# Root Numbers of Abelian Varieties 

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## Theorem (B.)

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## REMARK

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## Any Questions?

## Thanks for listening!!



