

## Lecture 10: Proof of local ghost conjecture (I)

$$\text{Fix } \bar{\rho} = \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1^{a+1} & * \neq 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : \mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}),$$

$$\omega \in \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{O} \subseteq E/\mathbb{Q}_p$$

$\tilde{H}$  = primitive  $\mathbb{O}[[t_p]]$ -proj augmented module of type  $\bar{\rho}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix} \text{ acts trivially on } \tilde{H}. \quad (1 \leq a \leq p-1.)$$

$$\varepsilon = \omega^{-\sum \varepsilon_i} \times \omega^{a + \sum \varepsilon_i} : \Delta^x \longrightarrow \mathbb{O}^x \text{ a relevant char}$$

$$(\varepsilon_i \in \{0, \dots, p-2\}).$$

$$G \curvearrowright \text{Sp-adic} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}(\tilde{H}, \mathbb{O}^\circ(\mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{O}[[w]]^{(\varepsilon)}))$$

$$U_p \curvearrowright \mathcal{G}^{t, (\varepsilon)} := \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}(\tilde{H}, \mathbb{O} \langle \frac{w}{p} \rangle \langle z \rangle^{(\varepsilon)}).$$

$$C^{(\varepsilon)}(w, t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) t^n \in \mathbb{O}[[w, t]].$$

$$\text{Ghost series } G^{(\varepsilon)}(w, t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} g_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) \cdot t^n \in \mathbb{Z}_p[[w]][[t]] \subseteq \mathbb{O}[[w, t]].$$

Our goal in the last 3 lectures: to prove

Thm When  $p \geq 11$ ,  $2 \leq a \leq p-5$ , we have

$$\text{NP}(C^{(\varepsilon)}(w_*, -)) = \text{NP}(G^{(\varepsilon)}(w_*, -)), \quad w_* \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}.$$

Warm up Prop 4.1 Fix  $\varepsilon$ .

$$\text{If (1) } c_1^{(\varepsilon)}(w) \in \mathbb{O}[[w]]^x \iff \varepsilon = 1 \times w^a$$

$$(2) \text{ For } k \geq 2, \text{ let } d_{\varepsilon, k} = d_k^{\mathbb{I}_w}(\varepsilon \cdot (1 + w^{2-k})).$$

$$\text{Then } (d_{\varepsilon, k}, v_p(c_{d_{\varepsilon, k}}^{(\varepsilon)}(w_k))) \text{ (resp. } (d_{\varepsilon, k}, v_p(g_{d_{\varepsilon, k}}^{(\varepsilon)}(w_k))) \text{)}$$

$$\text{is a vertex of } \text{NP}(C^{(\varepsilon)}(w_k, -)) \text{ (resp. } \text{NP}(G^{(\varepsilon)}(w_k, -)) \text{)}.$$

Proof (1) We write  $\mathcal{E} = \omega^{-S_{\mathcal{E}}} \times \omega^{a+S_{\mathcal{E}}}: \Delta^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}^x$

Assume first  $S_{\mathcal{E}} = 0$ . We consider  $k = 2 + S_{\mathcal{E}} + \{a + S_{\mathcal{E}}\}$ .

By dim formula,  $d_k^{\text{Inv}}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}) = 2$ ,  $d_k^{\text{ur}}(\mathcal{E}) = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Up-slopes on  $S_k^{\text{Inv}}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})$  is  $\frac{k-2}{2} = \frac{S_{\mathcal{E}} + \{a + S_{\mathcal{E}}\}}{2} > 0$ .

$\Rightarrow v_p(C_1^{(\mathcal{E})}(w_k)) > 0$

$\Rightarrow C_1^{(\mathcal{E})}(w)$  is not a unit.

Now we assume  $S_{\mathcal{E}} = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{E} = 1 \times \omega^a$ ,  $\mathcal{E}' = \omega^a \times 1$ ,  $\psi = \omega^a \times \omega^a$ .

By dimension, for  $k = 1 + p - a$  on  $\mathcal{W}^{(\mathcal{E}' )}$ ,

we have  $d_k^{\text{Inv}}(\psi) = 2$  and  $d_k^{\text{ur}}(\omega^a) = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Up-slopes on  $S_k^{\text{Inv}}(\psi)$  is  $\frac{p+1-a-2}{2} > 1$ .

$\Rightarrow v_p(C_1^{(\mathcal{E}' )}(w_k)) > \frac{p+1-a-2}{2} > 1$ .

$C_1^{(\mathcal{E}' )}(w) \in \mathbb{G}[\mathbb{W}] \Rightarrow v_p(C_1^{(\mathcal{E}' )}(w_2)) \geq 1$ .

By dim formula,  $d_2^{\text{Inv}}(\mathcal{E}) = d_2^{\text{Inv}}(\mathcal{E}') = 1$ .

By classicality the Up-slope on  $S_2^{\text{Inv}}(\mathcal{E}')$  is 1.

By Atkin-Lehner  $S_2^{\text{Inv}}(\mathcal{E}) \longleftrightarrow S_2^{\text{Inv}}(\mathcal{E}')$

the Up-slope on  $S_2^{\text{Inv}}(\mathcal{E})$  is 0  $\Rightarrow v_p(C_1^{(\mathcal{E})}(w_2)) = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow C_1^{(\mathcal{E})}(w) \in \mathbb{G}[\mathbb{W}]^x$ .

The 1st slope of  $\text{NP}(C_1^{(\mathcal{E})}(w_x, -))$  is 0  $(\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{E} = 1 \times \omega^a)$ .

$w_x \in \text{Map}$

(2)  $\psi = \mathcal{E}(1 \times \omega^{2+k}) = \omega^{-S_{\mathcal{E}}} \times \omega^{a+S_{\mathcal{E}}+2+k}$

$\psi^S = \omega^{a+S_{\mathcal{E}}+2+k} \times \omega^{-S_{\mathcal{E}}}$

$\psi' = \psi \cdot (\omega^{k-1} \times \omega^{k-1}) = \omega^{-S_{\mathcal{E}}+k-1} \times \omega^{a+S_{\mathcal{E}}+1}$ .

By Atkin-Lehner:

AL(k, \psi):  $S_k^{\text{Inv}}(\psi) \longrightarrow S_k^{\text{Inv}}(\psi^S)$ .

The  $(\delta, k)$ th slope of  $S_k^{\text{inv}}(\psi)$  is  $\equiv k-1$ .

and equality holds  $\Leftrightarrow a + S_{\varepsilon+2-k} \equiv 0 \pmod{p-1}$  ①

By Theta map:

$$0 \rightarrow S_k^{\text{inv}}(\psi) \rightarrow S_k^{\dagger}(\psi) \xrightarrow{\theta} S_{2-k}^{\dagger}(\psi')$$

the  $(\delta, k+1)$ st slope of  $S_k^{\dagger}(\psi) \geq k-1$

and equality holds  $\Leftrightarrow -S_{\varepsilon+k-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{p-1}$  ②

But ① & ② cannot simultaneously happen

(by assumption on  $a$ ).  $\square$

Def (Lagrangian interpolation formula)

Let  $f(w) \in \mathbb{O}(\frac{W}{p})$  (later:  $f(w) = C_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) \in \mathbb{O}(\mathbb{F}[w])$ ).

and  $g(w) = (w-x_1)^{m_1} \cdots (w-x_s)^{m_s} \in \mathbb{Z}_p[w]$  (later:  $g(w) = g_n(w)$ ).

$x_i \in \mathbb{F}_p, m_1, \dots, m_s \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ .

Then we write  $f(w)$  uniquely as

$$f(w) = \sum_{i=1}^s \underbrace{A_i(w)}_{\substack{\in E[w] \\ \deg < m_i}} \frac{g(w)}{(w-x_i)^{m_i}} + \underbrace{h(w)}_{\substack{\in E[\frac{W}{p}] \\ \deg < n}} \cdot g(w)$$

Lagrange interpolation of  $f(w)$  along  $g(w)$ .

s.t.  $f(w) \equiv A_j(w) \frac{g(w)}{(w-x_j)^{m_j}} \pmod{(w-x_j)^{m_j}}$  in  $E[w-x_j], \forall j=1, \dots, s$ .

Fix  $n$  &  $\varepsilon$ . Consider the Lagrange interpolation of  $C_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) \in \mathbb{O}(\mathbb{F}[w])$

along  $g_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[w]$ .

$$(\star) \quad C_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) = \sum_{\substack{k \in \mathbb{Z}(p-1) \\ n \wedge k \neq 0}} (A_k^{(n, \varepsilon)}(w) \cdot g_{n, k}^{(\varepsilon)}(w)) + h_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w) g_n^{(\varepsilon)}(w)$$

$$A_k^{(n, \varepsilon)}(w) = \sum_{i=0}^{m_k(k)-1} A_{k,i}^{(n, \varepsilon)} (w-w_k)^i \in E[w].$$

Prop 4.4 The local ghost conj is true if the following holds:

$\forall n, \epsilon$  and every ghost zero  $w_k$  of  $g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w)$ ,  
 we have  $v_p(A_{k,i}^{(n,\epsilon)}) \geq \Delta_{k, \frac{1}{2}d_k}^{(\epsilon)} - i - \Delta_{k, \frac{1}{2}d_k}^{(\epsilon), \text{max}} - m_n(k)$ .  
 for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m_n(k) - 1$ .

Recall  $\Delta_{k,l}^{(\epsilon)} = v_p(g_{\frac{1}{2}d_k + l, k}^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)) - \frac{k-2}{2} \cdot l$ .

$|\Delta| \in \frac{1}{2}d_k^{\text{max}}$ ,  $\Delta_k^{(\epsilon)}$  lower convex hull of  $(l, \Delta_{k,l}^{(\epsilon)})$ .

Proof It suffices to prove  $\forall w_k \in \mathcal{M}_{\text{gp}}$ ,

Claim 1 The pt  $(n, v_p(C_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)))$  lies on or above  $\text{NP}(G^{(\epsilon)}(w_k, -))$ .

Claim 2 If  $(n, v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)))$  is a vertex of  $\text{NP}(G^{(\epsilon)}(w_k, -))$   
 then  $v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)) = v_p(C_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k))$ .

Lemma  $A = A_{k,i}^{(n,\epsilon)}$ . The pt  $(n, v_p(A(w - w_k)) g_{n,k}(w_k))$   
 lies on or above  $\text{NP}(G^{(\epsilon)}(w_k, -))$  and it lies strictly on this NP  
 if  $(n, v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)))$  is a vertex of  $\text{NP}(G^{(\epsilon)}(w_k, -))$ .

Pf of Claim 1 We know  $A_k^{(n,\epsilon)} \in \mathcal{O}[w] \Rightarrow h_n^{(\epsilon)}(w) \in \mathcal{O}[w]$ .

Pf of Claim 2 Can show  $h_n^{(\epsilon)}(w) \in \mathcal{O}[w]^{\times}$ .

We take a wt  $k \neq k\epsilon \pmod{p-1}$  s.t.  $\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \epsilon(1+w^{2-k}) = n$

$S_{\epsilon} = \{k-2-a - S_{\epsilon}\}$ .

Then the pt  $(n, v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)))$  (resp.  $(n, v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon')} (w_k)))$ )  
 is a vertex of  $\text{NP}(G^{(\epsilon)}(w_k, -))$  (resp.  $\text{NP}(G^{(\epsilon')} (w_k, -))$ ).

lem  $\Rightarrow v_p(C_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)) \geq v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k))$ , equality holds iff  $h_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k) \in \mathcal{O}^{\times}$   
 and similar result for  $\epsilon'$ .  $h_n(w) \in \mathcal{O}[w]^{\times}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} v_p(C_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)) + v_p(C_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)) &= (k-1)n \\ &= v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon)}(w_k)) + v_p(g_n^{(\epsilon')} (w_k)). \end{aligned}$$

~~Prop~~ (1) intuition of Prop 4.4.

When  $w_*$  is not close to any ghost zero  $w_k$  of  $g_n(w)$ .

$\Rightarrow (n, v_p(g_n^{(E)}(w_*)))$  is a vertex of  $NP(G^{(E)}(w_*, -))$ .

Because  $v_p(A_{k,i}^{(n,E)})$  is big  $\Rightarrow v_p(C_n^{(E)}(w_*)) = v_p(g_n^{(E)}(w_*))$ .

When  $w_*$  is close to some  $w_k$

$\Rightarrow v_p(C_n^{(E)}(w_*))$  is large.

(2) In  $(*)$ , let  $w = w_k$  for some ghost zero  $w_k$  of  $g_n(w)$ .

$$\Rightarrow A_{k,0}^{(n,E)} = C_n^{(E)}(w_k) / g_{n,k}^{(E)}(w_k)$$

$\hookrightarrow$  the equality in Prop 4.4 becomes  $(n = \frac{1}{2} d_k^{ur})$ .

$$v_p(C_n^{(E)}(w_k)) \geq v_p(\underbrace{g_{d_k}^{ur}(w_k)}_{\text{sum of } d_k^{ur} \text{ } U_p\text{-slopes}}) + (n - d_k^{ur}) \cdot \frac{k-2}{2}.$$

$$S^{\dagger(E)} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{F}_p}(\widehat{H}, \mathbb{G}(\langle \frac{W}{p} \rangle \langle \mathbb{Z} \rangle)).$$

We have a power basis  $\{e_1^{(E)}, e_2^{(E)}, \dots\}$

$$\mathcal{B}^{(E)} = \{e_1^{(E)} \cdot \mathbb{Z}^i \cdot e_2^{(E)} \cdot \mathbb{Z}^j : i \equiv S_E \pmod{p-1}, j \equiv a + S_E \pmod{p-1}\}$$

$U^{\dagger} = U^{\dagger(E)} \in M_{\infty}(\mathbb{G}(\langle \frac{W}{p} \rangle))$  matrix of the  $U_p$ -operator on  $S^{\dagger}$   
w.r.t. the power basis  $\mathcal{B}^{(E)}$ .

Take  $\underline{S} = \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n\}$ ,  $\underline{S}' = \{S'_1, S'_2, \dots, S'_n\}$ .

(1)  $U^{\dagger}(\underline{S}, \underline{S}')$  =  $n \times n$  submatrix of  $U^{\dagger}$

with row indices in  $\underline{S}$  & column indices in  $\underline{S}'$ .

(2)  $\deg(\underline{S}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \deg e_{S_i}$ ,  $\det(U^{\dagger}(\underline{S}, \underline{S}')) \in \mathbb{G}(\langle \frac{W}{p} \rangle)$ .

Fix  $\varepsilon$  and  $n$ . Consider the Lagrange interpolation  
of  $\det(U^{\dagger}(\underline{S}, \underline{S}'))$  along  $g_n^{(E)}(w) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[w]$ .

$$\det(U^+(\underline{\zeta}, \underline{\xi})) = \sum_{\substack{k=1, \dots, p-1 \\ m_n(k) \neq 0}} \binom{\underline{\zeta} \times \underline{\xi}}{k} (A_k(\omega) \cdot g_{n,k}(\omega) + h_{\underline{\zeta} \times \underline{\xi}}(\omega) \cdot g_n(\omega)) \\ = \sum_{i=0}^{m_n(k)-1} \binom{\underline{\zeta} \times \underline{\xi}}{i} A_{k,i}(\omega - \omega_k) \in \mathbb{F}[\omega].$$

Thm 5.2 Assume  $p \geq 11$  and  $2 \leq a \leq p-5$ .

For  $\forall \underline{\zeta}, \underline{\xi}$  of size  $n$ ,  $\omega_k$  zero of  $g_n(\omega)$ ,

we have

$$v_p(A_{k,i}) \geq \Delta_{k, \frac{1}{2}d_k - i}^{\text{new}} - \Delta_{k, \frac{1}{2}d_k - m_n(k)}^{\text{new}} + \frac{1}{2}(\deg \underline{\zeta} - \deg \underline{\xi}).$$