
MOD p GALOIS REPRESENTATIONS, (φ, Γ) -MODULES AND REPRESENTATIONS OF $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$

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Introduction

The goal of these lectures is to give a construction of the (φ, Γ) -modules associated to irreducible mod p Galois representations, and then to explain how (φ, Γ) -modules can be used to construct representations of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$, the Borel subgroup of $GL_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$. Some of these representations extend to $GL_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ which then gives rise to the mod p version of the p -adic Langlands correspondence.

1. Mod p representations of the local Galois group

In this chapter, we consider E -linear representations of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ where E is a finite extension of \mathbf{F}_p . We first recall the construction of Serre's fundamental characters after [Ser72], and then prove that every irreducible representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ is a twist of an induction of these characters.

1.1. Serre's fundamental characters. — Using ramification theory, we can break down the extension $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p/\mathbf{Q}_p$ into $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p \supset \mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{tame}} \supset \mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}} \supset \mathbf{Q}_p$. The group $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p/\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}})$ is the inertia subgroup of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ and $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} = \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}}/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ is topologically cyclic generated by the Frobenius σ , the group $I_t = \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{tame}}/\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}})$ is isomorphic to $\prod_{\ell \neq p} \mathbf{Z}_{\ell}(1)$ (where the “(1)” means that if $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{tame}}/\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}})$ and $\tilde{\sigma} \in \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{tame}}/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ maps to σ then $\tilde{\sigma}\tau\tilde{\sigma}^{-1} = \tau^p$) and $I_p = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p/\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{tame}})$ is a pro- p -group, the pro- p -Sylow subgroup of $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$. We say that a character $\eta : \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \rightarrow E^\times$ is unramified if it is trivial on $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$. It is then determined by $\eta(\sigma)$ and if $\lambda \in E^\times$, we denote by μ_λ the unique unramified character $\mu_\lambda : \sigma \mapsto \lambda^{-1}$.

For each $n \geq 1$, choose $\pi_n \in \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p$ such that $\pi_n^{p^n-1} = -p$. We then have $\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{tame}} = \cup_{n \geq 1} \mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}}(\pi_n)$. Furthermore, if $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ then $g(\pi_n)/\pi_n$ is a $(p^n - 1)$ -th root of unity, so that there exists a character $\omega_n : \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_p^\times$ such that $g(\pi_n) = [\omega_n(g)] \cdot \pi_n$ and this character does not depend on the choice of π_n . In exercise 1, you will show that ω_1 is the mod p cyclotomic character which we also denote by ω . Note that ω_n is trivial on I_p and it is therefore a character of I_t . If $d \mid n$ then $\omega_n^{(p^n-1)/(p^d-1)} = \omega_d$. If n is given and $h \in \mathbf{Z}$, we say that h is primitive if it is not divisible by $(p^n - 1)/(p^d - 1)$ for any $d < n$. Every mod p character of I_t is then of the form ω_n^h for some well-defined n and some primitive h ; such a character is said to be of level n .

1.2. Irreducible mod p representations. — If $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$, then $\tau \mapsto \omega_n^h(g\tau g^{-1})$ is a character of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ which is of the form $\omega_n^{p^j h}$ and if h is primitive, then the characters $\omega_n^h, \omega_n^{ph}, \dots, \omega_n^{p^{n-1}h}$ are pairwise distinct so that by Mackey's criterion, the representation $\text{ind}_{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p^n}} \omega_n^h$ is irreducible. The determinant of this representation is ω^h on $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p^n}$ and hence

we can twist it by an unramified character so that its determinant is ω^h on $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$. The resulting representation is denoted by $\text{ind}(\omega_n^h)$. We will see later on that $\text{ind}(\omega_n^h)$ is defined on \mathbf{F}_p (see also exercise 2 for a proof).

Theorem 1.2.1. — *If W is an absolutely irreducible E -linear representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ of dimension n , then there exists $\lambda \in \overline{\mathbf{F}}_p^\times$ such that $\lambda^n \in E^\times$ and $1 \leq h \leq p^n - 2$ primitive such that $W = \text{ind}(\omega_n^h) \otimes \mu_\lambda$.*

Proof. — Since a p -group acting on an E -vector space always has nontrivial fixed points, $W^{I_p} \neq \{0\}$ and since W is irreducible, $W = W^{I_p}$. The restriction of W to $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ is therefore a representation of I_t and I_t is an abelian group of pro-order prime to p , so that $W|_{I_t}$ is a direct sum of characters after possibly extending scalars. If χ is one of those characters, then it is of level m for some m and it then extends to $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_{p^m}}$ so that $W|_{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_{p^m}}}$ contains χ and by Frobenius reciprocity W contains $\text{ind}_{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_{p^m}}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}} \chi$. Since W is irreducible, we have $m = n$ and $\chi = \omega_n^h$ times some unramified character. One concludes by exercise 3. Note that $\det(W) = \omega^h \mu_{\lambda^n}$ so that $\lambda^n \in E^\times$. \square

Using exercise 2, we then see that $\text{ind}(\omega_n^h)$ is the only n -dimensional representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ whose determinant is ω^h and whose restriction to $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ is $\omega_n^h \oplus \omega_n^{ph} \oplus \dots \oplus \omega_n^{p^{n-1}h}$.

1.3. Exercises

1. Using Wilson's theorem, show that $(\zeta_p - 1)^{p-1}/p = -1 \pmod{\zeta_p - 1}$ and hence that ω_1 is the mod p cyclotomic character.
2. Choose $\lambda \in \overline{\mathbf{F}}_p^\times$ such that $\lambda^n \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$, and let $W_\lambda = \{\alpha \in \overline{\mathbf{F}}_p \text{ such that } \alpha^{p^n} = \lambda^{-n}\alpha\}$
 - (a) Prove that $\text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p^{\text{unr}}(\pi_n)/\mathbf{Q}_p) \simeq \mathbf{F}_{p^n}^\times \rtimes \hat{\mathbf{Z}}$;
 - (b) Prove that the map $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^\times \rtimes \hat{\mathbf{Z}} \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(W_\lambda)$ given by $(x, 0) \mapsto m_x^h$ (where m_x is the multiplication by x map) and by $(1, 1) \mapsto (\alpha \mapsto \alpha^p)$ gives an n -dimensional \mathbf{F}_p -linear representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ which is isomorphic to $(\text{ind}_{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_{p^n}}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}} \omega_n^h) \otimes \mu_\lambda$ after extending scalars and whose determinant is $\omega^h \mu_{-1}^{n-1} \mu_\lambda^n$;
 - (c) Prove that $\text{ind}(\omega_n^h)$ is defined over \mathbf{F}_p .
3. Let F be a finite separable extension of a field E and suppose that W_1 and W_2 are two absolutely irreducible E -linear representations of a group G such that $F \otimes_E W_1 \simeq F \otimes_E W_2$. Prove that $W_1 \simeq W_2$.
4. Let W be a continuous $\overline{\mathbf{F}}_p$ -linear representation of a profinite group G . Prove that there exists a finite extension E of \mathbf{F}_p and an E -linear representation W_E of G such that $W = \overline{\mathbf{F}}_p \otimes_E W_E$.

2. Period rings in characteristic p

In this chapter, we define and prove some properties of the ring $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ used in [FW79] and in [Win83] by Fontaine and Wintenberger in the theory of the field of norms.

2.1. The field $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ and its subrings. — The first ring which we define is $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+ = \{(x_0, x_1, \dots) \text{ where } x_i \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/p \text{ and } x_{i+1}^p = x_i\}$, addition and multiplication being componentwise. We denote by θ_i the map $x \mapsto x_i$ so that $\theta_i(x) = \theta_{i+1}(x)^p$. If $x \in \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+ \setminus \{0\}$ and if \hat{x}_i denotes any lift of x_i in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ then $p^i \text{val}_p(\hat{x}_i)$ is eventually constant and we define $\text{val}_{\mathbf{E}}(x)$ to be that limit. The ring $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ is a perfect ring of characteristic p , and the function $\text{val}_{\mathbf{E}} : \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+ \setminus \{0\}$ is a valuation for which it is complete (see exercise 1).

If we denote by $\varprojlim_{x \rightarrow x^p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ the set of sequences $(x^{(0)}, x^{(1)}, \dots)$ such that $(x^{(i+1)})^p = x^{(i)}$ then there is a natural multiplicative map $\varprojlim_{x \rightarrow x^p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ which is a bijection (see exercise 3 below). We use either description of $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ in the sequel.

Let $\varepsilon = (1, \zeta_p, \zeta_{p^2}, \dots) \in \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ and $X = \varepsilon - 1$ so that $\text{val}_{\mathbf{E}}(X) = p/(p-1)$. We define $\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+[1/X]$ so that $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ is a perfect field of characteristic p , which contains $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$. We denote by φ the map $x \mapsto x^p$ on $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$. Note that $\bar{\mathbf{F}}_p$ maps into $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ by $\alpha \mapsto ([\alpha^{1/p^n}])_{n \geq 0}$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{\varphi^f=1} = \mathbf{F}_{p^f}$ (see exercise 5).

Theorem 2.1.1. — *The field $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ is algebraically closed.*

Proof. — Our proof follows Coleman's course notes [Col97]. Let $P(T) \in \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+[T]$ be a monic polynomial of degree d and let $P_n(T)$ denote $\theta_n(P) \in (\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/p)[T]$. For each n , choose some lift $\tilde{P}_n(T) \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}[T]$ of P_n and denote its roots in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ by $\alpha_{1,n}, \dots, \alpha_{d,n}$. If $k \geq 1$, define $S_{n,k} \subset \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/p$ to be $\{\alpha_{i,n+k}^{p^k} \bmod p\}$. We claim that if $p^k \geq d$ then $S_{n,k}$ does not depend on the choice of $\tilde{P}_n(T)$. Indeed if $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ is such that $\tilde{P}_{n+k}(\alpha) \in p\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ then $\prod_{i=1}^d (\alpha - \alpha_{i,n+k}) \in p\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ so that there is some i such that $\text{val}_p(\alpha - \alpha_{i,n+k}) \geq 1/d$ and therefore $\text{val}_p(\alpha^{p^k} - \alpha_{i,n+k}^{p^k}) \geq \min(p^k/d, 1) = 1$. The claim follows from applying this to a root $\alpha = \alpha'_{i,n+k}$ of another lift $\tilde{P}'_{n+k}(T)$ of $P_{n+k}(T)$ so that $S'_{n,k} \subset S_{n,k}$ and we have equality by symmetry. Likewise, we have $S_{n,k+1} \subset S_{n,k}$ and since $S_{n+1,k}^p = S_{n,k+1}$ this tells us that the sets $\{S_{n,k}\}_{n \geq 0}$ form a compatible system of nonempty sets of cardinal $\leq d$ so that their projective limit is nonempty. Since $P_n(\alpha_{i,n+k}^{p^k}) = P_{n+k}(\alpha_{i,n+k})^{p^k}$ in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/p$, an element of that projective limit is a root of $P(T)$ which proves that $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ is algebraically closed. \square

Because $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ is algebraically closed, it contains $\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{alg}}$ and by a theorem of Ax (see [Ax70] or exercise 6 below), the field $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{sep}}$ is a dense subfield of $\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{alg}}$.

Theorem 2.1.2. — *The field $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ contains \mathbf{E} as a dense subfield.*

The usual way of proving this theorem uses the theory of the field of norms of Fontaine and Wintenberger (see [FW79] and [Win83]) and we only give a sketch of the main ideas. By Ax's theorem, it is enough to prove that $\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{alg}}$ is dense in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$. If K is a finite extension of \mathbf{Q}_p let $K_\infty = K(\mu_{p^\infty})$ and let I be the set of elements of valuation

$\geq 1/p$. We set $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K^+ = \{x = (x_0, x_1, \dots) \text{ where } x_n \in \mathcal{O}_{K_\infty}/I \text{ and } x_{n+1}^p = x_n\}$. Using some ramification theory, we can prove that the map $x \mapsto x^p$ from $\mathcal{O}_{K_\infty}/I \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{K_\infty}/I$ is surjective. We have $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{perf}}} \subset \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}^+$ and the map $\theta_n : \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{perf}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{(\mathbf{Q}_p)_\infty}/I$ is easily seen to be surjective so that $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{perf}}}$ is dense in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}^+$ by an analogue of exercise 2. Furthermore, if L/K is a finite extension then so is $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_L/\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K$ where $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K^+[1/X]$. Finally, $\cup_{K/\mathbf{Q}_p} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K$ is dense in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ by exercise 2 and therefore $\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{alg}}$ is dense in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$.

2.2. The action of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ on $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$. — The group $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ acts on $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ by continuity and this action extends to a continuous action on $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$. For example, $g(f(X)) = f((1+X)^{\chi_{\text{cycl}}(g)} - 1)$ so that if $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}_p}/\mathbf{Q}_p(\mu_{p^\infty})) = \ker \chi_{\text{cycl}}$ then the action of $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ on $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ is trivial; furthermore, if $h \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ and if K is a separable extension of $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ then $h(K)$ is another separable extension of $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ so that we get a map $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \rightarrow \text{Gal}(\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{F}_p((X)))$.

Theorem 2.2.1. — *The map $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \rightarrow \text{Gal}(\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{F}_p((X)))$ is an isomorphism.*

Proof. — We first check that the map is injective. If $h \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ acts trivially on \mathbf{E} then by continuity and theorem 2.1.2, h acts trivially on $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ and therefore on $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ so that $h = 1$. We now check that the map is surjective. If α is an automorphism of \mathbf{E} then it extends by continuity to an automorphism of $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ trivial on $\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{perf}}$ and the proof of theorem 2.1.2 shows that the finite extensions of $\mathbf{F}_p((X))^{\text{perf}}$ are of the form $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K$ where K/\mathbf{Q}_p is finite and $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_K$ only depends on K_∞ so that α is the image of some element $h \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$. \square

We now give a “characteristic p ” construction of ω_n . In order to do so, we work with $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ viewed as $\varprojlim_{x \mapsto x^p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$. Let $Y \in \mathbf{E}$ be an element such that $Y^{(p^n-1)/(p-1)} = X$. If $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$, then $f_g(X) = [\omega(g)]X/g(X)$ depends only on the image of g in $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(\mathbf{Q}_p(\mu_{p^\infty})/\mathbf{Q}_p)$ and since mod p we have $f_g(X) \in 1 + X\mathbf{F}_p[[X]]$, the formula $f_g^s(X)$ makes sense if $s \in \mathbf{Z}_p$.

Proposition 2.2.2. — *If $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p^n}$ then $g(Y) = Y\omega_n^p(g)f_g^{-\frac{p-1}{p^n-1}}(X)$.*

Proof. — Recall that $X \in \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+ = \varprojlim \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ is equal to $\varepsilon - 1$ where $\varepsilon = (\zeta_{p^j})_{j \geq 0}$ and where $(\zeta_{p^j})_{j \geq 0}$ is a compatible sequence. If $j \geq 1$, pick $\pi_{n,j} \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ such that

$$\pi_{n,j}^{\frac{p^n-1}{p-1}} = \zeta_{p^j} - 1.$$

If $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p^n}$, then $g(\zeta_{p^j} - 1) = [\omega(g)](\zeta_{p^j} - 1)f_g^{-1}(\zeta_{p^j} - 1)$ and so there exists $\omega_{n,j}(g) \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$ such that

$$\frac{g(\pi_{n,j})}{\pi_{n,j}} = [\omega_{n,j}(g)]f_g^{-\frac{p-1}{p^n-1}}(\zeta_{p^j} - 1),$$

where $[\cdot]$ is the Teichmüller lift from $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^\times$ to $\mathbf{Q}_{p^n}^\times$. The map $g \mapsto \omega_{n,j}(g)$ is a character of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_{p^n}}$ which does not depend on the choice of $\pi_{n,j}$. In addition, we have

$$\begin{cases} (\zeta_{p^{j+1}} - 1)^p = (\zeta_{p^j} - 1) \cdot (1 + O(p^{1/p})) & \text{if } j \geq 1, \\ (\zeta_p - 1)^{p-1} = -p \cdot (1 + O(p^{1/p})) \end{cases}$$

so that $\omega_{n,j+1}^p = \omega_{n,j}$ if $j \geq 1$ and $\omega_{n,1} = \omega_n$. This also tells us that we may choose the $\pi_{n,j}$ so that $\pi_{n,j+1}^p / \pi_{n,j} \in 1 + p^{1/p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$. If we write $Y = (y^{(i)}) \in \varprojlim \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$, then we have $y^{(i)} = \lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} \pi_{n,i+j}^{p^j}$ since the $\pi_{n,j}$ are compatible in the sense that $\pi_{n,j+1}^p / \pi_{n,j} \in 1 + p^{1/p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ so that if $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_{p^n}}$, then

$$\frac{g(y^{(i)})}{y^{(i)}} = [\omega_{n,i}(g)] \cdot \lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} (f_g^{-\frac{p-1}{p^{i+j}}} (\zeta_{p^{i+j}} - 1))^{p^j},$$

and therefore we have $g(Y) = Y \omega_n^p(g) f_g^{-\frac{p-1}{p^n-1}}(X)$ in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$. \square

2.3. Exercises

1. Prove that $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ is a perfect ring of characteristic p and that the function $\text{val}_{\mathbf{E}} : \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+ \setminus \{0\}$ is a valuation for which it is complete.
2. What is the topology defined on $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/p$ by val_p ? Show that a subset P of $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$ is dense if and only if $\theta_n : P \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}/p$ is surjective for all $n \geq 0$.
3. If $x = (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$, let $\hat{x}_i \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ denote an arbitrary lift of x_i .
 - (a) Prove that the sequence $\{\hat{x}_{i+j}^{p^j}\}_{j \geq 0}$ converges in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ and that if we call $x^{(j)}$ its limit, then $(x^{(0)}, x^{(1)}, \dots)$ is an element of $\varprojlim_{x \rightarrow x^p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$ which maps to $x \in \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^+$.
 - (b) If $x, y \in \varprojlim_{x \rightarrow x^p} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}$, what is the formula for $(x + y)^{(j)}$?
4. How does one divide elements in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$?
5. Prove that $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{\varphi^f=1} = \mathbf{F}_{p^f}$.
6. Let k be a perfect field of characteristic p and let $K = k((X))$. The valuation val_X defined on K extends uniquely to K^{sep} and to K^{alg} .
 - (a) Let $\alpha \in K^{\text{sep}}$ be such that $\text{val}_X(\alpha) \geq 0$ and let $n \geq 0$. If $\beta \in K^{\text{alg}}$ is the p -th root of α in K^{alg} and if β_n is a root of the polynomial $T^p - X^n T - \alpha = 0$, what can you say about $\text{val}_X(\beta - \beta_n)$?
 - (b) Using the above, prove the following result which is a particular case of a theorem of Ax (see [Ax70]): the field K^{sep} is dense in K^{alg} .
7. This is a project rather than an exercise. Prove proposition 2.2.2 by using the interpretation of ω_n in class field theory and Laubie's result from [Lau88] on the compatibility of class field theories in the field of norms.

3. Fontaine's (φ, Γ) -modules

In this chapter, we use the properties of \mathbf{E} seen above to state and prove Fontaine's equivalence of categories from [Fon90] between Galois representations and (φ, Γ) -modules. After that, we compute some explicit examples.

3.1. Fontaine's equivalence of categories. — If W is an \mathbf{F}_p -linear representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ then the $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ -vector space $D(W) = (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} W)^{\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}}$ inherits the frobenius φ of \mathbf{E} and the residual action of $\Gamma = \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}/\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$.

Definition 3.1.1. — A (φ, Γ) -module over $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ is a finite dimensional $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ -vector space endowed with a semilinear frobenius φ such that $\text{Mat}(\varphi) \in \text{GL}_d(\mathbf{F}_p((X)))$ and a continuous and semilinear action of Γ commuting with φ .

For example, $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ itself is a (φ, Γ) -module. We'll see that $D(W)$ is a (φ, Γ) -module over $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$. If E is a finite extension of \mathbf{F}_p , we endow it with the trivial φ and the trivial action of Γ so that we may talk about (φ, Γ) -modules over $E((X)) = E \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} \mathbf{F}_p((X))$ and we then have the following result which is proved in §1.2 of [Fon90].

Theorem 3.1.2. — *The functor $W \mapsto D(W)$ gives an equivalence of categories between the category of E -representations of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ and the category of (φ, Γ) -modules over $E((X))$.*

Proof. — Given the isomorphism $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \simeq \text{Gal}(\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{F}_p((X)))$ from theorem 2.2.1, Hilbert's theorem 90 tells us that $H_{\text{discrete}}^1(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \text{GL}_d(\mathbf{E})) = \{1\}$ (where we only consider cocycles which are trivial on an open subgroup of $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$) so that if W is an \mathbf{F}_p -linear representation of $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ then $\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} W \simeq \mathbf{E}^{\dim(W)}$ as representations of $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$. The $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ -vector space $D(W) = (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} W)^{\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}}$ is therefore of dimension $\dim(W)$ (in particular, it is a (φ, Γ) -module) and we can recover W from $D(W)$ by the formula $W = (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))} D(W))^{\varphi=1}$.

If D is a (φ, Γ) -module of dimension d over $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$, then let $W(D) = (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))} D)^{\varphi=1}$. If we choose a basis $\{d_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq d}$ of D and if $\text{Mat}(\varphi)^{-1} = (q_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq d}$ in that basis, then a small computation shows that $\sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i \otimes d_i \in (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))} D)^{\varphi=1}$ if and only if $\lambda_k^p = \sum_{i=1}^d q_{ki} \lambda_i$ for all $1 \leq k \leq d$. The algebra $A = \mathbf{E}[X_1, \dots, X_d]/(X_k^p - \sum_i q_{ki} X_i)_{1 \leq k \leq d}$ is an étale \mathbf{E} -algebra of rank p^d and since \mathbf{E} is separably closed, it is isomorphic to \mathbf{E}^{p^d} , which gives us p^d elements in W so that W is an \mathbf{F}_p -vector space of dimension d (see exercise 2 for a more concrete proof of this).

It is then easy to check that the functors $W \mapsto D(W)$ and $D \mapsto W(D)$ are inverse of each other. Finally, if $E \neq \mathbf{F}_p$ then one can consider an E -representation as an \mathbf{F}_p -representation with an E -linear structure and likewise for (φ, Γ) -modules, so that the equivalence carries over. \square

3.2. Examples of (φ, Γ) -modules. — Every character of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ is of the form $\omega^h \mu_\lambda$ for some $0 \leq h \leq p-2$ and some $\lambda \in E^\times$. By exercise 4, the (φ, Γ) -module $D(\omega^h \mu_\lambda)$ is a one dimensional $E((X))$ -vector space with a basis e for which $\varphi(e) = \lambda \cdot e$ and $\gamma(e) = \omega^h(\gamma) \cdot e$.

The structure of the (φ, Γ) -modules associated to irreducible representations of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ can be deduced from the theorem below.

Theorem 3.2.1. — *The (φ, Γ) -module $D(\text{ind}(\omega_n^h))$ is defined on $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$ and admits a basis e_0, \dots, e_{n-1} in which $\gamma(e_j) = f_\gamma(X)^{hp^j(p-1)/(p^n-1)}e_j$ if $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and $\varphi(e_j) = e_{j+1}$ for $0 \leq j \leq n-2$ and $\varphi(e_{n-1}) = (-1)^{n-1}X^{-h(p-1)}e_0$.*

Proof. — Let W be the \mathbf{F}_p -representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ associated to the (φ, Γ) -module described in the statement of the theorem. If $f = X^h \cdot e_0 \wedge \dots \wedge e_{n-1}$, then $\varphi(f) = f$ and $\gamma(f) = \omega(\gamma)^h f$ so that the determinant of W is indeed ω^h and therefore we only need to show that the restriction of $\mathbf{F}_{p^n} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} W$ to $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ is $\omega_n^h \oplus \omega_n^{ph} \oplus \dots \oplus \omega_n^{p^{n-1}h}$. To clarify things, let us write $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^{\natural}$ for \mathbf{F}_{p^n} when it occurs as a coefficient field, so that the frobenius φ is trivial on $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^{\natural}$.

If we write $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^{\natural} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} \mathbf{E}$ as $\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{E}$ via the map $x \otimes y \mapsto (\sigma^k(x)y)$ where σ is the absolute frobenius on $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^{\natural}$, then given $(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) \in \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{E}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi((x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})) &= (\varphi(x_{n-1}), \varphi(x_0), \dots, \varphi(x_{n-2})) \\ g((x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})) &= (g(x_0), \dots, g(x_{n-1})), \end{aligned}$$

if $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ (but not if $g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$). Choose $\alpha \in \overline{\mathbf{F}_p}$ such that $\alpha^{p^n-1} = (-1)^{n-1}$ and define

$$\begin{aligned} v_0 &= (\alpha Y^h, 0, \dots, 0) \cdot e_0 + (0, \alpha^p Y^{ph}, \dots, 0) \cdot e_1 + \dots + (0, \dots, 0, \alpha^{p^{n-1}} Y^{p^{n-1}h}) \cdot e_{n-1} \\ v_1 &= (0, \alpha Y^h, \dots, 0) \cdot e_0 + (0, 0, \alpha^p Y^{ph}, \dots, 0) \cdot e_1 + \dots + (\alpha^{p^{n-1}} Y^{p^{n-1}h}, 0, \dots, 0) \cdot e_{n-1} \\ &\vdots \\ v_{n-1} &= (0, \dots, 0, \alpha Y^h) \cdot e_0 + (\alpha^p Y^{ph}, 0, \dots, 0) \cdot e_1 + \dots + (0, \dots, 0, \alpha^{p^{n-1}} Y^{p^{n-1}h}, 0) \cdot e_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

We can check that the vectors v_0, \dots, v_{n-1} give a basis of $\mathbf{F}_{p^n}^{\natural} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p((X))} D(W))$. The formulas for the action of φ imply that $\varphi(v_j) = v_j$ so that $v_j \in \mathbf{F}_{p^n}^{\natural} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} W$. The formulas for the action of Γ and lemma 2.2.2 imply that $g(v_j) = \omega_n^{hp^{1-j}} v_j$ if $g \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ which finishes the proof. \square

3.3. Exercises

1. Check that $W \mapsto D(W)$ commutes with direct sums and tensor products.
2. Let K be some separably closed field of characteristic $p > 0$, let $Q = (q_{ij}) \in \text{GL}_d(K)$ and let $A = K[X_1, \dots, X_d]/(X_k^p - \sum_i q_{ki} X_i)$.
 - (a) Using the fact that Q is invertible, show that the image of the map $x \mapsto x^p$ generates A over K and hence that if $\{b_i\}_{i \in I}$ is a basis of A , then so is $\{b_i^p\}_{i \in I}$.
 - (b) Prove that A is a product of field extensions of K .
 - (c) Prove that $A \simeq K^{p^d}$.
3. Let D be a (φ, Γ) -module on $\mathbf{F}_p((X))$. Show that there exists a basis of D in which $\text{Mat}(\varphi) \in \text{M}_d(\mathbf{F}_p[[X]])$ and $\text{Mat}(\gamma) \in \text{GL}_d(\mathbf{F}_p[[X]])$ if $\gamma \in \Gamma$.
4. The goal of this exercise is to prove that if $W = E \cdot v$ where $g(v) = (\omega^s \mu_\lambda)(g)v$, then the (φ, Γ) -module $D(W)$ has a basis e for which $\varphi(e) = \lambda \cdot e$ and $\gamma(e) = \omega^s(\gamma) \cdot e$.
 - (a) Why is this true if $\lambda = 1$?
 - (b) Assume now that $E = \mathbf{F}_p$, and let $\pi \in \overline{\mathbf{F}_p}$ be such that $\pi^{p-1} = \lambda$. If $g \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$, prove that $g(\pi \otimes v) = \pi \otimes v$ and finish the proof of the statement in this case.

- (c) If $E = \mathbf{F}_{p^n}$, use the isomorphism $\mathbf{F}_{p^n} \otimes_{\mathbf{F}_p} \mathbf{E} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{E}$ of the proof of theorem 3.2.1 to prove the assertion as in (b).
5. What can you say about the representation attached to D if there exists a basis of D in which $\text{Mat}(\varphi) \in \text{GL}_d(\mathbf{F}_p[[X]])$?

4. Construction of representations of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$

In this chapter, we study the operator ψ on (φ, Γ) -modules and give Colmez' construction (see [Col07]) of a representation of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ starting from the data of a (φ, Γ) -module.

4.1. The operator ψ and Colmez' functor. — The field $E((X))$ is a vector space over $E((X^p))$ which admits $1, X, \dots, X^{p-1}$ as a basis and hence also $1, (1+X), \dots, (1+X)^{p-1}$. If $\alpha(X) \in E((X))$, we can therefore write $\alpha(X) = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} (1+X)^j \alpha_j(X^p)$ in a unique way and we define $\psi(\alpha(X)) = \alpha_0(X)$. If D is a (φ, Γ) -module and if $y \in D$, then using the above facts and exercise 2 we can write $y = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} (1+X)^j \varphi(y_j)$ and we set $\psi(y) = y_0$. The operator ψ thus defined commutes with the action of Γ (see exercise 3) and satisfies $\psi(\alpha(X)\varphi(y)) = \psi(\alpha(X))y$ and $\psi(\alpha(X^p)y) = \alpha(X)\psi(y)$.

Lemma 4.1.1. — *Every (φ, Γ) -module D admits a $E[[X]]$ -lattice stable under ψ .*

Proof. — Let M denote a lattice of D and let $\varphi^*(M)$ denote the $E[[X]]$ -module generated by $\varphi(M)$, which is still a lattice of D so that there exists $h \geq 0$ with $X^{h(p-1)}M \subset \varphi^*(M)$. This implies that $X^{-h}M \subset \varphi^*(X^{-h}M)$ and hence that $N = X^{-h}M$ is the sought after lattice. \square

If D is a (φ, Γ) -module, let N denote some $E[[X]]$ -lattice stable under ψ of D and let $(\varprojlim_{\psi} D)^b$ denote the set of sequences $y = (y_n)_{n \geq 0}$ such that $\psi(y_{n+1}) = y_n$ for all $n \geq 0$ and such that $\{y_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ is bounded for the X -adic topology, meaning that there exists some j (depending on y) such that $y_n \in X^{-j}N$ for all $n \geq 0$. The set $(\varprojlim_{\psi} D)^b$ is stable under ψ which is bijective on it, it is stable under the action of Γ (if N is a ψ -stable lattice, then so is $\gamma(N)$ if $\gamma \in \Gamma$) and if $\alpha(X) \in E[[X]]$, then we define $\alpha \cdot y \in (\varprojlim_{\psi} D)^b$ by $(\alpha y)_n = \varphi^n(\alpha)y_n$.

Let D^\sharp denote the set of y_0 for all $y \in (\varprojlim_{\psi} D)^b$; this is a $E[[X]]$ -module stable under ψ and Γ and on which ψ is surjective. Furthermore, if N is as above and if $j \geq 0$, then $\psi(X^{-j}N) \subset X^{-[j/p]}N$ so that $D^\sharp \subset X^{-1}N$. The natural map $\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp \rightarrow (\varprojlim_{\psi} D)^b$ is therefore an isomorphism, and D^\sharp is the largest bounded sub- $E[[X]]$ -module of D which is stable under ψ and Γ and on which ψ is surjective.

If $D = D(\omega^s \mu_\lambda) = E((X)) \cdot e$ with $\varphi(e) = \lambda e$ and $\gamma(e) = \omega^s(\gamma)e$, then by exercise 4 we see that $D^\sharp = X^{-1}E[[X]] \cdot e$ in this case.

By exercise 5, D^\sharp is always a full lattice in D . We give below an explicit construction of $D^\sharp(W)$ for $W = \text{ind}(\omega_n^h) \otimes \omega^s \mu_\lambda$. Theorem 3.2.1 above implies that the (φ, Γ) -module $D(W)$ is defined on $E((X))$ and admits a basis e_0, \dots, e_{n-1} in which $\gamma(e_j) = \omega^s(\gamma) f_\gamma(X)^{hp^j(p-1)/(p^n-1)} e_j$ if $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and $\varphi(e_j) = \lambda e_{j+1}$ for $0 \leq j \leq n-2$ and $\varphi(e_{n-1}) = (-1)^{n-1} \lambda X^{-h(p-1)} e_0$. Since $\omega_n^{(p^n-1)/(p-1)} = \omega$, we can always modify h (and s accordingly) in order to have $1 \leq h \leq (p^n - 1)/(p - 1) - 1$ so that $h(p - 1) \leq p^n - 2$. Let $i_{n-1} \dots i_1 i_0$ be the expansion of $h(p - 1)$ in base p and let $h_k = i_{n-k} + pi_{n-k+1} + \dots + p^{k-1} i_{n-1}$ so that $h_0 = 0$ and $h_n = h(p - 1)$.

Lemma 4.1.2. — *If $f_j = X^{h_j} e_j$ and if $\alpha(X) \in E((X))$, then we have*

$$\psi(\alpha(X) f_j) = \begin{cases} \lambda^{-1} \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_{n-j}}) f_{j-1} & \text{if } j \geq 1, \\ \lambda^{-1} (-1)^{n-1} \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_0}) f_{n-1} & \text{if } j = 0. \end{cases}$$

Proof. — If $j \geq 1$, then we can write $\alpha(X) f_j = \lambda^{-1} \alpha(X) X^{h_j} \varphi(e_{j-1})$ and since $h_j = ph_{j-1} + i_{n-j}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\alpha(X) f_j) &= \lambda^{-1} X^{h_{j-1}} \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_{n-j}}) e_{j-1} \\ &= \lambda^{-1} \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_{n-j}}) f_{j-1}. \end{aligned}$$

If $j = 0$, then $\alpha(X) f_0 = \alpha(X) e_0 = \alpha(X) (-1)^{n-1} \lambda^{-1} X^{h(p-1)} \varphi(e_{n-1})$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\alpha(X) f_0) &= \lambda^{-1} (-1)^{n-1} X^{h_{n-1}} \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_0}) e_{n-1} \\ &= \lambda^{-1} (-1)^{n-1} \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_0}) f_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

which finishes the proof. □

Corollary 4.1.3. — *The $E[[X]]$ -module $D^\sharp(W) = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{n-1} E[[X]] \cdot f_j$ is stable under ψ and the action of Γ and the map $\psi : D^\sharp(W) \rightarrow D^\sharp(W)$ is surjective.*

Proof. — Lemma 4.1.2 implies that $D^\sharp(W)$ is stable under ψ . Furthermore, the formula $\psi(X^{pm+r}) = (-1)^r X^m$ for $0 \leq r \leq p - 1$ implies that the map $\alpha(X) \mapsto \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_{n-j}})$ is surjective for $j \geq 1$, as well as the map $\alpha(X) \mapsto \psi(\alpha(X) X^{i_0})$, which implies that $\psi : D^\sharp(W) \rightarrow D^\sharp(W)$ is surjective. □

A result of Colmez then implies that $D^\sharp(W)$ is uniquely determined by the corollary 4.1.3 above.

4.2. Representations of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$. — Every element of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ can be written as a product of matrices of the form $\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$ with $x \in \mathbf{Q}_p^\times$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^j \end{pmatrix}$ with $j \in \mathbf{Z}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$ with $a \in \mathbf{Z}_p^\times$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & z \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ with $z \in \mathbf{Z}_p$. If W is a representation of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$, if $D(W)$ is the associated (φ, Γ) -module and if $\chi : \mathbf{Q}_p^\times \rightarrow E^\times$ is a smooth character, we endow $\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W)$ with an action

of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right)_i &= \chi^{-1}(x)y_i; \\ \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^j \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right)_i &= y_{i-j} = \psi^j(y_i); \\ \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right)_i &= \gamma_{a^{-1}}(y_i), \text{ where } \gamma_{a^{-1}} \in \Gamma \text{ is such that } \chi_{\text{cycl}}(\gamma_{a^{-1}}) = a^{-1} \in \mathbf{Z}_p^\times; \\ \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & z \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right)_i &= (1 + X)^{p^i z} y_i. \end{aligned}$$

We then define $\Omega(W) = (\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W))^*$ so that $\Omega(W)$ is a smooth representation (see exercise 6 for a proof of this) of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ whose central character is χ^{-1} .

Assume now that $W = \omega^s \mu_\lambda$. We start by observing that contrary to the situation in exercise 9, the representation $\Omega(W)$ is not irreducible. Indeed, if $D(W) = E((X)) \cdot e$ as above so that $D^\sharp(W) = X^{-1}E[[X]] \cdot e$, then (see exercise 4) $D^\natural(W) = E[[X]] \cdot e$ is a submodule of $D^\sharp(W)$ which is stable under the action of ψ (which is surjective on it) and Γ , so that $\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\natural(W)$ is a subrepresentation of $\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W)$. If $y = (y_0, y_1, \dots) \in \varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W)$ with $y_0 = f_0(X)e$, we denote by $\text{res}(y) \in E$ the residue of f_0 . Let ω and μ_λ denote the characters of \mathbf{Q}_p^\times associated to ω and μ_λ by class field theory so that if $x = x_0 p^v \in \mathbf{Q}_p^\times$ then $\omega(x) = \bar{x}_0$ and $\mu_\lambda(x) = \lambda^v$. If χ_1 and χ_2 are two characters of \mathbf{Q}_p^\times , let $\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 : B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p) \rightarrow E^\times$ be the character $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \chi_1(a)\chi_2(d)$.

Lemma 4.2.1. — *The map res induces an exact sequence of representations of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$*

$$0 \rightarrow \chi \omega^{1-s} \mu_\lambda^{-1} \otimes \omega^{s-1} \mu_\lambda \rightarrow \Omega(W) \rightarrow (\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\natural(W))^* \rightarrow 0$$

Proof. — By duality, we need to show that we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \varprojlim_{\psi} D^\natural(W) \rightarrow \varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W) \rightarrow \chi^{-1} \omega^{s-1} \mu_\lambda \otimes \omega^{1-s} \mu_{\lambda^{-1}} \rightarrow 0.$$

If we write $y = (\lambda^n X^{-1}e)_{n \geq 0}$, then $y \in \varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W)$ and $\text{res}(y) = 1$ so that we only need compute $\text{res}(b \cdot y)$ for $b \in B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ and we find

$$\begin{aligned} \text{res} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right) &= \chi^{-1}(x), \\ \text{res} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right) &= \text{res}((\lambda^{n-1} X^{-1}e)_{n \geq 0}) = \lambda^{-1}, \\ \text{res} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right) &= \text{res}((\omega^{s-1}(\gamma_a^{-1})(\lambda^n + O(X))X^{-1}e)_{n \geq 0}) = a^{1-s}, \\ \text{res} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & z \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot y \right) &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

which finishes the proof. □

In the next chapter, we will determine $\Omega(W)$ when W is one dimensional.

4.3. Exercises

1. Prove that if $0 \leq r \leq p-1$, then $\psi(X^{pm+r}) = (-1)^r X^m$.
2. Prove that a (φ, Γ) -module D has a basis whose elements belong to $\varphi(D)$.
3. Prove that ψ commutes with the action of Γ .
4. Prove the following properties of the action of ψ on $E((X))$.
 - (a) $\psi(X^{-j-1}E[[X]]) \subset X^{-j}E[[X]]$ if $j \geq 1$,
 - (b) $\psi(X^{j+1}E[[X]]) \supset X^jE[[X]]$ if $j \geq 0$,
 - (c) $\psi(1/X) = 1/X$,
 and use them to deduce that the only $E[[X]]$ -submodules of rank 1 of $E((X))$ which are stable under ψ and on which ψ is surjective are $E[[X]]$ and $X^{-1}E[[X]]$.
5. Let D be a (φ, Γ) -module and let M be a lattice of D stable under φ (see exercise 3 of §3). Show that $M \subset D^\sharp$.
6. (see §2.3 of [Ber08]) Let E be a finite field, G a topological group, X a profinite E -linear representation of G and X^* its continuous dual.
 - (a) Prove that X^* is a smooth representation of G .
 - (b) Prove that if X is topologically irreducible, then X^* is irreducible.
7. Prove that if W is one dimensional, then $(\varprojlim_{\psi} D^\sharp(W))^*$ is an irreducible representation of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$.
8. Let $W = \text{ind}(\omega_n^h) \otimes \omega^s \mu_\lambda$. Denote by θ_0 the linear form on $D^\sharp(W)$ given by

$$\theta_0 : \alpha_0(X)f_0 + \cdots + \alpha_{n-1}(X)f_{n-1} \mapsto \alpha_0(0).$$

If $y = (y_0, y_1, \dots)$, then we define $\theta \in \Omega(W)$ to be the linear form $\theta : y \mapsto \theta_0(y_0)$.

- (a) If $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbf{Z}_p) \mathbf{Q}_p^\times \cap B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$, then compute $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \theta$.
- (b) Show that θ is an eigenvector of

$$\sum_{j=0}^{p^n-1} \binom{j}{h(p-1)} \begin{pmatrix} p^n & -j \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

9. Let $W = \text{ind}(\omega_n^h) \otimes \omega^s \mu_\lambda$ with $n \geq 2$ and let M be a sub- $E[[X]]$ -module of $D(W)$ stable under ψ and Γ and on which ψ is surjective.
 - (a) Prove that $M = D^\sharp(W)$.
 - (b) Prove that $\Omega(W)$ is an irreducible representation of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$.

5. Parabolic inductions

In this chapter, we determine $\Omega(W)$ when $W = \omega^s \mu_\lambda$ following the computations in [Ber05].

5.1. Locally constant functions. — Let $\text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)$ denote the space of locally constant functions. If $n \geq 0$, then the function $\binom{X}{n} = \frac{X(X-1)\cdots(X-n+1)}{n!}$ is a continuous function $\mathbf{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p$ and hence its reduction modulo p belongs to $\text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)$. Furthermore, a classical result tells us that $\{\binom{X}{n}\}_{n \geq 0}$ is a basis of $\text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)$ (see exercise 1). If $\nu : \text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E) \rightarrow E$ is a linear form, we also say that ν is a measure on \mathbf{Z}_p and we write $\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f d\nu$ instead of $\nu(f)$. The Amice transform (cf. [Ami78]) $\mathcal{A}(\nu)(X) \in E[[X]]$ of

a measure ν is defined by

$$\mathcal{A}(\nu)(X) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \nu \left(z \mapsto \binom{z}{n} \right) X^n = \nu(z \mapsto (1+X)^z) = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} (1+X)^z d\nu(z).$$

Since the $\{\binom{X}{n}\}_{n \geq 0}$ form a basis of $\text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)$, the map $\mathcal{A} : \text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)^* \rightarrow E[[X]]$ is an isomorphism.

If ν is a measure and if U is an open subset of \mathbf{Z}_p then $\text{Res}_U(\nu)$ is the measure defined by $\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f d\text{Res}_U(\nu) = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathbf{1}_U(z) f(z) d\nu(z) = \int_U f(z) d\nu(z)$. In exercise 4 you will prove that if ν is a measure and if $\psi(\nu)$ is the measure whose Amice transform is $\psi(\mathcal{A}(\nu))$, then

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(z) d\psi(\nu) = \int_{p\mathbf{Z}_p} f(p^{-1}z) d\nu.$$

Let $\text{LC}_0(\mathbf{Q}_p, E)$ denote the space of locally constant compactly supported E -valued functions on \mathbf{Q}_p . If $y = (y_0, y_1, \dots)$ is a sequence of elements of $E[[X]]$ such that $\psi(y_{i+1}) = y_i$ and if ν_i is the measure such that $\mathcal{A}(\nu_i) = y_i$ so that we can define a measure ν on \mathbf{Q}_p attached to y by the formula :

$$\int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f d\nu_y = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(p^{-i}z) d\nu_i$$

if $f \in \text{LC}_0(\mathbf{Q}_p, E)$ and if $i \gg 0$ is large enough so that f has support in $p^{-i}\mathbf{Z}_p$. This gives us an isomorphism $\text{LC}_0(\mathbf{Q}_p, E)^* = \varprojlim_{\psi} E[[X]]$.

5.2. Parabolic inductions. — If χ_1 and χ_2 are two smooth characters of \mathbf{Q}_p^\times , then the parabolic induction $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)$ is by definition the set of locally constant functions $\sigma : \text{GL}_2(\mathbf{Q}_p) \rightarrow E$ such that $\sigma(bg) = (\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)(b)\sigma(g)$ if $b \in B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ and $g \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$. The space $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)$ is naturally a representation of $\text{GL}_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ whose action is given by $(g \cdot \sigma)(h) = \sigma(hg)$ and we consider $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)$ as a representation of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$.

If $\sigma \in \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)$, then the map $\sigma \mapsto \sigma(\text{Id})$ gives us a map from $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)$ to $\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2$ whose kernel we denote by $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)_0$ so that we have an exact sequence of representations of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)_0 \rightarrow \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2) \rightarrow \chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \rightarrow 0.$$

If $\sigma \in \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)_0$, then we associate to σ a function $f_\sigma \in \text{LC}_0(\mathbf{Q}_p, E)$ by the formula $f_\sigma(x) = \sigma \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & x \end{pmatrix} \right)$. The Bruhat decomposition $\text{GL}_2(\mathbf{Q}_p) = B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p) \sqcup B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ shows that the map $\sigma \mapsto f_\sigma$ gives a bijection between $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)_0$ and $\text{LC}_0(\mathbf{Q}_p, E)$ and that since $(b \cdot \sigma)(g) = \sigma(gb)$ if $\sigma \in \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{G}}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2)$ and $b \in B$ and $g \in G$, we have

$$\clubsuit \quad f_{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \sigma}(x) = \sigma \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \right) = \sigma \left(\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & \frac{dx-b}{a} \end{pmatrix} \right) = \chi_1(d)\chi_2(a)f_\sigma \left(\frac{dx-b}{a} \right).$$

The main result connecting $\Omega(W)$ and parabolic inductions is the theorem below.

Theorem 5.2.1. — *If $W = \omega^s \mu_\lambda$ then $(\varprojlim_\psi D^\natural(W))^* \simeq \text{Ind}_B^G(\omega^s \mu_\lambda \otimes \chi \omega^{-s} \mu_{\lambda^{-1}})_0$.*

Proof. — We will define a map $\varprojlim_\psi D^\natural(W) \rightarrow \text{Ind}_B^G(\omega^s \mu_\lambda \otimes \chi \omega^{-s} \mu_{\lambda^{-1}})_0^*$, and show that it is a $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ -equivariant isomorphism.

If $y \in \varprojlim_\psi D^\natural(W)$, then $y = (y_i)_{i \geq 0}$ and we have $y_i = f_i(X)e$ with $f_i(X) \in E[[X]]$. We see that $\psi(\lambda^{-i} f_i) = \lambda^{-(i-1)} f_{i-1}$ and we define a measure $\nu_{y,i}$ on \mathbf{Z}_p by requiring that $\mathcal{A}(\nu_{y,i}) = \lambda^{-i} f_i$ so that we can define a measure ν_y on \mathbf{Q}_p by asking that if $f \in \text{LC}_0(\mathbf{Q}_p, E)$ has support in $p^{-i} \mathbf{Z}_p$, then

$$\int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f d\nu_y = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(p^{-i} z) d\nu_{y,i}$$

as in the previous paragraph. The map $y \mapsto \nu_y$ is then a bijection which we can use to identify $\Omega(W)$ with the dual of the parabolic induction via the map $\sigma \mapsto f_\sigma$. In order to finish the proof of the theorem, we need to show that this map is $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ -equivariant. The action of $B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ on measures is given by its action on their Amice transforms and we find

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(z) d\nu_{\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} \cdot y} &= \chi^{-1}(x) \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(z) d\nu_y \\ \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(z) d\nu_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix} \cdot y} &= \lambda^{-1} \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(p^{-1} z) d\nu_y \\ \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(z) d\nu_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot y} &= d^{-s} \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(d^{-1} z) d\nu_y \\ \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(z) d\nu_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot y} &= \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f(z + b) d\nu_y. \end{aligned}$$

By comparing these formulas with (\clubsuit), we do find that

$$\int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f_{g \cdot \sigma}(z) d\nu_{g \cdot y} = \int_{\mathbf{Q}_p} f_\sigma(z) d\nu_y$$

if $g \in B_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$, $y \in \varprojlim_\psi D^\natural(W)$ and $\sigma \in \text{Ind}_B^G(\omega^s \mu_\lambda \otimes \chi \omega^{-s} \mu_{\lambda^{-1}})_0$. \square

Corollary 5.2.2. — *We have an exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow \chi \omega^{1-s} \mu_{\lambda^{-1}} \otimes \omega^{s-1} \mu_\lambda \rightarrow \Omega(W) \rightarrow \text{Ind}_B^G(\omega^s \mu_\lambda \otimes \chi \omega^{-s} \mu_{\lambda^{-1}})_0 \rightarrow 0.$$

5.3. Exercises

1. If $f \in \text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)$ is some locally constant function, we set $(\Delta f)(x) = f(x+1) - f(x)$.
 - (a) Show that there exists some $m \geq 1$ such that $f(x)$ only depends on $x \bmod p^m$ and that $\Delta^{p^m}(f)$ is then equal to 0;
 - (b) What is $\Delta\left(\binom{X}{n}\right)$? Compute the kernel of Δ^k ;
 - (c) Prove that $\left\{\binom{X}{n}\right\}_{n \geq 0}$ is a basis of the E -vector space $\text{LC}(\mathbf{Z}_p, E)$.
2. Using exercise 1, prove that every continuous function $f : \mathbf{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_p$ can be written as $f(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n \binom{x}{n}$ where $a_n \in \mathbf{Q}_p$ and $a_n \rightarrow 0$.
3. Prove that if ν is a measure, then $\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(z) d\varphi(\nu) = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(pz) d\nu$.

4. If ν is a measure, prove that $\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(z) d\psi(\nu) = \int_{p\mathbf{Z}_p} f(p^{-1}z) d\nu$.
5. If ν is a measure, let $x\nu$ be the measure defined by $\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f dx\nu = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} zf(z) d\nu(z)$.
 - (a) Prove that $\mathcal{A}(x\nu) = (1 + X)(d/dX)\mathcal{A}(\nu)$;
 - (b) Prove that the map $f(X) \mapsto (1 + X)(df/dX)$ is a bijection on $E[[X]]^{\psi=0}$.
6. If μ, ν are measures, define $\mu * \nu$ by $\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f d\mu * \nu = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f(x + y) d\mu(x) d\nu(y)$. Prove that $\mathcal{A}(\mu * \nu) = \mathcal{A}(\mu)\mathcal{A}(\nu)$.
7. Is the exact sequence from corollary 5.2.2 split?

6. The p -adic Langlands correspondence

The mod p version of the p -adic Langlands correspondence is a bijection (see [Bre03a] and [Bre03b]) between the set of 2-dimensional E -linear representations of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ and certain smooth admissible representations of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbf{Q}_p)$ (first studied in [BL95] and [BL94]). A more general version of the computations we have given above is used to realize this correspondence using (φ, Γ) -modules, following an idea of Colmez (see [Col08] and [Col07]). The details are worked out in [Ber05] and the computations are simplified and extended to representations of $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{Q}_p}$ of dimension ≥ 2 in [Ber08]. In particular, if W is irreducible of dimension ≥ 2 , then the representation $\Omega(W)$ of §4 is completely determined in [Ber08]. A detailed introduction to the p -adic Langlands correspondence, especially in characteristic 0, is in Breuil’s “introduction générale” to Astérisque 319.

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