# RUBIN'S CONJECTURE ON LOCAL UNITS IN THE ANTICYCLOTOMIC TOWER AT INERT PRIMES: p = 3 CASE

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ABSTRACT. We prove Rubin's conjecture on the structure of local units in the anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ extension of unramified quadratic extension of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  in p = 3 case by extending Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota's work.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. **Background.** Iwasawa theory is a basic tool to study the growth of the Mordell-Weil rank of elliptic curves in a tower of number fields and its relation to special *L*-value. For an elliptic curve *E* over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with complex multiplication by an imaginary quadratic field *K*, it is classical to study the module of local units modulo elliptic units attached to *E* in the  $\mathbb{Z}_p^2$ -extension of *K*. If *p* splits in *K*, then this module is torsion, and its characteristic ideal is generated by the two-variable Katz *p*-adic *L*-function attached to *E* (cf. [18]). However, if *p* inerts in *K*, this module is non-torsion, since the rank of the module of local units is twice that of the module of elliptic units.

Let  $\Lambda$  be the Iwasawa algebra for the anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension of an unramified quadratic extension of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . Rubin considered the  $\Lambda$ -module V, the anticyclotomic projection of local units of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^2$ -extension of K, and defined two rank 1 free submodules  $V^{\pm}$ . He conjectured (cf. [13]) that

$$V = V^+ \oplus V^-.$$

The projection of every elliptic unit lies in  $V^{\epsilon}$ , where  $\epsilon$  is the sign of  $L(E/\mathbb{Q}, s)$ . Under the conjecture, Rubin constructed a *p*-adic *L*-function, which generates the quotient of  $V^{\epsilon}$  by the image of elliptic units. Moreover, Agboola-Howard [1] formulated and proved an Iwasawa main conjecture that involves Rubin's *p*-adic *L*-function under Rubin's conjecture.

Rubin proposed a criterion under which the conjecture is true in the case  $p \ge 5$ . His criterion involves the existence of following global objects:

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(R1) a CM elliptic curve with good supersingular reduction at p whose central L-value is p-indivisible, (R2) a Heegner point over imaginary quadratic fields with p inert which is locally p-indivisible.

He proved that there are primes p with density 1 at which (R1) exists. In [3], using the results of [7], Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota verified the existence of a modified (R1) for primes p > 3. For (R2), Rubin verified that it exists for  $5 \le p \le 1000$  and  $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  by using the computation of Stephen (unpublished, but similar to [2]). However, in general, it is difficult to verify the local p-indivisibility of Heegner points. Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota consider formal CM points and the modular parametrization of elliptic curves instead of Heegner points. They constructed such formal CM points when p > 3, and proved Rubin's conjecture in the case p > 3.

In this paper, we prove Rubin's conjecture for the case p = 3 by constructing special formal CM points in this case following Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota's approach. As an application, we complete the proof of Agboola-Howard's main conjecture when p = 3. The result has various potential applications such as extending the *p*-adic Waldspurger formula presented in [5] to the prime p = 3, [6] on Kato's epsilon-conjecture and [4] on vanishing of  $\mu$ -invariants on Rubin's *p*-adic *L*-function.

In the case p = 3, we remark that Rubin's criterion also works and it may be verified by some computational methods.

1.2. **Statement.** Let p be a prime. Let  $\Phi$  be the unramified quadratic extension of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  and  $\mathcal{O}$  be its ring of integers. Let  $\mathcal{F}_{/\mathcal{O}}$  be a Lubin-Tate formal group with parameter  $\pi := -p$ . Let  $\Phi_n = \Phi(\mathcal{F}[\pi^{n+1}])$  for  $0 \leq n \leq \infty$ . Then we have an isomorphism  $\kappa : \operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}^{\times}, \ \sigma \mapsto \kappa(\sigma)$  where  $\sigma(v) = [\kappa(\sigma)^{-1}](v)$  for all  $v \in \mathcal{F}[\pi^{\infty}]$ . Let  $\Delta$  be the torsion subgroup of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi)$ . Let  $\Theta_n = \Phi_n^{\Delta}$  for all  $n \leq \infty$ .

1.2.1. Coleman power series and Coates-Wiles homomorphism. For a finite extension F of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ , we denote U(F) its group of local principal units. Define

$$U_{\infty} = \left( \varprojlim (U(\Phi_n) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathcal{O}) \right)^{\kappa|_{\Delta}}, \quad U_{\infty}^* = U_{\infty} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} T_{\pi} \mathcal{F}^{\otimes -1} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(T_{\pi} \mathcal{F}, U_{\infty}),$$

where  $T_{\pi}\mathcal{F} = \varprojlim \mathcal{F}[\pi^{n+1}]$  is the  $\pi$ -adic Tate module of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Wintenberger showed that  $U_{\infty}^*$  is a rank 2 free  $\mathcal{O}[[\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi_0)]]$ -module (cf. [17]).

Consider the Coates-Wiles logarithmic derivatives

$$\delta: U^*_{\infty} \to \mathcal{O}, \quad x = u \otimes a \otimes v^{\otimes -1} \mapsto a \cdot \frac{f'(0)}{f(0)},$$

and

$$\delta_n: U_\infty^* \to \Phi_n, \quad x = u \otimes a \otimes v^{\otimes -1} \mapsto \frac{a}{\lambda'(v_n)} \cdot \frac{f'(v_n)}{f(v_n)}$$

where  $u = (u_n)_n \in \varprojlim U(\Phi_n)$ ,  $a \in \mathcal{O}$ ,  $v = (v_n)_n \in T_\pi \mathcal{F}$  is a generator as  $\mathcal{O}$ -module,  $f \in \mathcal{O}[[X]]^{\times}$  is the Coleman power series such that  $f(v_n) = u_n$  and  $\lambda$  is the formal logarithm of  $\mathcal{F}$  normalized by  $\lambda'(0) = 1$ .

For a finite character  $\chi : \operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi) \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^{\times}$  which factor through  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_n/\Phi)$ , we define

$$\delta_{\chi}: U_{\infty}^* \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p, \quad x \mapsto \frac{1}{\pi^{n+1}} \sum_{\gamma \in \operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_n/\Phi)} \chi(\gamma) \delta_n(x)^{\gamma}$$

It is independent of the choice of n. For  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi)$ , we have  $\delta_{\chi}(x^{\sigma}) = \chi(\sigma)^{-1}\delta_{\chi}(x)$ .

1.2.2. Anticyclotomic projection. Let  $\Psi_{\infty}$  be the anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension of  $\Phi$  and  $G^- = \operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_{\infty}/\Phi)$ be its Galois group. Let  $G^+ = \operatorname{Gal}(\Theta_{\infty}/\Psi_{\infty})$ . Let  $\Psi_n$  be the subextension of  $\Psi_{\infty}/\Phi$  of degree  $p^n$ . If  $\chi$  is an anticyclotomic character, i.e.,  $\chi$  is a homomorphism  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_n/\Phi) \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^{\times}$  for some n, then  $\delta_{\chi}((\sigma-1)U_{\infty}^*)$  vanishes for all  $\sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Psi_{\infty})$ . Set  $V_{\infty}^* := U_{\infty}^*/\{(\sigma-1)u|\sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Psi_{\infty}), u \in U_{\infty}^*\}$ . Then  $\delta_{\chi}$  factors through  $V_{\infty}^*$ .

1.2.3. Decomposition of Local Principal Units. We say a non-trivial anticyclotomic character  $\chi$  has conductor  $p^n$  if  $\chi$  factors through  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{n-1}/\Phi)$  but not through  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{n-2}/\Phi)$ , equivalently,  $\chi$  factors through  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_{n-1}/\Phi)$  but not through  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_{n-2}/\Phi)$ . We say that trivial character has conductor 1.

Let  $\Xi^+$  (resp.  $\Xi^-$ ) be the set of anticyclotomic characters whose conductors are even (resp. odd) powers of p. Define

$$V_{\infty}^{*,\pm} := \left\{ v \in V_{\infty}^{*} | \delta_{\chi}(v) = 0 \text{ for every } \chi \in \Xi^{\mp} \right\}.$$

Set  $\Lambda = \mathcal{O}[[G^-]]$ . It is known that  $V_{\infty}^*$  is a free  $\Lambda$ -module of rank 2. We will show the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1.** Assume  $p \ge 3$ . We have

$$V_{\infty}^* \simeq V_{\infty}^{*,+} \oplus V_{\infty}^{*,-}.$$

Remark 1.2. Rubin conjectured and verified the direct decomposition for  $5 \le p \le 1000$  and  $p \ne 1 \pmod{12}$  (mod 12)(cf. [13]). Burungale, Kobayashi and Ota proved it for primes  $p \ge 5$ (cf. [3]). We modify Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota's proof to include the case p = 3.

1.3. Strategy. We know that  $V_{\infty}^* \simeq \Lambda^2$  by [17]. Consider the anticyclotomic projections of elliptic units in  $V_{\infty}^*$ . Their images under  $\delta_{\chi}$  are algebraic parts of *L*-values of Hecke character  $\chi \varphi$  (Theorem 2.3,(1)). They vanish if the root number of  $\chi \varphi$  is -1, which is the case if the root number  $W(\varphi)$  of  $\varphi$  is 1 and the conductor of  $\chi$  is an odd power of p, or  $W(\varphi) = -1$  and the conductor of  $\chi$  is an even power of p. Hence the root number of  $\varphi$  determines which of  $V_{\infty}^{*,\pm}$  the elliptic units belong to (Theorem 2.3,(2)). Moreover, Rohrlich showed that there are all but finitely many anticyclotomic characters  $\chi$  such that  $L(\varphi\chi, 1) \neq 0$ . This ensures the elliptic units above are nontrivial in  $V_{\infty}^{\pm}$ , so

$$\operatorname{rank}_{\Lambda} V_{\infty}^{*,\pm} \geq 1$$

(Theorem 2.1).

On the other hand, we have a perfect pairing

$$\langle , \rangle : \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Phi/\mathcal{O} \times V_{\infty}^* \to \Phi/\mathcal{O}.$$

The annihilator of  $V^{*,\pm}_{\infty}$  under this paring is  $A^{\pm} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ , where

$$A^{\pm} := \{ y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) | \lambda_{\chi}(y) = 0 \text{ for all } \chi \in \Xi^{\pm} \}.$$

These modules  $A^{\pm}$  can be well studied (Proposition 3.2 and Lemma 3.1). We may found that  $A^{\pm} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$  generate the whole  $\mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ . Hence

 $V_{\infty}^{*,+} \cap V_{\infty}^{*,-} = 0$  and  $\operatorname{rank}_{\Lambda} V_{\infty}^{*,\pm} = 1$ .

Now its suffices to show that  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is isomorphic to  $V_{\infty}^{*,+}$ . This can be done if  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is free of rank 1 and there is  $\xi \in V_{\infty}^{*,+} \otimes \mathcal{R}$  for some coefficient ring  $\mathcal{R}$  such that  $\delta_{\chi}(\xi) \in \mathcal{O}^{\times} \otimes \mathcal{R}$ .

Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota considered the elliptic units of root number +1 twisted by an anticyclotomic character  $\nu$  along  $\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}$ -extension for an auxiliary  $\ell$ . Their images under  $\delta_{\chi}$  are algebraic parts of  $L(1, \varphi \chi \nu)$ . By the work of Finis [7], this  $\nu$  can be well-chosen for the purpose that the algebraic parts of L-values do not vanish mod p. Hence there is  $\xi_{\nu} \in V_{\infty}^{*,+} \otimes \mathcal{R}$  for some coefficient ring  $\mathcal{R}$  such that

$$\delta_{\chi}(\xi_{\nu}) \in \mathcal{O}^{\times} \otimes \mathcal{R}$$

(Theorem 2.2).

The last step (see Theorem 4.1) is to show

(1.1) 
$$(A^- \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^-} = \mathcal{F}(\Phi) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}.$$

By the Nakayama Lemma, the  $\Lambda$ -module  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is free of rank 1, which completes the proof. To show Theorem 4.1, it suffices to prove

$$|\widehat{H}^0(G_n^-, A_n^-)| = |\mathcal{F}(\Phi)/\mathcal{N}_{n/0}(A_n^-)| \le p^{n-1},$$

where  $A_n^- = A^- \cap \mathcal{F}(\Psi_n)$ . The key point is to construct points in  $A_n^-$  whose norm in  $A_0^-$  is locally *p*-indivisible (Theorem 4.6). Actually, we will construct points satisfying

- (1)  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Phi) \setminus p\mathcal{F}(\Phi)$ ,
- (2)  $y_s \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_s)$  such that  $\operatorname{tr}_{s+1/s} y_{s+1} = -y_{s-1}$  for  $s \ge 1$  and  $\operatorname{tr}_{1/0} y_1 = -y$ .
- (3)  $y_s \in A^-$  if s is odd.

Choose a supersingular CM elliptic curve E which has good supersingular reduction at p. Then  $\widehat{E} \simeq \mathcal{F}$  over  $\mathcal{O}$ , where  $\widehat{E}$  is the formal group associated to E. Rubin considered the Heegner points in  $A_n^-$ , which are the images of some CM points on  $X_0(N)(\mathcal{O})$  under the modular parametrization map

$$\pi: X_0(N) \to E_{/\mathcal{O}}.$$

If the bottom layer is p-indivisible, then we are done. Unfortunately, we do not know the p-divisibility of it.

The idea of Burungale-Kobayashi-Ota is to construct formal CM points instead. There are supersingular points on  $X_0(N)(\mathcal{O})$  which may not be CM but fake CM, i.e., the formal group of the "representative" elliptic curve has an  $\mathcal{O}$ -action. We call such points formal CM points. Similar to the construction of Heegner points, Gross constructed a system of compatible formal CM points on  $\widehat{E}(\Psi_n)$ .

Now we need to find a "good" supersingular point on  $X_0(N)(\mathcal{O})$  which leads to the *p*-indivisibility in the bottom layer. We may choose a point on  $X_0(N)(\mathbb{F}_{p^2})$  such that

- (1) the point "represents" a supersingular elliptic curve with a level structure
- (2) under modular parametrization  $\overline{\pi}: X_0(N) \to E$  the point is unramified and maps to  $\overline{O}$

Taking formal completion of  $\pi$  over  $\mathcal{O}$  along these two points, we get an isomorphism  $\widehat{X_0(N)} \simeq \widehat{E}$ . Choose  $Q \in \widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m}) \setminus p\widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m})$ , where  $\mathfrak{m}$  is the maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{O}$ . Let  $P \in X_0(N)(\mathcal{O})$  be the preimage of Q. Then the point P "represents" a fake CM elliptic curve A with a level structure. This elliptic curve A is what we want. Noting that  $X_0(N)$  is not fine moduli, we need replace  $X_0(N)$  by  $X(\Gamma_0(N) \cap \Gamma_1(M))$ and modify the above argument.

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## 2. Hecke L-values and elliptic units

In this section, we recall the proof of the following two theorems given in [13] and [3].

Theorem 2.1. rank<sub> $\Lambda$ </sub>  $V_{\infty}^{*,\pm} \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** There exists an element  $\xi \in V_{\infty}^{*,+}$  such that  $\delta(\xi) \in \mathcal{O}^{\times}$ .

The basic ideas involve using the relation of elliptic units and Hecke L-values, and properties of Hecke L-values proved by Rohrlich [12] and Finis [7].

Firstly, we choose an auxiliary imaginary quadratic field. By [3, Lemma 3.4], there exist infinitely many imaginary quadratic fields K of odd discriminants such that

- (1)  $\left(\frac{2}{D_K}\right) = +1$  where  $-D_K < 0$  is the discriminant of K; (2) p inerts in K and is prime to  $h_K$ .

In the rest of our paper, K is an imaginary quadratic field satisfying (2). We do not assume that Ksatisfies (1) except in the proof of Theorem 2.2. For a non-zero integral ideal  $\mathfrak{g}$  of K, we denote by  $K(\mathfrak{g})$ the ray class field of K of conductor  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Let H = K(1) be the Hilbert class field of K.

Let  $\varphi$  be a Hecke character over K with infinity type (1,0) of  $\mathfrak{f}_{\varphi}$  such that  $\varphi \circ N_{H/K}$  corresponds to an elliptic curve  $E_{/H}$  which is CM by  $\mathcal{O}_K$ , is isogenous to all its  $\operatorname{Gal}(H/\mathbb{Q})$ -conjugate and is good at primes above p. We note that if  $\varphi$  is a canonical Hecke character (in the sense of [11]), such an E always exists.

We fix a smooth Weierstrass model of the elliptic curve E over  $\mathcal{O} \cap H$  and we may assume the period lattice L attached to the Néron differential  $\omega$  is given by  $\Omega \mathcal{O}_K$  for some  $\Omega \in \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ . Fix such  $\Omega$ .

Let  $\ell \geq 5$  be a prime such that  $\ell$  splits in  $K, \ell \nmid h_K$  and  $p \nmid \ell - 1$ . Let  $\mathfrak{X}_\ell$  be the set of finite Hecke characters that factor through the anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}$ -extension of K.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $\nu \in \mathfrak{X}_{\ell}$  be a character of order  $\ell^m$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the integer ring of the finite extension of  $\Phi$  generated by the image of  $\varphi$  and  $\nu$ . Then there exists a  $\xi_{\nu} \in U_{\infty}^* \otimes \mathcal{R}$  such that

(1) the following holds

$$\delta(\xi_{\nu}) = \frac{L_{\mathfrak{f}\ell}(\overline{\varphi}\nu, 1)}{\Omega}, \quad \delta_{\chi}(\xi_{\nu}) = \frac{L_{\mathfrak{f}\ell p}(\overline{\varphi}\nu\chi, 1)}{\Omega},$$

for all finite characters  $\chi$  of  $Gal(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi_0)$ ;

(2) the anticyclotomic projection of  $\xi_{\nu}$  lies in  $V_{\infty}^{*,\epsilon} \otimes \mathcal{R}$  where  $\epsilon$  is the root number of  $\varphi$ .

*Proof.* As above, we choose an imaginary quadratic field K, a prime p that inerts in K and is prime to  $h_K$ , a Q-curve E and the associated Hecke character  $\varphi$ . Besides, we choose an auxiliary prime  $\ell$ . Let  $T = T_{\pi}E.$ 

(1) Consider the elliptic units  $z_{\mathfrak{f}l^m} = (z_{\mathfrak{f}l^mp^n})_n \in \underline{\lim}_n H^1(K(\mathfrak{f}l^mp^n), T^{\otimes -1}(1))$ . Let

$$M_n = H(E[p^{n+1}])L_m \subset K(\mathfrak{f}\ell^m p^{n+1})$$

where  $L_m$  is the *m*-th layer of anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}$ -extension of K. Let  $\nu$  be an anticyclotomic Hecke character over K of order  $\ell^m$ . Consider the composition of the following maps

$$\underbrace{\lim_{n} H^{1}(K(\mathfrak{f}\ell^{m}p^{n+1}), T^{\otimes -1}(1))}_{n} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{cores}} \underbrace{\lim_{n} H^{1}(M_{n}, T^{\otimes -1}(1))}_{n} \\
\xrightarrow{\operatorname{loc}_{p}}_{n} \underbrace{\lim_{n} H^{1}(M_{n} \otimes K_{p}, T^{\otimes -1}(1))}_{n} \xrightarrow{\nu}_{n} \underbrace{\lim_{n} H^{1}(H(E[p^{n+1}]) \otimes K_{p}, T^{\otimes -1}(1))}_{n} \otimes \mathcal{R} \\
\xrightarrow{\operatorname{pr}}_{n} \underbrace{\lim_{n} H^{1}(\Phi_{n}, T^{\otimes -1}(1)) \otimes \mathcal{R}}_{n} \rightarrow \left( \underbrace{\lim_{n} H^{1}(\Phi_{n}, T^{\otimes -1}(1))}_{n} \right)^{\Delta} \otimes \mathcal{R} \simeq U_{\infty}^{*} \otimes \mathcal{R}.$$

Let  $\xi_{\nu} \in U_{\infty}^* \otimes \mathcal{R}$  be the image of  $z_{\mathfrak{f}\ell^m p^{n+1}}$  under the above map. Then we have

$$\delta_{\chi}(\xi_{\nu}) = \frac{L_{\mathfrak{f}\ell p}(\overline{\varphi}\chi\nu, 1)}{\Omega}$$

for all finite characters  $\chi$  of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi_0)$ .

(2) For character  $\chi$  of  $G^-$  of conductor  $p^{n+1}$ , Greenberg ([8, p.247]) showed that  $W(\overline{\varphi}\nu\chi) =$  $W(\overline{\varphi}\chi) = (-1)^{n+1}W(\overline{\varphi})$  if p is odd and  $\ell \nmid \mathfrak{f}$ . Therefore  $L(\overline{\varphi}\nu\chi,1) = 0$  if  $(-1)^{n+1}W(\varphi) = -1$ and the theorem follows from (1).

*Proof of Theorem 2.1.* By [12], for all but finitely many anticyclotomic characters  $\rho$ ,

$$L(1, \rho \varphi) \neq 0$$
, if  $W(\varphi \rho) = 1$ .

If  $\rho$  is of conductor  $p^n$  and  $\varphi$  is of root number  $\epsilon$ , then  $W(\varphi \rho) = (-1)^n \epsilon$ . Thus there exist infinitely many anticyclotomic characters  $\rho$  such that  $L(1, \varphi \rho) \neq 0$ . Hence  $\delta_{\chi}(\xi) \neq 0$  for the elliptic units  $\xi$  associated to  $\varphi$  by the theorem above. Since  $V_{\infty}^* \simeq \Lambda^2$  is torsion-free, we have rank  $V_{\infty}^{*,\pm} \ge 1$ . 

Proof of Theorem 2.2. Suppose that  $\varphi$  is canonical. We have  $W(\varphi) = +1$  (cf. [11]). Then by [7], for all but finitely many  $\nu \in \mathfrak{X}_{\ell}$ , one has

$$\Omega^{-1}L_{\mathfrak{f}}(\overline{\varphi}\nu,1)\in\mathcal{R}^{\times}.$$

Fix a  $\nu$ , Theorem 2.3 shows that there is a  $\xi_{\nu} \in V_{\infty}^{*,+} \otimes \mathcal{R}$  such that  $\delta(\xi_{\nu}) \in \mathcal{R}^{\times}$ . It implies that there exists an element of  $V^{*,+}_{\infty}$  whose image under  $\delta$  belongs to  $\mathcal{O}^{\times}$  .

# 3. Kummer pairing

We recall the construction of the Kummer pairing

$$\langle , \rangle : (\mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Phi/\mathcal{O}) \times V_{\infty}^* \to \Phi/\mathcal{O}.$$

Note that  $\Theta_n = \Phi_n^{\Delta}$  for all  $n \leq \infty$ . The Kummer sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{F}[\pi^{n+1}] \to \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi}) \xrightarrow{\pi^{n+1}} \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi}) \to 0$$

gives us an exact sequence

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$$\to \mathcal{F}(\Theta_n)/\pi^{n+1}\mathcal{F}(\Theta_n) \to H^1(\Theta_n, \mathcal{F}[\pi^{n+1}]) \to H^1(\Theta_n, \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi}))[\pi^{n+1}] \to 0$$

Hazewinkel [9] showed that  $\bigcap_n N_n \mathcal{F}(\Theta_n) = 0$  if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a Lubin-Tate formal group of height 2 over  $\mathcal{O}$ . Hence  $\lim \mathcal{F}(\Theta_n) = 0$  and its Tate duality ([15])  $\lim H^1(\Theta_n, \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi}))_{p^{n+1}}$  is also zero. Taking direct limit of the above exact sequences, we have

$$\mathcal{F}(\Theta_n) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O} \simeq H^1(\Theta_\infty, \mathcal{F}[\pi^\infty]) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}(\operatorname{Gal}(\overline{\Phi}/\Phi_\infty), \mathcal{F}[\pi^\infty])^{\Delta} \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(U_\infty, \mathcal{F}[\pi^\infty]),$$

where the last isomorphism is given by local class field theory. Therefore we have a perfect pairing

$$\langle , \rangle : (\mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty}) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}) \times U_{\infty}^* \to \Phi/\mathcal{O}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty})$  has no *p*-torsion, the exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty}) \to \mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Phi \to \mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty}) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O} \to 0$$

induces an isomorphism  $(\mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty}) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^+} \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(V_{\infty}, \mathcal{F}[\pi^{\infty}])$ . However, we have that

$$(\mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty}) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^+} / (\mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}) \simeq H^1(G^+, \mathcal{F}(\Theta_{\infty})) \subset H^1(\Psi_{\infty}, \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi})) = \varinjlim H^1(\Psi_n, \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi})) = 0.$$

Here the reason for the last equality is similar to  $\lim H^1(\Psi_n, \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi})) = 0$ . Hence we have a perfect paring

$$\langle , \rangle : (\mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Phi/\mathcal{O}) \times V_{\infty}^* \to \Phi/\mathcal{O}.$$

By Wiles' explicit reciprocity law ([16]), the pairing can be described as

$$\langle y \otimes \pi^{-n}, x \rangle = \pi^{-1-m-n} \operatorname{Tr}_{\Phi_m/\Phi}(\delta_m(x)\lambda(y)) \in \Phi/\mathcal{O}$$

with  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_n)$ ,  $x \in V_{\infty}^*$  and some sufficiently large m.

For any anticyclotomic character  $\chi$  of conductor dividing  $p^{n+1}$ , let

$$\lambda_{\chi} : \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \to \Phi_{\infty}, \quad y \mapsto \frac{1}{\pi^n} \sum_{\gamma \in \operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_n/\Phi)} \chi^{-1}(\gamma) \lambda(y)^{\gamma}, \quad y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_n).$$

Denote

$$A^{\pm} := \{ y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) | \lambda_{\chi}(y) = 0 \text{ for all } \chi \in \Xi^{\pm} \}.$$

We recall the following properties of  $\lambda_{\chi}$ .

Lemma 3.1 ([13, Lemma 5.5]).

- (1) If  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty})$ ,  $\chi$  is a finite character of  $G^-$  and  $\sigma \in G^-$ , then  $\lambda_{\chi}(y^{\sigma}) = \chi(\sigma)\lambda_{\chi}(y)$ ;
- (2) If  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_n)$  and the conductor of  $\chi$  is greater than  $p^{n+1}$ , then  $\lambda_{\chi}(y) = 0$ ;
- (3) If  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty})$ , then  $\lambda(y) = \sum \lambda_{\chi}(y)$ , summing over all finite characters  $\chi$  of  $G^-$ ;
- (4) If  $m \ge n$ ,  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_m)$  and  $\chi$  is a character of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_n/\Phi)$ , then  $\lambda_{\chi}(N_{m/n}y) = p^{m-n}\lambda_{\chi}(y)$ .
- (5)  $A^+ \cap A^- = 0;$
- (6)  $(A^+ \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}) + (A^- \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}) = \mathcal{F}(\Psi_\infty) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}.$

**Proposition 3.2** ([13, Proposition 5.6]). Under the Kummer pairing  $(\mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Phi/\mathcal{O}) \times V_{\infty}^* \to \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ , the annihilator of  $V_{\infty}^{*,\pm}$  is  $A^{\pm} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ .

*Proof.* If  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_{\infty})$  and  $x \in V_{\infty}^*$ , then the above formula and Lemma 3.1 yields

$$\langle y \otimes \pi^{-n}, x \rangle = \pi^{-1-m-n} \operatorname{Tr}_{\Phi_m/\Phi}(\delta_m(x)\lambda(y)) = \pi^{-1-m-n} \sum_{\gamma} \delta_m(x)^{\gamma} \lambda(y^{\gamma})$$
$$= \pi^{-1-m-n} \sum_{\gamma} \delta_m(x)^{\gamma} \sum_{\chi} \lambda_{\chi}(y^{\gamma}) = \sum_{\chi} \pi^{-1-m-n} \sum_{\gamma} \delta_m(x)^{\gamma} \chi(\gamma) \lambda_{\chi}(y)$$
$$= \sum_{\chi} \delta_{\chi}(x) \lambda_{\chi}(y).$$

By definition,  $V_{\infty}^{*,\pm}$  annihilate  $A^{\pm} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ .

Now suppose that  $x \in V_{\infty}^*$  and x annihilates  $A^{\pm} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$  and  $\chi \in \Xi^{\mp}$ . Choose  $y \in A^{\pm}$  such that  $\lambda_{\chi}(y) \neq 0$ . Then the above computation shows that

$$\sum_{\rho} \delta_{\rho}(x) \lambda_{\rho}(y^{\gamma}) = 0$$

for every  $\gamma$ . Thus

$$\pi^n \delta_{\chi}(x) \lambda_{\chi}(y) = \sum_{\rho} \sum_{\gamma} \chi^{-1}(\gamma) \delta_{\rho}(x) \lambda_{\rho}(y^{\gamma}) = 0.$$

Hence  $\delta_{\chi}(x) = 0$ , i.e.,  $x \in V_{\infty}^{*,\pm}$ .

Now we have the following corollary by Lemma 3.1 (6) and Proposition 3.2.

Corollary 3.3.  $V_{\infty}^{*,+} \cap V_{\infty}^{*,-} = 0.$ 

#### 4. Local points

In this section, we will prove the following theorem.

Theorem 4.1. We have

$$(A^- \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^-} = \mathcal{F}(\Phi) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$$

**Corollary 4.2.** The  $\Lambda$ -module  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is free of rank one.

Proof. Note that

$$\mathcal{F}(\Phi) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O} \simeq (A^- \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^-} \simeq \operatorname{Hom}\left((V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-})/(\gamma-1), \Phi/\mathcal{O}\right)$$

where  $\gamma$  is the topological generator of  $G^-$ . Hence  $(V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-})/(\gamma-1) \simeq \mathcal{O}$  generated by one element. By Nakayama's lemma,  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is also generated by one element. Hence the  $\Lambda$ -module  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is free of rank one.

We will construct a system of local points in  $\mathcal{F}(\Psi_n)$ , which can be used to show that  $(A^- \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^-}$  is isomorphic to the divisible module  $\mathcal{F}(\Phi) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ . So the dual module (under Kummer pairing)  $V_{\infty}^*/V_{\infty}^{*,-}$  is free.

Let *E* be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with good supersingular reduction at *p*. Consider the modular parametrization  $\pi : X_0(N) \to E$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We may assume  $\pi$  is strong Weil by choosing *E* in its isogeny class. By the Néron mapping property,  $\pi$  extends to a morphism between smooth models over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

## 4.1. A special supersingular elliptic curve.

**Lemma 4.3** ([3, Lemma 5.1]). Let  $q = p^2$  and  $\overline{A}$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $a_q(\overline{A}) = \pm 2p$ .

- (1) Any finite subgroup  $\overline{A}(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q)$  is defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .
- (2) For A an elliptic curve over  $\mathcal{O}$  which is a lift of  $\overline{A}$ , the associated formal group  $\widehat{A}$  is Lubin-Tate with parameter  $\mp p$ .

**Lemma 4.4.** If  $p \ge 3$ , there is a supersingular point with  $a_{p^2} = \pm 2p$  in  $X_0(N)(\mathbb{F}_{p^2})$  which is unramified under  $\overline{\pi} : X_0(N)_{\mathbb{F}_{p^2}} \to \overline{E}$ .

*Proof.* See [3] for p > 3. We give a proof for p = 3. Let  $S_{ram}$  be the set of points of  $X_0(N)$  which are ramified under  $\overline{\pi}$ . By Hurwitz formula [10, Chapter 7, Theorem 4.16]

$$\#S_{ram} \le 2g - 2,$$

where g is the genus of  $X_0(N)$ . Let  $\mu = N \prod_{p|N} (1+p^{-1})$  be the degree of natural projection  $X_0(N) \to X(1)$ . By genus formula

$$g = 1 + \frac{\mu}{12} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{4} - \frac{\varepsilon_3}{3} - \frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{2},$$

where  $\varepsilon_2$  (resp.  $\varepsilon_3$ ) is the number of elliptic points of period 2 (resp. 3) in  $X_0(N)$ , and  $\varepsilon_{\infty}$  the number of cusp of  $X_0(N)$ . Hence

$$\#S_{ram} \le \frac{\mu}{6} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{2} - \frac{2\varepsilon_3}{3} - \varepsilon_\infty < \frac{\mu}{6}.$$

The elliptic curve

$$\overline{A}_{/\mathbb{F}_3}: y^2 = x^3 - x$$

is supersingular and  $j(\overline{A}) = 0 = 1728$ . Note that  $\overline{A}(\mathbb{F}_3) = \{O, (0, 0), (1, 0), (-1, 0)\} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, \overline{A}(\mathbb{F}_9) \simeq \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}, \text{ and } a_3(\overline{A}) = 0, a_9(\overline{A}) = -6$ . Since  $p \nmid N$ , the group  $\overline{A}[N]$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$  and thus has  $\mu$  cyclic subgroup of order N, which we denote by  $\{C_1(N), \dots, C_{\mu}(N)\}$  (they are defined over  $\mathbb{F}_9$ ). Since  $\#\operatorname{Aut}(\overline{A}) = 12$  ([14, Theorem III.10.1]) and -1 induces an isomorphism of pairs  $(\overline{A}, C_i(N)) \to (\overline{A}, C_i(N))$ , there are at least  $\frac{\mu}{6}$  isomorphism classes of pair  $(\overline{A}, C_i(N))$ . Hence there is a supersingular point with  $a_9 = -6$  in  $X_0(N)(\mathbb{F}_9)$  which is unramified under  $\overline{\pi} : X_0(N) \to \overline{E}$ .

4.2. A formal CM point. By Lemma 4.4, we can choose a supersingular point  $\overline{P}$  of  $X_0(N)_{\mathbb{F}_q}$  unramified under  $\overline{\pi}$ , representing an elliptic curve  $\overline{A}$  with  $a_{p^2} = \pm 2p$  and a  $\Gamma_0(N)$ -level structure. In particular, when p = 3,  $\overline{A}$  is chosen to be  $y^2 = x^3 - x$ . We assume that  $\overline{\pi}(\overline{P}) = \overline{O}$  by replacing  $\overline{\pi}$  with  $\#E(\mathbb{F}_{p^2})\overline{\pi}$ . In this subsection, for a properly chosen E, we construct a lift  $P \in X_0(N)(\mathcal{O})$  of  $\overline{P}$  representing an elliptic curve A over  $\mathcal{O}$  and a  $\Gamma_0(N)$ -level structure, such that  $\pi(P) \in \widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m}) \setminus p\widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m})$ , where  $\mathfrak{m}$  be the maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{O}$ . For p > 3, the construction details can be found in [3]. From now on, we assume p = 3.

**Lemma 4.5.** Let  $\overline{A}: y^2 = x^3 - x$  be the supersingular elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_3$ . There are infinitely many integers N such that

- (1) N is the conductor of a CM elliptic curve  $E_{\mathbb{Q}}$  which is good at 2, 3 and satisfies  $a_3(E) = 0$ ;
- (2) for a  $\Gamma_0(N)$ -structure C(N) of  $\overline{A}$ , the automorphism group of  $(\overline{A}, C(N))$  over  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_3$  is  $\{\pm 1\}$ .

*Proof.* Let X be the set of integers satisfying conditions a) and b) in the lemma, and Y the set of integers N satisfying the following conditions:

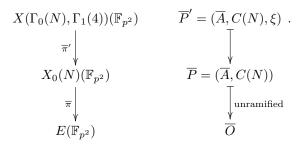
- a) N is conductor of a CM elliptic curve  $E_{/\mathbb{Q}}$  which is good at 2,3 and satisfies  $a_3 = 0$ ;
- b)  $\varphi(N) > \#(\ker(g+1) \cup \ker(g-1));$
- c) -3 is not a square in  $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ .

We claim that Y is an infinite set and  $Y \subset X$ . It completes the proof.

We first show that Y is an infinite set. Choose a CM elliptic curve  $E_{/\mathbb{Q}}$  which has good reduction at 2,3 and satisfies  $a_3 = 0$  (for example,  $E_{/\mathbb{Q}} : y^2 + y = x^3 - 38x + 90$ ). Let  $N_E$  be its conductor. By Dirichlet's theorem on arithmetic progressions, there are infinitely many primes  $\ell \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$  prime to  $N_E$  and satisfying  $\varphi(\ell^2 N) > \#(\ker(g+1) \cup \ker(g-1))$ . Let  $E^{\ell}$  be the quadratic twists of E by prime  $\ell$ . It is a CM elliptic curve with conductor  $\ell^2 N_E$  and satisfies  $a_3 = 0$ . Hence  $\ell^2 N_E \in Y$ , which implies that Y is a infinite set.

Now we show that  $Y \subset X$ . Let N be an integer satisfying b) and c). Since  $\#\operatorname{Aut}(\overline{A}) = 12$ , it suffices to prove that for any  $g \in \operatorname{Aut}(\overline{A}) \setminus \{\pm 1\}$  of order 2 or 3, the actions of g on N-cyclic subgroup of  $\overline{A}$  are not stable. If not, i.e., there is  $g \in \operatorname{Aut}(\overline{A}) \setminus \{\pm 1\}$  of order 2 or 3 and an N-cyclic subgroup C(N), such that for any primitive elements  $\alpha \in C(N)$ ,  $g\alpha = n\alpha$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that  $n^2\alpha = g^2\alpha = \alpha$  or  $n^3\alpha = g^3\alpha = \alpha$  (depends on the order of g). Thus  $0 \equiv n^2 - 1 \equiv (n-1)(n+1) \pmod{N}$  or  $0 \equiv n^3 - 1 \equiv (n-1)(n^2 + n + 1) \pmod{N}$ . Since -3 is not a square in  $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $n \equiv 1$  or -1. So all primitive elements  $\alpha \in C(N)$  must belong to  $\ker(g-1) \cup \ker(g+1)$ , which contradicts condition b).

Choose a point  $\xi$  of order 4 in  $\overline{A}(\mathbb{F}_{p^2}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $X(\Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(4))$  be the modular curve with  $\Gamma_0(N)$  and  $\Gamma_1(4)$ -level structure. Then  $X(\Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(4))$  is a fine moduli space. Consider



We choose E as in Lemma 4.5. Then the automorphism group of  $(\overline{A}, C(N))$  is  $\{\pm 1\}$ . Hence  $\#\overline{\pi'}^{-1}(\overline{P}) = \deg \overline{\pi'} = [\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) : \Gamma_1(4)]/2$ , and therefore  $\overline{\pi'}$  is unramified at  $\overline{P'}$ . The formal completion of  $\pi \circ \pi' : X(\Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(4)) \to E$  (on integral models) at  $\overline{P'}$  is an isomorphism ([10, Chapter 4, Proposition 3.26]). Take a point

$$Q \in \widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m}) \backslash p\widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m}).$$

Then there is a point  $P' \in X(\Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(4))(\mathcal{O})$  over  $\overline{P}'$  sent to Q by  $\pi \circ \pi'$ . As  $X(\Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(4))$  is a fine moduli space, there is an elliptic curve A defined over  $\mathcal{O}$  that represents P' by the moduli interpretation. The formal group  $\hat{A}$  is Lubin–Tate by Lemma 4.3. In particular, A is a formal CM elliptic curve. Let P be the image of P' in  $X_0(N)$ .

4.3. Construction of local points. Since  $\widehat{A}$  is Lubin-Tate, the module  $T = T_p A = \mathcal{O}t$  is a free  $\mathcal{O}$ -module of rank 1. For  $s \geq 0$ , let  $T_s = p^{-s} \mathbb{Z}_p t + T$ ,  $C_s = T_s/T$ . Let  $A_s = A/C_s$ , a quasi-canonical lift of conductor  $p^s$  of  $\overline{A}$  with respect to A.

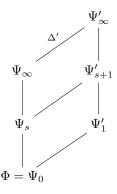
Let  $\Psi'_s$  be the fixed field of subgroup of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\overline{\Phi}/\Phi)$  stabilizing  $T_s$  and  $\Psi'_{\infty} = \bigcup \Psi'_s$ . It's known that

$$\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi'_s/\Phi) = (\mathcal{O}/p^s \mathcal{O})^{\times}/(\mathbb{Z}/p^s \mathbb{Z})^{\times}, \quad \operatorname{Gal}(\Psi'_{\infty}/\Phi) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}/(p+1)\mathbb{Z}.$$

Let  $\Delta'$  be the torsion subgroup of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi'_{\infty}/\Phi)$ . The field  $\Psi'_{\infty}$  contains the anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension  $\Psi_{\infty}$ . The field  $\Psi_s$  lies in  $\Psi'_{s+1}$ .

Then  $A_s/\mathcal{O}_{\Psi'_s}$  and the canonical level structure induced from that of A define a point  $z_s \in X_0(N)(\mathcal{O}_{\Psi'_s})$ . Let  $x_s = \pi(z_s)$ . Let

$$y_s = \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta'} \sigma x_{s+1} \in \widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m}_{\Psi_s}), \text{ and } y = (p+1)Q \in \widehat{E}(\mathfrak{m})$$



**Theorem 4.6.** There is a system of local points  $y_s \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_s)$  and  $y \in \mathcal{F}(\Phi) \setminus p\mathcal{F}(\Phi)$ , such that

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{s+1/s} y_{s+1} = a_p y_s - y_{s-1}, \quad s \ge 1$$

and

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{1/0} y_1 = a_p y_0 - y, \quad and \ y_0 = a_p x_0,$$

where  $a_p = a_p(E)(=0)$ . Moreover,  $y_s \in A^+$  if s is even, and  $y_s \in A^-$  if s is odd.

*Proof.* Identify  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $\widehat{E}$ . Consider the action of the Hecke operator  $T_p$  on  $x_s$ . There are two types of lattice containing  $T_s$  with index p:

$$\frac{1+ap^{s}}{p^{s+1}}\mathbb{Z}_{p}t+T \text{ for } a \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}, \text{ or } \frac{1}{p^{s}}\mathbb{Z}_{p}t+\frac{1}{p}T$$

The first type is of form  $\sigma x_{s+1}$  and permuted by the action of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Psi'_{s+1}/\Psi'_s)$  and the second type is equivalent to the lattice  $\frac{1}{p^{s-1}}\mathbb{Z}_p t + T$ . Hence for  $s \ge 1$ , we have

$$T_p x_s = \sum_{\sigma} \sigma x_{s+1} + x_{s-1}.$$

Since  $T_p$  acts as  $a_p(E)$  on E, we have the desired relation.

For the proof of  $y_s \in A^{\pm}$ , consider the anticyclotomic character  $\chi$  of conductor  $p^{k+1}$  for  $k \geq 1$ . If s < k, then  $\lambda_{\chi}(y_s) = 0$ . If  $s \geq k$ , then  $\lambda_{\chi}(N_{s/k}y_s) = p^{s-k}\lambda_{\chi}(y_s)$ . But if  $2 \nmid s - k$ , we have

$$\lambda_{\chi}(\mathbf{N}_{s/k}y_s) = \lambda_{\chi}\left(-(-p)^{(s-k-1)/2}y_{k-1}\right) = 0,$$

i.e.  $\lambda_{\chi}(y_s) = 0$ , hence  $y_s \in A^-$  if s is odd. Similarly, if  $\chi$  is trivial and s is even,

$$p^{s}\lambda_{\chi}(y_{s}) = \lambda_{\chi}(\mathcal{N}_{n/0}y_{s}) = \lambda_{\chi}\left((-p)^{n/2}y_{0}\right) = 0.$$

Hence  $y_s \in A^+$  if s is even.

4.4. Proof of Theorem 4.1. Write  $G_n^- = \operatorname{Gal}(\Psi_n/\Phi)$ . For any  $\mathcal{O}[G_n^-]$ -module Z, denote the Herbrand quotient of Z by  $h_n(Z)$ , i.e.,

$$h_n(Z) := |\widehat{H}^0(G_n^-, Z)| / |H^1(G_n^-, A^-)|.$$

We know that  $h_n(Z_1/Z_2) = h_n(Z_1)/h_n(Z_2)$  and  $h_n(Z) = 1$  if Z is finite. Let  $A_n^- = A^- \cap \mathcal{F}(\Psi_n)$ . The exact sequence

$$0 \to A^- \to A^- \otimes \Phi \to A^- \otimes \Phi / \mathcal{O} \to 0$$

gives the  $\mathcal{O}[G^-]$ -mod isomorphism

$$H^{1}(G^{-}, A^{-}) \simeq \left(A^{-} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}\right)^{G^{-}} / \left((A^{-})^{G^{-}} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}\right) \simeq \left(A^{-} \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}\right)^{G^{-}} / \left(\mathcal{F}(\Phi) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}\right).$$

Note that for odd n, we have  $h_n(A_n^-) = p^{n-1}$  ([13, Lemma 7.1]), hence

$$|H^{1}(G_{n}^{-}, A_{n}^{-})| = |\widehat{H}^{0}(G_{n}^{-}, A_{n}^{-})| / h_{n}(A_{n}^{-}) = p^{-(n-1)}|(A_{n}^{-})^{G_{n}^{-}} / \operatorname{Tr}_{n} A_{n}^{-}| \le [\mathcal{F}(\Phi) : \mathcal{O}y] = 1.$$

Therefore,  $H^1(G^-, A^-) = \varinjlim_{\mathcal{H}} H^1(G_n^-, A_n^-) = 0$ , i.e.  $(A^- \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O})^{G^-} = \mathcal{F}(\Phi) \otimes \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ .

#### 4.5. Rubin's conjecture.

**Theorem 4.7.** Assuming  $p \geq 3$ , we have

$$V_{\infty}^* \simeq V_{\infty}^{*,+} \oplus V_{\infty}^{*,-}.$$

*Proof.* The Corollary 3.3, Theorem 2.2 and Corollary 4.2 complete the proof.

#### 5. Some applications

Recall that K is an imaginary quadratic field where p does not divide  $h_K$  and is inert in K. Let  $K_{\infty}$  be the anticyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension of K. We identify  $G^-$  with  $\operatorname{Gal}(K_{\infty}/K)$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the ring of integers of a finite extension of  $\Phi$  containing the image of  $\widehat{\varphi}$ . Let  $T = \mathcal{R}(\widehat{\varphi})$  and  $W = T \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Phi/\mathcal{O}$ . The completion of  $K_n$  at the prime above p is identical to  $\Psi_n$ . Note that  $W \simeq \mathcal{F}[\pi^{\infty}] \otimes \mathcal{R}$  as a  $\mathcal{R}[G_{\Phi}]$ -module. The exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{F}[\pi^{n+1}] \to \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi}) \xrightarrow{\pi^{n+1}} \mathcal{F}(\overline{\Phi}) \to 0$$

gives the Kummer map  $\mathcal{F}(\Psi_n)/\pi^{n+1} \to H^1(\Psi_n, \mathcal{F}[\pi^{n+1}])$ . Hence we have

$$\mathcal{F}(\Psi_n) \otimes \mathcal{R} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p \to H^1(\Psi_n, \mathcal{F}[\pi^\infty]) \otimes \mathcal{R} \simeq H^1(\Psi_n, W).$$

Let  $H^1_{\pm}(\Psi_n, W) \subset H^1(\Psi_n, W)$  be the Kummer image of  $\mathcal{F}^{\pm}(\Psi_n) \otimes \mathcal{R} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$  where

$$\mathcal{F}^{\pm}(\Psi_n) := \{ y \in \mathcal{F}(\Psi_n) | \lambda_{\chi}(y) = 0 \text{ for all } \chi \in \Xi^{\pm} \text{ factor through } \mathrm{Gal}(\Psi_n/\Psi) \}.$$

Let  $H^1_{\pm}(\Psi_n, T) \subset H^1(\Psi_n, T)$  be the orthogonal complement of  $H^1_{\pm}(\Psi_n, W)$  with respect to the local Tate pairing.

We define

$$\operatorname{Sel}_{\pm}(K_n, W) = \ker \left\{ H^1(K_n, W) \to \frac{H^1(\Psi_n, W)}{H^1_{\pm}(\Psi_n, W)} \times \prod_{v \nmid p} H^1(K_{n,v}, W) \right\}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{X}_*$  be the Pontryagin dual of  $\varinjlim_n \operatorname{Sel}_*(K_n, W)$  for  $* \in \{+, -\}$ . In [1, Theorem 3.6] it is shown that  $\mathcal{X}_{\epsilon}$  is a finitely generated torsion  $\Lambda$ -module.

Let E and  $\varphi$  be as defined in section 2. As in Theorem 2.3, there is a unit  $\xi = \xi(E, \Omega) \in U_{\infty}^*$  such that

$$\delta(\xi) = \frac{L(\varphi, 1)}{\Omega}$$

and

$$\delta_{\chi}(\xi) = \frac{L(\overline{\varphi}\chi,1)}{\Omega}$$

for a finite character  $\chi$  of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\Phi_{\infty}/\Phi_0)$ . Let  $\epsilon \in \{+, -\}$  be the sign of  $\varphi$ . It is known that the projection of  $\xi$  on  $V_{\infty}^*$  belongs to  $V_{\infty}^{*,\epsilon}$ . Define  $\mathcal{C}_{\infty}$  as the free  $\Lambda$ -submodule of  $V_{\infty}^{*,\epsilon}$  generated by  $\xi$ . Take a generator  $v_{\epsilon}$  of the  $\Lambda$ -module  $V_{\infty}^{*,\epsilon}$  and write

$$\xi = \mathcal{L}_p(\varphi, \Omega, v_\epsilon) \cdot v_\epsilon$$

for a power series  $\mathcal{L}_p(\varphi, \Omega, v_{\epsilon}) \in \Lambda$ . We call it Rubin's *p*-adic *L*-function associated with  $\varphi$ . We sometimes omit the indices of  $\mathcal{L}_p(\varphi, \Omega, v_{\epsilon})$  and write its evaluation at an anticyclotomic character  $\chi$  by  $\mathcal{L}_p(\chi)$  for simplicity. Rubin's *p*-adic *L*-function has the following interpolation property:

$$\mathcal{L}_p(\chi) = \frac{1}{\delta_{\chi}(v_{\epsilon})} \frac{L(\overline{\varphi\chi}, 1)}{\Omega}$$

In analogy with [3], we have the following theorems.

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $\epsilon = W(\varphi)$  be the sign of  $\varphi$ , then

$$\operatorname{char}(\mathcal{X}_{-\epsilon}) = (\mathcal{L}_p)$$

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $\chi$  be an anticyclotomic character of conductor  $p^n$ . Then we have

$$\operatorname{rank} E(K_n)^{\chi} \leq \begin{cases} \operatorname{ord}_{\chi}(\mathcal{L}_p), & \chi \in \Xi^{\epsilon} \\ \operatorname{ord}_{\chi}(\mathcal{L}_p) + 1, & \chi \in \Xi^{-\epsilon} \end{cases}$$

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