

# ON THE NON-VANISHING OF GENERALIZED KATO CLASSES FOR ELLIPTIC CURVES OF RANK 2

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ABSTRACT. We prove the non-vanishing of the generalized Kato classes of Darmon–Rotger in cases where they lie in the pro- $p$  Selmer group of elliptic curves  $E/\mathbf{Q}$  of rank 2. In particular, we prove the first cases of a conjecture of Darmon–Rotger in this rank 2 setting.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

**1.1. Motivating question.** Let  $E$  be a modular elliptic curve over  $\mathbf{Q}$  of conductor  $N$ , and let  $L(E, s)$  be the associated Hasse–Weil  $L$ -series. After the groundbreaking work of Gross–Zagier [GZ86] and Kolyvagin [Kol88], we know that

$$(1.1) \quad \text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) \in \{0, 1\} \implies \text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) = \text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(\mathbf{Q}),$$

as predicted by the Birch–Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture. The proof of (1.1) relies on choosing a suitable auxiliary imaginary quadratic field  $K$  such that  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E/K, s) = 1$ ; by the Gross–Zagier formula this ensures the non-torsionness of the associated Heegner point  $y_K \in E(K)$ , a point which descends to  $E(\mathbf{Q})$  when  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) = 1$ .

Given the desirability of extending these results to higher ranks, it is natural to ask:

*Question 1.1.* Suppose  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) = 2$ , and choose an imaginary quadratic field  $K$  with

$$(1.2) \quad \text{ord}_{s=1} L(E/K, s) = 2.$$

Can one use  $K$  to produce canonical non-torsion points in  $E(\mathbf{Q})$ ? Or at least, can one produce explicit nonzero classes in the pro- $p$  Selmer group  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, T_p E)$  for suitable primes  $p$ ?

Here  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, T_p E)$  denotes the inverse limit under the multiplication-by- $p$  maps of the usual  $p^n$ -descent Selmer groups  $\text{Sel}_{p^n}(E/\mathbf{Q}) \subset H^1(\mathbf{Q}, E[p^n])$ , thus sitting in the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow E(\mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}_p \longrightarrow \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, T_p E) \longrightarrow T_p \text{III}(E/\mathbf{Q}) \longrightarrow 0,$$

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where  $T_p \text{III}(E/\mathbf{Q})$  should be trivial, since  $\text{III}(E/\mathbf{Q})$  is expected to be finite. In this paper, for suitable primes  $p$ , we provide an affirmative answer to the second part of Question 1.1, with condition (1.2) replaced by its algebraic counterpart:

$$(1.3) \quad \text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(K) = \text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(\mathbf{Q}) = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \#\text{III}(E/\mathbf{Q})[p^\infty] < \infty.$$

This is achieved by establishing certain cases of a recent conjecture by Darmon–Rotger which we now recall.

**1.2. A conjecture of Darmon–Rotger.** Following their groundbreaking work [DR17a] on the equivariant Birch and Swinnerton–Dyer conjecture, Darmon–Rotger [DR16] formulated a non-vanishing criterion for the *generalized Kato classes* introduced in [DR17a]. In this paper, we consider a special case in which their conjecture predicts that those classes have a bearing on the arithmetic of elliptic curves over  $\mathbf{Q}$  of rank 2.

Let  $E/\mathbf{Q}$  be an elliptic curve of conductor  $N$ , and let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant prime to  $N$ . Fix a prime  $p \nmid 2N$  of good ordinary reduction for  $E$ , and assume that  $p\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{p}\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$  splits in  $K$ . Let  $\chi : G_K \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^\times$  be a ring class character of conductor prime to  $Np$  with  $\chi(\bar{\mathfrak{p}}) \neq \pm 1$ , and set  $\alpha := \chi(\bar{\mathfrak{p}})$ ,  $\beta := \chi(\mathfrak{p})$ .

Let  $f$  be the weight 2 newform associated with  $E$  by modularity [Wil95, TW95, BCDT01], so that  $L(E, s) = L(f, s)$ , and let  $g$  and  $h$  be the weight 1 theta series of  $\chi$  and  $\chi^{-1}$ , respectively. As explained in [DR16] (in which  $g$  and  $h$  can be more general weight 1 eigenforms), attached to the triple  $(f, g, h)$  and the prime  $p$  one has four *generalized Kato classes*

$$(1.4) \quad \kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}}), \kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\beta^{-1}}), \kappa(f, g_\beta, h_{\alpha^{-1}}), \kappa(f, g_\beta, h_{\beta^{-1}}) \in \mathbf{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}),$$

where  $V_{fgh} \simeq V_p E \otimes V_g \otimes V_h$  is the tensor product of the  $p$ -adic representations associated to  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $h$ . The class  $\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}})$  arises as the  $p$ -adic limit

$$\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}}) = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow 1} \kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_\ell, \mathbf{h}_\ell)$$

as  $(\mathbf{g}_\ell, \mathbf{h}_\ell)$  runs over the classical weight  $\ell \geq 2$  specializations of Hida families  $(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  passing through the  $p$ -stabilizations  $(g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}})$  in weight 1, where

$$g_\alpha := g(q) - \beta g(q^p), \quad h_{\alpha^{-1}} := h(q) - \beta^{-1} h(q^p),$$

and  $\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_\ell, \mathbf{h}_\ell)$  is obtained from the  $p$ -adic étale Abel–Jacobi image of certain higher-dimensional Gross–Kudla–Schoen diagonal cycles [GK92, GS95] on triple products of modular curves.

One of the main results of [DR17a] is an “explicit reciprocity law” whereby the image of the class  $\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}})$  under the restriction map  $\text{loc}_p : \mathbf{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}_p, V_{fgh})$  satisfies

$$\exp^*(\text{loc}_p(\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}}))) = 0 \iff L(1, f \otimes g \otimes h) = 0,$$

under the dual exponential map  $\exp^*$  of Bloch–Kato [BK90]. As a result, the class  $\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}})$  (and similarly the other three classes (1.4)) lies in the Bloch–Kato Selmer group  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) \subset \mathbf{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh})$  if and only if the triple product  $L$ -series  $L(s, f \otimes g \otimes h)$  vanishes at  $s = 1$ . One of the main conjectures of [DR16] went further to propose a criterion for when the classes (1.4) should generate a *non-trivial* subspace of  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh})$ ; this should be the case precisely when  $L(s, f \otimes g \otimes h)$  vanishes to order exactly 2 at  $s = 1$ .

In our setting, in light of the decomposition

$$(1.5) \quad V_{fgh} \simeq (V_p E \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{1}) \oplus (V_p E \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \chi^2)$$

and the corresponding factorization

$$(1.6) \quad L(s, f \otimes g \otimes h) = L(E, s) \cdot L(E^K, s) \cdot L(E/K, \chi^2, s),$$

where  $E^K/\mathbf{Q}$  is the twist of  $E$  by the quadratic character attached to  $K$ , the cases of the main conjectures of [DR16] relevant to us (and to the motivating question from the previous

section) may be stated as follows (*cf.* [DR16, Conj. 3.2, §4.5.3]). Let

$$(1.7) \quad \kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}, \kappa_{\alpha, \beta^{-1}}, \kappa_{\beta, \alpha^{-1}}, \kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}} \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$$

be the image of the classes in (1.4) under the projection  $H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) \rightarrow H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$  deduced from (1.5).

**Conjecture 1.2** (Darmon–Rotger). *Assume that  $L(E^K, 1)$  and  $L(E/K, \chi^2, 1)$  are both non-zero. Then the generalized Kato classes (1.7) generate a non-trivial subspace of  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$  if and only if the following equivalent conditions hold:*

- (a)  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) = 2$ ;
- (b)  $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(\mathbf{Q}) = 2$  and  $\text{III}(E/\mathbf{Q})[p^\infty]$  is finite.

*Remark 1.3.*

- (i) Of course, the equivalence (a)  $\iff$  (b) is predicted by the Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture.
- (ii) Conjecture 1.2 is a special case of [DR16, Conj. 3.2], and at the time of its formulation it was not known (even experimentally) in any single example (see [*loc. cit.*, §4.5.3]). As an application of the main result of this paper (Theorem 1 below), numerical examples supporting this conjecture will be presented in §6.

**1.3. Main result.** We keep the setting introduced in §1.2, and let  $\bar{\rho}_{E,p} : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(E[p])$  be the mod  $p$  Galois representation associated to  $E$ . Write

$$N = N^+ N^-$$

with  $N^+$  (resp.  $N^-$ ) divisible only by primes which are split (resp. inert) in  $K$ . Our main result towards Conjecture 1.2 is the following.

**Theorem 1.** *Assume that  $L(E^K, 1)$  and  $L(E/K, \chi^2, 1)$  are both nonzero, and that*

- $\bar{\rho}_{E,p}$  is irreducible,
- $N^-$  is square-free,
- $\bar{\rho}_{E,p}$  is ramified at every prime  $q \mid N^-$ .

*If  $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(\mathbf{Q}) = 2$  and  $\text{III}(E/\mathbf{Q})[p^\infty]$  is finite, then the generalized Kato classes (1.7) generate a non-trivial subspace of  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$ . To be more precise,  $\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}$  and  $\kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}}$  are both nonzero, while  $\kappa_{\alpha, \beta^{-1}} = \kappa_{\beta, \alpha^{-1}} = 0$ .*

*Remark 1.4.* The hypotheses in Theorem 1 imply that  $E$  has root number  $+1$  (by e.g. [Nek01]), that  $L(E, 1) = 0$  (by e.g. [Kat04]), and that  $N^-$  is the product of an *odd* number of primes. Thus the elliptic curves  $E/\mathbf{Q}$  in Theorem 1 satisfy  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) \geq 2$ . On the other hand, if the root number of  $E$  is  $+1$  and  $\bar{\rho}_{E,p}$  is irreducible and ramified at some prime  $q$ , by [BFH90] and [Vat03] there exist infinitely many imaginary quadratic fields  $K$  and ring class characters  $\chi$  of prime-power conductor such that the following hold:

- $q$  is inert in  $K$ ,
- every prime factor of  $N/q$  splits in  $K$ ,
- $L(E^K, 1) \neq 0$  and  $L(E/K, \chi^2, 1) \neq 0$ .

Therefore, by Theorem 1 the generalized Kato classes (1.7) of Darmon–Rotger provide an explicit construction of non-trivial Selmer classes for rank 2 elliptic curves having a flavor similar to the Heegner point construction for rank 1 elliptic curves. In §6, we will exhibit several numerical examples satisfying the hypotheses of Theorem 1, and this gives the first examples of the non-vanishing of generalized Kato classes for rank 2 elliptic curves.

Prior to this work, the only known construction of non-trivial classes in  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$  for elliptic curves  $E/\mathbf{Q}$  with  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) \geq 2$  were due to Skinner–Urban (see [SU06, Urb13]). It would be very interesting to compare the two constructions.

*Remark 1.5.* Letting  $\log_p : \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_p$  denote the composition of the restriction map  $\text{loc}_p : \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) \rightarrow E(\mathbf{Q}_p) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}_p$  with the formal group logarithm  $E(\mathbf{Q}_p) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_p$ , the proof of Theorem 1 yields the following expressions for the generalized Kato classes mod  $\mathbf{Q}_p^\times$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}} &= \log_p(Q) \cdot P - \log_p(P) \cdot Q, & \kappa_{\alpha, \beta^{-1}} &= 0, \\ \kappa_{\beta, \alpha^{-1}} &= 0, & \kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}} &= \log_p(Q) \cdot P - \log_p(P) \cdot Q, \end{aligned}$$

where  $(P, Q)$  is any  $\mathbf{Q}$ -basis of  $E(\mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}$ . In other words, under the hypotheses of Theorem 1 the classes (1.7) generate the  $p$ -adic line

$$\ker(\log_p) \subset \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$$

inside the 2-dimensional  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E)$ . This confirms a prediction made by Darmon–Rotger (see [DR16, §4.5.3]). Moreover, one can show that the classes  $\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}$  and  $\kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}}$  mod  $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}^\times$  are independent of the auxiliary choice of ring class character  $\chi$  (see Remark 5.1).

**1.4. Outline of the proof.** The proof of Theorem 1 is based on the study of a certain  $p$ -adic  $L$ -function attached to  $E/K$  that we know recall, and its relation with the generalized Kato classes that we establish in this paper. We outline the proof of the non-vanishing of

$$\kappa_{E, K} := \kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}} \in \mathbf{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E);$$

changing the roles of  $\mathfrak{p}$  and  $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$  yields the analogous result for  $\kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}}$ .

- *Step 1: Euler system construction of Bertolini–Darmon theta elements.*

Let  $\Gamma_\infty$  be the Galois group of the anticyclotomic  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension of  $K$ . By [BD96, CH18], building on various generalizations of Gross’ explicit form of Waldspurger’s special value formula [Wal85, Gro87], one can construct a  $p$ -adic  $L$ -function  $\Theta_{f/K} \in \mathbf{Z}_p[[\Gamma_\infty]]$  interpolating “square-roots” of the central critical values  $L(E/K, \phi, 1)$ , as  $\phi$  runs over finite order character of  $\Gamma_\infty$ . Starting with [BD96], the element  $\Theta_{f/K}$  has been widely studied (see [Wat03, BD05, PW11] for a sample), but one didn’t know its place in Perrin-Riou’s vision [PR00] (or its natural extension [LZ14] to  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extensions other than the cyclotomic), whereby  $p$ -adic  $L$ -functions ought to arise as the image of  $p$ -adic families of special cohomology classes under generalized Coleman power series maps.

Letting  $\kappa(f, \mathbf{gh})$  be the 1-dimensional  $p$ -adic family of cohomology classes  $\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_\ell, \mathbf{h}_\ell)$  used in the construction of  $\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}})$ , in Section 4 we prove that

$$(1.8) \quad \text{Col}^\eta(\text{loc}_p(\kappa(f, \mathbf{gh}))) = \Theta_{f/K} \cdot (\text{nonzero constant}),$$

where  $\text{Col}^\eta$  is a generalized Coleman power series map defined in terms of an “anticyclotomic” variant of Perrin-Riou’s big exponential map [PR94]. The proof of (1.8) relies on work towards the “explicit reciprocity law” for diagonal cycles by Darmon–Rotger [DR17a], and reduces to it when combined with a factorization of the triple product  $p$ -adic  $L$ -function [Hsi17].

- *Step 2: Howard’s  $p$ -adic height formula formula for derived heights.*

In light of the construction of  $\kappa_{E, K}$  and the interpolation properties satisfied by  $\text{Col}^\eta$  and  $\Theta_{f/K}$ , the equality (1.8) specialized at the trivial character shows that

$$L(E, 1) = 0 \quad \implies \quad \kappa_{E, K} \in \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E).$$

In other words, viewing it as an equality in the power series ring  $\mathbf{Z}_p[[T]]$ , the above implication is what can be drawn from (1.8) evaluated at  $T = 0$ . To further deduce the non-vanishing of  $\kappa_{E, K}$  we are led to look at the *leading term* of (1.8) at  $T = 0$ . To that end, let

$$(1.9) \quad \text{Sel}(K, V_p E) = S^{(1)} \supset S^{(2)} \supset \dots \supset S^{(r)} \supset \dots \supset S^{(\infty)}$$

be the filtration defined by Bertolini–Darmon [BD95] and Howard [How04], and let

$$h^{(r)} : S^{(r)} \times S^{(r)} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Q}_p$$

be the  $r$ -th *derived* anticyclotomic  $p$ -adic height pairing of [BD95, How04]. From the known properties of  $h^{(r)}$ , one can easily see that if

$$\mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) = \mathrm{Sel}(K, V_p E) \quad \text{and} \quad \dim_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) = 2,$$

as we have under our hypotheses, then (1.9) reduces to

$$\mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) = S^{(1)} = S^{(2)} \dots = S^{(r)} \quad \text{and} \quad S^{(r+1)} = S^{(r+2)} = \dots = S^{(\infty)} = \{0\}$$

for some even integer  $r \geq 2$ . On the other hand, setting

$$\rho := \mathrm{ord}_{T=0} \Theta_{f/K}(T),$$

one can deduce that  $r \geq \rho$  from the work of Skinner–Urban [SU14]; in particular,  $\mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) = S^{(\rho)}$ . Finally, combining Howard’s generalization [How04] of Rubin’s formula with Kobayashi’s extension [Kob18] of Perrin-Riou’s big exponential map for Lubin–Tate  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extensions, we shall prove that

$$h^{(\rho)}(\kappa_{E,K}, x) = \left( \frac{d}{dT} \right)^\rho \Theta_{f/K}(T)|_{T=0} \cdot \log_p(x) \cdot (\text{nonzero constant in } \overline{\mathbf{Q}}),$$

for all  $x \in S^{(\rho)} = E(\mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}_p$ . Since our assumptions immediately imply that the map  $\log_p$  is nonzero, the non-vanishing of  $\kappa_{E,K}$  follows.

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## 2. DERIVED $p$ -ADIC HEIGHT PAIRINGS

**2.1. Notation and definitions.** In this section, we review the definition of the derived  $p$ -adic height pairings in [How04]. Let  $p$  be a rational prime and let  $K$  be a number field. Let  $\Sigma$  be a finite set of places of  $K$  containing all archimedean places and all places above  $p$ . Let  $K_\Sigma$  be the maximal algebraic extension of  $K$  unramified outside  $\Sigma$  and let  $G_{K,\Sigma} = \mathrm{Gal}(K_\Sigma/K)$ . Let  $K_\infty/K$  be a  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension in  $K_\Sigma$ . We assume that all primes above  $p$  are totally ramified in  $K_\infty$ . Let  $K_n \subset K_\infty$  be the subfield with  $[K_n:K] = p^n$ . Let  $\Gamma_n = \mathrm{Gal}(K_n/K)$  and  $\Gamma_\infty = \mathrm{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$ . Let  $\Lambda = \mathbf{Z}_p[[\Gamma_\infty]]$  and let  $\kappa_\Lambda: G_{K,\Sigma} \rightarrow \mathrm{Gal}(K_\infty/K) \rightarrow \Lambda^\times$  be the tautological character  $\kappa_\Lambda(\sigma) = \sigma|_{K_\infty}$ . Let  $\iota: \Gamma_\infty \rightarrow \Gamma_\infty$  be the involution  $\gamma \mapsto \gamma^{-1}$ . For any  $\Lambda$ -module  $M$  and each integer  $k$ , let  $M\{k\}$  be the  $G_{K,\Sigma}$ -module  $M$  on which  $G_{K,\Sigma}$  acts via  $\kappa_\Lambda^k$ .

Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be a local ring finitely generated over  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Put  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}} = \Lambda \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathcal{O}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{Mod}_{\mathcal{O}}$  the category of  $\mathcal{O}[G_{K,\Sigma}]$ -modules finite free over  $\mathcal{O}$ . For  $T$  an object of  $\mathbf{Mod}_{\mathcal{O}}$  we let  $T_\Lambda = T \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}\{-1\}$  be the  $G_{K,\Sigma}$ -module  $T \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$  twisted by  $\kappa_\Lambda^{-1}$ . Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be the localization of  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$  at the prime  $\mathfrak{m}\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$ , and set  $P := \mathcal{K}/\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$ . Likewise we define  $T_{\mathcal{K}} = T \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{K}\{-1\}$  and  $T_P = T \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} P\{-1\}$ . We shall denote the limits

$$\mathrm{H}^1(K_\infty, T) := \varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(K_n, T), \quad \widehat{\mathrm{H}}^1(K_\infty, T) := \varprojlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(K_n, T)$$

with respect to the restriction and corestriction maps, respectively. Let

$$\mathrm{pr}_{K_n}: \widehat{\mathrm{H}}^1(K_\infty, T) \rightarrow \mathrm{H}^1(K_n, T)$$

be the canonical projection map. Throughout, by [How04, Lem. 1.4] and Shapiro’s lemma, we shall make use of the identification

$$\mathrm{H}^1(K, T_\Lambda) = \widehat{\mathrm{H}}^1(K_\infty, T).$$

Let  $T^* = \mathrm{Hom}(T, \mathcal{O}(1))$  and denote by  $e: T \times T^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)$  the canonical  $G_{K,\Sigma}$ -equivariant perfect paring. For any place  $v$  of  $K$  and finite extension  $L/K_v$ , let  $\mathrm{inv}_L: \mathrm{H}^1(L, \mathcal{O}(1)) \simeq \mathcal{O}$  be

the invariant map and let  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_L: \mathbf{H}^1(L, T) \times \mathbf{H}^1(L, T^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$  be the perfect pairing  $\langle z, w \rangle_L := \text{inv}_L(z \cup w)$ . Let

$$e_\Lambda: T_\Lambda \times T_\Lambda^* \rightarrow \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}(1)$$

be the unique perfect  $G_{K, \Sigma}$ -equivariant pairing characterized by

$$e_\Lambda(t \otimes \lambda_1, s \otimes \lambda_2) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2^c e_\Lambda(t, s) \quad \text{for all } \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}.$$

For every place  $v$  of  $K$ , define the bilinear pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{K_\infty, v}: \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_\Lambda) \times \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_\Lambda^*) \longrightarrow \mathbf{H}^2(K_v, \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}(1)) \simeq \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}, \quad \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w} \rangle_{K_\infty, v} = \text{inv}_v(e_\Lambda(\mathbf{z} \cup \mathbf{w})).$$

Fix a topological generator  $\gamma$  of  $\Gamma_\infty$  and set

$$g_n := \gamma^{p^n} - 1 \in \Lambda.$$

Then  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}/(g_n) = \mathcal{O}[\Gamma_n]$ . By definition, if  $\mathbf{z} = (\mathbf{z}_n) \in \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_\Lambda) = \varprojlim_n \mathbf{H}^1(K_{n,v}, T)$  and  $\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{w}_n) \in \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_\Lambda^*) = \varprojlim_n \mathbf{H}^1(K_{n,v}, T^*)$ , then we have

$$(2.1) \quad \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w} \rangle_{K_\infty, v} \pmod{g_n} = \sum_{\tau \in \Gamma_n} \langle \mathbf{z}_n^{\tau^{-1}}, \mathbf{w}_n \rangle_{K_{n,v}, \tau}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_v, T_{\mathcal{K}})\}_{v \in \Sigma}$  be a Selmer structure on  $T_{\mathcal{K}}$ , namely a choice of  $\mathcal{K}$ -submodule  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_v, T_{\mathcal{K}}) \subset \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_{\mathcal{K}})$  for every  $v \in \Sigma$ , and let  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_v, T_P)$  be the image of the natural map  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_v, T_{\mathcal{K}}) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_P)$  induced by the quotient  $\mathcal{K} \rightarrow P$ . Define the *Selmer module*  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K, T_P)$  to be the kernel of the map

$$\mathbf{H}^1(G_{K, \Sigma}, T_P) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Sigma} \mathbf{H}^1(K_v, T_P) / \mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_v, T_P).$$

2.2. In this subsection, we suppose that  $\mathfrak{m}^m = 0$  for some positive integer  $m$ , namely that  $\mathcal{O}$  is Artinian. By [How04, Lem. 1.2], we then have

$$K = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}} \frac{1}{g_n}.$$

Moreover, by [How04, Lem. 1.5] and Shapiro's lemma, there is a natural isomorphism

$$(2.2) \quad \eta_\gamma: \mathbf{H}^1(K, T_P) = \varinjlim_n \mathbf{H}^1(K, T_\Lambda \otimes \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}} g_n^{-1} / \Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}) \simeq \varinjlim_n \mathbf{H}^1(K_n, T_\Lambda / g_n T_\Lambda) = \mathbf{H}^1(K_\infty, T).$$

By definition, for  $\mathbf{z} = \{\mathbf{z}_n\} \in \widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(K_\infty, T)$  we have

$$(2.3) \quad \eta_\gamma\left(\frac{\mathbf{z}}{\gamma - 1}\right) = \text{pr}_K(\mathbf{z}) \in \mathbf{H}^1(K, T).$$

For each  $n$ , let  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_n, T)$  be the Selmer module consisting of classes  $s \in \mathbf{H}^1(K_n, T)$  such that the image of  $s$  in  $\mathbf{H}^1(K_\infty, T)$  belongs to  $\eta_\gamma(\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K, T_P))$ . Thus

$$\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_\infty, T) = \varinjlim_n \mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_n, T) = \eta_\gamma(\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K, T_P)).$$

Let  $J$  be the augmentation ideal of  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$ , the principal ideal of  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$  generated by  $\gamma - 1$ . For each positive integer  $r$ , put

$$(2.4) \quad Y_T^{(r)} := \mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_\infty, T)[J] \cap J^{r-1} \mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_\infty, T).$$

This defines a decreasing filtration  $Y_T^{(1)} \supset Y_T^{(2)} \supset Y_T^{(3)} \dots$ .

Let  $\mathcal{F}^\perp = \{\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}^\perp}^1(K_v, T_K^*)\}_{v \in \Sigma}$  be the Selmer structure on  $T_K^*$  such that  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}^\perp}^1(K_v, T_K^*)$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K_v, T_K)$  are exact orthogonal complements under local Tate duality at every place  $v \in \Sigma$ . Let

$$[-, -]_{\text{CT}}: \mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K, T_P) \times \mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{F}^\perp}^1(K, T_P^*) \longrightarrow P$$

be the  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{O}}$ -adic Cassels–Tate pairing of [How04, Thm. 1.8]. The  $r$ -th derived height pairing

$$h_{\mathcal{O}}^{(r)}(-, -): Y_T^{(r)} \times Y_{T^*}^{(r)} \rightarrow J^r/J^{r+1}$$

in [How04, Def. 2.2] is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\mathcal{O}}^{(r)}(z, w) &:= (\gamma - 1)^2 \cdot [\eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(z), \eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(w)]_{\text{CT}} \\ &= (\gamma - 1)^{r+1} \cdot [\eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(u), \eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(w)]_{\text{CT}}, \end{aligned}$$

writing  $z = (\gamma - 1)^{r-1}u$  with  $u \in H_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K, T_P)$ . Note that  $[\eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(u), \eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(w)]_{\text{CT}} \in (\gamma - 1)^{-1}\Lambda/\Lambda$ , so we find that  $h_{\mathcal{O}}^{(r)}(z, w)$  belongs to  $J^r/J^{r+1}$ . The following is a restatement of [How04, Thm. 2.5], which can be viewed as a generalization of Rubin’s formula [Rub94, Thm. 3.2(ii)] (c.f. [Nek06, Prop. 11.5.11]).

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $z \in Y_T^{(r)}$  and  $w \in Y_{T^*}^{(r)}$ . Suppose that there exist  $\mathbf{z} \in H^1(K, T_{\Lambda})$  and  $\mathbf{w}_{\Sigma} = (\mathbf{w}_v) \in \bigoplus_{v \in \Sigma} H_{\mathcal{F}^{\perp}}^1(K_v, T_{\Lambda}^*)$  such that  $\text{pr}_K(\mathbf{z}) = z$  and  $\text{pr}_{K_v}(\mathbf{w}_v) = \text{loc}_v(w)$ . Then*

$$h_{\mathcal{O}}^{(r)}(z, w) = - \sum_{v \in \Sigma} \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w}_v \rangle_{K_{\infty, v}} \pmod{J^{r+1}}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $y = \eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(z) \in H_{\mathcal{F}}^1(K, T_P)$  and  $t = \eta_{\gamma}^{-1}(w) \in H_{\mathcal{F}^{\perp}}^1(K, T_P^*)$ . Choose cochains  $\tilde{y} \in C^1(G_{K, \Sigma}, T_{\mathcal{K}})$  and  $\tilde{t} \in C^1(G_{K, \Sigma}, T_{\mathcal{K}}^*)$  lifting  $y$  and  $t$ , respectively, and let  $\epsilon_0 \in C^2(G_{K, \Sigma}, P(1))$  be such that  $d\epsilon_0 = d\tilde{y} \cup \tilde{t}$ . Choose  $\tilde{t}_{\Sigma} \in \bigoplus_{v \in \Sigma} Z^1(G_{K_v}, T_{\mathcal{K}}^*)$  to be a lifting of  $\text{loc}_{\Sigma}(\tilde{t}) \in \bigoplus_{v \in \Sigma} Z^1(K_v, T_P^*)$ . According to the definition of the Cassels–Tate pairing [How04, (2), p. 1321], we find that

$$(2.5) \quad h_{\mathcal{O}}^{(r)}(z, w) = (\gamma - 1)^2 \cdot [y, t]_{\text{CT}} = (\gamma - 1)^2 \cdot \text{inv}_{\Sigma}(\text{loc}_{\Sigma}(\tilde{y}) \cup \tilde{t}_{\Sigma} - \text{loc}_{\Sigma}(\epsilon_0)).$$

Now we let  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}} \in Z^1(G_{K, \Sigma}, T_{\Lambda})$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\Sigma} \in \bigoplus_{v \in \Sigma} Z^1(G_{K_v}, T_{\Lambda}^*)$  be cocycles representing  $\mathbf{z}$  and  $\mathbf{w}_{\Sigma}$ . Then  $\tilde{y} = \tilde{\mathbf{z}}/(\gamma - 1)$  and  $\tilde{t}_{\Sigma} = \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\Sigma}/(\gamma - 1)$  are liftings of  $z$  and  $t_{\Sigma}$ . Invoking the formula (2.5) with  $\epsilon_0 = 0$  ( $d\tilde{\mathbf{z}} = 0$ ), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\mathcal{O}}^{(r)}(z, w) &= (\gamma - 1)^2 \cdot \text{inv}_{\Sigma}(e_{\Lambda}(\frac{\text{loc}_{\Sigma}(\tilde{\mathbf{z}})}{\gamma - 1} \cup \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\Sigma}}{\gamma - 1})) \in J^r/J^{r+1} \\ &= - \text{inv}_{\Sigma}(e_{\Lambda}(\text{loc}_{\Sigma}(\mathbf{z}) \cup \mathbf{w}_{\Sigma})) = - \sum_{v \in \Sigma} \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w}_v \rangle_{K_{\infty, v}} \pmod{J^{r+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

**2.3. Derived  $p$ -adic heights for elliptic curves.** Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve over  $K$  with good ordinary reduction at every place above  $p$ . Let  $T = T_p E$  be the  $p$ -adic Tate module of  $E$ , and take  $\Sigma$  to consist of the set of archimedean places, the  $p$ -adic places, and the places where  $E$  has bad reduction. For every positive integers  $k$  and  $r$ , we consider the module  $Y_{T_k}^{(r)}$  defined in (2.4) with  $T_k = E[p^k]$ ,  $\mathcal{O} = \mathbf{Z}/p^k\mathbf{Z}$  and the Selmer structure  $\mathcal{F}$  in [How04, Def. 3.2]. Since  $T_k^* = T_k$  and  $\mathcal{F}^{\perp} = \mathcal{F}$  under the Weil pairing, we have the derived height pairing  $h_{\mathbf{Z}/p^k\mathbf{Z}}$  on  $Y_{T_k}^{(r)} \times Y_{T_k}^{(r)}$  defined in §2.2. The constructions of  $Y_{T_k}^{(r)}$  and  $h_{\mathbf{Z}/p^k\mathbf{Z}}$  are clearly compatible with  $k$  under the quotient map  $\mathbf{Z}/p^{k+1}\mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}/p^k\mathbf{Z}$ . Taking the inverse limit over  $k$ , we let

$$Y_T^{(r)} := \varprojlim Y_{T_k}^{(r)}, \quad h^{(r)} := \varprojlim h_{\mathbf{Z}/p^k\mathbf{Z}}^{(r)}.$$

According to [How04, Lem. 4.1] there is canonical isomorphism

$$Y_T^{(1)} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathbf{Q}_p = \text{Sel}(K, V_p E),$$

and we let  $S_p^{(r)}(E/K)$  be subspace of  $\text{Sel}(K, V_p E)$  spanned by the image of  $Y_T^{(r)}$  under the above isomorphism. By definition  $S_p^{(1)}(E/K) = \text{Sel}(K, V_p E)$ . We thus obtain

$$h^{(r)} : S_p^{(r)}(E/K) \times S_p^{(r)}(E/K) \rightarrow J^r / J^{r+1} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathbf{Q}_p,$$

where  $J$  is the augmentation ideal of  $\Lambda = \mathbf{Z}_p[[\Gamma_\infty]]$ .

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $z, w \in S_p^{(r)}(E/K)$ . Suppose that there exist a global class  $\mathbf{z} \in \widehat{H}^1(K_\infty, T)$  and local classes  $\mathbf{w}_v \in \varprojlim_n H_{\text{fin}}^1(K_{n,v}, T)$  for every  $v \mid p$  such that  $\text{pr}_K(\mathbf{z}) = z$  and  $\text{pr}_{K_v}(\mathbf{w}_v) = \text{loc}_v(w)$ . Then*

$$h^{(r)}(z, w) = - \sum_{v \mid p} \langle \text{loc}_v(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_v \rangle_{K_{\infty, v}} \pmod{J^{r+1}}.$$

*Proof.* This follows from Proposition 2.1 and the fact that  $H^1(K_{n,v}, T) \otimes \mathbf{Q}_p = 0$  for every place  $v \nmid p$ .  $\square$

### 3. PERRIN-RIOU'S THEORY FOR LUBIN-TATE FORMAL GROUPS

3.1. The purpose of this section is to compute the derived  $p$ -adic heights via Perrin-Riou's big exponential maps. We begin with a review of the generalization of Perrin-Riou's theory to Lubin-Tate formal groups developed in [Kob18]. Throughout we fix a completed algebraic closure  $\mathbf{C}_p$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ . Let  $\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{ur}} \subset \mathbf{C}_p$  be the maximal unramified extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  and let  $\text{Fr} \in \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}/\mathbf{Q}_p)$  be the absolute Frobenius element. Let  $F$  be an unramified finite extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  and  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_F$ . Put

$$R := \mathcal{O}[[X]].$$

Let  $\mathcal{F} = \text{Spf } R$  be a relative Lubin-Tate formal group of height one defined over  $\mathcal{O}$ . For each  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ , set  $\mathcal{F}^{(n)} := \mathcal{F} \times_{\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}, \text{Fr}^{-n}} \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}$ . Let  $\varphi_{\mathcal{F}} \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}^{(-1)})$  be the Frobenius morphism. Then  $\varphi_{\mathcal{F}}$  induces a homomorphism  $\varphi_{\mathcal{F}} : R \rightarrow R$  defined by

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{F}}(f) := f^{\text{Fr}} \circ \varphi_{\mathcal{F}}.$$

Here  $f^{\text{Fr}}$  denotes the conjugate of  $f$  by  $\text{Fr}$ . Let  $\psi_{\mathcal{F}}$  be the left inverse of  $\varphi_{\mathcal{F}}$  satisfying  $\psi_{\mathcal{F}}\varphi_{\mathcal{F}}(f) = f$  and

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{F}}\psi_{\mathcal{F}}(f) = p^{-1} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{F}[p]} f(X \oplus_{\mathcal{F}} x).$$

Let  $F_\infty = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F(\mathcal{F}[p^n])$  be the Lubin-Tate  $\mathbf{Z}_p^\times$ -extension associated with the formal group  $\mathcal{F}$ . For  $n \geq 0$ , let  $F_n$  be the subfield of  $F_\infty$  with  $\text{Gal}(F_n/F) \simeq (\mathbf{Z}/p^{n+1}\mathbf{Z})^\times$  and set  $F_{-1} = F$ . Let  $G_\infty = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$ . There is a unique decomposition  $G_\infty = \Delta \times \Gamma_{\mathcal{F}}$ , where  $\Delta \simeq \text{Gal}(F_0/F)$  is the torsion subgroup of  $G_\infty$  and  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{F}} \simeq \mathbf{Z}_p$ . Let  $\varepsilon_{\mathcal{F}} : G_\infty \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{Z}_p^\times$  be the Lubin-Tate character. For  $a \in \mathbf{Z}_p^\times$ , there exists a unique formal power series  $[a](X) \in R$  such that

$$[a]^{\text{Fr}} \circ \varphi_{\mathcal{F}} = \varphi_{\mathcal{F}} \circ [a] \quad \text{and} \quad [a](X) \equiv aX \pmod{X^2}.$$

Then  $G_\infty$  acts on  $R$  by  $\sigma \cdot f(X) := f([\varepsilon_{\mathcal{F}}(\sigma)](X))$ . This makes  $R$  an  $\mathcal{O}[[G_\infty]]$ -module.

**Lemma 3.1.**  *$R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$  is free of rank one over  $\mathcal{O}[[G_\infty]]$ .*

*Proof.* This is a standard fact. See [Kob18, Prop. 5.4].  $\square$

Let  $L \subset \mathbf{C}_p$  be a finite extension over  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ . Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional  $L$ -vector space on which  $G_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$  acts as a continuous  $L$ -linear crystalline  $p$ -adic Galois representation. Let  $\mathbf{D}(V) = \mathbf{D}_{\text{cris}, \mathbf{Q}_p}(V)$  be the filtered  $\varphi$ -module associated with  $V$  over  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  and set

$$\mathcal{D}_\infty(V) := \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0} \simeq \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathcal{O}[[G_\infty]].$$

Let  $d : R \rightarrow \Omega_R$  be the standard derivation. Fixing an invariant differential form  $\omega_{\mathcal{F}} \in \Omega_R$ , we denote by  $\log_{\mathcal{F}} \in R \widehat{\otimes} \mathbf{Q}_p$  the logarithm associated with  $\omega_{\mathcal{F}}$  satisfying  $\log_{\mathcal{F}}(0) = 0$  and



$d\log_{\mathcal{F}} = \omega_{\mathcal{F}}$ , and define  $\partial: R \rightarrow R$  by  $df = \partial f \cdot \omega_{\mathcal{F}}$ . Let  $\epsilon = (\epsilon_n) \in T_p \mathcal{F} = \varprojlim_n \mathcal{F}^{(n+1)}[p^{n+1}]$  be a basis of the Tate module of  $\mathcal{F}$ , where the inverse limit is taken with respect to the maps  $\varphi^{\text{Fr}^{-(n+1)}}: \mathcal{F}^{(n+1)}[p^{n+1}] \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^{(n)}[p^n]$ . Following [Kob18, p. 42], to  $\epsilon$  and  $\omega_{\mathcal{F}}$  we associate the  $p$ -adic period  $t_{\epsilon} \in B_{\text{cris}}^+$  for  $\mathcal{F}$  as follows. For each  $n$ , there exists a unique isomorphism  $\varphi_n^b: \mathcal{F}^{(n)} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\varphi^{\text{Fr}^{-1}} \circ \dots \circ \varphi^{\text{Fr}^{-(n-1)}} \circ \varphi^{\text{Fr}^{-n}} = [p^n] \circ \varphi_n^b$ . Put  $w_n := \varphi_n^b(\epsilon_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{F}[p^n]$ . We have  $[p](w_n) = w_{n-1}$  by definition. Let  $A_{\text{inf}} = A_{\text{inf}}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/\mathcal{O}_F)$  and  $\theta: A_{\text{inf}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$  be the  $p$ -adic period ring and the canonical map defined in [Fon94, §1.2.2]. Then it is not difficult to show that there exists a unique sequence  $(\tilde{w}_n)$  in  $\mathcal{F}(A_{\text{inf}})$  such that  $[p](\tilde{w}_n) = \tilde{w}_{n-1}$  and  $\theta(\tilde{w}_n) = w_n$ . We set  $t_{\epsilon} := \log_{\mathcal{F}}(\tilde{w}_0) \in B_{\text{cris}}^+$ . This  $p$ -adic period  $t_{\epsilon}$  satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad \mathbf{D}_{\text{cris}, F}(\varepsilon_{\mathcal{F}}) = Ft_{\epsilon}^{-1}; \quad \varphi t_{\epsilon} = \varpi t_{\epsilon},$$

where  $\varpi$  is the uniformizer in  $F$  such that  $\varphi_{\mathcal{F}}^*(\omega_{\mathcal{F}}^{\text{Fr}}) = \varpi \cdot \omega_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

We shall fix an extension  $\check{\varepsilon}_{\mathcal{F}}: \text{Gal}(F_{\infty}/\mathbf{Q}_p) \rightarrow L^{\times}$  of the Lubin-Tate character  $\varepsilon_{\mathcal{F}}$ . For each  $j \in \mathbf{Z}$ , let  $V\langle j \rangle := V \otimes_L \check{\varepsilon}_{\mathcal{F}}^j$  denote the Lubin-Tate twist of  $V$ . By definition,  $\mathbf{D}_{\text{cris}, F}(V\langle j \rangle) = \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} Ft_{\epsilon}^{-j}$ . Define the derivation  $d_{\epsilon}: \mathcal{D}(V\langle j \rangle) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(V\langle j-1 \rangle)$  by

$$d_{\epsilon} f := \eta t_{\epsilon} \otimes \partial g, \quad f = \eta \otimes g \in \mathbf{D}_{\text{cris}, F}(V\langle j \rangle) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$$

and the map

$$\tilde{\Delta}: \mathcal{D}_{\infty}(V) \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{\mathbf{D}_{\text{cris}, F}(V\langle -j \rangle)}{1 - \varphi}, \quad f \mapsto (\partial^j f(0)t_{\epsilon}^j \pmod{(1 - \varphi)}).$$

*Remark 3.2.* When  $\mathcal{F} = \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m$ , we have  $F_{\infty} = F(\zeta_{p^{\infty}})$ , the  $p$ -adic cyclotomic character  $\varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}: G_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}$  is the corresponding Lubin-Tate character,  $\varphi_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m}(f) = f^{\text{Fr}}((1+X)^p - 1)$ , and  $\psi_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m}(f)$  is the unique power series such that

$$\varphi_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m} \psi_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m}(f) = p^{-1} \sum_{\zeta^p=1} f(\zeta(1+X) - 1).$$

If we take  $\omega_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m}$  to be  $(1+X)^{-1}dX$ , then  $\partial = (1+X)\frac{d}{dX}$  and  $\log_{\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m}$  is the usual logarithm  $\log(1+X)$ . We shall fix a sequence of  $p$ -power roots of unity  $\{\zeta_{p^n}\}_{n=1,2,3,\dots}$  with  $\zeta_p^p = 1$  and  $\zeta_{p^{n+1}}^p = \zeta_{p^n}$  and let  $t \in \mathbf{D}(V)$  be the  $p$ -adic period corresponding to  $(\zeta_{p^{n+1}} - 1) \in T_p \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m$ .

**3.2. Perrin-Riou's big exponential map and the Coleman map.** For a finite extension  $K$  over  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ , let

$$\exp_{K,V}: \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} K \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(K, V)$$

be Bloch-Kato's exponential map defined in [BK90, §3]. In this subsection, we recall the main properties of Perrin-Riou's big exponential map  $\Omega_{V,h}$  which interpolates  $\exp_{F,V\langle j \rangle}$  as  $j$  runs over non-negative integers  $j$ . We begin with some notation. Let  $V^* := \text{Hom}_L(V, L)(1)$  be the Kummer dual of  $V$  and denote by

$$[-, -]_V: \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes K \times \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes K \rightarrow K \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$$

be the  $K$ -linear pairing induced by the canonical pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\text{dR}}: \mathbf{D}(V^*) \times \mathbf{D}(V) \rightarrow L$ . Let  $\exp_{K,V}^*: \mathbf{H}^1(K, V) \rightarrow \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes K$  be the dual exponential map characterized uniquely by

$$\text{Tr}_{K/\mathbf{Q}_p}([x, \exp_{K,V}^*(y)]_V) = \langle \exp_{K,V^*}(x), y \rangle_V, \quad x \in \mathbf{H}^1(K, V^*), \quad y \in \mathbf{D}(V^*) \otimes K.$$

Choosing a  $G_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ -stable  $\mathcal{O}_L$ -lattice  $T$  inside  $V$ , we let

$$\widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(F_{\infty}, T) = \varprojlim_n \mathbf{H}^1(F_n, T); \quad \widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(F_{\infty}, V) = \widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(F_{\infty}, T) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathbf{Q}_p$$

be the Iwasawa cohomology  $\mathbf{Z}_p[[G_{\infty}]]$ -modules associated with  $V$ . We denote by

$$\text{Tw}_j: \widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(F_{\infty}, V) \simeq \widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(F_{\infty}, V\langle j \rangle)$$

the twisting map by  $\xi_{\mathcal{F}}^j$ . For a non-negative real number  $r$  and any subfield  $K$  in  $\mathbf{C}_p$ , we put

$$\mathcal{H}_{r,K}(X) = \left\{ \sum_{n \geq 0, \tau \in \Delta} c_{n,\tau} \cdot \tau \cdot X^n \in K[\Delta][[X]] \mid \sup_n |c_{n,\tau}|_p n^{-r} < \infty \text{ for all } \tau \in \Delta \right\},$$

where  $|\cdot|_p$  is the normalized absolute value of  $K$  with  $|p|_p = p^{-1}$ . Let  $\gamma$  be a topological generator of  $\Gamma_{\infty}^{\mathcal{F}}$ . Define  $\mathcal{H}_{r,K}(G_{\infty})$  to be the set of elements  $f(\gamma - 1)$  for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{r,K}(X)$ . By definition,  $\mathcal{H}_{0,K}(G_{\infty}) = \mathcal{O}_K[[G_{\infty}]] \otimes \mathbf{Q}_p$ . Put

$$\mathcal{H}_{\infty,K}(G_{\infty}) = \bigcup_{r \geq 0} \mathcal{H}_{r,K}(G_{\infty}).$$

For  $n \geq -1$ , we define a map

$$\Xi_{n,V} : \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_{\infty,F}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} F_n$$

by

$$\Xi_{n,V}(G) := \begin{cases} p^{-(n+1)} \varphi^{-(n+1)}(G^{\text{Fr}^{-(n+1)}}(\epsilon_n)) & \text{if } n \geq 0, \\ (1 - p^{-1} \varphi^{-1})(G(0)) & \text{if } n = -1. \end{cases}$$

In what follows, we let  $h$  be a positive integer such that  $\mathbf{D}(V) = \text{Fil}^{-h} \mathbf{D}(V)$  and assume that  $H^0(F_{\infty}, V) = 0$ . The following results on the construction of the big exponential maps and the explicit interpolation formulae are due to Perrin-Riou and Colmez in the case  $\mathcal{F} = \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m$  and extended by Kobayashi and Shaowei Zhang for relative Lubin-Tate formal groups of height one.

**Theorem 3.3** (Perrin-Riou, Colmez, Kobayashi, Shaowei Zhang). *Let  $\tilde{\Lambda} := \mathbf{Z}_p[[G_{\infty}]]$ . There exists the big exponential map*

$$\Omega_{V,h}^{\epsilon} : \mathcal{D}_{\infty}(V)^{\tilde{\Delta}=0} \longrightarrow \widehat{H}^1(F_{\infty}, T) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} \mathcal{H}_{\infty, \mathbf{Q}_p}(G_{\infty})$$

which is characterized by the following interpolation property:  $\Omega_{V,h}$  is a map of  $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -modules and for every  $g \in \mathcal{D}_{\infty}(V)^{\tilde{\Delta}=0}$  with  $j \geq 1 - h$ , we have

$$\text{pr}_{F_n}(\text{Tw}_j \circ \Omega_{V,h}^{\epsilon}(g)) = (-1)^{h+j-1} (h+j-1)! \cdot \exp_{F_n, V\langle j \rangle}(\Xi_{n, V\langle j \rangle}(d_{\epsilon}^{-j} G)) \in H^1(F_n, V\langle j \rangle),$$

while if  $j \leq -h$ , then

$$\exp_{F_n, V\langle j \rangle}^*(\text{pr}_{F_n}(\text{Tw}_j \circ \Omega_{V,h}^{\epsilon}(g))) = \frac{1}{(-h-j)!} \cdot \Xi_{n, V\langle j \rangle}(d_{\epsilon}^{-j} G) \in \mathbf{D}(V\langle j \rangle) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} F_n,$$

where  $G \in \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_{h,F}(X)$  is a solution of the equation

$$(1 - \varphi \otimes \varphi_{\mathcal{F}})G = g.$$

Moreover, if  $D_{[s]}$  is a  $\varphi$ -invariant  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ -subspace of  $\mathbf{D}(V)$  such that all eigenvalues of  $\varphi$  on  $D_{[s]}$  have the  $p$ -adic valuation  $s$ , then  $\Omega_{V,h}^{\epsilon}$  maps  $(D_{[s]} \otimes R^{\psi=0})^{\tilde{\Delta}=0}$  into  $\widehat{H}^1(F_{\infty}, T) \otimes_{\tilde{\Lambda}} \mathcal{H}_{s+h, \mathbf{Q}_p}(G_{\infty})$ .

*Proof.* In the case  $\mathcal{F} = \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m$ , the construction of the big exponential map  $\Omega_{V,h}$  and the interpolation at  $j \geq 1 - h$  are due to Perrin-Riou [PR94, §3.2.3 Théorème, §3.2.4 (i)] and interpolation formula at  $j \leq -h$  is a consequence of the *explicit reciprocity formula* proved by Colmez [Col98, THÉOREME IX.4.5] (c.f. [Ber03, Theorem II.10]). The ideas of Perrin-Riou and Colmez can be applied to general relative Lubin-Tate formal groups of height one with some necessary modifications. More details can be found in [Kob18, Appendix] for the construction of  $\Omega_{V,h}^{\epsilon}$  and the interpolation at  $j \geq 1 - h$  and [Zha04, Theorem 6.2] for the explicit reciprocity formula.  $\square$

To introduce the Coleman map, we further assume the following hypothesis:

$$(3.2) \quad \mathcal{D}_\infty(V)^{\tilde{\Delta}=0} = \mathcal{D}_\infty(V).$$

For simplicity, we shall write  $\mathcal{H}_K$  for  $\mathcal{H}_{\infty,K}(G_\infty)$  in the sequel. We let

$$[-, -]_V : \mathbf{D}(V^*) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_F \times \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_F \rightarrow L \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_F$$

be the pairing defined by  $[\eta_1 \otimes \lambda_1, \eta_2 \otimes \lambda_2]_V = \langle \eta_1, \eta_2 \rangle_{\text{dR}} \otimes \lambda_1 \lambda_2^t$  for all  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathcal{H}_F$ . To each  $e \in R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$  and a generator  $\epsilon$  of the Tate module of  $\mathcal{F}$ , we associate the unique  $\mathcal{O}_L[[G_\infty]]$ -linear Coleman map  $\text{Col}_e^\epsilon : \widehat{H}^1(F_\infty, V^*) \rightarrow \mathbf{D}(V^*) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_F$  which is characterized by

$$(3.3) \quad \text{Tr}_{F/\mathbf{Q}_p}([\text{Col}_e^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}), \eta]_V) = \langle \mathbf{z}, \Omega_{V,h}^\epsilon(\eta \otimes e) \rangle_{F_\infty} \in L \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$$

for all  $\eta \in \mathbf{D}(V)$ . Let  $\mathcal{Q}$  be the completion of  $\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}$  in  $\mathbf{C}_p$  and let  $\mathcal{W}$  be the ring of integers of  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Let  $F_n^{\text{ur}} := F_n \mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}$ . Let  $\sigma_0 \in \text{Gal}(F_\infty^{\text{ur}}/\mathbf{Q}_p)$  be an element such that  $\sigma_0|_{\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}} = \text{Fr}$  is the absolute Frobenius element. Fix an isomorphism  $\rho : \widehat{G}_m \simeq \mathcal{F}$  defined over  $\mathcal{W}$  and let  $\rho : \mathcal{W}[[T]] \simeq R \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{W}$  be the map defined by  $\rho(f) = f \circ \rho^{-1}$ . We have

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{F}} \circ \rho = \rho^{\text{Fr}} \circ \varphi_{\widehat{G}_m}.$$

Let  $e \in R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$  be a generator over  $\mathcal{O}[[G_\infty]]$  and write  $\rho(1+X) = h_e \cdot e$  for some  $h_e \in \mathcal{W}[[G_\infty]]$ . This implies that  $e(0) \in \mathcal{O}^\times$ . Now we fix  $\epsilon := (\epsilon_n)_{n=0,1,\dots}$  to be the generator of the Tate module of  $\mathcal{F}$  given by

$$\epsilon_n = \rho^{\text{Fr}^{-(n+1)}}(\zeta_{p^{n+1}} - 1) \in \mathcal{F}^{(n+1)}[p^{n+1}].$$

Put  $\widetilde{G}_\infty := \text{Gal}(F_\infty/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ . Let  $\eta \in \mathbf{D}(V)$  such that  $\varphi\eta = \alpha\eta$  of slope  $s$  (i.e.  $|\alpha|_p = p^{-s}$ ). For every  $\mathbf{z} \in \widehat{H}^1(F_\infty, V^*)$ , we define

$$\text{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z}) := \sum_{j=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \left[ \text{Col}_e^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}}), \eta \right] \cdot h_e \cdot \sigma_0^j \in \mathcal{H}_{s+h, L\mathcal{Q}}(\widetilde{G}_\infty).$$

Here  $[-, -] : \mathbf{D}(V^*) \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{Q}} \times \mathbf{D}(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{L\mathcal{Q}}$  is the image of  $[-, -]_V$  under the natural map  $L \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{Q}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{L\mathcal{Q}}$ . For any integer  $j$ , put

$$\mathbf{z}_{-j,n} := \text{pr}_{F_n}(\text{Tw}_{-j}(\mathbf{z})) \in H^1(F_n, V^*\langle -j \rangle).$$

For a finite order character  $\chi$  of  $\widetilde{G}_\infty$  and  $n \geq -1$ , we say  $\chi$  has conductor  $p^{n+1}$  if  $n$  is the smallest integer such that  $\chi$  factors through  $\text{Gal}(F_n/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *Suppose that  $\text{Fil}^{-1} \mathbf{D}(V) = \mathbf{D}(V)$  and  $h = 1$ . Let  $\psi$  be a  $p$ -adic character of  $\widetilde{G}_\infty$  such that  $\psi = \chi \tilde{\epsilon}_{\mathcal{F}}^j$  with  $\chi$  a finite order character of conductor  $p^{n+1}$ . If  $j < 0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z})(\psi) &= \frac{(-1)}{(-j-1)!} \\ &\times \begin{cases} \left[ \log_{F, V^*\langle -j \rangle} \mathbf{z}_{-j,n} \otimes t^{-j}, (1 - p^{j-1}\varphi^{-1})(1 - p^{-j}\varphi)^{-1}\eta \right] & \text{if } n = -1, \\ p^{(n+1)(j-1)} \tau(\psi) \sum_{\tau \in \text{Gal}(F_n/\mathbf{Q}_p)} \chi^{-1}(\tau) \left[ \log_{F_n, V^*\langle -j \rangle} \mathbf{z}_{-j,n}^\tau \otimes t^{-j}, \varphi^{-(n+1)}\eta \right] & \text{if } n \geq 0. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

If  $j \geq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z})(\psi) &= j!(-1)^j \\ &\times \begin{cases} \left[ \exp_{F, V^*\langle -j \rangle}^* \mathbf{z}_{-j,n} \otimes t^{-j}, (1 - p^{j-1}\varphi^{-1})(1 - p^{-j}\varphi)^{-1}\eta \right] & \text{if } n = -1, \\ p^{(n+1)(j-1)} \tau(\psi) \sum_{\tau \in \text{Gal}(F_n/\mathbf{Q}_p)} \chi^{-1}(\tau) \left[ \exp_{F_n, V^*\langle -j \rangle}^* \mathbf{z}_{-j,n}^\tau \otimes t^{-j}, \varphi^{-(n+1)}\eta \right] & \text{if } n \geq 0. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\tau(\psi)$  is the Gauss sum defined by

$$\tau(\psi) := \sum_{\tau \in \text{Gal}(F_n^{\text{ur}}/F^{\text{ur}})} \psi \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}^{-j}(\tau \sigma_0^{n+1}) \zeta_{p^{n+1}}^{\tau \sigma_0^{n+1}}.$$

*Proof.* This follows from the explicit reciprocity formula in Theorem 3.3 and the computation and in [Kob18, Thm. 5.10] (cf. [LZ14, Theorem 4.15]).  $\square$

**3.3. The derived  $p$ -adic heights and the Coleman map.** Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbf{Q}$  with good ordinary reduction at  $p$ . Let  $V = T_p E \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} L$ . We have  $\text{Fil}^{-1} \mathbf{D}(V) = \mathbf{D}(V)$  and  $V^* = V$ . Let  $\omega_E$  be the Néron differential of  $E$  regarded as an element in  $\mathbf{D}(\text{H}_{\text{et}}^1(E/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Q}_p))$  by the de Rham comparison. We fix an embedding  $\iota_p: \overline{\mathbf{Q}} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_p$  once and for all. For any number field  $H \subset \overline{\mathbf{Q}}$ , let  $\hat{H}$  be the completion of  $\iota_p(H)$  in  $\mathbf{C}_p$ . Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be the prime of  $K$  above  $p$  induced from  $\iota_p$ . We suppose that  $p = \mathfrak{p}\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$  is split in  $K$  throughout. Let  $K_\infty/K$  be the anticyclotomic  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension over  $K$ ,  $\Gamma_\infty := \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$  and  $\hat{\Gamma}_\infty = \text{Gal}(\hat{K}_\infty/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ . For any integer  $c$ , let  $H_c$  be the ring class field of  $K$  conductor  $c$ . Now we choose an integer  $c > 1$  prime to  $p$  and let  $F = \hat{H}_c$ . Let  $\xi \in K$  be a generator of  $\mathfrak{p}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]}$  and let  $F_\infty$  be the Lubin–Tate  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension over  $F$  associated with  $\xi/\bar{\xi}$ . By [Kob18, Prop. 3.7],  $F_\infty = \bigcup_{n=0}^\infty \hat{H}_{cp^n}$ , and hence  $F_\infty$  is a finite extension of  $\hat{K}_\infty$ . Moreover, the hypothesis (3.2) holds since  $\mathbf{D}(V)^{\varphi^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} = (\xi/\bar{\xi})^j} = \{0\}$  for any integer  $j$  by the facts that the  $\varphi$ -eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{D}(V)$  are  $p$ -Weil numbers while  $\xi/\bar{\xi}$  is a 1-Weil number. By Lemma 3.1,  $R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$  is a free  $\mathcal{O}_F[[G_\infty]]$ -module of rank one. Let  $e \in R^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$  be a generator such that  $e(0) = 1$ . Let  $\alpha_p \in \mathbf{Z}_p^\times$  be the  $p$ -adic unit eigenvalue of the Frobenius  $\varphi$  on  $\mathbf{D}(V)$ . We let  $\eta \in \mathbf{D}(V) = \mathbf{D}(\text{H}_{\text{et}}^1(E/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Q}_p)) \otimes \mathbf{D}(L(1))$  be a  $\varphi$ -eigenvector of slope  $-1$  such that

$$\varphi \eta = p^{-1} \alpha_p \cdot \eta; \quad \langle \eta, \omega_E \otimes t^{-1} \rangle_{\text{dR}} = 1.$$

Applying the big exponential map  $\Omega_{V,1}^\epsilon$  in Theorem 3.3, we define

$$(3.4) \quad \mathbf{w}^\eta = \Omega_{V,1}^\epsilon(\eta \otimes e) \in \hat{\mathbf{H}}^1(F_\infty, V).$$

The following lemma is a standard fact.

**Lemma 3.5.** *We have*

$$\text{pr}_F(\mathbf{w}^\eta) = \exp_{F,V} \left( \frac{1 - p^{-1} \varphi^{-1}}{1 - \varphi} \eta \right) \in \mathbf{H}^1(F, V).$$

*Proof.* Let  $g = \eta \otimes e$  and let  $G(X) \in \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes \mathcal{H}_{1,\mathbf{Q}}(X)$  such that  $(1 - \varphi \otimes \varphi_{\mathcal{F}})G = g$ . Then we have

$$G(\epsilon_0) = \eta \otimes e(\epsilon_0) - \eta + (1 - \varphi)^{-1} \eta.$$

The equation  $\psi_{\mathcal{F}} e(X) = 0$  implies

$$\sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{Fr}^{-1}}[p]} e^{\text{Fr}^{-1}}(X \oplus_{\mathcal{F}} \zeta) = 0.$$

It follows that

$$\text{Tr}_{F_0/F}(G^{\text{Fr}^{-1}}(\epsilon_0)) = \sum_{\tau \in \text{Gal}(F_0/F)} \eta \otimes e(\epsilon_0^\tau) - \eta + (1 - \varphi)^{-1} \eta = \frac{p\varphi - 1}{1 - \varphi} \eta,$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pr}_F(\mathbf{w}^\eta) &= \text{cor}_{F_0/F}(\Xi_{0,V}(G)) = \exp_{F,V} \text{Tr}_{F_0/F} \left( p^{-1} \varphi^{-1}(G^{\text{Fr}^{-1}}(\epsilon_0)) \right) \\ &= \exp_{F,V} \left( (1 - p^{-1} \varphi^{-1})(1 - \varphi)^{-1} \eta \right). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{cyc}}$  be the cyclotomic  $\mathbf{Z}_p^\times$ -extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ . Let  $\sigma_{\text{cyc}} \in \text{Gal}(F_\infty^{\text{ur}}/\mathbf{Q}_p)$  be the Frobenius such that  $\sigma_{\text{cyc}}|_{\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{cyc}}} = 1$  and  $\sigma_{\text{cyc}}|_{\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}} = \text{Fr}$ . For each  $\mathbf{z} \in \widehat{\mathbf{H}}^1(\widehat{K}_\infty, V)$ , we have*

$$\langle \mathbf{z}, \text{cor}_{F_\infty/\widehat{K}_\infty}(\mathbf{w}^\eta) \rangle_{\widehat{K}_\infty} = \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_\infty}(\text{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z})) \sum_{i=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \frac{\sigma_{\text{cyc}}^i|_{\widehat{K}_\infty}}{[F_\infty : \widehat{K}_\infty] \cdot h_e^{\text{Fr}^i}} \in \mathcal{W}[\widehat{\Gamma}_\infty] \otimes \mathbf{Q}_p.$$

*Proof.* We first recall that for every  $e \in (R \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{W})^{\psi_{\mathcal{F}}=0}$ , the big exponential map  $\Omega_{V,1}^\epsilon(\eta \otimes e)$  in Theorem 3.3 is given by

$$\Omega_{V,1}^\epsilon(\eta \otimes e) = (\exp_{F_n, V}(\Xi_{n, V}(G_e)))_{n=0,1,2,\dots},$$

where  $G_e \in \mathbf{D}(V) \otimes \mathcal{H}_{1, \mathcal{Q}}(X)$  is a solution of  $(1 - \varphi \otimes \varphi_{\mathcal{F}})G_e = \eta \otimes e$ . By the definition of  $G_e$ , we verify that

$$\begin{aligned} \Xi_{n, V}(G_e) &= p^{-(n+1)}(\varphi^{-(n+1)} \otimes 1)G_e^{\text{Fr}^{-(n+1)}}(\epsilon_n) \\ (3.5) \quad &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (p\varphi)^{-(n+1)} \varphi^m \eta \otimes e^{\text{Fr}^{m-(n+1)}}(\epsilon_{n-m}) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{n+1} (p\varphi)^{-(n+1)} \varphi^m \eta \otimes e^{\text{Fr}^{m-(n+1)}}(\epsilon_{n-m}) + p^{-(n+1)}(1 - \varphi \otimes \text{Fr})^{-1}(\eta \otimes e(0)). \end{aligned}$$

Put  $z_n = \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\mathbf{z})$  and  $\widehat{G}_n := \text{Gal}(F_n/F)$ . Following the computation in [Kob18, Thm. 5.10], we find that  $\left[ \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\text{Col}_e^\epsilon(\mathbf{z})), \eta \right]$  is given by

$$(3.6) \quad \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{\gamma \in \widehat{G}_n} \exp_{\widehat{K}_n, V}^*(z_n^{\gamma^{-1}\sigma_0^{n+1-m}}) \gamma, \sum_{\tau \in \widehat{G}_n} (p\varphi)^{-(n+1)} \varphi^m \eta \otimes e^{\text{Fr}^{m-(n+1)}}(\epsilon_{n-m})^{\tau\sigma_0^{n+1-m}} \tau|_{\widehat{K}_n} \right].$$

On the other hand,

$$\text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\langle \mathbf{z}, \text{cor}_{F_\infty/\widehat{K}_\infty}(\mathbf{w}^\eta) \rangle_{\widehat{K}_\infty}) = \frac{1}{[F_\infty : \widehat{K}_\infty]} \sum_{j=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\langle \mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}}, \mathbf{w}^\eta \rangle_{F_\infty}) \sigma_0^j|_{\widehat{K}_\infty},$$

and  $\text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\langle \mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}}, \mathbf{w}^\eta \rangle_{F_\infty})$  equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\gamma \in \widehat{G}_n} \langle z_n^{\sigma_0^{-j}\gamma^{-1}}, \exp_{F_n, V}(\Xi_{n, V}(G_e))_{F_n} \gamma|_{\widehat{K}_\infty} \rangle = \text{Tr}_{F_n/\mathbf{Q}_p} \left( \left[ \sum_{\gamma \in \widehat{G}_n} \exp_{\widehat{K}_n, V}^*(z_n^{\sigma_0^{-j}\gamma^{-1}}) \gamma|_{\widehat{K}_\infty}, \Xi_{n, V}(G_e) \right]_V \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \left[ \sum_{\gamma \in \widehat{G}_n} \exp_{\widehat{K}_n, V}^*(z_n^{\gamma^{-1}\sigma_0^{i-j+n+1-m}}) \gamma, \sum_{\tau \in \widehat{G}_n} (p\varphi)^{-(n+1)} \varphi^m \eta \otimes e^{\text{Fr}^{m-(n+1)}}(\epsilon_{n-m})^{\tau\sigma_0^{i+n+1-m}} \tau|_{\widehat{K}_n} \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \left[ \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\text{Col}_e^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}})^{\sigma_0^i}), \eta \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It follows immediately that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.7) \quad \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\langle \mathbf{z}, \text{cor}_{F_\infty/\widehat{K}_\infty}(\mathbf{w}^\eta) \rangle_{\widehat{K}_\infty}) &= \frac{1}{[F_\infty : \widehat{K}_\infty]} \sum_{j=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \sum_{i=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \left[ \text{pr}_{\widehat{K}_n}(\text{Col}_e^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}})^{\sigma_0^i}), \eta \right] \sigma_0^j \\ &= \frac{1}{[F_\infty : \widehat{K}_\infty]} \sum_{i=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} (\text{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z}))^{\sigma_0^i} \cdot \frac{1}{h_e^{\sigma_0^i}}. \end{aligned}$$

By definition,

$$\mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=1}^{[F:\mathbf{Q}_p]} \left[ \mathrm{Col}_{g_\rho}^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}}), \eta \right] \sigma_0^j$$

with  $g_\rho = \rho(1+X)$ . From (3.6) with  $e = g_\rho$  and the fact that  $g_\rho^{\sigma_0^{m-n-1}}(\epsilon_{n-m}) = \zeta_{p^{n+1-m}} \in \mathbf{Q}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}$ , we deduce that

$$\left[ \mathrm{Col}_{g_\rho}^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j}})^{\sigma_0^i}, \eta \right] = \left[ \mathrm{Col}_{g_\rho}^\epsilon(\mathbf{z}^{\sigma_0^{-j} \sigma_{\mathrm{cyc}}^i}), \eta \right],$$

so  $(\mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z}))^{\sigma_0^i} = \mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z}) \cdot \sigma_{\mathrm{cyc}}^i$ . Now the lemma follows from (3.7).  $\square$

Now we give a formula of the derived  $p$ -adic heights over  $K_\infty$  in terms of the Coleman map over  $F_\infty$ . For every prime  $v$  of  $K$  above  $p$ , let  $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{fin}}^1(K_v, V)$  be the Bloch–Kato *finite* subspace of  $\mathrm{H}^1(K_v, V)$  and set

$$(3.8) \quad \log_{\omega_{E,v}} = \langle \log_{K_v, V}(-), \omega_E \otimes t^{-1} \rangle_{\mathrm{dR}} : \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{fin}}^1(K_v, V) \longrightarrow L.$$

Since  $p$  is of good reduction for  $E$ , we have  $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{exp}}^1(K_v, V) = \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{fin}}^1(K_v, V)$  by [BK90, Cor. 3,8,4], where  $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{exp}}^1(K_v, V) \subset \mathrm{H}^1(K_v, V)$  is the image of  $\exp_{K_v, V}$ . To simplify the notation, we write  $\mathrm{Col}^\eta(-)$  for  $\mathrm{pr}_{\hat{K}_\infty}(\mathrm{Col}^\eta(-))$  in what follows.

**Proposition 3.7.** *Let  $z, x \in S_p^{(r)}(E/K) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$ . Suppose that there exists  $\mathbf{z} \in \hat{\mathrm{H}}^1(K_\infty, V)$  such that  $\mathrm{pr}_K(\mathbf{z}) = z$  and that  $\mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathrm{loc}_v(\mathbf{z})) \in J^r \mathcal{W}[\hat{\Gamma}_\infty] \otimes \mathbf{Q}_p$  for some  $v \in \{\mathfrak{p}, \bar{\mathfrak{p}}\}$ . Then we have the  $p$ -adic height formula*

$$h^{(r)}(z, x) = -\frac{1-p^{-1}\alpha_p}{1-\alpha_p^{-1}} \cdot \frac{1}{[F_\infty : \hat{K}_\infty]} \\ \times (\log_{\omega_{E,\mathfrak{p}}}(x) \mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathrm{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\mathbf{z})) + \log_{\omega_{E,\bar{\mathfrak{p}}}(\bar{x})} \mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathrm{loc}_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}}(\bar{\mathbf{z}}))) \pmod{J^{r+1} \mathcal{W}[\hat{\Gamma}_\infty] \otimes \mathbf{Q}_p}.$$

Here  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{z}}$  are the complex conjugates of  $x$  and  $\mathbf{z}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{w}_p := \mathrm{cor}_{F_\infty/\hat{K}_\infty}(\mathbf{w}^\eta) \in \hat{\mathrm{H}}_{\mathrm{fin}}^1(\hat{K}_\infty, V)$ . Since  $\dim_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{fin}}^1(\mathbf{Q}_p, V) = 1$ , we can write

$$\mathrm{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(x) = c \cdot \mathrm{pr}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}(\mathbf{w}_p) = c \cdot \mathrm{cor}_{F/\mathbf{Q}_p}(\mathrm{pr}_F(\mathbf{w}^\eta))$$

for some  $c \in \mathbf{Q}_p$ . By Lemma 3.5,

$$\langle \log_{\mathbf{Q}_p, V}(\mathrm{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(x)), \omega_E \otimes t^{-1} \rangle_{\mathrm{dR}} = c[F : \mathbf{Q}_p] \cdot \left\langle \frac{1-p^{-1}\varphi^{-1}}{1-\varphi} \eta, \omega_E \otimes t^{-1} \right\rangle_{\mathrm{dR}}.$$

Since  $\varphi\eta = p^{-1}\alpha_p\eta$ , this shows that

$$c = \frac{1-p^{-1}\alpha_p}{1-\alpha_p^{-1}} \cdot [F : \mathbf{Q}_p]^{-1} \cdot \log_{\omega_{E,\mathfrak{p}}}(x).$$

Applying Corollary 2.2, we find that that

$$h^{(r)}(z, x) = -(1-p^{-1}\alpha_p)(1-\alpha_p^{-1})^{-1} [F : \mathbf{Q}_p]^{-1} \\ \times \left( \log_{\omega_{E,\mathfrak{p}}}(x) \cdot \langle \mathrm{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_p \rangle_{\hat{K}_\infty} + \log_{\omega_{E,\bar{\mathfrak{p}}}(\bar{x})} \cdot \langle \mathrm{loc}_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}}(\bar{\mathbf{z}}), \mathbf{w}_p \rangle_{\hat{K}_\infty} \right) \pmod{J^{r+1}}.$$

Since  $\rho(1+X) = h_e \cdot e$  and  $e(0) = 1$ , we find that  $1 = e(0) \cdot (h_e|_{\gamma=1})$  and hence  $h_e \equiv 1 \pmod{J}$ . The assertion follows from the above equation and Lemma 3.6.  $\square$

#### 4. EULER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION OF THETA ELEMENTS

In this section we prove Theorem 4.7, recovering the square-root anticyclotomic  $p$ -adic  $L$ -functions of Bertolini–Darmon [BD96] (in the definite case) as the image of a  $p$ -adic family of the diagonal cycles of Darmon–Rotger [DR17a] via Perrin-Riou’s exponential map for a certain Lubin–Tate  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension.

**4.1. Ordinary  $\mathbb{I}$ -adic forms.** Fix a prime  $p > 2$ . Let  $\mathbb{I}$  be a normal domain finite flat over  $\Lambda := \mathcal{O}[[1 + p\mathbf{Z}_p]]$ , where  $\mathcal{O}$  is the ring of integers of a finite extension  $L/\mathbf{Q}_p$ . We say that a point  $x \in \text{Spec } \mathbb{I}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p)$  is *locally algebraic* if its restriction to  $1 + p\mathbf{Z}_p$  is given by  $x(\gamma) = \gamma^{k_x} \epsilon_x(\gamma)$  for some integer  $k_x$ , called the *weight* of  $x$ , and some finite order character  $\epsilon_x : 1 + p\mathbf{Z}_p \rightarrow \mu_{p^\infty}$ ; we say that  $x$  is *arithmetic* if it has weight  $k_x \geq 2$ . Let  $\mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}}^+$  be the set of arithmetic points.

Fix a positive integer  $N$  prime to  $p$ , and let  $\chi : (\mathbf{Z}/Np\mathbf{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^\times$  be a Dirichlet character modulo  $Np$ . Let  $S^o(N, \chi, \mathbb{I})$  be the space of *ordinary  $\mathbb{I}$ -adic cusp forms* of tame level  $N$  and branch character  $\chi$ , consisting of formal power series

$$\mathbf{f}(q) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(\mathbf{f})q^n \in \mathbb{I}[[q]]$$

such that for every  $x \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}}^+$  the specialization  $\mathbf{f}_x(q)$  is the  $q$ -expansion of a  $p$ -ordinary cusp form  $\mathbf{f}_x \in S_{k_x}(Np^{r_x+1}, \chi\omega^{2-k_x}\epsilon_x)$ . Here  $r_x \geq 0$  is such that  $\epsilon_x(1+p)$  has exact order  $p^{r_x}$ , and  $\omega : (\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mu_{p-1}$  is the Teichmüller character.

We say that  $\mathbf{f} \in S^o(N, \chi, \mathbb{I})$  is a *primitive Hida family* if for every  $x \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}}^+$  we have that  $\mathbf{f}_x$  is an ordinary  $p$ -stabilized newform (in the sense of [Hsi17, Def. 2.4]) of tame level  $N$ . Given a primitive Hida family  $\mathbf{f} \in S^o(N, \chi, \mathbb{I})$ , and writing  $\chi = \chi'\chi_p$  with  $\chi'$  (resp.  $\chi_p$ ) a Dirichlet character modulo  $N$  (resp.  $p$ ), there is a primitive  $\mathbf{f}^\iota \in S^o(N, \chi_p\bar{\chi}', \mathbb{I})$  with Fourier coefficients

$$a_\ell(\mathbf{f}^\iota) = \begin{cases} \bar{\chi}'(\ell)a_\ell(\mathbf{f}) & \text{if } \ell \nmid N, \\ a_\ell(\mathbf{f})^{-1}\chi_p\omega^2(\ell)\langle \ell \rangle_{\mathbb{I}}\ell^{-1} & \text{if } \ell \mid N, \end{cases}$$

having the property for every  $x \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}}^+$  the specialization  $\mathbf{f}_x^\iota$  is the  $p$ -stabilized newform attached to the character twist  $\mathbf{f}_x \otimes \bar{\chi}'$ .

By [Hid86] (cf. [Wil88, Thm. 2.2.1]), attached to every primitive Hida family  $\mathbf{f} \in S^o(N, \chi, \mathbb{I})$  there is a continuous  $\mathbb{I}$ -adic representation  $\rho_{\mathbf{f}} : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\text{Frac } \mathbb{I})$  which is unramified outside  $Np$ , and such that for every prime  $\ell \nmid Np$ ,

$$\text{tr } \rho_{\mathbf{f}}(\text{Frob}_\ell) = a_\ell(\mathbf{f}), \quad \det \rho_{\mathbf{f}}(\text{Frob}_\ell) = \chi\omega^2(\ell)\langle \ell \rangle_{\mathbb{I}}\ell^{-1},$$

where  $\langle \ell \rangle \in \mathbb{I}^\times$  is the image of  $\ell\omega^{-1}(\ell)$  under the natural map  $1 + p\mathbf{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{O}[[1 + p\mathbf{Z}_p]]^\times = \Lambda^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{I}^\times$ . In particular, letting  $\langle \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}} \rangle_{\mathbb{I}} : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}^\times$  be defined by  $\langle \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}} \rangle_{\mathbb{I}}(\sigma) = \langle \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}(\sigma) \rangle_{\mathbb{I}}$ , it follows that  $\rho_{\mathbf{f}}$  has determinant  $\chi_{\mathbb{I}}^{-1}\varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}^{-1}$ , where  $\chi_{\mathbb{I}} : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}^\times$  is given by  $\chi_{\mathbb{I}} := \sigma_\chi \langle \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}} \rangle_{\mathbb{I}}^{-2} \langle \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}} \rangle_{\mathbb{I}}$  with  $\sigma_\chi$  the Galois character sending  $\text{Frob}_\ell \mapsto \chi(\ell)^{-1}$ . Moreover, by [Wil88, Thm. 2.2.2] the restriction of  $\rho_{\mathbf{f}}$  to  $G_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$  is given by

$$(4.1) \quad \rho_{\mathbf{f}}|_{G_{\mathbf{Q}_p}} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\mathbf{f}} & * \\ 0 & \psi_{\mathbf{f}}^{-1}\chi_{\mathbb{I}}^{-1}\varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\psi_{\mathbf{f}} : G_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}^\times$  is the unramified character with  $\psi_{\mathbf{f}}(\text{Frob}_p) = a_p(\mathbf{f})$ .

**4.2. Triple product  $p$ -adic  $L$ -function.** Let

$$(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}) \in S^o(N_{\mathbf{f}}, \chi_{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{f}}) \times S^o(N_{\mathbf{g}}, \chi_{\mathbf{g}}, \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{g}}) \times S^o(N_{\mathbf{h}}, \chi_{\mathbf{h}}, \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{h}})$$

be a triple of primitive Hida families. Set

$$\mathcal{R} := \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{f}} \hat{\otimes}_{\mathcal{O}} \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{g}} \hat{\otimes}_{\mathcal{O}} \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{h}},$$

which is a finite extension of the three-variable Iwasawa algebra  $\mathcal{R}_0 := \Lambda \hat{\otimes}_{\mathcal{O}} \Lambda \hat{\otimes}_{\mathcal{O}} \Lambda$ , and define the weight space  $\mathfrak{X}_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathbf{f}}$  for the triple  $(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  in the  $\mathbf{f}$ -dominated *unbalanced range* by

$$(4.2) \quad \mathfrak{X}_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathbf{f}} := \left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{f}}}^+ \times \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{g}}}^{\text{cls}} \times \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{h}}}^{\text{cls}} : k_x \geq k_y + k_z \text{ and } k_x \equiv k_y + k_z \pmod{2} \right\},$$

where  $\mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{g}}}^{\text{cls}} \supset \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{g}}}^+$  (and similarly  $\mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{h}}}^{\text{cls}}$ ) is the set of locally algebraic points in  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{I}_{\mathbf{g}}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p)$  for which  $\mathbf{g}_x(q)$  is the  $q$ -expansion of a classical modular form.

For  $\phi \in \{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}\}$  and a positive integer  $N$  prime to  $p$  and divisible by  $N_\phi$ , define the space of  $\Lambda$ -adic test vectors  $S^o(N, \chi_\phi, \mathbb{I}_\phi)[\phi]$  to be the  $\mathbb{I}_\phi$ -submodule of  $S^o(N, \chi_\phi, \mathbb{I}_\phi)$  generated by  $\{\phi(q^d)\}$ , as  $d$  ranges over the positive divisors of  $N/N_\phi$ .

For the next result, set  $N := \text{lcm}(N_{\mathbf{f}}, N_{\mathbf{g}}, N_{\mathbf{h}})$ , and consider the following hypothesis:

( $\Sigma^-$ ) for some  $(x, y, z) \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathbf{f}}$ , we have  $\varepsilon_q(\mathbf{f}_x^o, \mathbf{g}_y^o, \mathbf{h}_z^o) = +1$  for all  $q \mid N$ .

Here  $\varepsilon_q(\mathbf{f}_x^o, \mathbf{g}_y^o, \mathbf{h}_z^o)$  denotes the local root number of the Kummer self-dual twist of the Galois representations attached to the newforms  $\mathbf{f}_x^o$ ,  $\mathbf{g}_y^o$ , and  $\mathbf{h}_z^o$  corresponding to  $\mathbf{f}_x$ ,  $\mathbf{g}_y$ , and  $\mathbf{h}_z$ , respectively.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Assume that the residual representation  $\bar{\rho}_{\mathbf{f}}$  satisfies*

(CR)  $\bar{\rho}_{\mathbf{f}}$  is absolutely irreducible and  $p$ -distinguished,

and that, in addition to ( $\Sigma^-$ ), the triple  $(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  satisfies

(ev)  $\chi_{\mathbf{f}}\chi_{\mathbf{g}}\chi_{\mathbf{h}} = \omega^{2a}$  for some  $a \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,

(sq)  $\text{gcd}(N_{\mathbf{f}}, N_{\mathbf{g}}, N_{\mathbf{h}})$  is square-free.

Then there exist  $\Lambda$ -adic test vectors  $(\check{\mathbf{f}}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*)$  and an element

$$\mathcal{L}_p^{\mathbf{f}}(\check{\mathbf{f}}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*) \in \mathcal{R}$$

such that for all  $(x, y, z) \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathbf{f}}$  of weight  $(k, \ell, m)$ :

$$\nu_{(x,y,z)}(\mathcal{L}_p^{\mathbf{f}}(\check{\mathbf{f}}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*)^2) = \frac{\Gamma(k, \ell, m)}{2^{\alpha(k, \ell, m)}} \cdot \frac{\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{f}_x, \mathbf{g}_y, \mathbf{h}_z)^2}{\mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{f}_x)^2 \cdot \mathcal{E}_1(\mathbf{f}_x)^2} \cdot \prod_{q \mid N} c_q \cdot \frac{L(c, \mathbf{f}_x^o, \mathbf{g}_y^o, \mathbf{h}_z^o)}{\pi^{2(k-2)} \cdot \|\mathbf{f}_x^o\|^2},$$

where:

- $c = (k + \ell + m - 2)/2$ ,
- $\Gamma(k, \ell, m) = (c - 1)! \cdot (c - m)! \cdot (c - \ell)! \cdot (c + 1 - \ell - m)!$ ,
- $\alpha(k, \ell, m) \in \mathcal{R}$  is a linear form in the variables  $k, \ell, m$ ,
- $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{f}_x, \mathbf{g}_y, \mathbf{h}_z) = (1 - \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{f}_x} \alpha_{\mathbf{g}_y} \alpha_{\mathbf{h}_z}}{p^c})(1 - \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{f}_x} \beta_{\mathbf{g}_y} \alpha_{\mathbf{h}_z}}{p^c})(1 - \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{f}_x} \alpha_{\mathbf{g}_y} \beta_{\mathbf{h}_z}}{p^c})(1 - \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{f}_x} \beta_{\mathbf{g}_y} \beta_{\mathbf{h}_z}}{p^c})$ ,
- $\mathcal{E}_0(\mathbf{f}_x) = (1 - \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{f}_x}}{\alpha_{\mathbf{f}_x}})$ ,  $\mathcal{E}_1(\mathbf{f}_x) = (1 - \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{f}_x}}{p\alpha_{\mathbf{f}_x}})$ ,

and  $\|\mathbf{f}_x^o\|^2$  is the Petersson norm of  $\mathbf{f}_x^o$  on  $\Gamma_0(N_{\mathbf{f}})$ .

*Proof.* See [Hsi17, Thm. A]. More specifically, the construction of  $\mathcal{L}_p^{\mathbf{f}}(\check{\mathbf{f}}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*)$  under hypotheses (CR), (ev), and (sq) is given in [Hsi17, §3.6] (where it is denoted  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{F}}^{\mathbf{f}}$ ), and the proof of its interpolation property assuming ( $\Sigma^-$ ) is contained in [Hsi17, §7].  $\square$

**4.3. Triple tensor product of big Galois representations.** Let  $(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  be a triple of primitive Hida families with  $\chi_{\mathbf{f}}\chi_{\mathbf{g}}\chi_{\mathbf{h}} = \omega^{2a}$  for some  $a \in \mathbf{Z}$ . For  $\phi \in \{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}\}$ , let  $V_\phi$  be the natural lattice in  $(\text{Frac } \mathbb{I}_\phi)^2$  realizing the Galois representation  $\rho_\phi$  in the étale cohomology of modular curves (see [Oht00]), and set

$$\mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{fgh}} := V_{\mathbf{f}} \hat{\otimes}_{\mathcal{O}} V_{\mathbf{g}} \hat{\otimes}_{\mathcal{O}} V_{\mathbf{h}}.$$

This has rank 8 over  $\mathcal{R}$ , and by hypothesis its determinant can be written as  $\det \mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{fgh}} = \mathcal{X}^2 \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}$  for a  $p$ -ramified Galois character  $\mathcal{X}$  taking the value  $(-1)^a$  on complex conjugation. Similarly as in [How07, Def. 2.1.3], we then define the *critical twist*

$$\mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{fgh}}^\dagger := \mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{fgh}} \otimes \mathcal{X}^{-1}.$$

More generally, for any multiple  $N$  of  $N_\phi$  one can define Galois modules  $V_\phi(N)$  by working in tame level  $N$ ; these split non-canonically into a finite direct sum of the  $\mathbb{I}_\phi$ -adic representations  $V_\phi$  (see [DR17a, §1.5.3]), and they define  $\mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{fgh}}^\dagger(N)$  for any  $N$  divisible by  $\text{lcm}(N_{\mathbf{f}}, N_{\mathbf{g}}, N_{\mathbf{h}})$ .



If  $f$  is a classical specialization of  $\mathbf{f}$  with associated  $p$ -adic Galois representation  $V_f$ , we let  $\mathbb{V}_{f,gh}$  be the quotient of  $\mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{f}gh}$  given by

$$\mathbb{V}_{f,gh} := V_f \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} V_g \hat{\otimes}_{\mathbb{I}} V_h.$$

Denote by  $\mathbb{V}_{f,gh}^\dagger$  the corresponding quotient of  $\mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{f}gh}^\dagger$ , and by  $\mathbb{V}_{f,gh}^\dagger(N)$  its level  $N$  counterparts.

**4.4. Theta elements and factorization.** We recall the factorization proven in [Hsi17, §8]. Let  $f \in S_2(pN_f)$  be a  $p$ -stabilized newform of tame level  $N_f$  defined over  $\mathcal{O}$ , let  $f^\circ \in S_2(N_f)$  be the associated newform, and let  $\alpha_p = \alpha_p(f) \in \mathcal{O}^\times$  be the  $U_p$ -eigenvalue of  $f$ . Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant prime  $D_K$ . Write

$$N_f = N^+ N^-$$

with  $N^+$  (resp.  $N^-$ ) divisible only by primes which are split (resp. inert or ramified) in  $K$ , and choose an ideal  $\mathfrak{N}^+ \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  with  $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{N}^+ = \mathbf{Z}/N^+\mathbf{Z}$ .

Although Theorem 4.2 below is also available without this condition, we assume that  $p\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{p}\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$  splits in  $K$ , with  $\mathfrak{p}$  the prime of  $K$  above  $p$  induced by our fixed embedding  $\bar{\mathbf{Q}} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C} \simeq \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_p$ . Let  $\Gamma_\infty = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$  be the Galois group of the anticyclotomic  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension of  $K$ , fix a topological generator  $\gamma \in \Gamma_\infty$ , and identify  $\mathcal{O}[[\Gamma_\infty]]$  with the one-variable power series ring  $\mathcal{O}[[T]]$  via  $\gamma \mapsto 1 + T$ . For any prime-to- $p$  ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $K$ , let  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}$  be the image of  $\mathfrak{a}$  in the Galois group of the ray class field  $K(p^\infty)/K$  of conductor  $p^\infty$  under the *geometrically* normalized reciprocity law map.

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $\chi$  be a ring class character of  $K$  of conductor  $c\mathcal{O}_K$  with values in  $\mathcal{O}$ , and assume that:*

- (i)  $(pN_f, cD_K) = 1$ ,
- (ii)  $N^-$  is the square-free product of an odd number of primes,
- (iii)  $\bar{\rho}_f$  is absolutely irreducible and  $p$ -distinguished,
- (iv) if  $q \mid N^-$  is a prime with  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , then  $\bar{\rho}_f$  is ramified at  $q$ .

*There exists a unique element  $\Theta_{f/K,\chi}(T) \in \mathcal{O}[[T]]$  such that for every  $p$ -power root of unity  $\zeta \in \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_p$ :*

$$\Theta_{f/K,\chi}(\zeta - 1)^2 = \frac{p^n}{\alpha_p^{2n}} \cdot \mathcal{E}_p(f, \chi, \zeta)^2 \cdot \frac{L(f^\circ/K \otimes \chi^{\epsilon_\zeta}, 1)}{(2\pi)^2 \cdot \Omega_{f^\circ, N^-}} \cdot u_K^2 \sqrt{D_K} \chi^{\epsilon_\zeta}(\sigma_{\mathfrak{N}^+}) \cdot \varepsilon_p,$$

where:

- $n \geq 0$  is such that  $\zeta$  has exact order  $p^n$ ,
- $\epsilon_\zeta : \Gamma_\infty \rightarrow \mu_{p^\infty}$  be the character defined by  $\epsilon_\zeta(\gamma) = \zeta$ ,
- $\mathcal{E}_p(f, \chi, \zeta) = \begin{cases} (1 - \alpha_p^{-1}\chi(\mathfrak{p}))(1 - \alpha_p\chi(\bar{\mathfrak{p}})) & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } n > 0, \end{cases}$
- $\Omega_{f^\circ, N^-} = 4 \cdot \|f^\circ\|_{\Gamma_0(N_{f^\circ})}^2 \cdot \eta_{f^\circ, N^-}^{-1}$  is the Gross period of  $f^\circ$ ,
- $\sigma_{\mathfrak{N}^+} \in \Gamma_\infty$  is the image of  $\mathfrak{N}^+$  under the geometrically normalized Artin's reciprocity map,
- $u_K = |\mathcal{O}_K^\times|/2$ , and  $\varepsilon_p \in \{\pm 1\}$  is the local root number of  $f^\circ$  at  $p$ .

*Proof.* See [BD96] for the first construction, and [CH18, Thm. A] for the stated interpolation property.  $\square$

When  $\chi$  is the trivial character, we write  $\Theta_{f/K,\chi}(T)$  simply as  $\Theta_{f/K}(T)$ . Suppose now that  $f$  is the specialization of a primitive Hida family  $\mathbf{f} \in S^o(N_f, \mathbb{I})$  with branch character  $\chi_{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{1}$  at an arithmetic point  $x_1 \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}}^+$  of weight 2. Let  $\ell \nmid pN_f$  be a prime split in  $K$ , let  $\chi$  be a ring class character of  $K$  of conductor  $\ell^m \mathcal{O}_K$  for some even  $m > 0$ . Set  $C = D_K \ell^{2m}$  and let

$$\mathbf{g} = \theta_\chi(S_2) \in S^o(C, \omega^{-1} \eta_{K/\mathbf{Q}}, \mathcal{O}[[S_2]]), \quad \mathbf{h} = \theta_{\chi^{-1}}(S_3) \in S^o(C, \omega^{-1} \eta_{K/\mathbf{Q}}, \mathcal{O}[[S_3]])$$

be the primitive CM Hida families constructed in [Hsi17, §8.3], where  $\eta_{K/\mathbf{Q}}$  is the quadratic character associated to  $K$ . The  $p$ -adic triple product  $L$ -function of Theorem 4.1 for this triple  $(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  is an element in  $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{I}[[S_2, S_3]]$ ; in the following we let

$$\mathcal{L}_p^f(\check{\mathbf{f}}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^* \check{\mathbf{h}}^*) \in \mathcal{O}[[S]]$$

denote the restriction to the ‘‘line’’  $S = S_2 = S_3$  of its image under the specialization map at  $x_1$ .

Let  $\mathbb{K}_\infty$  be the  $\mathbf{Z}_p^2$ -extension of  $K$ , and let  $K_{\mathfrak{p}\infty}$  denote the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -ramified  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -extension in  $\mathbb{K}_\infty$ , with Galois group  $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}\infty} = \text{Gal}(K_{\mathfrak{p}\infty}/K)$ . Let  $\gamma_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{p}\infty}$  be a topological generator, and for each variable  $T$  let  $\Psi_T : \text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}_\infty/K) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}[[T]]^\times$  be the universal character defined by

$$(4.3) \quad \Psi_T(\sigma) = (1+T)^{l(\sigma)}, \quad \text{where } \sigma|_{K_{\mathfrak{p}\infty}} = \gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}^{l(\sigma)}.$$

Denoting by  $c$  the action of the non-trivial automorphism of  $K/\mathbf{Q}$ , the character  $\Psi_T^{1-c}$  factors through  $\Gamma_\infty$  and yields an identification  $\mathcal{O}[[\Gamma_\infty]] \simeq \mathcal{O}[[T]]$  corresponding to the topological generator  $\gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}^{1-c}$ . Let  $p^b$  be the order of the  $p$ -part of the class number of  $K$ . Hereafter, we shall fix  $\mathbf{v} \in \overline{\mathbf{Z}}_p^\times$  such that  $\mathbf{v}^{p^b} = \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}(\gamma_{\mathfrak{p}}^{p^b}) \in 1 + p\mathbf{Z}_p$ . Let  $K(\chi, \alpha_p)$  be the finite extension of  $K$  by adjoining the values of  $\chi$  and  $\alpha_p$ .

**Proposition 4.3.** *Set  $T = \mathbf{v}^{-1}(1+S) - 1$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{L}_p^f(\check{\mathbf{f}}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^* \check{\mathbf{h}}^*) = \pm \Psi_T^{c-1}(\sigma_{\mathfrak{N}^+}) \cdot \Theta_{f/K}(T) \cdot C_{f,\chi} \cdot \sqrt{L^{\text{alg}}(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1)},$$

where  $C_{f,\chi} \in K(\chi, \alpha_p)^\times$  and

$$L^{\text{alg}}(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1) := \frac{L(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1)}{\pi^2 \Omega_{f^\circ, N^-}} \in K(\chi).$$

*Proof.* This is the factorization formula of [Hsi17, Prop. 8.1] specialized to  $S = S_2 = S_3$ , using the interpolation property for  $\Theta_{f/K, \chi^2}(T)$  at  $\zeta = 1$ .  $\square$

*Remark 4.4.* The factorization of Proposition 4.3 reflects the decomposition of Galois representations

$$(4.4) \quad \mathbb{V}_{f, \mathbf{gh}}^\dagger = (V_f(1) \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \Psi_T^{1-c}) \oplus (V_f(1) \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \chi^2).$$

**4.5. Euler system construction of theta elements.** For the rest of the paper, assume that  $f, \mathbf{g} = \theta_\chi(S)$ , and  $\mathbf{h} = \theta_{\chi^{-1}}(S)$  are as in §4.4, viewing the latter two in  $S^o(C, \omega^{-1}\eta_{K/\mathbf{Q}}, \mathcal{O}[[S]])$ . Keeping the notations from §4.3, by [DR16, §1] there exists a class

$$(4.5) \quad \kappa(f, \mathbf{gh}) \in \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{f, \mathbf{gh}}^\dagger(N))$$

constructed from twisted diagonal cycles on the triple product of modular curves of tame level  $N$  (we shall briefly recall the construction of this class in Theorem 4.6 below), where we may take  $N = \text{lcm}(N_f, C)$ .

Every triple of test vectors  $\check{\mathbf{F}} = (\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}})$  defines a Galois-equivariant projection

$$\text{pr}_{\check{\mathbf{F}}} : \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{f, \mathbf{gh}}^\dagger(N)) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{f, \mathbf{gh}}^\dagger)$$

and we let

$$(4.6) \quad \kappa(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}} \check{\mathbf{h}}) := \text{pr}_{\check{\mathbf{F}}}(\kappa(f, \mathbf{gh})) \in \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{f, \mathbf{gh}}^\dagger).$$

Since  $\Psi_T^{1-c}$  gives the universal character of  $\Gamma_\infty = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$ , by (4.4) and Shapiro’s lemma we have the equalities

$$(4.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{f, \mathbf{gh}}^\dagger) &= \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_f(1) \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \Psi_T^{1-c}) \oplus \mathbb{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_f(1) \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \chi^2) \\ &= \widehat{\mathbb{H}}^1(K_\infty, V_f(1)) \oplus \mathbb{H}^1(K, V_f(1) \otimes \chi^2). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $g$  and  $h$  be the weight 1 eigenform  $\theta_\chi$  and  $h = \theta_{\chi^{-1}}$ , respectively, so that the specialization of  $(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  at  $T = 0$  ( $\iff S = \mathbf{v} - 1$ ) is a  $p$ -stabilization of the pair  $(g, h)$ .

**Lemma 4.5.** *Assume that  $L(1, f \otimes g \otimes h) = 0$  and that  $L(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1) \neq 0$ . Then for every choice of test vectors  $\check{\mathbf{F}} = (\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}})$  we have:*

- (1)  $\kappa(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}}) \in \widehat{H}^1(K_\infty, V_f(1))$ .
- (2)  $\text{loc}_{\bar{\mathbf{p}}}(\kappa(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}})) = 0 \in \widehat{H}^1(K_{\infty, \bar{\mathbf{p}}}, V_f(1))$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\kappa = \kappa(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}})$  and for  $? \in \{f, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}\}$ , let  $F^0 V_?$  be the rank one subspace of  $V_?$  fixed by the inertia group at  $p$ . By (4.7), in order to prove (1) it suffices to show that some specialization of  $\kappa$  has trivial image in  $H^1(K, V_f(1) \otimes \chi^2)$ . Let

$$\kappa_{\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}}} := \kappa|_{S=\mathbf{v}-1} \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) = H^1(K, V_f(1)) \oplus H^1(K, V_f(1) \otimes \chi^2),$$

where  $V_{fgh} := V_f(1) \otimes V_g \otimes V_h$ . As noted in [DR17a, p. 634], the Selmer group  $\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) \subset H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh})$  is given by

$$\text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) = \ker(H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) \xrightarrow{\partial_p \circ \text{loc}_p} H^1(\mathbf{Q}_p, V_f^-(1) \otimes V_g \otimes V_h)),$$

where  $\partial_p$  is the natural map induced by the projection  $V_f \rightarrow V_f^- := V_f/F^0 V_f$ , and so

$$(4.8) \quad \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) = \text{Sel}(K, V_f(1)) \oplus \text{Sel}(K, V_f(1) \otimes \chi^2).$$

Thus the implications  $L(1, f \otimes g \otimes h) = 0 \implies \kappa_{\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}}} \in \text{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh})$  and  $L(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1) = 0 \implies \text{Sel}(K, V_f(1) \otimes \chi^2) = 0$ , which follow from [DR17a, Thm. C] and [BD05, Cor. 4] (see also [CH15, Thm. 1]), respectively, imply the result.

We proceed to prove (2). We know that the local class  $\text{loc}_p(\kappa)$  belongs to  $H^1(\mathbf{Q}_p, F^+ \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger)$ , where

$$F^+ \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger := (F^0 V_f(1) \otimes F^0 V_g \otimes V_h + F^0 V_f(1) \otimes V_g \otimes F^0 V_h + V_f(1) \otimes F^0 V_g \otimes F^0 V_h) \otimes \mathcal{X}^{-1}$$

is a rank four subspace of  $\mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger$  (see [DR17a, Cor. 2.3]). In our case where  $(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}) = (\theta_{\psi_\chi}, \theta_{\psi_{\chi^{-1}}})$ , we have

$$F^+ \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger = V_f(1) \otimes \Psi_T^{1-c} + F^0 V_f(1) \otimes (\chi^2 \oplus \chi^{-2}),$$

where  $\Psi_T$  is viewed as a character of  $G_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$  via the embedding  $K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{Q}_p$  induced by  $\mathfrak{p}$ . From part (1) of the lemma, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{loc}_p(\kappa) &= (\text{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\kappa), \text{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\bar{\kappa})) \in H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, V_f(1) \otimes \Psi_T^{1-c}) \oplus \{0\} \\ &\subset H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, V_f(1) \otimes \Psi_T^{1-c}) \oplus H^1(K_{\mathfrak{p}}, V_f(1) \otimes \Psi_T^{c-1}) = H^1(\mathbf{Q}_p, V_f(1) \otimes \text{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \Psi_T^{1-c}). \end{aligned}$$

We thus conclude that  $\text{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\bar{\kappa}) = 0$ , and hence  $\text{loc}_{\bar{\mathbf{p}}}(\kappa) = 0$ .  $\square$

From now on, assume that  $f^\circ \in S_2(N_f)$  is the newform corresponding to an elliptic curve  $E/\mathbf{Q}$  with good ordinary reduction at  $p$ . In particular,  $V_f(1) \simeq V_p E \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$ , and under the conditions in Lemma 4.5 we have a class  $\kappa(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}}) \in \widehat{H}^1(K_\infty, V_p E \otimes L)$ .

The following key theorem is a variant of the ‘‘explicit reciprocity law’’ of [DR17a, Thm. 5.3] specialized to our setting.

**Theorem 4.6** (Darmon–Rotger). *Assume that  $L(1, f \otimes g \otimes h) = 0$  and that  $L(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1) \neq 0$ . Then  $\text{loc}_{\bar{\mathbf{p}}}(\kappa(\check{f}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*)) = 0$  and*

$$(4.9) \quad \mathcal{L}_p^f(\check{f}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*) = \alpha_p/2 \cdot (1 - \alpha_p^{-1} a_p(\mathbf{g}) a_p(\mathbf{h})^{-1}) \cdot \text{Col}^\eta(\text{loc}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\kappa(\check{f}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*))),$$

where  $\check{\mathbf{F}}^* = (\check{f}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^*, \check{\mathbf{h}}^*)$  is the triple of test vectors from Theorem 4.1.

*Proof.* We begin by briefly recalling from [DR17a, §1] the construction of the class  $\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}\mathbf{h})$  in (4.5). In the following, all references are to [DR17a] unless otherwise stated.

Consider the triple product of modular curves over  $\mathbf{Q}$ :

$$W_{s,s} := X_0(Np) \times X_s \times X_s,$$

where  $X_0(Np)$  and  $X_s$  are the classical modular curves attached to the congruence subgroups  $\Gamma_0(Np)$  and  $\Gamma_1(Np^s)$ , respectively, and the module for the latter is the one such that the cusp  $i\infty$  is defined over  $\mathbf{Q}$ . The group  $G_s^{(N)} := (\mathbf{Z}/Np^s\mathbf{Z})^\times$  acts on  $X_s$  by the diamond operators  $\langle a; b \rangle$  ( $a \in (\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})^\times$ ,  $b \in (\mathbf{Z}/p^s\mathbf{Z})^\times$ ), and we let

$$W_s := W_{s,s}/D_s$$

be the quotient of  $W_{s,s}$  by the action of the subgroup  $D_s \subset G_s^{(N)} \times G_s^{(N)}$  consisting of elements of the form  $(\langle a; b \rangle, \langle a; b^{-1} \rangle)$ . Let  ${}^b\Delta_{s,s} \in \mathrm{CH}^2(W_{s,s})(\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_s))$  be the class in the Chow group defined by the ‘‘twisted diagonal cycle’’ defined in (41), and let  ${}^b\Delta_s \in \mathrm{CH}^2(W_s)(\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_s))$  denote its natural image under the projection  $\mathrm{pr}_s : W_{s,s} \rightarrow W_s$ . By Proposition 1.4, after applying the correspondence  $\varepsilon_{s,s}$  in (47) the cycle  $\Delta_{s,s}$  becomes null-homologous, and so

$$\Delta_s := \varepsilon_{s,s}({}^b\Delta_s) \in \mathrm{CH}^2(W_s)_0(\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_s)),$$

letting  $\varepsilon_{s,s}$  still denote the linear endomorphism of  $\mathrm{CH}^2(W_s)$  defined by the above correspondence. Let  $\varepsilon_s : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow (\mathbf{Z}/p^s\mathbf{Z})^\times$  be the mod  $p^s$  cyclotomic character, and let  $X_s^\dagger$  be the twist of  $X_s$  by the cocycle  $\sigma \in G_{\mathbf{Q}} \mapsto \langle 1; \varepsilon_s(\sigma) \rangle$ . By Proposition 1.6, we may alternatively view

$$\Delta_s \in \mathrm{CH}^2(W_s^\dagger)_0(\mathbf{Q}),$$

where  $W_s^\dagger$  the quotient of  $W_{s,s}^\dagger := X_0(Np) \times X_s \times X_s^\dagger$  be a diamond action defined as before.

Consider the étale Abel–Jacobi map

$$\mathrm{AJ}_{\mathrm{et}} : \mathrm{CH}^2(W_s^\dagger)_0(\mathbf{Q}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{et}}^3(W_s^\dagger/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p)(2))$$

Let  $e_{\mathrm{ord}} = \lim_n U_p^{n!}$  be Hida’s ordinary projector. Set

$$(4.10) \quad V_{s,s}^{\mathrm{ord}} := \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{et}}^1(X_0(Np)/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p) \otimes e_{\mathrm{ord}}(\mathrm{H}^1(X_s/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p)(1)) \otimes e_{\mathrm{ord}}(\mathrm{H}^1(X_s^\dagger/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p)(1)),$$

and let  $V_s^{\mathrm{ord}} := (V_{s,s}^{\mathrm{ord}})_{D_s}$  denote the  $D_s$ -coinvariants. Let  $\varpi_2 : X_{s+1} \mapsto X_s$  be the degeneracy map given by  $\tau \mapsto p\tau$  on the complex upper half plane, which naturally defines

$$(4.11) \quad (\varpi_{2,2})_* = (1, \varpi_2, \varpi_2)_* : V_{s+1,s+1}^{\mathrm{ord}} \longrightarrow V_{s,s}^{\mathrm{ord}}.$$

Let  $\tilde{\kappa}_s \in \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_s^{\mathrm{ord}})$  be given by the image of  $\mathrm{AJ}_{\mathrm{et}}(\Delta_s)$  under the composite map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{et}}^3(W_s^\dagger/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p)(2)) &\xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{s,s} \mathrm{pr}_{s,*}^{-1} \varepsilon_{s,s}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{et}}^3(W_s^\dagger/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p)_{D_s}(2)) \\ &\xrightarrow{(1, e_{\mathrm{ord}}, e_{\mathrm{ord}}) \mathrm{pr}_{1,1,1}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, (V_{s,s}^{\mathrm{ord}})_{D_s}) = \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_s^{\mathrm{ord}}), \end{aligned}$$

where the first arrow is defined by Lemma 1.8, and  $\mathrm{pr}_{1,1,1}$  is the projection onto the  $(1, 1, 1)$ -component in the Künneth decomposition for  $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{et}}^3(W_s^\dagger/\overline{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{Z}_p)$ . By Proposition 1.9, we have

$$(\varpi_{2,2})_*(\tilde{\kappa}_{s+1}) = (1, U_p, 1)(\tilde{\kappa}_s),$$

and hence we obtain the compatible family

$$\kappa_\infty := \varprojlim_s (1, U_p, 1)^{-s}(\tilde{\kappa}_s) \in \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_\infty^{\mathrm{ord}}), \quad \text{where } \mathbb{V}_\infty^{\mathrm{ord}} := \varprojlim_s V_s^{\mathrm{ord}},$$

the limit being with respect to the maps induced by (4.11). The triple  $(f, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  defines a natural projection  $\varpi_{f,\mathbf{g},\mathbf{h}} : \mathbb{V}_\infty^{\mathrm{ord}} \rightarrow \mathbb{V}_{f,\mathbf{g}\mathbf{h}}^\dagger(N)$ , and following Definition 1.15 one sets

$$\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}\mathbf{h}) := \varpi_{f,\mathbf{g}\mathbf{h}}(\kappa_\infty) \in \mathrm{H}^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{f,\mathbf{g}\mathbf{h}}^\dagger(N)).$$

This is the class in (4.5) above. Now, to prove the equality (4.9) in the theorem, it suffices to show that both sides agree at infinitely many points. Thus let  $x \in \mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{I}}^+$  have weight 2 with  $\zeta := \epsilon_x(1+p) \in \mu_{p^\infty}$  a primitive  $p^s$ -th root of unity, and set

$$\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x) := \kappa(f, \mathbf{g}\mathbf{h})|_{T=\zeta \mathbf{v}-1}.$$

Directly from the definitions (cf. Proposition 2.5), we have

$$(4.12) \quad \kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x) = a_p(\mathbf{g}_x)^{-s} \cdot \varpi_{f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(\text{AJ}_{\text{et}}(\Delta_s)) \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N)),$$

where  $V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N)$  is the  $(f, \mathbf{g}_x, \mathbf{h}_x)$ -isotypic component of (4.10), and  $\varpi_{f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}$  is the projection to that component. By Corollary 2.3 and (77), the image of  $\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x)$  in the local cohomology group  $H^1(\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta), V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N))$  lands in the Bloch–Kato finite subspace  $H_{\text{fin}}^1(\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta), V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N)) \subset H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N))$ , and so we may consider the image  $\log_p(\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x))$  of this restriction under the Bloch–Kato logarithm map

$$\log_p : H_{\text{fin}}^1(\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta), V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N)) \longrightarrow (\text{Fil}^0 D_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N))^\vee,$$

where  $D_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N) := (B_{\text{cris}} \otimes V_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N))^{G_{\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta)}}$  and the dual is with respect to the de Rham pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\text{dR}}$ . By the de Rham comparison isomorphism, we have

$$D_{f \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x}(N) \simeq H_{\text{dR}}^1(X_0(Np)/\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta))[f] \times H_{\text{dR}}^1(X_s/\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta))(1)[\mathbf{g}_x] \times H_{\text{dR}}^1(X_s/\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta))(1)[\mathbf{h}_x].$$

As in p. 639, attached to the test vectors  $(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}_x, \check{\mathbf{h}}_x)$  one has the de Rham classes  $(\eta_{\check{f}^*}^\circ, \omega_{\check{\mathbf{g}}_x}^\circ, \omega_{\check{\mathbf{h}}_x}^\circ)$ , and comparing Proposition 2.10 and Corollary 2.11 we deduce from (4.12) that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \log_p(\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x)), \eta_{\check{f}^*}^\circ \otimes \omega_{\check{\mathbf{g}}_x}^\circ \omega_{\check{\mathbf{h}}_x}^\circ \rangle_{\text{dR}} &= a_p(\mathbf{g}_x)^{-s} \langle \text{AJ}_p(\Delta_s), \eta_{\check{f}^*}^\circ \otimes \omega_{\check{\mathbf{g}}_x}^\circ \omega_{\check{\mathbf{h}}_x}^\circ \rangle_{\text{dR}} \\ &= \mathcal{E}(f, \mathbf{g}_x, \mathbf{h}_x) \cdot \mathfrak{g}(\epsilon_x) \cdot \alpha_p^{s-1} a_p(\mathbf{g}_x)^{-s} a_p(\mathbf{h}_x)^{-s} \cdot \check{f}^*(\check{\mathbf{g}}_x \check{\mathbf{h}}_x^\ell), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\check{H}_x^\ell = d^{-1} \check{\mathbf{h}}_x^\ell$  is the primitive of  $\check{\mathbf{h}}_x^\ell$  given by part (3) of Corollary 4.5, and  $\mathcal{E}(f, \mathbf{g}_x, \mathbf{h}_x) = -2(1 - \alpha_p^{-1} a_p(\mathbf{g}_x) a_p(\mathbf{h}_x)^{-1})^{-1}$ . Consider the formal  $q$ -expansion

$$\check{H}^\ell(q) := \sum_{p \nmid n} \langle n^{-1} \rangle a_n(\check{\mathbf{h}}) q^n.$$

Taking  $(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}, \check{\mathbf{h}})$  to be the test vectors  $\check{F}^*$  from Theorem 4.1 above, the construction in [Hsi17, §3.6] yields  $\mathcal{L}_p^f(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}\check{\mathbf{h}}) = \check{f}^*(\check{\mathbf{g}}\check{H}^\ell)$ . Since by construction  $\check{H}^\ell$  specializes at  $x$  to  $\check{H}_x^\ell$ , we thus see as in the proof of Theorem 4.16 that

$$(4.13) \quad \langle \log_p(\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x)), \eta_{\check{f}^*}^\circ \otimes \omega_{\check{\mathbf{g}}_x}^\circ \omega_{\check{\mathbf{h}}_x}^\circ \rangle_{\text{dR}} = \mathcal{E}(f, \mathbf{g}_x, \mathbf{h}_x) \cdot \mathfrak{g}(\epsilon_x) \cdot \alpha_p^{s-1} a_p(\mathbf{g}_x)^{-s} a_p(\mathbf{h}_x)^{-s} \cdot \mathcal{L}_p^f(\check{f}, \check{\mathbf{g}}\check{\mathbf{h}})(x).$$

On the other hand, letting  $\psi_x := \Psi_T|_{T=\zeta \mathbf{v}-1}$ , we obtain that  $(\mathbf{g}_x, \mathbf{h}_x)$  are theta series attached to the characters  $(\chi \psi_x^{-1}, \chi^{-1} \psi_x^{-1})$  of  $G_K$  with  $a_p(\mathbf{g}_x) = \chi \psi_x^{-1}(\sigma_{\bar{p}})$  and  $a_p(\mathbf{h}_x) = \chi^{-1} \psi_x^{-1}(\sigma_{\bar{p}})$ . Moreover, we have

$$\epsilon_x|_{G_{\mathbf{Q}_p}} = \psi_x^{1+c}|_{G_{K_p}} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{cyc}}^{-1}; \quad \psi_x^{c-1} = \phi_x \check{\varepsilon}_{\mathcal{F}}^{-1}$$

for some finite order character  $\phi_x$  of  $\text{Gal}(F_\infty/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ , viewing the character in the left-hand side of this equality as character on  $\text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$  by composition with  $\text{Gal}(F_\infty/F) \subseteq \text{Gal}(F_\infty/\mathbf{Q}_p) \twoheadrightarrow \text{Gal}(K_{\infty, p}/K_p) \subset \Gamma_\infty$ . Setting  $\eta = \eta_{\check{f}^*}^\circ \otimes t^{-1}$  and  $\mathbf{z}_x = \text{loc}_p(\kappa(\check{f}^*, \check{\mathbf{g}}^* \check{\mathbf{h}}^*))_x$ , we thus see that

$$(4.14) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \log_p(\kappa(f, \mathbf{g}_x \mathbf{h}_x)), \eta_{\check{f}^*}^\circ \otimes \omega_{\check{\mathbf{g}}_x}^\circ \omega_{\check{\mathbf{h}}_x}^\circ \rangle_{\text{dR}} &= \langle \log_p(\mathbf{z}_x) \otimes t, \eta \rangle_{\text{dR}} \\ &= \mathfrak{g}(\epsilon_x) \cdot \alpha_p^s a_p(\mathbf{g}_x)^{-s} a_p(\mathbf{h}_x)^{-s} \cdot \text{Col}^\eta(\mathbf{z}_x)(\psi_x^{c-1}), \end{aligned}$$

using Theorem 3.4 with  $j = -1$  for the last equality. Comparing (4.13) with (4.14) and letting  $s$  vary, the result follows.  $\square$

The following theorem gives a Euler system construction of  $\Theta_{f/K}(T)$  from a  $p$ -adic family of diagonal cycles.

**Theorem 4.7.** *With notations and assumptions as in Theorem 4.6, we have*

$$\mathrm{Col}^\eta(\mathrm{loc}_p(\kappa(\check{f}^*, \check{g}^* \check{h}^*))) = \pm \Psi_T^{c-1}(\sigma_{\mathfrak{N}^+}) \cdot \Theta_{f/K}(T) \cdot \sqrt{L^{\mathrm{alg}}(E/K \otimes \chi^2, 1)} \cdot \frac{2C_{f,\chi}}{\alpha_p(1 - \alpha_p^{-1} \chi(\bar{\mathfrak{p}})^2)},$$

where  $C_{f,\chi} \in K(\chi, \alpha_p)^\times$  is the non-zero algebraic number as in Proposition 4.3.

*Proof.* Note that  $a_p(\mathbf{g})a_p(\mathbf{h})^{-1} = \chi(\bar{\mathfrak{p}})^2$ . The theorem thus follows immediately from Proposition 4.3 and Theorem 4.6.  $\square$

**4.6. Generalized Kato classes.** Set  $\alpha = \chi(\bar{\mathfrak{p}})$ , and denote by  $(g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}})$  the weight 1 forms obtained by specializing the Hida families  $(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})$  at  $S = \mathbf{v} - 1$ . Thus  $g_\alpha$  (resp.  $h_{\alpha^{-1}}$ ) is the  $p$ -stabilization of the theta series  $g = \theta_\chi$  (resp.  $h = \theta_{\chi^{-1}}$ ) having  $U_p$ -eigenvalue  $\alpha$  (resp.  $\alpha^{-1}$ ). By specialization, the  $\mathcal{O}[[S]]$ -adic class in (4.6) yields the class

$$\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}}) := \kappa(\check{f}, \check{g}\check{h})|_{S=\mathbf{v}-1} \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}),$$

where  $V_{fgh} := V_f \otimes V_g \otimes V_h$ . Setting  $\beta = \chi(\mathfrak{p})$  and alternatively changing the roles of  $\mathfrak{p}$  and  $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$  in the construction  $\mathbf{g}$  and  $\mathbf{h}$  we thus obtain the four *generalized Kato classes*

$$(4.15) \quad \kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\alpha^{-1}}), \kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\beta^{-1}}), \kappa(f, g_\beta, h_{\alpha^{-1}}), \kappa(f, g_\beta, h_{\beta^{-1}}) \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}).$$

From now on, we assume that  $\alpha \neq \pm 1$ , so that the four classes (4.15) are *a priori* distinct. Recall that  $f$  is the  $p$ -stabilization of the newform associated to an elliptic curve  $E/\mathbf{Q}$ , so that  $V_f(1) = V_p E$ , and let  $\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}, \kappa_{\alpha, \beta^{-1}}, \kappa_{\beta, \alpha^{-1}}, \kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}} \in H^1(K, V_p E)$  be the image of the classes (4.15) under the map  $H^1(\mathbf{Q}, V_{fgh}) \rightarrow H^1(K, V_p E)$  induced by (1.5).

**Corollary 4.8.** *Assume that  $L(E/K, 1) = 0$  and that  $L(f/K \otimes \chi^2, 1) \neq 0$ . Then:*

- (1)  $\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}, \kappa_{\beta, \beta^{-1}} \in \mathrm{Sel}(K, V_p E \otimes L)$ ,
- (2)  $\kappa_{\alpha, \beta^{-1}} = \kappa_{\beta, \alpha^{-1}} = 0$ .

*Proof.* By the factorization (1.6), the inclusions in part (1) follow from the proof of Lemma 4.5. To see part (2), we make use of the 3-variable generalized Kato class  $\kappa := \kappa(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h})(S_1, S_2, S_2) \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger)$  defined in [DR17b, §3.7 (119)] attached to the triple  $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}(S_1)$ ,  $\mathbf{g} = \theta_{\psi_\chi}(S_2)$  and  $\mathbf{h} = \theta_{\psi_\chi}(S_3)$ . Thus  $\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\beta^{-1}})$  is the specialization  $\kappa((1+p)^2 - 1, \mathbf{v} - 1, \mathbf{v} - 1)$ . Let

$$\kappa' := \kappa((1+p)^2 - 1, \mathbf{v}(1+T) - 1, \mathbf{v}(1+T)^{-1} - 1) \in H^1(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger),$$

where  $\mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger = V_p(E) \otimes (\mathrm{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \chi^2 \oplus \mathrm{Ind}_K^{\mathbf{Q}} \Psi_T^{1-c})$ . Similarly as in the proof of Lemma 4.5, by [DR17b, Prop. 3.28] the class  $\mathrm{loc}_p(\kappa')$  belongs to  $H^1(\mathbf{Q}_p, F^+ \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger)$ , where

$$F^+ \mathbb{V}_{fgh}^\dagger = V_p E \otimes \chi^{-2} + F^0 V_p E \otimes (\Psi_T^{1-c} \oplus \Psi_T^{1-c}).$$

It follows that the projection  $\kappa'_V$  of  $\kappa'$  into  $\widehat{H}^1(K_\infty, V_p E)$  is crystalline at  $p$ , and hence  $\kappa'_V$  is a Selmer class for  $V_p E$  over the anticyclotomic tower  $K_\infty/K$ . Since the space of such universal norms is trivial by Cornut–Vatsal [CV05] (the sign of  $E/K$  is +1 in our case), this shows that  $\kappa'_V = 0$  and therefore  $\kappa(f, g_\alpha, h_{\beta^{-1}}) = \kappa_{\alpha, \beta^{-1}} = 0$ . The vanishing of  $\kappa_{\beta, \alpha^{-1}}$  is shown in the same manner.  $\square$

## 5. PROOF OF THE MAIN RESULT

*Proof of Theorem 1.* We begin by noting that our hypotheses imply that for every place  $v$  of  $K$  above  $p$  the restriction map

$$\mathrm{loc}_v : \mathrm{Sel}(K, V_p E) \longrightarrow H^1(K_v, V_p E)$$

is nonzero. Indeed, the finiteness of  $\mathrm{III}(E/K)[p^\infty]$  (which follows from our hypotheses that  $\mathrm{III}(E/\mathbf{Q})[p^\infty]$  is finite and that  $L(E^K, 1) \neq 0$ , so that  $\mathrm{III}(E^K/\mathbf{Q})[p^\infty]$  is also finite by [Kol88]) implies that  $\mathrm{Sel}(K, V_p E) \simeq E(K) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}_p$ , and the claim follows from the inclusion  $E(K) \subset E(K_v)$  and the injectivity of the local Kummer map  $E(K_v) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}_p \rightarrow H^1(K_v, V_p E)$ . In particular, setting  $V = V_p E \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$ , the composite map

$$\log_{\omega_{E,p}} : \mathrm{Sel}(K, V) \xrightarrow{\mathrm{loc}_p} H_{\mathrm{fin}}^1(K_p, V) \rightarrow L$$

is nonzero, where the second arrow is given by (3.8).

Now let  $S = \mathrm{Sel}(K, V_p E) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$ . Let  $S^{(r)} := S_p^{(r)}(E/K) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$  be the subspaces in §2.3 and  $S^{(\infty)}$  be the subspace of anticyclotomic universal norms. By [How04, Thm. 4.2] we have the filtration

$$(5.1) \quad S = S^{(1)} \supset S^{(2)} \supset \dots \supset S^{(r)} \supset S^{(r+1)} \supset \dots \supset S^{(\infty)},$$

and  $S^{(r+1)}$  is the null space of  $r$ -th derived height pairing  $h^{(r)} : S^{(r)} \times S^{(r)} \rightarrow J^r/J^{r+1} \otimes L$ . By Cornut–Vatsal [CV05], we have  $S^{(\infty)} = \{0\}$ . Since  $L(E^K, 1) \neq 0$ , by Kolyvagin’s work [Kol88] (or alternatively, Kato’s [Kat04]) we have  $\mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E^K) = \{0\}$ , and so letting  $S^+ \simeq \mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}_p} L$  denote the subspace of  $S$  fixed under the action of complex conjugation, we have

$$S = S^+.$$

By the second part of [How04, Thm. 4.2], it follows that  $h^{(1)}$  is identically zero on  $S$ , and so  $S = S^{(2)}$ , and more generally  $S^{(r)} = S^{(r+1)}$  for every odd  $r \geq 1$ .

In particular, the above show that under our hypotheses we have

$$\dim_L S = \dim_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \mathrm{Sel}(\mathbf{Q}, V_p E) = 2.$$

Combined with parts (c) and (d) of [How04, Cor. 4.3], it follows that (5.1) reduces to

$$(5.2) \quad S = S^{(1)} = S^{(2)} = \dots = S^{(r)} \quad \text{and} \quad S^{(r+1)} = \dots = S^{(\infty)} = \{0\}$$

for some *even*  $r \geq 2$  and the derived height  $h^{(r)}$  is a non-degenerate pairing on  $S^{(r)}$ . Let  $X_\infty$  be the Pontrjagin dual of  $\mathrm{Sel}_{p^\infty}(E/K_\infty)$ , which is known to be  $\Lambda$ -torsion [BD05]. Let  $J \subset \Lambda$  be the augmentation ideal, and fix a pseudo-isomorphism

$$(5.3) \quad X_\infty \sim M \oplus M', \quad \text{with} \quad M \simeq (\Lambda/J)^{e_1} \oplus (\Lambda/J^2)^{e_2} \oplus \dots$$

and  $M'$  a torsion  $\Lambda$ -module with characteristic ideal prime to  $J$ . By [How04, Cor. 4.3(c)] we have  $e_i = \dim_{\mathbf{Q}_p}(S^{(i)}/S^{(i+1)})$ ; letting  $\mathcal{L}_p \in \Lambda$  be a generator of the principal ideal  $\mathrm{char}_\Lambda(X_\infty)$ , combining (5.2) and (5.3) this shows that

$$\mathrm{ord}_J \mathcal{L}_p = 2r.$$

On the other hand, by our hypotheses on  $\bar{\rho}_{E,p}$  the divisibility in the Iwasawa main conjecture due to Skinner–Urban [SU14] (see [*loc.cit.*, §3.6.3]) implies that  $(\Theta_{f/K}^2) \subset (\mathcal{L}_p)$ , and so

$$(5.4) \quad r \geq \rho := \mathrm{ord}_J(\Theta_{f/K}).$$

Let  $\bar{\theta}_{f/K}$  be the *leading coefficient* of  $\Theta_{f/K}$  defined by

$$\bar{\theta}_{f/K} := \Theta_{f/K}(T) \pmod{J^{\rho+1}} \in J^\rho/J^{\rho+1}.$$

From (5.2) and (5.4) we see that  $S = S^{(\rho)}$ . Thus combining the derived  $p$ -adic height formula in Proposition 3.7, Theorem 4.7 and part (2) of Lemma 4.5, we deduce that for every  $x \in S^{(\rho)} = E(\mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} L$  we have

$$(5.5) \quad h^{(\rho)}(\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}, x) = \frac{1 - p^{-1}\alpha_p}{1 - \alpha_p^{-1}} \cdot \bar{\theta}_{f/K} \cdot \log_{\omega_{E,p}}(x) \cdot C,$$

where  $\alpha_p$  is the  $p$ -adic unit root of  $X^2 - a_p(E)X + p = 0$ , and  $C$  is a non-zero algebraic number with  $C^2 \in K(\chi, \alpha_p)^\times$ . Since as noted above our hypotheses imply that  $\bar{\theta}_{f/K} \neq 0$  and the map  $\log_{\omega_{E,p}}$  is nonzero, we see that  $r = \rho$  and the non-vanishing of  $\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}}$  follows.  $\square$

*Remark 5.1.* By the height formula (5.5), we can deduce that the class  $\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}} \bmod \bar{\mathbf{Q}}^\times$  actually only depends on  $K$  and is independent of the auxiliary choice of ring class character  $\chi$ , and that as elements in  $E(\mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} L$  we have

$$\kappa_{\alpha, \alpha^{-1}} = C \cdot \frac{1 - p^{-1}\alpha_p}{1 - \alpha_p^{-1}} \cdot \frac{\bar{\theta}_{f/K}}{h^{(\rho)}(P, Q)} \cdot (P \otimes \log_p Q - Q \otimes \log_p P)$$

with a basis  $(P, Q)$  of  $E(\mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Q}$ .

## 6. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES

In the following examples, we consider elliptic curves  $E/\mathbf{Q}$  with  $\text{rank}_{\mathbf{Z}} E(\mathbf{Q}) = 2$  and conductor  $N \in \{q, 2q\}$  where  $q$  is a prime,  $\Delta > 0$  a square-free integer such that  $q$  is inert in  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-\Delta})$  with class number one and the  $L$ -series of the quadratic twist  $E^K$  does not vanish at 1, and  $p \geq 5$  is an odd good ordinary prime for  $E$  which is split in  $K$ . For every such triple  $(E, p, -\Delta)$ , letting  $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$  be the newform associated with  $E$ , we give numerical examples where the associated theta element

$$\Theta_{E/K}(T) = \Theta_{f/K}(T) \in \mathbf{Z}_p[[T]]$$

vanishes to order exactly 2 at  $T = 0$ . When that is the case, by the work of Bertolini–Darmon [BD95, BD05] on the anticyclotomic Iwasawa main conjecture<sup>1</sup> (see [BD05, Cor. 3]), it follows that  $\text{III}(E/K)[p^\infty]$  is finite. Moreover, by [Rib90, Thm. 1.1] the residual representation  $\bar{\rho}_{E,p}$  must ramify at  $N^- = q$ . Thus for every ring class character  $\chi$  with  $L(E/K, \chi^2, 1) \neq 0$  (as one can always find by virtue of [Vat03, Thm. 1.4], as extended in [CH18, Thm. D]), the examples below provide instances where Theorem 1 holds.

To explain these numerical examples, we prepare some notation. Let  $B$  be the definite quaternion algebra of discriminant  $q$ . Let  $R$  be an Eichler order of level  $N/q$  and  $\text{Cl}(R)$  be the class group of  $R$ . Let  $f_E : \text{Cl}(R) \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  be the ( $p$ -adically normalized) Hecke eigenfunction associated with  $f$  by the Jacquet–Langlands correspondence. Fix an optimal embedding  $\mathcal{O}_K \hookrightarrow R$  and an isomorphism  $i_p : R \otimes \mathbf{Z}_p \simeq \text{M}_2(\mathbf{Z}_p)$  such that  $i_p(K)$  lies in the subspace of diagonal matrices. For  $a \in \mathbf{Z}_p^\times$  and an integer  $n$ , put

$$r_n(a) = i_p^{-1} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & ap^{-n} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in \widehat{B}^\times, \quad \widehat{B} := B \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \widehat{\mathbf{Z}}.$$

Consider the sequence  $\{P_n^a\}_{n=0,1,\dots}$  of right  $R$ -ideals defined by  $P_n^a := (r_n(a)\widehat{R}) \cap B$ . The images of these ideals  $P_n^a$  in  $\text{Cl}(R)$  are usually referred to Gross points of level  $p^n$ . Letting  $\mathbf{u} = 1 + p$ , we define the  $n$ -th theta element  $\Theta_{E/K,n}(T) \in \mathbf{Z}_p[[T]]$  by

$$\Theta_{E/K,n}(T) := \frac{1}{\alpha_p^{n+1}} \sum_{i=0}^{p^n-1} \sum_{a \in \mu_{p-1}} \left( \alpha_p \cdot f_E(P_n^{a\mathbf{u}^i}) - f_E(P_{n+1}^i) \right) (1+T)^i.$$

<sup>1</sup>As extended by Pollack–Weston [PW11] to allow for weaker hypotheses.



By the definition of theta elements in [BD96, §2.7], if  $K$  has class number one, we then have

$$\Theta_{E/K}(T) \equiv \Theta_{E/K,n}(T) \pmod{(1+T)^{p^n} - 1}.$$

Since  $(p^n, (1+T)^{p^n} - 1) \subset (p^n, T^p)$  and  $p > 2$ , to check the vanishing  $\Theta_{E/K}(T)$  to exact order 2 at  $T = 0$ , it suffices to compute  $\Theta_{E/K,n}(T)$  for sufficiently large  $n$ . The following examples are obtained by implementing the Brandt module package in SAGE.

| $E$    | $p$ | $-\Delta$ | $\Theta_{E/K,2}(T) \pmod{(p^2, T^p)}$                                                                                                                     |
|--------|-----|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 389a1  | 11  | -2        | $120T^2 + 58T^3 + 78T^4 + 59T^5 + 40T^6$                                                                                                                  |
| 433a1  | 11  | -7        | $88T^2 + 22T^3 + 86T^4 + 7T^5 + 10T^6 + 12T^7 + 29T^8 + 88T^9 + 48T^{10}$                                                                                 |
| 446c1  | 7   | -3        | $22T^2 + 27T^3 + 3T^4 + 16T^5 + 11T^6$                                                                                                                    |
| 563a1  | 5   | -1        | $18T^2 + 9T^3 + 5T^4$                                                                                                                                     |
| 643a1  | 5   | -1        | $T^2 + 21T^4$                                                                                                                                             |
| 709a1  | 11  | -2        | $27T^2 + 114T^3 + 3T^4 + 14T^5 + 36T^6 + 15T^7 + 42T^8 + 44T^9 + 91T^{10}$                                                                                |
| 718b1  | 5   | -19       | $3T^2 + 20T^3 + 12T^4$                                                                                                                                    |
| 794a1  | 7   | -3        | $47T^2 + 23T^3 + 8T^4 + 24T^5 + 7T^6$                                                                                                                     |
| 997b1  | 11  | -2        | $71T^2 + 41T^3 + 83T^4 + 19T^5 + 114T^6 + 111T^7 + 101T^8 + 46T^9 + 102T^{10}$                                                                            |
| 997c1  | 11  | -2        | $54T^2 + 38T^3 + 36T^4 + 81T^5 + 82T^6 + 18T^7 + 72T^8 + 95T^9 + 4T^{10}$                                                                                 |
| 1034a1 | 5   | -19       | $22T^2 + 4T^3 + 6T^4$                                                                                                                                     |
| 1171a1 | 5   | -1        | $6T^2 + 6T^3 + 20T^4$                                                                                                                                     |
| 1483a1 | 13  | -1        | $128T^2 + 148T^3 + 127T^4 + 162T^5 + 30T^6 + 149T^7 + 141T^8 + 97T^9 + 49T^{10} + 13T^{11} + 29T^{12}$                                                    |
| 1531a1 | 5   | -1        | $16T^2 + 7T^3 + 21T^4$                                                                                                                                    |
| 1613a1 | 17  | -2        | $128T^2 + 165T^3 + 224T^4 + 287T^5 + 140T^6 + 211T^7 + 147T^8 + 160T^9 + 59T^{10} + 122T^{11} + 195T^{12} + 43T^{13} + 207T^{14} + 214T^{15} + 285T^{16}$ |
| 1627a1 | 13  | -1        | $101T^2 + 151T^3 + 58T^4 + 104T^5 + 3T^6 + 165T^7 + 128T^8 + 63T^9 + 17T^{10} + 55T^{11} + 166T^{12}$                                                     |
| 1907a1 | 13  | -1        | $72T^2 + 131T^3 + 32T^4 + 142T^5 + 84T^6 + 104T^7 + 90T^8 + 105T^9 + 38T^{10} + 92T^{11} + 116T^{12}$                                                     |
| 1913a1 | 7   | -3        | $41T^2 + 16T^3 + 28T^4 + 23T^5 + 14T^6$                                                                                                                   |
| 2027a1 | 13  | -1        | $54T^2 + 128T^3 + 65T^4 + 93T^5 + 83T^6 + 161T^7 + 113T^8 + 133T^9 + 49T^{10} + 151T^{11} + 13T^{12}$                                                     |

| $E$    | $p$ | $-\Delta$ | $\Theta_{E/K,3}(T) \pmod{(p^3, T^p)}$                                         |
|--------|-----|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 571b   | 5   | -1        | $100T^2 + 100T^3 + 15T^4$                                                     |
| 1621a1 | 11  | -2        | $1089T^2 + 807T^4 + 986T^5 + 586T^6 + 1098T^7 + 772T^8 + 228T^9 + 1296T^{10}$ |

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