

Lifting Reducible Galois Representations

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- ▶ Let S be a finite set of prime numbers
 - ▶ \mathbb{Q}_S is the maximal extension of \mathbb{Q} unramified outside S .
 - ▶ Set $G_S := \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_S/\mathbb{Q})$.
- ▶ Let $f \in S_k(\Gamma_1(N))$ be a normalized cuspidal Hecke eigenform and p an odd prime number.
- ▶ Fix an embedding $\bar{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p$, the p -adic Galois representation associated to f is denoted by

$$\rho_f : G_S \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p).$$

- ▶ Here, S is the set of primes which divide Np .

The representation ρ_f is a continuous Galois representation which satisfies some characteristic properties, namely,

1. ρ_f is **irreducible**,
2. ρ_f is **unramified outside a finite set of primes**,
3. ρ_f is **de Rham** when restricted to $\text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p/\mathbb{Q}_p)$,
4. ρ_f is **odd**, i.e. $\det \rho_f(c) = -1$.

The Fontaine-Mazur Conjecture

- ▶ Fontaine and Mazur referred to such continuous Galois representations $\rho : \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ as **Geometric Galois representations**.
- ▶ These are by definition irreducible, unramified at all but finitely many primes, odd and potentially semistable at p .
- ▶ They conjectured that any 2-dimensional Geometric Galois representation ρ arises from a cuspidal Hecke eigenform f , i.e. $\rho \simeq \rho_f$.
- ▶ This has been resolved (except for a few cases) following the work of Taylor, Kisin, Emerton and Skinner-Wiles.

Serre's Conjecture

Theorem of Khare and Wintenberger 2008

Let

$$\bar{\rho} : \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\bar{\mathbb{F}}_p)$$

be *irreducible*, odd and unramified outside finitely many primes.
Then $\bar{\rho}$ lifts to a the Galois representation associated to a cuspidal Hecke eigenform f

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \text{GL}_2(\bar{\mathbb{Z}}_p) \\ & \nearrow \rho_f & \downarrow \\ \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) & \xrightarrow{\bar{\rho}} & \text{GL}_2(\bar{\mathbb{F}}_p). \end{array}$$

Serre's Conjecture for Reducible Representations

Let p be an odd prime and \mathbb{F}_q a finite field of characteristic p and $\mathcal{O} := W(\mathbb{F}_q)$ the ring of Witt-vectors with residue field \mathbb{F}_q . This is the valuation ring of the unramified extension of \mathbb{Q}_p of degree $[\mathbb{F}_q : \mathbb{F}_p]$.

Hamblen and Ramakrishna, 2008

Let S be a finite set of primes and

$$\bar{\rho} = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix} : G_S \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$$

1. be reducible, odd and indecomposable,
2. satisfy some favorable conditions.

Then there is a cuspidal Hecke eigenform f such that ρ_f lifts $\bar{\rho}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & & & \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}) \\ & & & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ & & & \rho_f & \\ \mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{SUX}} & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{G}_S & \xrightarrow{\bar{\rho}} & \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q). \end{array}$$

Generalization to Higher Dimensions

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Let

$$\bar{\rho} : G_S \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathbb{F}_q)$$

1. be reducible, odd and indecomposable,
2. satisfy some natural and mild conditions.

Then there is a finite set of primes X a geometric Galois representation $\rho : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O})$ such that ρ lifts $\bar{\rho}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & & \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}) \\
 & & & \nearrow \rho & \downarrow \\
 \mathrm{G}_{S \cup X} & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{G}_S & \xrightarrow{\bar{\rho}} & \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathbb{F}_q)
 \end{array}$$

- ▶ The case when $\bar{\rho} : \mathrm{G}_S \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is irreducible goes back to Ramakrishna (2002). This was proved before Serre's conjecture was proved by Khare and Wintenberger (2009).
- ▶ Patrikis (2006) generalized Ramakrishna's theorem to higher dimensional irreducible representations $\bar{\rho} : \mathrm{G}_S \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ for $n \geq 2$.

Galois Deformations

- ▶ The category of coefficient rings $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{O}}$ is comprised of complete Noetherian local rings R with maximal ideal \mathfrak{m}_R such that the residue-field $R/\mathfrak{m}_R \simeq \mathbb{F}_q$. Further, R is endowed with the structure of an \mathcal{O} -algebra.
- ▶ A coefficient ring R has a presentation

$$R \simeq \mathcal{O}[[X_1, \dots, X_k]]/(f_1, \dots, f_r).$$

- ▶ Two lifts $\rho_1, \rho_2 : \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \text{GSp}_{2n}(R)$ of $\bar{\rho}$ are strictly equivalent if for some $A \in \text{GSp}_{2n}(R)$ such that $A \equiv \text{Id} \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_R}$,

$$\rho_1 = A\rho_2 A^{-1}.$$

- ▶ An equivalence class of lifts is a Galois deformation.

- ▶ The strategy involves lifting step by step by producing a compatible collection of deformations $\rho_m : \mathrm{G}_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^m)$ for $m \geq 1$.
- ▶ Fix a lift $\psi : \mathrm{G}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^\times$ of the similitude character of $\bar{\rho}$. We shall consider deformations with fixed similitude character ψ .
- ▶ $\mathrm{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}$ will denote the Lie algebra of sp_{2n} over \mathbb{F}_q equipped with Galois action defined by

$$g \cdot v = \bar{\rho}(g)v\bar{\rho}(g)^{-1}.$$

- ▶ One may identify $\mathrm{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}$ with the kernel of the reduction map

$$\mathrm{Sp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^{m+1}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Sp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^m)$$

by identifying $v \in \mathrm{sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ with $\mathrm{Id} + \mathfrak{p}^m v$.

- ▶ There is a cohomological obstruction to lifting ρ_m to a representation to $\mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^{m+1})$

$$\rho_{m+1} : \mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{SUX}} \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^{m+1}).$$

- ▶ This obstruction is a class

$$\mathcal{O}(\rho_m) \in H^2(\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{SUX}}, \mathrm{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}).$$

- ▶ Suppose there is a lift ρ_m of $\bar{\rho}$ and that the obstruction-class $\mathcal{O}(\rho_m) = 0$. This means that there is a lift ρ_{m+1} of ρ_m .

- ▶ The set of lifts $\rho_{m+1} : G_{SUX} \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^{m+1})$ of ρ_m is an $H^1(G_{SUX}, \mathrm{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$ -pseudotorsor. This means that if ρ_{m+1} and ρ'_{m+1} are two lifts of ρ_m , then there is a unique cohomology class $f \in H^1(G_{SUX}, \mathrm{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$ such that

$$\rho'_{m+1} = (\mathrm{Id} + \mathfrak{p}^m f) \rho_{m+1}.$$

- ▶ Suppose ρ_m lifts to ρ_{m+1} . Then, it is shown that there is a cohomology class f such that after replacing ρ_{m+1} by the twist $(\mathrm{Id} + \mathfrak{p}^m f) \rho_{m+1}$, the obstruction

$$\mathcal{O}(\rho_{m+1}) = 0.$$

This means that ρ_{m+1} lifts to ρ_{m+2} , at which stage the inductive argument is repeated.

Local Deformations

- ▶ It is not very clear at the outset how one may choose a class f at each step which does the job. One notices that the global deformations ρ_m in question satisfy various local deformation conditions.
- ▶ Let v be a prime at which ρ_m is allowed to ramify. Fix an embedding $\bar{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \bar{\mathbb{Q}}_v$ and a compatible inclusion of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_v} \hookrightarrow G_{\mathbb{Q}}$.
- ▶ Let $\bar{\rho}|_v$ denote the restriction of $\bar{\rho}$ to $G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}$.

- ▶ Let

$$\text{Def}_v : \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{O}} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$$

be the functor of deformations of $\bar{\rho}|_v$. It is representable by a scheme $\text{Spec } \mathcal{R}_v$, where $\mathcal{R}_v \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{O}}$ with maximal ideal \mathfrak{m}_v .

- ▶ The tangent space

$$(\mathfrak{m}_v/\mathfrak{m}_v^2)^* \simeq H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}).$$

This tangent space is also in canonical bijection with the infinitesimal deformations to the dual numbers $\text{Def}_v(\mathbb{F}[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2))$.

At each prime $v \in S$ there is a natural subfunctor \mathcal{C}_v of Def_v , which is represented by a closed subscheme

$$\text{Spec } R_v \hookrightarrow \text{Spec } \mathcal{R}_v$$

satisfying a number of special properties.

1. The subscheme $\text{Spec } R_v$ is smooth.
2. The tangent space of $\text{Spec } R_v$ is denoted

$$\mathcal{N}_v \subseteq H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}).$$

The dimension of \mathcal{N}_v is equal to $\dim H^0(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) + \delta_v$, where δ_v is 1 if $v = p$ and 0 otherwise.

Selmer and dual-Selmer conditions

- ▶ At each prime $v \in S$, the space $\mathcal{N}_v \subseteq H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$.
- ▶ Set $\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^* := \text{Hom}(\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}, \mu_p)$, there is a non-degenerate pairing

$$H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) \times H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}.$$

- ▶ The orthogonal-complement to \mathcal{N}_v is denoted by $\mathcal{N}_v^\perp \subseteq H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*)$.

- ▶ The Selmer group attached to the Selmer-data $\mathcal{N} := \{\mathcal{N}_v\}_{v \in S}$ is the kernel to the restriction-map

$$H_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$$

$$:= \ker\{H^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})/\mathcal{N}_v\}$$

consists of cohomology classes which are unramified outside S and lie in \mathcal{N}_v at each prime $v \in S$.

- ▶ The dual Selmer group is

$$H_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*)$$

$$:= \ker\{H^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*)/\mathcal{N}_v^\perp\}.$$

- ▶ A formula of Wiles expresses the difference between the dimensions of the Selmer and dual-Selmer group in terms of quantities associated to the local tangent spaces \mathcal{N}_v . More precisely,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & h_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) - h_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) \\
 &= h^0(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) - h^0(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) \\
 &+ \sum_{v \in \text{SU}\{\infty\}} (\dim \mathcal{N}_v - h^0(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})).
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ On applying this formula, we have that

$$\delta := h_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) = h_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*).$$

A special case

- ▶ Let us consider the special case when $\delta = 0$, which is to say that

$$H_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) = 0$$

and

$$H_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) = 0$$

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- ▶ There is a long-exact sequence in cohomology attributed to Poitou-Tate. Let Φ_S denote the restriction map

$$\Phi_S : H^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) / \mathcal{N}_v.$$

- ▶ The kernel of Φ_S is $H_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$ by definition.
- ▶ By Poitou-Tate, the cokernel of Φ_S is contained in $H_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*)$.
- ▶ Therefore, when $\delta = 0$, the map

$$\Phi_S : H^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) / \mathcal{N}_v$$

is an isomorphism.

- ▶ Let $\text{III}_S^2(\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$ denote the kernel of the restriction map

$$H^2(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^2(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}).$$

- ▶ It is a consequence of global-duality that $\text{III}_S^2(\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})^\vee$ is contained in $H_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*)$, hence, $\text{III}_S^2(\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) = 0$.
- ▶ Suppose that $\rho_m : G_S \rightarrow \text{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/p^m)$ is a lift of $\bar{\rho}$ which satisfies the conditions \mathcal{C}_v at the primes $v \in S$.
- ▶ Since \mathcal{C}_v is smooth, the restriction $\rho_m|_v$ lifts to a representation

$$G_{\mathbb{Q}_v} \rightarrow \text{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/p^{m+1}).$$

- ▶ Therefore, the obstruction to lifting ρ_n is locally trivial at the primes $v \in S$. In other words,

$$\mathcal{O}(\rho_n) \in \text{III}_S^2(\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}).$$

Since $\text{III}_S^2(\text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) = 0$, it follows that ρ_m must lift to ρ_{m+1} if ρ_m satisfies the conditions \mathcal{C}_v at each prime $v \in S$.

- ▶ To continue the inductive argument it suffices to show that on replacing ρ_{m+1} by a twist

$$(\text{Id} + p^m f)\rho_{m+1},$$

it may be assumed that ρ_{m+1} also satisfies \mathcal{C}_v at each prime $v \in S$.

- ▶ For $v \in S$, there is a choice of $f_v \in H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho})$ such that

$$(\text{Id} + p^m f_v) \rho_{m+1}|_v \in \mathcal{C}_v.$$

The choice of f_v is unique up to \mathcal{N}_v .

- ▶ Since the localization map

$$\Phi_S : H^1(G_S, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^1(G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) / \mathcal{N}_v$$

is an isomorphism, there is a global cohomology class f such that $\Phi_S(f) = (f_v)_{v \in S}$.

The general case

- ▶ In the general case, we may adjoin a set of $\leq \delta$ primes X to S so that the Selmer and dual Selmer groups

$$H_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_{SUX}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) = 0$$

and

$$H_{\mathcal{N}}^1(G_{SUX}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) = 0.$$

- ▶ These auxiliary primes $v \in X$ are called *trivial* primes and are each equipped with a deformation problem \mathcal{C}_v and versal tangent space \mathcal{N}_v .

Trivial primes

- ▶ A prime $v \notin S$ is said to be trivial if $G_{\mathbb{Q}_v} \subset \ker \bar{\rho}$, i.e the restriction $\bar{\rho}|_{G_{\mathbb{Q}_v}}$ is trivial. Further, $v \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ and $v \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}$.
- ▶ There is a deformation problem \mathcal{C}_v , which we describe in the GL_2 case. Let σ_v be a Frobenius at v and τ_v a generator of pro- p tame-inertia. They satisfy a relation

$$\sigma_v \tau_v \sigma_v^{-1} = \tau_v^v.$$

- ▶ Deformations $\varrho \in \mathcal{C}_v$ are tamely ramified for which

$$\varrho(\sigma_v) = c \cdot \begin{pmatrix} v & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\varrho(\tau_v) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here, x, y are arbitrary and c is determined since the determinant of ϱ is fixed.

- ▶ The deformation problem \mathcal{C}_v is not representable. There is however a 3-dimensional space \mathcal{N}_v which plays the role of a versal tangent space.

- ▶ The space stabilizes $\mathcal{C}_v(\mathcal{O}/p^N)$ for $N \geq 3$, but not $\mathcal{C}_v(\mathcal{O}/p^2)$.
- ▶ In greater detail, if $\varrho \in \mathcal{C}_v(\mathcal{O}/p^N)$ for $N \geq 3$ and $f \in \mathcal{N}_v$ then the twist

$$(\text{Id} + p^{N-1}f)\varrho \in \mathcal{C}_v(\mathcal{O}/p^N).$$

Lifting to characteristic-zero

It is shown that there is a set of $\leq \delta + 2$ of trivial primes X such that

- ▶ X kills the dual-Selmer group

$$H_{\mathcal{N}^\perp}^1(G_{S \cup X}, \text{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}^*) = 0,$$

- ▶ there exists a lift $\rho_3 : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \text{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O}/p^3)$ of $\bar{\rho}$ which satisfies the conditions \mathcal{C}_v at all primes $v \in S$. Further, the lift ρ_3 is shown to be *irreducible*.

The arguments explained in the special case when $\delta = 0$ generalize to this setting to give a characteristic zero lift

$\rho : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \text{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{O})$ which satisfies the conditions \mathcal{C}_v for $v \in S \cup X$ and is irreducible.

Deformation functors with fixed local constraints

- ▶ Let X be a set of trivial primes disjoint from S and \mathcal{F} be the functor of deformations of $\bar{\rho}$ which are unramified outside $S \cup X$ and satisfy the conditions \mathcal{C}_v at the primes $v \in S \cup X$. The functor \mathcal{F} need not be representable, since the deformation problem \mathcal{C}_v at each trivial prime $v \in X$ is not representable.
- ▶ We compare this setting with the case when $\bar{\rho}$ is irreducible. In this setting, the set X consists of *nice*-primes. At each nice prime there is a deformation condition which is representable. The functor of deformations unramified outside $S \cup X$ satisfying the local conditions \mathcal{C}_v for $v \in S \cup X$ is representable.

- ▶ This is to say that there a universal deformation $\rho_{\mathcal{F}} : G_{SUX} \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{F}})$, where $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{F}} \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{O}}$ is the universal deformation ring w.r.t the conditions $\{\mathcal{C}_v\}_{v \in SUX}$.
- ▶ When the determinant is fixed and

$$H_{\mathcal{N}^{\perp}}^1(G_{SUX}, \mathrm{Ad}^0 \bar{\rho}) = 0,$$

the universal deformation ring is \mathcal{O} .

- ▶ When the determinant is not fixed and X kills the appropriate dual Selmer group, the universal deformation ring is isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}[[X]]$.

- ▶ We return to the case when $\bar{\rho}$ is a reducible 2-dimensional representation. Let X be a collection of trivial primes which kill the Selmer group and such that there is a characteristic zero lift

$$\rho : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}).$$

A Modified Deformation Functor

- ▶ Let \mathfrak{C} be the subcategory of $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{O}}$ consisting of R such that $\rho \notin \mathfrak{m}_R^2$.
- ▶ Let $\rho_2 := \rho \pmod{p^2}$, set

$$\text{Def} : \mathfrak{C} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$$

be such that $\text{Def}(R)$ consists of deformations

$$\varrho : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(R)$$

of $\bar{\rho}$ for which

1. ϱ is unramified outside $S \cup X$ and satisfies the conditions \mathcal{C}_v at the primes $v \in S \cup X$.
2. $\varrho \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_R^2}$ coincides with $\rho_2 : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}/p^2) \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(R/\mathfrak{m}_R^2)$.

Theorem- R

Let $\bar{\rho} : G_S \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ be a reducible Galois representation. Assume that $\bar{\rho}$ satisfies a number of favorable conditions. There is an irreducible, odd and p -ordinary deformation

$$\tilde{\rho} : G_{SUX} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}[[X]])$$

which is a hull for Def. In other words, if $R \in \mathfrak{C}$ and $\rho' : G_{SUX} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(R)$ satisfies Def, then there is a morphism $\phi : \mathcal{O}[[X]] \rightarrow R$ which induces ρ' via $\tilde{\rho}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}[[X]]) \\ & \nearrow \tilde{\rho} & \downarrow \\ G_{SUX} & \xrightarrow{\rho'} & \mathrm{GL}_2(R). \end{array}$$

- ▶ The map ϕ is not necessarily unique.
- ▶ There is a natural decomposition $\mathcal{G} := \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \Delta \times \Gamma$, where $\Delta \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/p)^\times$ and $\Gamma \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p$. The Iwasawa algebra $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$ is the pro-group ring

$$\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}} := \varprojlim_U \mathcal{O}[\Gamma/U]$$

where U ranges over all finite index subgroups of Γ .

- ▶ On setting $\gamma - 1 = T$, there is an isomorphism $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}} \simeq \mathcal{O}[[T]]$.

The Map to Weight-Space

- ▶ Let $\gamma \in \Gamma$ be a choice of topological generator of Γ and R a coefficient ring. Let

$$\rho' : G_{SUX} \rightarrow GL_2(R)$$

be a deformation of $\bar{\rho}$, the *weight* of ρ' is the point

$$\mathcal{W}t(\rho') : \text{Spec } R \rightarrow \text{Spec } \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$$

induced by the homomorphism of rings mapping T to $\det \rho'(\gamma) - 1$.

- ▶ Let R be a coefficient ring in \mathfrak{C} with maximal ideal \mathfrak{m}_R . The functor of points of the map to weight space induces on R -points a map

$$\mathcal{W}t^* : \text{Def}(R) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{C}}(\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}, R)$$

whose image consists weights in the mod $(pR) \cap \mathfrak{m}_R^2$ congruence class of weights which coincide with the weight of the chosen lift ρ_2 modulo $(pR) \cap \mathfrak{m}_R^2$.

- ▶ When $R = \mathcal{O}$, we have that $pR \cap \mathfrak{m}_R^2 = p^2\mathcal{O}$. Therefore, $\tilde{\rho}$ interpolates a mod p^2 congruence class of weights for various eigencuspforms lifting $\bar{\rho}$.

Constructing Certain Special Galois Extensions

- ▶ Let $p > 2$ be a prime number and K a number field. Let L be a Galois extension of K such that $\text{Gal}(L/K)$ is isomorphic to a p -adic Lie-group. Suppose that L/K is infinite.
- ▶ The tame Fontaine-Mazur conjecture posits that there is no such extension L of a number field K such that
 1. finitely many primes of K ramify in L ,
 2. all primes of K above p are finitely ramified in L .
- ▶ It is natural to ask if such extensions exist once we pass up $\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$.

- ▶ Ohtani and Blondeau independently constructed special Galois extensions of $\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$ which had surprisingly little ramification.
- ▶ Ohtani's results were modified by Blondeau, who showed that for certain primes p , there exists a Galois extension $L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$ for which
 1. L is unramified at the prime of $\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$ above p and ramified at finitely many primes,
 2. $\text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})) \simeq \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$.
- ▶ Blondeau proves his result by lifting certain irreducible Galois representations

$$\bar{\rho} : G_S \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$$

for which

$$\bar{\rho}|_{G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ It is shown that $\bar{\rho}$ lifts to $\rho : G_{S \cup X} \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ such that

$$\rho|_{G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\varphi}_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{\varphi}_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ Further, the restriction $\rho|_{\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})} : \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})) \rightarrow SL_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ is arranged to be surjective.
- ▶ Let $L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$ be the fixed field of the kernel of this homomorphism, the Galois group

$$\text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})) \simeq SL_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

and is unramified at the prime above p .

- ▶ The drawback is that there are very few examples of irreducible Galois representations $\bar{\rho} : G_S \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$ which decompose into a direct sum of characters when restricted to $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$

$$\bar{\rho}|_{G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ In fact, there are four primes p at which Blomquist constructs examples of such $\bar{\rho}$, namely, $p = 107, 139, 271$ and 379 .
- ▶ However, there are many examples of reducible Galois representations which decompose when restricted to $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$.

- ▶ We associate a Galois representation to class group data.
Denote by

$$\mathcal{C} := \text{Cl}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_p)) \otimes \mathbb{F}_p$$

and $\bar{\chi}$ the mod p cyclotomic character. The Galois module \mathcal{C} decomposes into isotypic components

$$\mathcal{C} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-2} \mathcal{C}(\bar{\chi}^i).$$

- ▶ An \mathbb{F}_p -quotient of $\mathcal{C}(\bar{\chi}^i)$ coincides via inflation-restriction with a class $\beta \in H^1(G_{\{p\}}, \mathbb{F}_p(\bar{\chi}^i))$. This class in turn defines a reducible Galois representation

$$\bar{\rho} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\chi}^i & \beta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : G_{\{p\}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p).$$

- ▶ It is not hard to show that $\bar{\rho}|_{G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\chi}^i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
- ▶ We show that one may lift $\bar{\rho}$ to a characteristic zero Galois representation

$$\rho : G_{\{p\} \cup X} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

for which $\rho|_{G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}$ decomposes into a product of characters.

- ▶ The image of the restriction $\rho|_{\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})} : \mathrm{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})) \rightarrow \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ contains the principal congruence subgroup.
- ▶ Let $L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$ be the fixed field of the kernel of this homomorphism, the Galois group

$$\mathrm{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})) \subset \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

contains the principal congruence subgroup. Further, it is unramified at the prime above p .

Theorem- R

Suppose that $p \geq 5$ be a prime and $i \neq \frac{p-1}{2}$ an odd integer between $2 \leq i \leq p-3$ for which the isotypic space $\mathcal{C}(\bar{\chi}^i) \neq 0$.

There are infinitely many Galois extensions $L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})$ for which

- ▶ the Galois group $\text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty}))$ topologically isomorphic to a subgroup of $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ which contains the principal congruence subgroup.
- ▶ F is unramified at the prime above p and ramified above finitely many rational primes.

Thank you!