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Class groups and local indecomposability for non-CM forms

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Abstract. In the late 1990s, R. Coleman and R. Greenberg (independently) asked for a global property characterizing those p -ordinary cuspidal eigenforms whose associated Galois representation becomes decomposable upon restriction to a decomposition group at p . It is expected that such p -ordinary eigenforms are precisely those with complex multiplication.

In this paper, we study Coleman–Greenberg’s question using Galois deformation theory. In particular, for p -ordinary eigenforms which are congruent to one with complex multiplication, we prove that the conjectured answer follows from the p -indivisibility of a certain class group.

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1. Introduction

1.1. Overview

As recorded in [20, Question 1], R. Greenberg has asked when the 2-dimensional p -adic Galois representation ρ_f of $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ attached to a p -ordinary cuspidal eigenform f of weight $k \geq 2$ has the property of being p -locally split, i.e. its restriction to a decomposition group $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ at p is isomorphic to the sum of two characters. An equivalent form of this question, which appears to be a very subtle problem in the p -adic theory of modular forms, was independently raised by R. Coleman [7, Remark 2, p. 232].¹

One easily sees that p -ordinary eigenforms with complex multiplication have p -locally split associated Galois representations, and the converse is expected to hold, i.e. (see [14, Conj. (0.1)]):

$$\rho_f|_{\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p)} \text{ is split} \stackrel{?}{\implies} f \text{ has complex multiplication.} \quad (\text{CG})$$

Let $\mathbb{Q}(f) \subset \mathbb{C}$ be the Hecke field of f . The Galois representation ρ_f is valued in $\text{GL}_2(E)$, where E is the completion of $\mathbb{Q}(f)$ at a prime v above p . Serre [47] established (CG) when $k = 2$ and $\mathbb{Q}(f) = \mathbb{Q}$ using Serre–Tate deformation theory. Still in weight 2, Serre’s argument was extended independently by Emerton [14] and Ghate [18] provided ρ_f is ordinary and p -split for *all* primes v of $\mathbb{Q}(f)$ above p (we then say that ρ_f is *totally p -split*); the general weight 2 case was recently established by Zhao [55] building on Hida’s breakthrough [30]. For weights $k > 2$, Emerton [14] showed that (CG) follows from a p -adic analogue of Grothendieck’s variational Hodge conjecture, at least when ρ_f is totally p -split. In a different direction, building on modularity lifting results [4, 5] in weight 1, Ghate–Vatsal [20] showed under mild hypotheses that (CG) holds for all but finitely many p -ordinary eigenforms in any single Hida family.

The main result of this paper is Theorem 1.3.1, which gives a sufficient condition for (CG) to hold for all forms in a fixed congruence class \bar{f} , allowing for any p -adic weight. The condition is that a certain quotient X (later denoted $X(\psi^-)$) of the p -part of the class group of the number field cut out by the associated mod p Galois representation $\bar{\rho}_f$ is zero. Such an X can be associated to any congruence class that contains some member with complex multiplication; we impose only mild additional assumptions. We list some examples of vanishing X in §1.8.

Greenberg’s pseudo-nullity conjecture [22, Conj. (3.5)] suggests that a certain Iwasawa-theoretic class group X_∞^- (later denoted $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$), which surjects onto X , has finite cardinality. To illustrate the influence of X_∞^- , under an extra assumption, we prove in Theorem 1.4.1 that the finiteness of X_∞^- can be used to produce another proof of the main result of [20] for the class of $\bar{\rho}_f$ we consider in this paper.

It is natural to ask whether there exist converse arguments establishing the finiteness of X_∞^- . In this direction, we give modular characterizations of the vanishing of X_∞^- (Theorem 1.3.4) and its finiteness (Theorem 1.4.4).

¹See [3, Theorems 4.3.3, 4.4.8] for the equivalence between the two formulations.

1.2. Setup

In order to state question (CG) and the main result of this paper precisely, we introduce the objects of study. Here G_F denotes an absolute Galois group of a field F , \mathcal{O}_F denotes the appropriate standard integer ring of F , and ‘‘CM’’ is short for ‘‘complex multiplication.’’ Let p be a prime (later, $p \geq 5$).

1.2.1. The question. We fix embeddings of algebraically closed fields $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_q$ for all primes q , and $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$. These embeddings give rise to a choice of q -adic valuation on any algebraic complex number. They also determine a choice of decomposition group $G_q := \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_q/\mathbb{Q}_q) \hookrightarrow G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and complex conjugation $c \in G_{\mathbb{Q}}$. We write $I_q \subset G_q$ for the inertia subgroup.

Choose a classical normalized cuspidal Hecke newform f' of weight $k \geq 2$ and level $N' \geq 1$. If $p \nmid N'$, let f be a p -stabilization of f' of level $\Gamma_0(p) \cap \Gamma_1(N')$; otherwise, let $f = f'$. Thus f is an eigenvector for the U_p -operator. Let

$$f = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n(f) q^n$$

be the q -expansion of f at the cusp ∞ , write $\mathbb{Q}(f)/\mathbb{Q}$ for the subfield of \mathbb{C} generated by the coefficients (also the Hecke eigenvalues) $a_n(f)$, and write $v = v_f$ for the prime of $\mathbb{Q}(f)$ over p that is distinguished by the embeddings above. We call f p -ordinary when its U_p -eigenvalue $a_p(f) \in \mathbb{C}$, which is known to be an algebraic integer, is a p -adic unit.

There is attached to f an absolutely irreducible p -adic Galois representation

$$\rho_f : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Q}(f)_v) \tag{1.2.1}$$

characterized by the property that

$$\text{trace } \rho_f(\text{Frob}_q) = a_q(f) \quad \text{for all primes } q \nmid N'p, \tag{1.2.2}$$

where $\text{Frob}_q \in G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ is a choice of arithmetic Frobenius element at q . It is known that f is p -ordinary if and only if $\rho_f|_{G_p}$ admits a 1-dimensional unramified quotient with Frob_p -eigenvalue $a_p(f)$.

We call such a representation of $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$, when equipped with the Frob_p -eigenvalue, p -ordinary. Similarly, we call a representation ρ of $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ p -locally split when, in addition, $\rho|_{G_p}$ is isomorphic to the direct sum of two characters. We ask the question recorded in §1.1: when $k \geq 2$, what property of f determines whether ρ_f is p -locally split?

As discussed above, the proposal, denoted (CG), is that such f have CM. Recall that f is called CM when there exists an imaginary quadratic field K/\mathbb{Q} such that the attached quadratic Dirichlet character $(\frac{K/\mathbb{Q}}{\cdot})$ satisfies

$$a_n(f)(\frac{K/\mathbb{Q}}{n}) = a_n(f) \quad \text{for almost all } n \geq 1 \quad (\text{the CM condition}). \tag{1.2.3}$$

1.2.2. *Fixing the congruence class.* It is natural to study (CG) over one congruence class of eigenforms modulo p at a time. Let \mathbb{F} be a finite field of characteristic p . Let $\bar{f} \in \mathbb{F}[[q]]$ be the reduction modulo v_f of the $f \in O_{\mathbb{Q}(f)}[[q]]$ that we designated above. Let

$$\bar{\rho} := (\rho_f \bmod v_f) : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F})$$

be the associated representation. The Hecke eigenvalues of \bar{f} are determined by $\bar{\rho}$ similarly to (1.2.2). Since f is a p -ordinary eigenform, we know that

(1'') $\bar{\rho}$ is odd and $\bar{\rho}|_{G_p}$ admits an unramified quotient with Frob_p -eigenvalue $\bar{\alpha}_p := a_p(\bar{f})$.

Let $N \geq 1$ denote the tame level of \bar{f} , which equals the (prime-to- p) Artin conductor of $\bar{\rho}$. While in general N divides the prime-to- p part $N'_{(p)}$ of N' , in this paper we address f that are *minimal*, that is, $N = N'_{(p)}$.

Because question (CG) addresses p -ordinary eigenforms f such that $\rho_f|_{G_p}$ splits, [19, Prop. 6] ensures that in the presence of (2') and (3') below, we may replace (1'') with the more restrictive assumption

(1') $\bar{\rho}$ is odd and $\bar{\rho}|_{G_p} \simeq \bar{\chi}_1 \oplus \bar{\chi}_2$, where $\bar{\chi}_2$ is unramified and $\bar{\chi}_2(\mathrm{Frob}_p) = \bar{\alpha}_p$.

Our results on (CG) rely on conditions that imply that all Galois representations that give rise to $\bar{\rho}$ arise from Hecke eigenforms, i.e. “ $R = \mathbb{T}$.” Such $R = \mathbb{T}$ -type results are subject to the following assumptions, when p is odd.

(2') $\bar{\chi}_1 \neq \bar{\chi}_2$, which is known as the residually p -distinguished condition on $\bar{\rho}$.

(3') $\bar{\rho}|_{G_M}$ is absolutely irreducible, where $M = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{(-1)^{(p-1)/2} p})$.

1.2.3. *The residually CM p -ordinary setting.* The following (0)–(4) are the assumptions we work under for the results of this paper.

(0) $p \geq 5$ and \bar{f} has CM, in the sense of (1.2.3).

It follows that there exists an imaginary quadratic field K/\mathbb{Q} and a character

$$\bar{\psi} : G_K \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^{\times} \quad \text{such that} \quad \bar{\rho} \cong \mathrm{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \bar{\psi}.$$

Let $\psi : G_K \rightarrow W(\mathbb{F})^{\times}$ denote the Teichmüller lift of $\bar{\psi}$, let $c' \subset O_K$ denote the conductor of ψ , and let $c \subset O_K$ be the (prime-to- p) Artin conductor of $\bar{\psi}$. Recalling the complex conjugation $c \in G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ established above, the anti-cyclotomic character associated to $\bar{\psi}$ is

$$\bar{\psi}^- := \bar{\psi} \cdot (\bar{\psi}^c)^{-1},$$

where $\bar{\psi}^c(\gamma)$ denotes $\bar{\psi}(c\gamma c)$.

Having assumed (0), assumptions (1')–(3') are implied (respectively) by

(1) p splits in K , i.e.

$$pO_K = \mathfrak{p}\mathfrak{p}^*,$$

where \mathfrak{p} is the prime distinguished by our fixed embedding $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$, and also $\bar{\psi}$ is unramified at \mathfrak{p}^* with $\bar{\psi}(\mathrm{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}) = \bar{\alpha}_p$. One may then check that $N = \mathrm{Norm}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(c)|\mathrm{Disc}(K)|$.

(2) $\bar{\psi}^-|_{G_p}$ is non-trivial and $v_{\mathfrak{p}}(\mathfrak{c}') \leq 1$.

(3) $\bar{\psi}^-$ has order at least 3.

(For (3) \Rightarrow (3'), see [31, Prop. 5.2(2)].) Finally, we impose the following mild assumption.

(4) $\mathfrak{c} + \mathfrak{c}^c = O_K$.

1.3. Results, Part I

Our first main result addresses the representation $\rho_g : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ attached to a normalized p -ordinary p -adic eigenform $g \in \overline{\mathbb{Z}}_p[[q]]$ that has tame level N , arbitrary p -adic weight, and a congruence with \bar{f} . We refer to whether g has CM by the same definition (1.2.3), which makes sense for any p -adic weight.

The theorems in this section are subject to a condition on the following ideal class group. Let $\psi^- : G_K \rightarrow W^\times$ denote the Teichmüller lift of $\bar{\psi}^-$ to the Witt vector ring $W = W(\mathbb{F})$. Let $K(\psi^-)/K$ be the finite abelian extension cut out by ψ^- , and denote by $X(\psi^-)$ the ψ^- -isotypical component of the p -cotorsion of the ideal class group of $K(\psi^-)$.

Theorem 1.3.1. *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. Let g denote a p -ordinary p -adic eigenform of tame level N and arbitrary p -adic weight that is congruent to \bar{f} . If $X(\psi^-) = 0$ and $\rho_g|_{G_p}$ is split, then g has CM.*

We apply the theorem to (CG).

Corollary 1.3.2. *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. If $X(\psi^-) = 0$, then (CG) is true when restricted to those eigenforms of level N that are congruent to \bar{f} .*

See §1.8 for explicit examples where (CG) is satisfied.

Remark 1.3.3. The condition $X(\psi^-) = 0$ can be ensured analytically in some cases: it is implied by the anti-cyclotomic Katz p -adic L -function $L_p^-(\psi^-)^*$ in §3.2 being a unit (see e.g. [2, Cor. 5.2.7]). We also note that the implication (CG) is trivial in the congruence class of \bar{f} unless a different Katz p -adic L -function $L_p^-(\psi^-)$, also defined in §3.2, is not a unit. Indeed, when $L_p^-(\psi^-)$ is a unit, any g congruent to \bar{f} has CM (see Theorem 4.2.2).

In fact, we prove that the vanishing of $X(\psi^-)$ is *equivalent* to a stronger form of the expected implication (CG). To formulate this, we refer to a modulo p generalized eigenform $\bar{g}' \in \mathbb{F}[[q]]$ whose eigensystem equals that of \bar{f} . We specify these objects in §2.2, also explaining that such a \bar{g}' induces a Galois representation

$$\rho_{\bar{g}'} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(A_{\bar{g}}),$$

where $A_{\bar{g}'}$ is a finite-dimensional augmented \mathbb{F} -algebra, such that

$$(\rho_{\bar{g}'} \bmod \mathfrak{m}_{A_{\bar{g}'}}) \simeq \bar{\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{\bar{g}'} \not\simeq \bar{\rho} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}} A_{\bar{g}'}.$$

We also explain that the conditions “ p -locally split” and “CM” can be sensibly applied to such \bar{g}' .

Theorem 1.3.4. *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. The following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i) $X(\psi^-) \neq 0$.
- (ii) *There exists a modulo p generalized eigenform \bar{g}' such that*
 - (a) *the Hecke eigensystem of \bar{g}' is equal to that of \bar{f} ,*
 - (b) *\bar{g}' does not have CM, and*
 - (c) $\rho_{\bar{g}'}|_{G_p}$ is split.

If these conditions are true, then \bar{g}' in (ii) may be chosen so that its Hecke span is 2-dimensional, or equivalently $A_{\bar{g}'} \simeq \mathbb{F}[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$.

1.4. Results, Part II

We expect that there are many choices of $(K, \bar{\psi})$ such that $X(\psi^-)$ does not vanish, as the results of §1.3 require. The following theorems address the general case.

We consider the following Iwasawa-theoretic class group tower over $X(\psi^-)$. Let K_∞^-/K be the anti-cyclotomic \mathbb{Z}_p -extension of K . Let $K_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ be the composite of K_∞^- and $K(\psi^-)$, and let $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ be the ψ^- -isotypical component of the Galois group of the maximal pro- p abelian unramified extension of $K_\infty^-(\psi^-)$. There is a surjection $X_\infty^-(\psi^-) \twoheadrightarrow X(\psi^-)$, and standard arguments about the action of $\text{Gal}(K_\infty^-(\psi^-)/K)$ on $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ imply that

$$X_\infty^-(\psi^-) = 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad X(\psi^-) = 0.$$

In light of Greenberg's pseudo-nullity conjecture [22, Conj. (3.5)], it is natural to expect that $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ is *finite* in cardinality (note that our assumptions rule out trivial zeros). We prove a proportionally weakened version of Theorem 1.3.1 in this case.

Theorem 1.4.1. *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2 and that the class number of K is prime to p . If $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ has finite cardinality, then there exist at most finitely many ordinary p -adic eigenforms g of tame level N congruent to \bar{f} such that $\rho_g|_{G_p}$ is split and g does not have complex multiplication.*

Remark 1.4.2. We note in §3.3 that $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ is infinite if and only if the p -adic L -functions $L_p^-(\psi^-)$ and $L_p^-(\psi^-)^*$ mentioned in Remark 1.3.3 have a common factor. It follows from smoothness results of the ordinary eigencurve in cohomological weights (i.e. $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$; see [25, Cor. 1.4], along with a duality argument) that such a common factor cannot correspond to a p -adic weight in $\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{1\}$.

Remark 1.4.3. The conclusion of Theorem 1.4.1 was proven subject only to the conditions (1')–(3') of §1.2 by Ghate–Vatsal [20, Thm. 13]. We describe the relationship between the two methods in Remark 6.2.2.

In analogy with Theorem 1.3.4, we can also give a modular characterization of the infinitude of $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$. However, a more pleasant criterion applies to a mild generalization $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ of $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, which surjects onto $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ (see §3.3 for the definition), and is isomorphic to it when p does not divide the class number of K .

Similarly to the mod p case above, to any generalized p -adic eigenform g' with eigen-system equal to that of a p -adic eigenform with CM f with coefficient field $E/W[1/p]$, there is associated a Galois representation

$$\rho_{g'} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(A_{g'}),$$

where $A_{g'}$ is a finite-dimensional augmented local E -algebra, such that

$$(\rho_{g'} \bmod \mathfrak{m}_{A_{g'}}) \simeq \rho_f \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{g'} \not\simeq \rho_f \otimes_E A_{g'}.$$

As before, the conditions of being p -locally split and of being CM can be sensibly applied to $\rho_{g'}$.

Theorem 1.4.4. *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) $\mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$ has infinite cardinality.
- (2) There exists a generalized p -adic eigenform g' of tame level N such that
 - (a) the Hecke eigensystem of g' has CM and is congruent to \bar{f} ,
 - (b) g' does not have CM, and
 - (c) $\rho_{g'}|_{G_p}$ is split.

If these conditions are true, then g' in (2) may be chosen so that its Hecke span is 2-dimensional, or equivalently $A_{g'} \simeq E[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$.

Remark 1.4.5. Recently and independently, a similar analysis was carried out by Hsu [37, §4], with a focus on the influence on the geometry of the eigencurve.

1.5. Method of Galois deformation theory

By Hida's influential work [25], p -ordinary p -adic eigenforms of tame level N that are congruent to \bar{f} (such as g in the statement of Theorem 1.3.1, for example) are in bijective correspondence with ring homomorphisms $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, where \mathbb{T} is the “big” local p -adic Hecke algebra arising from the Hecke action on p -ordinary modular forms of tame level N whose residual Hecke eigensystem is congruent to \bar{f} . On the other hand, upon assumptions (1'') and (2'), there exists a universal p -ordinary deformation ring R^{ord} (constructed by Mazur [42]) parameterizing p -ordinary deformations of $\bar{\rho}$. Hida's further result [24] – that the Galois representations attached to p -ordinary eigenforms interpolate in families – implies that there exists a natural map $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$. Under assumptions (1''), (2'), and (3') along with mild local conditions, Diamond [11], following Wiles [54], has shown that this induces an isomorphism $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}$.

Replacing (1'') with (1') so that the expected implication (CG) is not trivial on \mathbb{T} , we use a universal Galois deformation ring denoted R^{spl} (constructed by Ghate–Vatsal [21]) that parameterizes p -locally split representations of $\mathrm{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ deforming $\bar{\rho}$. It follows from the definitions that there is a surjection $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\mathrm{spl}}$. Thus, homomorphisms $R^{\mathrm{spl}} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ are in bijection with normalized p -ordinary eigenforms g such that $\rho_g|_{G_p}$ is split.

Assuming (0), there exist p -ordinary CM forms congruent to \bar{f} , resulting in a quotient $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$, where \mathbb{T}^{CM} arises from the Hecke action on these CM forms. The fact that the Galois representations arising from p -ordinary CM eigenforms are p -locally split is reflected in the fact that there exists a surjection $R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ fitting in a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R^{\text{ord}} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathbb{T} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ R^{\text{spl}} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \end{array} \quad (1.5.1)$$

In terms of this deformation-theoretic picture, our main result is Theorem 5.5.1, which states that the surjection $R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ is an isomorphism *if and only if* $X(\psi^-) = 0$. Theorem 1.3.1 follows directly from this. The argument for Theorem 1.4.1 is similar, with the addition of commutative algebra arguments set up in §6 and further results on the structure of \mathbb{T} reviewed in §4.

Theorem 5.5.1 is deduced from Theorem 5.4.1, which shows that $\mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$ constitutes the conormal module of $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}) \subset \text{Spec}(R^{\text{spl}})$. With this structure of R^{spl} understood, Theorems 1.3.4 and 1.4.4 are applications of $R^{\text{ord}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}$ and the duality between Hecke algebras and cusp forms.

1.6. A question

One upshot of Theorem 5.5.1 is that (CG) lies somewhat deeper than the simplest possible “big $R = \mathbb{T}$ ”-type theorem one could hope for, namely, $R^{\text{spl}} \cong \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$. Is there a Hecke algebra that always corresponds to R^{spl} ? What is the module of “ p -split” modular forms? We intend to take this up in future work.

1.7. The appendix to this paper

These investigations arose from an attempt to study (CG), for congruence classes $\bar{\rho} = \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \bar{\psi}$ as introduced in §1.2.3 above, after restriction of the Galois representations from $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ to G_K , using the methods of Wake and the second author [52] to control residually reducible representations. In the process, we realized that some of these arguments amounted to an application of a refined version of Shapiro’s lemma to move between deformations of representations of $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and G_K . This is the method that is developed in §5 to prove the key Theorem 5.4.1; in particular, the proof of our results makes no use of the theory of ordinary pseudorepresentations of [52].

Independently and at about the same time as us, Haruzo Hida established similar results to ours by building on [52] as well as his recent work [32]; see §A.3 for a discussion of the theory of ordinary pseudorepresentations. He has very kindly offered to write his proof of our Theorem 1.3.1 (assuming the class number of K is prime to p) as an appendix to this paper.

1.8. Examples

Theorem 1.3.1 applies to tuples (p, K, ψ) , where the ψ^- -isotypical part of the ideal class group of $K(\psi^-)$ vanishes. In order for the theorem to apply non-trivially, we are interested in cases where

- (i) $\mathbb{T} \not\cong \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$, i.e. there exist non-CM cusp forms congruent to \bar{f} , and
- (ii) $X(\psi^-) = 0$.

This is because it is in these cases that Theorem 1.3.1 implies that there are no exceptions to (CG) congruent to \bar{f} .

There are seven examples of (p, K, ψ) satisfying (i) listed in [49, p. 268] (four of which appear in [23, p. 142]), calculated by Maeda or Mestre. They also each satisfy the running assumptions in our paper, because $pO_K = \mathfrak{p}\mathfrak{p}^*$, ψ^- has order at least 3, and ψ is ramified exactly at \mathfrak{p} . Among these examples, three of them satisfy $[K(\psi^-) : K] \leq 13$, so that we found it manageable to calculate $K(\psi^-)$ and its class group using PARI/GP or Magma on a single machine. In each of these three cases, p does not divide the class number of $K(\psi^-)$, so that (ii) is satisfied and Theorem 1.3.1 applies. These examples are

p	K	ψ
13	$\mathbb{Q}(i)$	$\omega_{\mathfrak{p}}^8$
23	$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$	$\omega_{\mathfrak{p}}^{10}$
79	$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$	$\omega_{\mathfrak{p}}^{12}$

The character $\omega_{\mathfrak{p}}$ of G_K is the Teichmüller lift of the following character $\bar{\omega}_{\mathfrak{p}} : G_K \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p^\times$. Let $w := \#O_K^\times$ and let $\bar{\omega}_{\mathfrak{p}} : (O_K/\mathfrak{p})^\times \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{F}_p^\times$ be the canonical identification. Then, for every multiple a of w , one makes sense of $\omega_{\mathfrak{p}}^a$ by taking the (a/w) -th power of the character of G_K associated via class field theory to the character

$$\bar{\omega}_{\mathfrak{p}}^w : (O_K/\mathfrak{p})^\times / O_K^\times \hookrightarrow \mathbb{F}_p^\times.$$

To illustrate the example $(p, K, \psi) = (13, \mathbb{Q}(i), \omega_{\mathfrak{p}}^8)$, we observe that ψ^- has order 3 and cuts out the S_3 -extension of \mathbb{Q} with minimal polynomial

$$x^6 - 2x^5 + 2x^4 - 6x^3 + 25x^2 - 20x + 8.$$

Its class number is 3.

Remark 1.8.1. At the moment, we know of no single example where (ii) fails (which implies that (i) holds), so that the surjection $R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ is not an isomorphism and also the conditions of Theorem 1.3.4 are satisfied.

1.9. Notation and conventions

Homomorphisms between profinite topological groups and algebras, and related Galois cohomology modules, are implicitly meant to be continuous.

When F is a number field with a set Σ of places, we let $G_{F,\Sigma}$ denote the Galois group of F_Σ/F , where F_Σ is the maximal subextension of $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/F$ that is ramified only at the places in Σ . Other conventions about Galois groups, such as decomposition groups G_q , have been stated in §1.2. We use the case that $F = \mathbb{Q}$ and Σ is the set S of places supporting $Np\infty$, thus the Galois group $G_{\mathbb{Q},S}$. We use $G_{K,S}$ to denote G_{K,S_K} , where S_K is the set of places of K over S .

When F is either K or \mathbb{Q} and T is a $G_{F,S}$ -module, we write $C^i(O_F[1/pN], T)$ for the standard cochain complex of (inhomogeneous) $G_{F,S}$ -cochains valued in T , and $H^i(O_F[1/pN], T)$ for its cohomology. We also use the notation $Z^i(O_F[1/pN], T)$ and $B^i(O_F[1/pN], T)$ for the submodules of cocycles and coboundaries, respectively. For a local field M arising as a completion of F , with absolute Galois group G_M , we use $C^i(M, T)$, $H^i(M, T)$, $Z^i(M, T)$, and $B^i(M, T)$ to denote the analogues of the global objects above.

2. Ordinary modular forms and Galois representations

In this section, we review background from the theory of p -adic interpolation of p -ordinary modular forms and Galois representations.

2.1. Hida theory

Throughout this paper, we freely refer to the p -adic families of p -ordinary eigenforms constructed by Hida (see [24, 25]), along with the associated Hecke algebras and big Galois representations. This section summarizes the parts of this theory that we shall apply, following [52, §3] in some of this summary.

We take the data f , $\bar{\rho}$, and N of §1.2.2 to be fixed in advance.

2.1.1. Ordinary Λ -adic cusp forms and Hecke algebras. For $r \geq 1$, let $S_2(\Gamma_1(Np^r))_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ord}}$ be the ordinary summand of the \mathbb{Z}_p -module of cuspidal forms of weight 2 and level Np^r with coefficients in \mathbb{Z}_p . Let

$$S'_\Lambda = \varinjlim_r S_2(\Gamma_1(Np^r))_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ord}},$$

the limit being over the natural inclusion maps. Let \mathbb{T}' be the \mathbb{Z}_p -algebra generated by the endomorphisms of S'_Λ given by the Hecke operators

$$T_n, U_\ell, U_p, \langle d \rangle, \quad \text{where } (n, Np) = 1, (d, Np) = 1, \ell \mid N \text{ is prime.} \quad (2.1.1)$$

The action of these operators on the modulo p p -stabilized eigenform \bar{f} gives rise to a maximal ideal of \mathbb{T}' with residue field \mathbb{F} . Let \mathbb{T}'' denote the completion of \mathbb{T}' at this maximal ideal.

We write $\bar{\chi}$ for $\det \bar{\rho}$, and χ for the Teichmüller lift of $\bar{\chi}$. Using the isomorphism $G_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\text{ab}} \cong \hat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times$ of class field theory to think of χ as a Dirichlet character on $(\mathbb{Z}/pN\mathbb{Z})^\times$ valued

in $\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}^\times$, we define $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ as the χ -isotypical quotient of $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \times (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times]$. Likewise, using the projection $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \times (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times$, we define the character

$$\langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}^\times, \quad (2.1.2)$$

which is a deformation of $\bar{\chi}$ from \mathbb{F} to $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$.

There is a natural map $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \times (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times] \rightarrow \mathbb{T}''$ sending $d \mapsto \langle d \rangle$ for $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $(d, Np) = 1$. We let

$$\mathbb{T} := \mathbb{T}'' \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \times (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times]} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}},$$

that is, we specialize \mathbb{T} so that the nebentype on $(\mathbb{Z}/pN\mathbb{Z})^\times$ is constant and equal to χ (as opposed to a non-constant deformation, which is possible when $p \mid \phi(N)$). Let $S_{\Lambda} := S'_{\Lambda} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}'} \mathbb{T}$; this is the module of p -ordinary Λ -adic cusp forms congruent to \bar{f} and with nebentype precisely χ , and \mathbb{T} the corresponding Hecke algebra.

By Hida's control theorem [25, §3], both \mathbb{T} and S_{Λ} are free $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -modules of finite rank, and by [25, §2] the pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{T} \times S_{\Lambda} \rightarrow \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}, \quad (T, f) \mapsto a_1(T \cdot f), \quad (2.1.3)$$

is a perfect pairing of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -modules. Consequently, we may view $\mathcal{F} \in S_{\Lambda}$ as a Λ -adic q -series in $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}[[q]]$ via

$$\mathcal{F} \mapsto \sum_{n \geq 1} \langle T'_n, \mathcal{F} \rangle q^n, \quad (2.1.4)$$

where $T'_n = T_n$ for $(n, Np) = 1$, and otherwise T'_n is the usual polynomial (see e.g. [48, Thm. 3.24]) in the operators of (2.1.1) with coefficients in \mathbb{Z} .

2.1.2. Cohomological weights. We define a p -adic weight to be a characteristic zero height 1 prime P of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$. Any weight arises from a pair of characters (ϕ_k, χ') ,

$$\phi_k : \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}^\times \quad \text{and} \quad \chi' : (\mathbb{Z}/p^r N\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}^\times \quad (\text{for some } r \geq 1)$$

such that

$$(\phi_k \cdot \chi')|_{(\mathbb{Z}/pN\mathbb{Z})^\times} = \chi$$

under the canonical decomposition $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \cong \mathbb{F}_p^\times \times (1 + p\mathbb{Z}_p)$. In general k is a formal label, but when we start with $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, then ϕ_k is the homomorphism $\phi_k(x) := x^{k-1}$. The height 1 prime $P = P_{k, \chi'} \subset \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ associated to (ϕ_k, χ') is defined to be the kernel of the factorization of the ring homomorphism $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \times (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times] \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ through $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ induced by $\phi_k \cdot \chi'$. A weight (ϕ_k, χ') is called *cohomological* when $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$.

By Hida's control theorem, \mathbb{T} and S_{Λ} interpolate their classical analogues in cohomological weight. That is, for any p -adic weight (ϕ_k, χ') with $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$, we recover the module of cusp forms of this weight k and nebentype χ' that are congruent to \bar{f} via

$$S_{\Lambda} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k, \chi'} \cong S_{k, \chi'} := S_k(\Gamma_1(Np^r), \chi')_{\bar{f}}^{\text{ord}} \subset S_k(\Gamma_1(Np^r), \chi')_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ord}}.$$

Similarly, denoting by $\mathbb{T}_{k,\chi'}$ the Hecke algebra generated by the Hecke action on $S_{k,\chi'}$, we have a ring isomorphism

$$\mathbb{T} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi'} \cong \mathbb{T}_{k,\chi'}$$

and the $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -adic duality (2.1.3) specializes modulo $P_{k,\chi'}$ to the \bar{f} -congruent part of the classical duality between $S_k(\Gamma_1(Np^r), \chi')$ and its Hecke algebra.

We will use these consequences of the foregoing theory.

Lemma 2.1.5. *There is a bijection between forms in $S_{k,\chi'} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi'}} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ and $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -linear maps $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ factoring through $\mathbb{T} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi'}$, restricting to a bijection between normalized eigenforms and multiplicative maps.*

Proof. This is standard: see [25, Cor. 3.2] and [24, Thm. 1.2]. \blacksquare

Lemma 2.1.6. *\mathbb{T} is reduced.*

Proof. This follows from the argument of [31, Lem. 5.4]. Indeed, the nilradical of $\mathbb{T}_{k,\chi'}$ is known to act faithfully on oldforms that are old at levels dividing N according to [25, Cor. 3.3], and there are no such oldforms in cohomological weight by the assumption that N is the Artin conductor of $\bar{\rho}$. Therefore $\mathbb{T} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi'}$ is reduced for $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$, and since cohomological weights are dense in $\text{Spec } \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and \mathbb{T} is flat over $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$, \mathbb{T} is reduced. \blacksquare

2.1.3. Associated Galois representations. Hida [25] proved that the Galois representations ρ_f of (1.2.1) associated to p -ordinary cuspidal eigenforms f interpolate along \mathbb{T} . Under some assumptions, this interpolation takes on the following particularly strong form. For the statement, we write $x_f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow E_f \subset \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ for the homomorphism associated to a cohomological p -ordinary eigenform f as per Lemma 2.1.5, where E_f is the residue field of x_f .

Proposition 2.1.7. *Upon assumptions (1'') and (2') of §1.2, there exists a continuous representation*

$$\rho_{\mathbb{T}} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T})$$

characterized by the interpolation condition

$$\rho_f \simeq \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}, x_f} E_f.$$

Moreover, $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ is ramified only at places supporting $Np\infty$ and restricts to G_p with

$$\rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_{G_p} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}|_{G_p} \cdot v^{-1} & * \\ 0 & v \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.1.8)$$

where $v : G_p \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\times}$ is an unramified character sending an arithmetic Frobenius Frob_p to U_p and $\langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}$ was defined in (2.1.2).

Proof. Using assumptions (1'') and (2'), Hida's interpolation result [25, Thm. 2.1] may be upgraded to the claimed form: see e.g. [15, Props. 2.2.7 and 2.2.9]. Then the characterization claim follows from the fact that \mathbb{T} is flat over $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ and reduced by Lemma 2.1.6, as \mathbb{T} therefore injects into the product of the E_f . \blacksquare

Also, it follows from the above interpolation and the properties of ρ_f that

$$\det \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \cong \langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{T}. \quad (2.1.9)$$

In particular, we have equality of \mathbb{F} -valued characters of $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$, $(\det \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \bmod \mathfrak{m}_{\mathbb{T}}) = (\langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}} \bmod \mathfrak{m}_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}}) = \bar{\chi}$.

2.1.4. Complex multiplication in Hida families. When we impose assumption (0) – i.e., that $\bar{\rho}$ is induced from $\bar{\psi}$ – there exist classical p -ordinary eigenforms with CM that are congruent to \bar{f} and have tame level N . In each cohomological weight (ϕ_k, χ') , these form Hecke submodules

$$S_{k, \chi'}^{\text{CM}} \subset S_{k, \chi'}.$$

The action of \mathbb{T} on these submodules in cohomological weight results in a quotient $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ which acts faithfully on them (see e.g. [31, Prop. 5.1]).

Recalling from (1.2.3) the definition of CM form, we observe that this also applies to any element of S_{Λ} , using (2.1.4). Thus we have a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -submodule of Λ -adic CM forms $S_{\Lambda}^{\text{CM}} \subset S_{\Lambda}$.

It is known (see e.g. [31, §5]) that S_{Λ}^{CM} is Hecke-stable, \mathbb{T}^{CM} and S_{Λ}^{CM} are free $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -modules, and the duality (2.1.3) restricts to a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -linear perfect pairing

$$\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \times S_{\Lambda}^{\text{CM}} \rightarrow \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

This duality along with the control theorem results in a CM-version of the control in cohomological weights (ϕ_k, χ') ,

$$\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} / P_{k, \chi'} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}_{k, \chi'}^{\text{CM}}, \quad S_{\Lambda}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} / P_{k, \chi'} \xrightarrow{\sim} S_{k, \chi'}^{\text{CM}}.$$

We let $I_{\text{CM}} := \ker(\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}})$, and denote by ρ_{CM} the restriction of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ to the CM locus: $\rho_{\text{CM}} := \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$.

2.2. Non-classical weights and generalized eigenforms

We will have significant interest in both

- (i) p -ordinary p -adic cusp forms of non-cohomological weight, and
- (ii) p -ordinary modulo p cusp forms.

In both cases, we also need to define generalized eigenforms and their associated Galois representations.

We define p -ordinary cusp forms of non-cohomological weight by interpolation. These are all implicitly “of tame level N ”.

Definition 2.2.1.

- (1) A *p-adic p-ordinary cusp form of p-adic weight* (ϕ_k, χ') that is congruent to \bar{f} is an element of $S_{k, \chi'} := S_\Lambda \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k, \chi'}$.
- (2) A *p-ordinary p-adic Hecke eigensystem* congruent to \bar{f} is a homomorphism $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, and its weight (ϕ_k, χ') is determined by the unique height 1 prime $P \subset \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ through which the composite $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ factors.

Remark 2.2.2. Note that $S_{k, \chi'}$ is equal to the module of classical *p-ordinary forms*, denoted identically, when the weight is cohomological.

The notions of

- Hecke eigenform,
- generalized Hecke eigenform, and
- CM by K (the condition of (1.2.3))

apply to such objects in the same manner as to their classical counterparts. In particular, Lemma 2.1.5 generalizes straightforwardly to any *p-adic weight*. Thus the eigensystems from Definition 2.2.1(2) are in natural bijection with normalized eigenforms, i.e., “multiplicity one” holds in the presence of (1'')–(3').

For the sake of clarity, we specify the meaning of “generalized eigenform”. We use the notation $(-)[1/p]$ as shorthand for $(-) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p$.

Definition 2.2.3. Let g' be a *p-adic p-ordinary cusp form* in $S_{k, \chi'}$ that is congruent to \bar{f} . Denote by $\mathbb{T}[1/p]g'$ the $\mathbb{T}[1/p]$ -span of g' in $S_{k, \chi'}[1/p]$. We call g' a *generalized eigenform* when

- (i) g' is not an eigenform, and
- (ii) $\text{soc}(\mathbb{T}[1/p]g')$ is simple as a $\mathbb{T}[1/p]$ -module, where $\text{soc}(\mathbb{T}[1/p]g')$ denotes the socle of $\mathbb{T}[1/p]g'$ as a $\mathbb{T}[1/p]$ -module.

From such a generalized eigenform, we obtain a *p-adic p-ordinary eigensystem* $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ of weight (ϕ_k, χ') via the \mathbb{T} -action on this socle. Denote by $E_{g'}$ the subfield of $\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ generated by the image of \mathbb{T} in $\text{End}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}(\text{soc}(\mathbb{T}[1/p]g'))$. We also say that *the Hecke eigensystem of g' is g* when $g \in S_{k, \chi'}$ is an eigenform and also is an $E_{g'}$ -basis for $\text{soc}(\mathbb{T}[1/p]g')$.

We also define the *p-ordinary modulo p cusp forms* required for Theorem 1.3.4.

Definition 2.2.4. A *p-ordinary modulo p cusp form* (of tame level N) congruent to \bar{f} is an element of $S_{\mathbb{F}} := S_\Lambda \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{F}$.

Exactly as in the *p-adic case*, the definition of eigenform, generalized eigenform, and CM by K are identically formulated in $S_{\mathbb{F}}$. Note, however, that the socle of the Hecke span of an element of $S_{\mathbb{F}}$ is always simple and even 1-dimensional over \mathbb{F} , being spanned by \bar{f} . Thus every element of $S_{\mathbb{F}}$ is a generalized eigenform with Hecke eigensystem precisely \bar{f} .

Finally, we require Galois representations associated to generalized eigenforms $g' \in S_{k,\chi'}$ and $\bar{g}' \in S_{\mathbb{F}}$.

Definition 2.2.5. Let $A_{g'}$ be the \mathbb{Q}_p -subalgebra of $\text{End}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}(\mathbb{T}g' \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p)$ generated by the Hecke action on the Hecke span $\mathbb{T}[1/p]g'$ of g' . Thus we have a natural homomorphism $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{g'}$, and the Galois representation $\rho_{g'}$ associated to g' is given by

$$\rho_{g'} := \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} A'_{g'}$$

The definition for $\rho_{\bar{g}'}$ is formulated identically.

Lemma 2.2.6. *There is a canonical structure of augmented $E_{g'}$ -algebra on $A_{g'}$, compatible with the maps they receive from \mathbb{T} . There is an identical statement for a generalized eigenform $\bar{g}' \in S_{\mathbb{F}}$ in place of g' .*

Proof. Observe that $E_{g'}$ is the residue field of $\mathbb{T} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi}$ at its prime ideal $\wp_{g'}$, because $\wp_{g'}$ is the kernel of the Hecke action homomorphism

$$\mathbb{T} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi} \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}(\text{soc}(\mathbb{T}[1/p]g')).$$

Likewise, $A_{g'}$ admits a surjection from the completion $(\mathbb{T} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}/P_{k,\chi})_{\wp_{g'}}^{\wedge}$ at this residue field. As this completion is naturally endowed with the structure of an augmented local Artinian $E_{g'}$ -algebra, this gives $A_{g'}$ the same kind of structure. This augmentation structure $E_{g'} \hookrightarrow A_{g'} \twoheadrightarrow E_{g'}$ is \mathbb{T} -equivariant, by construction. ■

2.3. The ordinary deformation ring

In this section, we recall a minimal ordinary deformation ring and its comparison to a Hecke algebra.

Recall that we have fixed $\bar{\rho}$ as in §1.3, with coefficient field \mathbb{F} , and that $W = W(\mathbb{F})$ is the Witt ring of \mathbb{F} . Recall also that we denote the semisimplification of $\bar{\rho}|_{G_p}$ by $\bar{\chi}_1 \oplus \bar{\chi}_2$, where $\bar{\chi}_2$ is assumed to be unramified. We use \simeq to represent isomorphisms of representations up to conjugation, while we use $=$ to denote identical homomorphisms into GL_2 . Finally, recall also the notation $G_{\mathbb{Q},S}$ from §1.9.

Let CNL_W denote the category of complete Noetherian local W -algebras A with residue field $A/\mathfrak{m}_A \cong \mathbb{F}$.

Definition 2.3.1 (The minimal ordinary deformation functor, e.g. [12, §3.1]). Let $D^{\text{ord}} : \text{CNL}_W \rightarrow \text{Sets}$ be the functor associating to A the set of strict equivalence classes of homomorphisms $\rho_A : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(A)$ such that

- (i) $\rho_A \otimes_A \mathbb{F} = \bar{\rho}$;
- (ii) $\rho_A|_{G_p} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1 & b \\ 0 & \chi_2 \end{pmatrix}$, where $\chi_2 : G_p \rightarrow A^{\times}$ deforms $\bar{\chi}_2$ and is unramified;
- (iii) for primes $\ell \mid N$ such that $\#\bar{\rho}(I_{\ell}) \neq p$, reduction modulo \mathfrak{m}_A induces an isomorphism $\rho_A(I_{\ell}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bar{\rho}(I_{\ell})$;
- (iv) for primes $\ell \mid N$ such that $\#\bar{\rho}(I_{\ell}) = p$, $\rho_A^{I_{\ell}}$ is A -free of rank 1.

The “strict” equivalence relation is conjugation by an element of $1 + M_2(\mathfrak{m}_A) \subset \mathrm{GL}_2(A)$. Note also that $\#\bar{\rho}(I_\ell) = p$ is equivalent to $\bar{\rho}(I_\ell)$ having unipotent image.

Deformations ρ_A of $\bar{\rho}$ satisfying the conditions defining D^{ord} will be called *p-ordinary of tame level N*, or just *p-ordinary*.

The term “minimal” refers to conditions (iii) and (iv), while “ordinary” refers to condition (ii). These conditions are well-known to be relatively representable on deformation problems, as follows.

Proposition 2.3.2. *The conditions (1'') and (2') of §1.2 imply that D^{ord} is representable by $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \in \mathrm{CNL}_W$. In this case, there is a universal ordinary deformation $\rho^{\mathrm{ord}} : G_{\mathbb{Q}, S} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(R^{\mathrm{ord}})$ of $\bar{\rho}$.*

Proof. Upon these conditions, the representability of a deformation ring for conditions (i) and (ii) of Definition 2.3.1 is originally due to Mazur [42, §1.7, Prop. 3]. A simplification of the argument for (ii) applies to show that (iv) is relatively representable as well. It is standard that condition (iii) is relatively representable. ■

Assuming (1'')–(3'), and under some mild additional conditions, one may produce a map $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ corresponding to the representation $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ and prove that it is an isomorphism. This was first done in many cases by Wiles [54], followed by generalizations such as those of Diamond [10, 11]. Note, however, that some of these generalizations require modifications to R^{ord} or \mathbb{T} . We state here only the case we need, where we assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. In this generality, the isomorphism is due to Wiles [54, Thm. 4.8].

Theorem 2.3.3 (Wiles). *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. Then the representation $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ of Proposition 2.1.7 induces an isomorphism $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}$ of complete intersection rings.*

Due to assumption (4), there are no $\ell \mid N$ of type (iv) in the sense of Definition 2.3.1; they are all of type (iii). While it is implicit in Theorem 2.3.3 that $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ satisfies condition (iii), it will be useful later to have seen the following verification.

Lemma 2.3.4. *Assume conditions (0)–(4) of §1.2. Then reduction modulo $\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbb{T}}$ induces isomorphisms*

$$\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(I_\ell) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bar{\rho}(I_\ell) \quad \text{for all } \ell \mid N.$$

Proof. Because \mathbb{T} is reduced (Lemma 2.1.6), by Lemma 2.1.5 it will suffice to prove the result after replacing $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ by ρ_f for an eigenform f with a cohomological weight (k, χ') of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$.

Choose some prime $\ell \mid N$, and write $\bar{\rho}|_{G_\ell} \simeq \bar{\chi}_{\ell,1} \oplus \bar{\chi}_{\ell,2}$, where (only) $\bar{\chi}_{\ell,1}$ is ramified. It follows that $H^1(\mathbb{Q}_\ell, (\bar{\chi}_{\ell,1} \bar{\chi}_{\ell,2}^{-1})^\pm) = 0$. This in turn implies that $\rho_f|_{G_\ell} \simeq \chi_{\ell,1} \oplus \chi_{\ell,2}$, where $\chi_{\ell,i}$ deforms $\bar{\chi}_{\ell,i}$. Because we have fixed the determinant at ℓ (i.e. $\det \rho_f|_{I_\ell} = \chi'|_{I_\ell}$), we observe that the claimed isomorphism fails if and only if $\chi_{\ell,2}$ is ramified if and only if the conductor of $\rho_f|_{G_\ell}$ exceeds that of $\bar{\rho}|_{G_\ell}$. However, we have assumed that f is of level N , which is defined to be the prime-to- p conductor of $\bar{\rho}$. ■

We have this addendum to Lemma 2.2.6.

Lemma 2.3.5. *If we let g denote the eigensystem of g' , we have*

$$\rho_{g'} \not\simeq \rho_g \otimes_{E_{g'}} A_{g'}.$$

Proof. Since the socle of $\mathbb{T}[1/p]g'$ is 1-dimensional over $E_{g'}$ but g' is not an eigenform, the Hecke action map $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{g'}$ cannot factor through the \mathbb{T} -algebra map $E_{g'} \rightarrow A_{g'}$ that corresponds to the Hecke action on g . Since R^{ord} , and hence \mathbb{T} as well (Theorem 2.3.3), is a quotient of the unrestricted deformation ring of $\bar{\rho}$, this means that distinct homomorphisms to $A_{g'}$ out of \mathbb{T} must correspond to non-isomorphic Galois representations. ■

2.4. The p -locally split deformation ring

The following deformation problem was first considered by Ghate–Vatsal [21].

Definition 2.4.1. Let $D^{\text{spl}} : \text{CNL}_W \rightarrow \text{Sets}$ be the subfunctor of D^{ord} associating to A the set of strict equivalence classes of homomorphisms of the form

$$\rho_A|_{G_p} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \chi_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Deformations ρ_A of $\bar{\rho}$ satisfying the conditions defining D^{spl} will be known as *p-split*.

Proposition 2.4.2 (Ghate–Vatsal). *Assume conditions (1') and (2') of §1.2. Then D^{spl} is representable by $R^{\text{spl}} \in \text{CNL}_W$.*

Proof. This is [21, Prop. 3.1]. ■

Corollary 2.4.3. *Assume conditions (0)–(4) of §1.2. Then the Galois representations $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ and ρ_{CM} induce diagram (1.5.1).*

Proof. We already know that $R^{\text{ord}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}$ from Theorem 2.3.3. The canonical surjection $R^{\text{ord}} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$ arises from Proposition 2.4.2. Because ρ_{CM} is induced via $\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}}$ (see Proposition 4.1.2 below) and p splits in K , $\rho_{\text{CM}}|_{G_p}$ is *p-split*. Thus ρ_{CM} induces a surjection $R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$. The commutativity of (1.5.1) is clear. ■

3. Anti-cyclotomic Iwasawa theory

In this section, we assemble background information about objects of anti-cyclotomic Iwasawa theory and their relation to Galois cohomology. We will apply the assumptions (0)–(4) of §1.2 and use the characters $\bar{\psi}$ and $\bar{\psi}^-$ defined there.

3.1. Anti-cyclotomic extensions and Iwasawa algebras

Recall that we assume that $p\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{p}\mathfrak{p}^*$ splits, with $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \subset \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ inducing \mathfrak{p} . We have $G_{K,S}$ as in §1.9. Our notation mostly follows [31, p. 636].

Let \mathfrak{C} be the prime-to- p conductor of $\bar{\psi}^- : G_{K,S} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^\times$, which is equal to $c \cdot c^c$ by assumption (4). Then we consider the following abelian quotients of $G_{K,S}$:

\mathfrak{Z} = the ray class group of K modulo $\mathfrak{C}p^\infty$,

Z^- = the maximal quotient of \mathfrak{Z} where complex conjugation acts as -1 ,

Z_p^- = the maximal p -profinite quotient of Z^- .

Let $\mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{C}p^\infty}$ be the ray class field of K modulo $\mathfrak{C}p^\infty$. Let $K_{\mathfrak{C}p^\infty,p}^-/K$ denote the maximal pro- p anti-cyclotomic subextension of $\mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{C}p^\infty}/K$, so that the Artin map supplies canonical isomorphisms

$$\mathfrak{Z} \cong \text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{C}p^\infty}/K), \quad Z_p^- \cong \text{Gal}(K_{\mathfrak{C}p^\infty,p}^-/K).$$

We also let $\Gamma_K^- \cong \mathbb{Z}_p$ be the maximal torsion-free quotient of Z_p^- , and let K_∞^-/K be the corresponding \mathbb{Z}_p -extension.

Let \mathbb{F}' be the subfield of \mathbb{F} generated by the values of $\bar{\psi}^-$, and denote by $\psi^- : G_{K,S} \rightarrow W'^\times$ the Teichmüller lift of $\bar{\psi}^-$, where $W' := W(\mathbb{F}')$. Then ψ^- factors through a character on the quotient $Z^{(p)} := Z^-/Z_p^-$ (a direct factor of Z^-), hence defining a projection

$$\pi_{\psi^-} : W'[\![Z^-]\!] \rightarrow W'[\![Z_p^-]\!]$$

sending a group-like element $(z_p, z^{(p)}) \in Z^- \subset W'[\![Z^-]\!]^\times$ to $\psi^-(z^{(p)})z_p \in W'[\![Z_p^-]\!]$. In the following, we let

$$\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^- := W'[\![Z_p^-]\!], \quad \Lambda_{W'}^- := W'[\![\Gamma_K^-]\!] \tag{3.1.1}$$

denote the isotypical components of $W'[\![Z^-]\!]$ via π_{ψ^-} , and via π_{ψ^-} composed with the natural projection $Z_p^- \twoheadrightarrow \Gamma_K^-$, respectively. Let

$$\mathcal{J} := \ker(\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^- \twoheadrightarrow \Lambda_{W'}^-)$$

be the kernel of the natural projection.

Notation. For the rest of §3 we drop the subscript W' in $\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-$, $\Lambda_{W'}^-$, but we resume this outside §3.

A choice of section $s : \Gamma_K^- \hookrightarrow Z_p^-$ endows $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ with the structure of an augmented Λ^- -algebra. Moreover, it is free of finite rank, receiving a natural isomorphism

$$\tilde{\Lambda}^- \cong \Lambda^-[\![\text{Gal}(H_s/K)]\!], \tag{3.1.2}$$

where H_s/K is the finite p -primary unramified extension of K cut out by the quotient $Z_p^- \twoheadrightarrow Z_p^-/\Gamma_K^-$.

Let

$$\langle - \rangle_- : G_{K,S} \rightarrow (\Lambda^-)^\times, \quad \langle \tilde{-} \rangle_- : G_{K,S} \rightarrow (\tilde{\Lambda}^-)^\times \quad (3.1.3)$$

be the canonical characters arising from the projection from the group rings (3.1.1), and denote by $\Lambda_{\langle - \rangle}^-$ (resp. $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle - \rangle}^-$) the free Λ^- -module (resp. $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ -module) of rank 1 on which $G_{K,S}$ acts via $\langle - \rangle_-$ (resp. $\langle \tilde{-} \rangle_-$). In particular, the residual character in both cases is $\psi^- : G_{K,S} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^\times$.

The following extension fields of K are cut out by the characters ψ^- , $\langle - \rangle_-$, and $\langle \tilde{-} \rangle_-$, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} K(\psi^-) &= \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\ker(\psi^-)}, \\ K_\infty^-(\psi^-) &= \text{the composite } K_\infty^- K(\psi^-), \\ \mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-) &= \text{the composite } K_{\mathfrak{C}p^\infty,p}^- K(\psi^-). \end{aligned}$$

3.2. Anti-cyclotomic Katz p -adic L -functions

We briefly recall Katz's p -adic L -functions attached to K . In this section we write \mathfrak{W} for the Witt ring $W(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p)$ of an algebraic closure of \mathbb{F}_p .

For any prime-to- p ideal $\mathfrak{C} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$, Hida–Tilouine [35], following work of Katz [39] in the case $\mathfrak{C} = 1$, produced an element

$$\mu_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \mathfrak{W}[[3]]$$

(denoted $\mu_p(\mathfrak{C}p^{*\infty})$ in [9, Thm. II.4.14]) characterized by an interpolation property of critical values of the complex L -functions attached to certain Hecke characters of K modulo $\mathfrak{C}p^\infty$. Taking \mathfrak{C} to be the prime-to- p conductor of $\tilde{\psi}^-$, we shall be concerned with the projection

$$\mathfrak{L}_p^-(\psi^-) \in \mathfrak{W}[[Z_p^-]] \cong \tilde{\Lambda}^- \hat{\otimes}_{W'} \mathfrak{W}$$

of $\mu_{\mathfrak{p}}$ via the composite of the natural projection $\mathfrak{W}[[3]] \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{W}[[Z^-]]$ with π_{ψ^-} .

By the Weierstrass preparation theorem, we may and do fix a choice of $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-) \in \tilde{\Lambda}^-$ such that

$$(\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-) \otimes 1) = (\mathfrak{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$$

as ideals in $\tilde{\Lambda}^- \hat{\otimes}_{W'} \mathfrak{W}$, and write $L_p^-(\psi^-) \in \Lambda^-$ for its further specialization to Λ^- . Finally, when $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{I}) \subset \text{Spec}(\tilde{\Lambda}^-)$ is some irreducible component, we denote by $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$ the specialization of $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)$ to \mathbb{I} . The same constructions apply when \mathfrak{p} is replaced by \mathfrak{p}^* (i.e., starting with $\mu_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$), yielding $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)^* \in \tilde{\Lambda}^-$, etc. Altogether we obtain the following avatars of the Katz p -adic L -functions that we will consider:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-), \tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)^* &\in \tilde{\Lambda}^-, \\ L_p^-(\psi^-), L_p^-(\psi^-)^* &\in \Lambda^-, \\ \tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}, \tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)^*_{\mathbb{I}} &\in \mathbb{I}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2.1)$$

Since we impose condition (4), the following result gives us that the μ -invariants of these p -adic L -functions (when the coefficient ring is a domain) vanish.

Proposition 3.2.2 (Finis [16], Hida [29]). *The μ -invariants of $L_p^-(\psi^-)$, $L_p^-(\psi^-)^*$, $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$, and $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}^*$ are zero.*

Remark 3.2.3. Each \mathbb{I} is abstractly isomorphic to $W'[\mu_{p^n}][\![t]\!]$ for some n , where μ_{p^n} denotes a p^n -th root of unity.

3.3. Anti-cyclotomic Iwasawa class groups

Consider the following metabelian field extensions of K :

- M_∞^- = the maximal \mathfrak{p} -ramified pro- p abelian extension of $K_\infty^-(\psi^-)$,
- \mathcal{M}_∞^- = the maximal \mathfrak{p} -ramified pro- p abelian extension of $\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$,
- L_∞^- = the maximal unramified pro- p abelian extension of $K_\infty^-(\psi^-)$,
- \mathcal{L}_∞^- = the maximal unramified pro- p abelian extension of $\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$.

We have Iwasawa modules coming from Galois groups of these extensions, along with the following integral units in these fields:

- $Y_\infty^- = \text{Gal}(M_\infty^-/K_\infty^-(\psi^-))$, $X_\infty^- = \text{Gal}(L_\infty^-/K_\infty^-(\psi^-))$,
- $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^- = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{M}_\infty^-/\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-))$, $\mathcal{X}_\infty^- = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{L}_\infty^-/\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-))$,
- \mathcal{E}_∞^- = the group of global units in $\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$,
- \mathcal{U}_∞^- = the group of local 1-units in the completion of $\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ above \mathfrak{p} .

We note that Y_∞^- , X_∞^- are naturally modules over $\mathbb{Z}_p[\![\text{Gal}(K_\infty^-(\psi^-)/K)]\!]$, while \mathcal{E}_∞^- , \mathcal{U}_∞^- , \mathcal{Y}_∞^- , \mathcal{X}_∞^- are naturally modules over $\mathbb{Z}_p[\![\text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}_\infty^-(\psi^-)/K)]\!]$. In either case, we append (ψ^-) , e.g. $Y_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, to denote their ψ^- -isotypical components. Thus $Y_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ are Λ^- -modules and $\mathcal{E}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, $\mathcal{U}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ are $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ -modules, and all of these are known to be finitely generated. They are related by isomorphisms

$$Y_\infty^-(\psi^-) \cong \mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)/\mathcal{J}\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-), \quad X_\infty^-(\psi^-) \cong \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)/\mathcal{J}\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-).$$

Class field theory then yields the “fundamental” exact sequence of $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.3.1)$$

Proposition 3.3.2 (Anti-cyclotomic main conjecture [28, 36, 45]). *The characteristic ideal in Λ^- of $Y_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ is generated by $L_p^-(\psi^-)$, and the characteristic ideal of $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$ is generated by $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$. In particular,*

$$\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-) = 0 \iff Y_\infty^-(\psi^-) = 0$$

and this is implied by $L_p^-(\psi^-)$ being a unit in Λ^- .

We apply the main conjecture toward the control of $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$.

Proposition 3.3.3. *The following equivalences hold.*

- (i) $X(\psi^-) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X_\infty^-(\psi^-) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-) = 0$, and this is implied by at least one of $L_p^-(\psi^-)$ and $L_p^-(\psi^-)^*$ being a unit in Λ^- .
- (ii) $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ is infinite if and only if there exists some irreducible component $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{I}) \subset \text{Spec}(\tilde{\Lambda}^-)$ such that $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$ and $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}^*$ have a non-trivial common prime factor $P \subset \mathbb{I}$ of characteristic zero.

Proof. The equivalences of (i) (and the leftmost equivalence of Proposition 3.3.2) follow from Nakayama's lemma. For example, $X(\psi^-) \cong \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)/\mathfrak{m}_{\tilde{\Lambda}^-} \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$. The relation of the vanishing of $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ to the L -functions in the statement of (i) follows from Proposition 3.3.2 and its variant for the module $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)^*$ obtained by swapping the roles of \mathfrak{p} and \mathfrak{p}^* .

To prove (ii), for convenience write \mathcal{Y} (resp. \mathcal{Y}^*) for $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ (resp. $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)^*$), Y for $Y^-(\psi^-)$, and \mathcal{X} for $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$. Because \mathcal{X} is a quotient of \mathcal{Y} , and we know from Proposition 3.2.2 that the μ -invariant of Y is zero, Lemma 3.3.4 below implies that \mathcal{X} has a non-zero p -torsion-free quotient.

Therefore $\mathcal{X}[1/p]$ is a non-zero $\tilde{\Lambda}[1/p]$ -module. By examining a choice of presentation (3.1.2), we see that

$$\tilde{\Lambda}[1/p] \xrightarrow{\sim} \bigoplus_{\mathbb{I}} (\tilde{\Lambda}/\mathbb{I})[1/p]$$

is a regular ring. Therefore $\mathcal{X}[1/p]$ is supported at some maximal ideal of $(\tilde{\Lambda}/\mathbb{I})[1/p]$ for some choice of irreducible component $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{I}) \subset \text{Spec}(\tilde{\Lambda}^-)$. Since we know that \mathcal{X} is a quotient of both \mathcal{Y} and \mathcal{Y}^* (whose characteristic ideals on each \mathbb{I} are associated to $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$ by Proposition 3.3.2), this means that $\text{Char}_{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{Y}_{\mathbb{I}})$ and $\text{Char}_{\mathbb{I}}(\mathcal{Y}_{\mathbb{I}}^*)$ have a common factor. By Proposition 3.3.2 this is a common factor of $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}$ and $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)_{\mathbb{I}}^*$ as well. \blacksquare

Lemma 3.3.4. *Let \mathcal{Z} be a finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ -module. If \mathcal{Z} is infinite and p -power torsion, then the μ -invariant of $Z := \mathcal{Z} \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}^-} \Lambda^-$ as a Λ^- -module is positive.*

Proof. Because \mathcal{Z} is finitely generated and p -power torsion, there exists some $t \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ such that $p^t \cdot \mathcal{Z} = 0$. Because of the surjections $\cdot p^s : \mathcal{Z}/p \rightarrow p^s \mathcal{Z}/p^{s+1} \mathcal{Z}$, the infinitude of \mathcal{Z} implies that \mathcal{Z}/p is infinite. Because $\tilde{\Lambda}^-/p$ is generated over Λ^-/p by adjoining finitely many nilpotents (via a choice of presentation (3.1.2)), the same argument implies that Z/p is infinite. As Z is supported on $\text{Spec}(\Lambda^-/p) \subset \text{Spec}(\Lambda^-)$, this means that the μ -invariant of Z as a Λ^- -module is positive. \blacksquare

3.4. Galois cohomology with support, and duality

In this section, we compute some Galois cohomology groups often known as “Iwasawa cohomology,” relating them to the Iwasawa-theoretic objects defined in §3.3. We follow the approach of [52, §6] and parts of [51, §2], using the notation for Galois cohomology established in §1.9.

We will make use of the modules $\Lambda_{\langle - \rangle}^-$, $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle - \rangle}^-$ equipped with the canonical characters defined in (3.1.3), and respectively denote by

$$\Lambda_{\#}^-, \quad \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^-$$

the same underlying modules equipped with the inverse of those characters.

Let $S' \subset S_K$ denote some subset of places of K . We will study the cohomology of a $G_{K,S}$ -module T with support in S' , denoted $H_{(S')}^i(O_K[1/pN], T)$, which is defined to be the cohomology of the cone of the morphism of complexes

$$C_{(S')}^{\bullet}(O_K[1/pN], T) := \text{Cone}\left(C^{\bullet}(O_K[1/pN], T) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{s \in S'} C^{\bullet}(K_s, T)\right).$$

This gives rise to the standard long exact sequence in cohomology, whose terms in a single degree are

$$H_{(S')}^i(O_K[1/pN], T) \rightarrow H^i(O_K[1/pN], T) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{s \in S'} H^i(K_s, T) \quad (3.4.1)$$

We see that we have $H_{(\emptyset)}^i \cong H^i$.

The following module-theoretic version of global Tate duality will be useful.

Proposition 3.4.2. *Let T be a free module of finite rank over a complete local Noetherian \mathbb{Z}_p -algebra R that is Gorenstein. Equip T with an R -linear action of $G_{K,S}$. Let V denote a finitely generated R -module (with a trivial $G_{K,S}$ -action). Then there is a spectral sequence*

$$E_2^{i,j} = \text{Ext}_R^i(H_{(S')}^{3-j}(O_K[1/pN], T^*(1)), V) \Rightarrow H_{(S_K \setminus S')}^{i+j}(O_K[1/pN], T \otimes_R V),$$

where T^* denotes the R -linear dual module with the contragredient $G_{K,S}$ -action.

Proof. This follows directly from [51, Prop. 2.2.1] when R is regular and $S' \in \{S_K, \emptyset\}$. We explain how to adapt the proof of *loc. cit.* to prove this proposition.

The generalization to an arbitrary subset $S' \subset S$ follows from the fact that classical Poitou–Tate duality (i.e. for T a finite abelian group and T^* its Pontryagin dual) holds for an arbitrary $S' \subset S$. For this, see e.g. [17, Thm. B.1].

The first part of the proof of [51, Prop. 2.2.1] reduces to the case $V = R$. It relies on a particular case of [44, Prop. 5.4.3], which is an expression of this duality in the derived category of R -modules. In this setting, T may be a bounded complex and T^* is a bounded complex representing $\text{RHom}_R(T, \omega_R)$, where ω_R is a dualizing complex for R . In our statement, R is assumed to be Gorenstein (thus one may let ω_R be $R[0]$) and T is R -free, so we may use the standard R -linear dual module T^* .

The second part of the proof of [51, Prop. 2.2.1] uses [41, Prop. 3.1.3], and there is no difference in its application. ■

3.5. Kummer theory for anti-cyclotomic Iwasawa cohomology

We are interested in Galois cohomology with coefficients in $T = \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)$, which, in view of the review of Iwasawa cohomology in [52, §6.1], is the case of Kummer theory.

Proposition 3.5.1 (Kummer theory). *The long exact sequence (3.4.1) where $T = \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)$ and $S' = \{\mathfrak{p}\}$, namely,*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \rightarrow H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \rightarrow H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \\ &\rightarrow H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \rightarrow H^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \rightarrow H^2(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

is canonically isomorphic to the fundamental exact sequence (3.3.1). In particular, we have isomorphisms

$$H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^2(O_K[1/pN], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \cong \mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-), \quad (3.5.2)$$

$$H^2(O_K[1/pN], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \cong \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-). \quad (3.5.3)$$

The proof technique is similar to that of [52, §6], which applies when \mathbb{Q} is replaced by K .

Lemma 3.5.4. *There are canonical isomorphisms*

$$H^1(O_K[1/pN], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \cong \mathcal{E}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$$

and (3.5.3).

Proof. The isomorphism with $\mathcal{E}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ appears in [52, Cor. 6.1.3]. The isomorphism (3.5.3) follows just as in the proof of [52, Cor. 6.3.1]. Namely, because ψ^- is non-trivial at all primes of K dividing N , and is clearly not congruent modulo p to $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$, taking the ψ^- -component of the long exact sequence appearing in the statement of [52, Cor. 6.1.3] results in the desired isomorphism. ■

Similarly, we have the Kummer isomorphism

$$H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \cong \mathcal{U}_\infty^-(\psi^-),$$

with respect to which the natural maps $H^1(O_K[1/pN], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \rightarrow H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1))$ and $\mathcal{E}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ are compatible. Because $H^0(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) = 0$, it follows from (3.4.1) that $H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^1(O_K[1/pN], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) = 0$. By local Tate duality (“derived” as in Proposition 3.4.2, which can be applied with $R = \tilde{\Lambda}^-$ since this ring is a complete intersection, given its presentation (3.1.2)), the vanishing of $H^2(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1))$ follows from the fact that $H^0(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^-/I) = 0$ for all ideals $I \subset \tilde{\Lambda}^-$.

It remains to establish (3.5.2) compatibly with the isomorphisms we have already drawn. Using the proof of [40, Prop. 5.3.3(b)] (which is written for $S' = S_K$, but applies to any choice of S' , such as $S' = \{\mathfrak{p}\}$), we find that

$$H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) \cong \varprojlim_r H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^2(O_{K_r}[1/Np], (\psi^-)^{-1}(1)),$$

where $K_{\mathbb{C}p^\infty, p}^- \supset K_r$ is a sequence of p -abelian extensions of K cut out by a fundamental system of open neighborhoods of the identity in Z_p^- , and the maps of the limit are corestrictions. We use classical Poitou–Tate duality to draw a canonical isomorphism to

$$\varprojlim_{r,m} \mathrm{Hom}(A_{r,m}, \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p), \quad \text{where } A_{r,m} := H^1_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}(O_{K_r}[1/Np], \psi^- \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z}).$$

Because ψ^- has order prime to p and is non-constant on $G_{\mathfrak{q}}$ for all primes \mathfrak{q} of K_r dividing $N\mathfrak{p}^*$, we deduce

$$A_{r,m} \cong H^1_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}(O_{K_r K(\psi^-)}[1/Np], \mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z})^{\psi^-}$$

from the analogous isomorphisms for the cohomology theories $H^1(O_{K_r}[1/Np], -)$ or $H^1(K_{\mathfrak{q}}, -)$ replacing $H^1_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}(O_{K_r}[1/Np], -)$. Because taking the ψ^- -part kills the contribution of the cokernel of

$$H^0(O_{K_r K(\psi^-)}[1/Np], \mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \prod_{\mathfrak{q}' \mid \mathfrak{q} \mid N\mathfrak{p}^*} H^0((K_r K(\psi^-))_{\mathfrak{q}'}, \mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z})$$

to $H^1_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}(O_{K_r K(\psi^-)}[1/Np], \mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z})$, we know that $A_{r,m}$ is canonically isomorphic to the group of ψ^- -equivariant homomorphisms from the absolute Galois group of $K_r K(\psi^-)$ to $\mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z}$ that are trivial on $G_{\mathfrak{q}'}$ for $\mathfrak{q}' \mid N\mathfrak{p}^*$.

We observe that $H^1(K_{\mathfrak{q}}, \bar{\psi}^-) = 0$ for $\mathfrak{q} \mid N$ follows from assumption (4); likewise, $\ker(H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}^*}, \bar{\psi}^-) \rightarrow H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}^*}^{\mathrm{unr}}, \bar{\psi}^-)) = 0$ follows from assumption (2). It follows that triviality of an element of $A_{1,1} = H^1(O_K[1/Np], \bar{\psi}^-)$ at the decomposition group at $\mathfrak{q} \mid N\mathfrak{p}^*$ is equivalent to being trivial on the inertia group at \mathfrak{q} . It is straightforward to generalize this conclusion to general K_r and $m \geq 1$ from this base case ($K_1 = K$ and $m = 1$), as K_r/K is ramified only at \mathfrak{p} . In other words, on the ψ^- branch, \mathfrak{p}^* being split is equivalent to \mathfrak{p}^* being unramified. Therefore, by definition of $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, we deduce a canonical isomorphism

$$A_{r,m} \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}^-} W'[\mathrm{Gal}(K_r/K)], \mathbb{Z}/p^m\mathbb{Z}).$$

Applying this isomorphism to the limits over m and r above, we deduce (3.5.2).

To complete the proof of Proposition 3.5.1, it remains to check that the connecting map in (3.4.1) is compatible with the map $\mathcal{U}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ coming from the Artin symbol, and that the map from $H^2_{(\mathfrak{p})}$ to H^2 in (3.4.1) is compatible with $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$. This is standard, so we omit it.

4. Residually CM Hecke algebras

Continuing from §2.1.4, we apply (0)–(4) of §1.2 to describe the structure of \mathbb{T} .

4.1. CM Hecke algebras and associated Galois representations

The point of this section is to study the structure of the CM Hecke algebra \mathbb{T}^{CM} , a quotient of \mathbb{T} which we defined in §2.1.4. This will mainly be applied in §6. We do this by understanding the relation of \mathbb{T}^{CM} to Galois representations.

Recall that $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}) \subset \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$ is the minimal closed subscheme containing all of the irreducible components of \mathbb{T} with CM by K , and $\rho_{\text{CM}} = \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ denotes the restriction of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ to this CM locus. Recall that $\mathfrak{c} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$ denotes the prime-to- p Artin conductor of $\psi : G_{K,S} \rightarrow W^{\times}$.

We will also use the notation for anti-cyclotomic Iwasawa theory established at the beginning of §3.1. We add to it the following definitions. Let $\mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{c}\mathfrak{p}^{\infty}}$ denote the ray class field of K modulo $\mathfrak{c}\mathfrak{p}^{\infty}$, with ray class group Z . Let Z_p denote the maximal pro- p quotient of Z , which is also naturally a direct factor. Also let $\Gamma_K^{\mathfrak{p}} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p$ be the maximal torsion-free quotient of Z_p .

We see that ψ factors through a character on the quotient $Z^{(p)} := Z/Z_p$, resulting in a projection

$$\pi_{\psi} : W[\![Z]\!] \rightarrow W[\![Z_p]\!]$$

sending a group-like element $(z_p, z^{(p)}) \in Z$ to $\psi(z^{(p)})z_p \in W[\![Z_p]\!]$. In the following, we let

$$\tilde{\Lambda} := W[\![Z_p]\!], \quad \Lambda := W[\![\Gamma_K^{\mathfrak{p}}]\!],$$

which are equipped with a canonical surjection $\tilde{\Lambda} \twoheadrightarrow \Lambda$.

Similarly to (3.1.3), we denote by

$$\tilde{\langle - \rangle} : G_{K,S} \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}^{\times}, \quad \langle - \rangle : G_{K,S} \rightarrow \Lambda^{\times}$$

the natural characters arising from projection $G_{K,S} \twoheadrightarrow Z$ and π_{ψ} (resp. also via $\tilde{\Lambda} \twoheadrightarrow \Lambda$). Each of $\tilde{\Lambda}$ and Λ is a complete local Noetherian W -algebra with residue field \mathbb{F} , and these two characters are residually equal to $\bar{\psi}$.

Similarly to Definition 2.3.1, a deformation ψ_A of $\bar{\psi}$ to $A \in \text{CNL}_W$ is called *minimal* at a prime \mathfrak{q} of K if reduction modulo \mathfrak{m}_A induces an isomorphism $\psi_A(I_{\mathfrak{q}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \bar{\psi}(I_{\mathfrak{q}})$. It is standard (see e.g. [42, §1.4]) that $\tilde{\Lambda}$ with $\langle - \rangle$ is a universal deformation of $\bar{\psi}$ as follows.

Lemma 4.1.1. *There is a canonical isomorphism $R_{\bar{\psi}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\Lambda}$, where $R_{\bar{\psi}}$ represents deformations $\psi_A : G_{K,S} \rightarrow A^{\times}$ of $\bar{\psi}$ to $A \in \text{CNL}_W$ that are minimal outside \mathfrak{p} .*

Proposition 4.1.2. *Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2. Induction $\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}}$ produces an isomorphism $\tilde{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$, arising from the isomorphism*

$$\rho_{\text{CM}} \simeq \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \langle - \rangle.$$

In particular, \mathbb{T}^{CM} is a reduced complete intersection.

Proof. As pointed out in the proof of [31, Prop. 5.7(2)], since we are working in the minimal case (the tame level of our forms is equal to the prime-to- p conductor of $\bar{\rho}$) this claim follows immediately from Lemma 4.1.1 as long as $\bar{\rho}$ is induced only from K among all quadratic fields. By [31, Proposition 5.2(2)], assumption (3) of §1.2 implies this. ■

There is a notion of a Zariski-closed *maximal induced locus* for $\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}}$ in $\text{Spec } R$, where $R \in \text{CNL}_W$ supports a Galois representation $\rho_R : G_{\mathbb{Q}, S} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(R)$ deforming $\bar{\rho} = \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \bar{\psi}$. (See, for example, [8].)

Corollary 4.1.3. *The kernel I_{CM} of the canonical surjection $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ cuts out the maximal induced locus for $\rho_{\mathbb{T}} : G_{\mathbb{Q}, S} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T})$.*

Proof. By Theorem 2.3.3 and the proof of Lemma 2.3.5, any Zariski-closed locus in $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$ is determined by the Galois deformations it supports. Thus the corollary follows from Proposition 4.1.2 and the fact that the CM condition of (1.2.3) is equivalent to the induced condition: $R_{\bar{\psi}}$ parameterizes all characters ψ_A such that $\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \psi_A$ is p -ordinary of tame level N , and injects into \mathbb{T}^{CM} . ■

Proposition 4.1.2 also allows us to study the weight map $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \tilde{\Lambda}$.

Lemma 4.1.4. *The composite map β of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \tilde{\Lambda}$ satisfies*

$$\beta \circ \langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}|_{G_{K, S}} = \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \cdot \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c. \quad (4.1.5)$$

Also, β is an isomorphism if and only if $p \nmid h_K$.

Proof. The first statement follows from (2.1.9), as Proposition 4.1.2 tells us that $\rho_{\text{CM}}|_{G_{K, S}} \simeq \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \oplus \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c$.

A presentation of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ as a power series ring $W[[t]]$ arises from $t \mapsto \langle \gamma \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}} - 1$, where γ is any element of I_p that projects to a generator of the Galois group of the maximal cyclotomic \mathbb{Z}_p -extension of \mathbb{Q} . From the presentation of $\tilde{\Lambda}$ given above, and the equality (4.1.5), we see that $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$ is an isomorphism if and only if $\gamma - 1 \in \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ maps to a power series generator of $\tilde{\Lambda}$ if and only if γ maps to a generator of Z_p . This is the case if and only if $I_p \xrightarrow{\sim} I_{\mathfrak{p}} \subset G_{K, S}$ surjects onto Z_p , which is equivalent to $p \nmid h_K$. ■

4.2. Congruence module of the CM locus

We recall Hida's determination of the characteristic ideal of the congruence module of the CM locus $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}) \subset \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$.

For this, and for the further study of non-induced deformations of induced representations in §5, we identify how anti-cyclotomic objects over $\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}$, set up in §3 (like $\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)$) are presented over $\tilde{\Lambda}$.

Notation. In §3 only, we denoted $\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-, \Lambda_{W'}^-$, without the subscript. Elsewhere, the relationship between the two notations is

$$\tilde{\Lambda}^- := \tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^- \otimes_{W'} W, \quad \Lambda^- := \Lambda_{W'}^- \otimes_{W'} W,$$

as in (4.2.1). We mildly abuse notation by continuing to use $\langle - \rangle_-$ (resp. $\langle - \rangle_{-}$) for the base change of this character (as defined in §3.1) via $\otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-} \tilde{\Lambda}^-$ (resp. $\otimes_{\Lambda_{W'}^-} \Lambda^-$).

These anti-cyclotomic Iwasawa algebras $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ and Λ^- are domains of isomorphisms

$$\tilde{\delta} : \tilde{\Lambda}^- \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\Lambda}, \quad \delta : \Lambda^- \xrightarrow{\sim} \Lambda \quad (4.2.1)$$

that are characterized by inducing the equality of $\tilde{\Lambda}$ (resp. Λ)-valued characters

$$\tilde{\delta} \circ \langle \tilde{-} \rangle_- \cong \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \cdot (\langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c)^{-1}, \quad \text{resp. } \delta \circ \langle - \rangle_- \cong \langle - \rangle \cdot (\langle - \rangle^c)^{-1}.$$

They are induced by the canonical isomorphism $\iota : Z_p \cong Z_p^-$ of [31, p. 636].

Because \mathbb{T} and \mathbb{T}^{CM} are reduced under our running hypotheses (see Lemma 2.1.6, Proposition 4.1.2), there is a unique algebra decomposition of total fraction fields

$$\text{Frac}(\mathbb{T}) \simeq \text{Frac}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}) \oplus X.$$

Letting \mathbb{T}^{nCM} be the projected image of \mathbb{T} in X , we have $I_{\text{CM}} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}$ and \mathbb{T}^{nCM} is $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -torsion-free. The quotient $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/I_{\text{CM}}$ is the *congruence module*, in the sense of e.g. [26, §5.3.3], between the two components $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}})$ and $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}})$ of $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$.

Theorem 4.2.2 (Hida). *Assume conditions (0)–(4) of §1.2. Then*

$$\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/I_{\text{CM}} \simeq \tilde{\Lambda}/(\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)).$$

Moreover, we have the following commutative diagram with exact rows and columns:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} I_{\text{nCM}} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)) & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ I_{\text{CM}} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{T} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \tilde{\Lambda} \\ \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ I_{\text{CM}} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} & \longrightarrow & \tilde{\Lambda}/(\tilde{L}_p^-(\psi^-)) \end{array}$$

Proof. This is shown in [31, Thm. 7.2], building on the proof originating from [43] of the anti-cyclotomic main conjecture (Proposition 3.3.2). There we find the additional assumption that ψ is ramified at \mathfrak{p} and $p \nmid \phi(N)$. However, the first assumption is used only in order to apply [31, Thm. 7.1] and ensure that \mathbb{T} is a Gorenstein ring. In our setting, this follows from Theorem 2.3.3. The assumption $p \nmid \phi(N)$ is used to rule out the failure of minimality of CM families, but our assumptions guarantee minimality. ■

5. Computation of conormal modules using Shapiro's lemma

In this section, we give an explicit interpretation of the conormal module of the closed CM locus inside the p -ordinary (resp. p -locally split) locus. From this, we deduce the main theorem (Theorem 1.3.1) in §5.5.

5.1. Conormal modules

Assume (0)–(4) of §1.2 in all that follows. We will study the conormal modules of the closed subspaces

- (1) $\mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}) \subset \mathrm{Spec}(R^{\mathrm{ord}}) \cong \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$, and
- (2) $\mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}) \subset \mathrm{Spec}(R^{\mathrm{spl}})$.

We set

$$J := I_{\mathrm{CM}} = \ker(\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}), \quad J^s := \ker(R^{\mathrm{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}),$$

so that these conormal modules may be denoted

$$(1) J/J^2 \quad \text{and} \quad (2) J^s/(J^s)^2,$$

respectively. For convenience, we will use the canonical isomorphism $\tilde{\Lambda} \cong \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}$ of Lemma 4.1.2 and write $\tilde{\Lambda}$ in place of \mathbb{T}^{CM} throughout this section, studying J/J^2 and $J^s/(J^s)^2$ as $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -modules.

We also let ρ represent a member of the strict equivalence class (the equivalence relation defining $D^{\mathrm{spl}}(\tilde{\Lambda})$; see §2.4) of ρ_{CM} characterized by demanding that

$$\rho(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho|_{G_{K,S}} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle - \rangle & 0 \\ 0 & \langle - \rangle^c \end{pmatrix}.$$

Indeed, the left equality fixes a basis up to ordering and scaling, and the second condition fixes the order.

Let $\tilde{\Lambda}[V]$ denote $\tilde{\Lambda} \oplus V$ as a square-zero augmented $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -algebra, so $V^2 = 0$. For $R^* \in \{R^{\mathrm{ord}}, R^{\mathrm{spl}}, \tilde{\Lambda}\}$, let $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ denote the fiber of

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}) \tag{5.1.1}$$

over the canonical $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -algebra homomorphism $\phi_{\rho} : R^* \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$ induced by ρ . Here we use the isomorphism $\tilde{\Lambda} \cong R_{\psi}$ of Lemma 4.1.1 to speak of the identity automorphism of $\tilde{\Lambda}$ induced by ρ . Note that $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ has a natural $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module structure coming from the second argument.

In what follows, we will use, without further comment, the following concrete interpretation of $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ as a modified deformation functor D_{ρ}^* .

Lemma 5.1.2. *Let $D^* \in \{D^{\mathrm{ord}}, D^{\mathrm{spl}}, D_{\psi}\}$ be the deformation problem represented by R^* . There is a canonical bijective correspondence between $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ and the subset $D_{\rho}^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \subset D^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ consisting of the image of strict equivalence classes within the set of homomorphisms $\rho_V : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ such that $\rho_V \pmod{V} = \rho$ and $\det \rho_V = \langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \tilde{\Lambda}$.*

Remark 5.1.3. Strict equivalence classes within D_{ρ}^* amount to conjugacy classes by $1 + M_2(V) \subset \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$, which is why it is non-trivial to take the image in D^* .

Proof of Lemma 5.1.2. Let ρ_V represent a strict equivalence class in D^* that is the image of a strict equivalence class in D_ρ^* . Then $\rho_V \pmod{V} \simeq \rho$ and $\det \rho_V = \langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}$. The first condition is equivalent to the map $\phi_{\rho_V} : R^* \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}[V]$ being induced by ρ_V composed with $\tilde{\Lambda}[V] \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$ to produce ϕ_ρ . By examining (2.1.9), we see that the second condition is equivalent to $R^* \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$ being a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -algebra homomorphism. Conversely, any strict equivalence class in $D^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ that satisfies both conditions contains a representative ρ_V of a strict equivalence class in $D_\rho^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$, and it is clear that such a class is unique. ■

We also record the relationship between the $\text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$, which follows directly from the surjections $R^{\text{ord}} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$.

Proposition 5.1.4. *The conormal modules are characterized as $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -modules by*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(J/J^2, V) &\cong \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^{\text{ord}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) / \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(\tilde{\Lambda}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]), \\ \text{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(J^s/(J^s)^2, V) &\cong \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^{\text{spl}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) / \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(\tilde{\Lambda}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]), \end{aligned}$$

for all finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -modules V .

Notation. We will write ρ_V for a homomorphism

$$\rho_V : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \quad \text{such that} \quad \rho_V \pmod{V} = \rho \text{ and } \det \rho_V = \langle - \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

That is, ρ_V is a representative of $D_\rho^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$. We also mildly abuse terminology by speaking of a deformation ρ_V , when really this is the strict equivalence class of ρ_V , and refer to ρ_V as an element of $D_\rho^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ for $D_\rho^* \in \{D_\rho^{\text{ord}}, D_\rho^{\text{spl}}, D_{\bar{\psi},\rho}\}$.

Next we find these ρ_V as elements of an Ext^1 -module.

Lemma 5.1.5. *For any finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module V and $R^* \in \{R^{\text{ord}}, R^{\text{spl}}, \tilde{\Lambda}\}$, there exists a $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -linear injection*

$$D_\rho^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V]) = \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \hookrightarrow \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V)$$

determined by sending any $\rho_V \in D_\rho^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ to the extension class determined by the surjection

$$\rho_V \twoheadrightarrow \rho_V \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}[V]} \tilde{\Lambda} = \rho.$$

Proof. The condition $\rho_V \in D_\rho^*(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ implies that $\rho_V \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}[V]} \tilde{\Lambda} = \rho$. One may then readily check that the kernel of $\rho_V \twoheadrightarrow \rho$ is isomorphic to $\rho \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V$ (where V has a trivial $G_{\mathbb{Q},S}$ -action). Then the map to Ext^1 is injective because strict equivalence in D_ρ^* amounts to conjugation by $1 + M_2(V)$. The fact that this map is $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -linear is a functorial (in V) version of the standard fact (see e.g. [42, p. 399]) that the tangent space of a deformation ring R_ρ with residue field k is given, as a k -vector space, by $\text{Hom}(R, k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2)$, and admits a canonical isomorphism of k -vector spaces to $\text{Ext}_{k[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho)$. ■

5.2. Local conditions

Next we address the local conditions that define the deformation problems D^{ord} , D^{spl} , thereby determining the images of the injections of Lemma 5.1.5. We will decompose the condition on the constancy of the determinant of Lemma 5.1.2 into a sum of local inertial conditions.

First we address conditions at p . As we have seen, $\rho|_{G_{K,S}} \simeq \psi \oplus \psi^c$. Because p splits in K (and recall that we have designated \mathfrak{p} such that $G_{\mathfrak{p}} \xrightarrow{\sim} G_p$), we also have this decomposition of $\rho|_{G_p}$. The characters remain distinct after restriction to both $G_{K,S}$ and G_p because $\bar{\psi}|_{G_p} = \bar{\chi}_1 \neq \bar{\chi}_2 = \bar{\psi}^c|_{G_p}$, by the assumptions of §1.2. Therefore, restriction to $G_{K,S}$ induces a canonical map

$$\sigma^p : \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes V) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_p]}^1(\langle \tilde{-} \rangle, \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \otimes V) & \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_p]}^1(\langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c, \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \otimes V) \\ \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_p]}^1(\langle \tilde{-} \rangle, \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c \otimes V) & \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_p]}^1(\langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c, \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c \otimes V) \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.2.1)$$

(where the matrix stands for the direct sum of its entries). For $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$, write $\sigma_{i,j}^p$ for the projection to the (i, j) -th coordinate of the target of σ^p . Likewise, write $\tau_{i,i}^p$ for the composition of $\sigma_{i,i}^p$ with

$$\text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_p]}^1(\langle \tilde{-} \rangle^{c^{i+1}}, \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^{c^{i+1}} \otimes V) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[I_p]}^1(\langle \tilde{-} \rangle^{c^{i+1}}, \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^{c^{i+1}} \otimes V).$$

Lemma 5.2.2. *Let V be a finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module.*

- (1) *The ordinary condition and I_p -constant determinant condition on the target of σ^p are cut out by the kernel of $\sigma_{2,1}^p \oplus \tau_{1,1}^p \oplus \tau_{2,2}^p$.*
- (2) *The split condition and I_p -constant determinant condition on the target of σ^p are cut out by the kernel of $\sigma_{2,1}^p \oplus \sigma_{1,2}^p \oplus \tau_{1,1}^p \oplus \tau_{2,2}^p$.*

Proof. This computation of the ordinary condition amounts to the study of ordinary deformation rings appearing in [42, §1.7, p. 401], and a straightforward generalization to D^{spl} . We provide more details, and address the inertial determinant condition.

A choice of V -valued cocycles $e = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ representing a cohomology class in the codomain of σ^p may be represented as

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \in Z^1(\mathbb{Q}_p, V) & b \in Z^1(\mathbb{Q}_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle \tilde{-} \rangle}^- \otimes V) \\ c \in Z^1(\mathbb{Q}_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^- \otimes V) & d \in Z^1(\mathbb{Q}_p, V) \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle \tilde{-} \rangle}^- \otimes V$ is short for $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle \tilde{-} \rangle}^- \otimes_{\Lambda^-} V$, and where V is made to be a $\tilde{\Lambda}^-$ -module via the homomorphism $\tilde{\Lambda}^- \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^- \otimes_{W'} W \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\Lambda}$ found in (4.2.1). This data determines a homomorphism

$$\rho_e := \begin{pmatrix} \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \cdot (1 + a) & \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c b \\ \langle \tilde{-} \rangle c & \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c \cdot (1 + d) \end{pmatrix} : G_p \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V]). \quad (5.2.3)$$

Conjugation by $1 + M_2(V) \subset \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ moves e within its cohomology class. Therefore, a deformation of $\rho|_{G_p}$ to $\tilde{\Lambda}[V]$ satisfies the conditions of the deformation functor D^{ord} if and only if c is a coboundary and $d|_{I_p} = 0$. The additional condition that the deformation of the determinant is trivial on I_p is equivalent to $(a + d)|_{I_p} = 0$, so we must have $a|_{I_p} = 0$ as well.

Similarly, a deformation of ρ to $\tilde{\Lambda}[V]$ restricting to G_p as ρ_e determines an element of $D^{\mathrm{spl}}(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ with a trivial deformation of the determinant on I_p if and only if both b and c are coboundaries and $d|_{I_p} = a|_{I_p} = 0$. \blacksquare

Next we address the conditions at primes $\ell \mid N$. This is fairly simple, as we have noted that the off-diagonal cohomology is trivial at ℓ in the proof of Lemma 2.3.4. We set up the maps σ_i^ℓ , $\sigma_{i,j}^\ell$, and $\tau_{i,j}^\ell$ just as for the prime p above.

Lemma 5.2.4. *Let $\ell \mid N$ be a prime. The condition of minimality at ℓ is cut out by the kernel of $\tau_{1,1}^\ell \oplus \tau_{2,2}^\ell$.*

Proof. This condition is part (iii) of Definition 2.3.1. As the codomains of $\sigma_{i,j}^\ell$ are zero for $(i, j) \in \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$, only the conditions cut out by $\tau_{1,1}^\ell, \tau_{2,2}^\ell$ remain. \blacksquare

Thus we have determined the image of the injections of Lemma 5.1.5.

Corollary 5.2.5. *Let V be a finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module.*

(1) *The image of*

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^{\mathrm{ord}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V)$$

is the kernel of $\sigma_{2,1}^p \oplus \bigoplus_{v|Np} (\tau_{1,1}^v \oplus \tau_{2,2}^v)$.

(2) *The image of*

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^{\mathrm{spl}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V)$$

is the kernel of $\sigma_{1,2}^p \oplus \sigma_{2,1}^p \oplus \bigoplus_{v|Np} (\tau_{1,1}^v \oplus \tau_{2,2}^v)$.

5.3. An explicit form of Shapiro's lemma

Because $\rho \cong \mathrm{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \langle \tilde{-} \rangle$ (see Proposition 4.1.2), we can apply Shapiro's lemma to the domain of (5.2.1) to obtain

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes V) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1((\langle \tilde{-} \rangle \oplus \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c, (\langle \tilde{-} \rangle \oplus \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c) \otimes V)).$$

We need to relate this isomorphism to (5.2.1). For this, we develop, in this section, an explicit version of Shapiro's lemma for this particular case.

In order to state it, we use the notation $(-)^c$ on an extension class as follows, extending the notation for representations of G_K established in §1.2.3: When ρ_1, ρ_2 are representations of G_K and $e \in \mathrm{Ext}_{G_K}^1(\rho_2, \rho_1)$ is an extension class represented by the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \rho_1 \rightarrow \rho_e \rightarrow \rho_2 \rightarrow 0,$$

then we write $e^c \in \text{Ext}_{G_K}^1(\rho_2^c, \rho_1^c)$ for the extension class of

$$0 \rightarrow \rho_1^c \rightarrow \rho_e^c \rightarrow \rho_2^c \rightarrow 0.$$

Using the canonical isomorphism between these Ext-groups and group cohomology, we also use the notation $(-)^c$ for the map

$$H^1(O_K[1/Np], \rho_2^* \otimes \rho_1) \rightarrow H^1(O_K[1/Np], \rho_2^{c*} \otimes \rho_1^c)$$

induced by the map on Ext-groups.

Similarly, choosing matrix-valued representatives for the ρ_i and choosing some cocycle $a \in Z^1(O_K[1/Np], \rho_2^* \otimes \rho_1)$, we may use the notion of $(-)^c$ that applies to homomorphisms:

$$a^c(\gamma) = a(c\gamma c) \quad \text{for } \gamma \in G_{K,S}.$$

We next show that these are compatible.

Lemma 5.3.1. *With notation as above, if we write ρ_a for the extension of ρ_2 by ρ_1 induced by the cohomology class of a , then the cohomology class of a^c corresponds to the extension class of ρ_a^c .*

Proof. Using matrix-valued representatives, we can write ρ_a as a homomorphism

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 & \rho_1 \cdot a \\ & \rho_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and observe that ρ_a^c is represented by the homomorphism

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_1^c & \rho_1^c \cdot a^c \\ & \rho_2^c \end{pmatrix}.$$

■

For notational convenience, in the statement of Proposition 5.3.2 we use $\langle \rangle$ in place of $\langle \tilde{-} \rangle$.

Proposition 5.3.2. *The natural map*

$$\sigma^K : \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes V) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle, \langle \rangle \otimes V) & \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle^c, \langle \rangle \otimes V) \\ \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle, \langle \rangle^c \otimes V) & \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle^c, \langle \rangle^c \otimes V) \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.3.3)$$

is injective, and its image is given by

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle, \langle \rangle \otimes V) & \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle^c, \langle \rangle \otimes V) \\ \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle, \langle \rangle^c \otimes V) & \text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{K,S}]}^1(\langle \rangle^c, \langle \rangle^c \otimes V) \end{pmatrix} \mid a^c = d, b^c = c \right\}.$$

Proof. Shapiro's lemma tells us that σ^K is injective.

Choose $e = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ in the group of cocycles whose cohomology class lies in the codomain of σ^K ; for example, $b \in Z^1(O_K[1/Np], \langle \tilde{-} \rangle \cdot (\langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c)^{-1} \otimes V)$. This is a function $e : G_{K,S} \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(V)$ that determines the homomorphism $\rho_e : G_{K,S} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ (similar to (5.2.3)) given by

$$\rho_e := \begin{pmatrix} \langle \tilde{-} \rangle(1+a) & \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c b \\ \langle \tilde{-} \rangle c & \langle \tilde{-} \rangle^c(1+d) \end{pmatrix} : G_{K,S} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V]).$$

It extends to a function on $G_{\mathbb{Q},S} = G_{K,S} \amalg G_{K,Sc}$ that we denote by $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$, given by

$$\tilde{\rho}_e^C : G_{K,Sc} \ni \gamma c \mapsto \rho_e(\gamma) \cdot C \in \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$$

(so in particular $\tilde{\rho}_e^C(c) = C$), where $C \in \mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ has order 2 and satisfies

$$C \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{V}.$$

We observe that the set of lifts of ρ to $\tilde{\Lambda}[V]$ is in bijection with the set of pairs (e, C) such that $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$ is a homomorphism. We break the determination of the homomorphism condition on $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$ into cases.

Case $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. When $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, we claim that $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$ is a homomorphism if and only if $a^c = d$ and $b^c = c$, as cocycle functions $G_{K,S} \rightarrow V$.

We want to verify that $\tilde{\rho}_e^C(\gamma''\gamma') = \tilde{\rho}_e^C(\gamma'')\tilde{\rho}_e(\gamma')$ for all $\gamma'', \gamma' \in G_{\mathbb{Q},S}$. A brief computation reduces this verification to the case where $\gamma' \in G_{K,S}$ and also $\gamma'' = \gamma c$ for some unique $\gamma \in G_{K,S}$. In this case, rewrite $\gamma''\gamma' = (\gamma c)\gamma'$ as $\gamma(c\gamma'c)c$, observing that the desired equality holds if and only if

$$\rho_e(c\gamma'c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rho_e(\gamma') \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This condition holds if and only if $a^c = d$ and $b^c = c$, proving the claim.

Case of general C . The set of all possible elements $\mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ satisfying the conditions demanded of C are in bijection with

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & v_{12} \\ v_{12} & v_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(V) \mid v_{11} + v_{22} = v_{12} + v_{21} = 0 \right\}$$

via $C \mapsto C - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. For the moment, fix $(v_{i,j})$ so that it equals $C - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. The function arising from conjugating $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$ by $1 + C' := 1 + \begin{pmatrix} -v_{12}/2 & -v_{11}/2 \\ v_{11}/2 & v_{12}/2 \end{pmatrix}$ satisfies

$$(1 + C')\tilde{\rho}_e^C(c)(1 - C') = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus we may reduce to the case of $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

In order to carry out this reduction, we need a bit of additional notation. Write ∂ for the boundary map $C^0(O_K[1/Np], M_2(V)) \rightarrow C^1(O_K[1/Np], M_2(V))$, and write $\partial = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{11} & \partial_{12} \\ \partial_{21} & \partial_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ for its decomposition into matrix coordinates. Then we apply the case

$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and observe that $1 + e$ is fixed by conjugation by $1 + C'$ to deduce that $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$ is a homomorphism if and only if

$$a^c = d, \quad b^c = c.$$

A complement to $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathfrak{pgl}_2 \otimes V$ is $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & w \\ w & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Conjugating $\tilde{\rho}_e^C$ by $1 + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}w$ fixes $\tilde{\rho}_e^C(c) = C$, fixes a and d , and sends

$$b \mapsto b - \partial_{12}(w), \quad c \mapsto c - \partial_{21}(w),$$

which maintains the equality $b^c = c$.

Altogether, we have calculated that lifts of ρ to $\tilde{\Lambda}[V]$ are in bijection with the $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module

$$(a, b, v_{11}, v_{12}) \in Z^1(O_K[1/Np], V) \oplus Z^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V) \oplus V^{\oplus 2}$$

via $(a, b, v_{11}, v_{12}) \mapsto \tilde{\rho}_e^C$, where e and C are defined as

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b^c & a^c \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & v_{12} \\ -v_{12} & -v_{11} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The action of conjugation by $1 + M_{2 \times 2}(V) \subset \text{GL}_2(\tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ on the lifts of ρ to $\tilde{\Lambda}[V]$, under this bijection, amounts to translation by the $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -submodule

$$B^1(O_K[1/Np], V) \oplus B^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V) \oplus V^{\oplus 2}.$$

The quotient is naturally isomorphic to the claimed image of σ^K . ■

Using the foregoing expression of Shapiro's lemma, we calculate $\text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$. Write H_p for the p -primary summand of the ideal class group of K .

Proposition 5.3.4. *For any finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module V , there are isomorphisms*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^{\text{ord}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(H_p, V) \oplus H_{(Np^*)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V), \\ \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^{\text{spl}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(H_p, V) \oplus H_{(Np)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V), \\ \text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(\tilde{\Lambda}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(H_p, V). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We apply throughout the interpretation of $\text{Hom}_{\text{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ in Lemma 5.1.2. Thus our goal is to calculate the image of the injections of Lemma 5.1.5, which are determined by Corollary 5.2.5. So it remains to interpret the conclusion of Corollary 5.2.5 in terms of Proposition 5.3.2.

We use the notation of Galois cohomology instead of Ext^1 . For convenience, when v is a rational prime dividing Np and $* = ij$ for $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$, we use the natural extensions

of σ_*^v and τ_*^v to the codomain of σ^K : these are σ_*^v , τ_*^v , where v is the prime over v distinguished by the embeddings of §1.2.1.

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{1,2}^p : H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V) &\rightarrow H^1(K_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V), \\ \sigma_{2,1}^p : H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V) &\rightarrow H^1(K_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V), \\ \tau_{i,i}^v : H^1(O_K[1/Np], V) &\rightarrow H^1(K_v^{\text{unr}}, V), \quad i = 1, 2.\end{aligned}$$

We also use the isomorphism of Shapiro's lemma as given by the top row of σ^K :

$$\text{Ext}_{\tilde{\Lambda}[G_{\mathbb{Q},S}]}^1(\rho, \rho \otimes V) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^1(O_K[1/Np], V) \oplus H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V). \quad (5.3.5)$$

The map $\bigoplus_{v|Np}(\tau_{1,1}^v \oplus \tau_{2,2}^v)$ factors through the summand $H^1(O_K[1/Np], V)$ of the codomain of (5.3.5), yielding

$$\begin{aligned}H^1(O_K[1/Np], V) &\rightarrow \bigoplus_{v|Np} (H^1(K_v^{\text{unr}}, V) \oplus H^1(K_v^{\text{unr}}, V)), \\ a &\mapsto ((a|_{I_v}, a^c|_{I_v}) \mid \text{primes } v \mid Np).\end{aligned}$$

Using the equivalence $a^c|_{I_p} = 0 \Leftrightarrow a|_{I_{p^*}} = 0$, we find that these are V -valued homomorphisms factoring through H_p . This establishes the final claimed isomorphism, as deformations induced from K are split upon restriction to K .

For the first claimed isomorphism, we calculate the ordinary case. Similarly to the previous paragraph, $\sigma_{2,1}^p$ factors through the summand $H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V)$ of the codomain of (5.3.5), yielding

$$\begin{aligned}H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V) &\rightarrow H^1(K_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V), \\ b &\mapsto b^c|_{G_p}.\end{aligned} \quad (5.3.6)$$

Let \mathfrak{l} be a prime of K over N . It follows from the cohomology calculation in the proof of Lemma 2.3.4 that $H^i(K_{\mathfrak{l}}, \bar{\psi}^-) = 0$ for all $i \geq 0$. Therefore, the local factors over N of the long exact sequence in cohomology (3.4.1) arising from the cone construction (with S' the set of primes of K dividing $N\mathfrak{p}^*$ and $T = \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^-$) are trivial. Likewise, for the local factors over p , we have $H^0(K_p, \bar{\psi}^-) = H^0(K_{\mathfrak{p}^*}, \bar{\psi}^-) = 0$, so there are no local terms in degree zero in this long exact sequence. Also, $b^c|_{G_p} = 0$ if and only if $b|_{G_{\mathfrak{p}^*}} = 0$. Therefore, the kernel of (5.3.6) is canonically isomorphic to $H_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V)$.

Recalling the decomposition (5.3.5), we conclude that $\sigma_{2,1}^p \oplus \bigoplus_{v|Np}(\tau_{1,1}^v \oplus \tau_{2,2}^v)$ has kernel naturally isomorphic to the direct sum of the two kernels above. This gives the first isomorphism.

The argument for the second is essentially identical. We replace $\sigma_{2,1}^p$ with $\sigma_{1,2}^p \oplus \sigma_{2,1}^p$, which also factors through the summand $H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V)$ of the codomain of (5.3.5). This factorization is

$$\begin{aligned}H^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V) &\rightarrow H^1(K_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V) \oplus H^1(K_p, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\#}^- \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} V), \\ b &\mapsto (b|_{G_p}, b^c|_{G_p}).\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the kernel of $\sigma_{1,2}^{\mathfrak{p}} \oplus \sigma_{2,1}^{\mathfrak{p}} \oplus \bigoplus_{v|Np} (\tau_{1,1}^v \oplus \tau_{2,2}^v)$ is naturally isomorphic to the direct sum of the two kernels from the factorization. Then, (3.4.1) computes this group by the same argument as before, where S' is now the set of primes of K dividing Np . ■

Now we can interpret maps out of the conormal modules of the CM locus in the ambient ordinary or split deformation space.

Corollary 5.3.7. *For any finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module V , we have canonical isomorphisms*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(J/J^2, V) &\xrightarrow{\sim} H_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V), \\ \mathrm{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(J^s/(J^s)^2, V) &\xrightarrow{\sim} H_{(Np)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{(-)}^- \otimes V) \end{aligned}$$

that are functorial in V .

Proof. We claim that the injections

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(\tilde{\Lambda}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^*, \tilde{\Lambda}[V]), \quad * \in \{\mathrm{ord}, \mathrm{spl}\},$$

induced by the canonical surjections $R^{\mathrm{ord}} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\mathrm{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$ are compatible with the direct sum decompositions in the statement of Proposition 5.3.4. This follows from the fact that the image of these injections, say on an element $a \in \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(H_p, V)$, corresponds exactly to $\mathrm{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \langle \tilde{(-)} \rangle \cdot (1 + a)$. By Lemma 4.1.1, induced deformations of $\bar{\rho}$ are exactly those that arise from homomorphisms out of $\tilde{\Lambda}$. Hence the statement follows from Proposition 5.1.4. ■

5.4. Interpretation as class groups

We arrive at the identification of the conormal modules. We apply the map $\tilde{\delta}$ of (4.2.1), usually restricting it from its domain $\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^- \otimes_{W'} W$ to its subring $\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^- \otimes 1 \cong \tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-$.

Theorem 5.4.1. *We have isomorphisms*

- (i) $\mathcal{Y}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-, \tilde{\delta}} \tilde{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\sim} J/J^2$ and
- (ii) $\mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-, \tilde{\delta}} \tilde{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\sim} J^s/(J^s)^2$,

compatibly with the natural surjections $J/J^2 \twoheadrightarrow J^s/(J^s)^2$ and $\mathcal{Y}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-) \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$.

Remark 5.4.2. Case (i) was originally proved by Hida; indeed, it follows immediately from the computation of $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{CM}}(R^{\mathrm{ord}}, \tilde{\Lambda}[V])$ in [27, Prop. 3.89, Thm. 5.33] combined with the argument establishing Corollary 5.2.5.

Proof of Theorem 5.4.1. Let V be a finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module. Since $\tilde{\Lambda}$ is a complete intersection (see Proposition 4.1.2), we may apply global Tate duality in the form of

Proposition 3.4.2. Since $H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^i(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) = 0$ for $i \neq 2$ according to Proposition 3.5.1, the application to $T = \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)$ of the global Tate duality spectral sequence of Proposition 3.4.2 degenerates. This yields

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)), V) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle - \rangle}^-\otimes V).$$

Because $\tilde{\Lambda} \otimes_{\tilde{\delta}, \tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-} (\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-)_\#(1) \cong W \otimes_{W'} (\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-)_\#(1)$, Proposition 3.5.1 allows us to replace $H_{(\mathfrak{p})}^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1))$ by $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-, \tilde{\delta}} \tilde{\Lambda}$. Corollary 5.3.7 canonically identifies $\mathrm{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(J/J^2, -)$ with

$$H_{(N\mathfrak{p}^*)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle - \rangle}^-\otimes -)$$

as functors on finitely generated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -modules. Because both J/J^2 and $\mathcal{Y}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-} \tilde{\Lambda}$ are finitely generated as $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -modules, Yoneda's lemma implies the result (i).

The proof of (ii) is essentially the same. Because $H^i(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)) = 0$ for $i > 2$, the duality spectral sequence of Proposition 3.4.2 yields

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(H^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1)), V) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{(Np)}^1(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_{\langle - \rangle}^-\otimes V).$$

By Proposition 3.5.1, we can replace $H^2(O_K[1/Np], \tilde{\Lambda}_\#^-(1))$ by $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W'}^-, \tilde{\delta}} \tilde{\Lambda}$. The rest of the proof proceeds as in the proof of (i). \blacksquare

5.5. Proofs of main theorems

In this section, we deduce the main result (Theorem 1.3.1), and also Theorems 1.3.4 and 1.4.4, from the following main technical result. We resume writing \mathbb{T}^{CM} in place of $\tilde{\Lambda}$.

Theorem 5.5.1. *Assume conditions (0)–(4) of §1.2. Then the surjection $R^{\mathrm{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}$ is an isomorphism if and only if $X(\psi^-) = 0$.*

Proof. We know that $X(\psi^-) = 0$ if and only if $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-) = 0$ by Proposition 3.3.3(i). Thus Theorem 5.4.1 implies the theorem as soon as we know that $J^s = 0 \Leftrightarrow J^s/(J^s)^2 = 0$. This follows from Nakayama's lemma, as J^s is contained in the maximal ideal of the complete Noetherian local ring R^{spl} . \blacksquare

The main theorem now follows.

Proof of Theorem 1.3.1. The conclusion of Theorem 1.3.1 is equivalent to the set

$$\mathrm{Spec} R^{\mathrm{spl}}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \setminus \mathrm{Spec} \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$$

being empty. When $X(\psi^-) = 0$, this immediately follows from Theorem 5.5.1. \blacksquare

Now we deduce Theorems 1.3.4 and 1.4.4 from Theorem 5.5.1 and the background in §2.

Proof of Theorems 1.3.4 and 1.4.4. It follows from Proposition 2.4.2 that the p -locally split condition is well-defined on the Galois representations associated to generalized eigenforms g' , \bar{g}' , even though their coefficient rings are not domains. Thus condition (c) of the theorems is equivalent to the map $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{\bar{g}'}^*$ (resp. $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{g'}^*$) factoring through $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$.

Similarly, as we have noted that the CM condition is well-defined on generalized eigenforms in §2.2, the “not CM” condition (b) of both theorems is equivalent to the map $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{\bar{g}'}^*$ (resp. $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{g'}^*$) not factoring through $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$.

Case of Theorem 1.4.4. Assume that $\mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$ is infinite, which is equivalent to $\mathcal{X} := \mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_{W^-, \tilde{\delta}}} \tilde{\Lambda}$ being infinite. Then as a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -module (where this module structure arises from $\beta : \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}$ discussed in Lemma 4.1.4), \mathcal{X} has support on some height 1 prime $P \subset \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$. By Proposition 3.3.3(ii), P has characteristic zero; hence $P = P_{k, \chi'}$ for some p -adic weight (k, χ') .

Let $E = E_{k, \chi'}$ denote the residue field of $P_{k, \chi'}$, which is a finite extension of \mathbb{Q}_p . We now consider the surjection with square-zero kernel

$$(R^{\text{spl}}/(J^s)^2) \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E.$$

By Theorem 5.4.1, its kernel surjects onto $\mathcal{X} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E$, which is non-zero. Because $\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E$ is a finite product of finite extension fields over E , it has some factor $E_x = (\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E)/\mathfrak{m}_x$ with the following property: letting \mathfrak{m}'_x be the kernel of the surjection from $(R^{\text{spl}}/(J^s)^2) \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E$ to E_x , $\mathcal{X} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E$ does not vanish under its natural map to $\mathfrak{m}'_x/\mathfrak{m}'_x^2$.

Choose some 1-dimensional E_x -vector space quotient \mathcal{X}' of $\mathcal{X} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E_x$ and let $A_x := E_x[\mathcal{X}'] \cong E_x[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$ be the corresponding square-zero extension of E_x . Then we may factor $(R^{\text{spl}}/(J^s)^2) \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} E \twoheadrightarrow E_x$ through $A_x \twoheadrightarrow E_x$.

We now recall the discussion of generalized eigenforms and their attached Galois representations from §2.2. The composite $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow A_x$ corresponds (via the duality of Lemma 2.1.5) to a p -adic p -ordinary generalized eigenform g' of p -adic weight (k, χ') with eigensystem corresponding to the composite $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow A_x \twoheadrightarrow E_x$. The corresponding Galois representation $\rho_{g'} : G_{\mathbb{Q}, S} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(A_x)$ arising as $\rho_{g'} := \rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} A_x$ has the following properties:

- (a) The eigensystem induced by $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow E_x$ has CM and is congruent to \bar{f} , because it factors through $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$.
- (b) g' does not have CM, because $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_x$ cannot factor through \mathbb{T}^{CM} : indeed, by Theorem 5.4.1, if it did, then \mathcal{X} would vanish when projected to A_x . But $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_x$ has been constructed so that this does not happen.
- (c) $\rho_{g'}$ is p -locally split, because $\mathbb{T} \cong R^{\text{ord}} \rightarrow A_x$ factors through $R^{\text{ord}} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$.

These are the properties (a), (b), and (c) of Theorem 1.4.4. We have also arranged for $A_x \simeq E_x[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$, as claimed.

For the converse, note that if g' inducing $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{g'}$ arises from the action on a generalized eigenform with properties (a), (b), and (c), then

- (a) implies that the composite map $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow A_{g'} \rightarrow E_{g'} \cong A_{g'}/\mathfrak{m}_{g'}$ to the residue field of $A_{g'}$ amounts to an eigensystem that has CM,
- (b) implies that this map does not factor through $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$, and
- (c) implies that this map does factor through $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$.

Consider the image $A \subset A_{g'}$ of R^{spl} , which is a local ring that is not a field (by (a) and (b)). Writing $\mathfrak{m}_A \subset A$ for its maximal ideal, we consider the induced map $R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow A/\mathfrak{m}_A^2$. Its restriction to J^s factors through $J^s/(J^s)^2$, and (b) implies that its image is non-zero. Since this image is a \mathbb{Z}_p -submodule of a \mathbb{Q}_p -vector space, we deduce from Theorem 5.4.1 that $\mathcal{X}_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ is infinite.

Case of Theorem 1.3.4. The proof of this case is essentially the same. The only difference is that \mathbb{F} plays the role of both E and E_x , while $\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{F}$ is an Artinian local \mathbb{F} -algebra. Then the surjection of Artinian local algebras $R^{\text{spl}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{F} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{F}$ induces a surjection of the square-zero extension quotients. By Theorem 5.4.1 and by letting $V = \mathbb{F}$ in Proposition 5.3.4, this surjection is

$$\mathbb{F}[X(\psi^-) \oplus (H_p \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{F})] \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{F}[H_p \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{F}]$$

(in the notation of Proposition 5.3.4). It is straightforward to deduce the result from here, using arguments analogous to the case of Theorem 1.4.4. ■

6. Commutative algebra

In this section, we set up a proposition from commutative algebra and deduce Theorem 1.4.1.

6.1. A proposition using the resultant

The following lemma summarizes the theory of the resultant that we will require.

Lemma 6.1.1. *Let R be a domain, and let $F(y), G(y) \in R[y]$ be polynomials. There is a resultant $\pi \in R$ of $F(y)$ and $G(y)$ with the following properties.*

- (1) $\pi = 0$ if and only if $F(y)$ and $G(y)$ have a non-constant common factor.
- (2) $\pi \in R \subset R[y]$ is an $R[y]$ -linear combination of $F(y)$ and $G(y)$, i.e.

$$\pi \cdot \frac{R[y]}{(F(y), G(y))} = 0.$$

In the following proposition, we refer to the *generic rank* of a module M over a domain R . This is defined to be the $\text{Frac}(R)$ -dimension of $M \otimes_R \text{Frac}(R)$.

Proposition 6.1.2. *Let R be a complete Noetherian regular local ring. Let S be an augmented reduced local R -algebra that is finitely generated and torsion-free as an R -module. Let T be an augmented local R -algebra quotient of S , and denote by K the kernel of $T \twoheadrightarrow R$.*

Assume that K/K^2 is supported in codimension at least 2 as an R -module. Then T has generic rank 1.

Proof. For this proof, given an augmented R -algebra $R \hookrightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow R$, we denote by A^c the R -module complement to the summand $R \subset A$ determined by the augmented R -algebra structure. That is, we have a canonical isomorphism of R -modules $A \cong R \oplus A^c$. We note that A has generic rank 1 if and only if A^c is R -torsion; we will implicitly use this equivalence in this proof.

Denote by J the kernel of $S \twoheadrightarrow R$, and choose a minimal set \mathcal{G} of generators for the ideal J , which is also a minimal set of generators for S as an R -algebra. Choose an element $y \in \mathcal{G}$ and write $S'_y \subset S$, $T'_y \subset T$ for the R -subalgebras generated by y . We observe that $S'_y \rightarrow T'_y$ is a morphism of augmented R -algebras.

We claim that it suffices to prove that T'_y has generic rank 1 for all $y \in \mathcal{G}$. Indeed, consider these product algebras with an augmented $R^{\mathcal{G}}$ -algebra structure

$$R^{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \prod_{y \in \mathcal{G}} T'_y \rightarrow R^{\mathcal{G}} \twoheadrightarrow R,$$

where the additional rightmost arrow is the diagonal projection homomorphism. We also have a natural map

$$\prod_{y \in \mathcal{G}} T'_y \twoheadrightarrow T$$

lying over the diagonal projection, inducing a surjection of R -modules

$$\bigoplus_{y \in \mathcal{G}} (T'_y)^c \twoheadrightarrow T^c.$$

Thus we observe that T has generic rank 1 if and only if T'_y has generic rank 1 for all $y \in \mathcal{G}$.

Having reduced to the case that $\#\mathcal{G} = 1$, we render S and T as

$$S = \frac{R[y]}{(y \cdot F_1(y), \dots, y \cdot F_n(y))},$$

$$T = \frac{R[y]}{(y \cdot F_1(y), \dots, y \cdot F_n(y), y \cdot G_1(y), \dots, y \cdot G_r(y))}.$$

Now we have $J = (y)$. Note that J/J^2 is a torsion R -module generated by $y \pmod{J^2}$. Indeed, if this were not the case, let $m \geq 2$ be minimal such that J^m/J^{m-1} is R -torsion. If $P(y) \in R[y]$ is a monic polynomial of minimal degree satisfied by y , then $y^m \mid P(y)$

because J^i/J^{i+1} is free of rank 1 for $i < m$. Thus $y \cdot P(y)$ is a nilpotent element of S , contradicting our assumption that S is reduced.

Observe that J/J^2 is a cyclic R -module, generated by y , and isomorphic as an R -module to

$$J/J^2 \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{R}{(F_1(0), \dots, F_n(0))}.$$

Likewise, its quotient K/K^2 is generated by the image y' of y in T and is isomorphic as an R -module to

$$K/K^2 \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{R}{(F_1(0), \dots, F_n(0), G_1(0), \dots, G_r(0))}.$$

We claim that there exists a pair of polynomials $F(y), G(y)$ in the set

$$\{F_1(y), \dots, F_n(y), G_1(y), \dots, G_r(y)\}$$

such that $R/(F(0), G(0))$ is supported in codimension 2. This follows directly from the assumption that K/K^2 is supported in codimension 2.

We note that

$$\frac{R[y]}{(y \cdot F(y))}, \quad \frac{R[y]}{(y \cdot F(y), y \cdot G(y))}$$

are naturally augmented local R -algebras with augmentation ideal generated by y , and with a surjective augmented R -algebra map to S and T , respectively. Therefore, it suffices to replace S and T with these algebras. Indeed, having done this, we observe that J/J^2 is torsion and K/K^2 is supported in codimension 2. We define

$$T' := \frac{R[y]}{(F(y), y \cdot G(y))},$$

the quotient of T by $(F(y))$, but note that T' is not an augmented R -algebra. Because the kernel of $T \twoheadrightarrow T'$ is a cyclic R -module (generated by $F(y)$), and we know that T has generic rank at least 1, it will suffice to show that T' is a torsion R -module.

Let $\pi \in R$ be the resultant of the polynomials $F(y), y \cdot G(y) \in R[y]$. By Lemma 6.1.1(2), we have

$$\pi \cdot T' = 0.$$

Thus we want to show that $\pi \neq 0$. By Lemma 6.1.1(1), it suffices to prove that $F(y)$ and $y \cdot G(y)$ do not have any non-constant common factors. Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that there exists such a divisor $H(y) \in R[y]$. We may assume that $H(y)$ is irreducible and monic, since both $F(y)$ and $y \cdot G(y)$ are monic. We see that $H(y) \neq y$, because $F(0) \neq 0$. Next, note that $H(0)$ is not a unit in R , because if $H(y) \mid F(y)$ with quotient $Q(y)$, then $S \cong R[y]/(y \cdot H(y) \cdot Q(y))$ would not be a local ring (consider $S/\mathfrak{m}_R S$). Then $H(0) \mid F(0)$ and $H(0) \mid G(0)$. This contradicts the fact that $R/(F(0), G(0))$ is finite, as it surjects onto the non-finite $R/(H(0))$. ■

6.2. Proof of Theorem 1.4.1

We will apply Proposition 6.1.2 to R^{spl} in order to prove Theorem 1.4.1.

Lemma 6.2.1. *Assume (0)–(4). Also assume that $p \nmid h_K$ and that $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ has finite cardinality. Then R^{spl} has generic rank 1 as a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -module.*

Proof. We see that the conclusion of the lemma will follow from verifying that the assumptions of Proposition 6.1.2 about (R, S, T, K) are satisfied by

$$(R, S, T, K) = (\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}, R^{\text{ord}} \cong \mathbb{T}, R^{\text{spl}}, J^s),$$

where the augmented $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -algebra structure of $R^{\text{ord}} \cong \mathbb{T}$ is understood to be defined by the ideal $J \cong I^{\text{CM}}$.

Recall from Lemma 4.1.4 the sequence of homomorphisms

$$\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T} \rightarrow R^{\text{spl}} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\Lambda} \rightarrow \Lambda.$$

There, we see that these induce isomorphisms $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Lambda$ if and only if $p \nmid h_K$. Thus we apply the assumption $p \nmid h_K$ and identify $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \tilde{\Lambda}$, treating $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$ as a morphism of augmented $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -algebras.

All of the assumptions of Proposition 6.1.2, except the one that $J^s/(J^s)^2$ is supported in codimension at least 2, are satisfied by the properties of \mathbb{T} checked in §2, especially Lemma 2.1.6. We will show that the remaining property follows from the assumption that $X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$ has finite cardinality.

For $R = \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$, an R -module is supported in codimension 2 if and only if it has finite cardinality. By Theorem 5.4.1, there is an isomorphism $X_\infty^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_W^-} \tilde{\Lambda} \cong J^s/(J^s)^2$.

When $p \nmid h_K$, we have $X_\infty^-(\psi^-) = X_\infty^-(\psi^-)$, and the tensor product operation $\otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}_W^-} \tilde{\Lambda}$ preserves the finite cardinality property of these modules. ■

Proof of Theorem 1.4.1. By Lemma 6.2.1, we know that the assumptions of Theorem 1.4.1 imply that R^{spl} has generic rank 1 as a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -module.

Because the locus $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}) \subset \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$ parameterizes exactly the CM p -adic eigenforms congruent to \bar{f} , it follows from the constructions of §4.2 that the map $x_g : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ of Lemma 2.1.5 corresponding to a p -adic eigenform g (congruent to \bar{f}) factors through $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ if g does not have CM. We also know that ρ_g is p -locally split if and only if x_g factors through $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$. Thus it will suffice to show that

$$R^{\text{sn}} := \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} R^{\text{spl}}$$

is torsion as a $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -module.

Since we have already deduced that R^{spl} has generic rank 1, it suffices to show that the kernel of

$$R^{\text{spl}} \rightarrow R^{\text{sn}}$$

has generic rank 1. In view of Theorem 4.2.2, we want to show that the kernel $I_{\text{nCM}} \subset \mathbb{T}$ of $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$, injects into R^{spl} under $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$. But this follows from the same theorem,

as we see there that I_{nCM} injects under the composite quotient map $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$, with torsion cokernel. \blacksquare

Remark 6.2.2. The main result of Ghate–Vatsal [20] establishes the conclusion of Theorem 1.4.1 upon assumptions (1')–(3') of §1.2. The additional assumptions we rely on to prove Theorem 1.4.1 are (0), (4), and the finiteness of $X_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$. In [20], the authors use the fact that the ideal of $(*) \subset \mathbb{T}$ generated by the image of G_p under the “*” of (2.1.8) cuts out the quotient $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow R^{\text{spl}}$. Our method hinges on the study of maximal square-zero augmented \mathbb{T}^{CM} -algebra quotients of \mathbb{T} (resp. R^{spl}) over $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}$. We found in Theorem 5.4.1 that this maximal quotient is $\mathbb{T} \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}[\mathcal{Y}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)]$ (resp. $R^{\text{spl}} \twoheadrightarrow \tilde{\Lambda}[\mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)]$), and that the image of G_p cuts out the quotient $\mathcal{Y}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-) \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$. So our method relies on detecting “*” in the conormal module $I_{\text{CM}}/I_{\text{CM}}^2 \cong \mathcal{Y}_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)$.

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Appendix A. Local indecomposability via a presentation of the Hecke algebra

A.1. Summary

Let $p \geq 5$ be a prime. In this appendix, we give a proof of Greenberg’s conjecture ((CG) in the main text) of local indecomposability of a non-CM residually CM Galois representation based on the presentation of the universal ring given in [32] (so, the proof is different from the one given in the main text). We impose an extra assumption (H3-4) in addition to the set of the assumptions made in the main text (we list our set of assumptions as (H0)–(H4) below). We use the notation introduced in the main text. For each Galois representation ρ of G_K , we write $K(\rho) = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\ker(\rho)}$ for the splitting field of ρ . We fix an algebraic closure $\overline{\mathbb{F}}$ of \mathbb{F} and write \mathfrak{W} for the Witt vector ring $W(\overline{\mathbb{F}})$.

A deformation $\rho_A : G_K \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(A)$ for an algebra A in CNL_W of the representation $\overline{\rho} = \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \overline{\psi} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F})$ as in §1.2.2 is said to be *minimal* if $\rho_A(I_l) \cong \overline{\rho}(I_l)$ by the reduction map for all primes $l \mid N$ [12, §3.1, p. 715]. By an $R = \mathbb{T}$ theorem (e.g., [11, Thm. 2.3]), we have a local ring \mathbb{T} of the ordinary Hecke algebra and its Galois representation $\rho_{\mathbb{T}} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T})$ giving a universal ordinary pair with \mathbb{T} being naturally an algebra over the weight Iwasawa algebra $\Lambda := W[[1 + p\mathbb{Z}_p]] \cong W[[T]]$. We assume that $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$ contains a non-CM component $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}})$. We made the following assumptions in [32] to prove a presentation of \mathbb{T} over Λ :

- (H0) $\psi^-|_{G_p} \neq 1$ (a local condition),
- (H1) ψ has conductor c' such that $c' + c'^c = O_K$ and $\mathfrak{p}^* \nmid c'$,
- (H2) the character ψ^- has order at least 3 (a global condition),
- (H3) the class number h_K of K is prime to p ,
- (H4) the class number $h_{K(\psi^-)}$ of the splitting field $K(\psi^-) = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\ker(\psi^-)}$ of ψ^- is prime to p .

Assuming $\mathbb{T} \neq \Lambda$, the minimal presentation we found in [32] has the following form:

$$\mathbb{T} \cong \Lambda[[T_-]]/(T_- S_+). \tag{A.1.1}$$

Here the ring $\Lambda[[T_-]]$ is the one-variable power series ring over Λ with variable T_- and S_+ is a power series in $\Lambda[[T_-]]$ prime to T_- . We have an involution σ over Λ acting on \mathbb{T} corresponding to the operation $\rho \mapsto \rho \otimes \chi$ for $\chi := (\frac{K/\mathbb{Q}}{\cdot})$. Non-triviality of σ is equivalent to the existence of a non-CM component of $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$. This involution σ extends to an involution σ_∞ of $\Lambda[[T_-]]$ so that $\sigma_\infty(T_-) = -T_-$ and $\sigma_\infty(S_+) = S_+$. To prove the presentation, we made in [32] some extra conditions whose removal will be discussed in §A.2. To have a one-variable presentation in (A.1.1), we need to assume $p \nmid h_K$ (otherwise, we could have variables fixed by σ_∞ in the presentation).

Let \mathbb{T}_+ be the subring of \mathbb{T} fixed by σ . Let $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} := \Lambda[[T_-]]/(S_+)$ and $\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} := \Lambda[[T_-]]/(T_-) = \Lambda$, and write Θ for the image of T_- in \mathbb{T} . Since the CM Galois deformation $\rho_{\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}}$ into $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}})$ is induced from K , the involution σ is trivial on \mathbb{T}^{CM} ; so, the image of T_- with $\sigma_\infty(T_-) = -T_-$ vanishes in \mathbb{T}^{CM} ; so, Θ lives in $(0 \times \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}) \cap \mathbb{T}$ (this is also clear from $\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} = \Lambda[[T_-]]/(T_-)$). This Θ plays the role of $L_p^-(\psi^-)$ in the main text in the sense that $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/(\Theta) \cong \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \Lambda/(L_p^-(\psi^-))$ (the identity of the congruence modules) even if Θ lives in \mathbb{T}^{nCM} while $L_p^-(\psi^-) \in \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} = \Lambda$. Then $\mathbb{T} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} \times \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ whose cokernel is isomorphic to $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/(\Theta)$ as \mathbb{T} -modules and $(\Theta) = (0 \times \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}) \cap \mathbb{T}$. The congruence module $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/(\Theta)$ after extending scalars to \mathfrak{W} is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \widehat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W})/(\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$ for the anti-cyclotomic Katz p -adic L -function $\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-)$ (of branch character ψ^- , denoted in the main text as $\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-)$; see Corollary A.2.5); so, Θ is a generator of I_{CM} , and in this sense we regard Θ as an element of \mathbb{T}^{nCM} .

Let \mathfrak{P} be a prime factor of \mathfrak{p} in $K(\bar{\rho})$ (the splitting field of $\bar{\rho}$). Write the image of $U(p)$ in \mathbb{T} as u . Writing the local Artin symbol $[x, K_{\mathfrak{p}}]$ (identifying $K_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathbb{Q}_p$), for the residual degree f of \mathfrak{P} , the semisimplification of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}([p, K_{\mathfrak{p}}]^f)$ is a conjugate of $\begin{pmatrix} u^{-f} & 0 \\ 0 & u^f \end{pmatrix}$ as $\det(\rho_{\mathbb{T}}([p, \mathbb{Q}_p]^f)) = 1$. Note here that $\psi^-([p, K_{\mathfrak{p}}]^f) = 1$ and $u^{2f} \equiv \psi^-([p, K_{\mathfrak{p}}]^f) = 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbb{T}}}$ (as $u \equiv \psi([p, K_{\mathfrak{p}}]) \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbb{T}}}$). Put $a = u^{2f} - 1 \in \mathfrak{m}_{\mathbb{T}}$, and for the \mathbb{Z}_p -subalgebra W_1 of W generated by the values of ψ^- over G_p , define $\Lambda_1 := W_1[[T, a]]$ to be the subalgebra of \mathbb{T} topologically generated over $W_1[[T]] \subset \Lambda$ by a .

Theorem A.1.2. *Let the notation be as above. Assume (H0)–(H4) and $\sigma \neq \text{id}$ on \mathbb{T} . Let $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the wild \mathfrak{p} -inertia subgroup of $\text{Gal}(K(\rho_{\mathbb{T}})/\mathbb{Q})$ for the splitting field $K(\rho_{\mathbb{T}})$ of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$. Then we have a decomposition $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathcal{U} \rtimes \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_{\infty}/\mathbb{Q})$ for the \mathbb{Z}_p -extension $\mathbb{Q}_{\infty}/\mathbb{Q}$, where \mathcal{U} is an abelian group mapped by $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ into the unipotent radical of a Borel subgroup in $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T})$ whose logarithmic image $\mathfrak{u} = \text{Lie}(\mathcal{U})$ (in the nilpotent Lie Λ -algebra \mathbb{T}) is equal to $\Theta \cdot \Lambda_1$. In short, we have an isomorphism $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \cong \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t^{\mathbb{Z}_p} & \Theta \Lambda_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T})$, where $t = 1 + T \in \Lambda$.*

This theorem supplies us with a very explicit unipotent element $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \Theta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in the image of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ with $(\Theta \mathbb{T} \widehat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W}) \cap \Lambda_{\mathfrak{W}} = (\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$; therefore, we can answer the question of Greenberg:

Corollary A.1.3. *Assume (H0)–(H4) and $\sigma \neq \text{id}$ on \mathbb{T} . For all prime divisors P in $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}})$ with associated Galois representation ρ_P , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) the Galois representation ρ_P is completely reducible over the inertia group I_p at p ,
- (2) $P \in \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}) \cap \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}})$,
- (3) $P | (\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-) \Lambda_{\mathfrak{W}} \cap \Lambda)$.

As described in the main text, from [14] and [19, Prop. 11], the above corollary implies:

Corollary A.1.4 (Coleman's question). *Assume (H0)–(H4). For every classical modular form f of weight $k \geq 2$ and of level N with residual representation $\bar{\rho}$, write g for the p -critical stabilization of the primitive form associated to f . Then g is in the image of $(q \frac{d}{dq})^{k-1}$ if and only if f has complex multiplication.*

A.2. Presentation of a Galois deformation ring

For a set Q of Taylor–Wiles primes satisfying conditions (Q0)–(Q10) in [32, §§3–4], we write $K(\bar{\rho})^{(pQ)}$ for the maximal p -profinite extension of $K(\bar{\rho})$ unramified outside $\{p\} \sqcup Q$. We simply write $K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}$ for $K(\bar{\rho})^{(pQ)}$ if $Q = \emptyset$. Let $G_Q := \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(pQ)}/\mathbb{Q})$ and $H_Q := \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(pQ)}/K)$ with $G = G_{\emptyset}$ and $H = H_{\emptyset}$. We first note that $G_Q = \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(pQ)}/K(\bar{\rho})) \rtimes \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})/\mathbb{Q})$ and $H_Q = \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(pQ)}/K(\bar{\rho})) \rtimes \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})/K)$ as $p > 2$ and $p \nmid [K(\bar{\rho}) : \mathbb{Q}]$. We fix such a decomposition; so, $\text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})/\mathbb{Q}) \cong \Delta_G$ for a subgroup Δ_G of $\text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}/\mathbb{Q})$. Write $\Delta \subset \Delta_G$ for the subgroup isomorphic to $\text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})/K)$; so, $[\Delta_G : \Delta] = 2$.

Let $N = DN_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathfrak{c}')$. Let \mathbf{h}^Q be the big Hecke algebra described in [34, §1] for each Q . We have a local ring \mathbb{T}^Q of \mathbf{h}^Q whose residual representation is isomorphic to $\bar{\rho}$. Let $\rho^Q : G_Q \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{T}^Q)$ be the Galois representation of \mathbb{T}^Q such that $\text{Tr}(\rho^Q(\text{Frob}_l))$ for primes l outside $\{l \mid Np\} \sqcup Q$ is given by the image in \mathbb{T}^Q of the Hecke operator $T(l)$. On \mathbb{T}^Q , we have an involution σ with the property that $(\rho^Q)^{\sigma} \cong \chi \otimes \rho^Q$ for the quadratic character $\chi = (\frac{K/\mathbb{Q}}{\cdot})$. Put $\mathbb{T}_{\pm}^Q := \{h \in \mathbb{T}^Q \mid \sigma(h) = \pm h\}$. Let $\mathbb{I}^Q := \mathbb{T}^Q(\sigma - 1)\mathbb{T}^Q = \mathbb{T}^Q \mathbb{T}^Q$ (the σ -different) and $\mathbb{T}_{\text{CM}}^Q := \mathbb{T}^Q / \mathbb{I}^Q$. It is known that \mathbb{T}^Q and \mathbb{T}_{CM}^Q are reduced algebras finite flat over Λ . Further we have an algebra decomposition $\mathbb{T}^Q \otimes_{\Lambda} \text{Frac}(\Lambda) = \text{Frac}(\mathbb{T}_{\text{CM}}^Q) \times \text{Frac}(\mathbb{T}_{\text{nCM}}^Q)$ for $\mathbb{T}_{\text{nCM}}^Q \cong \mathbb{T}^Q / (\text{Frac}(\mathbb{T}_{\text{CM}}^Q) \times 0) \cap \mathbb{T}^Q$. In the above notation, if $Q = \emptyset$, we remove the superscript or subscript Q from the notation. If σ is the identity on \mathbb{T} , we have $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} = 0$. Otherwise the subring $\mathbb{T}_{+}^{\text{nCM}}$ fixed by σ is a non-trivial Λ -algebra. The theorem proven in [32, Thms. B and 5.4] is:

Theorem A.2.1. *Assume (H0)–(H4), $\sigma \neq \text{id}$ on \mathbb{T} and that p splits in K . Let $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{T})$ be a connected component of $\text{Spec}(\mathbf{h})$ associated to the induced Galois representation $\bar{\rho} = \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \bar{\psi}$ for the reduction $\bar{\psi}$ of ψ modulo \mathfrak{m}_W for the maximal ideal \mathfrak{m}_W of W . Then the following assertions hold:*

- (1) *We have presentations*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{T} &\cong \Lambda \llbracket T_{-} \rrbracket / (T_{-} S_{+}), & \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} &\cong \Lambda \llbracket T_{-} \rrbracket / (S_{+}), \\ \mathbb{T}_{+} &\cong \Lambda \llbracket T_{-}^2 \rrbracket / (T_{-}^2 S_{+}), & \mathbb{T}_{+}^{\text{nCM}} &\cong \Lambda \llbracket T_{-}^2 \rrbracket / (S_{+}) \end{aligned}$$

such that the involution $\sigma_\infty : T_- \mapsto -T_-$ over Λ fixes the power series $S_+ \in \Lambda[[T_-^2]]$ and induces σ on \mathbb{T} .

(2) The rings \mathbb{T} , \mathbb{T}_+ , \mathbb{T}^{nCM} , $\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$ are all local complete intersections free of finite rank over Λ .

(3) The \mathbb{T}^{nCM} -ideal $\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{T}(\sigma - 1)\mathbb{T} \subset \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}$ is principal and is generated by the image Θ of T_- with $\theta := \Theta^2 \in \mathbb{T}_+$, and Θ is not a zero divisor. The element Θ generates the $\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$ -module $\mathbb{T}_-^{\text{nCM}}$ which is free over $\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$, and $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} = \mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}[\Theta]$ is free of rank 2 over $\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$.

Proof. The result of [32, Thm. 4.10 and Prop. 6.2] asserts that $\mathbb{T} = \Lambda[\Theta]$ with $\sigma(\Theta) = -\Theta$; so, we have a surjection $\pi : \Lambda[[T_-]] \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}$ with $\pi(T_-) = \Theta$, and [32, Thms. A and B] asserts that \mathbb{T} is a local complete intersection over Λ . Thus $\mathbb{T} \cong \Lambda[[T_-]]/(S_-)$ for a power series $S_- \in \Lambda[[T_-]]$. By the construction of π of [32, §4] via a Taylor–Wiles patching argument, we have an involution σ_∞ of $\Lambda[[T_-]]$ lifting σ such that $\sigma(T_-) = -T_-$ and $\sigma(S_-) = -S_-$; so, we have $T_- \mid S_-$ and hence $S_- = T_- S_+$. Since \mathbb{T} is reduced, T_- and S_+ are co-prime in $\Lambda[[T_-]]$. This shows the assertion (1). The assertions (2) and (3) follow from [32, Thm. B].

Strictly speaking, the patching argument is given in [32] under the following extra assumptions:

(h2) $N := DN_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(c')$ for an O -ideal c' prime to D with square-free $N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(c')$ (so, N is cube-free),

(h3) p is prime to $N \prod_{l \mid N} (l-1)$ for prime factors l of N .

Here is the reason why we can remove these two assumptions: We studied the minimal deformation problem in [32] over the absolute Galois group $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$, but as was explained in [12, p. 717], under the condition that $p \nmid |\bar{\rho}(I_l)|$ (which holds in our case), all minimal deformations factor through G , and considering the deformation problem over $\{G_Q\}_Q$ for appropriate sets Q of Taylor–Wiles primes satisfying [34, §3 (Q0)–(Q8)], every argument in the proof of [32, Thm. 5.4] goes through for the above choice of \mathbb{T}^Q (as is easily checked), and thus we obtain the theorem. Indeed, we used (h3) in [32] just because the universal minimal ordinary Galois representation of prime-to- p conductor N (considered in [32]) factors through G ; so, just imposing deformations to factor through G the arguments simply work; so, we do not need to assume (h3). The condition (h2) is assumed to guarantee the big Hecke algebra is reduced, but again, each deformation over G has prime-to- p conductor equal to N , which is equal to the prime-to- p conductor of its determinant (the Nebencharacter). Then, by the theory of newforms, the Hecke algebra is reduced if its tame character has conductor equal to the tame level; so, we do not need (h2). ■

Since σ acts trivially on $\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} = \mathbb{T}/(\Theta)$, writing $\rho := (\rho_{\mathbb{T}} \bmod (\Theta))$, we find $\rho \cong \rho \otimes \chi$ for $\chi = (\frac{K/\mathbb{Q}}{\cdot})$. Note that ρ is a minimal deformation of $\bar{\rho}$; so, it factors through G . Thus by [13, Lem. 3.2] applied to $\mathcal{G} = G$ and $\mathcal{H} = H$ (under the notation of the lemma), we find $\rho \cong \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \Psi$ for a character $\Psi : H \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}, \times}$ unramified outside $c' \mathfrak{p}$ deforming ψ . Let $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the Galois group over $K(\bar{\rho})$ of the maximal p -abelian extension of K inside

$K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}$ unramified outside \mathfrak{p} . By $p \nmid h_K$, $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}} \cong O_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p$, and hence $W[\Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}] \cong \Lambda$ canonically via $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\times} = O_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times}$. We identify the two rings. Since $p \nmid [K(\bar{\rho}) : K]$, there exists a class field $K(\mathfrak{p})/K$ in $K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}$ with $\text{Gal}(K(\mathfrak{p})/K) \cong \Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}$ by Artin symbol. Define a character $\Phi : G_K \rightarrow W[\Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}]^{\times} = \Lambda^{\times}$ by $\Phi(\tau) = \psi(\tau)\tau|_{K(\mathfrak{p})}$. Then Φ factors through H . Since (Λ, Φ) for the character $\Phi : H \rightarrow \Lambda^{\times}$ is a universal pair for the deformation problem of $\bar{\psi}$ unramified outside $p\mathfrak{c}'$ over the group H , we have a canonical surjective algebra homomorphism $\Lambda \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}}$ inducing Ψ . By the same argument which proves [32, Cor. 2.5], this is an isomorphism. We record this fact as

Corollary A.2.2. *We have isomorphisms*

$$\mathbb{T}_+ / (\theta) \cong \mathbb{T} / (\Theta) = \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \cong \Lambda, \quad \text{where } \theta = \Theta^2 \in \mathbb{T}_+^{\text{CM}}.$$

Recall $G = \text{Gal}(K(\rho)^{(p)}/\mathbb{Q})$ and $H = \text{Gal}(K(\rho)^{(p)}/K)$. Let $\rho_A : G_K \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(A)$ be a minimal p -ordinary deformation of $\bar{\rho}$ for a p -profinite local W -algebra A with residue field \mathbb{F} . The representation ρ_A factors through G by minimality (so hereafter we consider the deformation problem over G). By p -ordinarity, we have

$$\rho_A|_{G_p} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_A & * \\ 0 & \delta_A \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } (\delta_A \bmod \mathfrak{m}_A) = \bar{\psi}^c,$$

where \mathfrak{m}_A is the maximal ideal of the local ring A . This gives rise to an exact sequence $\epsilon_A \hookrightarrow \rho_A \twoheadrightarrow \delta_A$. Realize $\mathfrak{sl}_2(A)$ inside the A -linear endomorphism algebra $\text{End}_A(\rho_A)$, and write $F_+(\rho_A)$ for the subspace of $\{T \in \mathfrak{sl}_2(A) \mid T(\epsilon) = 0\} = \text{Hom}_A(\delta_A, \epsilon_A)$ on which $\text{Ad}(\rho_A)$ acts by the character ϵ_A/δ_A (the upper nilpotent Lie subalgebra if $\rho_A|_{G_p}$ has upper triangular form as above). Write $\text{Ad}(\rho_A)^*$ for the Galois module $\text{Ad}(\rho_A) \otimes_A A^{\vee}$ for the Pontryagin dual A^{\vee} of A , where $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ acts on the factor $\text{Ad}(\rho_A)$. Similarly we put $F_+(\rho_A)^* := F_+(\rho_A) \otimes_A A^{\vee}$, which is a p -local Galois module. Then we define

$$\text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ad}(\rho_A)) := \ker(H^1(G, \text{Ad}(\rho_A)^*) \rightarrow H^1\left(I_l, \frac{\text{Ad}(\rho_A)^*}{F_+(\rho_A)^*}\right) \times \prod_{l \mid N} H^1(I_l, \text{Ad}(\rho_A)^*)) \quad (\text{A.2.3})$$

for the product of restriction maps to the inertia group $I_l \subset G$ of l . In the Galois group G , for $l \nmid N$, I_l is trivial (as $K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}/\mathbb{Q}$ is unramified outside Np); so, in the right-hand side of the above definition, $H^1(I_l, \text{Ad}(\rho_A)^*)$ for $l \nmid N$ does not show up. We write M^{\vee} for the Pontryagin dual of a module M .

Recall K_{∞}^-/K which is the maximal subextension of $K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}$ p -abelian and anti-cyclotomic over K , where the word ‘‘anti-cyclotomic’’ means complex conjugation c acts on $\tau \in \text{Gal}(K_{\infty}^-/K)$ by $c\tau c^{-1} = \tau^{-1}$. Lifting $\tau \in \text{Gal}(K_C/K)$ to $h \in H$ and restricting h to K_{∞}^- , we have an isomorphism $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}} = \text{Gal}(K(\mathfrak{p})/K) \cong \text{Gal}(K_{\infty}^-/K)$ (see [31, p. 636] and the main text §3). Recall:

Definition A.2.4. Let $\phi : G_K \rightarrow W^{\times}$ be a character of order prime to p whose image generates $\mathbb{Z}_p[\phi]$ in W over \mathbb{Z}_p . Let Y_{∞}^- be the Galois group over $K_{\infty}^-(\phi)$ of the maximal p -abelian extension of $K_{\infty}^-(\phi)$ unramified outside \mathfrak{p} . Regarding $\text{Gal}(K(\phi)/K)$ as a subgroup of $\text{Gal}(K_{\infty}^-(\phi)/K) \cong \text{Gal}(K(\phi)/K) \times \text{Gal}(K_{\infty}^-/K)$, define $Y_{\infty}^-(\phi) := Y_{\infty}^- \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(K(\phi)/K)], \phi} \mathbb{Z}_p(\phi)$. Here $\mathbb{Z}_p(\phi)$ is the $\mathbb{Z}_p[\phi]$ -module free of rank 1 on which $\text{Gal}(K(\phi)/K)$ acts by ϕ .

Corollary A.2.5. *We have canonical isomorphisms of \mathbb{T} -modules*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ad}(\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \Phi)) &\cong (Y_{\infty}^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p[\psi^-]} W)^{\vee}, \\ \text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ad}(\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \Phi))^{\vee} &\cong (\Theta)/(\Theta)^2 \cong \mathbb{T}_-/\theta \mathbb{T}_- \cong \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/(\Theta) \cong \mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}/(\theta), \\ \mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}/(\theta) \hat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W} &\stackrel{(*)}{\cong} \Lambda_{\mathfrak{W}}/(\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-)). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By the decomposition $\text{Ad}(\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \Phi) \cong \chi \oplus \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \psi^-$ for $\chi = \left(\frac{K/\mathbb{Q}}{\cdot}\right)$ combined with the functoriality of Greenberg's Selmer group, we have $\text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ad}(\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \Phi)) \cong \text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\chi) \oplus \text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \psi^-)$. The first isomorphism is [27, Thm. 5.33], where we get $\text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \psi^-) = Y_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)^{\vee}$. Note that $\text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\chi)$ vanishes since $p \nmid h_K$. The second isomorphism follows from cyclicity over Λ proven in [32, Thm. B] and Theorem A.2.1. The third identity $(*)$ follows from the proof of the anti-cyclotomic main conjecture shown by Rubin and Mazur–Tilouine: $\text{char}_{\Lambda_{\mathfrak{W}}}(Y_{\infty}^-(\psi^-)) = (\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$ (see [45], [46], [50], [43]) combined with the first two identities. ■

A.3. Modular Cayley–Hamilton representations

We introduce representations with values in a generalized matrix algebra (GMA) as in [1], [6] and [53]. We refer to [52, §5.9] for the notion of ordinarity over \mathbb{Q} for GMA representations (not treated in [1] and [6]). Since we have two conjugacy classes of p -decomposition groups $D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $D_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$, we modify the definition (see below) of ordinarity depending on each factor \mathfrak{p} and \mathfrak{p}^* . To define a GMA A -algebra we follow [1, §1.3]. Let A be a commutative ring and E an A -algebra. We say that E is a *generalized matrix algebra* (GMA) of type (d_1, \dots, d_r) if R is equipped with

- a family $\mathcal{E} = \{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$ of orthogonal idempotents with $\sum_i e_i = 1$,
- for each i , an A -algebra isomorphism $\psi_i : e_i E e_i \xrightarrow{\sim} M_{d_i}(A)$, such that the trace map $T : R \rightarrow A$ defined by $T(x) := \sum_i \text{Tr}(\psi_i(e_i x e_i))$ satisfies $T(xy) = T(yx)$ for all $x, y \in E$. We call $\mathcal{E} = \{e_i \mid \psi_i, i = 1, \dots, r\}$ the *data of idempotents* of E .

In this appendix, we assume that $r = 2$ and $d_1 = d_2 = 1$; so, we can forget about ψ_i as an A -algebra automorphism of A is unique. Once we have \mathcal{E} , we identify $e_i E e_i = A$ and put $B = e_1 E e_2$ and $C = e_2 E e_1$. Then a generalized matrix algebra over A is a pair of an associative A -algebra E and \mathcal{E} . It is isomorphic to $A \oplus B \oplus C \oplus A$ as an A -module; so, we write instead $(E, \mathcal{E}) = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & A \end{pmatrix}$, which we call a *GMA structure*. There is an A -linear map $B \otimes_A C \rightarrow A$ such that multiplication in E is given by 2-by-2 matrix product. In this case, A is called the *scalar subring* of (E, \mathcal{E}) and (E, \mathcal{E}) is called an *A -GMA*. A *Cayley–Hamilton representation* with coefficients in A and residual representation $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\psi} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\psi}^c \end{pmatrix}$ (with $\bar{\psi}$ at the top) is a homomorphism $\rho : H \rightarrow E^{\times}$ such that (E, \mathcal{E}) is an A -GMA and such that in matrix coordinates, ρ is given by $\sigma \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \rho_{11}^{\mathcal{E}}(\sigma) & \rho_{12}^{\mathcal{E}}(\sigma) \\ \rho_{21}^{\mathcal{E}}(\sigma) & \rho_{22}^{\mathcal{E}}(\sigma) \end{pmatrix}$ with $(\rho_{11}(\sigma) \bmod \mathfrak{m}_A) = \bar{\psi}(\sigma)$, $(\rho_{22}(\sigma) \bmod \mathfrak{m}_A) = \bar{\psi}^c(\sigma)$, and $\rho_{12}(\sigma)\rho_{21}(\sigma) \equiv 0 \bmod \mathfrak{m}_A$. For a given ρ , if we change

the set \mathcal{E} of idempotents, the matrix expression changes; so, we added the superscript \mathcal{E} to the matrix entries $\rho_{ij}^{\mathcal{E}}$ to indicate their dependence on \mathcal{E} . If \mathcal{E} is clear from the context, we omit the superscript.

In H , we have two conjugacy classes of p -decomposition groups depending on prime factors of p in K . Fix a decomposition subgroup $D_{\mathfrak{p}} \subset H$ for \mathfrak{p} and put $D_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ for \mathfrak{p}^* . We define ρ to be \mathfrak{p} -ordinary (resp. \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinary) if there is \mathcal{E} (resp. \mathcal{E}^*) such that $\rho_{12}^{\mathcal{E}}(\sigma) = 0$ for all $\sigma \in D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $\rho_{22}^{\mathcal{E}}(I_{\mathfrak{p}}) = 1$ (resp. $\rho_{21}^{\mathcal{E}^*}(\sigma) = 0$ for all $\sigma \in D_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ and $\rho_{11}^{\mathcal{E}^*}(I_{\mathfrak{p}^*}) = 1$). We say ρ is ordinary if it is \mathfrak{p} - and \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinary at the same time. This definition does not depend on the choice of $D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $D_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$. For example, if we replace $D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ by $\sigma D_{\mathfrak{p}} \sigma^{-1}$, then $(E, \rho(\sigma) \mathcal{E} \rho(\sigma)^{-1})$ satisfies the required conditions.

If (E, \mathcal{E}) can be embedded into the matrix algebra $M_2(\tilde{A})$ for a complete local W -algebra \tilde{A} with residue field \mathbb{F} containing A , the Cayley–Hamilton representation $\rho : H \rightarrow E^\times$ can be regarded as a representation into $\mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{A})$. Since $\bar{\rho} = \mathrm{Ind}_K^{\mathbb{Q}} \bar{\psi}$ is irreducible over G , we may have an extension $\tilde{\rho}$ of the GMA representation ρ to G . If an extension $\tilde{\rho}$ exists, the extension is a usual representation into $\mathrm{GL}_2(\tilde{A})$. As usual, we call $\tilde{\rho}$ p -ordinary if $\tilde{\rho}|_{G_p} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & * \\ 0 & \delta \end{pmatrix}$ with unramified $\delta \equiv \psi^c \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_{\tilde{A}}}$. The ordering of the residual representation $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\psi} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\psi}^c \end{pmatrix}$ (with $\bar{\psi}$ at the top) is fixed; so, plainly, to have compatibility of ordinary of ρ over H and \mathbb{Q} -ordinarity of $\tilde{\rho}$ (and to preserve residual order of the characters $\bar{\psi}$ and $\bar{\psi}^c$), we need to define \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinarity to have a set \mathcal{E}^* of idempotents so that $\rho^{\mathcal{E}^*}|_{D_{\mathfrak{p}^*}^*}$ is in the lower triangular form. Indeed, if $\tilde{\rho}(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, ρ is \mathfrak{p} -ordinary for \mathcal{E} if and only if ρ is \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinary for the same \mathcal{E} by choosing $D_{\mathfrak{p}^*} = c D_{\mathfrak{p}} c^{-1}$. As we describe in the following proposition, this phenomenon occurs if we take $\rho := \rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H$ for $A = \mathbb{T}_+$ and $\tilde{A} = \mathbb{T}$. Details of the deformation theory of $\bar{\rho}$ in the category of representations over G and in the category of Cayley–Hamilton representations over H will be discussed in a forthcoming paper [33].

Proposition A.3.1. *The Galois representation $\rho = \rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H$ associated to \mathbb{T} restricted to H is an ordinary Cayley–Hamilton representation with values in the \mathbb{T}_+ -GMA*

$$(\mathbb{E}, \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}^*) = \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \mathbb{T}_+ & B_+ \\ C_+ & \mathbb{T}_+ \end{smallmatrix} \right) \cong \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \mathbb{T}_+ & \mathbb{T}_- \\ \mathbb{T}_- & \mathbb{T}_+ \end{smallmatrix} \right) \quad \text{with} \quad B_+ \otimes_{\mathbb{T}_+} C_+ \cong \mathbb{T}_- \otimes_{\mathbb{T}_+} \mathbb{T}_- \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_+$$

given by $\Theta b \otimes \Theta c \mapsto \theta bc$ for $\theta = \Theta^2$ (the product in \mathbb{T}).

Proof. Recall $\mathbb{T}_- := \{x \in \mathbb{T} \mid \sigma(x) = -x\}$. Then $\mathbb{T}_- = \Theta \mathbb{T}_+$, and $\Theta \in \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{nCM}}$ under the inclusion $\mathbb{T} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{CM}} \oplus \mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{nCM}}$; so, Θ is a zero-divisor in \mathbb{T} but is not a zero-divisor in $\mathbb{T}^{\mathrm{nCM}}$. Similarly $\theta \in \mathbb{T}_+^{\mathrm{nCM}}$. Extend the character $\bar{\psi}$ to a function on G just by 0 outside H , and decompose $G = H \sqcup cH$. Then we have the following standard realization of the induced representation:

$$\bar{\rho}(\tau) = \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \bar{\psi}(\tau) & \bar{\psi}(\tau c) \\ \bar{\psi}(c^{-1}\tau) & \bar{\psi}(c^{-1}\tau c) \end{smallmatrix} \right).$$

Then if $\chi(\tau) = -1$ ($\Leftrightarrow \tau \notin H$), we have

$$(\bar{\rho} \otimes \chi)(\tau) = \left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & -\bar{\psi}(\tau c) \\ -\bar{\psi}(c^{-1}\tau) & 0 \end{smallmatrix} \right) = j \bar{\rho}(\tau) j^{-1}$$

for $j := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. If $\chi(\tau) = 1$ ($\Leftrightarrow \tau \notin G_K$), $\bar{\rho}(\tau)$ is diagonal commuting with j ; so,

$$(\bar{\rho} \otimes \chi)(\tau) = \bar{\rho}(\tau) = j \bar{\rho}(\tau) j^{-1}.$$

Thus we conclude $\bar{\rho} \otimes \chi = j \bar{\rho} j^{-1}$.

The deformation functor represented by \mathbb{T} is given by

$$D(A) := \{\rho : G \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(A) \mid \rho \text{ is } p\text{-ordinary and } (\rho \bmod \mathfrak{m}_A) = \bar{\rho}\} / \approx,$$

where “ \approx ” is strict equivalence (i.e., conjugation by $1 + M_2(\mathfrak{m}_A)$). Thus we have we can let χ act on D by

$$\rho \mapsto j(\rho \otimes \chi)j^{-1} = \rho^\sigma.$$

Since $j \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} j^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ -c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and $(\rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H \bmod (\Theta)) = \Phi \oplus \Phi^c$ is diagonal, we find that $uj(\rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes \chi)(uj)^{-1} = \rho_{\mathbb{T}}^\sigma$ with $u \in 1 + \Theta M_2(\mathbb{T})$. Write $U = uj$. Applying σ , we get $U^\sigma(\rho_{\mathbb{T}}^\sigma \otimes \chi)U^{-\sigma} = \rho_{\mathbb{T}}$; so, we have

$$U\rho_{\mathbb{T}}U^{-1} = U(\rho_{\mathbb{T}} \otimes \chi)U^{-1} \otimes \chi = \rho_{\mathbb{T}}^\sigma \otimes \chi = U^{-\sigma}\rho_{\mathbb{T}}U^\sigma.$$

Thus we have $ju^\sigma ju = U^\sigma U = z \in Z := 1 + \Theta \mathbb{T}$. Since $1 + \Theta M_2(\mathbb{T})$ is p -profinite, letting σ act on $1 + \Theta M_2(\mathbb{T})$ by $x \mapsto x^{\tilde{\sigma}} := jx^\sigma j$, we can thus write $u = v^{\tilde{\sigma}^{-1}} \in (1 + \Theta M_2(\mathbb{T}))/Z$ for $v \in 1 + \Theta M_2(\Theta)$. Thus replacing $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H$ by $\rho := v^{-1}j\rho_{\mathbb{T}}jv|_H$, we find $j\rho j^{-1} = \rho^\sigma$. In other words, ρ has values in $\mathbb{E} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{T}_+ & \mathbb{T}_- \\ \mathbb{T}_- & \mathbb{T}_+ \end{pmatrix}$, as desired

Since $\psi^-|_{D_{\mathfrak{p}}} \neq 1$ by (H0), we can choose first $\tau \in \Delta$ with $\psi(\tau) \neq \psi^c(\tau)$ so that $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi(\tau) & 0 \\ 0 & \psi^c(\tau) \end{pmatrix}$, and we can define the set \mathcal{E} of idempotents of \mathbb{E} having the GMA form as above by

$$e_1 = \frac{\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(\tau) - \psi^c(\tau)}{\psi(\tau) - \psi^c(\tau)} \quad \text{and} \quad e_2 = \frac{\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(\tau) - \psi(\tau)}{\psi^c(\tau) - \psi(\tau)}.$$

Writing $\mathbb{E} = \mathbb{T}_+ \oplus B \oplus C \oplus \mathbb{T}_+$ with $B \cong C \cong \mathbb{T}_-$, we note that B (resp. C) is the eigenspace under the conjugation action of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(\tau)$ with eigenvalue $\psi^-(\tau)$ (resp. $\psi^-(\tau)^{-1}$). Thus our expression of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H$ is associated to (\mathbb{E}, e_1, e_2) . By ordinary of $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ on G_p (inducing $D_{\mathfrak{p}}$), we see $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H$ is \mathfrak{p} -ordinary. Plainly $c \in G$ interchanges e_1 and e_2 , i.e., $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(c)e_1\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(c) = e_2$. Thus over $D_{\mathfrak{p}^*} = cD_{\mathfrak{p}c}$, we conclude that $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}|_H$ with values in $(\mathbb{E}, \mathcal{E})$ is also \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinary. Since the residual representation is exactly $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\psi} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\psi}^c \end{pmatrix}$ (with $\bar{\psi}$ at the top), the choice of (e_2, e_1) is impossible because it violates the residual order of the characters (the definition of \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinarity requires the lower triangular form on $D_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ to preserve this residual order). Therefore we need to choose $\mathcal{E} = (e_1, e_2)$ for \mathfrak{p}^* -ordinary. \blacksquare

Under the normalization as above, we may and do assume that $\rho_{\mathbb{T}}(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

A.4. Local Iwasawa theory

Let k/\mathbb{Q}_p (inside $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$) be a Galois extension with $p \nmid [k : \mathbb{Q}_p]$. Write F/k for the cyclotomic \mathbb{Z}_p -extension inside $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$. Let $\Gamma := \mathrm{Gal}(F/k) = \gamma^{\mathbb{Z}_p}$ and put $\Gamma_n = \Gamma^{p^n}$.

Set $F_n := F^{\Gamma_n}$ with p -adic integer ring \mathfrak{o}_n . Let L (resp. L_n) be the maximal abelian p -extension of F (resp. F_n). Write $X_n := \text{Gal}(L_n/k_n)$ and $X := \text{Gal}(L/F)$. We have $\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p) = \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p) \ltimes X$. The exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow X \rightarrow \text{Gal}(L/k) \rightarrow \Gamma \rightarrow 1$$

is split just by lifting γ to an element $\tilde{\gamma} \in \text{Gal}(L/k)$ taking splitting image $\tilde{\gamma}^{\mathbb{Z}_p}$. Therefore the commutator subgroup of $\text{Gal}(L/k_n)$ is given by $(\gamma^{p^n} - 1)X$, and we have the corresponding exact sequence at each level n : $1 \rightarrow X/(\gamma^{p^n} - 1)X \rightarrow \text{Gal}(L_n/F/F) \rightarrow \Gamma_n \rightarrow 1$.

Let k_∞/k be the unramified \mathbb{Z}_p -extension inside $\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ with its n -th layer k_n , and put $\mathcal{F}_n = Fk_n$. Let \mathcal{L} (resp. \mathcal{L}_n) be the maximal abelian p -extension of \mathcal{F}_∞ (resp. \mathcal{F}_n). Set $\mathcal{X} := \text{Gal}(\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{F}_\infty)$. Pick a lift $\phi \in \text{Gal}(\mathcal{L}/k)$ of the Frobenius element $[p, \mathbb{Q}_p]^f$ (for the residual degree f of k/\mathbb{Q}_p) generating $\text{Gal}(k_\infty F/k)$ and a lift $\tilde{\gamma} \in \text{Gal}(\mathcal{L}/k)$ of the generator γ of $\text{Gal}(k\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}/k_0) = \Gamma$. The commutator $\tau := [\phi, \tilde{\gamma}]$ acts on \mathcal{X} by conjugation, and $(\tau - 1)x := [\tau, x] = \tau x \tau^{-1} x^{-1}$ for $x \in \mathcal{X}$ is uniquely determined independent of the choice of γ and ϕ . Define $L' \subset \mathcal{L}$ and $L'_n \subset \mathcal{L}_n$ to be the fixed fields of $(\tau - 1)\mathcal{X}$ (i.e., the fixed fields of τ), which are independent of the choice of $\tilde{\gamma}$ and ϕ . Let $X' = \text{Gal}(L'/\mathcal{F}_\infty)$ and $X'_n = \text{Gal}(L'_n/\mathcal{F}_n)$.

Proposition A.4.1. *Let the notation and the assumptions be as above.*

(1) *We have a canonical decomposition*

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \varprojlim_n X_n = \varprojlim_n X/(\gamma^{p^n} - 1)X \\ &\cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}_p[\![\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]\!] & \text{if } \mu_p(k) = \{1\}, \\ \mathbb{Z}_p[\![\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]\!] \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p(1) & \text{if } \mu_p(k) = \mu_p(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\![\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]\!]$ -modules. Thus for each finite-dimensional \mathbb{Q}_p -irreducible abelian representation η of $\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ with values in $\text{GL}_{\dim(\eta)}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ of order prime to p , writing $X[\eta]$ for the maximal η -isotypical quotient of X , we have

$$X[\eta] \cong \begin{cases} W(\kappa)[\![\Gamma]\!] & \text{if } \eta \neq \omega, \\ \mathbb{Z}_p[\![\Gamma]\!] \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p(1) & \text{if } \eta = \omega \end{cases}$$

as $\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -modules. Here κ is the residue field of the subalgebra of $M_{\dim(\eta)}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ generated by the values of η over \mathbb{Z}_p , ω is the Teichmüller character and $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ acts on $W(\kappa)$ via η regarded as having values in $W(\kappa)^\times$.

- (2) *The restriction map $X' \rightarrow X$ induces an isomorphism of $X'/(\phi - 1)X'$ onto the augmentation ideal of $\mathbb{Z}_p[\![\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q})]\!] \subset X$.*
- (3) *For the character $\eta : \text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p) \rightarrow W(\kappa)$ in (1), the factor $X'[\eta]$ is a cyclic $W(\kappa)[\![\Gamma \times \Upsilon]\!]$ -module (i.e., it is topologically generated over $W(\kappa)[\![\Gamma \times \Upsilon]\!]$ by one element).*

Note that the subalgebra of $M_{\dim(\eta)}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ generated by the values of η over \mathbb{Z}_p is isomorphic to the Witt vector ring $W(\kappa)$ with coefficients in its residue field κ .

Proof of Proposition A.4.1. We first prove the assertion (1). The statement of [38, Thm. 25] asserts $X \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma]^{[k:\mathbb{Q}_p]}$ or $\mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma]^{[k:\mathbb{Q}_p]} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma]$ -modules. Write Y for the maximal $\mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma]$ -free quotient of X . Since $\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ has order prime to p , $\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}_p) \cong \text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p) \ltimes \Gamma$, and its action on Y is determined by its action on $Y_0 = Y/(\gamma - 1)Y$. We need to show $Y_0 \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ as $\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -modules (which implies $Y \cong Y_0[\Gamma] \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$). Let $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty} \subset \mathbb{Q}_p[\mu_{p^\infty}]$ be the cyclotomic \mathbb{Z}_p -extension. Writing $\widehat{M} := \varprojlim_n M/p^n M$ for a module M , by class field theory, $\text{Gal}(L_0 K/K)$ fits into the following commutative diagram with exact rows and surjective vertical maps:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \text{Gal}(L_0 K/K) & \xrightarrow{\hookrightarrow} & \widehat{k^\times} & \xrightarrow{N_{k/\mathbb{Q}_p}} & \widehat{\mathbb{Q}_p^\times} \\
 \parallel \downarrow & & \text{Artin rec.} \downarrow & & a \downarrow \\
 \text{Gal}(L_0 K/K) & \xrightarrow[\hookrightarrow]{} & \text{Gal}(L_0/k) & \xrightarrow[\text{Res}]{} & \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}/\mathbb{Q}_p)
 \end{array}$$

where the composite $a \circ N_{k/\mathbb{Q}_p}$ for the norm map N_{k/\mathbb{Q}_p} has image $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}/\mathbb{Q}_p) \cong 1 + p\mathbb{Z}_p \cong \Gamma$.

First suppose that $\mu_p(k) = \{1\}$. Then $\widehat{k^\times}$ is torsion-free. The isomorphism class of a torsion-free $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -module M of finite rank over \mathbb{Z}_p is determined by the $\mathbb{Q}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -module $M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p$. Since $\mathbb{Q}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ is semisimple, we conclude $\widehat{k^\times} \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)] \oplus \Gamma$ with $\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ acting on Γ trivially. Thus $Y_0 \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ in which the η -isotypical component has rank $\dim(\eta) = \text{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p} W(\kappa)$ over \mathbb{Z}_p .

Now assume that $\mu_p(k)$ is non-trivial. Since $p \nmid [k : \mathbb{Q}_p]$, we have $\mu_{p^\infty}(k) = \mu_p(k)$; so, the torsion part of $\widehat{k^\times}$ is cyclic of order p . Let \widehat{k}_f^\times be the maximal torsion-free quotient of $\widehat{k^\times}$. Then by the same argument as in the case where $\mu_p(k) = \{1\}$, we find $\widehat{k}_f^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)] \oplus \Gamma$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -modules. By Iwasawa's expression, $X/(\gamma - 1)X \cong \mathbb{Z}_p^{[k:\mathbb{Q}_p]} \oplus \mu_p(k)$ in which $\mu_p(k)$ is identified with $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)/(\gamma - 1)\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$. Again we have $(X/(\gamma - 1)X)/\mu_p(k) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -modules. We have a commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbb{Z}_p(1)/(\gamma - 1)\mathbb{Z}_p(1) & \xrightarrow{\hookrightarrow} & X/(\gamma - 1)X & \xrightarrow{\twoheadrightarrow} & Y/(\gamma - 1)Y \\
 \wr \downarrow & & \parallel \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mu_p(k) & \xrightarrow[\hookrightarrow]{} & X/(\gamma - 1)X & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]
 \end{array}$$

of $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -modules. This shows that $Y_0 = Y/(\gamma - 1)Y \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -modules, and hence $Y \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$. Therefore the surjective $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -morphism $X \twoheadrightarrow Y$ splits, and hence $X \cong \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ as desired.

Now we prove (2). Let $k_\infty/k_n/k_0$ be the intermediate n -th layer of the unramified \mathbb{Z}_p -extension of k_0 (so, $\text{Gal}(k_n/k_0) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$). Recall the integer ring \mathfrak{o}_n of k_n . Let $\mathcal{X}_n = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{L}_n/\mathcal{F}_n)$. Then we have an exact sequence of $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k_n/\mathbb{Q})]$ -modules

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \widehat{\mathfrak{o}_n^\times} & \xrightarrow{\quad \hookrightarrow \quad} & \widehat{k_n^\times} & \xrightarrow{\quad \twoheadrightarrow \quad} & \mathbb{Z}_p \\ \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr \\ \mathcal{X}_n & \xrightarrow{\quad \hookrightarrow \quad} & \text{Gal}(\mathcal{L}_n/k_n) & \xrightarrow{\quad \twoheadrightarrow \quad} & \text{Gal}(k_\infty/k_n) \end{array}$$

where the map v is induced from the valuation ord_p of k normalized so that $\text{ord}_p(p) = 1$. Writing ϖ for a prime element in \mathfrak{o}_n , we have $v(\varpi) = e^{-1}$. Then this exact sequence is split by $v(p^{\mathbb{Z}_p}) = \mathbb{Z}_p = e^{-1}\mathbb{Z}_p = v(\varpi^{\mathbb{Z}_p})$; so, $\widehat{k_n^\times} \cong \mathcal{X}_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k_n/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -modules. By this diagram and $L'_n \supset k_\infty$, we still have $\text{Gal}(L'_n/k_n) = X'_n \oplus \text{Gal}(k_\infty/k_n)$ with $\text{Gal}(k_\infty/k_n) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p$.

By the same argument as in proving (1), if $\mu_p(k) = \mu_p(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$, we have $\mathcal{X}_n \cong \mathcal{Y}_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(k_n\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ -modules for a unique direct summand \mathcal{Y}_n . On $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$, ϕ acts trivially (as $v_p([p, \mathbb{Q}_p]) = 1$ for the p -adic cyclotomic character v_p); so, $[\widetilde{\gamma}, \phi]$ acts trivially on the factor $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$. Hence we still have the decomposition $X'_n = Y'_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p(1)$. The restriction map $X'_m \rightarrow X'_n$ for $m > n$ induces on $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ multiplication by p^{m-n} as $\phi = [p, \mathbb{Q}_p]^f$ acts trivially on $\mu_{p^\infty}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$. Thus passing to the limit, the factor $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ disappears. Therefore, by Kummer theory, $\text{coker}(X' \xrightarrow{\text{Res}} X)$ is $\mathbb{Z}_p \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ if $\mu_p(k) = \mu_p(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ and otherwise \mathbb{Z}_p ; so, by definition, the restriction map $Y'_m \rightarrow Y'_n$ is onto, and its image after passing to the limit is the augmentation ideal of $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ (as we lose the augmentation quotient \mathbb{Z}_p which corresponds to the factor \mathbb{Z}_p in $\text{Gal}(L'_n/k_n)$). Since $\ker(X' \rightarrow X)$ is plainly $(\phi - 1)X'$, we find that $X' / (\phi - 1)X'$ is isomorphic to the augmentation ideal of $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)]$ by (1).

The same argument works well when $\mu_p(k) = \{1\}$. In this case, the argument is easier as the factor $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ does not show up.

We prove (3). Note that $\mathbb{Z}_p[\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}_p)] = \bigoplus_\chi W(\kappa_\chi)[\Gamma]$ for χ running over all characters of $\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q})$, where κ_χ is the finite field generated by the values of $\chi \bmod p$ over \mathbb{F}_p . Then its augmentation ideal is given by $(\gamma - 1)\mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma] \oplus \bigoplus_{\chi \neq 1} W(\kappa_\chi)[\Gamma]$. Thus $X'[\eta]/(\phi - 1)X'[\eta] \cong W(\kappa_\eta)[\Gamma]$ as $W(\kappa_\eta)[\Gamma]$ -modules by Proposition A.4.1(2). This is clear if η is non-trivial. If $\eta = 1$, we note that $(\gamma - 1)\mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma] \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma]$ as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\Gamma]$ -modules. So $X'[\eta]/(\phi - 1)X'[\eta]$ is cyclic over $W(\kappa)[\Gamma]$. By Nakayama's lemma, we get the desired cyclicity of $X'[\eta]$ over $W(\kappa)[\Gamma \times \Upsilon]$. ■

A.5. Proof of Theorem A.1.2 and Corollary A.1.3

Recall the \mathbb{T}_+ -GMA $\mathbb{E} = \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \mathbb{T}_+ & \mathbb{T}_- \\ \mathbb{T}_- & \mathbb{T}_+ \end{smallmatrix} \right)$ given in Proposition A.3.1. Set $\mathbb{E}^{\text{nCM}} = \mathbb{E} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}_+} \mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$ and $\mathbb{E}^{\text{CM}} = \mathbb{E} \otimes_{\mathbb{T}_+} \mathbb{T}_+^{\text{CM}}$, and write $\rho : W[H] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}$, $\rho^{\text{nCM}} : W[H] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^{\text{nCM}}$ and $\rho^{\text{CM}} : W[H] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^{\text{CM}}$ for the associated Cayley–Hamilton representations. Pick a prime \wp

of $K(\rho)$ above \mathfrak{p} . Let $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ (resp. $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$, $\bar{D}_{\mathfrak{p}}$) be the \mathfrak{p} -inertia (resp. \mathfrak{p}^* -inertia, \mathfrak{p} -decomposition) subgroup of $\text{Gal}(K(\rho)/K(\bar{\rho}))$ corresponding to \wp and \wp^c . Regard $[p, \mathbb{Q}_p]^f \in D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ for the residual degree f of $\mathfrak{P} = \wp \cap K(\bar{\rho})$, and recall $\varphi' := \rho([p, \mathbb{Q}_p]^f) = \begin{pmatrix} u^{-f} & * \\ 0 & u^f \end{pmatrix}$ with $u^f \in \mathbb{T}_+$. Put $\Lambda_0 := \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathbb{T}] \subset \Lambda_1 := W_1[\mathbb{T}, a] \subset \mathbb{T}$ for $a = u^{2f} - 1$, and recall $t = 1 + T$. We restate Theorem A.1.2 of the introduction in the following way:

Theorem A.5.1. *Let the notation be as above. Assume (H0)–(H4). Then we can choose conjugacy classes of $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ in G and a generator Θ of the σ -different $\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{T}(\sigma - 1)\mathbb{T}$ with $\Theta^\sigma = -\Theta$ so that*

$$\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in t^{\mathbb{Z}_p}, b \in \Theta\Lambda_1 \right\} \subset \mathbb{E}^\times$$

and

$$\rho^{\text{nCM}}(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in t^{\mathbb{Z}_p}, b \in \Theta\Lambda_1 \right\} \subset \mathbb{E}^{\text{nCM}, \times}$$

and $\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}) = J\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}})J^{-1}$, where $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for $\rho = \rho_{\mathbb{T}}$ and $\rho_{\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}}$. Here $t^{\mathbb{Z}_p} \subset \Lambda$ is embedded in \mathbb{E} and \mathbb{E}^{nCM} by the structure homomorphism.

We can conjugate ρ by $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for any $a \in \mathbb{T}^\times$, and by doing this, Θ will be replaced by $a\Theta$; so, actually, we can always assume that for any choice of the generator Θ with $\Theta^\sigma = -\Theta$ of the ideal (Θ) , we can arrange $\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}})$ (and $\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*})$) as in the corollary.

Proof of Theorem A.5.1. Write simply $I = \rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}})$ and $D = \rho(\bar{D}_{\mathfrak{p}})$. From the definition of the Λ -algebra structure of \mathbb{T} and p -ordinarity (e.g., [31, (Gal), p. 604]), we know $I \subset M(\mathbb{T}) \cap \mathbb{E}$ and $\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}) \subset JM(\mathbb{T})J^{-1} \cap \mathbb{E}$ for the mirabolic subgroup $M(\mathbb{T}) := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbb{T}^\times, b \in \mathbb{T} \right\}$. Since $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_p^{ab}/\mathbb{Q}_p) = [p, \mathbb{Q}_p]^{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}} \ltimes \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ for the maximal abelian extension $\mathbb{Q}^{ab}/\mathbb{Q}$ and the local Artin symbol $[p, \mathbb{Q}_p]$, we find

$$I \subset \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in t^{\mathbb{Z}_p}, b \in \Theta\mathbb{T}_+ \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \varphi'^{\mathbb{Z}_p} \ltimes I$$

by the shape of \mathbb{E} , and $\det(\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}})) = \mathcal{T} := t^{\mathbb{Z}_p} \subset \Lambda_0^\times$. Thus we have an extension $1 \rightarrow \mathcal{U} \rightarrow I \rightarrow \mathcal{T} \rightarrow 1$ with $\mathcal{U} = \ker(\det(\rho)) : I \rightarrow \Lambda^\times$.

By [31, Lem. 1.4], this extension is split by the action of Δ for \mathcal{U} being an eigenspace on which Δ acts by ψ^- ; so, we may assume to have a section $s : \mathcal{T} \hookrightarrow I$ identifying \mathcal{T} with $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathcal{T} \right\}$. Replacing φ' by an element $\varphi \in \varphi'\mathcal{U}$, we may assume that $\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} u^{-f} & 0 \\ 0 & u^f \end{pmatrix}$ commutes with $\begin{pmatrix} t^{\mathbb{Z}_p} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}K(\bar{\rho})/K(\bar{\rho}))$. Take $\phi \in D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ such that $\rho(\phi) = \varphi$ and $\tilde{\gamma} \in D_{\mathfrak{p}}$ with $\rho(\tilde{\gamma}) = \begin{pmatrix} t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. For the commutator $[\phi, \tilde{\gamma}]$, we have $\rho([\phi, \tilde{\gamma}]) = 1$ (i.e. it acts on $K(\rho)_{\mathfrak{P}}$ trivially; the requirement for the validity of Proposition A.4.1(3)). The module \mathcal{U} is a Λ_1 -module by the adjoint action of $\mathcal{T} \cdot \varphi^{\mathbb{Z}_p}$. Since $\rho^{\text{CM}}|_I$ has kernel \mathcal{U} , we see that $I = \rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \cong \rho^{\text{nCM}}(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}})$; so, we only need to prove the assertion for ρ . If $\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}} \cdot \mathcal{U} \subsetneq \mathbb{T}_- = \Theta\mathbb{T}_+ = \Theta\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$, we have $\mathcal{U}\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}} \subset \Theta\mathbb{m}_+^{\text{nCM}}\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}} = \mathbb{m}_+^{\text{nCM}}\mathbb{T}_-$ for the maximal ideal $\mathbb{m}_+^{\text{nCM}}$ of $\mathbb{T}_+^{\text{nCM}}$.

Write $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}$ for the prime factor in $K(\psi^-)$ corresponding to $I_{\mathfrak{p}}$. We apply Proposition A.4.1 to the \mathfrak{P} -adic completion k of $K(\psi^-)$, its cyclotomic \mathbb{Z}_p -extension F and

the composite \mathcal{F}_∞ of F and the unramified \mathbb{Z}_p -extension of k . Thus \mathcal{U} is made up of unipotent matrices, and writing

$$I_1 := \{\tau \in \bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}} \mid \tau|_F = 1\} = \{\tau \in \bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}} \mid \tau|_{\mathcal{F}_\infty} = 1\},$$

we have $\mathcal{U} = \rho(I_1)$. Therefore we may write $\rho(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u(\tau) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for $\tau \in I_1$. Let $\bar{u} := u \bmod \mathfrak{m}_+^{\text{nCM}} \mathbb{T}_-$ with values in $\mathbb{T}_-/\mathfrak{m}_+^{\text{nCM}} \mathbb{T}_- \cong \mathbb{F}$. Let $H(\Phi^-) := \ker(\Phi^- : H \rightarrow \Lambda^\times)$ for the universal character Φ . Since $\mathbb{T}_-/\theta \mathbb{T}_- = Y_\infty^-(\psi^-) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p[\psi^-]} W$ by Corollary A.2.5 and $\theta \mathbb{T}_+$ is the ideal of reducibility in \mathbb{T}_+ of ρ in the sense of [1, §1.5], this homomorphism extends to a non-zero homomorphism $\bar{u} : H(\Phi^-) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ with $\bar{u}(\tau h \tau^{-1}) = \Phi^-(\tau) \bar{u}(h)$ unramified outside \mathfrak{p} over $K(\Phi^-) = K(\bar{\rho}) K_\infty^-$. Since $H(\Phi^-) := \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}/K(\Phi^-))$ only ramifies at p , u is unramified at $c'c'^c$. Since $\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ is lower triangular contained in $JM(\mathbb{T})J^{-1}$, \bar{u} is unramified everywhere. Let $N_\infty \subset K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}$ be the fixed field by $\ker(u : \text{Gal}(K(\bar{\rho})^{(p)}/K(\Phi^-)) \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_-/\mathfrak{m}_+^{\text{nCM}} \mathbb{T}_-)$ and put $X := \text{Gal}(N_\infty/K(\Phi^-))$. Then $N_\infty/K(\Phi^-)$ is an everywhere unramified p -abelian extension. Since $K(\Phi^-)/K(\psi^-)$ is a fully p -ramified \mathbb{Z}_p -extension generated by an element γ , we find that $X/(\gamma - 1)X$ is the Galois group of an everywhere unramified p -abelian extension of $K(\psi^-)$, which is non-trivial by our assumption. Since $p \nmid h_{K(\psi^-)}$, this is a contradiction. Thus the \mathbb{T}_+ -span of $\bar{u}(I_1)$ is \mathbb{F} ; so, the \mathbb{T}_+ -span of $u(I_1)$ is equal to \mathbb{T}_- by Nakayama's lemma. Thus $\mathbb{T}_+ u(I_1) \not\equiv 0 \bmod \mathfrak{m}_+^{\text{nCM}} \mathbb{T}_-$; so, we may assume that $\Theta \in u(I_1)$.

Regard ψ^- as an abelian irreducible \mathbb{Z}_p -representation acting on W regarded as a \mathbb{Z}_p -module. By Proposition A.4.1(3), under the notation there, the Galois group $X'[\psi^-]$ is cyclic over $W_1[\Gamma \times \Upsilon]$ ($\Gamma = t^{\mathbb{Z}_p}$) and surjects onto \mathcal{U} . Since the action of $W_1[\Gamma \times \Upsilon]$ factors through Λ_1 , by Proposition A.4.1 (3), \mathcal{U} is cyclic over Λ_1 ; so, we have $\mathcal{U} \cong \Lambda_1$. Thus we conclude that $\rho(I_1) = \mathcal{U} = \{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \Theta \Lambda_1 \}$ inside $\rho(H)$ (for a suitable choice of Θ). This shows the desired expression for $\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}})$. By the same argument applied to \mathfrak{p}^* , we see that $\rho(H)$ contains $J \mathcal{U} J^{-1}$, \mathcal{T} and $J \mathcal{T} J^{-1}$, and we obtain the form of $\rho(\bar{I}_{\mathfrak{p}^*})$. ■

Proof of Corollary A.1.3. By Theorem A.5.1, we have

$$\rho_P|_{I_P} \text{ is indecomposable} \iff (\mathcal{U} \bmod P) \neq 1 \iff P \nmid (\Theta).$$

By Corollary A.2.5, $\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}/(\Theta) \widehat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W} \cong \Lambda_{\mathfrak{W}}/(\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$, we conclude that $P \nmid (\Theta) \Leftrightarrow P \nmid (\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$. As $\text{coker}(\mathbb{T} \widehat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}} \widehat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W} \times \mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}} \widehat{\otimes}_W \mathfrak{W}) \cong \Lambda_{\mathfrak{W}}/(\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-))$, we see that

$$P \nmid (\mathcal{L}_p^-(\psi^-)) \iff P \notin \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{nCM}}) \cap \text{Spec}(\mathbb{T}^{\text{CM}})$$

as desired. ■

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