shown by the curves given in [Example 5.15](#). We also note in passing that [Conjecture 5.14](#) is incompatible with [Conjecture 5.20](#) below.

Example 5.15 Let C be the hyperelliptic curve over \mathbf{F}_3 given by

$$y^2 = x^9 + x^8 + x^7 + 2x^5 + x.$$

Then

$$L(C/\mathbf{F}_3, T) = 1 - T + 2T^2 - 4T^3 - 2T^4 - 12T^5 + 18T^6 - 27T^7 + 81T^8,$$

so the Jacobian A of C belongs to isogeny class [4.3.ab_c_ae_ac](#). We see that A is ordinary, geometrically simple, and has angle rank 3. It thus constitutes a counterexample to the Ahmadi–Shparlinski conjecture (Conjecture [5.14](#)). Consistently with Zarhin’s theorem, the endomorphism algebra contains the field $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$.

Similarly, let C be the hyperelliptic curve over \mathbf{F}_5 given by

$$y^2 = x^9 + x^6 + 2x^5 + x.$$

Then

$$L(C/\mathbf{F}_5, T) = 1 - T + 2T^2 - 4T^3 + 16T^4 - 20T^5 + 50T^6 - 125T^7 + 625T^8,$$

so the Jacobian A of C belongs to isogeny class [4.5.ab_c_ae_q](#). Again, A is ordinary, geometrically simple, and has angle rank 3. The endomorphism algebra contains the field $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-15})$.

5.4 Function Fields of Class Number One

Example 5.16 ([\[Sti14\]](#) and [4.2.ad_c_a_b](#)) The following is the LMFDB annotation for [4.2.ad_c_a_b](#). In [\[Sti14\]](#), Stirpe exhibited an example of a genus 4 curve C/\mathbf{F}_2 for which

$$L(C/\mathbf{F}_2, T) = 1 - 3T + 2T^2 + T^4 + 8T^6 - 24T^7 + 16T^8.$$

The Jacobian A of this curve belongs to isogeny class [4.2.ad_c_a_b](#).

This example is notable because C has the largest possible genus among curves over finite fields with trivial class group, and because it refuted a published result from almost 40 years earlier. In [\[LMQ75\]](#), it was shown (correctly) that there are seven such curves of genus at most 3 and at most one of genus 4; it was also claimed (incorrectly) that the genus 4 case could be ruled out. Correct proofs of the classification can be found in [\[MS15\]](#) and [\[SS15\]](#).

5.5 Hypersymmetric Abelian Varieties

Let A be an abelian variety over a field $k \supset \mathbf{F}_p$. Following Chai–Oort [CO06, Definition 2.1], we say that A is *hypersymmetric* if

$$\mathrm{End}(A_{\bar{k}})_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \cong \mathrm{End}(A_{\bar{k}}[p^\infty]).$$

These are meant to provide a positive-characteristic analogue of CM points in the moduli space of abelian varieties.

According to [CO06, Theorem 3.3], for a simple abelian variety, one can read off whether it is hypersymmetric explicitly from the Frobenius polynomial.

Here is an explicit example.

Example 5.17 We exhibit a simple hypersymmetric abelian threefold over \mathbf{F}_8 by verifying that [3.8.ag_bk_aea](#) satisfies the conditions of [CO06, Conclusion 3.6]. The Newton polygon has slopes $1/3$ and $2/3$ each with multiplicity 3, so it is *balanced* in the sense of [CO06, Definition 3.4]. The prime 2 splits completely in $\mathbf{Q}(\pi) = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$, and the Brauer invariants of the endomorphism algebra at the places above 2 are again $1/3$ and $2/3$.

The same conditions are satisfied by the quadratic isogeny twist [3.8.g_bk_ea](#). We have checked that other than elliptic curves (which are all hypersymmetric), these are the only examples of hypersymmetric abelian varieties currently found in the LMFDB.

5.6 Isomorphic Endomorphism Algebras and Different p -ranks

Example 5.18 This example is a modified version of [Gon98, Example 4.2]. (That example starts over \mathbf{F}_3 rather than \mathbf{F}_2 , but we do not currently have abelian threefolds over \mathbf{F}_{27} in the LMFDB.)

Let A be an abelian threefold over \mathbf{F}_2 in the isogeny class [3.2.ad_c_b](#). Then A is simple, ordinary, and of p -rank 3, and its endomorphism algebra is $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_7)$. Although A is not geometrically simple, its base change to \mathbf{F}_8 , which belongs to the isogeny class [3.8.ag_bd_adf](#), is again simple.

Let B be an abelian threefold over \mathbf{F}_8 in the isogeny class [3.8.ag_i_i](#); the Weil number for B is twice that for A . Here B is geometrically simple of p -rank 0, and its endomorphism algebra is again $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_7)$.

Example 5.19 There are also examples where both A and B are geometrically simple and have the same endomorphism algebra but different p -ranks. For example, abelian varieties in the isogeny class [3.2.a_c_c](#) have p -rank 0 while abelian varieties in the isogeny class [3.2.d_f_h](#) have p -rank 3; both have endomorphism algebra isomorphic to the number field [6.0.679024.1](#).

5.7 Abelian Fourfolds as Jacobians

For $g \geq 4$, a generic principally polarized abelian variety is not isomorphic to a Jacobian for dimension reasons. However, when working up to isogeny, it becomes much less clear what to expect. Using ideas from the theory of unlikely intersections, Shankar–Tsimmerman [ST18] have made numerous observations about this question, including the following conjecture.

Conjecture 5.20 ([ST18, Conjecture 2.5]) Every 4-dimensional abelian variety over $\overline{\mathbf{F}}_p$ is isogenous to the Jacobian of some (possibly reducible) stable curve.

Notably, however, it is not predicted that a 4-dimensional abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_q is isogenous to the Jacobian of a curve over \mathbf{F}_q . This can fail to occur, as in the following example.

Example 5.21 Consider the isogeny class [4.2.c_c_ac_af](#) over \mathbf{F}_2 . This class contains a principally polarized abelian fourfold A which is not isogenous to a Jacobian: if it were, the corresponding curve would have a negative number of \mathbf{F}_8 -points (see Sect. 3.3). However, the base change of A to $\mathbf{F}_4 = \mathbf{F}_2[\alpha]$, which belongs to the isogeny class [4.4.a_c_i_j](#), is isogenous to the Jacobian of the hyperelliptic curve

$$y^2 + (\alpha x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + \alpha)y = x^9 + x^8.$$

We can also stress-test the conjecture by considering the following example.

Example 5.22 Consider the isogeny class [4.2.a_a_b_af](#) over \mathbf{F}_2 . This isogeny class is geometrically simple and ordinary. It cannot contain a Jacobian over any subfield of \mathbf{F}_{16} : if it did, the corresponding curve would have a negative number of \mathbf{F}_{16} -points. In addition, Howe’s criterion (see Sect. 3.6) implies that this isogeny class cannot contain a principally polarized abelian fourfold over \mathbf{F}_{2^g} for any odd integer g . Consequently, if Conjecture 5.20 holds, then this isogeny class contains a Jacobian over \mathbf{F}_{2^g} for some even integer $g \geq 6$.

5.8 Distinguishing Isogeny Classes by Point Counts

The Weil polynomial of an abelian variety of dimension g has g unknown coefficients, so it is expected that these can be solved for using g point counts. It turns out that we can often do better than this. This exotic phenomenon is governed by information-theoretic heuristics (see Remark 5.25).

Example 5.23 For A a 5-dimensional abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_2 , A is determined up to isogeny by the tuple $(\#A(\mathbf{F}_{2^i}) : i = 1, \dots, 4)$. This is best possible: for example, an abelian variety A in any of the isogeny classes

[5.2.ab_b_c_d_ac](#), [5.2.ab_c_a_a_i](#), [5.2.ab_c_b_a_d](#)

satisfies $(\#A(\mathbf{F}_2), \#A(\mathbf{F}_4), \#A(\mathbf{F}_8)) = (42, 2520, 80262)$. By contrast, over \mathbf{F}_3 , a 5-dimensional abelian variety is determined up to isogeny by the tuple $(\#A(\mathbf{F}_{3^i}) : i = 1, \dots, 3)$.

Example 5.24 Similarly, for A a 6-dimensional abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_2 , A is determined up to isogeny by the tuple $(\#A(\mathbf{F}_{2^i}) : i = 1, \dots, 4)$. This is best possible even if we restrict to simple abelian varieties: for example, an abelian variety A in any of the isogeny classes

[6.2.ab_ab_b_g_ab_aj](#), [6.2.ab_b_ab_ac_f_ad](#), [6.2.ab_c_ab_ad_f_ap](#)

is geometrically simple and satisfies $(\#A(\mathbf{F}_2), \#A(\mathbf{F}_4), \#A(\mathbf{F}_8)) = (42, 4032, 246078)$.

Remark 5.25 It is not known exactly how many initial point counts are needed to identify a g -dimensional abelian variety over \mathbf{F}_q up to isogeny (for known g and q). The fact that the complete sequence of point counts determines the Weil polynomial is already nontrivial; it follows from a theorem of Fried [Fri88] (see also [Hil05]). Using the Weil bounds, it is shown in [Ked06b] that at most $\max\{18, 2g\}$ counts suffice; however, Noam Elkies has pointed out that on information-theoretic grounds, one should expect the number of counts needed to be about $g/2$, and indeed this is consistent with these examples. Namely, we need to distinguish among $O(q^{g(g+1)/4})$ Weil polynomials (Sect. 4.1), whereas the Lang-Weil bound (Sect. 2.7) implies that the number of possible values for the tuple $(\#A(\mathbf{F}_{q^i}))_{i=1}^n$ is $O(q^{n^2/2})$.

6 Possible Generalizations and Bottlenecks

We conclude with some discussion about possible future directions for this work.

6.1 Bottlenecks

We first identify some bottleneck steps that limited our original work, and which we would like to overcome.

As described in Sect. 3.8, we currently present Frobenius angle ranks which were computed nonrigorously using floating-point arithmetic, because it is not feasible to run the rigorous algorithm on all cases in the database. However, since we also compute Galois groups, we can use those to certify some cases as having maximal angle rank. This covers the vast majority of cases, which might make it feasible to run the rigorous algorithm on the rest, but our present methods rely on the computation of a splitting field, which is also very costly.

As has come up on several occasions already, we do not currently implement positive Jacobian testing for abelian varieties of dimension greater than or equal to 4. See Sect. 6.2 for further discussion.

One obstruction to adding complete tables of abelian varieties for other pairs (g, q) is the overall size of the dataset. Using Eq. (4.1), including $(7, 2)$ would add about 2.2 million isogeny classes, $(6, 3)$ about 10 million, $(5, 4)$ about 2.2 million, $(4, 7)$ about 700,000, and $(3, 27)$ about 450,000. For comparison, the database currently contains about 3 million isogeny classes and takes up about 10 GB. It would certainly be feasible to extend, but a line needs to be drawn somewhere. Moreover, the computational time required per isogeny grows quickly with g , so adding data with $g \geq 5$ takes more effort than suggested by the number of classes alone.

In lieu of enlarging the tables, one could also implement the computation of the data presented in LMFDB on a case-by-case basis for individual isogeny classes. One piece of data that would be difficult to compute in this way is the isogeny twists, which we currently do by finding hash collisions across the entire table (Sect. 3.4).

It would also be useful to have a mechanism to produce random elements of the set of isogeny classes for large g and q . It should be possible to effectively simulate the uniform distribution on isogeny classes by computing analogues of the isogeny Sato-Tate distribution in which one projects onto the first k polynomial coefficients (the isogeny Sato-Tate distribution being the case $k = 1$). An alternative approach may also be to take the existing Weil polynomial iterator discussed in Remark 3.1 and replace iterations over integers in an interval with uniform random samples.

6.2 Jacobians

Currently the LMFDB does not identify any isogeny class of abelian varieties of dimension at least 4 as containing a Jacobian. For dimension 4, it may be possible to exhaust over isomorphism classes of genus 4 curves using the fact that every such curve is either hyperelliptic or the transverse intersection of a quadric and a cubic surface in \mathbf{P}^3 ; see [Sav03] for a similar calculation. For curves of genus 5, the analogous assertion is that every such curve is either hyperelliptic, trigonal, or the transverse intersection of three quadrics in \mathbf{P}^4 . For curves of genus 6, the analogous assertion is that every such curve is either hyperelliptic, trigonal, bielliptic, isomorphic to a smooth plane quintic, or birational to a plane sextic with four double points [ACGH85, Exercises V.A]. (Beware that the previous assertions are made over an algebraically closed field.)

6.3 Isomorphism Classes

Beyond the current data in the LMFDB, it would be extremely desirable to tabulate abelian varieties up to isomorphism, not just up to isogeny. The easiest cases for this are those of ordinary abelian varieties, for which an explicit description of isomorphism classes within an isogeny class has been given by Deligne [Del69]; abelian varieties over \mathbf{F}_p , for which a similar description has been given by Centeleghe–Stix [CS15]; and almost ordinary abelian varieties [OS20]. The recent work of Marseglia [Mar19] has made great strides towards making these methods practical at the scale of the LMFDB, and we plan on working with him on including data on isomorphism classes into the database.

In order to handle nonordinary abelian varieties over nonprime fields, it is probably necessary to go back to the proof of Honda’s theorem, by constructing CM abelian varieties over number fields and then reducing them modulo primes. Note that whereas Honda’s original approach to this in [Hon68] used complex uniformization and GAGA, a more recent construction of Chai–Oort [CO15] gives a more algebraic approach that might be easier to implement as an algorithm.

6.4 K3 Surfaces and Higher Weight

It would be natural to attempt a similar compilation of other types of algebraic varieties over finite fields and their zeta functions. A strong candidate class for this is K3 surfaces, for which a weak version of the Honda–Tate theorem is known [Tae16, Ito19]. More precisely, for a given candidate Weil polynomial in this setting, one can prove there exists a corresponding K3 surface in some base change of this isogeny class. The code for tabulating Weil polynomials described in Sect. 3.1 can produce lists of possible zeta functions for K3 surfaces over \mathbf{F}_q for small q (this has been tested up to $q = 5$).

This suggests the question of trying to determine exactly which zeta functions occur for K3 surfaces over a given field. An indication of the difficulties involved can be seen in [KS16], where a complete tabulation of smooth quartic surfaces in \mathbf{P}^3 over \mathbf{F}_2 and their zeta functions was made (computing the latter by enumerating points); while this search did realize every eligible zeta function that could not occur for any other type of K3 surface, not every zeta function that could have appeared did so. Furthermore, certain zeta functions can only appear for K3 surfaces of very large degree, which would be very difficult to write down explicitly (the moduli space of K3 surfaces of a given degree becomes increasingly hyperbolic as the degree increases).

A closely related case is that of cubic fourfolds. Some examples of zeta function computations to resolve specific existence questions for cubic fourfolds can be found in [AA18] and [CHK19].

In another direction, one can also identify a class of surfaces with small invariants (genus, irregularity, K^2); identify all Weil polynomials over \mathbf{F}_q (for some given small values of q) which could arise from a surface with the given invariants; then

exhaust over the surfaces in question to see which polynomials arise and what “isogeny classes” they fall into. (In general it is not clear what geometric conditions correspond to an equality of Weil polynomials. One nontrivial example is that surfaces which are *derived equivalent*, meaning that they have isomorphic bounded derived categories of coherent sheaves, have the same zeta function [Hon15].) In some cases, candidate polynomials can be ruled out because they would predict impossible point counts on the underlying variety; for example, this happens for K3 surfaces over \mathbf{F}_2 as shown in [KS16].

A Tables and Figures

Table A.1 shows how the number of distinct Galois groups and Newton polygons varies with dimension for simple isogeny classes; see Sects. 2.4, 2.5, 4.2 and 4.3 for further discussion. Table A.2 gives counts of the number of simple isogeny classes for each $q \leq 5$ with every possible Galois group; see Sect. 4.2 for the definitions of $a(G)$ and $\tilde{a}(G)$ (maxp refers to the maximum q for which we have data). Table A.3 gives counts of the number of simple isogeny classes for each $q \leq 5$ with every possible Newton polygon; see Sect. 4.3 for a discussion of how we expect these counts to grow as a function of q and the elevation of the Newton polygon, and note that the supersingular Newton polygon does not occur among simple isogeny classes with $g = 5$ and $q \leq 3$. Tables A.4–A.9 give the counts of the number of simple isogeny classes grouped by g , q , Newton polygon, Galois group and angle rank; see Sect. 4.4 for further discussion of the relationship between angle rank and the Newton polygon. Table A.10 describes the possible Brauer invariants that can occur for endomorphism algebras of simple isogeny classes; see Sect. 4.4 and Figs. A.2–A.7 for further discussion of the centers of these algebras, which are not shown in this table.

Figure A.1 graphs the possible Newton polygons in dimension 3; see Sects. 2.4 and 4.3 for further discussion. Figures A.2–A.7 show bar charts for the distribution of normalized discriminants for the Weil polynomials of simple isogeny classes and the number fields generated by them; see Sect. 4.5 for the normalizing factor and further discussion. Figures A.8–A.10 compare the predicted isogeny Sato-Tate distribution from Sect. 4.6 with the observed point counts of $\#A(\mathbf{F}_q)$ for $g = 2, 3, 4$ and selected values of q .

Table A.1 The number of distinct Galois groups and distinct Newton polygons, by dimension

Dimension	Num of groups	Num of Newton polygons
1	2	2
2	4	3
3	5	5
4	30	8
5	9	12
6	46	20

Table A.2 Counts of isogeny classes by Galois group; $a(G)$ and $\tilde{a}_{\max p}(G)$

Dimension	G	$a(G)$	$\tilde{a}_{\max p}(G)$	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
1	1T1		$-\infty$			2	
1	2T1	1	1.000	5	7	7	9
2	2T1	1	0.000	1	1		1
2	4T1	1/2	0.370		2	2	2
2	4T2	1/2	0.661	11	16	14	29
2	4T3	1	0.997	8	16	30	52
3	6T1	1/3	0.199	4	2	6	
3	6T3	1/2	0.557	14	32	84	88
3	6T6	1	0.588	14	34	52	94
3	6T11	1	0.999	48	280	676	1850
4	4T2	1/2	$-\infty$			6	
4	4T3	1	$-\infty$			4	
4	8T2	1/4	0.267	13	20	14	22
4	8T3	1/4	0.259	4	13	23	20
4	8T4	1/4	0.095	1		2	3
4	8T6	1/3	0.250		8		18
4	8T9	1/2	0.519	41	112	195	405
4	8T10	1/2	0.334	12	32	34	48
4	8T11	1/2	0.155		2	2	6
4	8T12	1/4	0.267	6	12	8	22
4	8T13	1/4	0.228	2	16	8	14
4	8T17	1/2	0.199	2		8	10
4	8T18	1/2	0.581	20	116	254	832
4	8T19	1/2	$-\infty$			4	
4	8T20	1/2	0.060		2	2	2
4	8T22	1/2	0.180				8
4	8T23	1/3	0.155		8	4	6
4	8T24	1/2	0.656	92	362	630	1984
4	8T26	1/2	0.180			4	8
4	8T27	1	0.429		24	66	144
4	8T28	1/2	0.259		2	8	20
4	8T29	1/2	0.448	8	42	44	178
4	8T30	1/2	$-\infty$			2	
4	8T31	1	0.408		12	34	112
4	8T32	1/2	0.120				4
4	8T35	1	0.706	34	356	1206	3546
4	8T38	1	0.467		20	100	224
4	8T39	1/2	0.745	62	558	1214	5554
4	8T40	1/2	0.199		4	4	10
4	8T44	1	0.989	368	4986	23272	93506
5	10T1	1/5	0.114		4		
5	10T5	1/4	0.334	18	58		

(continued)

Table A.2 (continued)

Dimension	G	$a(G)$	$\tilde{a}_{\max}(G)$	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
5	10T11	1/4	0.057		2		
5	10T14	1	0.268	8	26		
5	10T22	1/2	0.562	100	932		
5	10T23	1	0.379	14	100		
5	10T29	1	0.347	4	68		
5	10T36	1	0.356	2	76		
5	10T39	1	0.999	6178	189514		
6	12T2	1/6	0.253	18			
6	12T3	1/6	0.061	2			
6	12T6	1/4	0.096	3			
6	12T10	1/4	0.326	41			
6	12T18	1/4	0.202	10			
6	12T21	1/2	0.000	1			
6	12T23	1/4	0.267	21			
6	12T24	1/4	0.141	5			
6	12T25	1/2	0.351	55			
6	12T26	1/4	0.000	1			
6	12T28	1/3	0.061	2			
6	12T37	1/4	0.157	6			
6	12T41	1/4	0.061	2			
6	12T48	1/2	0.487	259			
6	12T76	1/4	0.243	16			
6	12T77	1/2	0.382	78			
6	12T78	1/3	0.425	128			
6	12T79	1/2	0.061	2			
6	12T90	1/2	0.309	34			
6	12T101	1/2	0.400	96			
6	12T103	1/2	0.141	5			
6	12T125	1/2	0.323	40			
6	12T134	1	0.202	10			
6	12T135	1	0.061	2			
6	12T136	1/2	0.061	2			
6	12T138	1/2	0.061	2			
6	12T139	1/2	0.560	595			
6	12T148	1/2	0.061	2			
6	12T186	1/2	0.122	4			
6	12T193	1	0.243	16			
6	12T208	1	0.304	32			
6	12T219	1/2	0.656	1784			
6	12T222	1	0.415	114			
6	12T224	1	0.061	2			

(continued)

Table A.2 (continued)

Dimension	G	$a(G)$	$\tilde{a}_{\max}(G)$	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
6	12T226	1/2	0.122	4			
6	12T227	1	0.182	8			
6	12T236	1/2	0.441	152			
6	12T237	1/2	0.182	8			
6	12T240	1	0.061	2			
6	12T250	1	0.482	244			
6	12T255	1	0.182	8			
6	12T260	1	0.625	1240			
6	12T285	1/2	0.833	13342			
6	12T286	1	0.157	6			
6	12T287	1/2	0.182	8			
6	12T293	1	0.980	71290			

Table A.3 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon

Dimension	Slopes	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
1	(0, 1)	2	4	4	8
1	$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	3	3	5	1
2	(0, 0, 1, 1)	13	30	34	66
2	$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	2	2	8	12
2	$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	5	3	4	6
3	(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)	56	266	576	1696
3	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\right)$	12	54	192	284
3	$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	4	16	30	36
3	$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$	8	10	18	16
3	$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$		2	2	
4	(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)	453	5062	18178	87115
4	$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	94	1048	6966	15698
4	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\right)$	43	381	1398	3108
4	$\left(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$	26	114	244	526
4	$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	6	12	66	70
4	$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	36	82	275	168
4	$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$	2	2	20	16
4	$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	5	6	5	5
5	(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	4034	137776		
5	$\left(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1\right)$	1248	35796		

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Table A.3 (continued)

Dimension	Slopes	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
5	$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	532	11558		
5	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1\right)$	170	3024		
5	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\right)$	62	696		
5	$\left(0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 1\right)$	86	968		
5	$\left(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$	12	166		
5	$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	8	56		
5	$\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)$	140	614		
5	$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	22	94		
5	$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$	2	20		
5	$\left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$	8	12		
6	$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	54730			
6	$\left(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1\right)$	17466			
6	$\left(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1\right)$	8570			
6	$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	3042			
6	$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	1382			
6	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 1, 1\right)$	1502			
6	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1\right)$	262			
6	$\left(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\right)$	330			
6	$\left(0, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 1\right)$	774			
6	$\left(0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 1\right)$	130			
6	$\left(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$	40			
6	$\left(0, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, 1\right)$	88			
6	$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	10			
6	$\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{6}\right)$	998			
6	$\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)$	202			
6	$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	66			
6	$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$	90			
6	$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$	8			
6	$\left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$	4			
6	$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	8			

Table A.4 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon, Galois group, and angle rank ($g = 1$)

Slopes	Group	Angle rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
$(0, 1)$	2T1	1	2	4	4	8
$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	1T1	0			2	
$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	2T1	0	3	3	3	1

Table A.5 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon, Galois group, and angle rank ($g = 2$)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
$(0, 0, 1, 1)$	4T1	2		2		
$(0, 0, 1, 1)$	4T2	1	7	14	12	26
$(0, 0, 1, 1)$	4T3	2	6	14	22	40
$(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$	4T3	2	2	2	8	12
$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	2T1	0	1	1		1
$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	4T1	0			2	2
$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	4T2	0	4	2	2	3

Table A.6 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon, Galois group, and angle rank ($g = 3$)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
$(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$	6T1	1	4		4	
$(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$	6T3	1	4	10	12	28
$(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$	6T3	3	2	6	10	42
$(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$	6T6	3	14	32	48	82
$(0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$	6T11	3	32	218	502	1544
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	6T3	2	6	12	56	6
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	6T6	3			2	10
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	6T11	3	6	42	134	268
$(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$	6T3	3			2	4
$(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$	6T6	3			2	2
$(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$	6T11	3	4	16	26	30
$(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$	6T3	1	2	4	4	8
$(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$	6T6	3		2		
$(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$	6T11	3	6	4	14	8
$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	6T1	0		2	2	

Table A.7 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon, Galois group, and angle rank ($g = 4$)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T2	1	8	12	10	10
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T2	2		3		
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T3	1	4	12	9	19
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T4	2			1	3
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T6	4		8		8
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T9	1	6	20	28	80
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T9	2	19	59	100	221
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T9	4				8
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T10	2	10	26	28	32
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T10	4		4	2	
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T11	4		2	2	4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T12	4	6	12	8	22
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T13	3	2	8	4	12
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T13	4		6		2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T17	4	2		6	10
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T18	2	12	84	206	688
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T18	4	2	2	6	12
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T19	4			4	
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T20	4		2	2	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T22	4				4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T23	4		6	2	4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T24	3	50	202	406	1292
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T24	4	12	54	62	356
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T26	4			4	4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T27	4		24	60	136
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T28	4				4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T29	4	8	34	40	140
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T30	4			2	
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T31	4		8	28	110
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T32	4				2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T35	4	26	298	926	3122
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T38	4		10	48	172
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T39	4	46	488	1068	4964
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T40	4		4	4	10
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	8T44	4	240	3674	15112	75662
$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	8T6	4				4
$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	8T23	4			2	2
$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	8T26	4				4
$\left(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1\right)$	8T31	4				2

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Table A.7 (continued)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	8T35	4	2	32	108	260
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	8T38	4		10	42	48
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	8T44	4	92	1006	6814	15378
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T3	2			4	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T4	2	1		1	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T6	4				4
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T9	2	6	17	29	62
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T9	3		4	14	22
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T10	2		2	2	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T11	4				2
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T13	3			2	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T17	4			2	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T18	2	4	22	30	108
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T18	4				4
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T22	4				4
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T24	3	14	64	96	252
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T24	4		2		30
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T27	4			4	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T28	4			6	16
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T29	4		6	4	38
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T31	4		4	6	
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T32	4				2
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T35	4	4	22	144	150
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T38	4			10	4
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T39	4	2	38	68	432
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	8T44	4	12	200	976	1978
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	8T13	3		2		
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	8T23	4		2		
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	8T24	3	10	18	36	48
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	8T24	4	2	2	6	2
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	8T39	4	4	26	40	130
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	8T44	4	10	64	162	346

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Table A.7 (continued)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$	$q = 4$	$q = 5$
$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	8T6	4				2
$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	8T28	4		2	2	
$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	8T35	4				2
$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	8T39	4	4	2	12	12
$\left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$	8T44	4	2	8	52	54
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	4T2	1			6	
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	4T3	2			4	
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T2	1				8
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T3	1			9	
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T9	1	6	12	6	12
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T9	2	4		18	
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T10	2	2		2	16
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T13	3			2	
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T18	2	2	8	12	20
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T24	3	4	20	24	4
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T27	4			2	8
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T29	4		2		
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T35	4	2	4	28	12
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T39	4	6	4	26	16
$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$	8T44	4	10	32	136	72
$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$	8T44	4	2	2	20	16
$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	8T2	0	5	5	4	4
$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	8T3	0		1	1	1

Table A.8 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon, Galois group, and angle rank ($g = 5$)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$	$q = 3$
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T1	1		4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T5	1	10	38
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T5	5		2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T14	5	8	26
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T22	5	34	292
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T23	5	12	80
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T29	5	2	50
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T36	5	2	52
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T39	5	3966	137232
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T22	4	46	480
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T23	5		8
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T29	5	2	18
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T36	5		12
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	10T39	5	1200	35278
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	10T22	5	4	52
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	10T23	5	2	12
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	10T36	5		2
$(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1)$	10T39	5	526	11492
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1)$	10T11	5		2
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1)$	10T22	5	4	32
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1)$	10T36	5		10
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, 1)$	10T39	5	166	2980
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	10T22	4	2	48
$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1)$	10T39	5	60	648
$(0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 1)$	10T22	5	4	4
$(0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 1)$	10T39	5	82	964
$(0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1)$	10T39	5	12	166
$(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$	10T39	5	8	56
$(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$	10T5	1	6	14
$(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$	10T39	5	134	600
$(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4})$	10T22	4	6	24
$(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4})$	10T39	5	16	70
$(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$	10T39	5	2	20
$(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5})$	10T5	1	2	4
$(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{5})$	10T39	5	6	8

Table A.9 Counts of isogeny classes by Newton polygon, Galois group, and angle rank ($g = 6$)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T2	1	10
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T3	1	1
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T10	1	9
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T10	3	3
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T18	1	6
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T21	3	1
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T23	3	3
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T23	5	6
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T24	3	3
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T25	3	55
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T48	3	95
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T48	5	12
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T48	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T76	6	16
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T77	5	40
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T78	2	74
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T78	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T90	3	32
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T101	3	67
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T103	3	4
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T125	6	22
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T134	6	10
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T135	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T136	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T138	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T139	3	365
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T139	6	8
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T148	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T186	6	4
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T193	6	12
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T208	6	30
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T219	5	1084
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T219	6	102
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T222	6	106
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T224	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T226	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T227	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T236	6	98
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T237	6	4
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T240	6	2
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)	12T250	6	152

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Table A.9 (continued)

Slopes	Group	Angle Rank	$q = 2$
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T255	6	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T260	6	968
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T285	6	8810
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T286	6	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T287	6	6
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T293	6	42488
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T125	6	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T250	6	28
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T255	6	6
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T260	6	34
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T286	6	4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T293	6	17392
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T6	3	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T10	2	15
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T23	2	6
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T23	3	1
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T28	4	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T48	2	42
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T48	3	36
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T77	4	34
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T79	4	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T90	3	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T101	3	19
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T125	4	4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T125	6	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T139	3	93
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T193	6	2
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T219	6	14
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T236	6	40
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T237	6	4
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T250	6	34
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T260	6	152
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T285	6	2020
$(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$	12T293	6	5704

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Table A.10 Brauer invariants of endomorphism algebras. Each “zeroes” row combines all commutative endomorphism algebras for that g

g	$\text{End}^0(A/\mathbb{F}_q)$ invs	$\text{End}^0(A/\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q)$ invs	Count	qs	Example
1	zeroes	zeroes	6000	all	1.2.ab
	(0)	(1/2)	154	all except 169	1.2.ac
	(1/2)	(1/2)	30	squares	1.4.e
2	zeroes	zeroes	1198020	all	2.2.b_a
	(0)	(1/2)	195	all except 121	2.2.a_ae
	(0, 0)	(1/2)	80	5, 7, 9, 13, 17, 25 ...	2.5.a_a
	(1/2, 1/2)	(1/2)	7	25, 49, 169, 625	2.25.a_by
3	zeroes	zeroes	962658	all	3.2.b_b_d
	(0)	(1/2)	16	3, 4, 7, 9, 16, 25	3.3.a_a_aj
	(0, 0)	(1/3, 2/3)	140	all	3.2.a_a_ac
	(1/3, 2/3)	(1/3, 2/3)	2	8	3.8.g_bk_ea
4	zeroes	zeroes	141018	2, 3, 4, 5	4.2.ac_b_ab_d
	(0)	(1/2)	14	2, 3, 4, 5	4.2.a_c_a_e
	(0, 0)	(1/2)	7	3, 4, 5	4.3.a_a_a_aj
	(0, 0)	(1/4, 3/4)	53	2, 3, 4, 5	4.2.a_a_a_c
	(0, 0)	(1/2, 1/2)	84	2, 3, 4, 5	4.2.a_ae_a_k
	(1/2, 1/2)	(1/4, 3/4)	6	4	4.4.a_m_a_cq
	(1/2, 1/2)	(1/2, 1/2)	4	4	4.4.ae_q_abo_dw
	(0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 1/2, 1/2)	23	3, 4, 5	4.3.a_ac_a_ad
	(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 1/2, 1/2)	21	3, 5	4.3.a_c_a_ad
5	zeroes	zeroes	197078	2, 3	5.2.ad_h_ao_y_abm
	(0, 0)	(1/5, 4/5)	20	2, 3	5.2.a_a_a_a_ag
	(0, 0)	(2/5, 3/5)	6	2, 3	5.2.a_a_a_a_e
6	zeroes	zeroes	89471	2	6.2.b_ab_a_ad_ad_h
	(0)	(1/2)	4	2	6.2.a_a_e_a_a_i
	(0, 0)	(1/2)	4	2	6.2.ac_c_a_ae_i_ai
	(0, 0)	(1/6, 5/6)	12	2	6.2.a_a_ac_a_a_c
	(0, 0)	(1/3, 2/3)	31	2	6.2.a_a_ac_a_a_o
	(0, 0)	(1/2, 1/2)	88	2	6.2.a_a_a_c_a_ac
	(0, 0, 0)	(0, 1/2, 1/2)	13	2	6.2.a_ac_a_g_a_ai
	(0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 1/3, 2/3)	2	2	6.2.a_a_ac_a_a_a
	(0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 1/2, 1/2)	1	2	6.2.a_ac_a_c_a_a
	(0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 1/2, 1/2)	42	2	6.2.a_ab_a_c_a_ag
	(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 1/3, 2/3)	20	2	6.2.a_a_d_a_a_c
	(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 1/2, 1/2)	14	2	6.2.a_b_a_a_a_ac

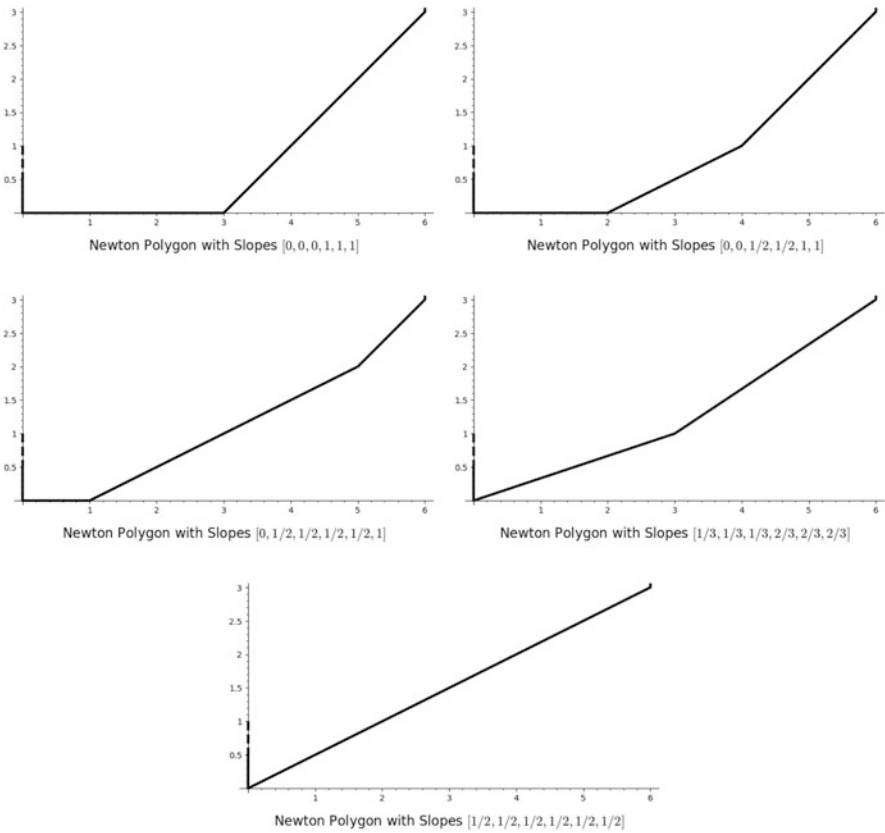


Fig. A.1 Possible Newton polygons for dimension 3 abelian varieties. The partial ordering is linear

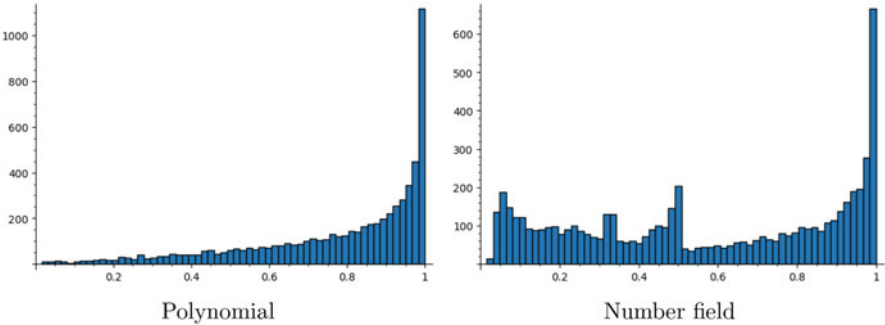


Fig. A.2 Normalized root discriminants for $g = 1$

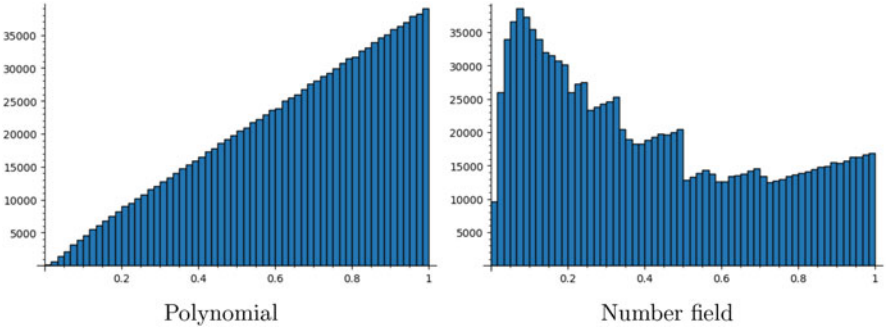


Fig. A.3 Normalized root discriminants for $g = 2$

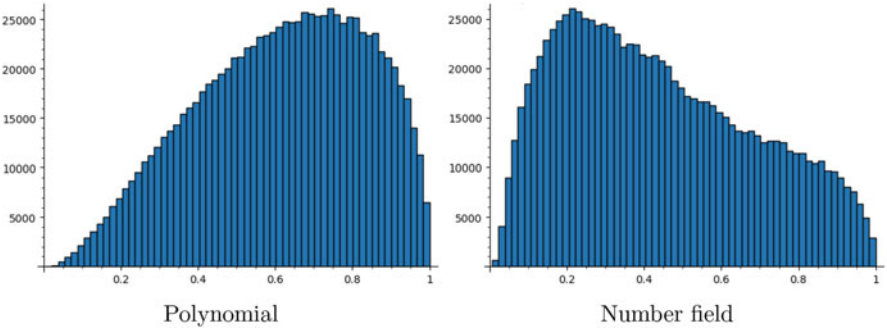


Fig. A.4 Normalized root discriminants for $g = 3$

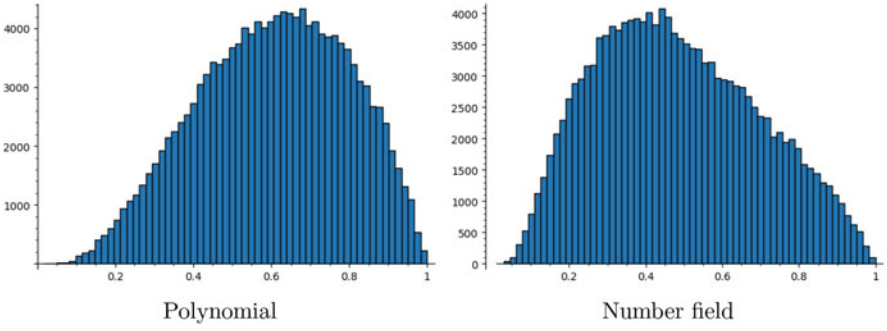


Fig. A.5 Normalized root discriminants for $g = 4$

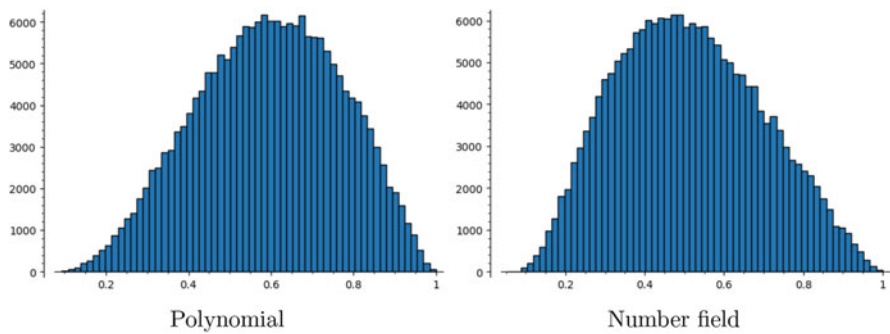


Fig. A.6 Normalized root discriminants for $g = 5$

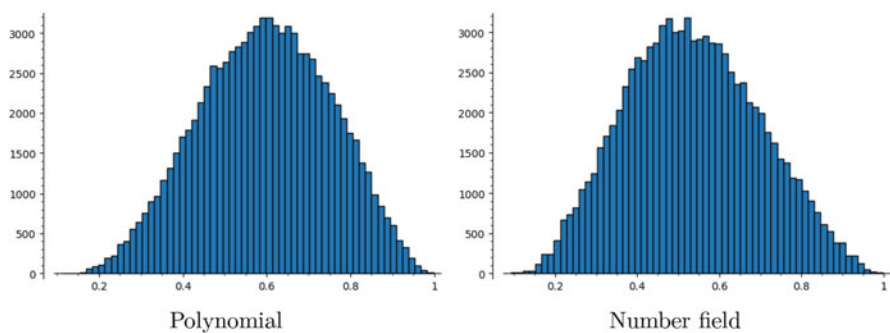


Fig. A.7 Normalized root discriminants for $g = 6$

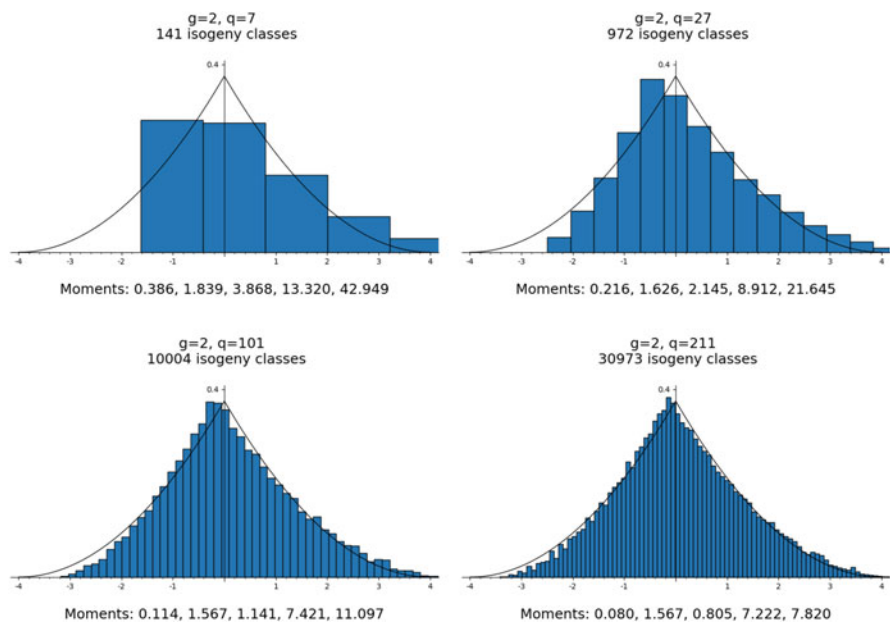


Fig. A.8 Isogeny Sato-Tate distribution for $g = 2$ with $q = 7, 27, 101, 211$

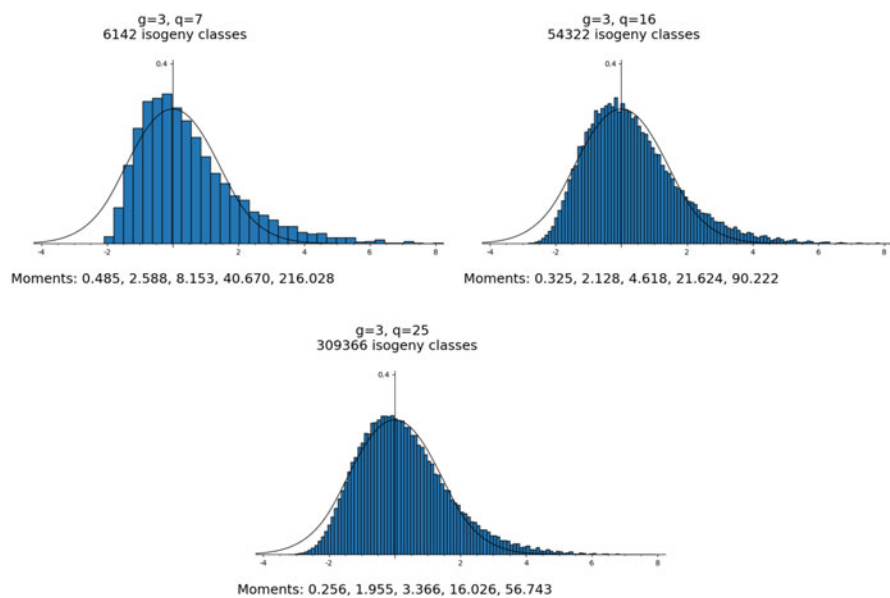


Fig. A.9 Isogeny Sato-Tate distribution for $g = 3$ with $q = 7, 16$ and 25

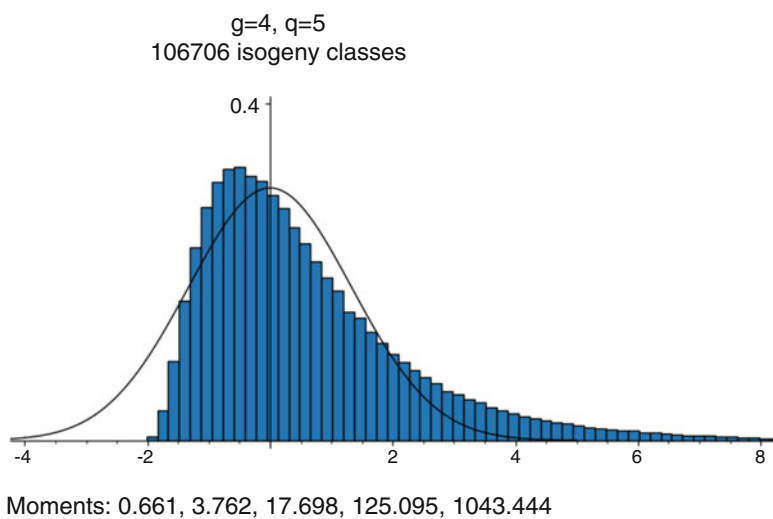


Fig. A.10 Isogeny Sato-Tate distribution for $g = 4$ and $q = 5$

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