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IWASAWA THEORY OF ELLIPTIC CURVES AND GALOIS MODULE STRUCTURE

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0. Introduction. In this paper we apply techniques arising from Iwasawa theory to study the Galois module structure of principle homogeneous spaces constructed via points of infinite order on CM elliptic curves defined over a number field. This theory was introduced by M. J. Taylor in [T1] (see also [ST], [CN-S], and [CN-T]) and is motivated by the fact that such principal homogeneous spaces are very closely connected with certain rings of integers.

Let E be an elliptic curve with complex multiplication by $\mathfrak{O}$, the ring of integers of an imaginary quadratic field K. If $\alpha \in \mathfrak{O}$, we shall often (but not always) write $[\alpha]$ for the corresponding endomorphism of E. Let F/K be a finite extension over which E is defined and acquires everywhere-good reduction. We write $\Delta = \mathrm{Gal}(F/K)$, and we assume that all endomorphisms of E are defined over F. For any field L, we write L^c for an algebraic closure of L, and we set $\Omega_L = \mathrm{Gal}(L^c/L)$.

Let p be an odd rational prime which splits in $\mathfrak{O}$, with $p\mathfrak{O} = \mathfrak{p}\mathfrak{p}^*$. Assume that $p \nmid |\Delta|$. Choose $\pi \in \mathfrak{p}$ with $\mathfrak{p}^h = \pi\mathfrak{O}$ for some $h \geqslant 1$ and write π^* for the complex conjugate of π. Set $q = \pi\pi^*$.

Write G_i for the subgroup of elements of $E(\mathbb{Q}^c)$ which are killed by $[\pi^{*i}]$. Let $\mathfrak{B}_i$ denote the $\mathfrak{O}_F$-Hopf algebra which represents the $\mathfrak{O}_F$-group scheme of $[\pi^{*i}]$-torsion on E, and let $\mathfrak{A}_i$ be the Cartier dual of $\mathfrak{B}_i$. A detailed description of these algebras is given in [T1] (see also [ST]). There it is shown that $\mathfrak{B}_i$ is an $\mathfrak{O}_F$-order in the algebra $\mathscr{B}_i = \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(G_i, \mathbb{Q}^c)$ and $\mathfrak{A}_i$ is an order in the algebra $\mathscr{A}_i = (F^c G_i)^{\Omega_F}$ (where here Ω_F acts upon both G_i and F^c). (Here and elsewhere, we shall omit from our notation the dependence of our constructions upon the underlying field F unless there is some danger of ambiguity.)

Suppose that $Q \in E(F)$ and write

$$G_Q(i) = \{Q' \in E(\mathbb{Q}^c)\colon [\pi^{*i}]Q' = Q\}. \tag{0.1}$$

Define the Kummer algebra $F_Q(i)$ by

$$F_Q(i) = \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(G_Q(i), \mathbb{Q}^c). \tag{0.2}$$

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Then $[F_Q(i):F] = |G_i|$, and $\mathscr{A}_i$ acts on $F_Q(i)$ via

$$\left(f \cdot \sum_{g \in G_i} a_g g\right)(Q') = \sum_{g \in G_i} a_g f(Q' + g) \tag{0.3}$$

for $f \in F_Q(i)$ and $\sum_{g \in G_i} a_g g \in \mathscr{A}_i$.

Let $\mathfrak{O}_Q(i)$ denote the integral closure of $\mathfrak{O}_F$ in $F_Q(i)$. In general, $\mathfrak{O}_Q(i)$ does not admit an action of $\mathfrak{A}_i$. We define the Kummer order $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ to be the maximal $\mathfrak{A}_i$-stable submodule of $\mathfrak{O}_Q(i)$, i.e.

$$\mathfrak{C}_Q(i) = \{x \in \mathfrak{O}_Q(i) | x . \mathfrak{A}_i \subseteq \mathfrak{O}_Q(i)\}. \tag{0.4}$$

It is shown in [T1] that $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ is a principal homogeneous space (phs) of $\mathfrak{B}_i$ and that $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ is a locally free $\mathfrak{A}_i$-module. Thus $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ defines an element $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i))$ in the locally free classgroup $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ of $\mathfrak{A}_i$. It follows from the definition of $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ that $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i))$ depends only upon the image of Q in $E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F)$, and so we obtain a map

$$\psi_i \colon E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \to \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i) \tag{0.5}$$

given by $\psi_i(Q) = (\mathfrak{C}_Q(i))$. The map ψ_i is in fact a homomorphism since E/F has everywhere good reduction (see Theorem 1 of [T1]), and $\psi_i(Q) = 0$ if and only if $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ is a globally free $\mathfrak{A}_i$-module.

Let $\mathscr{M}_i$ be the maximal order in $\mathscr{A}_i$ containing $\mathfrak{A}_i$. By composing ψ_i with the natural surjection $e_i \colon \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i) \to \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$ given by extension of scalars, we obtain a homomorphism

$$\varphi_i \colon E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \to \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i) \tag{0.6}$$

given by $\varphi_i(Q) = (\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)})$, where $\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)} = \mathfrak{C}_Q(i) . \mathscr{M}_i$.

The phs $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ is very closely related to the ring of integers of the field obtained by adjoining the coordinates of the elements of $G_Q(i)$ to F. Thus a knowledge of the homomorphisms ψ_i and φ_i yields important information on the Galois module structure of these rings of integers. (We refer the reader to [BT] for a good general account of applications of the theory of Hopf orders to the study of Galois module structure.)

While the behaviour of the homomorphism ψ_i on torsion points of $E(F)$ is quite well understood (see [ST], [CN-S]), less is known about the Galois structure of phs arising from points of infinite order. The only general results in this direction of which we are aware are those contained in [T3] and [T4]. In [T3], the methods of [T1] and [Gr] are applied to Heegner points of certain modular elliptic curves. (See also the article by Ph. Cassou-Noguès et al. in [CT] for a brief account of this work.) In [T5], the kernel of ψ_1 is described (under suitable hypotheses) in terms of congruences satisfied by special values of certain p-adic L-functions attached to K. The purpose of this paper is to examine the behaviour of the homomorphisms φ_i on points of infinite order. For further results in this direction, see [AT].

We now give a brief description of the contents of this article. In §1 we show that we may take inverse limits of (0.6) to obtain a homomorphism

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{M}}\colon E(F)\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}\to\varprojlim_{i}\mathrm{Cl}(\mathcal{M}_i). \tag{0.7}$$

We then show that (assuming certain standard conjectures about elliptic curves) $\Psi_{\mathcal{M}}$ is closely related to the algebraic p-adic height pairing

$$\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}\colon E(F)\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}\times E(F)\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}\to K_{\mathfrak{p}} \tag{0.8}$$

described in [PR1] and [PR2]. By exploiting this relationship, we are able to give a description of $\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathcal{M}})$ up to $\mathbb{Z}_p$-pseudoisomorphism (see §6). One application of this description is as follows.

Suppose that K is of classnumber 1, that E is defined over K, and that F/K is abelian. Let $\hat{\Delta}$ denote the group of characters of Δ and let $\mathfrak{O}_1$ (resp. $\mathfrak{O}_2$) denote the ring of integers in some finite extension of $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ (resp. $K_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$) which contains all of the character values of Δ. Let $\bar{\chi}$ denote the contragredient of χ.

Define $r_\chi = \mathrm{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_1}[(E(F)\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_1)^{\chi})]$, where the superscript χ denotes the χ-equivariant eigenspace for the action of Δ. Let Ш$(F)(\mathfrak{p})$ be the $\mathfrak{p}$-primary component of the Tate-Shafarevitch group Ш(F) of E/F.

THEOREM 0.1. *Suppose that* $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ *is nondegenerate modulo torsion and that* Ш$(F)(\mathfrak{p})$ *is finite. Suppose also that* $r_\chi \geq 1$. *Then*

$$\mathrm{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_2}[(\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathcal{M}})\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_2)^{\bar{\chi}}] = 1.$$

We remark that similar one-dimensional subspaces of the completed Mordell-Weil group have arisen in the work of several authors in different contexts (see [G1], [P], [R]).

As a consequence of Theorem 0.1, we are able to deduce the following theorem.

THEOREM 0.2. *Suppose that the hypotheses of Theorem 0.1 hold and that* $r_\chi = 1$ *for some* $\chi\in\hat{\Delta}$. *Then there is a point* $Q\in E(F)$ *of infinite order such that* $\varphi_i(Q) = 0$ *for all* i.

It is interesting to note that the corresponding version of Theorem 0.2 is false in the analogous situation for CM abelian varieties defined over global function fields (see [A]).

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1. Classgroups. In this section we recall various facts we shall require concerning the Hom description of the locally free classgroups $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ and $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$ in terms of character maps.

We begin by giving a description of the group of characters $\hat{G}_i$ which will be particularly well suited to certain calculations we shall carry out later. Recall that $q = \pi\pi^*$. Let

$$w_i \colon E_{\pi^{*i}} \times E_{\pi^i} \to \mu_{q^i} \tag{1.1}$$

denote the Weil pairing on E. For each $R \in E_{\pi^i}$, we define a character $\chi_R^{(i)} \in \hat{G}_i$ by

$$\chi_R^{(i)}(g) = w_i(g, R) \qquad \forall g \in E_{\pi^{*i}}. \tag{1.2}$$

This identifies $\hat{G}_i$ with E_{π^i}. If $\omega \in \Omega_F$ and $\chi \in \hat{G}_i$, then ω acts on χ via $\chi^{\omega}(g) = \chi(g^{\omega^{-1}})^{\omega}$. The identification (1.2) preserves this action since the Weil pairing is Ω_F-equivariant.

Let $J(\mathbb{Q}^c)$ denote the group of finite ideles of $\mathbb{Q}^c$ (i.e., the direct limit of the finite idele groups of all finite extensions of $\mathbb{Q}$) and write $U(\mathbb{Q}^c)$ for the subgroup of finite unit ideles of $\mathbb{Q}^c$. Set $U(\mathfrak{A}_i) = \prod_{\mathfrak{q} < \infty} \mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}^*$, where the direct product runs over all finite places of $\mathfrak{O}_F$. (Here and elsewhere, we write $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}}$ (resp. $\mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}$) for the semilocal completion of $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ (resp. $\mathfrak{A}_i$) at $\mathfrak{q}$.)

Suppose that $u \in U(\mathfrak{A}_i)$. Then u determines a map $\mathrm{Det}(u) \in \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$ which is defined by

$$\mathrm{Det}(u)(R)_{\mathfrak{q}} = \chi_R^{(i)}(u_{\mathfrak{q}}). \tag{1.3}$$

Using the identification (1.2) above in Fröhlich's Hom-description of classgroups (see [F, Ch. I, §2] or [T2, Ch. I, §3]), we obtain isomorphisms

$$\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i) = \frac{\mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))}{\mathrm{Det}(U(\mathfrak{A}_i)) . \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathbb{Q}^{c*})} \tag{1.4}$$

and

$$\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i) = \frac{\mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))}{\mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, U(\mathbb{Q}^c)) . \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathbb{Q}^{c*})}. \tag{1.5}$$

We now recall a method for explicitly constructing a representing map for $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ and $(\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)}) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$.

For each $a \in F_Q(i)$ and $\chi_R^{(i)} \in \hat{G}_i$, the $\chi_R^{(i)}$-resolvent $(a \mid \chi_R^{(i)}) \in \mathrm{Map}(G_Q(i), \mathbb{Q}^c)$ of a is defined by

$$(a \mid \chi_R^{(i)}) = \sum_{g \in G_i} \chi_R^{(i)}(g^{-1}) a^g. \tag{1.6}$$

Choose $d_Q^{(i)} \in F_Q(i)$ such that $F_Q(i) = d_Q^{(i)} . \mathscr{A}_i$, and for each prime $\mathfrak{q}$ of $\mathfrak{O}_F$, choose $m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} \in \mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}}$ such that $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}} = m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} = m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} . \mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}$. Then the map $h_Q^{(i)} \in$

$Map_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$ given by

$$h_Q^{(i)}(R)_{\mathfrak{q}} = (m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} | \chi_R^{(i)})(d_Q^{(i)} | \chi_R^{(i)})^{-1} \tag{1.7}$$

represents both $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ and $(\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)}) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$.

For any field L, we let $L(Q; i)$ denote the field obtained by adjoining the coordinates of all points in $G_Q(i)$ to L. We shall have need of the following result on the evaluation of local resolvents which is proved in [T1] (Theorem 3).

Proposition 1.1. *Let $\mathfrak{q}$ be a prime of $\mathfrak{O}_F$ and choose $m \in \mathfrak{C}_Q(i)$ such that $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}} = m . \mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}$. Then for all $Q' \in G_Q(i)$, $\pi^{*-i} \sum_{g \in G_i} m(Q' + g) g^{-1}$ is a unit in the ring $\mathfrak{A}_i(F(Q; i))_{\mathfrak{q}}$.* □

We shall also require the following result regarding a change of basefield.

Proposition 1.2. *Let L/F be a finite extension. Then the diagrams*

$$\begin{tikzcd} E(L) \arrow[r, "\psi_{i,L}"] \arrow[d, "Tr_{L/F}"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i(L)) \arrow[d, "Res"] \\ E(F) \arrow[r, "\psi_{i,F}"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i(F)) \end{tikzcd} \tag{1.8}$$

and

$$\begin{tikzcd} E(L) \arrow[r, "\varphi_{i,L}"] \arrow[d, "Tr_{L/F}"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i(L)) \arrow[d, "Res"] \\ E(F) \arrow[r, "\varphi_{i,F}"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i(F)) \end{tikzcd} \tag{1.9}$$

commute. Here $Tr_{L/F}$ is the usual trace map and Res is the restriction map on classgroups which is induced by the corestriction map

$$\mathscr{N}\colon \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_L}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c)) \to \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c)) \tag{1.10}$$

defined by

$$(\mathscr{N} f)(R) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(R^{\omega_i^{-1}})^{\omega_i} \qquad \forall R \in E_{\pi^i} \tag{1.11}$$

where $\{\omega_1, \ldots, \omega_n\}$ is a transversal of $\Omega_L \backslash \Omega_F$.

Proof. See (1.2) of [T1] for a proof of (1.8). An identical argument also works for (1.9). □

2. Inverse limits. In this section we shall construct the homomorphism $\Psi_{\mathcal{M}}$ of (0.7). To do this we shall first describe the relationship between $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ and $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(j)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_j)$ for $0 < j < i$ using the method of §2 of [ST].

We begin by noting that the natural surjection $[\pi^{*i-j}]$: $G_i \to G_j$ induces a surjective homomorphism $\mathcal{A}_i \to \mathcal{A}_j$ of Hopf algebras (which we shall also denote by $[\pi^{*i-j}]$) given by

$$[\pi^{*i-j}]\left(\sum_{g \in G_i} \alpha_g g\right) = \sum_{g \in G_i} \alpha_g([\pi^{*i-j}]g). \tag{2.1}$$

Similarly, the inclusion $G_j \to G_i$ induces an inclusion $\mathcal{A}_j \to \mathcal{A}_i$ of Hopf algebras. Passing to the integral level, we deduce that $\mathfrak{A}_j$ may be viewed either as a quotient algebra or as a subalgebra of $\mathfrak{A}_i$.

Next, we observe that G_i acts on $\mathrm{Map}(G_i, \mathbb{Q}^c)$ via translations, i.e.

$$f^g(h) = f(g + h) \qquad \forall f \in \mathrm{Map}(G_i, \mathbb{Q}^c), \quad g, h \in G_i. \tag{2.2}$$

For each $i \geqslant j \geqslant 0$, there is a group isomorphism $G_i/G_j \simeq G_{i-j}$. This induces identifications

$$\mathbb{Q}^c G_{i-j} = (\mathbb{Q}^c G_i)^{G_j} \tag{2.3}$$

and

$$\mathrm{Map}(G_{i-j}, \mathbb{Q}^c) = \mathrm{Map}(G_i, \mathbb{Q}^c)^{G_j}. \tag{2.4}$$

(2.3) and (2.4) in turn induce isomorphisms of $\mathfrak{A}_{i-j}$ with a subalgebra of $\mathfrak{A}_i$ and $\mathfrak{B}_{i-j}$ with a subalgebra of $\mathfrak{B}_i$. We also observe that the identification of G_j with G_i/G_{i-j} induces an identification of $\hat{G}_j$ with E_{π^j} via the map $R \mapsto \chi_R^{(i)}$, $R \in E_{\pi^j}$.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *There are isomorphisms*

$$F_Q(j) \simeq \Sigma_{i-j} F_Q(i) \tag{2.5}$$

as $\mathcal{A}_j$-modules, and

$$\mathfrak{C}_Q(j) \simeq \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}} \mathfrak{C}_Q(i) \tag{2.6}$$

as $\mathfrak{A}_j$-modules.

Here $\Sigma_{i-j} = \sum_{g \in G_{i-j}} g$ viewed as an element of $\mathcal{A}_i$, and $\mathcal{A}_j$ (resp. $\mathfrak{A}_j$) acts on the right-hand side of (2.5) (resp. (2.6)) via the homomorphism $[\pi^{*i-j}]$.

Proof. See §2 of [ST], especially Proposition 1. □

LEMMA 2.2. *The homomorphism*

$$\rho'_{i,j}\colon \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c)) \to \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^j}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$$

defined by $\rho'_{i,j}(f) = f\,|\,E_{\pi^j}$ *induces homomorphisms*

$$\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i) \to \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_j) \tag{2.7)(a}$$

and

$$\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i) \to \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_j). \tag{2.7)(b}$$

We denote both of these homomorphisms by $\rho_{i,j}$.

Proof. We shall just prove that (2.7)(a) holds, as the proof of (2.7)(b) is entirely similar.

We have to show that

$$\rho'_{i,j}(\mathrm{Det}(U(\mathfrak{A}_i)).\mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathbb{Q}^{c*})) \subseteq \mathrm{Det}(U(\mathfrak{A}_j)).\mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^j}, \mathbb{Q}^{c*}). \tag{2.8}$$

It is plain that $\rho'_{i,j}[\mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathbb{Q}^{c*})] \subseteq \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^j}, \mathbb{Q}^{c*})$. Now suppose that $u \in \mathrm{Det}(U(\mathfrak{A}_j))$ and $R \in E_{\pi^j}$. Then

$$\chi_R^{(i)}(u_{\mathfrak{q}}) = \chi_R^{(j)}([\pi^{*i-j}]u_{\mathfrak{q}}) \tag{2.9}$$

and $[\pi^{*i-j}]u_{\mathfrak{q}} \in \mathfrak{A}^*_{j,\mathfrak{q}}$. Hence $\rho'_{i,j}(\mathrm{Det}(u)) = \mathrm{Det}([\pi^{*i-j}]u) \in \mathrm{Det}(U(\mathfrak{A}_j))$, and this establishes the result. □

PROPOSITION 2.3. *Suppose that* $f \in \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$ *is a representing map for* $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$. *Then* $f\,|\,E_{\pi^j}$ *is a representing map for* $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(j)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_j)$ *for all* $0 < j \leqslant i$.

Proof. Choose $d_Q^{(i)} \in F_Q(i)$ such that $F_Q(i) = d_Q^{(i)}.\mathfrak{A}_i$. Then (2.6) implies that $F_Q(j) \simeq (d_Q^{(i)}.(\Sigma_{i-j}/\pi^{*i-j})).\mathscr{A}_j$, (where $\mathscr{A}_j$ acts on the right-hand side of this last isomorphism via the homomorphism $[\pi^{*i-j}]$).

Let H_{ij} be a collection of coset representatives of G_i/G_{i-j} and suppose that $R \in F_{\pi^j}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{g \in G_j} \left(d_Q^{(i)} \cdot \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}}\right)^g \chi_R^{(i)}(g) &= \sum_{g \in G_j} \left(d_Q^{(i)} \cdot \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}}\right)^g w_i(g, R)\\ &= \sum_{h \in H_{ij}} \left(d_Q^{(i)} \cdot \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}}\right)^h w_i(h, R)\\ &= \pi^{*j-i} \sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)g} w_i(g, R)\\ &= (d_Q^{(i)}\,|\,\chi_R^{(i)})\pi^{*j-i}.\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if for each place $\mathfrak{q}$ of F we choose $m^{(i)}_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} \in \mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}}$ such that $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}} = m^{(i)}_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} \cdot \mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}$, then we obtain

$$\sum_{g \in G_j} \left(m^{(i)}_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} \cdot \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}} \right) \chi^{(i)}_R(g) = (m^{(i)}_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} | \chi^{(i)}_R) \pi^{*j-i}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} h^{(j)}_Q(R)_{\mathfrak{q}} &= \left[\sum_{g \in G_j} \left(m^{(i)}_{Q,\mathfrak{q}} \cdot \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}} \right)^g \chi^{(i)}_R(g) \right] \left[\sum_{g \in G_j} \left(d^{(i)}_Q \cdot \frac{\Sigma_{i-j}}{\pi^{*i-j}} \right)^g \chi^{(i)}_R(g) \right]^{-1} \\ &= h^{(i)}_Q(R)_{\mathfrak{q}}, \end{aligned}$$

and now the result follows from (1.6). □

Thus, if *red*: $E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \to E(F)/\pi^{*i-1}E(F)$ denotes the natural reduction homomorphism, then we have commutative diagrams

$$\begin{tikzcd} E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \arrow[r, "\psi_i"] \arrow[d, "red"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i) \arrow[d, "\rho_{i,i-1}"] \\ E(F)/\pi^{*i-1}E(F) \arrow[r, "\psi_{k-1}"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_{i-1}) \end{tikzcd} \tag{2.10)(a}$$

and

$$\begin{tikzcd} E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \arrow[r, "\varphi_i"] \arrow[d, "red"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i) \arrow[d, "\rho_{i,i-1}"] \\ E(F)/\pi^{*i-1}E(F) \arrow[r, "\varphi_{k-1}"'] & \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_{i-1}). \end{tikzcd} \tag{2.10)(b}$$

Taking inverse limits yields homomorphisms

$$\Psi: E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} \to \varprojlim_i \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i) \tag{2.11)(a}$$

and

$$\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}: E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} \to \varprojlim_i \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i). \tag{2.11)(b}$$

3. The homomorphism $\Psi'_{\mathscr{M}}$. The purpose of this section is to describe certain technical results which will enable us to relate the homomorphism $\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}$ to the Iwasawa theory of E in §5.

We begin by establishing a useful property of a representing map for $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ (resp. $(\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)}) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$).

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let $h_Q^{(i)} \in \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$ be as in (1.7). Then for each $r \in \mathbb{N}$, the Ω_F-map given by $R \mapsto h_Q^{(i)}(rR) \,.\, h_Q^{(i)}(R)^{-r}$ represents the trivial class in* $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ *(resp. in* $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$*).*

Proof. Suppose that $Q' \in G_Q(i)$ and let $\omega \in \Omega_F$. Write $Q'^{\omega} = Q' + h_\omega$, with $h_\omega \in E_{\pi^{*i}}$. Choose $d_Q^{(i)} \in F_Q(i)$ such that $F_Q(i) = d_Q^{(i)} \,.\, \mathscr{A}_i$. Then for each $R \in E_{\pi^i}$ and $r \in \mathbb{N}$, both $\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)[r]g$ and $\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)g$ lie in $\mathscr{A}_i(F(Q; i))$. We have

$$\left[\left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)[r]g\right)\left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)g\right)^{-r}\right]^{\omega}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q'^{\omega} - g^{\omega})[r]g^{\omega}\right) \times \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q'^{\omega} - g^{\omega})g^{\omega}\right)^{-r}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g^{\omega} + h_\omega)[r]g^{\omega}\right) \times \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g^{\omega} + h_\omega)g^{\omega}\right)^{-r}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g) . [r](g + h_\omega)\right) \times \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g) . (g + h_\omega)\right)^{-r}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)[r]g\right) \times \left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)g\right)^{-r}.$$

Thus

$$\left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)[r]g\right)\left(\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g)g\right)^{-r} \in (\mathbb{Q}^c G_i)^{\Omega_F} = \mathscr{A}_i,$$

and similar reasoning also shows that this expression is independent of the choice of $Q' \in G_Q(i)$.

For each place $\mathfrak{q}$ of $\mathfrak{O}_F$ choose $m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)} \in \mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}}$ such that $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}} = m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)} \mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}$. Proposition 1.1 implies that

$$\pi^{*-i} \sum_{g \in G_i} m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)}(Q' - g)g, \qquad \pi^{*-i} \sum_{g \in G_i} m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)}(Q' - g)[r]g \in \mathfrak{A}_i(F(Q; i))_{\mathfrak{q}}^{*}.$$

Reasoning exactly as above, we conclude that

$$\left(\pi^{*-i} \sum_{g \in G_i} m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)}(Q' - g)[r]g\right)\left(\pi^{*-i} \sum_{g \in G_i} m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)}(Q' - g)g\right)^{-r} \in [\mathfrak{A}_i(F(Q; i))_{\mathfrak{q}}^{*}]^{\Omega_F} \subseteq \mathfrak{A}_{\mathfrak{q}}^{*}.$$

Thus, it now follows from (1.4) (resp. (1.5)) that the map $R \mapsto h_Q^{(i)}([r]R) . h_Q^{(i)}(R)^{-r}$ represents the trivial class in $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ (resp. $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$. □

Remark 3.2. It may in fact easily be shown that, if $f \in \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$ is any representing map for $(\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{A}_i)$, then $f = h_Q^{(i)}$ for suitable choices of $d_Q^{(i)}$ and $m_{Q,\mathfrak{q}}^{(i)}$.

For each $R \in E_{\pi^i}$, we let $F[R]$ denote the field obtained by adjoining the coordinates of R to F (with similar notation $F[R']$ for $R' \in E_{\pi^{*i}}$). We write $F_i = \bigcup_{R \in E_{\pi^i}} F[R]$ and $F_i' = \bigcup_{R' \in E_{\pi^{*i}}} F[R']$. We shall now give a description of $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$ in terms of certain ideal classgroups.

LEMMA 3.3. *Let $E_{\pi^i} \backslash \Omega_F$ denote a set of representatives of Ω_F-orbits of E_{π^i}. Then we have isomorphisms*

(a) $\mathscr{A}_i \simeq \prod_{R \in E_{\pi^i} \backslash \Omega_F} F[R]$,
(b) $\mathscr{M}_i \simeq \prod_{R \in E_{\pi^i} \backslash \Omega_F} \mathfrak{O}_{F[R]}$,
(c) $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i) \simeq \prod_{R \in E_{\pi^i} \backslash \Omega_F} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]})$.

Proof. (b) and (c) follow immediately from (a), which we shall now prove. Let $\{\omega_1, \ldots, \omega_n\}$ be a transversal of $\Omega_F \backslash \Omega_{F_i'}$. then $\mathscr{A}_i = (\mathbb{Q}^c G_i)^{\Omega_F} = (F_i' G_i)^{\Omega_F}$ is generated over F by all elements of the form $\sum_\omega l^\omega g^\omega$, where $l \in F_i'$ and $g \in G_i$. Suppose that $R \in E_{\pi^i}$ and $\lambda \in \Omega_F$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\sum_\omega l^\omega \chi_R^{(i)}(g^\omega)\right)^\lambda &= \left(\sum_\omega l^\omega w_i(R, g^\omega)\right)^\lambda \\ &= \sum_\omega l^{\omega\lambda} w_i(R^\lambda, g^{\omega\lambda}) \\ &= \sum_\omega l^\omega \chi_{R^\lambda}^{(i)}(g^\omega).\end{aligned}$$

Hence $(F_i' G_i)^{\Omega_F} \subseteq \prod_{R \in E_{\pi^i} \backslash \Omega_F} F[R]$. Since both sides of the inclusion have the same dimension over F as F-vector spaces, it follows that (a) holds. □

If $\alpha \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$ is represented by $f \in \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, J(\mathbb{Q}^c))$, then the image of α under the isomorphism 3.3(b) is obtained by evaluating f on elements of $E_{\pi^i} \backslash \Omega_F$ and then taking ideal content. Thus every element of $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$ may be represented by a map $R \mapsto I_R$, with $I_R \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]})$ satisfying $I_{R^\omega} = I_R^\omega$ for all $\omega \in \Omega_F$. Conversely, every such map defines an element of $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$.

LEMMA 3.4. *Choose $d_Q^{(i)} \in F_Q(i)$ such that $F_Q(i) \in d_Q^{(i)} . \mathscr{A}_i$. Suppose that $Q' \in G_Q(i)$ and let $R \in E_{\pi^r}$ with $0 < r \leqslant i$. Then*

(a) $\sum_{g \in G_i} [d_Q^{(i)g^{-1}}(Q') \chi_R^{(i)}(g)] \in F[R](Q; i)$,
(b) $(\sum_{g \in G_i} [d_Q^{(i)g^{-1}}(Q') \chi_R^{(i)}(g)])^{q^r} \in F[R]$.

(Recall that $F[R](Q; i)$ denotes the field obtained by adjoining the coordinates of all points in $G_Q(i)$ to $F[R]$.)

Proof. We shall just prove (b) since the proof of (a) is very similar. Let $\omega \in \Omega_{F[R]}$ and write $Q'^{\omega} = Q' + h_{\omega}$, with $h_{\omega} \in E_{\pi^{*i}}$. Recall that $q = \pi\pi^*$. Then

$$\left(\left[\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)g^{-1}}(Q')\chi_R^{(i)}(g)\right]^{q^r}\right)^{\omega} = \left[\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q'^{\omega} - g^{\omega}) . w_i(g^{\omega}, R^{\omega})\right]^{q^r}$$

$$= \left[w_i(h_{\omega}, R^{\omega}) \sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g) . w_i(g, R^{\omega})\right]^{q^r}$$

$$= \left[\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g) . w_i(g, R)\right]^{q^r} .$$

Hence $[\sum_{g \in G_i} d_Q^{(i)}(Q' - g) . w_i(g, R)]^{q^r} \in F[R]$ and is independent of the choice of Q'. □

Now Proposition 1.1 implies that

$$c(h_Q^{(i)}(R)) . \mathfrak{O}_{F[R](Q;i)} = (d_Q^{(i)} | \chi_R^{(i)})(Q') . \pi^{*-1} . \mathfrak{O}_{F[R](Q;i)}, \tag{3.1}$$

where c denotes ideal content. If $d_Q^{(i)}$ is chosen to be an $\mathfrak{A}_{i,\mathfrak{q}}$-basis of $\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)_{\mathfrak{q}}$ for all primes $\mathfrak{q} | \pi^*$, then (from Proposition 1.1 again) $(d_Q^{(i)} | \chi_R^{(i)})(Q') . \pi^{*-i}$ is a unit at all such $\mathfrak{q}$. Since we have assumed that E/F has everywhere good reduction, it follows from the criterion of Néron-Ogg-Shafarevitch that $F[R](Q; i)/F[R]$ is unramified at all primes away from $\mathfrak{p}^*$. As $(d_Q^{(i)} | \chi_R^{(i)})(Q')^{q^r} \in F[R]$ (see Lemma 3.4(b)), it follows that $(d_Q^{(i)} | \chi_R^{(i)})(Q') . \mathfrak{O}_{F[R](Q;i)}$ is an ambiguous ideal, i.e., that we have

$$(d_Q^{(i)} | \chi_R^{(i)})(Q') . \mathfrak{O}_{F[R](Q;i)} = \vartheta_R . \mathfrak{O}_{F[R](Q;i)} \tag{3.2}$$

where ϑ_R is an $\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]}$-ideal.

Hence, in the notation of the remarks following Lemma 3.3, we deduce that $(\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)}) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathscr{M}_i)$ is represented by the map

$$R \mapsto (\vartheta_R)^{-1} \tag{3.3}$$

where (ϑ_R) denotes the class of the ideal ϑ_R in $\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]}$.

For each $R \in F_{\pi^i}$ it follows from (3.1) and (3.2), together with Proposition 3.1, that

$$(\vartheta_R)^q = (\vartheta_{qR}\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]}) \tag{3.4}$$

in $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]})$. Now $[F[R] : F[qR]] = [F[R] : F[\pi R]] = q$ if the order of R is sufficiently large. Thus, if $[F[R] : F[qR]] = q$, then

$$(\vartheta_{qR}) = N_{F[R]/F[qR]}(\vartheta_R) \tag{3.5}$$

in $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F[qR]})$, where $N_{F[R]/F[qR]}$ is the norm from $F[R]$ to $F[qR]$.

We now observe that $F[R] \subseteq F_i$, and so via the natural homomorphism $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]}) \to \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})$, $(\vartheta_R) \in \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F[R]})$ defines an element of $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})$. Thus φ_i induces a homomorphism

$$\varphi_i^{(e)}\colon E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \to \mathrm{Map}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})) \tag{3.6}$$

defined by

$$\varphi_i^{(e)}(Q)(R) = (\vartheta_R\,.\,\mathfrak{O}_{F_i}). \tag{3.6)(a}$$

Now Proposition 3.1 implies that $c(h_Q^{(i)}(rR)h_Q^{(i)}(R)^{-r})$ is a principal ideal for each $r \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence

$$(\vartheta_{rR}\,.\,\mathfrak{D}_{F_i}) = (\vartheta_R\,.\,\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})^r,$$

and so we in fact have

$$\varphi_i^{(e)}\colon E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \to \mathrm{Hom}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})_p) \tag{3.7}$$

where $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})_p$ denotes the p-primary part of $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})$.

We next observe that the restriction of $[\pi^*]$ to E_{π^i} is an automorphism. For each $Q \in E(F)$, define $\varphi_i'(Q) \in \mathrm{Hom}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})_p)$ by

$$\varphi_i'(Q)(R) = \varphi_i^{(e)}(Q)([\pi^*]^{-i}R). \tag{3.8}$$

Let $Tr_{F_i/F_{i-1}}$ denote the trace map from F_i to F_{i-1}. Since $Tr_{F_i/F_{i-1}}(R) = [q]R$ for all sufficiently large i, it follows that

$$N_{F_i/F_{i-1}}(\varphi_i'(Q)(R)) = \varphi_{i-1}'(Q)([\pi]R) \tag{3.9}$$

(for i sufficiently large), where $N_{F_i/F_{i-1}}$ is the norm from F_i to F_{i-1}. In other words, the diagram

$$\begin{tikzcd}
E(F)/\pi^{*i}E(F) \arrow[r, "\varphi_i'"] \arrow[d, "red"'] & \mathrm{Hom}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})_p) \arrow[d, "N_{i/i-1}"] \\
E(F)/\pi^{*i-1}E(F) \arrow[r, "\varphi_{i-1}'"'] & \mathrm{Hom}_{\Omega_F}(E_{\pi^{i-1}}, \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_{i-1}})_p)
\end{tikzcd} \tag{3.10}$$

commutes.

Here $N_{i/i-1}$ is defined by

$$N_{i/i-1}(\varphi_i'(Q)(R)) = N_{F_i/F_{i-1}}(\varphi_i'(Q)(R')) \tag{3.11}$$

where R' is any element of E_{π^i} satisfying $[\pi]R' = R$. It is easily checked that this is well defined.

Taking inverse limits of (3.10), we obtain a homomorphism

$$\Psi'_{\mathcal{M}}\colon E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} \to \mathrm{Hom}_{\Omega_F}\left(T_\pi, \varprojlim_{i} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})_p\right) \tag{3.12}$$

where T_π is the π-adic Tate module of E and the inverse limit $\varprojlim_{i} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})_p$ is taken with respect to the norm maps $N_{F_i/F_{i-1}}$.

It is clear that the homomorphism $\Psi'_{\mathcal{M}}$ completely determines $\Psi_{\mathcal{M}}$. In particular, we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.5. $\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi'_{\mathcal{M}}) = \mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathcal{M}})$. □

4. Selmer groups. In this section we recall various results that we shall require concerning Selmer groups.

Set $F_\infty = \bigcup_i F_i$ and $F'_\infty = \bigcup_i F'_i$. Let N_∞/F be the unique $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension contained in F_∞/F and write $\Gamma = \mathrm{Gal}(N_\infty/F)$. We may identify Γ with $\mathrm{Gal}(F_\infty/F(E_\mathfrak{p}))$, and $\mathrm{Gal}(F(E_\mathfrak{p})/F)$ with $\mathrm{Gal}(N_\infty/F_\infty)$. Let $\chi_\infty\colon \mathrm{Gal}(F_\infty/F) \to \mathfrak{O}_\mathfrak{p}^*$ denote the character giving the action of $\mathrm{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$ on F_{π^∞}. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{Gal}(F_\infty/F) &\simeq \mathrm{Gal}(F_\infty/F(E_\mathfrak{p})) \times \mathrm{Gal}(F(E_\mathfrak{p})/F)\\ &\simeq \Gamma \times \mathrm{Gal}(F(E_\mathfrak{p})/F).\end{aligned}$$

Write ε (resp. κ) for the restriction of χ_∞ to $\mathrm{Gal}(F(E_\mathfrak{p})/F)$ (resp. Γ).

Choose a topological generator γ of Γ and write Λ for the power series ring $\mathbb{Z}_p[[T]]$. Then we may identify Λ with the completed group ring $\mathbb{Z}_p[[\Gamma]]$ in the usual manner via the map $\gamma \mapsto T + 1$.

For each i, let $\mathscr{H}_i/F_i$ be the maximal everywhere unramified abelian pro-p extension of F_i and let $\mathscr{X}_i/F_i$ be the maximal abelian pro-p extension of F_i which is unramified away from primes dividing $\mathfrak{p}$. Set $H_i = \mathrm{Gal}(\mathscr{H}_i/F_i)$, $X_i = \mathrm{Gal}(\mathscr{X}_i/F_i)$ and write H_∞ (resp. X_∞) for the inverse limit of the $\mathscr{H}_i$ (resp. $\mathscr{X}_i$).

If $\mathfrak{q}$ is a prime of F, we write $k_\mathfrak{q}$ for the residue field of F at $\mathfrak{q}$, and we let $\tilde{E}(k_\mathfrak{q})$ denote the reduction of $E(F)$ at $\mathfrak{q}$. Write $E_{1,\mathfrak{q}}(F)$ for the kernel of reduction of $E(F)$ at $\mathfrak{q}$ and define $E_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) = E_1(F)$ via exactness of the sequence

$$0 \to E_1(F) \to E(F) \to \prod_{\mathfrak{q}|\mathfrak{p}} \tilde{E}(k_\mathfrak{q}). \tag{4.1}$$

We now recall the definitions of the Selmer and the Tate-Shafarevitch groups of E. Let L be any extension of K over which E is defined. The Selmer group $S(L)^{\pi^{*i}}$ is defined to be the kernel of the natural homomorphism

$$H^1(\Omega_L, E_{\pi^{*i}}) \to \prod_{\mathfrak{q}\text{ of }L} H^1(\Omega_{L_\mathfrak{q}}, E). \tag{4.2}$$

The enlarged Selmer group $S'(L)^{\pi^{*i}}$ is the kernel of the homomorphism

$$H^1(\Omega_L, E_{\pi^{*i}}) \to \prod_{\mathfrak{q} \nmid \mathfrak{p}^*} H^1(\Omega_{L_\mathfrak{q}}, E). \tag{4.3}$$

The Selmer groups $S(L)^{\pi^i}$ and $S'(L)^{\pi^i}$ are defined similarly. We set $S(L) = \varinjlim_i S(L)^{\pi^i}$, and we write $Y(L)$ for the Pontryagin dual of $S(L)$.

The Tate-Shafarevitch group $Ш(L)$ of E/L is defined to be the kernel of the map

$$H^1(\Omega_L, E) \to \prod_{\mathfrak{q} \text{ of } L} H^1(\Omega_{L_\mathfrak{q}}, E). \tag{4.4}$$

Define $\Sigma(F)^{(\pi^{*i})}$ to be the subgroup of $S(F)^{\pi^{*i}}$ which makes the sequence

$$0 \to \Sigma(F)^{(\pi^{*i})} \to S(F)^{\pi^{*i}} \to \prod_{v|\mathfrak{p}} H^1(\Omega_{F_v}, E_{\pi^{*i}})$$

exact, and set $\Sigma(F) = \varprojlim_i \Sigma(F)^{\pi^{*i}}$. Then there is a natural injection $E_1(F) \otimes_\mathfrak{O} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} \to \Sigma(F)$. The following result is shown in Corollaire 3.3 of [PR1].

LEMMA 4.1. *If* $|Ш(F)(\mathfrak{p}^*)| < \infty$, *then* $E_1(F) \otimes_\mathfrak{O} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} = \Sigma(F)$. □

PROPOSITION 4.2 (J. Coates). *There are* Λ-*module isomorphisms*

(a) $S(N_\infty) \simeq \mathrm{Hom}(X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)}, E_{\pi^\infty})$,
(b) $Y(N_\infty) \simeq \mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)})$.

Proof. (a) See Theorems 12 and 9 of [Co].

(b) Write $D_\mathfrak{p} = K_\mathfrak{p}/\mathfrak{O}_\mathfrak{p}$. Choosing a generator t of T_π over $\mathfrak{O}_\mathfrak{p}$ is equivalent to fixing an isomorphism $\mathfrak{O}_\mathfrak{p} \to T_\pi$ such that $1 \mapsto t$. This in turn induces an isomorphism $\phi: D_\mathfrak{p} \to E_{\pi^\infty}$. Via such a choice of t, we may define a pairing

$$(.,.): \mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)}) \times \mathrm{Hom}(X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)}, E_{\pi^\infty}) \to D_\mathfrak{p} \tag{4.5}$$

by $(f_1, f_2) = \phi^{-1}(f_2(f_1(t)))$. It is easy to check that $(.,.)$ is independent of the choice of t, is nondegenerate, and is Ω_F-equivariant, which gives the result. □

We conclude this section with a description of the weak $\mathfrak{p}$-adic Leopoldt conjecture for F. Let L/K be a finite extension and, for each prime $\mathfrak{q}$ of L, let $U(L_\mathfrak{q})$ denote the group of units of the local completion $L_\mathfrak{q}$ of L at $\mathfrak{q}$. Write $U(L)$ for the group of global units of L. Then there is a natural injection

$$i_L: U(L) \to \prod_{\mathfrak{q}|\mathfrak{p}} U(L_\mathfrak{q}) \tag{4.6}$$

given by the diagonal embedding $i(x) = (x, x, \ldots, x)$.

Let $\overline{i_L(U(L))}$ denote the closure of $i_L(U(L))$ with respect to the $\mathfrak{p}$-adic topology. Write $\delta(L)$ for the difference between the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-rank of $U(L)$ and the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-rank of

$\overline{i_L(U(L))}$. Then the weak $\mathfrak{p}$-adic Leopoldt conjecture for F asserts that the numbers $\delta(L)$ are bounded independently of L as L runs through the set of all finite extensions of F which are contained in F_∞.

We shall assume for the rest of this paper that the weak $\mathfrak{p}$-adic Leopoldt conjecture holds for F. This is known to be the case if F/K is abelian, via work of A. Brumer (see [Br]). We shall also assume that $|\text{Ш}(F)(\mathfrak{p}^*)| < \infty$ and so, in particular, that Lemma 4.1 holds.

5. The algebraic $\mathfrak{p}$-adic height pairing. In this section we describe the $\mathfrak{p}$-adic height pairing on E/F and explain its relationship to the homomorphism $\Psi'_{\mathscr{M}}$. We refer the reader to §3 of [PR1] or Chapter IV of [PR2] for full details of the results we use concerning $\mathfrak{p}$-adic heights.

Let $J(F_i)$ denote the ideles of F_i. Write $U_i^{(\mathfrak{p})}$ for the subgroup of $J(F_i)$ consisting of ideles which are equal to 1 at all places above $\mathfrak{p}$, and which are units elsewhere. Set $\mathscr{C}_i = J(F_i)/U_i^{(\mathfrak{p})}F_i^*$ and let $W_i = \prod_{\mathfrak{q}|\mathfrak{p}} \mu_{q^i}(F_{i,\mathfrak{q}})$. It is shown in §3.2 of [PR1] that there is an isomorphism

$$\eta_i^{-1}\colon \Sigma(F)^{(\pi^{*i})} \to \frac{\operatorname{Hom}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathscr{C}_i(p))^{\Gamma_1}}{\operatorname{Hom}(E_{\pi^i}, W_i)^{\Gamma_1}} \tag{5.1}$$

where $\mathscr{C}_i(p)$ denotes the p-primary part of $\mathscr{C}_i$ and $\Gamma_1 = \operatorname{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$.

Suppose that $T \in E_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ and let T_i denote the image of T in $\Sigma(F)^{\pi^{*i}}$ under projection. Then it follows from the construction of η_i given in §3.2 of [PR] that

$$(c(\eta_i^{-1}(T_i)(R))) = \varphi_i^{(e)}(T_i)(R). \tag{5.2}$$

Define

$$\Xi_i\colon \Sigma(F)^{(\pi^{*i})} \to \frac{\operatorname{Hom}(E_{\pi^i}, \mathscr{C}_i(p))^{\Gamma_1}}{\operatorname{Hom}(E_{\pi^i}, W_i)^{\Gamma_1}} \tag{5.3}$$

by $\Xi_i(s)(R) = \eta_i(s)(\pi^{*-i}R)$. For each i, the global Artin map yields a surjection

$$(-, \mathscr{X}_i/F_i)\colon \mathscr{C}_i(p) \to X_i,$$

and this induces a homomorphism

$$\gamma_i\colon \Sigma(F)^{\pi^{*i}} \to \operatorname{Hom}(E_{\pi^{*i}}, X_i)^{\Gamma_1} \tag{5.4}$$

which is defined by $\gamma_i(s) = (-, \mathscr{X}_i/F_i) \circ \Xi_i(s)$.

It is shown in §3.2 of [PR1] that we may take inverse limits of (5.4) to obtain an isomorphism

$$\Phi_F\colon \Sigma(F) \to \operatorname{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty)^{\Gamma_1}. \tag{5.5}$$

(The reader should note that our Φ_F is slightly different from the Φ_F of [PR1], because there Ξ_i is defined by $\Xi_i(s)(R) = \Xi_i(s)(R) = \eta_i(s)(\delta^{-1}\pi^{*-i}R)$, where $\delta = [F(E_{\mathfrak{p}}) : F]$.)

We shall now use the isomorphism Φ_F to construct a pairing

$$\{.,.\}'_{F,\mathfrak{p}}: E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \times E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} \to \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}, \tag{5.6}$$

as follows.

Suppose that $S \in E_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ and $P \in E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Let t be a generator of T_π (as an $\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$-module). Set $x_S = \Phi_F(S)(t) \in X_\infty$. For each $j \in \mathbb{N}$, let $P_j \in E(F)$ be such that the image of P_j under the projection $E(F) \to E(F)/\pi^j E(F)$ is equal to the image of P under the projection $E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \to E(F)/\pi^j E(F)$. Choose any $P'_j \in E(F^c)$ such that $[\pi^j]P'_j = P_j$. Then the map $\pi^{-j} \mapsto \phi^{-1}(P_j'^{x_S} - P'_j)$ induces an element $\tau \in \mathrm{Hom}(D_{\mathfrak{p}}, D_{\mathfrak{p}})$. There is an isomorphism

$$\xi: \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \to \mathrm{Hom}(D_{\mathfrak{p}}, D_{\mathfrak{p}})$$

given by $\xi(a)(\alpha) = a.\alpha$, where $a \in \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $\alpha \in D_{\mathfrak{p}}$. We set $\{P, S\}'_{F,\mathfrak{p}} = \xi^{-1}(\tau)$.

As $[E(F) : E_1(F)] < \infty$, $\{.,.\}'_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ may be extended to a pairing

$$\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}: E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \times E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*} \to K_{\mathfrak{p}}. \tag{5.7}$$

$\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ is the algebraic $\mathfrak{p}$-adic height pairing on E/F and is conjectured to be nondegenerate modulo torsion. One of the main results of [PR1] (p. 370; see also Chapter IV, Théorème 22 of [PR2]) asserts that, if this is the case and if in addition $|\text{Ш}(F)(\mathfrak{p}^*)| < \infty$, then the $\mathfrak{p}$-adic L-function $\mathscr{L}_{\mathfrak{p}}(E/F, s)$ associated to E/F vanishes to order $\mathrm{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}}(E(F))$ at $s = 1$.

Let

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{M}}: \Sigma(F) \to \mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, H_\infty)^{\Gamma_1} \tag{5.8}$$

be the map obtained by composing Φ_F with the projection $\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty)^{\Gamma_1} \to \mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, H_\infty)^{\Gamma_1}$. Write Φ'' for the map obtained by composing $\Psi'_{\mathcal{M}}$ with the natural map $\varprojlim_i \mathrm{Cl}(\mathfrak{O}_{F_i})(p) \to H_\infty$ arising from classfield theory. The link between the Galois structure of phs and the $\mathfrak{p}$-adic height pairing on E/F is given by the following lemma.

Lemma 5.1. $\mathrm{Ker}(\Phi''|\Sigma(F)) = \mathrm{Ker}(\Phi_{\mathcal{M}})$.

Proof. This follows immediately from the definition of $\Psi'_{\mathcal{M}}$ together with (5.2) and the definition of Φ_F. □

6. Unramified points. In this section we shall obtain a description of Ker $\Psi_{\mathcal{M}}$ in terms of the pairing $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$. We begin by introducing some notation. We shall say that two $\mathbb{Z}_p$-modules A, B are pseudoisomorphic (as $\mathbb{Z}_p$-modules) and write

$A \sim B$ if there is a homomorphism $A \to B$ with finite kernel and cokernel. Thus, if A and B are finitely generated, then $A \sim B$ if and only if $\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(A) = \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(B)$; in particular, $A \sim B$ if and only if $B \sim A$.

Let $Z_\infty = \mathrm{Gal}(\mathscr{X}_\infty/\mathscr{H}_\infty)$. Then $\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty)^{\Gamma_1} = \mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)})$, and so $\Phi_{\mathscr{M}}$ is simply the composition of Φ_F with the natural projection

$$\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}) \to \mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, (X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\chi_\infty)}).$$

The following proposition immediately implies that this projection is in fact surjective up to finite index. I would like to thank Karl Rubin for showing me the proof of this result.

PROPOSITION 6.1. $X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}/Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)} \sim (X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\chi_\infty)}$.

Proof. The exact sequence

$$0 \to Z_\infty \to X_\infty \to X_\infty/Z_\infty \to 0 \tag{6.1}$$

yields

$$0 \to Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)} \to X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)} \to (X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\chi_\infty)} \tag{6.2}$$

and

$$0 \to Z_\infty^{(\varepsilon)} \to X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)} \to (X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\varepsilon)}. \tag{6.2)(a}$$

Since Δ is a finite group, we deduce from (6.2)(a) that

$$\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)}) = \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\varepsilon)} + \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(Z_\infty^{(\varepsilon)}).$$

We claim that the right-hand arrow of (6.2) is surjective up to finite index. For, if this were not the case, then we would have

$$\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\chi_\infty)} + \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}) > \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}). \tag{6.3}$$

Now $\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}) \simeq E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ (from (5.5) and Lemma 4.1), and so

$$\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}) = \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}) = n_{E/F}, \tag{6.4}$$

say. (Here we have identified $\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}^*}$ with $\mathbb{Z}_p$.) Hence we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty^{(\varepsilon)}) &= \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\varepsilon)} + \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(Z_\infty^{(\varepsilon)})\\ &\geqslant \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty/Z_\infty)^{(\chi_\infty)} + \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)})\\ &> \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)})\\ &= n_{E/F}.\end{aligned}$$

This implies that the $\mathfrak{p}$-adic L-function $\mathscr{L}_{\mathfrak{p}}(E/F, s)$ associated to E/F vanishes to order strictly greater than $n_{E/F}$ at $s = 1$. Since we have assumed that $|\text{Ш}(F)(\mathfrak{p})| < \infty$ and $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ is nondegenerate modulo torsion, this is a contradiction (see [PR1, p. 370]). □

We now introduce a certain subgroup U of $E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ which we shall call the group of unramified points of $E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Suppose that $P \in E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and, for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$, choose $P_j \in E(F)$ such that the image of P_j under the projection $E(F) \to E(F)/\pi^j E(F)$ is equal to the image of P under the projection $E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \to E(F)/\pi^j E(F)$. Choose any $P'_j \in E(F^c)$ such that $[\pi^j]P'_j = P_j$. Then we may define a homomorphism

$$h_j\colon X_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)} \to E_{\pi^\infty} \tag{6.5}$$

by $h_j(\omega) = P_j'^{\omega} - P'_j$. We say that P is an *unramified point* if h_j vanishes on $Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROPOSITION 6.3. *The orthogonal complement* $[\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}))]^\perp$ *of* $\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}))$ *with respect to the pairing* $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ *is equal to* U.

Proof. It is clear from the definitions that

$$U \subseteq [\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}))]^\perp.$$

Suppose conversely that $P \in E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is orthogonal to all points S which lie in $\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)})) \subseteq E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}*}$. Then (using the notation of §5)

$$P_j'^{x_S} - P'_j = 0 \qquad \forall j \in \mathbb{N}, \forall S \in [\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}))].$$

Let $\omega \in Z_\infty$. Since Φ_F is an isomorphism, it follows that (again using the notation of §5)

$$x_S = \Phi_F(S)(t) = \omega$$

for some $S \in [\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}))]$. Thus we deduce that

$$P_j'^{\omega} - P'_j = 0 \qquad \forall j \in \mathbb{N}, \forall \omega \in Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}.$$

Hence $P \in U$, and this establishes the result. □

COROLLARY 6.4. $\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}) \sim U^\perp$ *and* $(\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}))^\perp \sim U$.

Proof. We deduce from Lemmas 3.5 and 5.1 and the remarks immediately preceding Proposition 6.1 that $\mathrm{Ker}\,\Psi_{\mathscr{M}} = [\Phi_F^{-1}(\mathrm{Hom}(T_\pi, Z_\infty^{(\chi_\infty)}))]$. The result now follows from Proposition 6.3 together with the fact that $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ is nondegenerate modulo torsion. □

We shall now give another description of the group U up to pseudoisomorphism. For each prime $\mathfrak{P}$ of F lying above $\mathfrak{p}$, we write $E_1(F_{\mathfrak{P}})$ for the kernel of reduction of $E(F_{\mathfrak{P}})$. Then $E_1(F_{\mathfrak{P}})$ is an $\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$-module, and we have a natural homomorphism

$$f_{\mathfrak{P}}\colon E_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \to E_1(F_{\mathfrak{P}}) \tag{6.6}$$

which induces

$$f\colon E_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \to \prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} E_1(F_{\mathfrak{P}}). \tag{6.7}$$

PROPOSITION 6.5. $U \sim \operatorname{Ker}(f)$.

Proof. We shall show that $(U \cap E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \sim \operatorname{Ker}(f)$. (This will suffice since $[E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} : E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}] < \infty$.) Suppose that $P \in E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. For each $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}$, let $F_{\infty,\mathfrak{P}}((1/\pi_i)f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P))$ be the field obtained by adjoining π^ith roots of $f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P)$ (taken with respect to the formal group law on E) to $F_{\infty,\mathfrak{P}}$. Then P is unramified if and only if the extension $F_{\infty,\mathfrak{P}}((1/\pi^i)f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P))/F_{\infty,\mathfrak{P}}$ is unramified for all $\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}$ and all $i \in \mathbb{N}$. As we are only concerned with modules up to pseudoisomorphism, we may assume that either $f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P) = 0$ or that $f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P)$ is of infinite order. However, if $f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P)$ is of infinite order, then $F_{\infty,\mathfrak{P}}((1/\pi^i)f_{\mathfrak{P}}(P))/F_{\infty,\mathfrak{P}}$ is nontrivial and ramified for all sufficiently large i (see [CW] Th. 11], and so $f(P) \notin U$. The result follows. □

Let us now give an application of this result. Suppose now that $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}} E(F) = 1$. Then $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\operatorname{Im}(f)) = 1$ and so, from Proposition 6.5, this implies that the group U is finite. It therefore follows from Corollary 6.4 (together with the nondegeneracy of the pairing $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$) that $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}*}}(\operatorname{Ker}(\Psi_{.\mathcal{M}})) = 1$, which in turn implies that the image of $\Psi_{.\mathcal{M}}$ is finite. Hence we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 6.6. *Suppose that* $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}} E(F) = 1$. *Then* $\operatorname{Im}(\Psi_{\mathcal{M}})$ *is finite, and so if* $Q \in |\operatorname{Im}(\Psi_{.\mathcal{M}})| . E(F)$ *is a point of infinite order, then* $\varphi_i(Q) = 0$ *for all* $i \geqslant 1$. *Hence* $\overline{\mathfrak{C}_Q(i)}$ *is a globally free* $\mathcal{M}_i$*-module for all* $i \geqslant 1$. □

We remark that Theorem 6.6 does not hold in the analogous situation over global function fields (see [A]).

Let L/F be any finite extension. It is shown in Theorem 2 of [ST] that, if $E(F)$ is finite and $P \in E(L)$, then $\mathfrak{C}_P(i; L) \simeq \mathfrak{U}_i(L)$ as $\mathfrak{A}_i(F)$-modules for all i. We have a similar result in our situation if $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}} E(F) = 1$.

THEOREM 6.7. *Suppose that* $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}} E(F) = 1$ *and let* $P \in |\operatorname{Im}(\Psi_{.\mathcal{M},F})| . E(L)$. *Then there is an isomorphism*

$$\overline{\mathfrak{C}_P(i; L)(L)} \simeq \mathcal{M}_i(L) \tag{6.8}$$

of $\mathcal{M}_i(F)$*-modules for all* $i \geqslant 1$.

Proof. This follows immediately from Theorem 6.6 together with the trace-restriction diagram (1.9). □

7. Galois action on Ker($\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}$). We shall now give a proof of Theorem 0.1. Hence, in this section we assume that K has classnumber 1 and that E is defined over K.

Write $\mathscr{E}_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) = \prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} E_1(F_{\mathfrak{P}})$ and recall that we have a natural homomorphism $f\colon E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_{\mathfrak{p}} \to \mathscr{E}_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F)$. It is clear that f is a Δ-homomorphism. For each character $\chi \in \hat{\Delta}$, set $r_\chi = \operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_1}(E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_1)^\chi$. Suppose that $\chi_1 \in \hat{\Delta}$ with $r_{\chi_1} \geqslant 1$. Let $\{\chi_1, \ldots, \chi_m\}$ be the set of all characters in $\hat{\Delta}$ lying in the Ω_K-orbit of χ_1. Then $r_{\chi_j} = r_{\chi_1} \geqslant 1$ for all $1 \leqslant j \leqslant m$, and so it follows that $E(F) \cap (\bigoplus_{j=1}^m (E_1(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_1)^{\chi_j})$ contains a point Q of infinite order. Since f is a Δ-homomorphism and $f(Q)$ is of infinite order, we deduce that $\prod_{j=1}^m (\mathscr{E}_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_1)^{\chi_j}$ has $\mathfrak{O}_1$-rank at least 1. But this implies that

$$s_{\chi_j} = \operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_1}(\mathscr{E}_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_1)^{\chi_j} \geq 1 \tag{7.1}$$

for all $1 \leqslant j \leqslant m$ since $s_{\chi_j} = s_{\chi_1}$ for all such j.

However in fact $s_\chi = 1$ for all $\chi \in \hat{\Delta}$. This latter assertion holds because $\mathscr{E}_{1,\mathfrak{p}}(F)$ contains a subgroup of finite index which is isomorphic to $\prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} \mathfrak{O}_{F_{\mathfrak{P}}}$ (see, e.g., [Si, Chapter VII, Proposition 6.3]). It follows from the above remarks that we have shown

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_1}(\operatorname{Ker}(f) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_1)^\chi &= \operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_1}(U \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_1)^\chi \\ &= r_\chi - 1 \end{aligned} \tag{7.2}$$

for all $\chi \in \hat{\Delta}$ with $r_\chi \geqslant 1$.

Now since we have assumed that E is defined over K, it may be shown that the pairing $\{.,.\}_{F,\mathfrak{p}}$ is Ω_K-equivariant. Hence (7.1) implies that, if $r_\chi \geqslant 1$, then

$$\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_2}(U^\perp \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_2)^{\bar{\chi}} = 1. \tag{7.3}$$

But $U^\perp \sim \operatorname{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathscr{M}})$ (Corollary 6.4), and now the result follows. □

We remark that the proof of Theorem 0.1 in fact shows that, if $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_2}[(E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_2)^\chi] \geqslant 1$, then $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_2}[(\operatorname{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_2)^\chi] = 1$.

COROLLARY 7.1. *Suppose that* $\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_2}[(E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_2)^\chi] = 1$ *for some* $\chi \in \hat{\Delta}$. *Then there is a point* $Q \in E(F)$ *of infinite order with* $\Psi_{\mathscr{M}}(Q) = 0$.

Proof. Let $\{\chi = \chi_1, \ldots, \chi_m\}$ be the set of all characters lying in the Ω_K orbit of χ. Then

$$\operatorname{rank}_{\mathfrak{O}_2}[(E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_2)^{\chi_j}] = 1, \qquad 1 \leqslant j \leqslant m.$$

Hence $E(F) \cap \bigoplus_{j=1}^m (E(F) \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}} \mathfrak{O}_2)^{\chi_j}$ contains a point of infinite order.

Theorem 0.1 implies that

$$\left[\bigoplus_{j=1}^{m}(E(F)\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_2)^{\chi_j} : \bigoplus_{j=1}^{m}(\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathscr{M}})\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_2)^{\chi_j}\right] < \infty .$$

Therefore $E(F) \cap \bigoplus_{j=1}^{m}(\mathrm{Ker}(\Psi_{\mathscr{M}})\otimes_{\mathfrak{O}}\mathfrak{O}_2)^{\chi_j}$ also contains a point of infinite order, which proves the result. □

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