Projective integral models of Shimura varieties of Hodge type with compact factors

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Abstract. Let (G, X) be a Shimura pair of Hodge type such that G is the Mumford-Tate group of some elements of X. We assume that for each simple factor G_0 of G^{ad} there exists a simple factor of $G_{0\mathbb{R}}$ which is compact. Let $N \ge 3$. We show that for many compact open subgroups K of $G(\mathbb{A}_f)$, the Shimura variety Sh(G, X)/K has a projective integral model \mathcal{N} over $\mathbb{Z}[1/N]$ which is a finite scheme over a certain Mumford moduli scheme $\mathscr{A}_{g,1,N}$. Equivalently, we show that if A is an abelian variety over a number field and if the Mumford-Tate group of $A_{\mathbb{C}}$ is G, then A has potentially good reduction everywhere. The last result represents significant progress towards the proof of a conjecture of Morita. If \mathcal{N} is smooth over $\mathbb{Z}[1/N]$, then it is a Néron model of its generic fibre. In this way one gets in arbitrary mixed characteristic, the very first examples of general nature of projective Néron models whose generic fibres are not finite schemes over abelian varieties.

§1. Introduction

Let $S := \operatorname{Res}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}}$ be the two dimensional torus over \mathbb{R} with the property that $S(\mathbb{R})$ is the multiplicative group of non-zero complex numbers. Let E be a number field. Let O_E be the ring of integers of E. We fix an embedding $i_E : E \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Let A be an abelian variety over E. Let $W_A := H_1(A(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q})$ be the first Betti homology group of the complex manifold $A(\mathbb{C})$ with coefficients in \mathbb{Q} . Let $h_A : S \to \operatorname{GL}_{W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}}$ be the homomorphism that defines the Hodge \mathbb{Q} -structure on W_A . Let H_A be the Mumford-Tate group of $A_{\mathbb{C}}$. We recall that H_A is a reductive group over \mathbb{Q} and that H_A is the smallest subgroup of GL_{W_A} with the property that h_A factors through $H_{A\mathbb{R}}$, cf. [8], Propositions 3.6 and 3.4. Let H_A^{ad} be the adjoint group of H_A i.e., the quotient of H_A through its center.

1.1. Definition. We say the abelian variety A has *compact factors*, if for each simple factor H_0 of H_A^{ad} there exists a simple factor of $H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ which is compact.

It is conjectured (see [20], page 437 and [26], Conjecture 3.1.3) that if the Q-rank of H_A^{ad} is 0 (i.e., if \mathbb{G}_{mQ} is not a subgroup of H_A^{ad}), then there exists a finite field extension E_1 of E such that A_{E_1} extends to an abelian scheme over O_{E_1} (i.e., such that A_{E_1} has good reduction with respect to all finite primes of E_1). See [26] for other equivalent forms of this conjecture. Following [26], below we will refer to this conjecture as the Morita conjecture.

We note down that if A has compact factors, then each simple factor of H_A^{ad} has Q-rank 0 and thus H_A^{ad} itself has Q-rank 0. The goals of this paper are: (i) to prove the Morita conjecture under the assumption that A has compact factors, and (ii) to reformulate and apply this result to integral models of Shimura varieties of Hodge type.

1.2. Basic Theorem. Suppose that A has compact factors. Then there exists a finite field extension E_1 of E such that A_{E_1} extends to an abelian scheme over O_{E_1} .

Morita conjecture was first checked in some cases involving abelian varieties of PEL type (see [20]; see also [14], end of §5). We recall that A is of PEL type, provided $A_{\mathbb{C}}$ has a polarization λ such that the derived group of H_A is also the derived group of the intersection of $\text{GSp}(W_A, \psi)$ with the double centralizer of H_A in GL_{W_A} (here ψ is the non-degenerate alternating form on W_A defined by λ and PEL stands for polarization, endomorphisms, and level structures). Some of the cases presented in [20] are not covered by the Basic Theorem.

New cases of the validity of the Morita conjecture are provided in [24] and [26]. For instance, Paugam proved the Morita conjecture provided there exists a prime $p \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the \mathbb{Q}_p -rank of $H_{A\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}}$ is 0 (see Lemma 2.3.1). The results [26], Propositions 4.2.2, 4.2.4, and 4.2.10 cover [24]; these results are also either covered by Lemma 2.3.1 or involve special cases when there exists a good prime $p \in \mathbb{N}$ for which a certain combinatorial condition on the natural action of $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ on the set of simple factors of $H_{A\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}}$ holds (see [26], Example 4.2.11 for such a concrete special case). Such good primes p exist only if A has compact factors and each simple factor H_0 of H_A^{ad} is "simple enough" (like when $H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ has only one simple, non-compact factor). Good primes p do not exist if there exists one simple factor H_0 of H_A^{ad} such that the following two properties hold: (i) $H_{0\mathbb{C}}$ is not isotypic of A_n Lie type and (ii) the group $H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ either (ii.a) has more simple, non-compact factors than simple, compact factors or (ii.b) it is a Weil restriction $\operatorname{Res}_{F_0/\mathbb{Q}} \tilde{H}_0$, where \tilde{H}_0 is an absolutely simple, adjoint group over some "arithmetically complicated" totally real number field F_0 . Thus the results [26], Propositions 4.2.2, 4.2.4, 4.2.10, and 4.2.13 are particular cases of the combination of the Basic Theorem and Lemma 2.3.1.

Basic Theorem, Lemma 2.3.1, and (the situations that can be reduced to) [14], end of §5, form all (general) cases in which the Morita conjecture is presently known to hold. Lemma 2.3.1 and [14], end of §5 pertain only to abelian varieties A over E for which, up to a replacement of E by a finite field extension of it, there exists an abelian variety B over E that is of PEL type and that has the property that the three adjoint groups H_A^{ad} , H_B^{ad} , and $H_{A \times FB}^{ad}$ are isomorphic (cf. Remark 2.3.2 and [31], Corollary 4.10).

The methods we use to prove the Basic Theorem pertain to Shimura varieties and rely on the constructions of [7], Proposition 2.3.10 and [29], Subsections 6.5 and 6.6. To outline the methods, in this paragraph we assume that A has compact factors. We use the mentioned constructions in order to show that for a given prime $p \in \mathbb{N}$, up to a replacement of E by a finite field extension of it, there exists an abelian variety B over E which has the following two properties: (a) the three adjoint groups H_A^{ad} , H_B^{ad} , and $H_{A\times_E B}^{ad}$ are isomorphic, and (b) the monomorphism $H_B \hookrightarrow \operatorname{GL}_{W_B}$ is "manageable enough" so that we can check based on [10] and [9] that B has good reduction with respect to all primes of E that divide p (see Section 3 and Subsection 4.1). Due to (a) and the good reduction part of (b), there exists a finite field extension E_p of E such that A_{E_p} has good reduction with respect to all primes of E_p that divide p (see [26], Proposition 4.1.2; see also Subsection 4.1). As the field E_1 mentioned in the Basic Theorem, we can take the composite field of a suitable finite set of such fields E_p (see Subsection 4.1).

Such "extra" abelian varieties B, were first considered in [31] in connection to the Mumford-Tate conjecture for A and in [26] in connection to the Morita conjecture for A.

In Section 2 we review basic properties of Shimura varieties. In Section 3 we include a construction that is the very essence of the proof of the Basic Theorem and which in fact proves the Basic Theorem under some additional hypotheses. In Subsection 4.1 we prove the Basic Theorem. Example 4.2 is completely new. Basic Corollary 4.3 reformulates the Basic Theorem in terms of integral models of Shimura varieties of Hodge type. In Subsection 4.4 we apply the Basic Corollary 4.3 to provide new examples of general nature of Néron models in the sense of [4], page 12. In Example 4.5 and Remark 4.6 we apply the Basic Corollary 4.3 to correct an error in [29], Remark 6.4.1.1, 2) and thus implicitly in [29], Subsubsection 6.4.11, for the cases to which the Basic Theorem applies (i.e., for Shimura pairs of preabelian type that have compact factors in a sense analogous to Definition 1.1; see Subsection 2.2 and Remark 4.6 (b) for precise definitions).

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§2. Preliminaries

In Subsection 2.1 we gather different notations to be often used in the rest of the paper. See Subsection 2.2 for generalities on Shimura pairs and varieties. See Subsection 2.3 for simple properties that pertain to polarizations of A and to the reductive group H_A . See Subsection 2.4 for the Shimura pairs naturally associated to A. See Subsection 2.5 for smooth toroidal compactifications. See Fact 2.6 and Proposition 2.7 for two results that pertain to an equivalent form of Theorem 1.2 to be stated explicitly in the Corollary 4.3. Lemma 2.8 will be used in Section 3.

2.1. Notations and conventions. A reductive group H over a field k is assumed to be connected. Let Z(H), H^{der} , and H^{ad} denote the center, the derived group, and the adjoint group (respectively) of H. We have $H^{ad} = H/Z(H)$. Let $Z^0(H)$ be the maximal subtorus of Z(H). Let H^{sc} be the simply connected semisimple group cover of H^{der} . See [4], Subsection 7.6 for the Weil restriction of scalars functor $\operatorname{Res}_{k_1/k}$, where k_1 is a finite, étale k-algebra. We recall that if H_1 is a reductive group over k_1 , then $\operatorname{Res}_{k_1/k} H_1$ is a reductive group over k uniquely determined up to isomorphism by the group identities $\operatorname{Res}_{k_1/k} H_1(\Box) = H_1(\Box \otimes_k k_1)$ which are functorial on commutative k-algebras \Box . For a free module M of finite rank over a commutative ring with unit R, let $M^* := \operatorname{Hom}_R(M, R)$ and let GL_M be the group scheme over R of linear automorphisms of M. If ψ is a perfect alternating form on M, then $\operatorname{GSp}(M, \psi)$ is viewed as a reductive group scheme over R. If * or $*_R$ (resp. $*_+$ with + as an arbitrary index different from R) is either an object or a morphism $\operatorname{Spec}(U) \to \operatorname{Spec}(R)$. Let $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ be the algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q} in \mathbb{C} . We always use the notations of the first paragraph of Section 1.

2.2. On Shimura pairs. A Shimura pair (G, X) consists of a reductive group G over \mathbb{Q} and a $G(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class X of homomorphisms $\mathbb{S} \to G_{\mathbb{R}}$ that satisfy Deligne's axioms of [7], Subsubsection 2.1.1: the Hodge \mathbb{Q} -structure on Lie(G) defined by any $x \in X$ is of type $\{(-1,1), (0,0), (1,-1)\}$, Ad $\circ x(i)$ defines a Cartan involution of Lie $(G_{\mathbb{R}}^{ad})$, and no simple factor of G^{ad} becomes compact over \mathbb{R} . Here Ad : $G_{\mathbb{R}} \to \operatorname{GL}_{\operatorname{Lie}(G_{\mathbb{R}}^{ad})}$ is the adjoint representation. These axioms imply that X has a natural structure of a hermitian symmetric domain (see [7], Corollary 1.1.17). Similarly to Definition 1.1, we say (G, X) has compact factors, if for each simple factor G_0 of G^{ad} there exists a simple factor of $G_{0\mathbb{R}}$ which is compact (thus $G_{0\mathbb{R}}$ has at least one simple, non-compact factor and at least one simple, compact factor). We note down that if G is a torus (i.e., if the adjoint group G^{ad} is trivial), then (G, X) has compact factors. For generalities on Shimura pairs and varieties and on their types, we refer to [6], [7], [17], [18], and [29], Subsections 2.2 to 2.5. To (G, X) it is naturally associated a number field E(G, X), called the reflex field of (G, X) (see [6], [7], and [16]; see also the definition of the reflex field E_A in the below Subsection 2.4).

Let $\mathbb{A}_f := \hat{\mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ be the ring of finite adèles of \mathbb{Q} . For K a compact open subgroup of $G(\mathbb{A}_f)$, let $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)_{\mathbb{C}}/K := G(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus (X \times G(\mathbb{A}_f)/K)$; it is a finite disjoint union of quotients of a (fixed) connected component of X by arithmetic subgroups of $G(\mathbb{Q})$. A theorem of Baily and Borel says that $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)_{\mathbb{C}}/K$ has a canonical structure of a normal, quasi-projective \mathbb{C} -scheme (see [1], Theorem 10.11) which is smooth if K is sufficiently small. Thus the projective limit $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)_{\mathbb{C}}$ of the normal, quasi-projective \mathbb{C} -schemes $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)_{\mathbb{C}}/K$'s, has a canonical structure of a regular \mathbb{C} -scheme. The Shimura variety $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)$ is identified with the canonical model over E(G, X) of the \mathbb{C} -scheme $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)_{\mathbb{C}}$ (see [6], [7], [16], [18], and [19]). We have a natural right action of $G(\mathbb{A}_f)$ on the E(G, X)scheme $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)$ which is continuous in the sense of [7], Subsubsection 2.7.1. In particular, the quotient $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)/K$ of $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)$ through K is a normal, quasi-projective E(G, X)scheme which is "the best arithmetic" model of $\operatorname{Sh}(G, X)_{\mathbb{C}}/K$.

2.3. Simple properties. The notion of good reduction of an abelian variety over the field of fractions of a discrete valuation ring, is stable under isogenies. Up to a replacement of *E* by a finite field extension of it, *A* is isogenous to a principally polarized abelian variety over *E* (cf. [22], §23, Corollary 1). Thus, based on the last two sentences, to prove Theorem 1.2 (and for the rest of the paper) we can assume that *A* has a principal polarization λ_A .

2.3.1. Lemma. We assume that there exists a prime $p \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the group $H^{\mathrm{ad}}_{A\mathbb{Q}_p}$ is anisotropic i.e., its \mathbb{Q}_p -rank is 0 (e.g., this holds if H_A is a torus). Then there exists a finite field extension E_1 of E such that A_{E_1} extends to an abelian scheme over O_{E_1} .

Proof. The group $H^{\mathrm{ad}}_{A\mathbb{Q}_p}(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ is compact and thus it has no non-trivial unipotent element (see [27], Subsection 3.4). This implies that the group $H_A(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ has no non-trivial unipotent element. Thus the lemma follows from [26], Theorem 1.6.1. \Box

2.3.2. Remark. From the classification of simple adjoint groups over *p*-adic fields (see [28], Table II, pp. 55–58) and the fact that each simple factor of $H_{A\mathbb{C}}^{ad}$ is of classical Lie type (cf. [7], Table 2.3.8), one gets that the assumption that $H_{A\mathbb{Q}_p}^{ad}$ has simple, anisotropic factors implies that $H_{A\mathbb{C}}^{ad}$ has simple factors of A_n Lie type for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2.4. Shimura pairs associated to A. We recall that from now on (A, λ_A) denotes a principally polarized abelian variety over a number field E. Let $L_A := H_1(A(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z})$; it is

a \mathbb{Z} -lattice of W_A . Let $\psi_A : L_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} L_A \to \mathbb{Z}$ be the perfect, alternating form on L_A induced by λ_A . If $W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C} = F_A^{-1,0} \oplus F_A^{0,-1}$ is the Hodge decomposition defined by the homomorphism $h_A : \mathbb{S} \to \operatorname{GL}_{W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}}$, let $\mu_A : \mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}} \to \operatorname{GL}_{W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}}$ be the Hodge cocharacter that fixes $F_A^{0,-1}$ and that acts via the identical character of $\mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}}$ on $F_A^{-1,0}$. We denote also by $h_A : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}$ and $\mu_A : \mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}} \to H_{A\mathbb{C}}$ the natural factorizations of h_A and μ_A (respectively), cf. the very definition of H_A . Let X_A be the $H_A(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of $h_A : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}$. Let S_A be the $\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A)(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of the homomorphism $\mathbb{S} \to \operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A)_{\mathbb{R}}$ defined by h_A . It is well known that the pairs (H_A, X_A) and $(\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)$ are Shimura pairs and that we have an injective map $f_A : (H_A, X_A) \hookrightarrow (\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)$ of Shimura pairs (see [6], [7], [16], and [18]). The Shimura variety $\operatorname{Sh}(\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)$ is called a Siegel modular variety. A Shimura pair that admits an injective map into a Shimura pair that defines a Siegel modular variety, is called a Shimura pair of Hodge type; thus (H_A, X_A) is a Shimura pair of Hodge type. Let $h_A^{\operatorname{ad}} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\operatorname{ad}}$ be the composite of h_A with the natural epimorphism $H_{A\mathbb{R}} \twoheadrightarrow H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\operatorname{ad}}$. Let X_A^{ad} be the $H_A^{\operatorname{ad}}(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of h_A^{ad} . The pair $(H_A^{\operatorname{ad}}, X_A^{\operatorname{ad}})$ is called the adjoint Shimura pair of (H_A, X_A) . Similarly we define the adjoint Shimura pair $(G^{\operatorname{ad}}, X^{\operatorname{ad}})$ of an arbitrary Shimura pair (G, X).

The $H_A(\mathbb{C})$ -conjugacy class $[\chi_{A\mathbb{C}}]$ of $\mu_A : \mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}} \to H_{A\mathbb{C}}$ is defined over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ and the Galois group $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$ acts on the corresponding $H_A(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ -conjugacy class $[\chi_A]$ of cocharacters of $H_{A\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$. The reflex field $E_A := E(H_A, X_A)$ is the fixed field of the stabilizer subgroup of $[\chi_A]$ in $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$. Let $g := \dim(A)$.

Let $N \ge 3$ be an integer. Let $\psi_{A,N} : L_A/NL_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}} L_A/NL_A \to \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ be the reduction modulo N of ψ_A . Let (C, λ_C) be a principally polarized abelian scheme of relative dimension g over a $\mathbb{Z}[1/N]$ -scheme Y. Let $\lambda_{C[N]} : C[N] \times_Y C[N] \to \mu_{NY}$ be the Weil pairing induced by λ_C . By a level-N symplectic similitude structure of (C, λ_C) we mean an isomorphism $\kappa : (L_A/NL_A)_Y \xrightarrow{\sim} C[N]$ of finite, étale group schemes over Y, such that there exists an element $v \in \mu_{NY}(Y)$ with the property that for all points $a, b \in (L_A/NL_A)_Y(Y)$ we have an identity $v^{\psi_{A,N}(a\otimes b)} = \lambda_{C[N]}(\kappa(a), \kappa(b))$ between elements of $\mu_{NY}(Y)$.

Let $\mathscr{A}_{g,1,N}$ be the Mumford moduli scheme over $\mathbb{Z}[1/N]$ that parameterizes principally polarized abelian schemes which are of relative dimension g and which are equipped with a level-N symplectic similitude structure, cf. [21], Theorems 7.9 and 7.10 naturally adapted to the case of level-N symplectic similitude structures (instead of only level-Nstructures). Let $(\mathscr{A}, \lambda_{\mathscr{A}})$ be the universal principally polarized abelian scheme over $\mathscr{A}_{g,1,N}$.

Let $K(N) := \{h \in \operatorname{GSp}(L_A, \psi_A)(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}) \mid h \mod N \text{ is the identity} \}$. Let

$$K_A(N) := K(N) \cap H_A(\mathbb{A}_f).$$

As $N \ge 3$, it is well-known that we can identify $\operatorname{Sh}(\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)/K(N) = \mathscr{A}_{g,1,N_{\mathbb{Q}}}$ (see [6], Proposition 4.17) and that the group K(N) acts freely on $\operatorname{Sh}(\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)$ (for instance, see [17], Subsections 2.10 to 2.14; this also follows from Serre Lemma of [22], Chapter IV, §21, Theorem 5). To f_A corresponds a finite morphism of E_A -schemes

$$f_A(N)$$
: Sh $(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N) \to$ Sh $($ GSp $(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)_{E_A}/K(N)$

which over \mathbb{C} is obtained from the embedding $X_A \times H_A(\mathbb{A}_f) \hookrightarrow S_A \times \operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A)(\mathbb{A}_f)$ between complex spaces via a natural passage to quotients, cf. [6], Corollary 5.4. As the group K(N) acts freely on Sh(GSp(W_A, ψ_A), S_A), the group $K_A(N)$ also acts freely on Sh(H_A, X_A). This implies that the quotient epimorphism Sh(H_A, X_A) \rightarrow Sh(H_A, X_A)/ $K_A(N)$ is a proétale cover and therefore Sh(H_A, X_A)/ $K_A(N)$ is a smooth E_A -scheme.

Let $\mathcal{N}_N := \mathcal{N}_{A,N}$ be the normalization of $(\mathscr{A}_{g,1,N})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]}$ in the ring of fractions of $\mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$; it is an $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme. Let $(\mathscr{B}, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}})$ be the pull back of $(\mathscr{A}, \lambda_{\mathscr{A}})$ to \mathcal{N}_N .

2.4.1. On factors. Let $\mu_A^{ad} : \mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}} \to H_{A\mathbb{C}}^{ad}$ be the cocharacter naturally defined by μ_A . If H_t is a simple factor of H_A^{ad} , let $\mu_t : \mathbb{G}_{m\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} \to H_{t\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ be a cocharacter whose extension to \mathbb{C} is $H_t(\mathbb{C})$ -conjugate to the cocharacter of $H_{t\mathbb{C}}$ naturally defined by μ_A^{ad} . Let $h_{At} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{t\mathbb{R}}$ be the homomorphism naturally defined by h_A . Until Section 4, whenever the group H_A^{ad} is non-trivial we will denote by H_0 a fixed simple factor of H_A^{ad} ; therefore we will speak about the cocharacter $\mu_0 : \mathbb{G}_{m\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} \to H_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ and the homomorphism $h_{A0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{0\mathbb{R}}$.

2.4.2. On complex points. We have $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\mathbb{C}) = H_A(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus (X_A \times H_A(\mathbb{A}_f))$, cf. [7], Proposition 2.1.10 and Corollary 2.1.11. Let $u := [x, h] \in \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\mathbb{C})$, where $x \in X_A$ and $h \in H_A(\mathbb{A}_f)$. Let $W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C} = F_x^{-1,0} \oplus F_x^{0,-1}$ be the Hodge decomposition defined by $x : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}$ and let L_h be the \mathbb{Z} -lattice of W_A with the property that $h(L_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}) = L_h \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}$. We denote also by $u \in \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)(\mathbb{C})$ the image of uthrough the epimorphism $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\mathbb{C}) \twoheadrightarrow \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)(\mathbb{C})$ of sets. The complex torus associated to the abelian variety $B_u := u^*(\mathscr{B})$ is $F_x^{0,-1} \setminus (W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C})/L_h$, cf. Riemann's Theorem and the very construction of Siegel modular varieties (see [6], Theorem 4.7 and Example 4.16; in connection to L_h see also [29], Subsection 4.1). The principal polarization $u^*(\lambda_{\mathscr{B}})$ of B_u is uniquely determined by the property that it induces a perfect alternating form on L_h which is a rational multiple of ψ_A and which is a polarization of the Hodge \mathbb{Q} -structure on W_A defined by x, cf. [29], Subsection 4.1.

Let C_A be the centralizer of H_A in End(W_A). Due to Riemann's theorem we can naturally view C_A : (i) as a Q-algebra of Q-endomorphisms of any such pull back B_u of \mathcal{B} , and (ii) as End($A_{\mathbb{C}}$) $\otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$. We identify naturally $W_A = H_1(B_u(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q})$. Such an identification is unique up to isomorphisms $W_A \xrightarrow{\sim} W_A$ defined by elements of $H_A(\mathbb{Q})$ and it is compatible with the natural actions of C_A .

2.4.3. Special points. We now assume that $x \in X_A$ is a special point i.e., the homomorphism $x : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}$ factors through the extension to \mathbb{R} of a maximal torus T_x of H_A . The Mumford-Tate group of B_u is a reductive subgroup of T_x and thus it is a torus. We have $u \in \text{Im}(\text{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}) \to \text{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\mathbb{C}))$, cf. [17], Theorem 1.8 applied to the special pair $(T_x, \{x\})$ of (H_A, X_A) . The set of all points $u = [x, h] \in \text{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\mathbb{C})$ with $h \in H_A(\mathbb{A}_f)$, is Zariski dense in $\text{Sh}(H_A, X_A)(\mathbb{C})$ (cf. [6], Proposition 5.2).

2.5. Toroidal compactifications. We consider a smooth, projective, toroidal compactification $\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{g,1,N}$ of $\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ over $\mathbb{Z}[1/N]$ such that the abelian scheme \mathscr{A} over $\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ extends to a semiabelian scheme $\overline{\mathscr{A}}$ over $\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{g,1,N}$ (cf. [10], Chapter IV, Theorem 6.7). We have:

(i) The fibres of $\overline{\mathcal{A}}$ over points of the complement of $\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ in $\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{g,1,N}$, are semiabelian varieties that are not abelian varieties.

We consider the normalization $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N := \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{A,N}$ of $(\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{g,1,N})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]}$ in the ring of fractions of $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$; it is an $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme. As the morphism $f_A(N)$ is finite, as $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ is a normal (in fact even smooth) E_A -scheme, and as $\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ is an open, Zariski dense subscheme of $\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{g,1,N}$, we have:

(ii) The $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme $\mathcal{N}_N = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \times_{\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}} \mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ is an open, Zariski dense subscheme of $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ and we have an identity $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$.

Let $\overline{\mathscr{B}}$ be the pull back of $\overline{\mathscr{A}}$ to $\overline{\mathscr{N}}_N$. Thus $\overline{\mathscr{B}}$ is a semiabelian scheme over $\overline{\mathscr{N}}_N$ whose restriction to \mathscr{N}_N is the abelian scheme \mathscr{B} .

2.6. Fact. The following two statements are equivalent:

- (a) The $O_{E_4}[1/N]$ -scheme \mathcal{N}_N is projective.
- (b) We have $\mathcal{N}_N = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$.

Moreover, if these two statements hold, then there exists a finite field extension E_1 of E such that A_{E_1} extends to an abelian scheme over $O_{E_1}[1/N]$.

Proof. As O_{E_A} is an excellent ring (see [15], §34), the scheme $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ is a finite $(\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{g,1,N})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]}$ -scheme and therefore it is a projective $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme. But \mathcal{N}_N is an open, Zariski dense subscheme of $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ (cf. property 2.5 (ii)) and thus (a) is equivalent to (b).

To end the proof, it suffices to show that (a) implies the existence of a finite field extension E_1 of E such that A_{E_1} extends to an abelian scheme over $O_{E_1}[1/N]$. Let E_1 be a number subfield of \mathbb{C} that contains $i_E(E)$ and E_A and such that there exists a level-N symplectic similitude structure κ of $(A, \lambda_A)_{E_1}$ whose pull back to \mathbb{C} is defined by the canonical isomorphism $(L_A/NL_A)_{\mathbb{C}} \xrightarrow{\sim} A_{\mathbb{C}}[N] = ((1/N)L_A/L_A)_{\mathbb{C}}$. Let $v_A : \operatorname{Spec}(E_1) \to (\mathscr{A}_{g,1,N})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]}$ be the morphism such that $(A, \lambda_A)_{E_1} = v_A^*((\mathscr{A}, \lambda_{\mathscr{A}})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]})$ and the resulting level-N symplectic similitude structure of $(A, \lambda_A)_{E_1} = v_A^*((\mathscr{A}, \lambda_{\mathscr{A}})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]})$ and the resulting level-N symplectic similitude structure of $(A, \lambda_A)_{E_1}$ is κ . The composite of the morphism $\operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}) \to \operatorname{Spec}(E_1)$ with v_A , is the complex point $[h_A, 1_{W_A}] \in \operatorname{Im}(f_A(N)(\mathbb{C}))$ (here 1_{W_A} is the identity element of $\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A)(\mathbb{A}_f)$). Thus, up to a replacement of E_1 by a finite field extension of it, v_A factors through a morphism $u_A : \operatorname{Spec}(E_1) \to \mathcal{N}_N$. As (a) holds, from the valuative criterion of properness we get that u_A extends to a morphism $u_{A,N} : \operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_1}[1/N]) \to \mathcal{N}_N$. The abelian scheme $u_{A,N}^*(\mathscr{B})$ over $O_{E_1}[1/N]$ extends A_{E_1} . \Box

2.7. Proposition. We assume that the principally polarized abelian scheme (A, λ_A) over the number field E is such that the Q-rank of H_A^{ad} is 0 (e.g., this holds if A has compact factors).

(a) Then the E_A -schemes \mathcal{N}_{NE_A} and $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{NE_A}$ coincide (i.e., we have $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{NE_A}$).

(b) We assume that A has compact factors. We also assume that Theorem 1.2 holds for all abelian varieties over number fields which have compact factors. Then the $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme \mathcal{N}_N is projective for every integer $N \geq 3$.

Proof. As the Q-rank of H_A^{ad} is 0, the analytic space associated to $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)_{\mathbb{C}}/K_A(N)$ is compact (see [3], Theorem 12.3 and Corollary 12.4). This implies that the analytic spaces associated to $\mathcal{N}_{N\mathbb{C}}$ and $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{N\mathbb{C}}$ coincide. Thus $\mathcal{N}_{N\mathbb{C}} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{N\mathbb{C}}$. From this we get that (a) holds.

We prove (b). It suffices to show that the assumption that $\mathcal{N}_N \neq \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ leads to a contradiction, cf. Fact 2.6. As $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{NE_A}$ and as $\mathcal{N}_N \neq \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$, we get that $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ has points with values in finite fields which do not belong to \mathcal{N}_N . As the morphism $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \to \operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_A}[1/N])$ is flat, it has quasi-sections in the quasi-finite, flat topology of $\operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_A}[1/N])$ whose images contain any a priori given point of $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ with values in a finite field (cf. [12], Corollary (17.16.2)). From the last two sentences, we get that there exists a finite field extension \tilde{E} of E_A in \mathbb{C} and a local ring \tilde{O} of $O_{\tilde{E}}$ of mixed characteristic such that we have a morphism $\tilde{u} : \operatorname{Spec}(\tilde{O}) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ which does not factor through \mathcal{N}_N . Let \tilde{A} be the generic fibre of $\tilde{u}^*(\overline{\mathcal{A}})$; it is an abelian variety over \tilde{E} . To reach a contradiction, we can assume that $i_E(E) \subseteq \tilde{E}$. Let $H_{\tilde{A}}$ be the Mumford-Tate group of $\tilde{A}_{\mathbb{C}}$.

To check that \hat{A} has compact factors, we can assume in this paragraph that the adjoint group $H_{\hat{A}}^{ad}$ is non-trivial. Let $H_{\tilde{t}}$ be an arbitrary simple factor of $H_{\hat{A}}^{ad}$. As the generic fibre of \tilde{u} factors through $Sh(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$, the group $H_{\hat{A}}$ is the Mumford-Tate group defined by a homomorphism $\mathbb{S} \to GL_{W_A}$ which is an element of X_A . This implies that \tilde{H}_A is naturally a subgroup of H_A . Thus we have natural inclusions $\text{Lie}(H_{\tilde{t}}) \subseteq \text{Lie}(H_{\hat{A}}^{ad}) \subseteq \text{Lie}(H_A^{ad})$. Let H_t be a simple factor of H_A^{ad} with the property that the natural Lie homomorphism $\text{Lie}(H_{\tilde{t}}) \to \text{Lie}(H_t)$ is a monomorphism of simple Lie algebras over \mathbb{Q} . As A has compact factors, there exists a simple, compact factor C_t of $H_{t\mathbb{R}}$. Let $C_{\tilde{t}}$ be a simple factor of $H_{\tilde{t}\mathbb{R}}$ such that the simple Lie algebra $\text{Lie}(C_{\tilde{t}})$ over \mathbb{R} is naturally a Lie subalgebra of $\text{Lie}(C_t)$. The group $C_{\tilde{t}}$ is isogenous to a subgroup of the compact group C_t and thus it is compact. This implies that the abelian variety \tilde{A} has compact factors.

Let \tilde{E}_1 be a finite field extension of \tilde{E} such that $\tilde{A}_{\tilde{E}_1}$ extends to an abelian scheme over $O_{\tilde{E}_1}[1/N]$, cf. our last hypothesis. Let \tilde{v}_1 be a prime of \tilde{E}_1 such that its local ring \tilde{O}_1 dominates \tilde{O} . As $\tilde{A}_{\tilde{E}_1}$ has good reduction with respect to \tilde{v}_1 , the composite of the natural morphism $\text{Spec}(\tilde{O}_1) \to \text{Spec}(\tilde{O})$ with \tilde{u} , factors through \mathcal{N}_N (cf. property 2.5 (i)). Thus \tilde{u} factors through \mathcal{N}_N . Contradiction. This proves (b). \Box

2.8. Lemma. Let $p \in \mathbb{N}$ be a prime that does not divide N. Let k be an algebraic closure of the field \mathbb{F}_p with p elements. We assume that the Q-rank of H_A^{ad} is 0 (e.g., this holds if A has compact factors). We also assume that there exists no morphism $q : \operatorname{Spec}(k[[x]]) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$ with the property that it gives birth to morphisms

$$q_{\rm sp}: \operatorname{Spec}(k) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \quad and \quad q_{\rm gen}: \operatorname{Spec}(k((x))) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$$

that factor through $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \setminus \mathcal{N}_N$ and \mathcal{N}_N (respectively). Then the complement $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \setminus \mathcal{N}_N$ has no points of characteristic p.

Proof. The only part of the proof of the lemma which might be less well-known, is that $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \setminus \mathcal{N}_N$ does not contain the reduced scheme of any connected component of the special fibre in characteristic p of $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N$. In the next two paragraphs we first check this property.

We have $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{NE_A}$, cf. Proposition 2.7 (a). The projective morphism

$$\overline{\mathcal{N}}_N \to \operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_A}[1/N])$$

is the composite of a projective morphism $n_{A,N} : \overline{\mathcal{N}_N} \to \operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_{A,N}}[1/N])$ with connected fibres and of a finite morphism $\operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_{A,N}}[1/N]) \to \operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_A}[1/N])$, cf. Stein's factorization theorem (see [13], Chapter III, Theorem 11.5); here $O_{E_{A,N}}$ is the ring of integers of a finite, étale E_A -algebra $E_{A,N}$. Let η be an arbitrary point of $\operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_{A,N}}[1/N])$ of characteristic p. Let \mathscr{F} be the fibre of the morphism $n_{A,N}$ over η .

Let E_{η} be the field that is a direct factor of $E_{A,N}$ and such that η is a point of the spectrum of the direct factor $O_{E_{\eta}}[1/N]$ of $O_{E_{A,N}}[1/N]$. Let \mathscr{E} be the fibre of $n_{A,N}$ over $\operatorname{Spec}(E_{\eta})$; it is a connected component of $\mathcal{N}_{NE_{A}} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{NE_{A}}$. From the Zariski density part of Subsubsection 2.4.3, we get the existence of a finite field extension $E_{1\eta}$ of E_{η} such that we have a morphism $u: \operatorname{Spec}(E_{1\eta}) \to \mathcal{N}_{NE_{A}} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{NE_{A}}$ that factors through \mathscr{E} and such that the Mumford-Tate group of a suitable (in fact of each) pull back of $u^{*}(\mathscr{B}_{E_{A}})$ to \mathbb{C} , is a torus. As $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{N}$ is a projective $O_{E_{4}}[1/N]$ -scheme, the morphism u extends to a morphism $\bar{u}: \operatorname{Spec}(O_{E_{1\eta}}[1/N]) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{N}$. We can assume that the field $E_{1\eta}$ is such that the abelian variety $u^{*}(\mathscr{B}_{E_{A}})$ extends (cf. Lemma 2.3.1) to an abelian scheme over $O_{E_{1\eta}}[1/N]$ which (cf. [10], Chapter I, Proposition 2.7) is the semiabelian scheme $\bar{u}^{*}(\overline{\mathscr{B}})$. Thus \bar{u} factors through \mathcal{N}_{N} , cf. property 2.5 (i). As u factors through \mathscr{E} , $\operatorname{Im}(\bar{u})$ has a non-trivial intersection with \mathscr{F} . From the last two sentences, we get that the intersection $\mathscr{F} \cap \mathcal{N}_{N}$ is non-empty.

But $\mathscr{F} \cap \mathscr{N}_N$ is an open subscheme of \mathscr{F} , cf. property 2.5 (ii). Our last hypothesis implies that the morphism $\mathscr{F} \cap \mathscr{N}_N \to \mathscr{F}$ is a closed embedding. As \mathscr{F} is connected and has a non-empty intersection with \mathscr{N}_N , from the last two sentences we get that $\mathscr{F} = \mathscr{F} \cap \mathscr{N}_N$. Thus \mathscr{F} is a closed subscheme of \mathscr{N}_N . Thus $\mathscr{N}_N \setminus \mathscr{N}_N$ has no points of characteristic p. \Box

§3. A construction

In this section we assume that the abelian variety A has compact factors (equivalently, that the Shimura pair (H_A, X_A) has compact factors) and that the adjoint group H_A^{ad} is non-trivial. Let (H_0, X_0) be a fixed simple factor of (H_A^{ad}, X_A^{ad}) ; it has compact factors. The homomorphism $h_{A0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ of Subsubsection 2.4.1 is an element of X_0 and in fact X_0 is the $H_0(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of h_{A0} .

For another abelian variety *B* over *E*, let (H_B, X_B) , $h_B : \mathbb{S} \to H_{B\mathbb{R}}$, $h_B^{\mathrm{ad}} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{B\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}}$, and $(H_B^{\mathrm{ad}}, X_B^{\mathrm{ad}})$ be the analogues of (H_A, X_A) , $h_A : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}$, $h_A^{\mathrm{ad}} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}}$, and $(H_A^{\mathrm{ad}}, X_A^{\mathrm{ad}})$ (respectively) introduced in Subsection 2.4 but for *B* instead of *A*.

Let $p \in \mathbb{N}$ be a prime. In this section we will prove the following result.

3.1. Theorem. Up to a replacement of E by a finite field extension of it, there exists a principally polarized abelian variety (A_0, λ_{A_0}) over E such that the following two properties hold:

(a) We have an isomorphism $(H_{A_0}^{ad}, X_{A_0}^{ad}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (H_0, X_0)$ (to be viewed as an identity) with the property that the homomorphism $h_{A_0}^{ad} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A_0\mathbb{R}}^{ad} = H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ is h_{A0} .

(b) There exists an integer $N_0 \ge 3$ that is relatively prime to p and such that we have $\mathcal{N}_{A_0,N_0} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{A_0,N_0}$ (i.e., and such that the statement 2.6 (b) holds for $(A_0, \lambda_{A_0}, N_0)$).

3.1.1. On the proof of Theorem 3.1. The proof of Theorem 3.1 is carried out in Subsections 3.2 to 3.4. The existence (up to a replacement of *E* by a finite field extension of it) of a principally polarized abelian variety (A_0, λ_{A_0}) over *E* such that the property 3.1 (a) holds, is an elementary consequence of [7], Proposition 2.3.10. The hard part is to show that we can choose (A_0, λ_{A_0}) so that property 3.1 (b) holds as well. In order to achieve that property 3.1 (b) holds, we will take A_0 so that the following two properties hold:

(i) The rank of the \mathbb{Z} -algebra $\operatorname{End}(A_{0\mathbb{C}})$ is sufficiently big.

(ii) If A_0 extends to a semiabelian scheme over a local ring of O_E of mixed characteristic (0, p), then the natural action of $\text{End}(A_{0\mathbb{C}})$ on the group of characters of the maximal torus of the special fibre of the semiabelian scheme extension, has some specific properties.

Due to properties (i) and (ii), the semiabelian scheme of property (ii) will turn to be an abelian scheme. Condition 3.1 (b) will be implied by natural moduli analogues of properties (i) and (ii). In Subsection 3.2 we include notations that are essential for a review of the constructions of [7], Proposition 2.3.10 and for supplementing these constructions in order to be able to take A_0 so that the moduli analogues of properties (i) and (ii) hold. The mentioned review and supplementing process are the very essence of the construction of A_0 and are gathered in Lemma 3.3. In Subsection 3.4 we check that the moduli analogues of properties (i) and (ii) hold and we use this to end the proof of Theorem 3.1.

3.2. Notations. Let F_0 be a totally real number subfield of $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ such that we have

$$H_0 = \operatorname{Res}_{F_0/\mathbb{Q}} G_0,$$

with G_0 as an absolutely simple adjoint group over F_0 (cf. [7], Subsubsection 2.3.4); the field F_0 is unique up to $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$ -conjugation. Let $i_{\text{nat}} : F_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the embedding naturally defined by the inclusions $F_0 \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. We identify $\text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R}) = \text{Hom}(F_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$.

Let T_0 be a maximal torus of H_0 . Let B_0 be a Borel subgroup of $H_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ that contains $T_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$. Let \mathfrak{D}_0 be the Dynkin diagram of $\operatorname{Lie}(H_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}})$ with respect to $T_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ and B_0 . We have $H_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} = \prod_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} G_0 \times_{F_0 i} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$. Thus \mathfrak{D}_0 is a disjoint union $\bigcup_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} \mathfrak{D}_i$, where \mathfrak{D}_i is the connected Dynkin diagram of $\operatorname{Lie}(G_0 \times_{F_0 i} \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ with respect to $(G_0 \times_{F_0 i} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) \cap T_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ and $(G_0 \times_{F_0 i} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) \cap B_0$. Let \mathfrak{L}_0 be the Lie type of a (any) simple factor of $H_{0\mathbb{C}}$. As the group $H_{0\mathbb{R}} = \prod_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} G_0 \times_{F_0 i} \mathbb{R}$ has simple, compact factors and simple, non-compact factors (see Subsection 2.2), we have $[F_0 : \mathbb{Q}] \ge 2$.

For a vertex α of \mathfrak{D}_0 , let \mathfrak{g}_{α} be the 1 dimensional Lie subalgebra of $\operatorname{Lie}(B_0)$ that corresponds to α . The Galois group $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$ acts on \mathfrak{D}_0 as follows. If $\gamma \in \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$, then $\gamma(\alpha)$ is the vertex of \mathfrak{D}_0 defined by the identity $\mathfrak{g}_{\gamma(\alpha)} = i_{g_{\gamma}}(\gamma(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha}))$, where $i_{g_{\gamma}}$ is the inner conjugation of $\operatorname{Lie}(H_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}})$ by an element $g_{\gamma} \in H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ which normalizes $T_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ and for which we have an identity $g_{\gamma\gamma}(B_0)g_{\gamma}^{-1} = B_0$.

Let $\mu_0 : \mathbb{G}_{m\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} \to H_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ be as in Subsubsection 2.4.1. Let \mathfrak{B}_0 be the set of vertices of \mathfrak{D}_0 such that the unique cocharacter of $T_{0\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ that acts on \mathfrak{g}_{α} trivially if $\alpha \notin \mathfrak{B}_0$ and via the identical character of $\mathbb{G}_{m\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ if $\alpha \in \mathfrak{B}_0$, is $H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ -conjugate to μ_0 . Let \mathfrak{D}_0 be the set of vertices of \mathfrak{D}_0 formed by the orbit of \mathfrak{B}_0 under $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$. As H_A is the smallest subgroup of GL_{W_A} through which h_A factors, the images of both h_{A0} and μ_0 are non-trivial. Thus the set \mathfrak{B}_0 is non-empty. The image of h_{A0} in a simple factor \mathscr{F}_0 of $H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ is trivial if and only if the group \mathscr{F}_0 is compact (this is so as the centralizer of $\operatorname{Im}(h_A^{\mathrm{ad}})$ in $H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}}$ is a maximal compact subgroup of $H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}}$, cf. [7], page 259). As $H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ has at least one simple, compact factor (cf. Definition 1.1), we get that:

- there exists an element $i_0 \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ such that \mathfrak{B}_0 contains no vertex of \mathfrak{D}_{i_0} (equivalently, such that the simple factor $G_0 \times_{F_0 i_0} \mathbb{R}$ of $H_{0\mathbb{R}}$ is compact).

As the Hodge Q-structure on Lie(H_0) defined by any element $x_0 \in X_0$ is of type $\{(-1,1), (0,0), (1,-1)\}$, for each $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ the set \mathfrak{B}_0 contains at most one vertex of \mathfrak{D}_i . We know that \mathfrak{L}_0 is a classical Lie type, cf. [7], Table 2.3.8. Moreover, if \mathfrak{B}_0 contains a vertex of \mathfrak{D}_i , then with the standard notations of [5], Plates I to VI, this vertex is (cf. [7], Table 1.3.9): an arbitrary vertex if $\mathfrak{L}_0 = A_n$, vertex 1 if $\mathfrak{L}_0 = B_n$, vertex *n* if $\mathfrak{L}_0 = C_n$, and an extremal vertex if $\mathfrak{L}_0 = D_n$. The reflex field $E(H_0, X_0)$ of (H_0, X_0) is the fixed field of the open subgroup of Gal(\mathbb{Q}) that stabilizes \mathfrak{B}_0 , cf. [7], Proposition 2.3.6.

If the Lie type \mathfrak{L}_0 is A_n , B_n , or C_n , then (H_0, X_0) is said to be of A_n , B_n , or C_n type. If $\mathfrak{L}_0 = D_n$ with $n \ge 5$, then (H_0, X_0) is said to be:

- of $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ type, if for each embedding $i: F_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, \mathfrak{D}_0 contains only the vertex 1 of \mathfrak{D}_i ;

- of $D_n^{\mathbb{H}}$ type, if for each embedding $i: F_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, \mathfrak{D}_0 contains the vertices n-1 or n of \mathfrak{D}_i but not the vertex 1 of \mathfrak{D}_i .

If $\mathfrak{L}_0 = D_4$, then (H_0, X_0) is said to be of $D_4^{\mathbb{R}}$ (resp. of $D_4^{\mathbb{H}}$) if for each embedding $i: F_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, \mathfrak{D}_0 contains only one (resp. exactly two) vertices of \mathfrak{D}_i ; with the notations of [5], Plate IV, this vertex (resp. these two vertices) will be chosen in what follows to be the vertex 1 (resp. to be the last two vertices 3 and 4).

The definition of the A_n , B_n , C_n , $D_n^{\mathbb{H}}$, and $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ types conforms with [7]. From [7], Table 2.3.8 we get that (H_0, X_0) is of A_n , B_n , C_n , $D_n^{\mathbb{H}}$, or $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ type.

Let \mathfrak{S}_0 be the subset of vertices of \mathfrak{D}_0 defined as follows:

- if (H_0, X_0) is of A_n type, then \mathfrak{S}_0 is the set of all extremal vertices;

- if (H_0, X_0) is of B_n (resp. C_n) type, then \mathfrak{S}_0 is the set of all vertices *n* (resp. 1);

- if (H_0, X_0) is of $D_n^{\mathbb{H}}$ (resp. $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$) type, then \mathfrak{S}_0 is the set of all vertices 1 (resp. n-1 and n).

The set \mathfrak{S}_0 is $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$ -invariant (if $\mathfrak{L}_0 = D_n$, this is implied by the very definitions of the $D_n^{\mathbb{H}}$ and $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ types). We identify the $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q})$ -set \mathfrak{S}_0 with $\operatorname{Hom}(F_1, \mathbb{C})$, where F_1 is an étale F_0 -algebra of degree at most 2. We have $[F_1 : F_0] = 2$ if and only if (H_0, X_0) is either

of A_n type with $n \ge 2$ or of $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ type with $n \ge 4$. The F_0 -algebra F_1 is either a field of CM type (cf. [7], Subsubsection 2.3.4 (b) or the first paragraph of the proof of [7], Proposition 2.3.10) or a product of two fields isomorphic to F_0 and thus of CM type. If $[F_1 : F_0] = 2$ and (H_0, X_0) is of $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ type with *n* even, then F_1 is not necessarily a field.

3.2.1. The field K_0 . Let $\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ be an algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q}_p . We fix an identification between $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ and the algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q} in $\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ and we use it to identify naturally the set $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R}) = \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ with $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p})$. We write $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p = \prod_{j \in J} F_{0j}$ as a product of *p*-adic fields. Let $j_0 \in J$ be the unique element such that to the embedding $i_0 : F_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ corresponds (under the identification $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R}) = \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p})$) an embedding $F_0 \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ that factors through the composite embedding $F_0 \hookrightarrow F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p \to F_{0j_0}$.

Let v_{0j_0} be the prime of F_0 above p such that the completion of F_0 with respect to v_{0j_0} is the factor F_{0j_0} of $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p$. Let K_0 be a totally imaginary quadratic extension of F_0 which is unramified above primes of F_0 that divide p and which has only one prime w_{0j_0} above v_{0j_0} . We have $[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}] = 2[F_0 : \mathbb{Q}] \ge 4$. Let K_{0j_0} be the completion of K_0 with respect to w_{0j_0} ; we have $[K_{0j_0} : F_{0j_0}] = 2$. As F_0 is a totally real number field and as K_0 is a totally imaginary quadratic extension of F_0 , the field K_0 is of CM type.

3.3. Lemma. We recall that (H_0, X_0) is a simple factor of (H_A^{ad}, X_A^{ad}) . There exists a Shimura pair (H_1, X_1) such that the following four properties hold:

(i) The adjoint Shimura pair of (H_1, X_1) is (H_0, X_0) and there exists $h_{A_0} \in X_1$ that maps naturally to the element $h_{A_0} \in X_0$ introduced in Subsubsection 2.4.1.

(ii) We have an injective map $f_1 : (H_1, X_1) \hookrightarrow (GSp(W_1, \psi_1), S_1)$ into a Shimura pair that defines a Siegel modular variety.

(iii) The torus $\mathscr{T} := \operatorname{Res}_{K_0 \otimes_{F_0} F_1/\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{G}_{mK_0 \otimes_{F_0} F_1}$ is naturally a subgroup of GL_{W_1} that centralizes H_1^{der} and that makes W_1 to have a natural structure of a K_0 -vector space.

(iv) The torus $Z^0(H_1)$ is the torus of GL_{W_1} generated by $Z(\operatorname{GL}_{W_1})$ and by the maximal subtorus \mathcal{T}_c of \mathcal{T} which over \mathbb{R} is compact.

Proof. The existence of the Shimura pair (H_1, X_1) such that properties (i) and (ii) (resp. (iii) and (iv)) hold follows from the statement (resp. the proof) of [7], Proposition 2.3.10. We recall the details of the construction of (H_1, X_1) , in the form needed in what follows. Let Q_0 be a maximal torus of G_0 . Its rank is equal to the rank *n* of \mathfrak{L}_0 . To ease the notations, we can assume that we have an identity $T_0 = \operatorname{Res}_{F_0/\mathbb{Q}} Q_0$ between tori of H_0 .

Let E_0 be the smallest subfield of \mathbb{C} which contains F_0 and which has the property that the torus Q_{0E_0} is split; it is a Galois extension of F_0 and the Galois group $\operatorname{Gal}(E_0/F_0)$ is a finite subgroup of $\operatorname{GL}_{X^*(Q_{0E_0})}(\mathbb{Z})$, where the group $X^*(Q_{0E_0})$ of characters of Q_{0E_0} is viewed as a free \mathbb{Z} -module of rank n.

We will consider a representation $\rho_0: G_{0E_0}^{sc} \to \operatorname{GL}_{V_0}$, where V_0 is an E_0 -vector space of finite dimension. In what follows all the weights used are with respect to the maximal torus of $G_{0E_0}^{sc}$ whose image in G_{0E_0} is the maximal torus Q_{0E_0} of G_{0E_0} . Depending on the

type of (H_0, X_0) , we choose ρ_0 such that (cf. the definition of the subset \mathfrak{S}_0 of vertices of \mathfrak{D}_0) the following properties hold (see [5], Plates I to IV for the weights used):

(v.a) If (H_0, X_0) is of A_n type with $n \ge 2$, then ρ_0 is the direct sum of the two faithful representations of $G_{0E_0}^{sc} = SL_{n+1E_0}$ associated to the weights ϖ_1 and ϖ_n (thus $\dim_{E_0}(V_0) = 2n + 2$).

(v.b) If (H_0, X_0) is of B_n type with $n \ge 3$, then ρ_0 is the faithful spin representation of $G_{0E_0}^{sc} = \text{Spin}_{2n+1E_0}$ associated to the weight ϖ_n (thus $\dim_{E_0}(V_0) = 2^n$).

(v.c) If (H_0, X_0) is of C_n type with $n \ge 1$, then ρ_0 is the faithful representation of $G_{0E_0}^{sc} = \operatorname{Sp}_{2nE_0}$ of dimension 2n associated to the weight ϖ_1 (thus $\dim_{E_0}(V_0) = 2n$).

(v.d1) If (H_0, X_0) is of $D_n^{\mathbb{H}}$ type with $n \ge 4$, then ρ_0 is the representation of $G_{0E_0}^{\mathrm{sc}}$ of dimension 2n associated to the weight ϖ_1 (thus $\dim_{E_0}(V_0) = 2n$).

(v.d2) If (H_0, X_0) is of $D_n^{\mathbb{R}}$ type with $n \ge 4$, then ρ_0 is the spin representation of $G_{0E_0}^{\text{sc}} = \text{Spin}_{2nE_0}$ associated to the weights ϖ_{n-1} and ϖ_n (thus $\dim_{E_0}(V_0) = 2^n$).

Let V_1 be V_0 but viewed as a rational vector space; we keep in mind that V_1 has also a natural structure of an E_0 -vector space and thus also of an F_0 -vector space. As $H_0^{sc} = \operatorname{Res}_{F_0/\mathbb{Q}} G_0^{sc}$ is a subgroup of $\operatorname{Res}_{E_0/\mathbb{Q}} G_{0E_0}^{sc}$, V_1 is naturally an H_0^{sc} -module. Let H_1^{der} be the image of the natural representation $H_0^{sc} \to \operatorname{GL}_{V_1}$ over \mathbb{Q} ; the adjoint group of H_1^{der} is H_0 . The set of weights used in (v.a) to (v.d2) is stable under the natural action of $\operatorname{Gal}(F_0)$ on the abelian group of weights and as a $\operatorname{Gal}(F_0)$ -set it can be identified with the $\operatorname{Gal}(F_0)$ set of vertices of $\mathfrak{D}_{i_{nat}}$ contained in \mathfrak{S}_0 . This implies that the center of the double centralizer of H_1^{der} in GL_{V_1} is the torus $\operatorname{Res}_{F_1/\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{G}_{mF_1}$ (see Subsection 3.2 for F_1).

We take $W_1 := K_0 \otimes_{F_0} V_1$ and we view it as a rational vector space. As W_1 has also a natural structure of a $K_0 \otimes_{F_0} F_1$ -module whose annihilator is trivial, the torus $\mathscr{T} := \operatorname{Res}_{K_0 \otimes_{F_0} F_1/\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{G}_{mK_0 \otimes_{F_0} F_1}$ is naturally a subgroup of GL_{W_1} . Moreover W_1 has a natural structure of a K_0 -vector space. We will also identify H_1^{der} with a semisimple subgroup of GL_{W_1} that commutes with \mathscr{T} . As K_0 and the simple factors of F_1 are fields of CM type (cf. Subsubsections 3.2 and 3.2.1), the maximal compact subtorus of $\mathscr{T}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is the extension to \mathbb{R} of a subtorus \mathscr{T}_c of \mathscr{T} . Let $Z^0(H_1)$ be the torus of GL_{W_1} generated by \mathscr{T}_c and $Z(\operatorname{GL}_{W_1})$. The torus $Z^0(H_1)$ commutes with H_1^{der} and therefore there exists a unique reductive subgroup H_1 of GL_{W_1} such that the notations match (i.e., the derived group of H_1 is H_1^{der} and the maximal torus of the center of H_1 is $Z^0(H_1)$). Thus the property (iv) holds. As H_1 commutes with \mathscr{T} , the property (iii) also holds. Let H_2 be the subgroup of GL_{W_1} generated by H_1^{der} and \mathscr{T} ; it contains H_1 .

The existence of an injective map $f_1 : (H_1, X_1) \hookrightarrow (\operatorname{GSp}(W_1, \psi_1), S_1)$ such that the property (i) holds is part of the proof of [7], Proposition 2.3.10. We recall the part of loc. cit. that pertains to the existence of the element $h_{A_0} \in X_1$. We have $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} = \prod_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} \mathbb{R}$; for $i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ let π_i be the idempotent of $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$ such that $\pi_i(F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R})$ is the factor \mathbb{R} of $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$ that corresponds to *i*. Let $V(i) := \pi_i W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$. We have a direct sum decomposition $W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} = \bigoplus_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} V(i)$ of $H_{1\mathbb{R}}^{\operatorname{der}}$ -modules. We also have a direct sum decomposition

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(1)
$$W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C} = \bigoplus_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} W(i_1) \oplus W(i_2)$$

of $H_{2\mathbb{C}}$ -modules (and thus also of $H_{1\mathbb{C}}$ -modules), where for each $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ the elements $i_1, i_2 \in \text{Hom}(K_0, \mathbb{C})$ extend $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{C})$ and are listed in an a priori chosen order and where $V(i) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} = W(i_1) \oplus W(i_2)$ is the natural decomposition into $K_0 \otimes_{F_0} \mathbb{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ modules. Each homomorphism $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{2\mathbb{R}}$ normalizes V(i) and thus gives birth to a homomorphism $h_{A_0,i} : \mathbb{S} \to \text{GL}_{V(i)}$. Moreover, each homomorphism $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{2\mathbb{R}}$ that defines a Hodge \mathbb{Q} -structure on W_1 which has a (constant) weight, factors through $H_{1\mathbb{R}}$.

We will choose a homomorphism $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{2\mathbb{R}}$ such that the Hodge Q-structure on W_1 is of type $\{(-1,0), (0,-1)\}$ (i.e., we have a natural Hodge decomposition $W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C} = F_{A_0}^{-1,0} \oplus F_{A_0}^{0,-1}$ defined by h_{A_0}) and the following two additional properties hold:

(vi.c) If $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ is such that $G_0 \times_{F_0} \mathbb{R}$ is compact (for instance, if i is i_0), then $h_{A_0,i}$ is fixed (i.e., centralized) by the image of $H_{2\mathbb{R}}$ in $\text{GL}_{V(i)}$, we have inclusions $W(i_1) \subseteq F_{A_0}^{-1,0}$ and $W(i_2) \subseteq F_{A_0}^{0,-1}$, and therefore $W(i_1)^*$ is included in the Hodge filtration $F_{A_0}^1(W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C})$ of $W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ defined by h_{A_0} .

(vi.n) If $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ is such that $G_0 \times_{F_0} \mathbb{R}$ is non-compact, then

$$h_{A_0,i}: \mathbb{S} \to \mathrm{GL}_{V(i)}$$

is the unique homomorphism such that the Hodge \mathbb{R} -structure on V(i) is of type $\{(-1,0), (0,-1)\}$ and $h_{A_0,i}$ lifts the non-trivial homomorphism $\mathbb{S} \to G_0 \times_{F_0} \mathbb{R}$ naturally defined by h_{A0} (here $G_0 \times_{F_0} \mathbb{R}$ is a simple factor of $H_{0\mathbb{R}} = \prod_{\tilde{i} \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0,\mathbb{R})} G_0 \times_{F_0} \mathbb{R}$).

See the proof of [7], Proposition 2.3.10 for the explicit construction of $h_{A_0,i}$ of (vi.n); below we will only use (vi.c). We denote also by $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{1\mathbb{R}}$ the factorization of h_{A_0} through $H_{1\mathbb{R}}$ (the weight of the Hodge Q-structure on W_1 defined by h_{A_0} is -1). Let X_1 be the $H_1(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{1\mathbb{R}}$. From (vi.c) and (vi.n) we get that the property (i) holds. The existence of an injective map as in the property (ii) is a particular case of the argument for [7], Corollary 2.3.3. Thus property (ii) also holds. \Box

3.3.1. Two extra properties. In this subsubsection we will use the notations of the proof of Lemma 3.3. From property 3.3 (vi.c) we get that:

(i) For $i = i_0 \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ and each $x_1 \in X_1$, $W(i_1)^*$ is included in the Hodge filtration $F_{x_1}^1(W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C})$ of $W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ defined by x_1 .

For each $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$, the real vector space V(i) is the direct sum of all irreducible subrepresentations of the representation of $G_0^{\text{sc}} \times_{F_0 i} \mathbb{R}$ on $W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$. The group $\bigoplus_{i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R}) \setminus \{i\}} G_0^{\text{sc}} \times_{F_0 i} \mathbb{R}$ fixes both V(i) and ψ_1 . Based on the last two sentences, the isomorphism $\delta_1 : W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\sim} W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R}$ of $H_{1\mathbb{R}}^{\text{sc}}$ -modules (or $H_{1\mathbb{R}}^{\text{der}}$ -modules) naturally induced by ψ_1 has the property that for all $i \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ it maps V(i) onto the direct summand $V(i)^*$ of $W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} = (W_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R})^*$ (i.e., we have $\delta_1(V(i)) = V(i)^*$). Thus:

(ii) For all $i, \tilde{i} \in \text{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ with $i \neq \tilde{i}$, the restriction of ψ_1 to V(i) is non-degenerate and we have $\psi_1(V(i) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V(\tilde{i})) = 0$.

3.4. The proof of Theorem 3.1. Let H_{A_0} be the smallest subgroup of H_1 such that the homomorphism $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{1\mathbb{R}}$ of the property 3.3 (i) factors through $H_{A_0\mathbb{R}}$. As either $2\pi i \psi_1$ or $-2\pi i \psi_1$ is a polarization of the Hodge Q-structure on W_1 defined by h_{A_0} (cf. property 3.3 (ii)), the group H_{A_0} is reductive (cf. [8], Proposition 3.6). As $h_{A_0} \in X_0$ is the image of $h_{A_0} \in X_1$, we have a natural identity $H_{A_0}^{ad} = H_0$. Let X_{A_0} be the $H_{A_0}(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of $h_{A_0} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A_0\mathbb{R}}$. Let L_{A_0} be a \mathbb{Z} -lattice of W_1 such that ψ_1 induces a perfect alternating form on L_{A_0} .

We have an injective map $f_{A_0}: (H_{A_0}, X_{A_0}) \hookrightarrow (\operatorname{GSp}(W_1, \psi_1), S_1)$ of Shimura pairs, cf. property 3.3 (ii). Let the 9-tuple $(E_{A_0}, g_0, \mathscr{A}_{g_0, 1, N_0}, \mathscr{N}_{0N_0}, \mathscr{R}_{0, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}_0}}, \mathscr{R}_{0, K_{A_0}}(N_0))$ be the analogue of the 9-tuple $(E_A, g, \mathscr{A}_{g, 1, N}, \mathscr{N}_N, \mathscr{R}, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}}, \mathscr{R}, K_A(N))$ formed by entries introduced in Subsections 2.4 and 2.5, but obtained in the context of the triple (f_{A_0}, L_{A_0}, N_0) instead of the triple (f_A, L_A, N) ; here the integer $N_0 \ge 3$ is relatively prime to p. Thus $E_{A_0} = E(H_{A_0}, X_{A_0}), 2g_0 = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(W_1)$, etc. From Subsection 2.4.2 applied in the context of the 7-tuple $(L_{A_0}, \mathscr{A}_{g_0, 1, N_0}, \mathscr{N}_{0N_0}, \mathscr{R}_{0, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}_0}}, K_{A_0}(N_0))$ instead of the 7tuple $(L_A, \mathscr{A}_{g, 1, N}, \mathscr{N}_N, \mathscr{R}, \lambda_{\mathscr{R}}, K_A(N))$ and from the property 3.3 (iii), we get that we can naturally view K_0 as a Q-algebra of Q-endomorphisms of each pull back of the abelian scheme \mathscr{B}_0 via a C-valued point of $\mathrm{Sh}(H_{A_0}, X_{A_0})/K_{A_0}(N_0)$. This implies that, up to a replacement of N_0 by a positive integral power of it, we can view K_0 as a Q-algebra of Qendomorphisms of the pull back of \mathscr{B}_0 to the spectrum of the ring of fractions of \mathscr{N}_{0N_0} and thus also (cf. [10], Chapter I, Proposition 2.7) as a Q-algebra of Q-endomorphisms of either \mathscr{B}_0 or \mathscr{B}_0 . This represents the moduli analogue of the property 3.1.1 (i).

The main point of the proof of Theorem 3.1 is to show that $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0} \setminus \mathcal{N}_{0N_0}$ has no points of characteristic p (the argument relies on Lemma 2.8 and it extends until Subsubsection 3.4.5). Let k be an algebraic closure of the field \mathbb{F}_p .

3.4.1. An assumption. We will show that the assumption that there exists a morphism $q: \operatorname{Spec}(k[[x]]) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0}$ with the property that it gives birth to morphisms $q_{\operatorname{sp}}: \operatorname{Spec}(k) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0}$ and $q_{\operatorname{gen}}: \operatorname{Spec}(k((x))) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0}$ that factor through $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0} \setminus \mathcal{N}_{0N_0}$ and \mathcal{N}_{0N_0} (respectively), leads to a contradiction (the argument will extend until Subsubsection 3.4.5). Let $C := q^*(\overline{\mathcal{B}}_0)$; it is a semiabelian scheme over k[[x]], whose generic fibre $C_{k((x))}$ is an abelian variety over k((x)) and whose special fibre C_k is a semiabelian variety over k that is not an abelian variety. Moreover, $\lambda_{C_{k((x))}} := q^*_{\operatorname{gen}}(\lambda_{\mathcal{B}_0})$ is a principal polarization of $C_{k((x))}$. The next three subsubsections represent the moduli analogue of the property 3.1.1 (ii).

3.4.2. Notations. Let $k_1 := \overline{k((x))}$. Let $B(k_1)$ be the field of fractions of the Witt ring $W(k_1)$ of k_1 and let σ be its Frobenius automorphism. Let (M, ϕ, ψ_M) be the principally quasi-polarized *F*-isocrystal over k_1 of (the principally quasi-polarized *p*-divisible group of) $(C_{k((x))}, \lambda_{C_{k(x)}})_{k_1}$. Thus *M* is a $B(k_1)$ -vector space of dimension $2g_0 = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(W_1)$, $\phi : M \xrightarrow{\sim} M$ is a σ -linear automorphism, and $\psi_M : M \otimes_{B(k_1)} M \to B(k_1)$ is a non-degenerate alternating form which has the property that for all $a, b \in M$ we have an identity $\psi_M(\phi(a) \otimes \phi(b)) = p\sigma(\psi_M(a \otimes b))$. Let *O* be a finite discrete valuation ring extension of $W(k_1)$ such that we have a morphism $q_0 : \operatorname{Spec}(O) \to \mathcal{N}_{0N_0}$ with the property that it gives birth to a morphism $q_{k_1} : \operatorname{Spec}(k_1) \to \mathcal{N}_{0N_0}$ which factors through q_{gen} , cf. [12], Corollary

(17.16.2) applied to the flat morphism $\mathcal{N}_{0N_0} \times_{\operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})} \operatorname{Spec}(W(k_1)) \to \operatorname{Spec}(W(k_1))$. By enlarging O, we can assume that the field of fractions L of O is naturally an algebra over the Galois extension of \mathbb{Q} generated by K_0 and E; thus $K_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} L \xrightarrow{\sim} L^{[K_0:\mathbb{Q}]}$ and therefore the set $\operatorname{Hom}(K_0, L)$ has $[K_0:\mathbb{Q}]$ elements.

Let $(D, \lambda_D) := q_0^*(\mathscr{B}_0, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}_0})$; it is a principally polarized abelian scheme over O. We fix an embedding $i_L : L \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ that extends i_E ; thus we can speak about $D_{\mathbb{C}}$. Viewing K_0 as a Q-algebra of Q-endomorphisms of the pull back D of \mathscr{B}_0 (cf. Subsection 3.4), we get that we have a natural \mathbb{Q}_p -monomorphism $K_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p \hookrightarrow \operatorname{End}(M, \phi)$. Thus M has a natural structure of a $K_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} B(k_1)$ -module and therefore also of an $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p$ -module. As $F_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p = \prod_{j \in J} F_{0j}$, we have a unique decomposition of F-isocrystals over k_1

(2)
$$(M,\phi) = \bigoplus_{j \in J} (M_j,\phi)$$

with the property that each M_j is an F_{0j} -vector space.

We apply Subsection 2.4.2 in the context of

$$(L_{A_0}, \mathscr{A}_{g_0, 1, N_0}, \mathscr{N}_{0N_0}, \mathscr{N}_{0N_0}, \mathscr{B}_0, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}_0}, K_{A_0}(N_0))$$

instead of $(L_A, \mathscr{A}_{g,1,N}, \mathscr{N}_N, \mathscr{N}_N, \mathscr{B}, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}}, K_A(N))$. Thus we have an identity

$$H_1(D(\mathbb{C}),\mathbb{Q}) = W_1$$

which is compatible with the natural K_0 -actions. Moreover, the non-degenerate alternating form on $H_1(D(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q})$ induced by λ_D is a non-zero rational multiple of ψ_1 .

3.4.3. Proposition. The *F*-isocrystal (M_{i_0}, ϕ) has slopes 0 and 1 with multiplicity zero.

Proof. Let $M_{j_0}^{00}$ be the \mathbb{Q}_p -vector subspace of M_{j_0} formed by elements fixed by ϕ . Thus $M_{j_0}^{0} := M_{j_0}^{00} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_p} B(k_1)$ is the maximal $B(k_1)$ -vector subspace of M_{j_0} that is normalized by ϕ and such that all slopes of $(M_{j_0}^0, \phi)$ are 0. Obviously $M_{j_0}^{00}$ is a $K_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p$ -module and thus K_{0j_0} acts on $M_{j_0}^{00}$. As M_{j_0} is an F_{0j_0} -vector space and as K_{0j_0} is a field (see Subsubsection 3.2.1), $M_{j_0}^{00}$ is a K_{0j_0} -vector space.

Let F_L^1 be the *L*-vector subspace of $M \otimes_{B(k_1)} L$ that defines the Hodge filtration of $M \otimes_{B(k_1)} L$ associated to the abelian variety D_L via the functorial (in *D*) identification $M \otimes_{B(k_1)} L = H_{dR}^1(D_L/L)$ (see [2], Theorem 1.3). As *D* is an abelian scheme over *O*, the triple (M, ϕ, F_L^1) is an admissible filtered module over *L* in the sense of [11], Subsubsection 5.5.2 (cf. [11], Theorem of 6.1.4) and thus it is also a weakly-admissible filtered module over *L* in the sense of [11], Definition 4.4.3 (cf. [11], Subsubsection 5.5.3). This implies that the Hodge polygon \mathfrak{p}_H of $(M_{j_0}^0 \otimes_{B(k_1)} L, (M_{j_0}^0 \otimes_{B(k_1)} L) \cap F_L^1)$ is below the Newton polygon \mathfrak{p}_N of $(M_{j_0}^0, \phi)$, cf. [11], Proposition 4.4.2. As \mathfrak{p}_N has all slopes 0, we get that in fact $\mathfrak{p}_H = \mathfrak{p}_N$. Thus $(M_{j_0}^0 \otimes_{B(k_1)} L) \cap F_L^1 = 0$.

We fix an algebraic closure \overline{L} of L and we identify (to be compared with Subsubsection 3.2.1) $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ and $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ with their algebraic closures in \overline{L} . Thus we also identify the set $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) = \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ with the two sets $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ and $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, L) = \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \overline{L})$ (resp. we identify the sets $\operatorname{Hom}(K_0, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) = \operatorname{Hom}(K_0, \overline{\mathbb{C}})$ and $\operatorname{Hom}(K_0, L) = \operatorname{Hom}(K_0, \overline{L})$).

Let $I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ (resp. $I_{0,p}$) be the subset of $\operatorname{Hom}(K_0, L)$ (resp. of $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, L)$) formed by embeddings $K_0 \hookrightarrow L$ (resp. $F_0 \hookrightarrow L$) that have the property that (under them) the local ring O of L dominates the ring of integers of F_{0j_0} in such a way that the resulting embedding $F_{0j_0} \hookrightarrow \overline{L}$ is defined by an embedding $F_{0j_0} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ which, up to $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -conjugation, is (cf. Subsection 3.2) the element $i_0 \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$. As K_{0j_0} is a quadratic field extension of F_{0j_0} , the subset $I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ of $\operatorname{Hom}(K_0, L)$ has $[K_{0j_0} : \mathbb{Q}_p]$ elements and is $\operatorname{Gal}(K_0/F_0)$ -invariant. Moreover the set $I_{0,p}$ has $[F_{0j_0} : \mathbb{Q}_p]$ elements and it is naturally identified with the quotient of $I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ under the action of $\operatorname{Gal}(K_0/F_0)$ on it. Let

$$M_{j_0}^{00} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_p} L = M_{j_0}^0 \otimes_{B(k_1)} L = \bigoplus_{i_{0,L} \in \operatorname{Hom}(K_0,L)} M_{j_0}^{0i_{0,L}}$$

be the natural decomposition into $K_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} L$ -modules. As $M_{j_0}^{00}$ is a K_{0j_0} -vector space, each $M_{j_0}^{0i_{0,L}}$ with $i_{0,L} \in I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ is an L-vector space which is trivial if and only if $M_{j_0}^{00} = 0$.

Formula (1) and the above two identifications $M \otimes_{B(k_1)} L = H^1_{d\mathbb{R}}(D_L/L)$ and $H_1(D(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q}) = W_1$ are functorial in D. We recall that K_0 is naturally a subfield of $\operatorname{End}(D) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ (cf. Subsection 3.4) and that the principal polarization λ_D of D is defined by an isomorphism $D \xrightarrow{\sim} D^t$. From the last two sentences we get that we have natural identifications of K_0 -vector spaces

(3)
$$M \otimes_{B(k_1)} \mathbb{C} = H^1_{\mathrm{dR}}(D_{\mathbb{C}}/\mathbb{C}) = H^1(D(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$$
$$= W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C} = \bigoplus_{i \in \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})} W(i_1)^* \oplus W(i_2)^*,$$

under which the following three properties hold (see [8], Section 1 for those properties that pertain to the relation between the de Rham and the Betti cohomologies of $D_{\mathbb{C}}$):

(i) $F_L^1 \otimes_L \mathbb{C}$ gets identified with the Hodge filtration of $W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ defined by a point $x_1 \in X_1$ that is naturally associated to $D_{\mathbb{C}}$.

(ii) $M_{j_0} \otimes_{B(k_1)} \mathbb{C}$ gets identified with $\left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_{0,p}} V(i)^*\right) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ (see proof of Lemma 3.3 for the V(i)'s).

(iii) ψ_M gets identified with a non-zero multiple of the non-degenerate alternating form on $W_1^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ naturally induced by the non-degenerate alternating form ψ_1 on W_1 .

From properties (ii), (iii), and 3.3.1 (ii), we get that ψ_M restricts to a non-degenerate alternating form on M_{j_0} and thus it defines a principal quasi-polarization of (M_{j_0}, ϕ) . Therefore the *F*-isocrystal (M_{j_0}, ϕ) has slopes 0 and 1 with equal multiplicities. Thus to end the proof of the proposition, it suffices to show that the assumption that (M_{j_0}, ϕ) has slope 0 with positive multiplicity leads to a contradiction. We have $\dim_{B(k_1)}(M_{j_0}^0) \ge 1$; thus for $i_{0,L} \in I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ we have $M_{j_0}^{0i_{0,L}} \neq 0$.

Under the identification $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R}) = \operatorname{Hom}(F_0, L)$, to the subset $I_{0,p}$ of $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, L)$ corresponds a subset I_0 of $\operatorname{Hom}(F_0, \mathbb{R})$ that contains the embedding $i_0 : F_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of Subsection 3.2. Let $i_1, i_2 : K_0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the two embeddings that extend $i := i_0$ and that are listed in the same order as in the proof of Lemma 3.3. As the set $I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ is $\operatorname{Gal}(K_0/F_0)$ -invariant, there exist elements $i_{1,p}$ and $i_{2,p}$ of $I_{0,p}^{(2)}$ that correspond to i_1 and i_2 (respectively) via the identification $\text{Hom}(K_0, \mathbb{C}) = \text{Hom}(K_0, L)$. From property 3.3.1 (i) we get that the identifications of formula (3) give birth to inclusions

$$M_{i_0}^{0_{l_{1,p}}} \otimes_{B(k_1)} \mathbb{C} \subseteq W(i_1)^* \subseteq F_L^1 \otimes_L \mathbb{C}$$

Thus $M_{j_0}^{0i_{1,p}} \otimes_{B(k_1)} L \subseteq F_L^1$. Therefore $(M_{j_0}^0 \otimes_{B(k_1)} L) \cap F_L^1 \supseteq M_{j_0}^{0i_{1,p}} \otimes_{B(k_1)} L \supseteq 0$. This contradicts the identity $(M_{j_0}^0 \otimes_{B(k_1)} L) \cap F_L^1 = 0$. \Box

3.4.4. The study of *C***.** We now use Proposition 3.4.3 to reach the contradiction promised in Subsubsection 3.4.1. Let T_k be the maximal torus of the semiabelian variety C_k . As C_k is not an abelian scheme, we have $1 \leq \dim(T_k)$. Let $K_{0\mathbb{Z}} := K_0 \cap \operatorname{End}(C)$ (the intersection being taken inside $\operatorname{End}(C) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$); it is a \mathbb{Z} -order of K_0 . As $K_{0\mathbb{Z}}$ acts on C, it also acts on T_k and thus also on the free \mathbb{Z} -module $X^*(T_k)$ of characters of T_k . Let $m, l \in \mathbb{N}$.

There exists a unique torus $T_{k,l}$ of $C_{k[[x]]/(x^l)}$ which lifts T_k , cf. [9], Exp. IX, Theorem 3.6 bis. Loc. cit. implies that we have a canonical identification $T_{k,l} = T_k \times_k k[[x]]/(x^l)$ that lifts the identity automorphism of T_k . Thus $T_{k,l}[p^m] = T_k[p^m]_{k[[x]]/(x^l)}$ is naturally a closed subgroup scheme of $C_{k[[x]]/(x^l)}[p^m]$. Due to the uniqueness property of $T_{k,l}$, the torus $T_{k,l+1}$ lifts $T_{k,l}$. Thus by passing to the limit $l \to \infty$, we get that $T_k[p^m]_{k[[x]]}$ is naturally identified with a closed subgroup scheme of $C_{k[[x]]}[p^m]$ and thus that $T_k[p^m]_{k([x))}$ is naturally identified with a closed subgroup scheme of $C_{k[[x]]}[p^m]$. To check that these last identifications are functorial, it suffices to show that for each closed, semiabelian subscheme C' of C^2 , the unique subtorus $T'_{k,l}$ of $C'_{k[[x]]/(x')}$ that lifts the maximal torus T'_k of C'_k , is a subtorus of $T^2_{k,l}$. As T'_k is a subtorus of T^2_k , from the uniqueness part of loc. cit. we get that: (i) there exists a unique subtorus $T'_{k,l}$ of $T^2_{k,l}$ that lifts T'_k , and (ii) we have an identity $T'_{k,l} = T''_{k,l}$ of subtori of $C^2_{k[[x]]/(x')}$. Thus $T'_{k,l}$ is a subtorus of $T^2_{k,l}$.

The closed embedding homomorphism $\Theta_m : T_k[p^m]_{k((x))} \hookrightarrow C_{k((x))}[p^m]$ is compatible with the natural $K_{0\mathbb{Z}}$ -actions, cf. the functorial part of the previous paragraph. By taking $m \to \infty$ we get that we have a monomorphism $\Theta_\infty : T_k[p^\infty]_{k((x))} \hookrightarrow C_{k((x))}[p^\infty]$ of *p*divisible groups over k((x)) which is compatible with the $K_{0\mathbb{Z}}$ -actions. The *F*-isocrystal of the *p*-divisible group $T_k[p^\infty]_{k_1}$ is the pair $(X^*(T_k) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} B(k_1), 1_{X^*(T_k)} \otimes p\sigma)$ (such an identification is unique up to a scalar multiplication by a unit of \mathbb{Z}_p). To Θ_∞ corresponds an epimorphism of *F*-isocrystals over k_1 ,

(4)
$$\theta_{\infty}: M \twoheadrightarrow X^*(T_k) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} B(k_1),$$

which is compatible with the $K_{0\mathbb{Z}}$ -actions. As M is a K_0 -vector space (cf. formula (3)), $K_{0\mathbb{Z}}$ can not act trivially on a quotient of M of positive dimension. Due to this and the existence of the epimorphism θ_{∞} (see (4)), the action of $K_{0\mathbb{Z}}$ on $X^*(T_k)$ is non-trivial i.e., it is defined by a \mathbb{Z} -monomorphism $K_{0\mathbb{Z}} \hookrightarrow \text{End}(X^*(T_k))$. Due to this property, the unique decomposition $X^*(T_k) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}_p = \bigoplus_{j \in J} X^*(T_k)_j$ with the property that each $X^*(T_k)_j$ is an F_{0j} -vector space (to be compared with formula (2)), is such that every F_{0j} -vector space $X^*(T_k)_j$ is nonzero. From this and the existence of the epimorphism θ_{∞} (see (4)), we get that for the element $j_0 \in J$ we have an epimorphism

$$\theta_{\infty,j_0}: (M_{j_0},\phi) \twoheadrightarrow \left(X^*(T_k)_{j_0} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_p} B(k_1), \mathbf{1}_{X^*(T_k)_{j_0}} \otimes p\sigma\right)$$

of *F*-isocrystals over k_1 . Thus (M_{j_0}, ϕ) has slope 1 with positive multiplicity. This contradicts Proposition 3.4.3, i.e., the assumption of Subsubsection 3.4.1 leads to a contradiction. In other words, a morphism $q : \operatorname{Spec}(k[[x]]) \to \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0}$ as in Subsubsection 3.4.1 does not exist. Thus the complement $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0} \setminus \mathcal{N}_{0N_0}$ has no points of characteristic *p*, cf. Lemma 2.8 (applied to (A_0, λ_{A_0})) and the fact that A_0 (equivalently, (H_0, X_0)) has compact factors.

3.4.5. End of the proof of Theorem 3.1. We recall that $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0}$ is a projective $O_{E_{A_0}}[1/N_0]$ -scheme and that (cf. Proposition 2.7 (a) applied in the context of f_{A_0}) we have $\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0E_{A_0}} = \mathcal{N}_{0N_0E_{A_0}}$. From this and the identity $(\overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0} \setminus \mathcal{N}_{0N_0})_{\text{red }\mathbb{F}_p} = \emptyset$ (cf. end of Subsection 3.4.4), we get that, by replacing N_0 with N_0c_0 for some number $c_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ relatively prime to p, we can assume that in fact we have $\mathcal{N}_{0N_0} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{0N_0}$.

By replacing *E* with a finite field extension of it, we can assume (see proof of Fact 2.6) that there exists a morphism u_A : Spec $(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_N$ such that $(A, \lambda_A) = u_A^*(\mathcal{B}, \lambda_{\mathcal{B}})$ and:

(i) The composite of the morphism $\operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}) \to \operatorname{Spec}(E)$ defined by i_E with u_A is the point of $\mathcal{N}_N(\mathbb{C}) = \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)(\mathbb{C}) = H_A(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus (X_A \times H_A(\mathbb{A}_f)/K_A(N))$ defined by the equivalence class $[h_A, 1_{W_A}]$ (here 1_{W_A} is the identity element of $H_A(\mathbb{A}_f)$).

By replacing N and N_0 with Nc and N_0c_0 , where c and c_0 are natural numbers prime to p, we can assume that there exists a compact open subgroup K_0 of $H_0(\mathbb{A}_f)$ such that the images of both $K_A(N)$ and $K_{A_0}(N_0)$ in $H_0(\mathbb{A}_f)$, are contained in K_0 . We have functorial morphisms

$$Sh(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N) \to Sh(H_0, X_0)/K_0$$
 and $Sh(H_{A_0}, X_{A_0})/K_{A_0}(N_0) \to Sh(H_0, X_0)/K_0$

the last one being finite. Based on this and the property (i), by replacing E with a finite field extension of it, we can assume that there exists a morphism u_{A_0} : Spec $(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{0N_0}$ such that the E-valued points of Sh $(H_0, X_0)/K_0$ naturally defined by u_A and u_{A_0} coincide and moreover:

(ii) The composite of the morphism $\operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}) \to \operatorname{Spec}(E)$ defined by i_E with u_{A_0} is the point of $\mathcal{N}_{0N_0}(\mathbb{C}) = \operatorname{Sh}(H_{A_0}, X_{A_0})/K_{A_0}(N_0)(\mathbb{C}) = H_{A_0}(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus (X_{A_0} \times H_{A_0}(\mathbb{A}_f)/K_{A_0}(N_0))$ defined by the equivalence class $[h_{A_0}, 1_{W_1}]$ (here 1_{W_1} is the identity element of $H_{A_0}(\mathbb{A}_f)$).

Let $(A_0, \lambda_{A_0}) := u_{A_0}^*(\mathscr{B}_0, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}_0})$. We can naturally identify the triple (W_1, ψ_1, X_1) with $(W_{A_0}, \psi_{A_0}, X_{A_0})$ and thus the notations for (A_0, λ_{A_0}) and for the following 9-tuple $(E_{A_0}, g_0, \mathscr{A}_{g_0, 1, N_0}, \mathscr{N}_{0N_0}, \overline{\mathscr{N}}_{0, N_0}, \mathscr{B}_0, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}_0}, \overline{\mathscr{B}}_0, K_{A_0}(N_0))$ match. Based on property (ii) and the definition of H_{A_0} in the beginning of Subsection 3.4, we get that the Mumford-Tate group of $A_{0\mathbb{C}}$ is H_{A_0} . Thus, as h_{A_0} lifts h_{A0} , property 3.1 (a) holds. As $\mathscr{N}_{0N_0} = \overline{\mathscr{N}}_{0N_0}$, property 3.1 (b) also holds. This ends the proof of Theorem 3.1. As $\mathscr{N}_{0N_0} = \overline{\mathscr{N}}_{0N_0}$, property 3.1.1 (ii) holds trivially. As we have a natural monomorphism $K_0 \hookrightarrow \text{End}(A_{0\mathbb{C}})$ (cf. Subsection 3.4) and as $[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}] = 2[F_0 : \mathbb{Q}] \ge 4$, the property 3.1.1 (i) also holds. \Box

§4. Proof of Theorem 1.2, examples, and applications

In Subsection 4.1 we prove Theorem 1.2. Example 4.2 is completely new. Corollary 4.3 is an equivalent form of Theorem 1.2. In Subsections 4.4 to 4.6 we apply Corollary 4.3

to Néron models and to integral models of Shimura varieties of preabelian type. We use the notations of the first paragraph of Section 1 and of Subsection 2.4.

4.1. Proof of Theorem 1.2. In this subsection we use the embedding $i_E : E \to \mathbb{C}$ to view *E* as a subfield of \mathbb{C} . Accordingly, all finite field extensions of *E* will be viewed as subfields of \mathbb{C} that contain *E* and their composites will be taken inside \mathbb{C} . To prove Theorem 1.2, we can assume that the abelian variety *A* has a principal polarization λ_A (cf. Subsection 2.3) and that the group H_A^{ad} is non-trivial (cf. Lemma 2.3.1). Let $N_A \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that *A* extends to an abelian scheme over $O_E[1/N_A]$. Suppose that for each prime divisor *p* of N_A , there exists a finite field extension E_p of *E* such that A_{E_p} has good reduction with respect to all primes of E_p that divide *p*. If E_1 is the composite field of *E* and of all the fields E_p 's with *p* a prime divisor of N_A , then A_{E_1} extends to an abelian scheme over O_{E_1} . Thus to end the proof of Theorem 1.2, we only need to show that the finite field extension E_p of *E* exists for all prime divisors *p* of N_A .

To check this, we can replace E by any finite field extension of it. Let

$$(H_A^{\mathrm{ad}}, X_A^{\mathrm{ad}}) = \prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} (H_t, X_t)$$

be the product decomposition into simple, adjoint Shimura pairs. By replacing *E* with a finite field extension of it, based on Theorem 3.1 we can assume that for each $t \in \mathfrak{T}$ there exists a principally polarized abelian variety (A_t, λ_{A_t}) over *E* such that the following properties hold:

(i) We have an identity $(H_{A_t}^{ad}, X_{A_t}^{ad}) = (H_t, X_t)$ with the property that the homomorphism $h_{A_t}^{ad} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{A_t \mathbb{R}}^{ad} = H_t \mathbb{R}$ is the homomorphism h_{At} of Subsubsection 2.4.1.

(ii) There exists an integer $N_t \ge 3$ that is relatively prime to p and such that we have $\mathcal{N}_{A_t,N_t} = \overline{\mathcal{N}}_{A_t,N_t}$ (i.e., and such that the statement 2.6 (b) holds for $(A_t, \lambda_{A_t}, N_t)$).

Let $E_{p,t}$ be a finite field extension of E such that $A_{tE_{p,t}}$ has good reduction with respect to all primes of $E_{p,t}$ that divide p, cf. property (ii) and the last part of Fact 2.6 applied to A_t . Let \tilde{E}_p be the composite field of $E_{p,t}$'s, with $t \in \mathfrak{T}$. Let $B := \prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} A_t$; it is an abelian variety over E with the property that $B_{\tilde{E}_p}$ has good reduction with respect to all primes of \tilde{E}_p that divide p. The group H_A^{ad} is the smallest subgroup of $H_A^{ad} = \prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} H_t$ with the property that $h_A^{ad} = \prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} h_{At}$ factors through $H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{ad}$, cf. the very definition of H_A . The Mumford-Tate group H_B is a subgroup of $\prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} H_{A_t}$ that surjects onto all groups H_{A_t} . This implies that H_B^{ad} is the smallest subgroup of $\prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} H_{A_t}^{ad}$ with the property that $h_B^{ad} = \prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} h_{A_t}^{ad}$ factors through $H_{B\mathbb{R}}^{ad}$. From the last two sentences and the property (i) we get that:

(iii) We have identifications $(H_B^{ad}, X_B^{ad}) = \prod_{t \in \mathfrak{T}} (H_t, X_t) = (H_A^{ad}, X_A^{ad})$ with the property that the homomorphism $h_B^{ad} : \mathbb{S} \to H_{B\mathbb{R}}^{ad} = H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{ad}$ is the homomorphism h_A^{ad} of Subsection 2.4.

The reductive group $H_{A\times_E B}$ is a subgroup of $H_A \times_{\mathbb{Q}} H_B$ whose adjoint is (cf. property (iii)) isomorphic to $H_A^{ad} = H_B^{ad}$. As $B_{\tilde{E}_p}$ has good reduction with respect to all primes of \tilde{E}_p that divide p, from the property (iii) and [26], Proposition 4.1.2 we get that there exists a

finite field extension E_p of E_p such that A_{E_p} has good reduction with respect to all primes of E_p that divide p. Thus the finite field extension E_p of E exists for each prime divisor p of N_A . This ends the proof of Theorem 1.2. \Box

4.2. Example. Let *F* be a totally real, cubic, Galois extension of \mathbb{Q} ; for instance, we can take *F* to be $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_7 + \zeta_7^{-1})$, where ζ_7 is a primitive root of 1 of order 7. We assume that H_A^{ad} is a simple group of the form $\text{Res}_{F/\mathbb{Q}} G$ for some absolutely simple, adjoint group *G* over *F* of B_n (resp. of D_n) Dynkin type with $n \ge 2$ (resp. with $n \ge 4$). We also assume that the product decomposition $H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ad}} = \mathscr{F}_1 \times_{\mathbb{R}} \mathscr{F}_2 \times_{\mathbb{R}} \mathscr{F}_3$ into simple factors is such that \mathscr{F}_1 and \mathscr{F}_2 are non-compact and \mathscr{F}_3 is compact. Thus *A* has compact factors and therefore the Morita conjecture holds for *A*, cf. Theorem 1.2.

We identify $\operatorname{Lie}(H_{A\mathbb{C}}^{\operatorname{der}})$ with $\operatorname{Lie}(H_{A\mathbb{C}}^{\operatorname{ad}}) = \operatorname{Lie}(\mathscr{F}_{1\mathbb{C}}) \oplus \operatorname{Lie}(\mathscr{F}_{2\mathbb{C}}) \oplus \operatorname{Lie}(\mathscr{F}_{3\mathbb{C}})$. We check that the representation of $\operatorname{Lie}(H_{A\mathbb{C}}^{\operatorname{ad}})$ on $W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ is free of tensor products i.e., it is a direct sum of irreducible representations of either Lie($\mathscr{F}_{1\mathbb{C}}$) or Lie($\mathscr{F}_{2\mathbb{C}}$) or Lie($\mathscr{F}_{3\mathbb{C}}$). We show that the assumption that this is not true, leads to a contradiction. This assumption implies that there exists $s \in \{2, 3\}$ and $\mathcal{L}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{L}_s \in \{\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}_{1\mathbb{C}}), \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}_{2\mathbb{C}}), \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}_{3\mathbb{C}})\}$ such that a suitable simple $\operatorname{Lie}(H^{\operatorname{ad}}_{A\mathbb{C}})$ -submodule \mathscr{W}_0 of $W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ is a tensor product $\mathscr{W}_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \cdots \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathscr{W}_s$, where \mathscr{W}_r is a simple \mathscr{L}_r -module for all $r \in \{1, \ldots, s\}$. As the representation of $\operatorname{Lie}(H^{\operatorname{ad}}_{A\mathbb{C}})$ on $W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ is defined over \mathbb{Q} and as F is a cubic Galois extension of \mathbb{Q} , we can choose \mathscr{W}_0 such that we have $\mathscr{L}_1 = \text{Lie}(\mathscr{F}_{1\mathbb{C}})$ and $\mathscr{L}_2 = \text{Lie}(\mathscr{F}_{2\mathbb{C}})$. As the images of μ_A in $\mathscr{F}_{1\mathbb{C}}$ and $\mathscr{F}_{2\mathbb{C}}$ are non-trivial, for s = 2 (resp. for s = 3) the Hodge filtration $(F^a(\mathscr{W}_0))_{a\in\mathbb{Z}}$ of \mathscr{W}_0 defined by μ_A is the tensor product of non-trivial Hodge filtrations of \mathscr{W}_1 and \mathscr{W}_2 (resp. is the tensor product of non-trivial Hodge filtrations of \mathscr{W}_1 and \mathscr{W}_2 and of a trivial Hodge filtration of \mathcal{W}_3 ; here by a trivial filtration of W_r we mean a filtration of W_r that does not contain any proper subspace of W_r . We easily get that there exists $a \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1, 0\}$ such that $F^a(\mathscr{W}_0)/F^{a+1}(\mathscr{W}_0) \neq 0$. Thus μ_A does not act on $F^{a}(\mathscr{W}_{0})/F^{a+1}(\mathscr{W}_{0})$ via either the trivial or the identical character of $\mathbb{G}_{m\mathbb{C}}$. This contradicts the very definition of μ_A .

As the representation of $\text{Lie}(H^{\text{ad}}_{A\mathbb{C}})$ on $W_A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{C}$ is free of tensor products, from Remark 2.3.2 and [26], Proposition 2.2.3 we get that the results of [26] (which pertain to perfectly tens-twisted representations defined in [26], Definition 2.2.2) do not imply that the Morita conjecture holds for A. Thus our example is completely new.

Based on Proposition 2.7 (b), we have the following equivalent form of Theorem 1.2.

4.3. Basic Corollary. We assume that the principally polarized abelian scheme (A, λ_A) over the number field E is such that A has compact factors. Let E_A , g, $\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$, and \mathcal{N}_N be as in Subsection 2.4. Then the normal $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme \mathcal{N}_N is projective and it is a finite scheme over $(\mathcal{A}_{g,1,N})_{O_{E_A}[1/N]}$.

4.4. Néron models. Let \mathscr{K} be the field of fractions of an integral Dedekind ring \mathscr{D} . Let $Z_{\mathscr{K}}$ be a smooth, separated \mathscr{K} -scheme of finite type. We recall (cf. [4], page 12) that a Néron model of $Z_{\mathscr{K}}$ over \mathscr{D} is a smooth, separated \mathscr{D} -scheme Z of finite type that has $Z_{\mathscr{K}}$ as its generic fibre and that satisfies the following universal (Néron mapping) property:

For each smooth \mathcal{D} -scheme Y and each \mathcal{K} -morphism $y_{\mathcal{K}} : Y_{\mathcal{K}} \to Z_{\mathcal{K}}$, there exists a unique morphism $y : Y \to Z$ of \mathcal{D} -schemes that extends $y_{\mathcal{K}}$.

A classical result of Néron says that each abelian variety over \mathscr{K} has a Néron model over \mathscr{D} , cf. [23]. This result has an analogue for the case of torsors of smooth group schemes over \mathscr{K} of finite type, cf. [4], Subsection 6.5, Corollary 4. On [4], page 15 it is stated that the importance of the notion of Néron models "seems to be restricted" to "torsors under group schemes". It was a deep insight of Milne which implicitly pointed out that Néron models are important in the study of Shimura varieties, cf. [17], Definitions 2.1, 2.2, 2.5, and 2.9. In this subsection we bring to a concrete fruition Milne's insight: we will use Corollary 4.3 and [30] to provide large classes of projective varieties over certain \mathscr{K} 's which have projective Néron models and which often do not admit finite maps into abelian varieties over \mathscr{K} . For the rest of the paper we will use the notations of Section 1 and Subsections 2.4 and 2.5.

4.4.1. Proposition. We assume that the principally polarized abelian scheme (A, λ_A) over the number field E is such that A has compact factors. We also assume that the reflex field E_A of (H_A, X_A) is unramified at all primes not dividing N and that the $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme \mathcal{N}_N of Subsection 2.4 is smooth. Then \mathcal{N}_N is the Néron model of $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ over $O_{E_A}[1/N]$.

Proof. Let Y be a smooth $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme. Let $y_{E_A} : Y_{E_A} \to \mathcal{N}_{NE_A}$ be a morphism of E_A -schemes. Let U be an open subscheme of Y such that it contains Y_{E_A} and y_{E_A} extends uniquely to a morphism $y_U : U \to \mathcal{N}_N$. As the $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme \mathcal{N}_N is projective (cf. Corollary 4.3), we can assume that the codimension of $Y \setminus U$ in Y is at least 2.

Let $(B_U, \lambda_{B_U}) := y_U^*(\mathscr{B}, \lambda_{\mathscr{B}})$. The abelian scheme B_U extends to an abelian scheme B_Y over Y (cf. [30], Theorem 1.3) in a unique way (cf. [17], Corollary 2.12). Also λ_{B_U} extends uniquely to a principal polarization λ_{B_Y} of B_Y , cf. [17], Proposition 2.14. Obviously, the level-N symplectic similitude structure of (B_U, λ_{B_U}) extends uniquely to a level-N symplectic similitude structure of (B_Y, λ_{B_Y}) . Thus the composite of y_U with the finite morphism $\mathcal{N}_N \to \mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ extends uniquely to a morphism $z : Y \to \mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$. As Y is normal and as the morphism $\mathcal{N}_N \to \mathcal{A}_{g,1,N}$ is finite, z factors uniquely through a morphism $y : Y \to \mathcal{N}_N$. Obviously y extends y_U and thus also y_{E_A} . From this and the uniqueness of y and y_U , we get that \mathcal{N}_N satisfies the Néron mapping property. Thus \mathcal{N}_N is the Néron model of $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ over $O_{E_A}[1/N]$. \Box

4.4.2. Remark. If N has many prime divisors, then $K_A(N)$ is a sufficiently small compact open subgroup of $H_A(\mathbb{A}_f)$ and thus $\mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)_{\mathbb{C}}/K_A(N)$ is a projective, smooth \mathbb{C} -scheme of general type (see [16], §2, Subsection 1.2). Thus \mathcal{N}_N is not among the Néron models studied in [4]. If the Albanese variety of each connected component \mathscr{C} of $\mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)_{\mathbb{C}}/K_A(N)$ is trivial, then $\mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ is not a finite scheme over an abelian variety over E_A . Example: if $H_{A\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{SU}(a, b)_{\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}} \times_{\mathbb{R}} \mathrm{SU}(a + b, 0)_{\mathbb{R}}^{\mathrm{ad}}$, with $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1, 2\}$, then we have $H^{1,0}(\mathscr{C}(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{C}) = 0$ (cf. [25], Theorem 2, 2.8 (i)) and thus the Albanese variety of \mathscr{C} is trivial; therefore the connected components of the projective E_A -scheme $\mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ are not finite schemes over torsors of smooth groups over E_A . This remark was hinted at in [30].

4.5. Example. We assume that A has compact factors, that $N \in 6\mathbb{N}$, and that the Zariski closure $H_{A,N}$ of H_A in $\operatorname{GL}_{L_A[1/N]}$ is a reductive group scheme over $\mathbb{Z}[1/N]$. We also assume that if $(H_A^{\operatorname{ad}}, X_A^{\operatorname{ad}})$ has a simple factor of A_n type, then either all prime factors

of n + 1 divide N or the degree of the isogeny $H_A^{sc} \to H_A^{der}$ divides $N^{(1)}$ Let $p \in \mathbb{N}$ be an arbitrary prime that does not divide N; thus $p \geq 5$. Let $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ be the localization of \mathbb{Z} with respect to p. As $H_{A,N_{\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}}}$ is a reductive group scheme over $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$, the field E_A is unramified over p (cf. [18], Corollary 4.7 (a)). Thus the normalization $E_{A(p)}$ of $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ in E_A is a finite, étale $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra. This implies that E_A is unramified at all primes not dividing N. In the next two paragraphs we check that \mathcal{N}_N is a smooth $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme.

The E_A -scheme $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ is smooth and the natural quotient morphism $\operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$ is a pro-étale cover, cf. Subsection 2.4. We define $\mathscr{M} := \underset{\tilde{N} \in N\mathbb{N}, \text{g.c.d.}(\tilde{N}, p)=1}{\operatorname{proj. lim.}} \mathscr{A}_{g, 1, \tilde{N}_{\mathbb{Z}(p)}}$. It is well known that we can identify

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathrm{Sh}(\mathrm{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A)/\mathrm{GSp}(L_A, \psi_A)(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

and that \mathcal{M} is the integral canonical model of the Shimura triple

$$(\operatorname{GSp}(W_A, \psi_A), S_A, \operatorname{GSp}(L_A, \psi_A)(\mathbb{Z}_p))$$

as defined in [29], Subsubsections 3.2.6 and 3.2.3(6) (see [17], Theorem 2.10 and [29], Example 3.2.9). Let $\mathcal{N}_A^{(p)} := \mathcal{N}_A^{(p)}$ be the normalization of $\mathcal{M}_{E_A(p)}$ in (the ring of fractions of) $\mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/H_{A,N}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$; the E_A -scheme $\mathcal{N}_{E_A}^{(p)} = \mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/H_{A,N}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ is a pro-étale cover of $\mathcal{N}_{NE_A} = \mathrm{Sh}(H_A, X_A)/K_A(N)$.

From the proof of [29], Proposition 3.4.1 we get that $\mathcal{N}^{(p)}$ is a pro-étale cover of $\mathcal{N}_{NE_{A(p)}}$ (the previous paragraph implies that conditions (i) and (ii) of loc. cit. hold in the context of \mathcal{M} and $\mathcal{N}^{(p)}$). As $p \geq 5$, from [29], Subsubsections 3.4.1, 3.2.12, and 6.4.1 we get that $\mathcal{N}^{(p)}$ is the integral canonical model of the Shimura triple $(H_A, X_A, H_{A,N}(\mathbb{Z}_p))$. Thus $\mathcal{N}^{(p)}$ is a regular, formally smooth $E_{A(p)}$ -scheme. This implies that $\mathcal{N}_{NE_{A(p)}}$ is a smooth $E_{A(p)}$ -scheme. As $p \in \mathbb{N}$ was an arbitrary prime that does not divide N, we conclude that \mathcal{N}_N is a smooth $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme.

Thus \mathcal{N}_N is a Néron model of \mathcal{N}_{NE_4} over $O_{E_4}[1/N]$, cf. Proposition 4.4.1.

4.6. Remarks. (a) Either [14], §5 or [32] can be used to provide many examples similar to the one of Example 4.5 but with N relatively prime to either 2 or 3.

(b) We refer to Example 4.5; thus the prime p is at least 5. As \mathcal{N}_N is a projective, smooth $O_{E_A}[1/N]$ -scheme (cf. Corollary 4.3 and Example 4.5), $\mathcal{N}^{(p)}$ is a pro-étale cover of a projective, smooth $E_{A(p)}$ -scheme. This validates the erroneous [29], Remark 6.4.1.1(2) for the case of Shimura pairs (G, X) of abelian type that have compact factors. In other words, if the group $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ is unramified, then the scheme $\mathrm{Sh}_p(G, X)$ proved to exist in [29], Theorem 6.4.1 is a pro-étale cover of a smooth, projective scheme over the normalization of $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ in E(G, X). Based on [29], Subsection 6.8 and Subsubsections 6.8.1 and 6.8.2(a), in the last sentence one can replace "abelian type" by "preabelian type". Implicitly, this validates [29], Subsubsection 6.4.11 for all Shimura pairs (G, X) of preabelian type that

¹⁾ This condition is not truly needed. It is inserted only to avoid the error which was made in the b) part of [29], Theorem 6.2.2 and which is eliminated in [32].

have compact factors. We recall that a Shimura pair (G, X) is said to be of preabelian type, if (G^{ad}, X^{ad}) is isomorphic to (H_A^{ad}, X_A^{ad}) for some abelian variety A over a number field E(see [17], [29], etc.). If moreover one can assume that we have central isogenies $H_A^{der} \to G^{der} \to G^{ad} \xrightarrow{\sim} H_A^{ad}$, then (G, X) is said to be of abelian type.

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