

LOCAL-GLOBAL PRINCIPLES FOR 1-MOTIVES

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Abstract

Building upon our arithmetic duality theorems for 1-motives, we prove that the Manin obstruction related to a finite subquotient $\mathbb{B}(X)$ of the Brauer group is the only obstruction to the Hasse principle for rational points on torsors under semiabelian varieties over a number field, assuming the finiteness of the Tate-Shafarevich group of the abelian quotient. This theorem answers a question by Skorobogatov in the semiabelian case and is a key ingredient of recent work on the elementary obstruction for homogeneous spaces over number fields. We also establish a Cassels-Tate-type dual exact sequence for 1-motives and give an application to weak approximation.

1. Introduction

In this article we use the duality theorems of [9] to prove some results related to 1-motives over number fields. The main object of study is the Manin obstruction to the Hasse principle and weak approximation on torsors under a semiabelian variety over a number field k (i.e., a commutative k -group scheme that is an extension of an abelian variety by a torus).

We briefly recall the basic idea of the Manin obstruction. Given a smooth, geometrically integral variety X over our number field k , one considers the ring of adèles \mathbf{A}_k of k and defines a pairing

$$X(\mathbf{A}_k) \times \mathrm{Br} X \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z} \tag{1}$$

by evaluating elements of the cohomological Brauer group $\mathrm{Br} X := H_{\text{ét}}^2(X, \mathbf{G}_m)$ at each component and then taking the sum of local invariants (which is known to be finite; see, e.g., [18, page 101]). By global class field theory, the diagonal image of $X(k)$ in $X(\mathbf{A}_k)$ is contained in the subset $X(\mathbf{A}_k)^{\mathrm{Br}}$ of adèles annihilated by the above pairing. Consequently, the emptiness of $X(\mathbf{A}_k)^{\mathrm{Br}}$ is an obstruction to the Hasse principle if $X(\mathbf{A}_k)$ itself is nonempty.

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In our case a special role is played by a subquotient $\mathbb{B}(X)$ of $\text{Br } X$ defined as follows. Fix an algebraic closure \bar{k} of k . One first defines the subgroup $\text{Br}_1 X \subset \text{Br } X$ as the kernel of the natural map $\text{Br } X \rightarrow \text{Br}(X \times_k \bar{k})$ and then defines $\text{Br}_a X$ as the quotient of $\text{Br}_1 X$ modulo the image of the map $\text{Br } k \rightarrow \text{Br } X$. Finally, one puts

$$\mathbb{B}(X) := \text{Ker}\left(\text{Br}_a X \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} \text{Br}_a(X \times_k k_v)\right),$$

where Ω denotes the set of all places of k . (Note that some authors use the notation $\mathbb{B}(X)$ for the preimage of our $\mathbb{B}(X)$ in $\text{Br } X$.) The pairing (1) manifestly factors through the image of $\text{Br } k$ in $\text{Br } X$ and hence induces a pairing

$$X(\mathbf{A}_k) \times \mathbb{B}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}. \tag{2}$$

Our first main result concerns a semiabelian variety G over k , that is, an extension of an abelian variety A by a torus T . Recall that the Tate-Shafarevich group of A is defined as the kernel

$$\text{III}(A) := \text{ker}\left(H^1(k, A) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, A)\right)$$

of the natural restriction map in Galois cohomology.

THEOREM 1.1

Let G be a semiabelian variety defined over k , and let X be a k -torsor under G . Assume that the Tate-Shafarevich group of the abelian quotient A of G is finite. If there is an adelic point of X annihilated by all elements of $\mathbb{B}(X)$ under the pairing (2), then X has a k -rational point.

The theorem answers positively a question raised by Skorobogatov [18, Question 1, page 133] for semiabelian varieties. The analogous result for connected linear algebraic groups has been known for a long time (see [15]). Recently, however, Borovoi, Colliot-Thélène, and Skorobogatov [1, Proposition 3.16, Theorem 2.12] gave an example of a connected noncommutative and nonlinear algebraic group over \mathbf{Q} for which the statement fails.

In [1, Theorem 3.14], Borovoi, Colliot-Thélène, and Skorobogatov also prove a positive result that relies on our Theorem 1.1. Namely, they show that if k is a totally imaginary number field, the existence of a k -point on a torsor X under a connected algebraic group satisfying a finiteness condition on the abelian quotient as in Theorem 1.1 is equivalent to the existence of a Galois-equivariant splitting of the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow 0, \tag{3}$$

where $\overline{k}(X)^\times$ is the group of invertible rational functions on $X \times_k \overline{k}$. To obtain the statement, they really have to work with $\mathbb{B}(X)$; the weaker version with the pairing (1) is not sufficient.

Another nice application having a similar flavor is the following recent result of Wittenberg [20, Theorem 3.3.1]: assuming the finiteness of the Tate-Shafarevich groups of abelian varieties over k , the sequence (3) splits for an arbitrary smooth k -variety X if and only if the pairing (2) is trivial. Wittenberg uses our Theorem 1.1 via a result in [7].

Another reason why it is more interesting to work with the subquotient $\mathbb{B}(X)$ instead of the whole group $\text{Br } X$ is that under the assumptions of the theorem it is finite (see Remark 4.7). In this respect Theorem 1.1 improves the main result of [8], which shows that a statement as in Theorem 1.1 holds even for arbitrary connected algebraic groups provided that one replaces $\mathbb{B}(X)$ with the unramified part of $\text{Br}_1 X$, which is a much bigger group.

Although Theorem 1.1 has been known for quite some time in the extreme cases $G = A$ (see [10, théorème 6]) and $G = T$ (see [15, corollaire 8.7]), the general case does not follow from these and is substantially more difficult. Our approach is based on a strategy similar to the proofs in the extreme cases, but it is more conceptual and avoids some rather involved cocycle calculations that made earlier texts hard to follow (at least for us). Among new tools, we use the theory of generalized Albanese varieties and 1-motives, and a new interpretation of the pairing (2) as a cup product in étale hypercohomology. The latter fact is valid for an arbitrary smooth variety and is of independent interest (see Section 3).

To state our second main result, let $M = [Y \rightarrow G]$ be a 1-motive over k (i.e., a complex of k -group schemes placed in degrees $(-1, 0)$ with Y étale locally isomorphic to \mathbf{Z}^r for some $r \geq 0$ and G a semiabelian variety). Denote the dual 1-motive (see [6, paragraphe 10.2.1]) by $M^* = [Y^* \rightarrow G^*]$. For each positive integer i , denote by $\text{III}^i(M)$ (resp., $\text{III}_\omega^i(M)$) the subgroup of $\mathbf{H}^i(k, M)$ consisting of those elements whose restriction to $\mathbf{H}^i(k_v, M)$ is zero for all places (resp., for all but finitely many places) of k . In Section 5 we prove the following generalization of the classical Cassels-Tate dual exact sequence to 1-motives.

THEOREM 1.2

Assume that the Tate-Shafarevich group $\text{III}(A)$ of the abelian quotient of G is finite. Then there is an exact sequence of abelian groups

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)} \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \rightarrow \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D \rightarrow \text{III}^1(M) \rightarrow 0,$$

where $\overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)}$ denotes the closure of the diagonal image of $\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)$ in the topological product of the $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ and $A^D := \text{Hom}(A, \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z})$ for a discrete abelian group A . By convention, for v archimedean we take here the modified (Tate) hypercohomology groups instead of the usual ones.

The third (resp., fourth) maps in the above sequence are induced by the local (resp., global) duality pairings of [9] (see Section 5 for more details), and the topology on $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ was defined in [9, Section 2]. A similar statement for connected linear algebraic groups was proved by Sansuc [15, théorème 8.12]. Our method yields a new proof of Sansuc’s result in the case of tori.

The case $M = [0 \rightarrow G]$ of this exact sequence allows us to give a new short proof of the weak approximation part of the main result of [8] in the crucial case of a semiabelian variety. For the precise statement, see Section 6.

2. Preliminaries on the Brauer group

As a preparation for the proof of Theorem 1.1, we collect here some auxiliary statements concerning the Brauer group.

We investigate the exact sequence of complexes of $\text{Gal}(\bar{k}|k)$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow [\bar{k}^\times \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow [\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] \rightarrow [\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] \rightarrow 0 \quad (4)$$

for an arbitrary smooth geometrically integral variety X over a field k . Here, as usual, \bar{X} stands for $X \times_k \bar{k}$, $\text{Div } \bar{X}$ for the group of divisors on \bar{X} , and $\bar{k}(X)$ for its function field. In accordance with our conventions for 1-motives, the above complexes are placed in degrees -1 and 0 .

LEMMA 2.1

There are canonical isomorphisms

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, [\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}]) \cong \text{Br}_1 X$$

and, assuming that $H^3(k, \bar{k}^\times) = 0$,

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, [\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}]) \cong \text{Br}_a X.$$

Proof

For the first isomorphism we use the long exact hypercohomology sequence associated with the distinguished triangle

$$\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X} \rightarrow [\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] \rightarrow \bar{k}(X)^\times[1]$$

and the fact that the permutation module $\text{Div } \bar{X}$ has trivial H^1 to obtain

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, [\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}]) \cong \ker(H^2(k, \bar{k}(X)^\times) \rightarrow H^2(k, \text{Div } \bar{X})).$$

The latter group is identified in [18, page 72] with $\text{Br}_1 X$. Indeed, the second exact column of diagram (4.17) constructed there yields a map $\text{Br}_1 X \rightarrow \ker(H^2(k, \bar{k}(X)^\times) \rightarrow H^2(k, \text{Div } \bar{X}))$ whose injectivity follows again from the vanishing of $H^1(k, \text{Div } \bar{X})$. (The assumption $\bar{k}[X]^\times = \bar{k}^\times$ made in [18] is not used at this point.)

Another (?) argument is to use the quasi-isomorphism of Galois modules

$$[\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] \xrightarrow{\sim} \tau_{\leq 1} \mathbf{R}\pi_* \mathbf{G}_m[1]$$

constructed in [3, Lemma 2.3], where $\pi : \bar{X} \rightarrow \text{Spec } \bar{k}$ is the natural projection. It yields an isomorphism of $\mathbf{H}^1(k, [\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}])$ with $\mathbf{H}^2(k, \tau_{\leq 1} \mathbf{R}\pi_* \mathbf{G}_m)$, which is in turn isomorphic to $\ker(H^2(X, \mathbf{G}_m) \rightarrow H^0(k, H^2(\bar{X}, \mathbf{G}_m)))$ by a Hochschild-Serre argument.

The second isomorphism of the lemma follows from the first one in view of the long exact cohomology sequence associated with (4) and the assumption that $H^3(k, \bar{k}^\times) = 0$. □

The complex of Galois modules $[\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}]$ was considered in several recent works, especially those of Borovoi and van Hamel [2] and Colliot-Thélène [4]. The following property seems to have been observed by all.

LEMMA 2.2

Assume that X has a smooth compactification X^c over k . Then there is a natural Galois-equivariant quasi-isomorphism of complexes

$$[\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] \xrightarrow{\sim} [\text{Div}^\infty \bar{X}^c \rightarrow \text{Pic } \bar{X}^c],$$

where $\text{Div}^\infty \bar{X}^c$ denotes the group of divisors on $\bar{X}^c := X^c \times_k \bar{k}$ supported in $\bar{X}^c \setminus \bar{X}$ and the maps in both complexes are divisor maps.

Proof

We consider the map of two-term complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times & \longrightarrow & \text{Div } \bar{X} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ [\text{Div}^\infty \bar{X}^c & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic } \bar{X}^c \end{array} \tag{5}$$

where the right vertical map is induced by sending a codimension 1 point on \bar{X} to the class of the corresponding point of \bar{X}^c with a minus sign. This sign convention

implies that we indeed have a map of complexes, and it is a quasi-isomorphism by construction. □

A combination of the two previous lemmas yields the following corollary.

COROLLARY 2.3

If moreover k satisfies $H^3(k, \bar{k}^\times) = 0$, we have a natural isomorphism

$$\mathrm{Br}_a X \cong \mathbf{H}^1(k, [\mathrm{Div}^\infty \bar{X}^c \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic} \bar{X}^c]).$$

When k is of characteristic zero, the smooth compactification X^c always exists, thanks to Hironaka’s theorem on resolution of singularities. In particular, the statement of the corollary holds over number fields and their completions, since they are of characteristic zero and satisfy the cohomological condition.

Remark 2.4

(1) Note that when X is proper, the isomorphism of Corollary 2.3 is just the well-known identification $\mathrm{Br}_a X \cong H^1(k, \mathrm{Pic} \bar{X})$ induced by the Hochschild-Serre spectral sequence.

(2) We shall also need a sheafified version of Lemma 2.2 over sufficiently small nonvoid open subsets of $U \subset \mathrm{Spec} \mathcal{O}_k$, where \mathcal{O}_k denotes the ring of integers of k , as usual. For U sufficiently small, the k -varieties X and X^c extend to smooth U -schemes \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{X}^c , with \mathcal{X}^c projective over U and \mathcal{X} open in \mathcal{X}^c . We work on the big étale site of U restricted to the subcategory Sm/U of smooth U -schemes of finite type. Consider the étale sheaf $\mathrm{Div}_{\mathcal{X}^c/U}$ associated with the presheaf $S \mapsto \mathrm{Div}(\mathcal{X}^c \times_U S/S)$ of relative Cartier divisors on this site (see, e.g., [3, pages 212–213] for a discussion of relative effective Cartier divisors, and then take group completion). It contains as subsheaves the sheaf $\mathrm{Div}_{\mathcal{X}/U}$ of relative divisors on $\mathcal{X} \times_U S/S$ and the sheaf $\mathrm{Div}_{\mathcal{X}^c/U}^\infty$ of relative divisors on $\mathcal{X}^c \times_U S/S$ with support in $(\mathcal{X}^c \setminus \mathcal{X}) \times_U S$. There is also the sheaf $\mathrm{Pic}_{\mathcal{X}^c/U}$ given by the relative Picard functor. Finally, denote by $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{X}}^\times$ the étale sheaf on Sm/U associated with the presheaf sending S to the group of rational functions on $\mathcal{X} \times_U S$ which are regular and invertible on a dense open subset of each fiber of the projection onto S . It contains as a subsheaf the pullbacks of invertible functions on S ; we identify it with the sheaf \mathbf{G}_m on the big étale site of Sm/U . We contend that we may lift the quasi-isomorphism (5) to a quasi-isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{X}}^\times / \mathbf{G}_m & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Div}_{\mathcal{X}/U} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ [\mathrm{Div}_{\mathcal{X}^c/U}^\infty & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Pic}_{\mathcal{X}^c/U} \end{array}$$

of complexes of étale sheaves on Sm/U . The definition of the morphism is as above. (One works with the inclusion $\mathcal{X} \times_U S \subset \mathcal{X}^c \times_U S$ for each object S of Sm/U .) To check that it is a quasi-isomorphism, we may restrict to the small étale site of each S and then look at stalks at geometric points. The statement to be checked then becomes a variant of Lemma 2.2 over a strictly Henselian base, which is proved in the same way

3. Reinterpretations of the Brauer-Manin pairing

In this section we use the exact sequence (4) and Lemma 2.1 to give other formulations of the Brauer-Manin pairing

$$X(\mathbf{A}_k) \times \mathbb{B}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}.$$

Our X is still an arbitrary smooth geometrically integral variety over a number field k , and we assume that $X(\mathbf{A}_k) \neq \emptyset$.

We start with a couple of well-known observations. Since the elements of $\mathbb{B}(X)$ are locally constant by definition, the maps

$$\bar{\sigma} : \mathbb{B}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z} \tag{6}$$

given by evaluation on an adelic point (P_v) do not depend on the choice of (P_v) , so defining the pairing is equivalent to defining the map $\bar{\sigma}$. There is a commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Br } k & \longrightarrow & \text{Br}_1 X & \longrightarrow & \text{Br}_a X \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} \text{Br } k_v & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} \text{Br}_1 X_v & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} \text{Br}_a X_v \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array} \tag{7}$$

where $X_v := X \times_k k_v$, and the first map in the bottom row is injective because our assumption that $X(\mathbf{A}_k) \neq \emptyset$ implies the injectivity of each map $\text{Br } k_v \rightarrow \text{Br}_1(X \times_k k_v)$. The map in the top row is then injective because so is the left vertical map, by the Hasse principle for Brauer groups. Applying the snake lemma to the diagram, we thus have a map

$$\mathbb{B}(X) = \ker\left(\text{Br}_a X \rightarrow \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} \text{Br}_a X_v\right) \rightarrow \text{coker}\left(\text{Br } k \rightarrow \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} \text{Br } k_v\right) \cong \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}.$$

LEMMA 3.1

The above map equals the map $\bar{\sigma} : \mathbb{B}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}$.

Proof

For $\alpha \in \mathbb{B}(X)$ the value $\bar{\alpha}(\alpha)$ is defined by lifting first α to $\alpha' \in \text{Br}_1 X$, then sending α' to an element of $\bigoplus_v \text{Br} k_v$ via a family of local sections $(s_v : \text{Br}_1 X \rightarrow \text{Br} k_v)$ determined by an adelic point of X , and finally taking the sum of local invariants. Since each s_v factors through $\text{Br}_1(X \times_k k_v)$, this yields the same element as the snake lemma construction. \square

Now, observe that in view of Lemma 2.1, one may also obtain the diagram (7) by taking the long exact hypercohomology sequence coming from the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \rightarrow [\bar{k}^\times \rightarrow 0] & \longrightarrow & [\bar{k}(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] & \longrightarrow & [\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}] & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} [\bar{k}_v^\times \rightarrow 0] & \rightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} [\bar{k}_v(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}_v] & \rightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} [\bar{k}_v(X_v)^\times / \bar{k}_v^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}_v] & \rightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

where $\bar{X}_v := X \times_k \bar{k}_v$. The zeros on the right in (7) come from the fact that the groups $H^3(k, \mathbf{G}_m)$ and $H^3(k_v, \mathbf{G}_m)$ all vanish.

Remark 3.2

Note in passing that the sections s_v used in the above proof come from Galois-equivariant splittings

$$[\bar{k}_v(X)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div}(X \times_k \bar{k}_v)] \rightarrow [\bar{k}_v^\times \rightarrow 0] \tag{8}$$

of the base change of the extension (4) to \bar{k}_v . As maps of complexes, the latter are given in degree -1 by a natural splitting of the inclusion map $\bar{k}_v^\times \rightarrow \bar{k}_v(X)^\times$ coming from P_v as constructed, for example, in [18, Theorem 2.3.4(b)] and in degree zero by the zero map. In particular, the extension (4) is locally split.

As in Remark 2.4(2), we now pass to sheaves over the étale site of Sm/U , where $U \subset \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k$ is a suitable open subset. We can then extend the upper row of the last diagram to an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_m[1] \rightarrow \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow 0 \tag{9}$$

of complexes of étale sheaves on Sm/U , where

$$\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{X}) := [\mathcal{H}_x^\times \rightarrow \text{Div}_{x/U}]$$

and

$$\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}) := [\mathcal{H}_x^\times / \mathbf{G}_m \rightarrow \text{Div}_{x/U}].$$

By Lemma 2.2, we have $\text{Br}_a X \cong H^1(k, [\bar{k}(X)^\times / \bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}])$, so each element of $\text{Br}_a X$ comes from an element in $\mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}))$. Now assume moreover that $\alpha \in \text{Br}_a X$ is locally trivial, that is, it lies in $\mathbb{B}(X)$. For a finite place v of k , we have $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v^h, j_v^{h*} \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X})) \cong \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, j_v^* \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}))$, where k_v^h is the Henselization of k at v , and $j_v^h : \text{Spec } k_v^h \rightarrow U$ as well as $j_v : \text{Spec } k_v \rightarrow U$ are the natural maps. This is shown using the quasi-isomorphism of Lemma 2.2 and then reasoning as in the proof of [9, Lemma 2.7]. Next, recall that in the case when k is totally imaginary the arithmetic compact support hypercohomology $\mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{F})$ of a complex of sheaves \mathcal{F} is defined by $\mathbf{H}_c^1(\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k, j_! \mathcal{F})$, where $j : U \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k$ is the natural inclusion. It fits into a long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{v \in \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k \setminus U} \mathbf{H}^1(k_v^h, j_v^{h*} \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \dots$$

In the general case there are corrective terms coming from the real places; see the discussion at the beginning of [9, Section 3]. (But note the misprint in formula (8) on [9, page 106]: the \hat{k}_v should be k_v in that article's notation.) It then follows from the discussion above that we may lift $\alpha \in \mathbb{B}(X)$ to an element $\alpha_U \in \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}))$ for sufficiently small U .

There is a cup product pairing

$$\cup : \text{Ext}_{Sm/U}^1(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \times \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X})) \rightarrow H_c^3(U, \mathbf{G}_m) \cong \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z},$$

where the Ext-group is taken in the category of étale sheaves on Sm/U and the last isomorphism comes from global class field theory (see [12, page 159]). We are interested in the class $\mathcal{E}_X \cup \alpha_U$, where \mathcal{E}_X is the class of the sequence (9) in $\text{Ext}_{Sm/U}^1(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. Note that there is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ext}_{Sm/U}^1(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \times \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X})) & \rightarrow & H_c^3(U, \mathbf{G}_m) \cong \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \quad \downarrow \text{id} \\ \text{Ext}_U^1(g_* \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \times \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, g_* \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X})) & \rightarrow & H_c^3(U, \mathbf{G}_m) \cong \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z} \end{array}$$

where g_* is the natural pushforward (or restriction) map from the étale site of Sm/U to the small étale site of U and the Ext-group in the bottom row is an Ext-group for étale sheaves on U . The left vertical map exists because the functor g_* is exact, and \mathbf{G}_m as an étale sheaf on U is the pushforward by g of the \mathbf{G}_m on Sm/U . The middle isomorphism comes from the fact that the hypercohomology of complexes of sheaves

on the big étale site of U equals the hypercohomology on the small étale site. So instead of \mathcal{E}_X , we may work with its image $g_*\mathcal{E}_X$ in $\text{Ext}_U^1(g_*\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$ and omit the g_* from the notation when no confusion is possible. Note that the generic stalk of $g_*\mathcal{E}_X$ is the class of the extension (4) in the group $\text{Ext}_k^1([\bar{k}(X)^\times/\bar{k}^\times \rightarrow \text{Div } \bar{X}], \bar{k}^\times[1])$.

PROPOSITION 3.3

With notation as above, we have

$$\mathcal{E}_X \cup \alpha_U = \bar{\sigma}(\alpha).$$

Before starting the proof, note that although one has several choices for α_U , the cup product depends only on α . Indeed, two choices of α_U differ by an element of the direct sum of the groups $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v^h, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}))$, and the cup product of each such group with $\text{Ext}_U^1(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$ factors through the cup product with $\text{Ext}_{k_v^h}^1(j_v^*\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. But the image of the class $g_*\mathcal{E}_X$ in these groups is zero because the extension is locally split (see Remark 3.2).

Proof

In order to avoid complicated notation, we do the verification in the case when U is totally imaginary and the simpler definition of compact support cohomology is available, and we leave the general case to anxious readers. We may work over the small étale site of U by the previous observations; in particular, we identify the complexes $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{X})$ and $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X})$ with their images under g_* .

The cup product $\mathcal{E}_X \cup \alpha_U$ is none other than the image of α by the boundary map $\mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X})) \rightarrow H_c^3(U, \mathbf{G}_m)$ coming from the long exact hypercohomology sequence associated with (9). Now, consider the commutative exact diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{G}_m[1] & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{X}) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \notin U} j_{v*}j_v^*\mathbf{G}_m[1] & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \notin U} j_{v*}j_v^*\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{X}) & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{v \notin U} j_{v*}j_v^*\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

of complexes of étale sheaves on U , and denote the cones of the vertical maps by \mathcal{C} , $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{X}}$, and $\mathcal{C}'_{\mathcal{X}}$, respectively. The group $\mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{C}'_{\mathcal{X}}[-1])$ may be identified with $\mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}))$ (apply, e.g., [12, Lemma II.2.4] and its proof with our U as V and our

$\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k$ as U), so we may view α_U as an element of the former group. The cup product $\mathcal{E}_X \cup \alpha_U$ maps to a class in $\mathbf{H}^2(U, \mathcal{C}[-1]) = \mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{C})$. But when one makes U smaller and smaller and passes to the limit, this class yields an element in the cokernel of the map $\text{Br } k \rightarrow \bigoplus_v \text{Br } k_v^h$, which (noting the isomorphism $\text{Br } k_v^h \cong \text{Br } k_v$) is precisely the one obtained by the snake lemma construction at the beginning of this section. It remains to apply Lemma 3.1. \square

4. Proof of Theorem 1

We now prove Theorem 1.1, of which we take up the notation and assumptions. As in the case of abelian varieties, the idea is to relate the Brauer-Manin pairing for a torsor X under a semiabelian variety G to a Cassels-Tate-type pairing. In our case, it is the generalized pairing for 1-motives

$$\langle , \rangle : \text{III}(M) \times \text{III}(M^*) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}$$

defined in [9], where $\text{III}(M^*)$ is the Tate-Shafarevich group attached to the dual 1-motive $M^* = [\widehat{T} \rightarrow A^*]$ of $M = [0 \rightarrow G]$. For the various generalities about 1-motives used here and in what follows we refer to [9, Section 1].

To relate the two pairings, we construct a map

$$\iota : \text{III}(M^*) \rightarrow \text{B}(X)$$

and prove that the equality

$$\langle [X], \beta \rangle = \mathfrak{S}(\iota(\beta)) \tag{10}$$

holds for all $\beta \in \text{III}(M^*)$ up to a sign. Theorem 1.1 then follows from the nondegeneracy of the Cassels-Tate pairing proved in [9, Theorem 8.4].

To construct the map ι , we proceed as follows. Recall that for a smooth quasi-projective variety \overline{V} over a field of characteristic zero there exists a generalized Albanese variety Alb_V introduced in [17] over an algebraically closed field and in [14] in general. It is a semiabelian variety and, according to a result of Severi generalized by Serre [16] and amplified in [14, Theorem 2.1], the Cartier dual of the 1-motive $[0 \rightarrow \text{Alb}_V]$ is $[\text{Div}_{V^c}^{\infty, \text{alg}} \rightarrow \text{Pic}_{V^c}^0]$. Here V^c is a smooth compactification of V , and the term $\text{Div}_{V^c}^{\infty, \text{alg}}$ is the group of divisors on V^c algebraically equivalent to zero and supported in $V^c \setminus V$, viewed as an étale locally constant group scheme. In the case $V = X$ we have $\text{Alb}_V = G$ by definition, and therefore

$$M^* = [\text{Div}_{X^c}^{\infty, \text{alg}} \rightarrow \text{Pic}_{X^c}^0]. \tag{11}$$

Since there is a natural map of complexes of k -group schemes

$$[\mathrm{Div}_{X^c}^{\infty, \mathrm{alg}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}_{X^c}^0] \rightarrow [\mathrm{Div}_{X^c}^{\infty} \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}_{X^c}], \tag{12}$$

passing to hypercohomology yields a map

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, M^*) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(k, DP(X^c))$$

with the notation

$$DP(X^c) := [\mathrm{Div}_{X^c}^{\infty} \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}_{X^c}].$$

Over a number field k the group $\mathbf{H}^1(k, DP(X^c))$ is isomorphic to $\mathrm{Br}_a X$ by Corollary 2.3, and the same holds over the completions of k . Since the above map is manifestly functorial for field extensions, we obtain the required map ι by restricting to locally constant elements.

We can thus rewrite the map ι as

$$\iota : \mathrm{III}(M^*) \rightarrow \mathrm{III}(DP(X^c)).$$

The previous construction also yields a dual map

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, \mathrm{Hom}(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(k, M) \tag{13}$$

by applying the functor $\mathrm{Hom}(\ , \mathbf{G}_m[1])$ to the map (12) and taking hypercohomology (recall that $M \cong \mathrm{Hom}(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1])$; see Remark 4.1 below). Restricting to locally trivial elements yields a map

$$\iota^D : \mathrm{III}(\mathrm{Hom}(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])) \rightarrow \mathrm{III}(M).$$

Remark 4.1

The *Hom*-functor used in the above formulas is the internal Hom-functor in the bounded derived category of sheaves on the big étale site of $\mathrm{Spec} k$ restricted to the full subcategory Sm/k of smooth k -schemes. It may also be viewed as H^0 of $\mathbf{R}Hom$, the total derived functor of the internal Hom in the category of sheaves on the said site. The other H^i 's are the higher Ext^i 's coming from this internal Hom.

The Barsotti-Weil formula $A^* \cong Ext^1(A, \mathbf{G}_m)$ for abelian schemes holds in this context because, as Wittenberg kindly explained to us, [13, proof of Corollary 17.5] carries over from the *fpqc* site to the big étale site in the case of smooth group schemes. Hence so does the isomorphism $M \cong \mathrm{Hom}(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1])$ used above. Note here that since the duality between M and M^* comes from the derived pairing $M \otimes^L M^* \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_m[1]$, one a priori has only $M \cong \mathbf{R}Hom(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1])$, but the higher Ext^i 's vanish (see the end of the proof of Lemma 4.4).

We also need versions of the maps constructed above over a suitable $U \subset \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k$. Over U sufficiently small, the complex $DP(X^c)$, when viewed as a complex of étale sheaves on Sm/k , extends to a complex

$$\mathcal{DP}(X^c) := [\text{Div}_{X^c/U}^\infty \rightarrow \text{Pic}_{X^c/U}],$$

where we have used the notation of Remark 2.4(2). Shrinking U if necessary we can also extend the 1-motive M to a 1-motive \mathcal{M} over U . The main point is then the following.

LEMMA 4.2

The dual 1-motive $\mathcal{M}^ = [\mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^*]$ is isomorphic to $[\text{Div}_{X^c/U}^{\infty, \text{alg}} \rightarrow \text{Pic}_{X^c/U}^0]$ over sufficiently small U , where $\text{Div}_{X^c/U}^{\infty, \text{alg}}$ is the inverse image of $\text{Pic}_{X^c/U}^0$ in $\text{Div}_{X^c/U}^\infty$.*

Here $\text{Pic}_{X^c/U}^0 \subset \text{Pic}_{X^c/U}$ is the subsheaf of elements whose restriction to each fiber of the map $X^c \rightarrow U$ lies in Pic^0 of the fiber.

Proof

This result should be part of a duality theory of Albanese and Picard 1-motives for smooth quasi-projective schemes over U . Since we do not know an adequate reference, we have chosen to circumvent the problem as follows. The group schemes $\text{Pic}_{X^c/U}^0$ and \mathcal{A}^* are both smooth group schemes of finite type over U , whereas $\text{Div}_{X^c/U}^{\infty, \text{alg}}$ and \mathcal{Y} are both character groups of U -tori, so maps defined between their generic fibers extend to maps over suitable U . □

COROLLARY 4.3

Over suitable $U \subset \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k$ the map ι lifts to a map

$$\iota_U : \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{M}^*) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{DP}(X^c)),$$

and the map (13) extends to

$$\iota_U^D : H^1(U, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{DP}(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{M}).$$

Proof

The map (12) extends to a map of complexes

$$[\text{Div}_{X^c/U}^{\infty, \text{alg}} \rightarrow \text{Pic}_{X^c/U}^0] \rightarrow \mathcal{DP}(X^c),$$

so by the lemma we dispose of a map $\mathcal{M}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{DP}(X^c)$. The required maps are obtained by passing to cohomology. □

In the previous section we worked with a certain extension class \mathcal{E}_X in $\text{Ext}_{Sm/U}^1(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{D}'(\mathcal{X}), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. According to Remark 2.4(2), the Ext-group here is isomorphic to $\text{Ext}_{Sm/U}^1(\mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. The next lemma implies that over sufficiently small U we may identify \mathcal{E}_X with a class \mathcal{E}'_X in $\mathbf{H}^1(U, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$.

LEMMA 4.4

There are canonical isomorphisms

$$\text{Ext}_{Sm/k}^j(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \cong \mathbf{H}^j(k, \text{Hom}_{Sm/k}(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$$

for all $j > 0$.

Proof

We start with the isomorphism

$$\text{Ext}_{Sm/k}^j(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \cong \mathbf{H}^j(k, \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{Sm/k}(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$$

coming from the derived category analogue of the spectral sequence for composite functors; the functor $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}$ was explained in Remark 4.1. It shows that the lemma follows if we prove that the restrictions of the sheaves

$$\text{Ext}_{Sm/k}^{i-1}(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]) = \text{Ext}_{Sm/k}^i(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m)$$

to the small étale site of $\text{Spec } k$ are trivial for $i > 1$ and $i = 0$. We are thus reduced to checking the triviality of the Galois modules $\text{Ext}_{Sm/\bar{k}}^i(DP(X^c)_{\bar{k}}, \mathbf{G}_m)$ for $i > 1$ and $i = 0$. We drop the subscripts in the rest of the proof.

Observe first that the cokernel of the map of complexes (12) is quasi-isomorphic to the complex $[0 \rightarrow B(X^c)]$, where $B(X^c)$ is the quotient of the Néron-Severi group of X^c modulo the subgroup of classes coming from divisors at infinity; in particular, its \bar{k} -points form a finitely generated abelian group. Hence the group $\text{Ext}^i(B(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m)$ is trivial for $i > 0$ (see [18, Sublemma 2.3.8]). Therefore, the distinguished triangle coming from (12) shows that it is enough to prove that $\text{Ext}^i([\text{Div}_{X^c}^{\infty, \text{alg}} \rightarrow \text{Pic}_{X^c}^0], \mathbf{G}_m) = 0$ for $i > 1$ and $i = 0$, which is the same as proving that $\text{Ext}^i(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m) = 0$ because of the isomorphism (11). The case $i = 0$ then follows from the fact that every morphism from A^* to \mathbf{G}_m is trivial. For the case $i > 1$, we note that the stupid filtration on $M^* = [\widehat{T} \rightarrow A^*]$ induces an exact sequence

$$\text{Ext}^i(A^*, \mathbf{G}_m) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^i(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^{i-1}(\widehat{T}, \mathbf{G}_m).$$

Here the terms at the two extremities are trivial for $i > 1$ (the left one by [13, Proposition 12.3]); hence the middle term is also trivial. □

Remark 4.5

- (1) Here it was crucial to work with extensions over the big étale site; over the small étale site of \bar{k} the group $\text{Ext}^i(A^*, \mathbf{G}_m)$ is trivial even for $i = 1$.
- (2) In the course of the proof we also established canonical isomorphisms

$$\text{Ext}_{Sm/k}^j(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \cong H^j(k, \text{Hom}(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$$

for all $j > 0$.

Now denote by E_X the image of the class \mathcal{E}_X of the previous section in $\text{Ext}_{Sm/k}^j(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. Via the isomorphism of Lemma 4.4 it corresponds to a class E'_X in $H^1(k, \text{Hom}_{Sm/k}(DP(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$. Over sufficiently small $U \subset \text{Spec } k$ we may extend the latter to a class \mathcal{E}'_X in $H^1(U, \text{Hom}_{Sm/U}(\mathcal{DP}(\mathcal{X}^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$. There is a natural map

$$H^1(U, \text{Hom}_{Sm/U}(\mathcal{DP}(\mathcal{X}^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{Sm/U}^1(\mathcal{DP}(\mathcal{X}^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])$$

coming from the analogue of the first isomorphism of the previous proof over U . By shrinking U if necessary we may assume that the image of \mathcal{E}'_X by this map is \mathcal{E}_X since the two classes coincide at the generic point.

Applying the map ι_U^D to \mathcal{E}'_X , we obtain a class in $\mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{M})$. Over the generic point $\iota_U^D(\mathcal{E}'_X)$ restricts to the image of E'_X by the map (13). We can identify the latter as follows.

LEMMA 4.6

The image of E'_X by the map (13) equals (up to a sign) the class of X in the group $H^1(k, G) = \mathbf{H}^1(k, M)$.

The lemma should be true over an arbitrary field of characteristic zero. It is known in the two extreme cases $G = A$ and $G = T$ (see references in the proof); we leave the general case to the reader as a challenge. The following proof, which is sufficient for our purposes, works under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1 (i.e., over a number field, assuming $X(\mathbf{A}_k) \neq \emptyset$ and the finiteness of $\text{III}(A)$). Alternatively, [20, Corollary 4.2.4] implies that E'_X maps to zero in $H^1(k, G)$ if and only if $[X] = 0$, which is also sufficient for the proof of Theorem 1.1.

Proof of Lemma 4.6

Thanks to [19, Proposition 2.1], the case $G = A$ is known, and we may complete the proof of Theorem 1.1 in this special case. Thus we are allowed to apply Theorem 1.1 to the pushforward torsor p_*X under A (here, of course, $p : G \rightarrow A$ is the natural

projection map) and conclude that it is trivial. The exact sequence

$$H^1(k, T) \xrightarrow{i_*} H^1(k, G) \xrightarrow{p_*} H^1(k, A)$$

then implies that $X = i_*Y$ for some k -torsor Y under T , where $i : T \rightarrow G$ is the natural inclusion.

The map (13) factors through $H^1(k, Hom(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$ by construction, and by Remark 4.5(2) we may identify the image of E'_X in the latter group with a class $E^0_X \in Ext^1(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. By performing the same construction for the torsor Y , we obtain a class $E^0_Y \in Ext^1(\widehat{T}[1], \mathbf{G}_m[1])$. According to [20, Proposition 4.1.4] applied with $V = Y$ and $W = X$, we have $E^0_X = i^*E^0_Y$, where $i^* : Ext^1(\widehat{T}[1], \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \rightarrow Ext^1(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1])$ is the natural map induced by the projection $M^* \rightarrow \widehat{T}[1]$. (Note that this equality is not completely obvious because the map $Y \rightarrow X$ is not dominating.) But for $G = T$ the lemma is known over an arbitrary field (see [18, Lemma 2.4.3]), so the image of E^0_Y in $H^1(k, T)$ is $[Y]$ up to a sign. The image of $[Y]$ in $H^1(k, G)$ is $[X]$, so the lemma in the general case follows from the commutativity of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^1(k, T) & \longrightarrow & H^1(k, G) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ Ext^1(\widehat{T}[1], \mathbf{G}_m[1]) & \longrightarrow & Ext^1(M^*, \mathbf{G}_m[1]) \end{array} \quad \square$$

Proof of Theorem 1.1

As already remarked at the beginning of this section, for the proof of the theorem it suffices to verify formula (10) for the class of X in $\text{III}(M)$, that is, the equality $\langle [X], \beta \rangle = \bar{\sigma}(\iota(\beta))$ up to a sign for all $\beta \in \text{III}(M^*)$. Indeed, our assumption that X has an adelic point orthogonal to $\mathbb{B}(X)$ implies the triviality of the map $\bar{\sigma}$, so the right-hand side of the formula is zero for all β in $\text{III}(M^*)$. But under the finiteness assumption on $\text{III}(A)$ the Cassels-Tate pairing $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is nondegenerate (see [9, Corollary 4.9]), so $[X] = 0$ (i.e., X has a k -rational point).

We now verify formula (10). Consider the cup product pairing

$$H^1(U, Hom(\mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])) \times \mathbf{H}^1_c(U, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(X^c)) \rightarrow H^3_c(U, \mathbf{G}_m),$$

and recall that we have defined above a class \mathcal{E}'_X in the cohomology group $H^1(U, Hom(\mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1]))$. By construction, the product of the class \mathcal{E}'_X with some $\alpha_U \in \mathbf{H}^1_c(U, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(X^c))$ under this pairing is the same as the element $\mathcal{E}_X \cup \alpha_U$ considered in Proposition 3.3. So by applying the proposition we obtain the equality $\mathcal{E}'_X \cup \alpha_U = \bar{\sigma}(\alpha)$ in the case when α_U maps to a locally trivial element in $\mathbf{H}^1(k, DP(X^c))$.

Using the maps constructed in Corollary 4.3 we have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbf{H}^1(U, \mathcal{M}) & \times & \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{M}^*) & \longrightarrow & H_c^3(U, \mathbf{G}_m) \\
 \uparrow \iota_U^D & & \downarrow \iota_U & & \downarrow \text{id} \\
 H^1(U, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(X^c), \mathbf{G}_m[1])) & \times & \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{P}(X^c)) & \longrightarrow & H_c^3(U, \mathbf{G}_m)
 \end{array}$$

where the horizontal maps are cup product pairings. The diagram commutes by construction, and the image $\iota^D(E'_X)$ of the element $\iota_U^D(\mathcal{E}'_X)$ in $H^1(k, M) = H^1(k, G)$ is the class $[X]$ up to a sign by the previous lemma. By [9, Corollary 4.3] each element $\beta \in \text{III}(M^*)$ comes from some $\beta' \in \mathbf{H}_c^1(U, \mathcal{M}^*)$ for U sufficiently small and, moreover, the value of the upper pairing on $(\iota_U^D(\mathcal{E}'_X), \beta')$ equals the value of the Cassels-Tate pairing on $(\iota^D(E'_X), \beta)$, that is, on $([X], \beta)$ up to a sign. The commutativity of the diagram, together with the arguments of the previous paragraph, implies that this value equals $\bar{\sigma}(\iota(\beta))$. This proves formula (10), and thereby the theorem. \square

Remark 4.7

As a complement to the theorem, we justify here a claim made in the introduction, namely, that the group $\mathfrak{B}(X)$ is finite. In [1, Proposition 2.14] the finiteness of $\mathfrak{B}(V)$ is verified for a smooth proper V such that $\text{III}(\text{Pic}^0 V)$ is finite. To deduce the statement for our X , apply this result with $V = X^c$, a smooth compactification of X . The condition on the Tate-Shafarevich group holds because $\text{Pic}^0(V)$ is the Picard variety of the Albanese variety of V (theorem of Severi), and the latter is none but A (see [17], [16] for these facts). It remains to add that $\mathfrak{B}(V) \cong \mathfrak{B}(X)$ in view of [15, (6.1.4)].

To conclude this section, we mention a variant of Theorem 1.1 which deals with points of X over the direct product k_Ω of all completions of k instead of \mathbf{A}_k . In this situation we look at a modified version of the Brauer-Manin pairing, namely, the induced pairing

$$X(k_\Omega) \times (\text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X / \text{Br } k) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}, \tag{14}$$

where $\text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X$ is the unramified Brauer group of X , which may be defined as the Brauer group of a smooth compactification V of X . Since $\mathfrak{B}(X) \cong \mathfrak{B}(V)$ as in Remark 4.7, the group $\mathfrak{B}(X)$ is contained in $\text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X / \text{Br } k$.

COROLLARY 4.8

Let G be a semiabelian variety defined over k , and let X be a k -torsor under G . Assume that the Tate-Shafarevich group of the abelian quotient of G is finite. If there is a point of $X(k_\Omega)$ annihilated by all elements of $\mathbb{B}(X)$ under the pairing (14), then X has a k -rational point.

The corollary immediately follows from Theorem 1.1 and the following lemma.

LEMMA 4.9

Let X be a smooth geometrically integral variety defined over k . If there is a point of $X(k_\Omega)$ orthogonal to $\mathbb{B}(X)$ under the pairing (14), then there is also an adelic point on X orthogonal to $\mathbb{B}(X)$ under the pairing (2).

Proof

From Chow’s lemma we know that X contains a quasi-projective open subset U . Choose a finite set S of places of k so that the pair $U \subset X$ extends to a pair of smooth schemes $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{X}$ over $\text{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_{k,S})$ with \mathcal{U} quasi-projective, where $\mathcal{O}_{k,S}$ is the ring of S -integers of k . From the Lang-Weil estimates and Hensel’s lemma we know that by enlarging S if necessary we have $\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{O}_v) \neq \emptyset$ for $v \notin S$, and hence the same holds for \mathcal{X} . Now, if $(P_v) \in X(k_\Omega)$ is orthogonal to $\mathbb{B}(X)$, we replace P_v by an \mathcal{O}_v -point P'_v of \mathcal{X} for $v \notin S$. Then (P'_v) is an adelic point of X , and this adelic point remains orthogonal to $\mathbb{B}(X)$ because elements of $\mathbb{B}(X)$ induce constant elements of $\text{Br}(X \times_k k_v)$ for every place v . □

5. The Cassels-Tate dual exact sequence for 1-motives

In this section we prove Theorem 1.2, of which we take up the notation. Recall that for an archimedean place v of k , by convention the notation $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ stands for the Tate group $\widehat{\mathbf{H}}^0(k_v, M)$, which is a 2-torsion finite group. Also, recall from [9, Section 2] that the group $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ is equipped with a natural topology. In the case $M = G$ and v finite this is just the usual v -adic topology on $H^0(k_v, G) = G(k_v)$, but in general the topology on $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ is not Hausdorff.

We denote by $\overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)}$ the closure of the diagonal image of $\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)$ in the topological direct product of the $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$. The local pairings $(\ , \)_v$ of [9, Section 2] induce a map

$$\theta : \prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \rightarrow \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D$$

defined by

$$\theta((m_v))(\alpha) = \sum_{v \in \Omega} (m_v, \alpha_v)_v,$$

where α_v is the image of $\alpha \in \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)$ in $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M)$. (The sum is finite by definition of $\text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)$.) On the other hand, the Cassels-Tate pairing for 1-motives (see [9, Theorem 4.8]) and the inclusion $\text{III}^1(M^*) \subset \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)$ induce a map

$$p : \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D \rightarrow \text{III}^1(M).$$

We have thus defined all maps in the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)} \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \xrightarrow{\theta} \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D \xrightarrow{p} \text{III}^1(M) \rightarrow 0,$$

and our task is to prove its exactness.

We need several intermediate results. The first one is the following well-known lemma, for which we give a proof by lack of a reference.

LEMMA 5.1

Let Y be a k -group scheme étale locally isomorphic to \mathbf{Z}^r for some $r > 0$. Then the group $\text{III}_\omega^2(Y)$ is finite.

By definition, here $\text{III}_\omega^2(Y) := \text{III}_\omega^1([Y \rightarrow 0])$, using the notation of the introduction.

Proof

Let L be a finite Galois extension of k which splits Y . Since $\text{III}_\omega^2(\mathbf{Z}) = \text{III}_\omega^1(\mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z})$ is zero by Chebotarev’s density theorem, we obtain that $\text{III}_\omega^2(Y)$ is a subgroup of $H^2(\text{Gal}(L|k), Y)$, which is a torsion group annihilated by $n = [L : k]$. The boundary map

$$H^1(\text{Gal}(L|k), Y/nY) \rightarrow H^2(\text{Gal}(L|k), Y)$$

obtained from the exact sequence of $\text{Gal}(L|k)$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Y/nY \rightarrow 0$$

is therefore surjective. Since $\text{Gal}(L|k)$ and Y/nY are finite, the lemma follows. □

Now, return to the situation of Theorem 1.2, and recall from [9, Theorem 2.3] and Remark 2.4 that the local pairings $(,)_v$ used in the definition of θ actually factor through the profinite completion $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge$ of $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$; hence θ extends to $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge$. Technical complications arise from the fact that the topology on $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ is in general finer than the topology induced by the profinite topology of $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge$. For instance, this is the case for $M = [0 \rightarrow T]$ with T a torus.

LEMMA 5.2

The groups $\prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge$ and $\prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ have the same image by θ .

Proof

For v archimedean the group $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ is finite. Hence it is the same as its profinite completion, so we can concentrate on the finite places. We proceed by dévissage, starting with the case $M = [0 \rightarrow G]$. Let v be a finite place of k . Since A is proper, we have $H^0(k_v, A) = A(k_v) = H^0(k_v, A)^\wedge$. Using the exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow T(k_v) \rightarrow G(k_v) \rightarrow A(k_v) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, T),$$

$$0 \rightarrow T(k_v)^\wedge \rightarrow G(k_v)^\wedge \rightarrow A(k_v) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, T)$$

(see [9, Lemma 2.2]), we obtain

$$\prod_{v \in \Omega} H^0(k_v, G)^\wedge = \left\{ g + t : g \in \text{Im} \left(\prod_{v \in \Omega} H^0(k_v, G) \right), t \in \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^0(k_v, T)^\wedge \right\}.$$

Therefore it is sufficient to prove the statement for $G = T$. But this follows from the facts that $\text{III}_\omega^1(M^*) = \text{III}_\omega^2(Y^*)$ is finite (by the previous lemma) and each $H^0(k_v, T)$ is dense in $H^0(k_v, T)^\wedge$.

The same method reduces the general case to the case $M = [0 \rightarrow G]$, using the exact sequences (see [9, page 101])

$$H^0(k_v, G) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, Y) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, G),$$

$$H^0(k_v, G)^\wedge \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge \rightarrow H^1(k_v, Y) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, G). \quad \square$$

Denote by $\text{III}_S^1(M^*)$ the kernel of the diagonal map

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, M^*) \rightarrow \prod_{v \notin S} \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*).$$

As above, the local pairings induce maps

$$\theta_S : \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \rightarrow \text{III}_S^1(M^*)^D$$

and

$$\widehat{\theta}_S : \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge \rightarrow \text{III}_S^1(M^*)^D.$$

PROPOSITION 5.3

Let S be a finite set of places of k . Assume that the Tate-Shafarevich group $\text{III}(A)$ of the abelian quotient of G is finite.

(1) The sequence

$$\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^\wedge \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge \xrightarrow{\widehat{\theta}_S} \text{III}_S^1(M^*)^D \tag{15}$$

is exact.

(2) Denote by $\overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)}_S$ the closure of the diagonal image of $\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)$ in $\prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$. Then the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)}_S \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \xrightarrow{\theta_S} \text{III}_S^1(M^*)^D \tag{16}$$

is exact.

Proof

(1) Let $\mathbf{P}^1(M^*)$ be the restricted product of the $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*)$ (see [9, Section 5]). By the Poitou-Tate exact sequence for 1-motives (see [9, Theorem 5.6]), there is an exact sequence

$$\mathbf{H}^1(k, M^*) \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^1(M^*)_{\text{tors}} \rightarrow (\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^D)_{\text{tors}}.$$

(Recall that this uses the finiteness of the Tate-Shafarevich group of A^* , which is equivalent to that of A by [12, Remark I.6.14(c)].) Sending an element of the product $\prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*)$ to $\mathbf{P}^1(M^*)_{\text{tors}}$ via the map

$$(m_v)_{v \in S} \mapsto ((m_v), 0, 0, \dots)$$

yields an exact sequence of discrete torsion groups

$$\text{III}_S^1(M^*) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*) \rightarrow (\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^D)_{\text{tors}}.$$

We claim that the required exact sequence is the dual of the above. Indeed, the dual of the discrete torsion group $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*)$ is the profinite group $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge$ by the local duality theorem (see [9, Theorem 2.3]), and the dual of the discrete torsion group $(\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^D)_{\text{tors}}$ is the profinite completion $\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^\wedge$ of $\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)$ because $(\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^D)_{\text{tors}}$ is nothing but the direct limit (over the subgroups $I \subset \mathbf{H}^0(k, M)$ of finite index) of the groups $\text{Hom}(\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)/I, \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z})$.

(2) Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbf{H}^0(k, M) & \xrightarrow{j} & \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) & \xrightarrow{\theta_S} & \coprod_S^1 (M^*)^D \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id} \\
 \mathbf{H}^0(k, M)^\wedge & \xrightarrow{j^\wedge} & \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge & \xrightarrow{\widehat{\theta}_S} & \coprod_S^1 (M^*)^D
 \end{array} \tag{17}$$

The second line is exact by what we have just proved, so the first line is a complex. Hence so is the sequence (16) by continuity of $\widehat{\theta}_S$. Denote by J the closure of the image of j in the above diagram. Set

$$C := \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) / J,$$

and equip C with the quotient topology. In particular, C is a Hausdorff topological group (because J is closed).

Consider now the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & J & \longrightarrow & \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) & \longrightarrow & C \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & J^\wedge & \longrightarrow & \prod_{v \in S} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge & \longrightarrow & C^\wedge
 \end{array} \tag{18}$$

Assume for the moment that the right vertical map here is injective. We can then derive the exactness of sequence (15) as follows. The first line of diagram (18) is exact by definition, and the second line is a complex because it is the completion of an exact sequence. Since the second line of diagram (17) is exact, the image of an element $x \in \ker(\theta_S)$ in $\ker(\widehat{\theta}_S)$ comes from $H^0(k, M)^\wedge$ and hence from J^\wedge . A diagram chase in (18) then shows that $x \in J$, which is what we wanted to prove.

The injectivity of the right vertical map in (18) follows from [9, Appendix, Statement (3)], of which we have to check the assumptions. The last horizontal map above is an open mapping because it is a quotient map. The group C is Hausdorff, locally compact, and totally disconnected by construction; it remains to check that it is also compactly generated (i.e., it is generated as a group by the elements of a compact subset). This is because by [9, Section 2] the group $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)$ has a finite-index open subgroup that is a topological quotient of $H^0(k_v, G)$, so C has a finite-index open subgroup C' that is a quotient of the product of $H^0(k_v, G)$ for $v \in S$. Since each $H^0(k_v, G)$ is compactly generated (this follows from the theory of p -adic Lie groups)

and since C' is Hausdorff, we obtain the fact that C' , and hence C , are compactly generated. □

Proof of Theorem 1.2

Let us start by proving the exactness of the sequence

$$\prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \rightarrow \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D \rightarrow \text{III}^1(M) \rightarrow 0. \tag{19}$$

The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{III}^1(M^*) \rightarrow \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*) \tag{20}$$

is exact by definition. By the local duality theorem for 1-motives (see [9, Theorem 2.3, Proposition 2.9]), the dual of each group $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*)$ is $\mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge$, and by the global duality theorem (see [9, Corollary 4.9]), the dual of $\text{III}^1(M^*)$ is $\text{III}^1(M)$ under our finiteness assumption on Tate-Shafarevich groups. Therefore, the dual of (20) is the exact sequence

$$\prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M)^\wedge \rightarrow \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D \rightarrow \text{III}^1(M) \rightarrow 0,$$

and Lemma 5.2 gives the exactness of (19).

It remains to prove the exactness of the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)} \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \rightarrow \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D.$$

But this sequence is obtained by applying the (left exact) inverse limit functor (over all finite subsets $S \subset \Omega$) to the exact sequences (16). Indeed, by definition of the direct product topology the inverse limit of the groups $\overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)}_S$ is $\overline{\mathbf{H}^0(k, M)}$, and the inverse limit of the groups $\text{III}_S^1(M^*)^D$ is the dual of the direct limit of the discrete torsion groups $\text{III}_S^1(M^*)$, which is none other than the dual of $\text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)$. □

6. Obstruction to weak approximation

In the study of weak approximation on a variety X one works with a modified version of the Brauer-Manin pairing, namely, with the induced pairing

$$X(k_\Omega) \times \text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}$$

already encountered at the end of Section 4, where k_Ω is the topological direct product of all completions of k and where $\text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X$ is the unramified Brauer group of X . One may also work with subgroups of $\text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X$, such as $\text{Br}_{\text{nr}1} X := \ker(\text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X \rightarrow \text{Br}_{\text{nr}}(X \times_k \bar{k}))$.

Finally, for a smooth k -group scheme G there is yet another variant, which is the one we use:

$$\prod_{v \in \Omega} H^0(k_v, G) \times \text{Br}_{\text{nr1}} G \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}. \tag{21}$$

Here we have taken the same convention at the archimedean places as in Theorem 1.2 proved above. Concerning this pairing one has the following result, which was first proved in [8].

THEOREM 6.1

Let G be a semiabelian variety defined over k . Assuming that the abelian quotient has finite Tate-Shafarevich group, the left kernel of the pairing (21) is contained in the closure of the diagonal image of $G(k)$.

This result was proved in [8] for arbitrary connected algebraic groups, but the key case is that of a semiabelian variety. We now show that the statement can be easily derived from Theorem 1.2 as follows. The Brauer-Manin pairing induces a map

$$\prod_{v \in \Omega} H^0(k_v, G) \rightarrow (\text{Br}_{\text{nr1}} G / \text{Br } k)^D.$$

Going through the construction of the map ι at the beginning of Section 4 with III_ω in place of III , we obtain a map $\iota_\omega : \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*) \rightarrow \text{B}_\omega(G)$, where $\text{B}_\omega(G) \subset \text{Br}_a G$ is the subgroup of elements that are locally trivial for almost all places for k . Using the inclusion $\text{B}_\omega(X) \subset \text{Br}_{\text{nr}} X / \text{Br } k$ resulting from [15, (6.1.4)], we thus obtain a map $\iota_\omega : \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*) \rightarrow \text{Br}_{\text{nr1}} G / \text{Br } k$. It may be inserted in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & & & (\text{Br}_{\text{nr1}} G / \text{Br } k)^D \\ & & & \nearrow & \downarrow \iota_\omega^D \\ \overline{G(k)} & \longrightarrow & \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^0(k_v, G_v) & \longrightarrow & \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)^D \end{array}$$

where $G_v := G \times_k k_v$. If we prove that the triangle commutes, the theorem follows since the bottom row is exact by Theorem 1.2.

We prove the commutativity of the dualized diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{III}_\omega^1(M^*) & \longrightarrow & H^0(k_v, G_v)^D \\ \downarrow \iota_\omega & \nearrow & \\ \text{Br}_{\text{nr1}} G / \text{Br } k & & \end{array} \tag{22}$$

for all places v . Here the horizontal map is induced by local duality, so it is in fact enough to consider the finitely many nonzero images of an element in $\text{III}_\omega^1(M^*)$ by the restriction maps $\text{III}_\omega^1(M^*) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, M^*)$ and to show that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*) & \longrightarrow & H^0(k_v, G_v)^D \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ \text{Br}_a G_v & & \end{array}$$

commutes, where the diagonal map is induced by the evaluation pairing

$$G(k_v) \times \text{Br } G_v \rightarrow \text{Br } k_v \cong \mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}, \tag{23}$$

and we view $\text{Br}_a G_v$ as a subgroup of $\text{Br } G_v$ thanks to the splitting of the map $\text{Br } k_v \rightarrow \text{Br } G_v$ coming from the zero section of G_v .

To do so, return to the beginning of Section 3, and observe that in the case $X = G$, the maps (8) actually assemble to a pairing of complexes of Galois modules

$$[0 \rightarrow G(\bar{k}_v)] \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} [\bar{k}_v(G)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div}(G \times_k \bar{k}_v)] \rightarrow [\bar{k}_v^\times \rightarrow 0].$$

The sections $\bar{k}_v(G)^\times \rightarrow \bar{k}_v^\times$ used in this construction are not canonical, but the pairing becomes canonical at the level of the derived category, again by the argument in [18, Theorem 2.3.4(b)]. We thus obtain a cup product pairing

$$H^0(k_v, G) \times \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, [\bar{k}_v(G)^\times \rightarrow \text{Div}(G \times_k \bar{k}_v)]) \rightarrow \text{Br } k_v$$

which identifies via Lemma 2.1 with the restriction of the local pairing (23) to $\text{Br}_1 G_v$ by the argument at the beginning of Section 3. On the other hand, we may lift the map $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*) \rightarrow \text{Br}_a G_v$ to a map $\mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*) \rightarrow \text{Br}_1 G_v$ via the zero section as above, and then the claim follows from the commutativity of the diagram of cup product pairings

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbf{H}^0(k_v, M) \times \mathbf{H}^1(k_v, M^*) & \longrightarrow & \text{Br } k_v & & \\ \downarrow \text{id} & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id} \\ H^0(k_v, G) & \times & \text{Br}_1 G_v & \longrightarrow & \text{Br } k_v \end{array}$$

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