

Variations on Schanuel's Conjecture for elliptic and quasi-elliptic functions I: the split case

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Abstract. It is expected that Schanuel's Conjecture contains all "reasonable" statements that can be made on the values of the exponential function. In particular it implies the Lindemann-Weierstrass Theorem and the Conjecture on algebraic independence of logarithms of algebraic numbers.

Our goal is to state conjectures *à la Schanuel*, which imply conjectures *à la Lindemann-Weierstrass*, for the exponential map of an extension G of an elliptic curve \mathcal{E} by the multiplicative group \mathbb{G}_m . In the present paper we assume that the extension is split, that is $G = \mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E}$. In a second paper in preparation we will deal with the non-split case, namely when the extension is not a product. Here we propose the *Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture*, which involves the exponential function and the Weierstrass \wp and ζ functions, related with integrals of the first and second kind. In the second paper, our *Non-Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture* will also involve Serre's functions, related with integrals of the third kind.

We expect that our conjectures contain all "reasonable" statements that can be made on the values of these functions.

In the present paper we highlight the geometric origin of the Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture: it is *equivalent* to the Grothendieck-André generalized period Conjecture applied to the 1-motive $M = [u : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m^s \times \mathcal{E}^n]$, which is the Elliptico-Toric Conjecture of the first author.

We show that our Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture implies three theorems of Schneider on elliptic analogs of the Hermite-Lindemann and Gel'fond-Schneider's theorems, as well as a conjecture on the Weierstrass zeta function.

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1. Introduction

Let $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ be the algebraic closure in \mathbb{C} of the field \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers. Since the transcendence degree of $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ over \mathbb{Q} is 0, complex numbers are algebraically independent over \mathbb{Q} if and only if they are algebraically independent over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ – in this case we simply say that they are algebraically independent. When we speak of the transcendence degree (denoted *tran.deg*) without specifying over which field, it means that it is over \mathbb{Q} . In the same vein, we say that a number is algebraic (resp. transcendental) if it is algebraic (resp. transcendental) over \mathbb{Q} , which means that it belongs (or not) to $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$.

Hermite proved the transcendence of the number e in 1873, Lindemann the transcendence of π in 1882. These two results are special cases of the following statement, known as the *Hermite-Lindemann Theorem*:

Theorem 1.1. (HL) *If α is a non-zero complex number, then one at least of the two numbers α , e^α is transcendental.*

The following more general statement is known as the *Lindemann-Weierstrass Theorem* (1885):

Theorem 1.2. (LW) *If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_s$ are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent algebraic numbers, then the numbers $e^{\alpha_1}, \dots, e^{\alpha_s}$ are algebraically independent.*

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This theorem is a consequence of the following conjecture proposed by Schanuel [L66], which is supposed to contain all “reasonable” statements that can be made on the values of the exponential function:

Conjecture 1.3. (Schanuel's Conjecture) *If t_1, \dots, t_s are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent complex numbers, then at least s of the $2s$ numbers $t_1, \dots, t_s, e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}$ are algebraically independent.*

In other terms the transcendence degree over \mathbb{Q} of the field $\mathbb{Q}(t_1, \dots, t_s, e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s})$ is at least s . This lower bound s is clearly the best possible: for instance if t_1, \dots, t_s are algebraic, then the transcendence degree is s (and this is LW Theorem 1.2). If e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s} are algebraic numbers, say $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$, writing $t_\ell = \log \alpha_\ell$ ($\ell = 1, \dots, s$), Schanuel's Conjecture 1.3 reduces to the conjecture on the algebraic independence of \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent logarithms of algebraic numbers.

The previous statements deal with *the exponential function* of the torus \mathbb{G}_m

$$\begin{aligned} \exp : \mathrm{Lie}(\mathbb{G}_m)_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}^\times \\ t &\longmapsto e^t. \end{aligned}$$

In [B02, §3] the first author proves that Schanuel's Conjecture 1.3 is *equivalent* to the Grothendieck–André generalized period Conjecture applied to the 1-motive

$$M = [u : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m^s, u(1) = (e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}) \in \mathbb{G}_m^s(\mathbb{C})]$$

(see [B20, Letter of Y. André] for a nice explanation of the Grothendieck–André generalized period Conjecture).

In the present paper we state a conjecture *à la Schanuel*, which we call the *Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture*, for a split extension of an elliptic curve \mathcal{E} by the multiplicative group: $\mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E}$. Based on [B02], we relate our conjecture with the motivic conjecture of Grothendieck–André. In a forthcoming paper [BW26], we will deal with the case of non-split extensions, and relate it to the Grothendieck–André conjecture thanks to [B02, B25], in connection with [Wal25].

Section 2 is devoted to the statement of the main Conjecture 2.1. Section 3 contains the necessary background on elliptic and quasi-elliptic functions, including addition, multiplication and division formulae.

The geometric origin of our Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture is explained in Section 4, where we prove its equivalence with the Elliptico–Toric Conjecture 4.1 of [B02, §1]. Proofs of some consequences of Conjecture 2.1 are given in Section 5.

2. The Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture

Let \mathcal{E} be an elliptic curve over \mathbb{C} . We use a Weierstrass parametrization of the exponential of \mathcal{E} with a Weierstrass \wp function; we denote by Ω the lattice of periods of \wp , by ζ the Weierstrass zeta function associated to Ω and by g_2 and g_3 the invariants of \wp . Let (ω_1, ω_2) be a pair of fundamental periods of Ω :

$$\Omega = \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2$$

and let k be the field of endomorphisms of \mathcal{E} , namely $k := \mathrm{End}(\mathcal{E}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$:

$$k = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q} & \text{in the non-CM case,} \\ \mathbb{Q}(\tau) & \text{in the CM case} \end{cases}$$

where $\tau := \omega_2/\omega_1$. In both cases, $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq k \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$.

The exponential map of the product $\mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E}$ (composed with a projective embedding) is

$$\begin{aligned} \exp_{\mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E}} : \text{Lie}(\mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E})_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C}^2 &\longrightarrow (\mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E})_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C}) \subset (\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{P}^2)(\mathbb{C}) \\ (t, z) &\longmapsto \left(e^t, [\sigma(z)^3 \wp(z) : \sigma(z)^3 \wp'(z) : \sigma(z)^3] \right) \end{aligned}$$

where \mathbb{A} is the affine line and \mathbb{P}^2 the projective space of dimension 2.

For convenience, we use small letters for elliptic logarithms of points in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbb{C})$ which are written with capital letters: $\exp_{\mathcal{E}}(p) = P \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbb{C})$ for $p \in \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E})_{\mathbb{C}}$.

In terms of meromorphic functions, the four functions $z, e^z, \wp(z), \zeta(z)$ are related with the parametrization of the exponential map of the algebraic group \tilde{G} of dimension 4, which is the product of the additive group \mathbb{G}_a , the multiplicative group \mathbb{G}_m and the non-trivial extension of \mathcal{E} by \mathbb{G}_a (see [M16, Exercise 20.102]):

$$\begin{aligned} \exp_{\tilde{G}} : \text{Lie}(\tilde{G})_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C}^4 &\longrightarrow \tilde{G}(\mathbb{C}) \subset (\mathbb{A}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^4)(\mathbb{C}) \\ (z_0, z_1, w, z) &\longmapsto \left((z_0, e^{z_1}), [\sigma(z)^3 \wp(z) : \sigma(z)^3 \wp'(z) : \sigma(z)^3 : \right. \\ &\quad \left. \sigma(z)^3 (w + \zeta(z)) : \sigma(z)^3 ((w + \zeta(z)) \wp'(z) + 2\wp(z)^2)] \right), \end{aligned}$$

where \mathbb{A}^2 is the affine space of dimension 2 and \mathbb{P}^4 the projective space of dimension 4.

According to our notations the neutral element has coordinates $((0, 1), [0 : 1 : 0 : 0 : 0])$. Under $\exp_{\tilde{G}}$, the subgroup \mathbb{G}_a^2 of \tilde{G} is the image of the subspace $\mathbb{C} \times \{0\} \times \mathbb{C} \times \{0\}$, the subgroup \mathbb{G}_m of \tilde{G} is the image of the subspace $\{0\} \times \mathbb{C} \times \{0\} \times \{0\}$, the kernel of $\exp_{\tilde{G}}$ is

$$\{(0, 2\pi ia, -\eta(\omega), \omega) \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}, \omega \in \Omega\}$$

which is a discrete subgroup of rank 3 of \mathbb{C}^4 , and the torsion subgroup of \tilde{G} is the image of the subgroup

$$\{(0, 2\pi ia/m, -\eta(\omega)/m, \omega/m) \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}, \omega \in \Omega, m \geq 1\} \subset \mathbb{C}^4.$$

For the algebraic groups $\mathbb{G}_m \times \mathcal{E}$ and \tilde{G} , we suggest the following conjecture *à la Schanuel*.

Conjecture 2.1. (Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture) *Let Ω be a lattice in \mathbb{C} . Let t_1, \dots, t_s be \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent complex numbers and p_1, \dots, p_n be k -linearly independent complex numbers in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then the transcendence degree of the field*

$$K := \mathbb{Q}(t_1, \dots, t_s, e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, g_2, g_3, p_1, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_n)) \quad (2.1)$$

is at least $s + 2n$, unless $2\pi i\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$ and $\Omega \subset kp_1 + \dots + kp_n$, in which case it is at least $s + 2n - 1$.

We will call *exceptional* the case where $2\pi i\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$ and $\Omega \subset kp_1 + \dots + kp_n$. As a matter of fact, we will see in Section 4 that this exceptional case implies the non-exceptional cases.

The lower bound for the transcendence degree cannot be improved:

- In the exceptional case, the transcendence degree of K is at most $s + 2n - 1$ for instance when the $s + n + 2$ numbers $e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, g_2, g_3, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n)$ are all algebraic with $t_1 = 2\pi i$, and further $p_1 = \omega_1/2, p_2 = \omega_2/2$ in the non-CM case, $p_1 = \omega_1/2$ in the CM case (this follows from Legendre relation (3.2) and relation (3.5) – see Remark 4.2).
- In the non-exceptional case, the transcendence degree of K is at most $s + 2n$ for instance when the $s + n + 2$ numbers $t_1, \dots, t_s, g_2, g_3, p_1, \dots, p_n$ are all algebraic. In this case we have $2\pi i \notin \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$ and $\Omega \cap (kp_1 + \dots + kp_n) = \{0\}$ and so this case is not exceptional.

There are cases where the upper bound for the transcendence degree is not optimal: a consequence of [Wal25, Corollary 2.3] is that given arbitrary g_2, g_3 with $g_2^3 \neq 27g_3^2$, for almost all $s + n$ tuples $(t_1, \dots, t_s, p_1, \dots, p_n)$, the $2s + 3n$ numbers

$$t_1, \dots, t_s, e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, p_1, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_n)$$

are algebraically independent over $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$.

In Theorem 4.5, we prove that Conjecture 2.1 is equivalent to the Grothendieck-André generalized period Conjecture applied to the 1-motive

$$M = [u : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m^s \times \mathcal{E}^n], \quad u(1) = (e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, P_1, \dots, P_n) \in (\mathbb{G}_m^s \times \mathcal{E}^n)(\mathbb{C}),$$

where $P_i = [\wp(p_i) : \wp'(p_i) : 1]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, which is the Elliptico-Toric Conjecture (Conjecture 4.1 below; see [B02, §1] and [B20, Letter of Y. André]).

Schanuel's Conjecture 1.3 is the case $n = 0$ of Conjecture 2.1 when there is no elliptic curve. In this case $\Omega \cap (kp_1 + \dots + kp_n) = \{0\}$.

Here is the case $s = 0$ of Conjecture 2.1 when there is no G_m factor (see also [BPSS22, Conjecture 4.2]). In this case $2\pi i \notin \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$.

Conjecture 2.2. (Elliptic Schanuel Conjecture) *Let Ω be a lattice in \mathbb{C} . Let p_1, \dots, p_n be k -linearly independent elements in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then at least $2n$ of the $2 + 3n$ numbers*

$$g_2, g_3, p_1, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_n)$$

are algebraically independent.

If we assume the lattice Ω to have algebraic invariants g_2 and g_3 and $t_1, \dots, t_s, p_1, \dots, p_n$ to be algebraic, from Conjecture 2.1, we get a conjecture à la Lindemann-Weierstrass.

Conjecture 2.3. (Split Semi-Elliptic LW Conjecture) *Let Ω be a lattice in \mathbb{C} with algebraic invariants g_2, g_3 . If*

- t_1, \dots, t_s are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent algebraic numbers,
- p_1, \dots, p_n are k -linearly independent algebraic numbers,

then the $s + 2n$ numbers $e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_n)$ are algebraically independent.

Lindemann's Theorem on the transcendence of π implies that when t_1, \dots, t_s are algebraic numbers, then $2\pi i \notin \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$. Also, Corollary 2.6 of Schneider's Theorem 2.5.1 implies that the poles $\neq 0$ of a Weierstrass \wp function with algebraic invariants are transcendental; consequently, when p_1, \dots, p_n are algebraic numbers, then $\Omega \cap (kp_1 + \dots + kp_n) = \{0\}$.

One case of Conjecture 2.3 is known: the case $n = 0$, which is the LW Theorem 1.2. Since any subfamily of an algebraically independent family is still algebraically independent, a consequence of the case $s = 0$ of Conjecture 2.3 is the Philippon-Wüstholz Theorem, which states that *the values of a Weierstrass \wp function, with algebraic invariants and with complex multiplication, at k -linearly independent algebraic numbers, are algebraically independent* (see [P83, Corollaire 0.3] and [Wü83, Korollar 2]).

Another consequence of Conjecture 2.1 is the following *Conjecture on algebraic independence of semi-elliptic logarithms of algebraic points in the split case*, which contains the conjectures on algebraic independence of \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent (ordinary) logarithms of algebraic numbers (a special case of Schanuel's Conjecture), and on algebraic independence of k -linearly independent elliptic logarithms of algebraic points (a special case of Conjecture 2.2). Very few unconditional results are known, including the six exponentials Theorem and some elliptic analogs (see for instance [L66, Chap. II] and [Ra68]).

Conjecture 2.4. (Split Semi-Elliptic Logarithms Conjecture) *Let Ω be a lattice in \mathbb{C} with algebraic invariants g_2, g_3 . Let s, m, n be non negative integers with $0 \leq m \leq n$. Let*

- t_1, \dots, t_s be \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent complex numbers such that the numbers $\alpha_\ell := e^{t_\ell}$ ($\ell = 1, \dots, s$) are algebraic; write $t_\ell = \log \alpha_\ell$;
- p_1, \dots, p_n be k -linearly independent elements of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ such that the numbers $\wp(p_i)$ ($1 \leq i \leq m$) and $\zeta(p_j)$ ($m+1 \leq j \leq n$) are algebraic.

Then the $s+n$ numbers

$$\log \alpha_1, \dots, \log \alpha_s, p_1, \dots, p_n$$

are algebraically independent.

We deduce Conjecture 2.4 from Conjecture 2.1 in Section 5. We complete this section with some more consequences of Conjecture 2.1, proofs of which will also be given in Section 5.

In [Sc37, Satz II] and [Sc57, Zweites Kapitel, §4, Satz 15] (see also [M16, Chap. 20]), assuming that the invariants g_2 and g_3 are algebraic, Schneider proves three theorems on the common algebraic values of two algebraically independent functions, namely $(\alpha z + \beta \zeta(z), \wp(z))$, $(e^{\alpha z}, \wp(z))$ and $(\wp(z), \wp^*(z))$, when \wp and \wp^* are two algebraically independent Weierstrass \wp functions with algebraic invariants. In the next statement for the third case we restrict ourselves to $\wp^*(z) = c^2 \wp(cz)$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^\times$.

Theorem 2.5. (Schneider)

1. Let α, β be two complex numbers with $(\alpha, \beta) \neq (0, 0)$ and let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then one at least of the six numbers $\alpha, \beta, g_2, g_3, \wp(p), \alpha p + \beta \zeta(p)$ is transcendental.
2. Let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ and let α be a nonzero complex number. Then one at least of the five numbers $\alpha, g_2, g_3, e^{\alpha p}, \wp(p)$ is transcendental.
3. Let α and p be two complex number such that $\alpha \notin k, p \notin \Omega$ and $\alpha p \notin \Omega$. Then one at least of the five numbers $\alpha, g_2, g_3, \wp(p), \wp(\alpha p)$ is transcendental.

An equivalent formulation to item 1 of Theorem 2.5 is the following statement: *if g_2, g_3 and $\wp(p)$ are algebraic, then the three numbers $1, p, \zeta(p)$ are linearly independent over the field of algebraic numbers.* In particular for $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$, one at least of the four numbers $g_2, g_3, p, \wp(p)$ is transcendental and one at least of the four numbers $g_2, g_3, \wp(p), \zeta(p)$ is transcendental. This last statement implies the transcendence of one at least of the three numbers $g_2, g_3, \eta(\omega)$ when ω is a nonzero period (recall $\wp'(\omega/2) = 0$ and $\zeta(\omega/2) = \eta(\omega)/2$ when $\omega \in \Omega$ and $\omega/2 \notin \Omega$).

Here is a corollary to Theorem 2.5.

Corollary 2.6. *Let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Assume g_2, g_3 and $\wp(p)$ are algebraic. Then p is transcendental. Further, let $\alpha \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus k$. Then $\alpha p \notin \Omega$ and $\wp(\alpha p)$ is transcendental.*

Proof of Corollary 2.6. The fact that p is transcendental follows from Theorem 2.5.1 with $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta = 0$.

Assume $\omega := \alpha p \in \Omega \setminus \{0\}$. Let $n \geq 2$ be such that $\omega/n \notin \Omega$. Set $\alpha' = \alpha/n$. Then $\alpha' p = \omega/n \notin \Omega$ and since $\wp(\alpha' p) = \wp(\omega/n)$ is algebraic (this is a torsion point — see Lemma 3.1), the five numbers $g_2, g_3, \alpha', \wp(p), \wp(\alpha' p)$ are algebraic, which contradicts Theorem 2.5.3.

Hence $\alpha p \notin \Omega$. From Theorem 2.5.3 we deduce that $\wp(\alpha p)$ is transcendental. \square

The assumption that α does not belong to k is necessary: if α belongs to k and if $\wp(p)$ is algebraic over $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$, then also $\wp(\alpha p)$ is algebraic over $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$ (see Section 3).

In [K23, §5] the second author proposes an analog to Schneider's Corollary 2.6 for the Weierstrass zeta function. The next remark shows that this conjecture needs to be modified, in order to eliminate two special cases, associated with elliptic curves having nontrivial automorphisms.

Remark 2.7.

1. Assume $g_3 = 0$, which means that the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} is a CM curve with field of endomorphisms $\mathbb{Q}(i)$. When α satisfies $\alpha^4 = 1$, then

$$\wp(\alpha z) = \alpha^2 \wp(z), \quad \zeta(\alpha z) = \alpha^3 \zeta(z).$$

2. Assume $g_2 = 0$, which means that the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} is a CM curve with field of endomorphisms $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_6)$ where ζ_6 is a primitive root of unity of order 6. When α satisfies $\alpha^6 = 1$, then

$$\wp(\alpha z) = \alpha^4 \wp(z), \quad \zeta(\alpha z) = \alpha^5 \zeta(z).$$

In each of these two cases, when $\zeta(p)$ is algebraic, then $\zeta(\alpha p)$ is also algebraic.

Conjecture 2.8. (ζ -Conjecture) *Assume that g_2 and g_3 are algebraic. Let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Assume that $\zeta(p)$ is algebraic. Let α be an algebraic number different from 0, 1, -1 . Assume also that $\alpha^4 \neq 1$ if $g_3 = 0$ and $\alpha^6 \neq 1$ if $g_2 = 0$. Then $\alpha p \notin \Omega$ and $\zeta(\alpha p)$ is transcendental.*

The only special case of Conjecture 2.8 which is known so far is [K23, Corollary 2.1]: *assume $\wp(p)$ is transcendental. Then, with at most one exception, for r a positive rational number, the number $\zeta(rp)$ is defined and is transcendental over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$.*

In Propositions 5.1 and 5.2, we show that Conjecture 2.1 implies Schneider's Theorem 2.5 and the ζ -Conjecture 2.8.

3. Elliptic and quasi-elliptic functions

Consider the following Weierstrass functions attached to our lattice $\Omega = \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2$ in \mathbb{C} having elliptic invariants g_2, g_3 .

- The canonical product of Weierstrass associated with Ω is the sigma function

$$\sigma(z) = z \prod_{\omega \in \Omega \setminus \{0\}} \left(1 - \frac{z}{\omega}\right) e^{\frac{z}{\omega} + \frac{z^2}{2\omega^2}}.$$

- The Weierstrass zeta function is the logarithmic derivative of the sigma function: $\zeta = \sigma'/\sigma$.
- The Weierstrass elliptic function is $\wp = -\zeta'$.

3.A. Periodicity

The periods of the Weierstrass elliptic function \wp are elliptic integrals of the first kind. The Weierstrass zeta function ζ has quasi-periods $\eta(\omega) = \zeta(z + \omega) - \zeta(z)$ which are given by elliptic integrals of the second kind.

The periodicity relations satisfied by the Weierstrass functions are, for $\omega \in \Omega$,

- $\wp(z + \omega) = \wp(z)$,
- $\zeta(z + \omega) = \zeta(z) + \eta(\omega)$,
- $\sigma(z + \omega) = \epsilon(\omega)\sigma(z)e^{\eta(\omega)(z + \frac{\omega}{2})}$ with $\epsilon(\omega) = 1$ if $\omega/2 \in \Omega$, $\epsilon(\omega) = -1$ if $\omega/2 \notin \Omega$.

The quasi-periodicity of the Weierstrass zeta function defines a \mathbb{Z} -linear map

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \\ \omega &\mapsto \eta(\omega).\end{aligned}$$

We set $\eta_i = \eta(\omega_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$.

Legendre relation plays an important role:

$$\omega_2\eta_1 - \omega_1\eta_2 = 2\pi i, \quad (3.2)$$

with the + sign when the imaginary part of ω_2/ω_1 is positive — cf. [WW27, (20.411)], [Cha85, Chap. IV §2 Th.2], [M16, Exercise 20.33].

3.B. Addition and multiplication formulae for Weierstrass functions

In this section we sum up addition and multiplication formulae for Weierstrass functions.

The following addition formulae are well known. Among many references are [F22, I.1 formulae (8), (9), (10) pp. 159-160], [WW27, Chap. XX, 20.31 p. 441 and 20.53 p. 451]¹, [L78, Chap. 1], [Si86, Chap. 3], [Cha85, Chap. III §4], [L87, Chap. 1 §3], [Co89, Chap. 3 §10], [Was08, Chap. 9], [M16, Chap. 20].

Addition Formulae
$\wp(z_1 + z_2) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\wp'(z_1) - \wp'(z_2)}{\wp(z_1) - \wp(z_2)} \right)^2 - \wp(z_1) - \wp(z_2) \in \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z_1), \wp(z_2), \wp'(z_1), \wp'(z_2))$
$\zeta(z_1 + z_2) - \zeta(z_1) - \zeta(z_2) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\wp'(z_1) - \wp'(z_2)}{\wp(z_1) - \wp(z_2)} \in \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z_1), \wp(z_2), \wp'(z_1), \wp'(z_2))$
$\frac{\sigma(z_1 + z_2)\sigma(z_1 - z_2)}{\sigma(z_1)^2\sigma(z_2)^2} = \wp(z_2) - \wp(z_1) \in \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z_1), \wp(z_2))$

Table 1

For the multiplication by a rational number, in this section we prove the following formulae, where, for any integers n, m with $m \neq 0$, $f_{n,m}(z)$ is a function in $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(\frac{z}{m}), \wp'(\frac{z}{m}))$ which is constant if and only if $n = \pm m$ or $n = 0$.

Multiplication by $\frac{n}{m}$ formulae, with n, m integers, $m \neq 0$
$\wp\left(\frac{nz}{m}\right) = \wp(z) - \frac{f''_{n,m}(z)f_{n,m}(z) - f'_{n,m}(z)^2}{n^2 f_{n,m}(z)^2}$
$\zeta\left(\frac{nz}{m}\right) = \frac{n}{m}\zeta(z) + \frac{f'_{n,m}(z)}{mn f_{n,m}(z)}$
$\sigma\left(\frac{nz}{m}\right)^{m^2} = \sigma(z)^{n^2} f_{n,m}(z)$

Table 2

Proof of the formulae in Table 2. These formulae are special cases of [Re82, Proposition 5] (his number τ is a quotient of two nonzero periods, the case of a rational number is included). See also [F22, I.2 p.184 and I.3 p.210]. For the convenience of the reader we include a sketch of proofs.

¹Beware that $(2\omega_1, 2\omega_2)$ denotes a pair of fundamental periods of \mathcal{E} in [WW27].

For $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the meromorphic function

$$f_{n,1}(z) := \frac{\sigma(nz)}{\sigma(z)^{n^2}}$$

belongs to $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z), \wp'(z))$ (see for instance [Wal79, §1]).

For n and m in \mathbb{Z} with $m > 0$ define

$$f_{n,m}(z) := \frac{\sigma(nz/m)^{m^2}}{\sigma(z)^{n^2}}. \quad (3.3)$$

We have

$$f_{-n,m}(z) = (-1)^m f_{n,m}(z).$$

Since

$$f_{n,m}(mz) = \frac{\sigma(nz)^{m^2}}{\sigma(mz)^{n^2}} = \frac{\sigma(nz)^{m^2}}{\sigma(z)^{n^2 m^2}} \cdot \frac{\sigma(z)^{n^2 m^2}}{\sigma(mz)^{n^2}} = \frac{f_{n,1}(z)^{m^2}}{f_{m,1}(z)^{n^2}},$$

from the periodicity with respect to Ω of the function $f_{n,1}(z)$ we deduce, for any period ω ,

$$f_{n,m}(z + m\omega) = f_{n,m}\left(m\left(\frac{z}{m} + \omega\right)\right) = \frac{f_{n,1}\left(\frac{z}{m} + \omega\right)^{m^2}}{f_{m,1}\left(\frac{z}{m} + \omega\right)^{n^2}} = \frac{f_{n,1}\left(\frac{z}{m}\right)^{m^2}}{f_{m,1}\left(\frac{z}{m}\right)^{n^2}} = f_{n,m}(z),$$

which means that the function $f_{n,m}(z)$ is periodic with respect to the lattice $m\Omega$. Hence by [Was08, Chap. 9 Theorem 9.3] $f_{n,m}(z)$ belongs to the field $\mathbb{C}(\wp(\frac{z}{m}), \wp'(\frac{z}{m}))$. From the Taylor expansion of the σ function at the origin (see [MOS66, §10.5 page 391] or [Co89, §10 B Lemma 10.12]), we deduce that the coefficients of the function $f_{n,m}(z)$ belong to $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$:

$$f_{n,m}(z) \in \mathbb{Q}\left(g_2, g_3, \wp\left(\frac{z}{m}\right), \wp'\left(\frac{z}{m}\right)\right).$$

We have $f_{0,m}(z) = 0$. Assume now $n \neq 0$. The logarithmic derivative of (3.3) gives

$$\zeta\left(\frac{nz}{m}\right) = \frac{n}{m}\zeta(z) + \frac{f'_{n,m}(z)}{mnf_{n,m}(z)}. \quad (3.4)$$

This formula shows that the function $\frac{f'_{n,m}(z)}{mnf_{n,m}(z)}$ depends only on n/m .

If the function $\frac{f'_{n,m}(z)}{f_{n,m}(z)}$ is constant and $n \neq 0$, then from equation (3.4) we deduce that the poles of $\zeta\left(\frac{nz}{m}\right)$ are the same as the poles of $\zeta(z)$, hence $(n/m)\Omega = \Omega$, which means that n/m is an automorphism of \mathcal{E} , and since n/m is a rational number we have $n/m = \pm 1$. In particular $f_{n,m}(z)$ is constant if and only if $n = \pm m$:

$$f_{m,m}(z) = 1, \quad f_{-m,m}(z) = (-1)^m$$

for $m > 0$.

One more derivative yields

$$\wp\left(\frac{nz}{m}\right) = \wp(z) - \frac{f''_{n,m}(z)f_{n,m}(z) - f'_{n,m}(z)^2}{n^2 f_{n,m}(z)^2}.$$

□

Lemma 3.1. *Let $m \geq 1$.*

1. *The field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z))$ is a finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(mz))$.*

2. Let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then $\wp(p/m)$ and $\zeta(p/m) - \zeta(p)/m$ are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(p))$.
3. Let $\omega \in \Omega$. Assume $\omega/m \notin \Omega$. Then $\wp(\omega/m)$ and $\zeta(\omega/m) - \eta(\omega)/m$ are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$.

Proof. Item 1 follows from the proof of [M16, Th. 20.9 p.253]. See also [F22, I.3]. According to [M75, Lemma 6.1] and [L78, Chap. II], the degree of the extension $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z), \wp'(z))$ over $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(mz), \wp'(mz))$ is m^2 .

Item 2 deals with the division points. Since $m\Omega \subset \Omega$, the assumption $p \notin \Omega$ implies $p/m \notin \Omega$. From item 1 it follows that there is a nonzero polynomial $A \in \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)[X, Y]$ such that the meromorphic function $A(\wp(z), \wp(z/m))$ is 0. In the polynomial ring $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(p))[X, Y]$ we divide $A(X, Y)$ by $X - \wp(p)$. Let \tilde{A} be the quotient:

$$A(X, Y) = (X - \wp(p))^h \tilde{A}(X, Y),$$

where $h \geq 0$ and the polynomial $\tilde{A}(\wp(p), Y) \in \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(p))[Y]$ is not 0. From $\tilde{A}(\wp(p), \wp(p/m)) = 0$ we deduce the result for $\wp(p/m)$.

The multiplication formula for ζ implies that for $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ and $m \geq 1$, the number $\zeta(p/m) - \zeta(p)/m$ belongs to $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(p/m), \wp'(p/m))$.

Item 3 deals with the torsion points. Let 2^a with $a \geq 0$ be the highest power of 2 such that $\omega' := \omega/2^a \in \Omega$. Using item 2 with $p = \omega'/2$, $m' = m/2$, so that $p/m' = \omega'/m$, we deduce that $\wp(p/m')$ and $\zeta(p/m') - \zeta(p)/m'$ are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$. Since

$$\frac{p}{m'} = \frac{\omega'}{m} = \frac{\omega}{2^a m}, \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta(p)/m' = \eta(\omega')/2m' = \eta(\omega)/2^a m,$$

the numbers

$$\wp(\omega'/m) = \wp(\omega/2^a m) \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta(\omega'/m) - \eta(\omega')/m = \zeta(\omega/2^a m) - \eta(\omega)/2^a m$$

are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$. The formulae of multiplication by 2^a (Table 2) complete our proof. \square

Remark 3.2. Several of our statements have the following shape:

Let $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. For given complex numbers z_1, \dots, z_m and a positive integer ϑ , under suitable assumptions, the transcendence degree of the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, p_1, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_n), z_1, \dots, z_m)$$

is at least ϑ .

We point out that the assumption $p_i \notin \Omega$ could be dropped if we were replacing this statement with the following equivalent one, where $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ denotes the nontrivial extension of \mathcal{E} by \mathbb{G}_a , the exponential of which is (see [M16, Exercise 20.102]):

$$\begin{aligned} \exp_{\tilde{\mathcal{E}}} : \text{Lie}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C}^2 &\longrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\mathbb{C}) \subset \mathbb{P}^4(\mathbb{C}) \\ (w, z) &\longmapsto \sigma(z)^3[\wp(z) : \wp'(z) : 1 : w + \zeta(z) : (w + \zeta(z))\wp'(z) + 2\wp(z)^2]. \end{aligned}$$

Let $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathbb{C}$. Let K_0 be a field of definition of $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ containing the coordinates of $\exp_{\tilde{\mathcal{E}}}(p_i)$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Then for given complex numbers z_1, \dots, z_m and a positive integer ϑ , the transcendence degree (over \mathbb{Q} , as always) of the field $K_0(z_1, \dots, z_m)$ is at least ϑ .

This alternative formulation would avoid the need to consider separately the case where some p_i belongs to Ω .

For instance items 2 and 3 of Lemma 3.1 mean that for $(w, p) \in \mathbb{C}^2$, if K is a field of definition of $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ containing the coordinates of $\exp_{\tilde{\mathcal{E}}}(w, p)$, then $\exp_{\tilde{\mathcal{E}}}(w/m, p/m)$ for $m \geq 1$ is defined over the algebraic closure of K . In other terms for $p \notin \Omega$ if $w + \zeta(p)$ and $\wp(p)$ are algebraic over a field K containing $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$, then $w/m + \zeta(p/m)$ and $\wp(p/m)$ also; while for $\omega \in \Omega$, if $w + \eta(\omega)$ is algebraic over a field K containing $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$, then $w/m + \zeta(\omega/m)$ also.

3.C. Including the CM case

Assume that the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} has complex multiplication. Let $\tau = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}$ be the quotient of a pair of fundamental periods of \wp . Then k is the imaginary quadratic extension $k = \mathbb{Q}(\tau)$ of \mathbb{Q} and τ is a root of a polynomial

$$A + BX + CX^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[X],$$

where A, B, C are relatively prime integers with $C > 0$. Hence $C\tau\Omega \subseteq \Omega$.

According to [M75, Chap. III, §3.2, Lemma 3.1]² and [BrK77, Appendix B, Th. 8], there are two independent linear relations between the periods $\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$, namely

$$\omega_2 - \tau\omega_1 = 0$$

and

$$A\eta_1 - C\tau\eta_2 - \kappa\omega_2 = 0 \tag{3.5}$$

where κ is algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$.

By [M75, Lemma 6.2] and [Re82, Proposition 5], there exist two non constant polynomials $P(X), Q(X)$ in $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \tau)[X]$ such that the following three equalities hold:

Multiplication by $\tau = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}$ formulae (only in the case of complex multiplication)
$\wp(C\tau z) = \frac{P(\wp(z))}{Q(\wp(z))} \in \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \tau, \wp(z))$
$C\tau\zeta(C\tau z) = AC\zeta(z) - \kappa C\tau z + \frac{\wp'(z)Q'(\wp(z))}{2Q(\wp(z))}$
$\sigma(C\tau z)^2 = (C\tau)^2 \sigma(z)^{2AC} e^{-\kappa C\tau z^2} Q(\wp(z))$

Table 3

3.D. Auxiliary results

Here is the main result of this section.

Proposition 3.3. *Let α be a nonzero element of k . Write $\alpha = r_1 + r_2\tau$ where r_1 and r_2 are two rational numbers, not both zero. Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ be the least positive integer such that mr_1 and mr_2/C are integers. Then*

- (1) *The function $\wp(\alpha z)$ belongs to $k(g_2, g_3, \wp(z/m))$.*
- (2) *The function Ξ_{r_1, r_2} defined by*

$$\zeta(\alpha z) = \left(r_1 + \frac{A}{C\tau} r_2 \right) \zeta(z) - \frac{\kappa r_2}{C} z + \Xi_{r_1, r_2}(z)$$

belongs to $k(g_2, g_3, \wp(z/m), \wp'(z/m))$.

Proof. Write $r_1 = n_1/m$ and $r_2 = Cn_2/m$, so that n_1 and n_2 are integers and

$$m\alpha = n_1 + n_2 C\tau \in \text{End}(\mathcal{E}) \setminus \{0\}.$$

²At the beginning of the book [M75], the author assumes the invariants g_2, g_3 algebraic but his Lemma 3.1 remains true even without this hypothesis. [BrK77, Appendix B, Th. 8] does not assume that g_2 and g_3 are algebraic.

Item (1) follows from the fact that $\wp(\alpha z)$ is an even elliptic function for the lattice $m\Omega$ (compare with [M75, Lemma 6.3]).

Consider item (2). In case $r_2 = 0$ and $r_1 \neq 0$ we apply the second row of Table 2:

$$\Xi_{r_1,0}(z) = \frac{f'_{n_1,m}(z)}{mn_1 f_{n_1,m}(z)}.$$

As pointed out above (3.4), the right hand side depends only on n_1/m :

$$\zeta(r_1 z) = r_1 \zeta(z) + \Xi_{r_1,0}(z).$$

In case $r_1 = 0$ and $r_2 = C$, we have $n_2 = m = 1$ and we apply the second row of Table 3:

$$\Xi_{0,C}(z) = \frac{\wp'(z)Q'(\wp(z))}{2C\tau Q(\wp(z))}.$$

Using these two cases, we deduce the result when $r_1 = 0$ and $r_2 \neq 0$ with

$$\Xi_{0,r_2}(z) = \frac{r_2}{C}\Xi_{0,C}(z) + \Xi_{r_2/C,0}(C\tau z).$$

Finally when $r_1 r_2 \neq 0$ we apply the second row of Table 1:

$$\Xi_{r_1,r_2} = \Xi_{r_1,0}(z) + \Xi_{0,r_2}(z) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\wp'(r_1 z) - \wp'(r_2 \tau z)}{\wp(r_1 z) - \wp(r_2 \tau z)}.$$

□

We will also need the following two consequences of Proposition 3.3:

Corollary 3.4. *Let $\alpha \in k$, $\alpha \neq 0$. Then there exist two elements β_1 and β_2 in k such that the function*

$$\Xi_\alpha(z) = \zeta(\alpha z) - \beta_1 \zeta(z) - \beta_2 z \tag{3.6}$$

is algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \wp(z))$. Moreover this function $\Xi_\alpha(z)$ is constant if and only if either $\alpha = \pm 1$, or $\alpha^4 = 1$ and $g_3 = 0$, or $\alpha^6 = 1$ and $g_2 = 0$, in which cases it is 0.

Proof. The first part of this statement follows immediately from Proposition 3.3. It remains to elucidate the cases where the function $\Xi_\alpha(z)$ is constant. If either $\alpha = \pm 1$, or $\alpha^4 = 1$ and $g_3 = 0$, or $\alpha^6 = 1$ and $g_2 = 0$, then from Remark 2.7 we deduce $\beta_2 = 0$ and $\Xi_\alpha(z) = 0$. Conversely, if $\Xi_\alpha(z)$ is constant, then the function $\zeta(\alpha z) - \beta_1 \zeta(z)$ has no pole, hence $\beta_1 \neq 0$ and $\alpha\Omega = \Omega$. In this case α is an automorphism of the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} , hence a root of unity in the number field k . □

Corollary 3.5. *Let $\omega \in \Omega$, let p_1, \dots, p_{n+1} in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ and let b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n in k . Assume*

$$p_{n+1} = b_0 \omega + b_1 p_1 + \dots + b_n p_n.$$

Then $\wp(p_{n+1})$ and $\zeta(p_{n+1})$ are algebraic over the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2, p_1, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_n)).$$

Proof. Using the addition formulae (Table 1), one deduces Corollary 3.5 by induction from Lemma 3.1 and Proposition 3.3. □

4. Geometric origin of the Split Semi–Elliptic Conjecture 2.1

In [B02, §1] the first author states the following conjecture, which she proves to be equivalent to the Grothendieck–André generalized period Conjecture applied to the 1-motive

$$M = [u : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m^s \times \mathcal{E}^n], \quad u(1) = (e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, P_1, \dots, P_n) \in (\mathbb{G}_m^s \times \mathcal{E}^n)(\mathbb{C}),$$

with $P_i = [\wp(p_i) : \wp'(p_i) : 1]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$:

Conjecture 4.1. (Elliptico–Toric Conjecture) *Let $s \geq 0$ and $n \geq 0$ be two integers, e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s} be points in $\mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{C})$ and P_1, \dots, P_n be points in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbb{C})$. Let K be the field defined by (2.1). Then*

$$\text{tran.deg } K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) \geq \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} \langle t_\ell \rangle_\ell + \frac{4}{[k : \mathbb{Q}]} + 2 \dim_k \langle p_i \rangle_i, \quad (4.7)$$

where $\langle t_\ell \rangle_\ell$ is the sub \mathbb{Q} –vector space of $\mathbb{C}/2\pi i\mathbb{Q}$ generated by the classes of t_1, \dots, t_s modulo $2\pi i\mathbb{Q}$ and $\langle p_i \rangle_i$ is the sub k –vector space of $\mathbb{C}/(\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q})$ generated by the classes of p_1, \dots, p_n modulo $\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$.

Notice that if the numbers $e^{t_\ell}, g_2, g_3, \wp(p_i)$ for $\ell = 1, \dots, s$ and $i = 1, \dots, n$ are all algebraic, then, by Lemma 4.4 below,

$$\text{tran.deg } K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) \leq \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} \langle t_\ell \rangle_\ell + \frac{4}{[k : \mathbb{Q}]} + 2 \dim_k \langle p_i \rangle_i .$$

Remark 4.2.

1. Legendre relation (3.2) is a polynomial relation between the periods $\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$ of the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} and the period $2\pi i$ of the multiplicative group \mathbb{G}_m (see for instance [BP24, Example 5.1]):

$$\mathbb{Q}(2\pi i, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) = \mathbb{Q}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2).$$

2. Assume the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} has complex multiplication, i.e. $k = \mathbb{Q}(\tau)$. According to (3.5), the numbers ω_2 and η_2 are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \eta_1)$.
3. For $s = n = 0$, Conjecture 4.1 applied only to the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} reads

$$\text{tran.deg } \mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) \geq \frac{4}{[k : \mathbb{Q}]} = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } \mathcal{E} \text{ has complex multiplication} \\ 4, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If g_2 and g_3 are algebraic, then unconditionally we have, by (3.5),

$$\text{tran.deg } \mathbb{Q}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) \leq \frac{4}{[k : \mathbb{Q}]}.$$

In the CM case, according to Chudnovsky's Theorem [Chu76, Chap. 7],

$$\text{tran.deg } \mathbb{Q}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) = 2.$$

4. For $n = 0$, Conjecture 4.1 is the following statement, which implies Schanuel's Conjecture 1.3:

Let t_1, \dots, t_s be complex numbers such that $2\pi i, t_1, \dots, t_s$ are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent. Let \mathcal{E} be an elliptic curve with algebraic invariants g_2, g_3 and field of endomorphisms k . Then at least $s + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$ of the $2s + 4$ numbers

$$t_1, \dots, t_s, e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s}, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$$

are algebraically independent.

We introduce assumptions on $t_1, \dots, t_s, p_1, \dots, p_n$. For t_1, \dots, t_s , we have the choice between the condition

(C_t): t_1, \dots, t_s are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent

and the stronger condition

(C_t^{*}): $2\pi i, t_1, \dots, t_s$ are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent.

The condition (C_t^{*}) is equivalent to each of the following ones

- (a) The classes modulo $2\pi i\mathbb{Q}$ of t_1, \dots, t_s are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent.
- (b) t_1, \dots, t_s are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent and $(\mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s) \cap (2\pi i\mathbb{Q}) = \{0\}$.
- (c) The points e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_s} are multiplicatively independent in \mathbb{C}^\times .

In the same way, for p_1, \dots, p_n , we have the choice between the condition

(C_p): p_1, \dots, p_n are k -linearly independent

and the stronger condition

(C_p^{*}): $\omega_1, \omega_2, p_1, \dots, p_n$ are \mathbb{Q} -linearly independent in the non-CM case, $\omega_1, p_1, \dots, p_n$ are k -linearly independent in the CM case.

The condition (C_p^{*}) is equivalent to each of the following ones

- (a) The classes of p_1, \dots, p_n modulo $\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Q}\omega_2$ are k -linearly independent.
- (b) p_1, \dots, p_n are k -linearly independent and $(kp_1 + \dots + kp_n) \cap \Omega = \{0\}$.
- (c) Let $P_i = \exp_{\mathcal{E}}(p_i) \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbb{C})$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$). Then the points P_1, \dots, P_n are k -linearly independent.

The assumptions of Conjecture 2.1 are (C_t) and (C_p). Lemma 4.4 below shows that the Elliptic-Toric Conjecture 4.1 is equivalent to the following statement, where the assumptions are (C_t^{*}) and (C_p^{*}).

Conjecture 4.3. Assume (C_t^{*}) and (C_p^{*}). Then the field $K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least

$$s + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} + 2n.$$

Lemma 4.4. Consider s complex numbers t_1, \dots, t_s and n complex numbers p_1, \dots, p_n in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Let $t'_1, \dots, t'_{s'}$ be a \mathbb{Q} -basis of the sub \mathbb{Q} -vector space $\langle t_\ell \rangle_{\ell=1, \dots, s}$ of $\mathbb{C}/2\pi i\mathbb{Q}$ generated by the classes of t_1, \dots, t_s , and let $p'_1, \dots, p'_{n'}$ be a k -basis of the sub k -vector space $\langle p_i \rangle_{i=1, \dots, n}$ of $\mathbb{C}/(\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q})$ generated by the classes of p_1, \dots, p_n . Then the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(t_\ell, e^{t_\ell}, g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2, p_i, \wp(p_i), \zeta(p_i))_{\substack{\ell=1, \dots, s \\ i=1, \dots, n}}$$

is a finite extension of the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(t'_\ell, e^{t'_\ell}, g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2, p'_i, \wp(p'_i), \zeta(p'_i))_{\substack{\ell=1, \dots, s' \\ i=1, \dots, n'}}$$

Therefore the two fields have the same algebraic closure, and the same transcendence degree.

Proof of Lemma 4.4. For ease of notation, we assume, as we may without loss of generality, $t'_\ell = t_\ell$ for $1 \leq \ell \leq s'$ and $p'_i = p_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n'$.

If $s > s'$, then for $s' \leq \ell \leq s$ there is a linear relation

$$t_\ell = a_0 2\pi i + a_1 t_1 + \cdots + a_{s'} t_{s'}$$

with $a_j \in \mathbb{Q}$ ($j = 0, 1, \dots, s'$). Hence e^{t_ℓ} is algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(e^{t_1}, \dots, e^{t_{s'}})$. Recall Legendre relation (3.2): $2\pi i$ belongs to $\mathbb{Q}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$.

If $n > n'$, then for $n' \leq \ell \leq n$ there is a linear relation

$$p_\ell = b_0 \omega + b_1 p_1 + \cdots + b_{n'} p_{n'}$$

with $b_i \in k$ ($i = 0, 1, \dots, n'$) and $\omega \in \Omega$. Corollary 3.5 implies that $\wp(p_\ell)$ and $\zeta(p_\ell)$ are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, p_1, \dots, p_{n'}, \wp(p_1), \dots, \wp(p_{n'}), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_{n'}))$. \square

The main goal of the present section is to prove:

Theorem 4.5. *The Split Semi-Elliptic Conjecture 2.1 is equivalent to the Elliptico-Toric Conjecture 4.1.*

Proof. It remains to prove that Conjectures 2.1 and 4.3 are equivalent.

Conjecture 2.1 \implies Conjecture 4.3

We will use only the exceptional case in Conjecture 2.1 where the transcendence degree is at least $s + 2n - 1$.

Let (t_1, \dots, t_s) satisfy (C_t^*) and (p_1, \dots, p_n) satisfy (C_p^*) .

Assume the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} is not a CM curve. We deduce from Conjecture 2.1 applied to $2\pi i, t_1, \dots, t_s$ and $\omega_1/2, \omega_2/2, p_1, \dots, p_n$, with s, n replaced by s', n' , where $s' = s + 1$, $n' = n + 2$, that the field $K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least $s' + 2n' - 1 = s + 2n + 4$.

Assume the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} is a CM curve. We deduce from Conjecture 2.1 applied to $2\pi i, t_1, \dots, t_s$ and $\omega_1/2, p_1, \dots, p_n$, with s, n replaced by s', n' , where $s' = s + 1$, $n' = n + 1$, that the field $K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least $s' + 2n' - 1 = s + 2n + 2$.

Conjecture 4.3 \implies Conjecture 2.1

Let (t_1, \dots, t_s) satisfy (C_t) and (p_1, \dots, p_n) satisfy (C_p) . We consider two cases for (t_1, \dots, t_s) , denoted (T) and (T^*) :

$$\dim_{\mathbb{Q}}((2\pi i \mathbb{Q}) \cap (\mathbb{Q}t_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Q}t_s)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{called Case } (T) \\ 0 & \text{called Case } (T^*) \end{cases}$$

We consider three cases for (p_1, \dots, p_n) denoted (P) , (\tilde{P}) and (P^*) :

$$\dim_k((\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}) \cap (kp_1 + \cdots + kp_n)) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{called Case } (P) \\ 1 & \text{called Case } (\tilde{P}) \\ 0 & \text{called Case } (P^*) \end{cases}$$

When $s = 0$ we are in the case (T^*) while when $n = 0$ we are in the case (P^*) .

We will need to consider several cases. The following reductions will introduce no loss of generality.

• (T) : $2\pi i \in \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$.

In this case we will assume $t_1 = 2\pi i$, then (t_2, \dots, t_s) satisfy (C_t^*) . We will apply Conjecture 4.3 with s replaced by $s' = s - 1$. Notice that K contains $2\pi i$.

• (T^*) : (t_1, \dots, t_s) satisfy (C_t^*) .

In this case we will apply Conjecture 4.3 with $s' = s$.

• (P) : $\Omega \subset kp_1 + \cdots + kp_n$.

In this case \mathcal{E} is a non–CM elliptic curve. We will assume $p_1 = \omega_1/2$, $p_2 = \omega_2/2$, so that (p_3, \dots, p_n) satisfy (C_p^*) and we will apply Conjecture 4.3 with n replaced by $n' = n - 2$. The field K contains the four numbers $\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$, hence also $2\pi i$.

• (\tilde{P}) : $\dim_k((\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}) \cap (kp_1 + \dots + kp_n)) = 1$.

In this case we will assume $p_1 = \omega_1/2$, so that (p_2, \dots, p_n) will satisfy (C_p^*) and we will apply Conjecture 4.3 with n replaced by $n' = n - 1$. Notice that K contains ω_1 and η_1 .

• (P^*) : $\Omega \cap (kp_1 + \dots + kp_n) = 0$.

In this case (p_1, \dots, p_n) satisfy (C_p^*) and we will apply Conjecture 4.3 with $n' = n$.

The following remark will be useful: Let S be a finite subset of \mathbb{C} . Then

$$\text{tran.deg}_{\mathbb{Q}} K = \text{tran.deg}_{\mathbb{Q}} K(S) - \text{tran.deg}_K K(S). \quad (4.8)$$

In particular if we know that the transcendence degree of $K(S)$ over \mathbb{Q} is at least $\tau + \sigma$ and that the transcendence degree of $K(S)$ over K is at most σ , then the transcendence degree of K over \mathbb{Q} is at least τ (in other terms *we remove S*).

We now consider each of the six cases.

◇ (TP) :

This is the exceptional case in Conjecture 2.1 where the conclusion is that the transcendence degree is at least $s + 2n - 1$.

We have $s' = s - 1$, $n' = n - \frac{2}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$, $s' + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} + 2n' = s + 2n - 1$. The field K contains $\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$.

◇ (T^*P) :

We have $s' = s$, $n' = n - \frac{2}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$, $s' + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} + 2n' = s + 2n$. The numbers $\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$ are algebraic over the field K .

◇ $(T\tilde{P})$:

$s' = s - 1$, $n' = n - 1$, $k = \mathbb{Q}$, $s' + 2n' + 4 = s + 2n + 1$. According to Conjecture 4.3 the field $K(\eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least $s + 2n + 1$. From remark (4.8) with $S = \{\eta_2\}$ we deduce that K has transcendence degree at least $s + 2n$.

◇ $(T^*\tilde{P})$:

$s' = s$, $n' = n - 1$, $k = \mathbb{Q}$, $s' + 2n' + 4 = s + 2n + 2$. According to Conjecture 4.3 the field $K(\omega_2, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least $s + 2n + 2$. From remark (4.8) with $S = \{\omega_2, \eta_2\}$ we deduce that K has transcendence degree at least $s + 2n$.

◇ (TP^*) :

$s' = s - 1$, $n' = n$, $s' + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} + 2n' = s + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} - 1 + 2n$. According to Conjecture 4.3 the field $K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least $s + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} - 1 + 2n$. Since $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at most $\frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} - 1$ over $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$, we deduce from remark (4.8) with $S = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_2\}$ that K has transcendence degree at least $s + 2n$.

◇ (T^*P^*) :

$s' = s$, $n' = n$. Conjecture 4.3 implies that the field $K(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at least $s + \frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]} + 2n$. Since $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$ has transcendence degree at most $\frac{4}{[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$ over $\mathbb{Q}(g_2, g_3)$, we deduce from remark (4.8) with $S = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_2\}$ that K has transcendence degree at least $s + 2n$. \square

5. Some consequences of the Split Semi–Elliptic Conjecture 2.1

We give proofs of several consequences of Conjecture 2.1 stated in Section 2.

We start with a proof that the Split Semi–Elliptic Logarithms Conjecture 2.4 is a consequence of Conjecture 2.1.

Proof of Conjecture 2.1 \implies Conjecture 2.4. If either $2\pi i \notin \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$ or $\Omega \not\subset kp_1 + \dots + kp_n$, then Conjecture 2.1 implies that the transcendence degree of the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(\log \alpha_1, \dots, \log \alpha_s, p_1, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_{m+1}), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_m))$$

is at least $s + 2n$. If we remove the n numbers $\zeta(p_1), \dots, \zeta(p_m), \wp(p_{m+1}), \dots, \wp(p_n)$ (see (4.8)), the transcendence degree is at least $s + n$.

Now we assume $2\pi i \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{Q}t_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Q}t_s$ and $\Omega \subset kp_1 + \dots + kp_n$. Without loss of generality we may assume $t_1 = 2\pi i$ and $2p_1, 2p_2 \in \Omega$ in the non-CM case, $2p_1 \in \Omega$ in the CM case.

We start with the non-CM case. Since η_1 and η_2 are transcendental, we have $m \geq 3$. Recall Legendre relation (3.2): $\eta_2 \in \mathbb{Q}(2\pi i, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1)$. Conjecture 2.1 implies that the transcendence degree of the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(2\pi i, \log \alpha_2, \dots, \log \alpha_s, \omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, p_3, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_{m+1}), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_3), \dots, \zeta(p_m))$$

is at least $s + 2n - 1$. If we remove the $n - 1$ numbers $\eta_1, \wp(p_{m+1}), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_3), \dots, \zeta(p_m)$, the transcendence degree of the remaining field is at least $s + n$.

Finally consider the CM case. Since η_1 is transcendental, we have $m \geq 2$. From (3.2) and (3.5) it follows that ω_2, η_1 and η_2 are algebraic over the field $\mathbb{Q}(2\pi i, \omega_1)$. Conjecture 2.1 implies that the transcendence degree of

$$\mathbb{Q}(2\pi i, \log \alpha_2, \dots, \log \alpha_s, \omega_1, p_2, \dots, p_n, \wp(p_{m+1}), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_2), \dots, \zeta(p_m))$$

is at least $s + 2n - 1$. If we remove the $n - 1$ numbers $\wp(p_{m+1}), \dots, \wp(p_n), \zeta(p_2), \dots, \zeta(p_m)$, the transcendence degree of the remaining field is at least $s + n$. \square

Let us show now that Conjecture 2.1 implies a strong form of Schneider's Theorem 2.5.

Proposition 5.1. *Assume Conjecture 2.1.*

1. *Let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then the transcendence degree of the field generated by the five numbers*

$$g_2, g_3, p, \wp(p), \zeta(p)$$

is at least 2.

2. *Let t be a nonzero complex number and let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then the transcendence degree of the field generated by the seven numbers*

$$t, e^t, g_2, g_3, p, \wp(p), \zeta(p)$$

is at least 3, unless \mathcal{E} is a CM curve, $t \in 2\pi i \mathbb{Q}$ and $p \in \Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$, in which case it is only 2.

3. *Let p_1 and p_2 be two elements of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ such that $p_2/p_1 \notin k$. Then the transcendence degree of the field generated by the eight numbers*

$$g_2, g_3, p_1, p_2, \wp(p_1), \wp(p_2), \zeta(p_1), \zeta(p_2)$$

is at least 4.

Proof of Proposition 5.1. We assume Conjecture 2.1. Hence Conjecture 2.2 is true.

(1) This is the case $n = 1$ of Conjecture 2.2.

(2) We apply Conjecture 2.1 with $s = n = 1$. The transcendence degree is at least $s + 2n = 3$, unless $2\pi i \in \mathbb{Q}t_1$ and $\Omega \subset kp_1$, in which case it is at least $s + 2n - 1 = 2$.

(3) This is the case $n = 2$ of Conjecture 2.2. \square

Proof of Proposition 5.1 \implies *Schneider's Theorem 2.5*. With the notations of Theorem 2.5, we assume that g_2, g_3 and $\wp(p)$ are algebraic and that Proposition 5.1 is true.

(1) From part 1 of Proposition 5.1, we deduce that p and $\zeta(p)$ are algebraically independent, hence 1, p and $\zeta(p)$ are linearly independent over the field of algebraic numbers.

(2) In part 2 of Proposition 5.1, the special case where \mathcal{E} is a CM curve, $t \in 2\pi i\mathbb{Q}$ and $p \in \Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ means that if ω is a nonzero period, then ω and π are algebraically independent (recall Legendre relation (3.2) and relation (3.5)).

Consider part 2 of Theorem 2.5. Set $t = \alpha p$. The transcendence of ω/π proves the desired result when \mathcal{E} is a CM curve, $t \in 2\pi i\mathbb{Q}$ and $p \in \Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$. Otherwise the transcendence degree of the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(\alpha, e^{\alpha p}, p, \zeta(p))$$

is at least 3, hence if α is algebraic then $e^{\alpha p}, p, \zeta(p)$ are algebraically independent, and therefore $e^{\alpha p}$ is transcendental.

(3) Assume that α is algebraic. Set $p_1 = p, p_2 = \alpha p_1$. By assumption the algebraic number $\alpha = p_2/p_1$ is not in k . By part 3 of Proposition 5.1 the four numbers

$$p, \wp(\alpha p), \zeta(p), \zeta(\alpha p)$$

are algebraically independent and consequently $\wp(\alpha p)$ is transcendental. \square

The ζ -Conjecture 2.8. is also a consequence of Conjecture 2.1, as shown by the next result.

Proposition 5.2. *Conjecture 2.2 implies the ζ -Conjecture 2.8.*

The following auxiliary result [K23, Lemma 3.1] will be useful:

Lemma 5.3. (Senthil Kumar) *Let Ω be a lattice in \mathbb{C} with invariants g_2, g_3 . Let K be a subfield of \mathbb{C} , let f a nonconstant function in $K(g_2, g_3, \wp(z), \wp'(z))$ and $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$; assume that $\wp(p)$ is transcendental over the field $K(g_2, g_3)$ and that p is not a pole of f . Then $f(p)$ is transcendental over the field $K(g_2, g_3)$.*

Proof of Proposition 5.2. We assume that g_2 and g_3 are algebraic. Let $p \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Assume that $\zeta(p)$ is algebraic. According to Schneider's Theorem 2.5.1, $\wp(p)$ is transcendental. In particular (Lemma 3.1.3) P is not a torsion point: $p \notin \Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

Assume Conjecture 2.2.

(1) We first show that the assumption that $\zeta(p)$ is algebraic implies that for any nonzero algebraic number β , we have $\beta p \notin \Omega$. Otherwise assume $\omega := \beta p \in \Omega$. Since p is not a torsion point and since βp is a torsion point, we deduce $\beta \notin k$. From Conjecture 2.2 with $n = 3, p_1 = \omega_1/2, p_2 = \omega_2/2, p_3 = \omega/\beta$ in the non-CM case, $n = 2, p_1 = \omega_1/2, p_2 = \omega/\beta$ in the CM case, we deduce that the two numbers $\wp(\omega/\beta) = \wp(p)$ and $\zeta(\omega/\beta) = \zeta(p)$ are algebraically independent over the field $\mathbb{Q}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)$. This implies that $\zeta(p)$ is transcendental, which is a contradiction.

In particular $\alpha p \notin \Omega$.

(2) Assume $\alpha \notin k$. From (1) it follows that $(k + k\alpha)p \cap \Omega = \{0\}$, hence p and αp are k -linearly independent modulo $\Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$. Since g_2, g_3, α and $\zeta(p)$ are algebraic, item 3 of Proposition 5.1 with $p_1 = p$ and $p_2 = \alpha p$, implies that the four numbers

$$p, \wp(p), \wp(\alpha p), \zeta(\alpha p)$$

are algebraically independent. In particular $\zeta(\alpha p)$ is transcendental.

(3) Assume $\alpha \in k$. Recall that $p \notin \Omega \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$. Since g_2, g_3 and $\zeta(p)$ are algebraic, item 1 of Proposition 5.1 implies that the two numbers p and $\wp(p)$ are algebraically independent. We apply Corollary 3.4: from the hypotheses of Proposition 5.2, we deduce that the elliptic function Ξ_{α} in (3.6) is not

constant. By Lemma 5.3 the number $\Xi_\alpha(p)$ is transcendental. The two transcendental numbers $\Xi_\alpha(p)$ and $\wp(p)$ are algebraically dependent, hence the fields $\mathbb{Q}(\Xi_\alpha(p))$ and $\mathbb{Q}(\wp(p))$ have the same algebraic closure. From (3.6) we deduce that the three fields $\mathbb{Q}(p, \zeta(p), \zeta(\alpha p))$, $\mathbb{Q}(p, \zeta(p), \zeta(\alpha p), \Xi_\alpha(p))$ and $\mathbb{Q}(p, \zeta(p), \zeta(\alpha p), \wp(p))$ have the same algebraic closure, hence have transcendence degree at least 2. Since $\zeta(p)$ is algebraic, it follows that p and $\zeta(\alpha p)$ are algebraically independent; in particular $\zeta(\alpha p)$ is transcendental. \square

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