# Rationality problem for fields of invariants

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 $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(X/\mathbb{C}) \simeq H^3(X,\mathbb{Z})_{\operatorname{tors}}$ ; Artin-Mumford invariant

 $H^3_{\mathrm{nr}}(X, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathrm{Hdg}^4(X, \mathbb{Z})/\mathrm{Hdg}^4(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\mathrm{alg}} \leftrightarrow \text{integral Hodge conjecture}$ 

# $\S 0.$ Introduction

## Inverse Galois problem (IGP)

Does every finite group occur as a quotient group of the absolute Galois group  ${\rm Gal}(\overline{\mathbb Q}/\mathbb Q)$  ?

Related to rationality problem

A finite group  $G \curvearrowright k(x_g \mid g \in G)$ : rational function field over k by permutation

 $k(x_g \mid g \in G)^G$  is rational over k, i.e.  $k(x_g \mid g \in G)^G \simeq k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$ (Noether's problem has an affirmative answer)

 $\implies k(x_g \mid g \in G)^G$  is retract rational over k (weaker concept)

 $\iff \exists$  generic extension (polynomial) for (G,k) (Saltman's sense)

 $\stackrel{k: \mathsf{Hilbertian}}{\Longrightarrow} \mathsf{IGP} \text{ for } (k, G) \text{ has an affirmative answer}$ 

# Rationality problem for quasi-monomial actions

## Definition (quasi-monomial action)

Let K/k be a finite field extension and  $G \leq \operatorname{Aut}_k(K(x_1, \ldots, x_n))$ ; finite where  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  is the rational function field of n variables over K. The action of G on  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  is called quasi-monomial if (i)  $\sigma(K) \subset K$  for any  $\sigma \in G$ ; (ii)  $K^G = k$ ; (iii) for any  $\sigma \in G$ ,  $\sigma(x_j) = c_j(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{a_{ij}}$ where  $c_j(\sigma) \in K^{\times}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,  $[a_{i,j}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ .

#### Rationality problem

Under what situation the fixed field  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)^G$  is rational over k, i.e.  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)^G \simeq k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$  (=purely transcendental over k), if G acts on  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  by quasi-monomial k-automorphisms.

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- When  $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial (i.e. K = k), called (just) monomial action.
- When  $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial and permutation  $\leftrightarrow$  Noether's problem.
- ▶ When  $c_j(\sigma) = 1$  ( $\forall \sigma \in G, \forall j$ ), called purely (quasi-)monomial.
- $G = \operatorname{Gal}(K/k)$  and purely  $\leftrightarrow$  Rationality problem for algebraic tori.

# Exercises (1/2): Noether's problem

► 
$$S_n \curvearrowright \mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$
; permutation  
 $\boxed{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Is  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)^{S_n}$  rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ? Ans. Yes!  
 $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)^{S_n} = \mathbb{Q}(s_1, \dots, s_n)$ ;  $s_i$ , *i*th elementary symmetric  
 $\implies$  IGP for  $(\mathbb{Q}, S_n)$  has affirmative solution.

• 
$$A_n \curvearrowright \mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$
; permutation  
Q. Is  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)^{A_n}$  rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ? Ans. Yes? ?? ??  
 $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)^{A_n} = \mathbb{Q}(s_1, \dots, s_n, \Delta)$ ; but ...

**Open problem** Is  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, \ldots, x_n)^{A_n}$  rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ?  $(n \ge 6)$ 

•  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, \ldots, x_5)^{A_5}$  is rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$  (Maeda, 1989).

# Exercises (2/2): Noether's problem

• 
$$\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)^{A_3} = \mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)^{C_3} = \mathbb{Q}(t_1, t_2, t_3), \ Q. t_1, t_2, t_3?$$
  
 $(C_3 : x_1 \mapsto x_2 \mapsto x_3 \mapsto x_1)$   
• Ans.  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)^{C_3} = \mathbb{Q}(t_1, t_2, t_3)$  where  
 $t_1 = x_1 + x_2 + x_3,$   
 $t_2 = \frac{x_1 x_2^2 + x_2 x_3^2 + x_3 x_1^2 - 3x_1 x_2 x_3}{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 - x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_3 - x_3 x_1},$   
 $t_3 = \frac{x_1^2 x_2 + x_2^2 x_3 + x_3^2 x_1 - 3x_1 x_2 x_3}{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 - x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_3 - x_3 x_1}.$   
•  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_8)^{C_8} = \mathbb{Q}(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_8), \ Q. t_1, t_2, \dots, t_8?$   
 $(C_8 : x_1 \mapsto x_2 \mapsto x_3 \mapsto \dots \mapsto x_8 \mapsto x_1)$   
• Ans. None:  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_8)^{C_8}$  is not rational over  $\mathbb{Q}!$ 

# Today's talk (1/2)

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§1.  $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial: monomial action & Noether's problem §2.  $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial and permutation: Noether's problem over  $\mathbb{C}$ §3. (general) quasi-monomial actions (1-dim. and 2-dim. cases) §4. G = Gal(K/k) and purely: rationality problem for algebraic tori

# Today's talk (2/2)

§1.  $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial: monomial action & Noether's problem A. Hoshi, H. Kitayama, A. Yamasaki, Rationality problem of three-dimensional monomial group actions, J. Algebra **341** (2011) 45–108.

§2.  $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial and permutation: Noether's problem over  $\mathbb C$ 

A. Hoshi, M. Kang, B.E. Kunyavskii, Noether's problem and unramified Brauer groups, Asian J. Math. **17** (2013) 689–714.

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§3. (general) quasi-monomial actions (1-dim. and 2-dim. cases)

A. Hoshi, M. Kang, H. Kitayama, Quasi-monomial actions and some 4-dimensional rationality problems, J. Algebra **403** (2014) 363–400.

 $\S4. \ G = \operatorname{Gal}(K/k)$  and purely: rationality problem for algebraic tori

A. Hoshi, A. Yamasaki, Rationality problem for algebraic tori, to appear in Mem. Amer. Math. Soc., arXiv:1210.4525, 146 pages.

# Various rationalities: definitions

 $k \subset L$ ; f.g. field extension, L is rational over  $k \iff L \simeq k(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ .

## Definition (stably rational)

L is called stably rational over  $k \iff L(y_1, \ldots, y_m)$  is rational over k.

## Definition (retract rational)

*L* is retract rational over  $k \iff \exists k$ -algebra  $R \subset L$  such that (i) *L* is the quotient field of *R*; (ii)  $\exists f \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \exists k$ -algebra hom.  $\varphi : R \to k[x_1, \dots, x_n][1/f]$  and  $\psi : k[x_1, \dots, x_n][1/f] \to R$  satisfying  $\psi \circ \varphi = 1_R$ .

## Definition (unirational)

$$L$$
 is unirational over  $k \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{\Longleftrightarrow} L \subset k(t_1,\ldots,t_n)$  .

- ► Assume L<sub>1</sub>(x<sub>1</sub>,...,x<sub>n</sub>) ≃ L<sub>2</sub>(y<sub>1</sub>,...,y<sub>m</sub>); stably isomorphic. If L<sub>1</sub> is retract rational over k, then so is L<sub>2</sub> over k.
- ▶ "rational"  $\implies$  "stably rational"  $\implies$  "retract rational " $\implies$  "unirational"

"rational"  $\implies$  "stably rational"  $\implies$  "retract rational"  $\implies$  "unirational"

- The direction of the implication cannot be reversed.
- (Lüroth's problem) "unirational"  $\implies$  "rational" ? YES if trdeg= 1
- ► (Castelnuovo, 1894) L is unirational over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\operatorname{trdeg}_{\mathbb{C}}L = 2 \Longrightarrow L$  is rational over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
- (Zariski, 1958) Let k be an alg. closed field and  $k \subset L \subset k(x, y)$ . If k(x, y) is separable algebraic over L, then L is rational over k.
- (Zariski cancellation problem) V<sub>1</sub> × P<sup>n</sup> ≈ V<sub>2</sub> × P<sup>n</sup> ⇒ V<sub>1</sub> ≈ V<sub>2</sub>?
   In particular, "stably rational" ⇒ "rational"?
- ▶ (Beauville, Colliot-Thélène, Sansuc, Swinnerton-Dyer, 1985, Ann. Math.) L = Q(x, y, t) with x<sup>2</sup> + 3y<sup>2</sup> = t<sup>3</sup> - 2 (Châtelet surface) ⇒ L is not rational but stably rational over Q. Indeed, L(y<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>2</sub>, y<sub>3</sub>) is rational over Q.
- $L(y_1, y_2)$  is rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$  (Shepherd-Barron, 2002, Fano Conf.).
- $\mathbb{Q}(x_1,\ldots,x_{47})^{C_{47}}$  is not stably but retract rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- $\mathbb{Q}(x_1,\ldots,x_8)^{C_8}$  is not retract but unirational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

## Châtelet surface as an invariant field

- ▶ (Beauville, Colliot-Thélène, Sansuc, Swinnerton-Dyer, 1985, Ann. Math.)  $L = \mathbb{Q}(x, y, t)$  with  $x^2 + 3y^2 = t^3 - 2$  (Châtelet surface)  $\implies L$  is not rational but stably rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- $\blacktriangleright \ L = \mathbb{Q}(x,y,t) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})(X,Y)^{\langle \sigma \rangle}$  where

$$\sigma: \sqrt{-3} \mapsto -\sqrt{-3}, X \mapsto X, Y \mapsto \frac{X^3 - 2}{Y}$$

Indeed, we have

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \left( Y + \frac{X^3 - 2}{Y} \right),$$
$$y = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{-3}} \left( Y - \frac{X^3 - 2}{Y} \right),$$
$$t = X.$$

# Retract rationality and generic extension

## Theorem (Saltman, 1982, DeMeyer)

Let k be an infinite field and G be a finite group. The following are equivalent: (i)  $k(x_g | g \in G)^G$  is retract rational over k. (ii) There is a generic G-Galois extension over k; (iii) There exists a generic G-polynomial over k.

▶ related to Inverse Galois Problem (IGP). (i)  $\implies$  IGP(G/k): true

## Definition (generic polynomial)

A polynomial  $f(t_1, \ldots, t_n; X) \in k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)[X]$  is generic for G over k if (1)  $\operatorname{Gal}(f/k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)) \simeq G$ ; (2)  $\forall L/M \supset k$  with  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/M) \simeq G$ ,  $\exists a_1, \ldots, a_n \in M$  such that  $L = \operatorname{Spl}(f(a_1, \ldots, a_n; X)/M)$ .

▶ By Hilbert's irreducibility theorem,  $\exists L/\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $Gal(L/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq G$ .

# $\S1$ . Monomial action & Noether's problem

## Definition (monomial action) $G \curvearrowright K$ ; trivial, $k = K^G = K$

An action of G on  $k(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  is monomial  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$ 

$$\sigma(x_j) = c_j(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{a_{i,j}}, \ 1 \le j \le n, \forall \sigma \in G$$

where  $[a_{i,j}]_{1 \le i,j \le n} \in \operatorname{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $c_j(\sigma) \in k^{\times} := k \setminus \{0\}$ .

If  $c_j(\sigma) = 1$  for any  $1 \le j \le n$  then  $\sigma$  is called purely monomial.

## Application to Noether's problem (permutation action)

# Noether's problem (1/3) [G = A; abelian case]

- ▶ *k*; field, *G*; finite group
- $G \curvearrowright k$ ; trivial,  $G \curvearrowright k(x_g \mid g \in G)$ ; permutation.
- ►  $k(G) := k(x_g \mid g \in G)^G$ ; invariant field

Noether's problem (Emmy Noether, 1913)

Is k(G) rational over k?, i.e.  $k(G) \simeq k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$ ?

- ▶ Is the quotient variety  $\mathbb{A}^n/G$  rational over k?
- Assume G = A; abelian group.
- (Fisher, 1915)  $\mathbb{C}(A)$  is rational over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
- (Masuda, 1955, 1968)  $\mathbb{Q}(C_p)$  is rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$  for  $p \leq 11$ .
- ► (Swan, 1969, Invent. Math.)  $\mathbb{Q}(C_{47}), \mathbb{Q}(C_{113}), \mathbb{Q}(C_{233})$  are not rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- ► S. Endo and T. Miyata (1973), V.E. Voskresenskii (1973), ... e.g. Q(C<sub>8</sub>) is not rational over Q.
- (Lenstra, 1974, Invent. Math.)

k(A) is rational over  $k \iff$  some condition ;

# Noether's problem (2/3) [G = A; abelian case]

- ► (Endo-Miyata, 1973)  $\mathbb{Q}(C_{p^r})$  is rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$   $\iff \exists \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_{\varphi(p^r)}]$  such that  $N_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{\varphi(p^r)})/\mathbb{Q}}(\alpha) = \pm p$ ►  $h(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)) = 1$  if m < 23 $\implies \mathbb{Q}(C_p)$  is rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$  for  $p \leq 43$  and p = 61, 67, 71.
- (Endo-Miyata, 1973) For  $p = 47, 79, 113, 137, 167, ..., \mathbb{Q}(C_p)$  is not rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- ▶ However, for  $p = 59, 83, 89, 97, 107, 163, \ldots$ , unknown. Under the GRH,  $\mathbb{Q}(C_p)$  is not rational for the above primes. But it is unknown for  $p = 251, 347, 587, 2459, \ldots$
- For p ≤ 20000, see speaker's paper: Proc. Japan Acad. Ser. A 91 (2015) 39-44.

## Theorem (Plans, arXiv:1605.09228)

 $\mathbb{Q}(C_p) \text{ is rational over } \mathbb{Q} \iff p \leq 43 \text{ or } p = 61, 67, 71.$ 

• Using lower bound of height,  $\mathbb{Q}(C_p)$  is rational  $\Rightarrow p < 173$ .

# Noether's problem (3/3) [G; non-abelian case]

## Noether's problem (Emmy Noether, 1913)

Is k(G) rational over k?, i.e.  $k(G) \simeq k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$ ?

- Assume *G*; non-abelian group.
- (Maeda, 1989)  $k(A_5)$  is rational over k;
- (Rikuna, 2003; Plans, 2007)  $k(GL_2(\mathbb{F}_3))$  and  $k(SL_2(\mathbb{F}_3))$  is rational over k;

# (Serre, 2003) if 2-Sylow subgroup of G ≃ C<sub>8m</sub>, then Q(G) is not rational over Q; if 2-Sylow subgroup of G ≃ Q<sub>16</sub>, then Q(G) is not rational over Q; e.g. G = Q<sub>16</sub>, SL<sub>2</sub>(F<sub>7</sub>), SL<sub>2</sub>(F<sub>9</sub>), SL<sub>2</sub>(F<sub>q</sub>) with q ≡ 7 or 9 (mod 16).

# From Noether's problem to monomial actions (1/2)

▶ 
$$k(G) := k(x_g \mid g \in G)^G$$
; invariant field

Noether's problem (Emmy Noether, 1913)

Is k(G) rational over k?, i.e.  $k(G) \simeq k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$ ?

By Hilbert 90, we have:

#### No-name lemma (e.g. Miyata, 1971, Remark 3)

Let G act faithfully on k-vector space V, W be a faithful k[G]-submodule of V. Then  $K(V)^G = K(W)^G(t_1, \ldots, t_m)$ .

#### Rationality problem: linear action

Let G act on finite-dimensional k-vector space V and  $\rho$ :  $G \to GL(V)$  be a representation. Whether  $k(V)^G$  is rational over k?

▶ the quotient variety *V*/*G* is rational over *k*?

# From Noether's problem to monomial actions (2/2)

▶ For  $\rho: G \to GL(V)$ ; monomial representation, i.e. matrix rep. has exactly one non-zero entry in each row and each column, G acts on  $k(\mathbb{P}(V)) = k(\frac{w_1}{w_n}, \dots, \frac{w_{n-1}}{w_n})$  by monomial action.

By Hilbert 90, we have:

Lemma (e.g. Miyata, 1971, Lemma)

 $k(V)^G = k(\mathbb{P}(V))^G(t).$ 

- $V/G \approx \mathbb{P}(V)/G \times \mathbb{P}^1$  (birational)
- k(ℙ(V))<sup>G</sup> (monomial action) is rational over k
   ⇒ k(V)<sup>G</sup> (linear action) is rational over k
   ⇒ k(G) (permutation action) is rational over k
   (Noether's problem has an affirmative answer)

## Example: Noether's problem for $GL_2(\mathbb{F}_3)$ and $SL_2(\mathbb{F}_3)$

•  $G = GL_2(\mathbb{F}_3) = \langle A, B, C, D \rangle \subset GL_4(\mathbb{Q}), \ \#G = 48,$  $\blacktriangleright$   $H = SL_2(\mathbb{F}_3) = \langle A, B, C \rangle \subset GL_4(\mathbb{Q}), \ \#H = 24, \ \text{where}$  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$ • G and H act on  $k(V) = k(w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4)$  by  $A: w_1 \mapsto -w_2 \mapsto -w_1 \mapsto w_2 \mapsto w_1, w_3 \mapsto -w_4 \mapsto -w_3 \mapsto w_4 \mapsto w_3,$  $B: w_1 \mapsto -w_3 \mapsto -w_1 \mapsto w_3 \mapsto w_1, w_2 \mapsto w_4 \mapsto -w_2 \mapsto -w_4 \mapsto w_2,$  $C: w_1 \mapsto -w_2 \mapsto w_3 \mapsto w_1, w_4 \mapsto w_4, \quad D: w_1 \mapsto w_1, w_2 \mapsto -w_2, w_3 \leftrightarrow w_4.$ ▶  $k(\mathbb{P}(V)) = k(x, y, z), x = w_1/w_4, y = w_2/w_4, z = w_3/w_4.$ • G and H act on k(x, y, z) as  $G/Z(G) \simeq S_4$  and  $H/Z(H) \simeq A_4$ :  $A: x \mapsto \frac{y}{z}, \ y \mapsto \frac{-x}{z}, \ z \mapsto \frac{-1}{z}, \ B: x \mapsto \frac{-z}{y}, \ y \mapsto \frac{-1}{y}, \ z \mapsto \frac{x}{y},$  $C: x \mapsto y \mapsto z \mapsto x, \ D: x \mapsto \frac{x}{x}, \ y \mapsto \frac{-y}{x}, \ z \mapsto \frac{1}{x}.$ ▶  $k(\mathbb{P}(V))^G$ : rational  $\implies k(V)^G$ : rational  $\implies k(G)$ : rational.

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# Monomial action (1/3) [3-dim. case]

Theorem (Hajja, 1987) 2-dim. monomial action

 $k(x_1, x_2)^G$  is rational over k.

Theorem (Hajja-Kang 1994, H-Rikuna 2008) 3-dim. purely monomial  $k(x_1, x_2, x_3)^G$  is rational over k.

Theorem (Prokhorov, 2010) 3-dim. monomial action over  $k = \mathbb{C}$  $\mathbb{C}(x_1, x_2, x_3)^G$  is rational over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

However,  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)^{\langle \sigma \rangle}$ ,  $\sigma : x_1 \mapsto x_2 \mapsto x_3 \mapsto \frac{-1}{x_1 x_2 x_3}$  is not rational over  $\mathbb{Q}$ (Hajja,1983).

# Monomial action (2/3) [3-dim. case]

## Theorem (Saltman, 2000) char $k \neq 2$

If  $[k(\sqrt{a_1},\sqrt{a_2},\sqrt{a_3}):k]=8$ , then  $k(x_1,x_2,x_3)^{\langle\sigma
angle}$ ,

$$\sigma: x_1 \mapsto \frac{a_1}{x_1}, x_2 \mapsto \frac{a_2}{x_2}, x_3 \mapsto \frac{a_3}{x_3}$$

is not retract rational over k (hence not rational over k).

## Theorem (Kang, 2004)

 $k(x_1, x_2, x_3)^{\langle \sigma \rangle}$ ,  $\sigma$ :  $x_1 \mapsto x_2 \mapsto x_3 \mapsto \frac{c}{x_1 x_2 x_3} \mapsto x_1$ , is rational over k  $\iff$  at least one of the following conditions is satisfied: (i) char k = 2; (ii)  $c \in k^2$ ; (iii)  $-4c \in k^4$ ; (iv)  $-1 \in k^2$ . If  $k(x, y, z)^{\langle \sigma \rangle}$  is not rational over k, then it is not retract rational over k.

#### Recall that

▶ "rational"  $\implies$  "stably rational"  $\implies$  "retract rational " $\implies$  "unirational"

# Monomial action (3/3) [3-dim. case]

## Theorem (Yamasaki, 2012) 3-dim. monomial, char $k \neq 2$

 $\exists 8 \text{ cases } G \leq GL_3(\mathbb{Z}) \text{ s.t } k(x_1, x_2, x_3)^G \text{ is not retract rational over } k.$ Moreover, the necessary and sufficient conditions are given.

- ► Two of 8 cases are Saltman's and Kang's cases.
- ∃G ≤ GL<sub>3</sub>(ℤ); 73 finite subgroups (up to conjugacy)

Theorem (H-Kitayama-Yamasaki, 2011) 3-dim. monomial, char  $k \neq 2$ 

 $k(x_1, x_2, x_3)^G$  is rational over k except for the 8 cases and  $G = A_4$ . For  $G = A_4$ , if  $[k(\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{-1}) : k] \le 2$ , then it is rational over k.

#### Corollary

 $\exists L = k(\sqrt{a})$  such that  $L(x_1, x_2, x_3)^G$  is rational over L.

▶ However,  $\exists 4\text{-dim}$ .  $\mathbb{C}(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)^{C_2 \times C_2}$  is not retract rational.

# $\S2$ . Noether's problem over $\mathbb{C}$ (1/3)

Let G be a p-group.  $\mathbb{C}(G) := \mathbb{C}(x_g \mid g \in G)^G$ .

- (Fisher, 1915)  $\mathbb{C}(A)$  is rational over  $\mathbb{C}$  if A; finite abelian group.
- (Saltman, 1984, Invent. Math.)
   For ∀p; prime, ∃ meta-abelian p-group G of order p<sup>9</sup>
   such that C(G) is not retract rational over C.
- (Bogomolov, 1988)
   For ∀p; prime, ∃ p-group G of order p<sup>6</sup>
   such that C(G) is not retract rational over C.

Indeed they showed  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(\mathbb{C}(G)/\mathbb{C}) \neq 0$ ; unramified Brauer group

▶ rational  $\implies$  stably rational  $\implies$  retract rational  $\implies$   $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(\mathbb{C}(G)) = 0$ . not rational  $\Leftarrow$  not stably rational  $\Leftarrow$  not retract rational  $\Leftarrow$   $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(\mathbb{C}(G)) \neq 0$ .

▶ k(G); retract rational  $\implies$  IGP for (k,G) has an affirmative answer.

## Definition (Unramified Brauer group) Saltman (1984)

Let  $k \subset K$  be an extension of fields.  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(K/k) = \bigcap_R \operatorname{Image} \{\operatorname{Br}(R) \to \operatorname{Br}(K)\}$  where  $\operatorname{Br}(R) \to \operatorname{Br}(K)$  is the natural map of Brauer groups and R runs over all the discrete valuation rings R such that  $k \subset R \subset K$  and K is the quotient field of R.

- If K is retract rational over k, then Br(k) → Br<sub>nr</sub>(K/k). In particular, if K is retract rational over C, then Br<sub>nr</sub>(K/C) = 0.
- ► For a smooth projective variety X over  $\mathbb{C}$  with function field K,  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}) \simeq H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\operatorname{tors}}$  which is given by Artin-Mumford (1972).

## Theorem (Bogomolov 1988, Saltman 1990) $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(\mathbb{C}(G)/\mathbb{C}) \simeq B_0(G)$

Let G be a finite group. Then  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(\operatorname{\mathbb{C}}(G)/\operatorname{\mathbb{C}})$  is isomorphic to

$$B_0(G) = \bigcap_A \operatorname{Ker} \{ \operatorname{res} : H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \to H^2(A, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \}$$

where A runs over all the bicyclic subgroups of G(bicyclic = cyclic or direct product of two cyclic groups).

- ▶  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  : "retract rational"  $\implies B_0(G) = 0$ .  $B_0(G) \neq 0 \implies \mathbb{C}(G)$  : not (retract) rational over k.
- ►  $B_0(G) \le H^2(G,\mu) \simeq H_2(G,\mathbb{Z})$ ; Schur multiplier.
- $B_0(G)$  is called Bogomolov multiplier.

# Noether's problem over $\mathbb{C}$ (2/3)

• (Chu-Kang, 2001) G is p-group  $(\#G \le p^4) \Longrightarrow \mathbb{C}(G)$  is rational.

## Theorem (Moravec, 2012, Amer. J. Math.)

Assume  $\#G = 3^5 = 243$ .  $B_0(G) \neq 0 \iff G = G(243, i), 28 \le i \le 30$ . In particular,  $\exists 3$  groups G such that  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is not retract rational over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

▶  $\exists G: 67 \text{ groups such that } \#G = 243.$ 

## Theorem (H-Kang-Kunyavskii, 2013, Asian J. Math.)

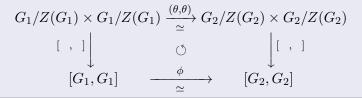
Assume  $\#G = p^5$  where p is odd prime.  $B_0(G) \neq 0 \iff G$  belongs to the isoclinism family  $\Phi_{10}$ . In particular,  $\exists \gcd(4, p-1) + \gcd(3, p-1) + 1$  (resp.  $\exists 3$ ) groups G of order  $p^5$  ( $p \ge 5$ ) (resp. p = 3) s.t.  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is not retract rational over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

▶ 
$$\exists 2p + 61 + \gcd(4, p - 1) + 2 \gcd(3, p - 1)$$
 groups such that  $\#G = p^5(p \ge 5)$ .  $(\exists \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{10})$ 

# From the proof (1/3)

## Definition (isoclinic)

*p*-groups  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are isoclinic  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$  isom.  $\theta: G_1/Z(G_1) \xrightarrow{\sim} G_2/Z(G_2)$ ,  $\phi: [G_1, G_1] \xrightarrow{\sim} [G_2, G_2]$  such that



#### Invariants

- Iower central series
- # of conj. classes with precisely  $p^i$  members
- # of irr. complex rep. of G of degree  $p^i$

# From the proof (2/3)

- $\#G = p^4(p > 2)$ .  $\exists 15 \text{ groups } (\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3)$
- $\#G = 2^4 = 16$ .  $\exists 14 \text{ groups } (\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3)$
- ▶  $#G = p^5(p > 3)$ .  $\exists 2p + 61 + (4, p 1) + 2 \times (3, p 1)$  groups  $(\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{10})$

	$\Phi_1$	$\Phi_2$	$\Phi_3$	$\Phi_4$	$\Phi_5$	$\Phi_6$	$\Phi_7$	$\Phi_8$
#	7	15	13	p+8	2	p+7	5	1
# (p = 3)						7		
	$\Phi_9$			$\Phi_{10}$				
#	2 + (3, p - 1)			$\frac{1 + (4, p - 1) + (3, p - 1)}{3}$				
(p=3)				3				

## [HKK, Question 1.11] (2013) (arXiv:1202.5812)

Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be isoclinic *p*-groups. Is it true that the fields  $k(G_1)$  and  $k(G_2)$  are stably isomorphic, or, at least, that  $B_0(G_1)$  is isomorphic to  $B_0(G_2)$ ?

Theorem (Moravec, 2013) (arXiv:1203.2422)

 $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are isoclinic  $\Longrightarrow B_0(G_1) \simeq B_0(G_2)$ .

## Theorem (Bogomolov-Böhning, 2013) (arXiv: 1204.4747)

 $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are isoclinic  $\Longrightarrow \mathbb{C}(G_1)$  and  $\mathbb{C}(G_2)$  are stably isomorphic.

Proof  $(\Phi_{10})$ :  $B_0(G) \neq 0$ 

#### Lemma 1. $N \lhd G$ .

(i) tr: H<sup>1</sup>(N, Q/Z)<sup>G</sup> → H<sup>2</sup>(G/N, Q/Z) is not surjective where tr is the transgression map.
(ii) AN/N ≤ G/N is cyclic (∀A ≤ G; bicyclic). ⇒ B<sub>0</sub>(G) ≠ 0.

Proof. Consider the Hochschild-Serre 5-term exact sequence

 $0 \to H^1(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \to H^1(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \to H^1(N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})^G$  $\xrightarrow{\mathrm{tr}} H^2(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\psi} H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ 

where  $\psi$  is an inflation map.

(i)  $\implies \psi$  is not zero-map  $\implies \text{Image}(\psi) \neq 0$ . We will show that  $\text{Image}(\psi) \subset B_0(G)$  by (ii).

It suffices to show that  $H^2(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\psi} H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^2(A, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ is zero-map ( $\forall A \leq G$ : bicyclic). Consider the following commutative diagram:

where  $\psi_0$  is the restriction map,  $\psi_1$  is the inflation map,  $\widetilde{\psi}$  is the natural isomorphism.

(ii) 
$$\Longrightarrow AN/N \simeq C_m \Longrightarrow H^2(C_m, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) = 0.$$
  
 $\Longrightarrow \psi_0 \text{ is zero-map.}$   
 $\Longrightarrow \operatorname{res} \circ \psi \colon H^2(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \to H^2(A, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \text{ is zero-map.}$   
 $\therefore \operatorname{Image}(\psi) \subset B_0(G)$   
 $\operatorname{Image}(\psi) \subset B_0(G) \text{ and } \operatorname{Image}(\psi) \neq 0 \text{ (by (i))} \Longrightarrow B_0(G) \neq 0.$ 

**Proof**  $(\Phi_6)$ :  $B_0(G) = 0$ 

• 
$$G = \Phi_6(211)a = \langle f_1, f_2, f_0, h_1, f_2 \rangle, f_1^p = h_1, f_2^p = h_2,$$
  
 $Z(G) = \langle h_1, h_2 \rangle, f_0^p = h_1^p = h_2^p = 1$   
 $[f_1, f_2] = f_0, [f_0, f_1] = h_1, [f_0, f_2] = h_2$ 

Hochschild-Serre 5-term exact sequence:

 $0 \to H^1(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \to H^1(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \to H^1(N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})^G \xrightarrow{\mathrm{tr}} H^2(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\psi} H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ 

Proof  $(\Phi_6)$ :  $B_0(G) = 0$ 

• 
$$G = \Phi_6(211)a = \langle f_1, f_2, f_0, h_1, f_2 \rangle, f_1^p = h_1, f_2^p = h_2,$$
  
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 $[f_1, f_2] = f_0, [f_0, f_1] = h_1, [f_0, f_2] = h_2$ 

Hochschild-Serre 5-term exact sequence:

• Explicit formula for  $\lambda$  is given by Dekimpe-Hartl-Wauters (2012)

$$N := \langle f_1, f_0, h_1, h_2 \rangle \Longrightarrow G/N \simeq C_p \Longrightarrow H^2(G/N, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) = 0$$

- $\blacktriangleright B_0(G) \subset H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})_1$
- We should show  $H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})_1 = 0$  (  $\iff \lambda$ : injective)

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## Theorem (H-Kang-Kunyavskii, 2013, Asian J. Math.)

Assume  $\#G = p^5$  where p is odd prime.  $B_0(G) \neq 0 \iff G$  belongs to the isoclinism family  $\Phi_{10}$ .

## Theorem (Chu-H-Hu-Kang, 2015, J. Algebra) $\#G = 3^5 = 243$

If  $B_0(G) = 0$ , then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is rational over  $\mathbb{C}$  except for  $\Phi_7$ .

- Rationality of  $\Phi_7$  is unknown.
- $\Phi_5$  and  $\Phi_7$  are very similar:  $C = 1 \ (\Phi_5)$ ,  $C = \omega \ (\Phi_7)$ .

 $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is stably isomorphic to  $\mathbb{C}(z_1,z_2,z_3,z_4,z_5,z_6,z_7,z_8,z_9)^{\langle f_1,f_2\rangle}$ 

$$\begin{split} f_1 &: z_1 \mapsto z_2, z_2 \mapsto \frac{1}{z_1 z_2}, z_3 \mapsto z_4, z_4 \mapsto \frac{1}{z_3 z_4}, \\ &z_5 \mapsto \frac{z_5}{z_1^2 z_3}, z_6 \mapsto \frac{z_1 z_6}{z_3}, z_7 \mapsto z_8, z_8 \mapsto \frac{1}{z_7 z_8}, z_9 \mapsto \frac{z_4 z_9}{z_1}, \\ &f_2 &: z_1 \mapsto z_3, z_2 \mapsto z_4, z_3 \mapsto \frac{1}{z_1 z_3}, z_4 \mapsto \frac{1}{z_2 z_4}, \\ &z_5 \mapsto z_6, z_6 \mapsto \frac{1}{z_5 z_6}, z_7 \mapsto C \frac{z_4 z_7}{z_3}, z_8 \mapsto C \frac{z_8}{z_3 z_4^2}, z_9 \mapsto \frac{z_4 z_9}{z_1}. \end{split}$$

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Rationality problem for fields of invariants

# Unramified cohomology (1/3)

Colliot-Thélène and Ojanguren (1989) generalized the notion of the unramified Brauer group  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C})$  to the unramified cohomology  $H^i_{\operatorname{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C},\mu_n^{\otimes j})$  of degree  $i \geq 1$ :

## Definition (Colliot-Thélène and Ojanguren, 1989, Invent. Math.)

Let  $K/\mathbb{C}$  be a function field, that is finitely generated as a field over  $\mathbb{C}$ . The unramified cohomology group  $H^i_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C},\mu_n^{\otimes j})$  of K over  $\mathbb{C}$  of degree  $i \geq 1$  is defined to be

$$H^{i}_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C},\mu_{n}^{\otimes j}) = \bigcap_{R} \operatorname{Image} \{ H^{i}_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(R,\mu_{n}^{\otimes j}) \to H^{i}_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(K,\mu_{n}^{\otimes j}) \}$$

where R runs over all the discrete valuation rings R of rank one such that  $\mathbb{C} \subset R \subset K$  and K is the quotient field of R.

• Note that  ${}_{n}\mathrm{Br}_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}) \simeq H^{2}_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C},\mu_{n}).$ 

#### Proposition (Colliot-Thélène and Ojanguren, 1989)

If K and L are stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphic, then  $H^i_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_n^{\otimes j}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^i_{\mathrm{nr}}(L/\mathbb{C}, \mu_n^{\otimes j}).$ In particular, K is stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational, then  $H^i_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_n^{\otimes j}) = 0.$ 

- Moreover, if K is retract  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational, then  $H^i_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_n^{\otimes j}) = 0$ .
- ▶ CTO (1989)  $\exists$   $\mathbb{C}$ -unirational field K s.t.  $H^3_{nr}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_2^{\otimes 3}) \neq 0$ .
- Peyre (1993) gave a sufficient condition for  $H^i_{nr}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_p^{\otimes i}) \neq 0$ :
- ▶  $\exists K \text{ s.t. } H^3_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C},\mu_p^{\otimes 3}) \neq 0 \text{ and } \mathrm{Br}_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}) = 0;$
- ►  $\exists K \text{ s.t. } H^4_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_2^{\otimes 4}) \neq 0 \text{ and } \mathrm{Br}_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}) = 0.$

# Unramified cohomology (2/3)

Take the direct limit with respect to n:

$$H^{i}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}(j)) = \lim_{\stackrel{\longrightarrow}{n}} H^{i}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mu_{n}^{\otimes j})$$

and we also define the unramified cohomology group

$$H^{i}_{\mathrm{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}(j)) = \bigcap_{R} \mathrm{Image}\{H^{i}_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(R, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}(j)) \to H^{i}_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(K, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}(j))\}.$$

Then we have  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}) \simeq H^2_{\operatorname{nr}}(K/\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}(1)).$ 

• The case  $K = \mathbb{C}(G)$ :

#### Theorem (Peyre, 2008, Invent. Math.)

Let  $\boldsymbol{p}$  be odd prime.

 $\exists p$ -group G of order  $p^{12}$  such that  $B_0(G) = 0$  and  $H^3_{nr}(\mathbb{C}(G), \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \neq 0$ . In particular,  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is not (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational. Asok (2013) generalized Peyre's argument (1993):

#### Theorem (Asok, 2013, Compos. Math.)

(1) For any n > 0,  $\exists$  a smooth projective complex variety X that is  $\mathbb{C}$ -unirational, for which  $H_{\mathrm{nr}}^i(\mathbb{C}(X), \mu_2^{\otimes i}) = 0$  for each i < n, yet  $H_{\mathrm{nr}}^n(\mathbb{C}(X), \mu_2^{\otimes n}) \neq 0$ , and so X is not  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -connected, nor (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational; (2) For any prime l and any  $n \ge 2$ ,  $\exists$  a smooth projective rationally connected complex variety Y such that  $H_{\mathrm{nr}}^n(\mathbb{C}(Y), \mu_l^{\otimes n}) \neq 0$ . In particular, Y is not  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -connected, nor (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational.

- Namely, the triviality of the unramified Brauer group or the unramified cohomology of higher degree is just a necessary condition of C-rationality of fields.
- It is interesting to consider an analog of above Theorem for quotient varieties V/G, e.g. C(V<sub>reg</sub>/G) = C(G).

# Unramified cohomology (3/3)

### Theorem (Peyre, 2008, Invent. Math.)

Let p be odd prime.  $\exists p$ -group G of order  $p^{12}$  such that  $B_0(G) = 0$  and  $H^3_{nr}(\mathbb{C}(G), \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \neq 0$ . In particular,  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is not (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational.

Using Peyre's method, we improve this result:

#### Theorem (H-Kang-Yamasaki, 2016, J. Algebra)

Let p be odd prime.  $\exists p$ -group G of order  $p^9$  such that  $B_0(G) = 0$  and  $H^3_{nr}(\mathbb{C}(G), \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \neq 0$ . In particular,  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is not (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational.

On the other hand, CT and Voisin proved: ( $\leftrightarrow$  integral Hodge conjecture)

### Theorem (Colliot-Thélène and Voisin, 2012, Duke Math. J.)

 $H^3_{\mathrm{nr}}(X, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathrm{Hdg}^4(X, \mathbb{Z})/\mathrm{Hdg}^4(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\mathrm{alg}}.$ 

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# Noether's problem over ${\mathbb C}$ for $2\mbox{-}{\rm groups}$

- ▶ (Chu-Kang, 2001) G is p-group  $(\#G \le p^4) \Longrightarrow \mathbb{C}(G)$  is rational.
- ► (Chu-Hu-Kang-Prokhorov, 2008)  $\#G = 32 = 2^5 \implies \mathbb{C}(G)$  is rational.
- ►  $\exists 267 \text{ groups } G \text{ of order } 64 = 2^6 \text{ which are classified into } 27 \text{ isoclinism families } \Phi_1, \ldots, \Phi_{27}.$

Theorem (Chu-Hu-Kang-Kunyavskii, 2010)  $\#G = 64 = 2^6$ 

(1)  $B_0(G) \neq 0 \iff G$  belongs to  $\Phi_{16}$ . ( $\exists 9 \text{ such } G$ 's) Moreover, if  $B_0(G) \neq 0$ , then  $B_0(G) \simeq C_2$ . (2) If  $B_0(G) = 0$ , then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is rational except for  $\Phi_{13}$ . ( $\exists 5 \text{ such } G$ 's)

- ([CHKK10], [HY14])  $(B_0(G) = 0$ , but rationality unknown) If G belongs to  $\Phi_{13}$ , then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphic to  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(0)}$ .
- ([CHKK10], [HKK14]) ( $B_0(G) \simeq C_2$ , not retract rational) If G belongs to  $\Phi_{16}$ , then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphic to  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)}$ .

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### Definition (The fields $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(0)}$ and $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)}$ )

(i) The field  $L^{(0)}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is defined to be  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)^H$  where  $H = \langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \rangle \simeq C_2 \times C_2$  act on  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)$  by

$$\sigma_1: X_1 \mapsto X_3, \ X_2 \mapsto \frac{1}{X_1 X_2 X_3}, \ X_3 \mapsto X_1, \ X_4 \mapsto X_6, \ X_5 \mapsto \frac{1}{X_4 X_5 X_6}, \ X_6 \mapsto X_4,$$
  
$$\sigma_2: X_1 \mapsto X_2, \ X_2 \mapsto X_1, \ X_3 \mapsto \frac{1}{X_1 X_2 X_3}, \ X_4 \mapsto X_5, \ X_5 \mapsto X_4, \ X_6 \mapsto \frac{1}{X_4 X_5 X_6}.$$

(ii) The field  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)}$  is defined to be  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)^{\langle \tau \rangle}$  where  $\langle \tau \rangle \simeq C_2$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$  by

$$\tau: X_1 \mapsto -X_1, \ X_2 \mapsto \frac{X_4}{X_2}, \ X_3 \mapsto \frac{(X_4 - 1)(X_4 - X_1^2)}{X_3}, \ X_4 \mapsto X_4.$$

- ► ([CHKK10], [HY14])  $(B_0(G) = 0$ , but rationality unknown) If G belongs to  $\Phi_{13}$ , then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphic to  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(0)}$ .
- ► ([CHKK10], [HKK14])  $(B_0(G) \simeq C_2$ , not retract rational) If G belongs to  $\Phi_{16}$ , then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphic to  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)}$ .

• 
$$L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(0)} = \mathbb{C}(z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4, u_4, u_5, u_6)$$
 where  
 $(z_1^2 - a)(z_4^2 - d) = (z_2^2 - b)(z_3^2 - c),$   
 $a = u_4(u_4 - 1), b = u_4 - 1, c = u_4(u_4 - u_6^2), d = u_5^2(u_4 - u_6^2).$   
•  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(0)} = \mathbb{C}(u, v, t, w_3, w_4, w_5, w_6)$  where  
 $u^2 - tv^2 = -(w_4^2(w_5^2 - 1)t^2 + (w_3^2 - w_3^2w_5^2 + 1)t - w_5^2)$   
 $\cdot (w_4^2w_6^2t^2 - (w_4^2 + w_3^2w_6^2)t + w_3^2 - w_6^2 + 1).$ 

► 
$$L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(r)} = \mathbb{C}(m_0, \dots, m_6)$$
 where  
 $m_0^2 = (4m_3 + m_3m_4^2 + m_4^2)(m_3 - m_5^2 + 1)$   
 $\cdot (m_1^2m_3 + m_6^2 - 1)(4m_3 + m_1^2m_2^2m_3 + m_2^2m_6^2)$   
►  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)} = \mathbb{C}(u, v, t, w_3, w_4)$  where  
 $u^2 - tv^2 = (tw_4^2 - w_3^2 + 1)(t + tw_4^2 - w_3^2).$ 

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► ∃2328 groups G of order 128 = 2<sup>7</sup> which are classified into 115 isoclinism families Φ<sub>1</sub>,..., Φ<sub>115</sub>.

### Theorem (Moravec, 2012, Amer. J. Math.) $\#G = 128 = 2^7$

 $B_0(G) \neq 0$  if and only if G belongs to the isoclinism family  $\Phi_{16}$ ,  $\Phi_{30}$ ,  $\Phi_{31}$ ,  $\Phi_{37}$ ,  $\Phi_{39}$ ,  $\Phi_{43}$ ,  $\Phi_{58}$ ,  $\Phi_{60}$ ,  $\Phi_{80}$ ,  $\Phi_{106}$  or  $\Phi_{114}$ . If  $B_0(G) \neq 0$ , then

$$B_0(G) \simeq \begin{cases} C_2 & (\Phi_{16}, \Phi_{31}, \Phi_{37}, \Phi_{39}, \Phi_{43}, \Phi_{58}, \Phi_{60}, \Phi_{80}, \Phi_{106}, \Phi_{114}) \\ C_2 \times C_2 & (\Phi_{30}). \end{cases}$$

In particular,  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  is not (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	Total
Family	$\Phi_{16}$	$\Phi_{31}$	$\Phi_{37}$	$\Phi_{39}$	$\Phi_{43}$	$\Phi_{58}$	$\Phi_{60}$	$\Phi_{80}$	$\Phi_{106}$	$\Phi_{114}$	$\Phi_{30}$	
$B_0(G)$					$C_2$						$C_2 \times C_2$	
# G's	48	55	18	6	26	20	10	9	2	2	34	220

Q. Birational classification of  $\mathbb{C}(G)$ ? In particular, what happens when  $B_0(G) \neq 0$ ? How many  $\mathbb{C}(G)$ 's exist up to stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphism?

### Theorem (H, 2016, J. Algebra) $\#G = 128 = 2^7$

Assume that  $B_0(G) \neq 0$ . Then  $\mathbb{C}(G)$  and  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(m)}$  are stably  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphic where

$$m = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } G \text{ belongs to } \Phi_{16}, \Phi_{31}, \Phi_{37}, \Phi_{39}, \Phi_{43}, \Phi_{58}, \Phi_{60} \text{ or } \Phi_{80}, \\ 2 & \text{if } G \text{ belongs to } \Phi_{106} \text{ or } \Phi_{114}, \\ 3 & \text{if } G \text{ belongs to } \Phi_{30}. \end{cases}$$

In particular,  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)}) \simeq \operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(2)}) \simeq C_2$  and  $\operatorname{Br}_{\operatorname{nr}}(L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(3)}) \simeq C_2 \times C_2$  and hence the fields  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)}$ ,  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(2)}$  and  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(3)}$  are not (retract, stably)  $\mathbb{C}$ -rational.

- L<sup>(1)</sup><sub>ℂ</sub> ≈ L<sup>(3)</sup><sub>ℂ</sub>, L<sup>(2)</sup><sub>ℂ</sub> ≈ L<sup>(3)</sup><sub>ℂ</sub> (not stably ℂ-isomorphic) because their unramified Brauer groups are not isomorphic.
- However, we do not know whether  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(1)} \sim L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(2)}$ .
- ▶ If not, evaluate the higher unramified cohomologies  $H^i_{nr}(i \ge 3)$ ?
- ▶ BUT, a useful formula like Bogomolov's formula for B<sub>0</sub>(G) is unknown for higher unramified cohomologies.

### Definition (The fields $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(2)}$ and $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(3)}$ )

(i) The field  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(2)}$  is defined to be  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)^{\langle \rho \rangle}$  where  $\langle \rho \rangle \simeq C_4$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)$  by

$$\rho: X_1 \mapsto X_2, X_2 \mapsto -X_1, X_3 \mapsto X_4, X_4 \mapsto X_3,$$
$$X_5 \mapsto X_6, X_6 \mapsto \frac{(X_1^2 X_2^2 - 1)(X_1^2 X_3^2 + X_2^2 - X_3^2 - 1)}{X_5}$$

(ii) The field  $L_{\mathbb{C}}^{(3)}$  is defined to be  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6, X_7)^{\langle \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \rangle}$ where  $\langle \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \rangle \simeq C_2 \times C_2$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6, X_7)$  by

$$\begin{split} \lambda_1 &: X_1 \mapsto X_1, X_2 \mapsto \frac{X_1}{X_2}, X_3 \mapsto \frac{1}{X_1 X_3}, X_4 \mapsto \frac{X_2 X_4}{X_1 X_3}, \\ &X_5 \mapsto -\frac{X_1 X_6^2 - 1}{X_5}, X_6 \mapsto -X_6, X_7 \mapsto X_7, \\ \lambda_2 &: X_1 \mapsto \frac{1}{X_1}, X_2 \mapsto X_3, X_3 \mapsto X_2, X_4 \mapsto \frac{(X_1 X_6^2 - 1)(X_1 X_7^2 - 1)}{X_4}, \\ &X_5 \mapsto -X_5, X_6 \mapsto -X_1 X_6, X_7 \mapsto -X_1 X_7. \end{split}$$

Notion of "quasi-monomial" action is defined in [HKK] J. Algebra (2014).

#### Theorem (H-Kang-Kitayama) 1-dim. quasi-monomial action

(1) purely quasi-monomial action  $\implies K(x)^G$  is rational over k. (2)  $K(x)^G$  is rational over k except for the case:  $\exists N \leq G$  such that (i)  $G/N = \langle \sigma \rangle \simeq C_2$ ; (ii)  $K(x)^N = k(\alpha)(y), \ \alpha^2 = a \in K^{\times}, \ \sigma(\alpha) = -\alpha$  (if char  $k \neq 2$ ),  $\alpha^2 + \alpha = a \in K, \ \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha + 1$  (if char k = 2); (iii)  $\sigma \cdot y = b/y$  for some  $b \in k^{\times}$ . For the exceptional case,  $K(x)^G = k(\alpha)(y)^{G/N}$  is rational over  $k \iff$ Hilbert symbol  $(a, b)_k = 0$  (if char  $k \neq 2$ ),  $[a, b)_k = 0$  (if char k = 2). Moreover,  $K(x)^G$  is not rational over  $k \implies$  not unirational over k. Theorem (H-Kang-Kitayama) 2-dim. purely quasi-monomial action

 $N = \{ \sigma \in G \mid \sigma(x) = x, \ \sigma(y) = y \}, \ H = \{ \sigma \in G \mid \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha (\forall \alpha \in K) \}.$  $K(x,y)^G$  is rational over k except for: (1) char  $k \neq 2$  and (2) (i)  $(G/N, HN/N) \simeq (C_4, C_2)$  or (ii)  $(D_4, C_2)$ . For the exceptional case, we have k(x, y) = k(u, v): (i)  $(G/N, HN/N) \simeq (C_4, C_2),$  $K^N = k(\sqrt{a}), \ G/N = \langle \sigma \rangle \simeq C_4, \ \sigma : \sqrt{a} \mapsto -\sqrt{a}, \ u \mapsto \frac{1}{u}, \ v \mapsto -\frac{1}{v};$ (ii)  $(G/N, HN/N) \simeq (D_4, C_2);$  $K^N = k(\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b}), \ G/N = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \simeq D_4, \ \sigma : \sqrt{a} \mapsto -\sqrt{a}, \ \sqrt{b} \mapsto \sqrt{b},$  $u \mapsto \frac{1}{u}, v \mapsto -\frac{1}{v}, \tau : \sqrt{a} \mapsto \sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b} \mapsto -\sqrt{b}, u \mapsto u, v \mapsto -v.$ Case (i),  $K(x,y)^G$  is rational over  $k \iff$  Hilbert symbol  $(a,-1)_k = 0$ . Case (ii),  $K(x,y)^G$  is rational over  $k \iff$  Hilbert symbol  $(a, -b)_k = 0$ . Moreover,  $K(x, y)^G$  is not rational over  $k \Longrightarrow$  $Br(k) \neq 0$  and  $K(x, y)^G$  is not unirational over k.

Galois-theoretic interpretation:

(i) rational over  $k \iff k(\sqrt{a})$  may be embedded into  $C_4$ -ext. of k. (ii) rational over  $k \iff k(\sqrt{a},\sqrt{b})$  may be embedded into  $D_4$ -ext. of k.

#### Theorem (H-Kang-Kitayama), 4-dim. purely monomial

Let M be a G-lattice with  $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}} M = 4$  and G act on k(M) by purely monomial k-automorphisms. If M is decomposable, i.e.  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  as  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -modules where  $1 \leq \operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}} M_1 \leq 3$ , then  $k(M)^G$  is rational over k.

- ▶ When rank<sub>ℤ</sub>M<sub>1</sub> = 1, rank<sub>ℤ</sub>M<sub>2</sub> = 3, it is easy to see k(M)<sup>G</sup> is rational.
- ▶ When  $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}} M_1 = \operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}} M_2 = 2$ , we may apply Theorem of 2-dim. to  $k(M) = k(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2) = k(x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2) = K(y_1, y_2)$ .

### Theorem (H-Kang-Kitayama) char $k \neq 2$

Let  $C_2 = \langle \tau \rangle$  act on the rational function field  $k(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$  by *k*-automorphisms defined as

$$\tau: x_1 \mapsto -x_1, \ x_2 \mapsto \frac{x_4}{x_2}, \ x_3 \mapsto \frac{(x_4-1)(x_4-x_1^2)}{x_3}, \ x_4 \mapsto x_4.$$

Then  $k(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)^{C_2}$  is not retract rational over k. In particular, it is not rational over k.

### Theorem A (H-Kang-Kitayama) char $k \neq 2$ , 5-dim. purely monomial

Let  $D_4=\langle\rho,\tau\rangle$  act on the rational function field  $k(x_1,x_2,x_3,x_4,x_5)$  by k-automorphisms defined as

$$\rho: x_1 \mapsto x_2, \ x_2 \mapsto x_1, \ x_3 \mapsto \frac{1}{x_1 x_2 x_3}, \ x_4 \mapsto x_5, \ x_5 \mapsto \frac{1}{x_4}, \\ \tau: x_1 \mapsto x_3, \ x_2 \mapsto \frac{1}{x_1 x_2 x_3}, \ x_3 \mapsto x_1, \ x_4 \mapsto x_5, \ x_5 \mapsto x_4.$$

Then  $k(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)^{D_4}$  is not retract rational over k. In particular, it is not rational over k.

#### Theorem (H-Kang-Kitayama), 5-dim. purely monomial

Let M be a G-lattice and G act on k(M) by purely monomial k-automorphisms. Assume that (i)  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$  as  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -modules where  $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}} M_1 = 3$  and  $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}} M_2 = 2$ , (ii) either  $M_1$  or  $M_2$  is a faithful G-lattice. Then  $k(M)^G$  is rational over k except for the case as in Theorem A.

• we may apply Theorem of 2-dim. to  $k(M) = k(x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2) = k(x_1, x_2, x_3)(y_1, y_2) = K(y_1, y_2).$ 

# §4. Rationality problem for algebraic tori (2-dim., 3-dim.)

 $G \simeq \operatorname{Gal}(K/k) \curvearrowright K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ : purely quasi-monomial,  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)^G$  may be regarded as the function field of algebraic torus T over k which splits over K  $(T \otimes_k K \simeq \mathbb{G}_m^n)$ .

- ▶ T is unirational over k, i.e.  $K(x_1, \ldots, x_n)^G \subset k(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$ .
- ▶  $\exists 13 \mathbb{Z}$ -coujugacy subgroups  $G \leq GL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ .

Theorem (Voskresenskii, 1967) 2-dim. algebraic tori T

T is rational over k.

▶  $\exists 73 \ \mathbb{Z}$ -coujugacy subgroups  $G \leq \operatorname{GL}_3(\mathbb{Z})$ .

#### Theorem (Kunyavskii, 1990) 3-dim. algebraic tori T

(i) T is rational over  $k \iff T$  is stably rational over k

- $\iff T$  is retract rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 58 \text{ groups};$
- (ii) T is not rational over  $k \iff T$  is not stably rational over k

 $\iff T \text{ is not retract rational over } k \iff \exists G: 15 \text{ groups.}$ 

# Rationality of algebraic tori (4-dim., 5-dim.)

▶  $\exists 710 \ \mathbb{Z}$ -coujugacy subgroups  $G \leq \operatorname{GL}_4(\mathbb{Z})$ .

Theorem (H-Yamasaki, arXiv:1210.4525) 4-dim. algebraic tori T

(i) T is stably rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 487 \text{ groups};$ (ii) T is not stably but retract rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 7 \text{ groups};$ 

(iii) T is not retract rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 216 \text{ groups.}$ 

▶  $\exists 6079 \ \mathbb{Z}$ -coujugacy subgroups  $G \leq \operatorname{GL}_5(\mathbb{Z})$ .

Theorem (H-Yamasaki, arXiv:1210.4525) 5-dim. algebraic tori T

(i) T is stably rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 3051 \text{ groups};$ (ii) T is not stably but retract rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 25 \text{ groups};$ (iii) T is not retract rational over  $k \iff \exists G: 3003 \text{ groups}.$ 

- (Voskresenskii's conjecture) any stably rational torus is rational.
- ►  $\exists 85308 \ \mathbb{Z}$ -coujugacy subgroups  $G \leq \operatorname{GL}_6(\mathbb{Z})!$

# Proof: Flabby (Flasque) resolution (1/2)

- ► The function field of *n*-dim.  $T \xrightarrow{\text{identified}} L(M)^G$ ,  $G \leq \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$
- M: G-lattice, i.e. f.g.  $\mathbb{Z}$ -free  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module.

#### Definition

- (i) M is permutation  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} M \simeq \bigoplus_{1 \le i \le m} \mathbb{Z}[G/H_i].$
- (ii) M is stably permutation  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} M \oplus \exists P \simeq P', P, P'$ : permutation.
- (iii) M is invertible  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} M \oplus \exists M' \simeq P$ : permutation.

(iv) 
$$M$$
 is collabby  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} H^1(H, M) = 0 \; (\forall H \leq G).$ 

(v) M is flabby  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \widehat{H}^{-1}(H, M) = 0 \; (\forall H \leq G). \; (\widehat{H}: \text{ Tate cohomology})$ 

- "permutation"
  - $\implies$  "stably permutation"
  - $\implies$  "invertible"
  - $\implies$  "flabby and coflabby".

# Proof: Flabby (Flasque) resolution (2/2)

#### Commutative monoid $\mathcal{M}$

 $M_1 \sim M_2 \iff M_1 \oplus P_1 \simeq M_2 \oplus P_2 (\exists P_1, \exists P_2: \text{ permutation}).$  $\implies \text{ commutative monoid } \mathcal{M}: [M_1] + [M_2] := [M_1 \oplus M_2], \ 0 = [P].$ 

### Theorem (Endo-Miyata, 1974, Colliot-Thélène-Sansuc, 1977)

 $\exists P$ : permutation,  $\exists F$ : flabby such that

 $0 \to M \to P \to F \to 0$ : flabby resolution of M.

 $[M]^{fl} := [F], \quad [M]^{fl} \text{ is invertible } \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Longleftrightarrow} \ [M]^{fl} = [E] \ (\exists E: \text{ invertible}).$ 

# Theorem (Endo-Miyata, 1973, Voskresenskii, 1974, Saltman, 1984) (EM73) $[M]^{fl} = 0 \iff L(M)^G$ is stably rational over k. (Vos74) $[M]^{fl} = [M']^{fl} \iff L(M)^G(x_1, \dots, x_m) \simeq L(M')^G(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ . (Sal84) $[M]^{fl}$ is invertible $\iff L(M)^G$ is retract rational over k.

# Our contribution

- ▶ We give a procedure to compute a flabby resolution of M, in particular [M]<sup>fl</sup> = [F], effectively (with smaller rank after base change) by computer software GAP.
- The function IsFlabby (resp. IsCoflabby) may determine whether M is flabby (resp. coflabby).
- ▶ The function IsInvertibleF may determine whether  $[M]^{fl} = [F]$  is invertible ( $\leftrightarrow$  whether  $L(M)^G$  (resp. T) is retract rational).
- ► We provide some functions for checking a possibility of isomorphism

$$\left(\bigoplus_{i=1}^{r} a_i \mathbb{Z}[G/H_i]\right) \oplus a_{r+1}F \simeq \bigoplus_{i=1}^{r} b'_i \mathbb{Z}[G/H_i]$$
(\*)

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by computing some invariants (e.g. trace,  $\widehat{Z}^0$ ,  $\widehat{H}^0$ ) of both sides. • [HY, Example 10.7].  $G \simeq S_5 \leq \operatorname{GL}(5, \mathbb{Z})$  with number (5, 946, 4)  $\Longrightarrow \operatorname{rank}(F) = 17$  and  $\operatorname{rank}(*) = 88$  holds  $\Longrightarrow [F] = 0 \Longrightarrow L(M)^G$  (resp. T) is stably rational over k.

# Application

### Corollary ( $[F] = [M]^{fl}$ : invertible case, $G \simeq S_5, F_{20}$ )

 $\exists T, T'$ ; 4-dim. not stably rational algebraic tori over k such that  $T \not\sim T'$  (birational) and  $T \times T'$ : 8-dim. stably rational over k.  $\because -[M]^{fl} = [M']^{fl} \neq 0.$ 

Prop. ([HY], Krull-Schmidt fails for permutation  $D_6$ -lattices) {1},  $C_2^{(1)}$ ,  $C_2^{(2)}$ ,  $C_2^{(3)}$ ,  $C_3$ ,  $C_2^2$ ,  $C_6$ ,  $S_3^{(1)}$ ,  $S_3^{(2)}$ ,  $D_6$ : conj. subgroups of  $D_6$ .  $\mathbb{Z}[D_6] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/C_2^2]^{\oplus 2} \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/C_6] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/S_3^{(1)}] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/S_3^{(2)}]$  $\simeq \mathbb{Z}[D_6/C_2^{(1)}] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/C_2^{(2)}] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/C_2^{(3)}] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[D_6/C_3] \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 2}.$ 

### • $D_6$ is the smallest example exhibiting the failure of K-S:

Theorem (Dress, 1973)

Krull-Schmidt holds for permutation G-lattices  $\iff G/O_p(G)$  is cyclic where  $O_p(G)$  is the maximal normal p-subgroup of G.

# Krull-Schmidt and Direct sum cancelation

### Theorem (Hindman-Klingler-Odenthal, 1998) Assume $G \neq D_8$

Krull-Schmidt holds for G-lattices  $\iff$  (i)  $G = C_p$  ( $p \le 19$ ; prime), (ii)  $G = C_n$  (n = 1, 4, 8, 9), (iii)  $G = V_4$  or (iv)  $G = D_4$ .

### Theorem (Endo-Hironaka, 1979)

Direct sum cancellation holds, i.e.  $M_1 \oplus N \simeq M_2 \oplus N \Longrightarrow M_1 \simeq M_2$ ,  $\Longrightarrow G$  is abelian, dihedral,  $A_4$ ,  $S_4$  or  $A_5$  (\*).

- ▶ via projective class group (see Swan (1988) Corollary 1.3, Section 7).
- Except for (\*)  $\implies$  Direct sum cancelation fails  $\implies$  K-S fails

### Theorem ([HY]) $G \leq GL(n, \mathbb{Z})$ (up to conjugacy)

(i)  $n \leq 4 \Longrightarrow \text{K-S holds}$ .

(ii) n = 5. K-S fails  $\iff 11$  groups G (among 6079 groups).

(iii) n = 6. K-S fails  $\iff 131$  groups G (among 85308 groups).

# Special case: $T = R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$ ; norm one tori (1/5)

Rationality problem for T = R<sup>(1)</sup><sub>K/k</sub>(G<sub>m</sub>) is investigated by S. Endo, Colliot-Thélène and Sansuc, W. Hürlimann, L. Le Bruyn, A. Cortella and B. Kunyavskii, N. Lemire and M. Lorenz, M. Florence, etc.

#### Theorem (Endo-Miyata, 1974), (Saltman, 1984)

Let K/k be a finite Galois field extension and  $G = \operatorname{Gal}(K/k)$ . (i) T is retract k-rational  $\iff$  all the Sylow subgroups of G are cyclic; (ii) T is stably k-rational  $\iff$  G is a cyclic group, or a direct product of a cyclic group of order m and a group  $\langle \sigma, \tau | \sigma^n = \tau^{2^d} = 1, \tau \sigma \tau^{-1} = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$ , where  $d, m \ge 1, n \ge 3, m, n$ : odd, and (m, n) = 1.

#### Theorem (Endo, 2011)

Let K/k be a finite non-Galois, separable field extension and L/k be the Galois closure of K/k. Assume that the Galois group of L/k is nilpotent. Then the norm one torus  $T = R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$  is not retract k-rational.

Special case: 
$$T = R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$$
; norm one tori (2/5)

- Let K/k be a finite non-Galois, separable field extension
- Let L/k be the Galois closure of K/k.
- Let  $G = \operatorname{Gal}(L/k)$  and  $H = \operatorname{Gal}(L/K) \leq G$ .

#### Theorem (Endo, 2011)

### Assume that all the Sylow subgroups of G are cyclic.

Then T is retract k-rational.  

$$T = R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$$
 is stably k-rational  $\iff G = D_n$ ,  $n \text{ odd } (n \ge 3)$  or  
 $C_m \times D_n$ ,  $m, n \text{ odd } (m, n \ge 3)$ ,  $(m, n) = 1$ ,  $H \le D_n$  with  $\#H = 2$ .

Special case: 
$$T = R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$$
; norm one tori (3/5)

#### Theorem (Endo, 2011) dim T = n - 1

Assume that  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/k) = S_n$ ,  $n \ge 3$ , and  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/K) = S_{n-1}$  is the stabilizer of one of the letters in  $S_n$ . (i)  $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$  is retract k-rational  $\iff n$  is a prime; (ii)  $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$  is (stably) k-rational  $\iff n = 3$ .

#### Theorem (Endo, 2011) dim T = n - 1

Assume that  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/k) = A_n$ ,  $n \ge 4$ , and  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/K) = A_{n-1}$  is the stabilizer of one of the letters in  $A_n$ . (i)  $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$  is retract k-rational  $\iff n$  is a prime; (ii)  $\exists t \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $[R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)]^{(t)}$  is stably k-rational  $\iff n = 5$ .

•  $[R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)]^{(t)}$ : the product of t copies of  $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$ .

Special case: 
$$T = R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$$
; norm one tori (4/5)

# Theorem ([HY], Rationality for $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$ (dim. 4, [K:k] = 5))

Let K/k be a separable field extension of degree 5 and L/k be the Galois closure of K/k. Assume that  $G = \operatorname{Gal}(L/k)$  is a transitive subgroup of  $S_5$  and  $H = \operatorname{Gal}(L/K)$  is the stabilizer of one of the letters in G. Then the rationality of  $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$  is given by

G		$L(M) = L(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)^G$
5T1	$C_5$	stably k-rational
5T2	$D_5$	stably k-rational
5T3	$F_{20}$	not stably but retract $k$ -rational
5T4	$A_5$	stably k-rational
5T5	$S_5$	not stably but retract $k$ -rational

- ▶ This theorem is already known except for the case of A<sub>5</sub> (Endo).
- Stably k-rationality for the case  $A_5$  is asked by S. Endo (2011).

Special case: 
$$T=R^{(1)}_{K/k}(\mathbb{G}_m)$$
; norm one tori (5/5)

By combining this theorem with Endo's theorem, we obtain:

#### Corollary

Assume that  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/k) = A_n$ ,  $n \ge 4$ , and  $\operatorname{Gal}(L/K) = A_{n-1}$  is the stabilizer of one of the letters in  $A_n$ . Then  $R_{K/k}^{(1)}(\mathbb{G}_m)$  is stably k-rational  $\iff n = 5$ .