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RÉSUMÉ. Nous introduisons le concept de symbole modulaire quadratique et nous étudions comment ces symboles sont liés aux fonctions L p-adiques quadratiques. Ces objets ont été introduits dans [3] dans le cas des courbes modulaires. Dans cet article, nous proposons une méthode pour attacher des symboles modulaires et fonctions L p-adiques quadratiques aux courbes de Shimura plus générales.

ABSTRACT. We introduce the concept of *quadratic* modular symbol and study how these symbols are related to *quadratic* p-adic L-functions. These objects were introduced in [3] in the case of modular curves. In this paper, we discuss a method to attach quadratic modular symbols and quadratic p-adic L-functions to more general Shimura curves.

Introduction

To a newform of even weight 2 for a congruence subgroup $\Gamma_0(N)$, Mazur-Tate-Teitelbaum [10] associated *p*-adic distributions. The main tools in their construction were the modular integrals along geodesics joining two cusps. The Mellin-Mazur transforms of these *p*-adic distributions are known as cyclotomic *p*-adic *L*-functions attached to *f*. They interpolate special values of the complex *L*-function L(f, s).

Alternatively, it is possible to associate different *p*-adic distributions to a newform f. In [3], we have recently constructed quadratic *p*-adic *L*-functions from integration along geodesics connecting two quadratic imaginary points of the complex upper half-plane \mathcal{H} . Our construction presents notable differences with respect to the cyclotomic *p*-adic *L*-functions. For instance, the images of the cyclotomic *p*-adic *L*-functions lie on finite dimensional *p*adic vector spaces whereas the images of the quadratic *p*-adic *L*-functions lie on infinite dimensional *p*-adic Banach spaces. More crucial is the fact that if the newform *f* has rational coefficients, then the quadratic *p*-adic

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L-functions produce algebraic points on the corresponding elliptic curve E_f , instead of interpolating special values of the function $L(E_f, s)$.

For a cocompact arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind, the absence of cusps prevents the definition of *p*-adic *L*-functions via modular integrals connecting rational numbers. In this paper, we extend the concept of quadratic modular symbols as defined in [3] to cover the cocompact case, and relate them to quadratic *p*-adic *L*-functions. Classical modular symbols span a finite dimensional \mathbb{C} -vector space; on the contrary, quadratic modular symbols do not. This situation reflects the fact that quadratic *p*-adic *L*-functions take values in an infinite dimensional *p*-adic Banach space.

In section 1, we present some facts about quaternion algebras and Shimura curves; we refer the reader to [1] and [17] for more detailed discussions. In section 2, we review some results on the homology of Shimura curves. In section 3, we introduce the quadratic modular symbols and compare them with the classical modular ones. In section 4, we compare the two constructions of the *p*-adic *L*-functions: that of Mazur-Tate-Teitelbaum, and the new one. We conclude the section with the construction of a *p*-adic *L*-function for certain Shimura curves.

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1. Quaternion algebras and Shimura curves

1.1. Quaternion algebras and quaternion orders. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and let $H = \begin{pmatrix} a, b \\ \mathbb{Q} \end{pmatrix}$ be the quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra generated by I and J with the standard relations $I^2 = a, J^2 = b, IJ = -JI$. Denote K = IJ. The reduced trace and the reduced norm of a quaternion $\omega = x + yI + zJ + tK \in H$ are defined by

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\omega) = \omega + \overline{\omega} = 2x, \quad \operatorname{N}(\omega) = \omega \overline{\omega} = x^2 - ay^2 - bz^2 + abt,$$

where $\overline{\omega} = x - yI - zJ - tK$ denotes the conjugate of ω . The following map yields a monomorphism of quaternion Q-algebras

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : \left(\frac{a, b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right) &\to & \mathbf{M}\left(2, \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{a})\right) \\ x + yI + zJ + tK &\mapsto & \left(\begin{array}{cc} x + y\sqrt{a} & z + t\sqrt{a} \\ b(z - t\sqrt{a}) & x - y\sqrt{a} \end{array}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Notice that for any $\omega \in H$, $N(\omega) = \det(\phi(\omega))$, and $Tr(\omega) = Tr(\phi(\omega))$.

For any place p of \mathbb{Q} (possibly including $p = \infty$), $H_p := H \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_p$ is a quaternion \mathbb{Q}_p -algebra. If H_p is a division algebra, it is said that H is ramified at p. As is well known, the quaternion algebra H is ramified at a finite even number of places. The discriminant D_H is defined as the product of the primes at which H ramifies. Moreover, two quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebras are isomorphic if and only if they have the same discriminant.

Definition. Let H be a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra. If $D_H = 1$, H is said to be non-ramified; in this case, it is isomorphic to $M(2,\mathbb{Q})$. If H is ramified at $p = \infty$, it is said to be definite, and indefinite otherwise. An indefinite quaternion algebra is said to be small ramified if D_H is equal to the product of two distinct primes.

In this paper we shall deal with indefinite quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebras. The following result gives a useful presentation of non-ramified and small ramified quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebras.

Theorem 1.1 (Alsina-Bayer [1]). Let $H = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$ be a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra.

(i) If
$$D_H = 1$$
, then $H \simeq M(2, \mathbb{Q}) \simeq \left(\frac{1, -1}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$.
(ii) If $D_H = 2p$, p prime, $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $H \simeq \left(\frac{p, -1}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$.
(iii) If $D_H = pq$, p, q primes, $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) = 1$, then $H \simeq \left(\frac{p, q}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$.

If a and b are prime numbers, then H satisfies one, and only one, of the three previous statements.

Let H be a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra. An element $\alpha \in H$ is said to be integral if $N(\alpha)$, $Tr(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}$. A \mathbb{Z} -lattice Λ of H is a finitely generated torsion free \mathbb{Z} module contained in H. A \mathbb{Z} -ideal of H is a \mathbb{Z} -lattice Λ such that $\mathbb{Q} \otimes \Lambda \simeq H$. A \mathbb{Z} -ideal is not in general a ring. An order \mathcal{O} of H is a \mathbb{Z} -ideal which is a ring. Each order of a quaternion algebra is contained in a maximal order. In an indefinite quaternion algebra, all the maximal orders are conjugate (cf. [17]). An Eichler order is the intersection of two maximal orders.

Let $H = \begin{pmatrix} a, b \\ \mathbb{Q} \end{pmatrix}$ be an indefinite quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra. Given a maximal order \mathcal{O}_H , denote by \mathcal{O}_H^1 the multiplicative group of elements of \mathcal{O}_H of reduced norm equal to 1, and let Γ_H^1 be its image under ϕ . A Fuchsian group of the first kind $\Gamma \subseteq \operatorname{GL}(2,\mathbb{R})$ is called arithmetic if it is commensurable with Γ_H^1 for some quaternion algebra H.

Proposition 1.1 (cf. [17]). Let \mathcal{O} be an Eichler order of H. Then $\mathcal{O}_p = \mathcal{O} \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ is a \mathbb{Z}_p -order of H_p . Moreover, there exists a unique $n \geq 0$ such that \mathcal{O}_p is conjugated to the Eichler order

$$\mathcal{O}_n = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ cp^n & d \end{array} \right); a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_p \right\}.$$

The level of the local Eichler order is defined as p^n .

To define the global level of \mathcal{O} , write $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}' \cap \mathcal{O}''$ with $\mathcal{O}', \mathcal{O}''$ maximal orders and tensor by \mathbb{Z}_p . The global level is then the product of all local levels.

Proposition 1.2 (Alsina-Bayer [1]). Let $N \ge 1$ and p, q be different primes as in Theorem 1.1.

- (i) $\mathcal{O}_0(1,N) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ cN & d \end{pmatrix}; a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ is an Eichler order of level N in $\mathcal{M}(2,\mathbb{Q})$.
- (ii) O_M(1, N) = Z + Z(J + K)/2 + ZN(-J + K)/2 + Z(1 − I)/2 is an Eichler order of level N in M = (^{1,−1}/_Q), the matrix algebra.
 (iii) If D = 2p, N|(p − 1)/2 and N is square free, then O(2p, N) =
- (iii) If D = 2p, N|(p-1)/2 and N is square free, then $\mathcal{O}(2p, N) = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}I + \mathbb{Z}NJ + \mathbb{Z}\left(\frac{1+I+J+K}{2}\right)$ is an Eichler order of level N in $\left(\frac{p,-1}{\mathbb{O}}\right)$, for N|(p-1)/2, N square free.
- (iv) If D = pq, N|(p-1)/2, N square free. (iv) If D = pq, N|(q-1)/4, (N,p) = 1 and N is square free, then $\mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}NI + \mathbb{Z}(1+J)/2 + \mathbb{Z}(I+K)/2$ is an Eichler order of level N $in\left(\frac{p,q}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$, for N|(p-1)/4, $p \nmid N$, N square free.

Remark. We denote by $\mathcal{O}(D, N)$ an Eichler order of level N in a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra of discriminant D and by $\Gamma(D, N)$ the image under ϕ of the group of units of reduced norm equal to 1. The groups $\Gamma(D, N)$ are arithmetic Fuchsian groups of the first kind. In particular, $\Gamma(1, N) = \Gamma_0(N)$.

1.2. Shimura curves. Denote by \mathcal{H} the complex upper half-plane endowed with the hyperbolic metric

$$\delta(z_1, z_2) = \left| \operatorname{arccosh} \left(1 + \frac{|z_1 - z_2|^2}{2\operatorname{Im}(z_1)\operatorname{Im}(z_2)} \right) \right|.$$

The hyperbolic lines are the semilines which are orthogonal to the real axis and the semicircles centered at real points.

The group $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ acts on \mathcal{H} by Möbius transformations and its action factorizes through $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$.

Definition. Let $\gamma \in SL(2, \mathbb{R}), \gamma \neq \pm Id$. Then

- (a) γ is elliptic if it has a fixed point $z \in \mathcal{H}$, and the other fixed point is \overline{z} .
- (b) γ is parabolic if it has a unique fixed point in $\mathbb{R} \cup \{i\infty\}$.
- (c) γ is hyperbolic if it has two distinct fixed points in $\mathbb{R} \cup \{i\infty\}$.

Proposition 1.3. Let $\gamma \in \Gamma \subseteq SL(2, \mathbb{R})$, $\gamma \neq \pm Id$. Then, γ is elliptic if and only if $|Tr(\gamma)| < 2$. If $Tr(\gamma) = 0$, then γ has order 2 or 4 depending on $-Id \in \Gamma$ or $-Id \notin \Gamma$. If $Tr(\gamma) = 1$, then γ has order 3 or 4 depending on $-Id \in \Gamma$ or $-Id \notin \Gamma$. These are the two only possibilities for elliptic transformations with integral traces.

Definition. Let $\Gamma \subseteq \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ be a discrete subgroup acting on \mathcal{H} . A point $z \in \mathcal{H}$ is said to be elliptic if its isotropy group in Γ is generated by an elliptic element of Γ . The order of z is the order of its isotropy group.

Fix an indefinite quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra $H = \begin{pmatrix} a, b \\ \mathbb{Q} \end{pmatrix}$ and let $\Gamma_H^1 = \phi(\mathcal{O}_H^1)$. Let Γ be an arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind commensurable with Γ_H^1 . It acts on \mathcal{H} by Möbius transformations and the action factors through its image in PSL $(2, \mathbb{R})$. The quotient $\Gamma \setminus \mathcal{H}$ has an analytic structure of Riemann surface. If this Riemann surface is compact, then Γ is said to be cocompact. The Riemann surface $\Gamma \setminus \mathcal{H}$ is analytically isomorphic to an open subset of a smooth algebraic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} , which is denoted $X(\Gamma)$ (cf. [14]).

The following result is well known.

Theorem 1.2. Let Γ be an arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind commensurable with Γ_H^1 . Then Γ is cocompact if and only if H is a division algebra.

Example. The quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra with discriminant 1 is isomorphic to $M(2,\mathbb{Q})$ and the maximal order is $M(2,\mathbb{Z})$. As seen in Remark 1.1, the congruence subgroup $\Gamma_0(N)$ is provided by an Eichler order $\mathcal{O}(1, N)$. Thus, $\Gamma_0(N)$ is not cocompact. The Riemann surface $\Gamma_0(N) \setminus \mathcal{H}$ becomes compact by adding the set of cusps, $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})i\infty$. The compact Riemann surface corresponds to $X_0(N)(\mathbb{C})$, the set of complex points of the modular curve $X_0(N)$.

Example. Let $H = \begin{pmatrix} a, b \\ \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \end{pmatrix}$ be a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra of discriminant D > 1. The group $\Gamma(D, N)$ is cocompact because it does not have parabolic elements. The Riemann surface $\Gamma(D, N) \setminus \mathcal{H}$ is compact and analytically isomorphic to an algebraic curve X(D, N) (cf. [14]). Fundamental domains for several groups $\Gamma(D, 1)$ can be consulted at [1].

Let $\operatorname{GL}(2,\mathbb{R})^+$ be the multiplicative subgroup of real matrices with positive discriminant and $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \operatorname{GL}(2,\mathbb{R})^+$. Define $\rho(\gamma, z) = \frac{\operatorname{det}(\gamma)^{1/2}}{cz+d}$. Let $f: \mathcal{H} \to \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function. Denote, as usual,

$$f|_k \gamma(z) = \rho(\gamma, z)^k f(\gamma(z)).$$

Definition. An automorphic form of weight k for a cocompact group Γ is a holomorphic function f on \mathcal{H} such that $f|_k \gamma = f$, for any $\gamma \in \Gamma$. The \mathbb{C} -vector space of automorphic forms of weight k for Γ is denoted by $S_k(\Gamma)$.

From now on, we will restrict ourselves to automorphic forms of weight equal 2.

Let us denote by Ω the sheaf of holomorphic differentials on $X(\Gamma)$ and let g denote the genus of $X(\Gamma)$. One has an isomorphism

$$S_2(\Gamma) \simeq H^0(X(\Gamma), \Omega).$$

Hence, in particular, the dimension of $S_2(\Gamma)$ as a \mathbb{C} -vector space is g.

2. The homology of Shimura curves

2.1. The structure of the homology of a Shimura curve. Let Γ be an arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind attached to an indefinite quaternion Q-algebra of discriminant D > 1. The corresponding Shimura curve $X(\Gamma)$ is compact. The homology group $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{R})$ contains the maximal lattice $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z})$. We will use the following result to study the structure of $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{R})$.

Theorem 2.1 (Armstrong [2]). Let Γ be a group which acts simplicially on a simplicial complex U. Let E be the normal subgroup of Γ of elements with a fixed point in U. Given $\alpha \in U$ and $g \in \Gamma$, define $\phi_{\alpha}(g)$ as the homotopy class of an edge path joining α with $g(\alpha)$. Then the map ϕ_{α} factors by a map $f_{\alpha}: \Gamma/E \to \pi_1(\Gamma \setminus U, \alpha)$, which is an isomorphism.

Notice that Möbius transforms are conform; hence, they preserve geodesic triangles. In particular, arithmetic Fuchsian groups act simplicially on \mathcal{H} .

Theorem 2.2. Let Γ be an arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind. Denote by E and P the sets of elliptic and parabolic elements of Γ , respectively. Let Γ' be the commutator of Γ . Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}$ if Γ is cocompact or $\alpha \in \mathcal{H} \cup \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$, otherwise. For any $g \in \Gamma$, define $\phi_{\alpha}(g) = \{\alpha, g(\alpha)\} \in H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z})$. Then

(i) If Γ is not cocompact, then, for any $\alpha \in \mathcal{H} \cup \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$, there is an exact sequence of groups

$$0 \to \Gamma' EP \to \Gamma \stackrel{\phi_{\alpha}}{\to} H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z}) \to 0.$$

(ii) If Γ is cocompact, then, for any $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}$, there is an exact sequence of groups

$$0 \to \Gamma' E \to \Gamma \stackrel{\phi_{\alpha}}{\to} H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z}) \to 0.$$

In both cases, the map ϕ_{α} is independent of α .

Proof. We prove the result for cocompact Γ . The other case is proved in [9]. First, we check that for any $\alpha \in \mathcal{H}$, the map ϕ_{α} defined as in Theorem 2.1 is a group homomorphism. Thus, take $g, h \in \Gamma$. Since \mathcal{H} is simply connected, we have

$$\{\alpha, gh(\alpha)\} = \{\alpha, g(\alpha)\} + \{g(\alpha), gh(\alpha)\} = \{\alpha, g(\alpha)\} + \{\alpha, h(\alpha)\}$$

hence, ϕ_{α} is a group homomorphism.

Next, we check the independency on α . Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{H}$. We can decompose

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{\alpha}(g) &= \{\alpha, \beta\} + \{\beta, g(\beta)\} + \{g(\beta), g(\alpha)\} \\ &= \{\alpha, \beta\} + \{\beta, g(\beta)\} + \{\beta, \alpha\} = \phi_{\beta}(g). \end{aligned}$$

We claim that the commutator subgroup of Γ/E is $\Gamma'E/E$. To see this, let us consider the projection $p: \Gamma \to \Gamma/E$, which sends Γ' onto $\Gamma'E/E$. Hence, it induces a projection $\overline{p}: \Gamma/\Gamma' \to \Gamma/\Gamma'E$, so that $\Gamma/\Gamma'E \simeq (\Gamma/E) / (\Gamma'E/E)$ is abelian. Thus, $(\Gamma/E)' \subseteq \Gamma'E/E$. On the other hand, for any $a, b \in \Gamma$, one has that $aba^{-1}b^{-1}E = aEbE(aE)^{-1}(bE)^{-1}$, by normality of E. This shows the reverse inclusion. According to Theorem 2.1, there is an isomorphism $\psi: H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z}) \to \Gamma/\Gamma'E$ such that the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
\Gamma & \stackrel{\phi_{\alpha}}{\longrightarrow} & H_1\left(X\left(\Gamma\right)\left(\mathbb{C}\right),\mathbb{Z}\right) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \psi \\
\Gamma/E & \longrightarrow & (\Gamma/E) \,/ \,(\Gamma'E/E) & \longrightarrow 0.
\end{array}$$

It follows that $\operatorname{Ker}(\phi_{\alpha}) = \Gamma' E$; thus, the result follows.

Let G be a set of generators of Γ . If Γ is cocompact, denote by H(G) the set of elements of G which are neither elliptic nor commutators. If Γ is not cocompact, we define H(G) as the set of elements of G which are neither elliptic nor parabolic, nor commutators. Let $i \in \mathcal{H}$ denote the imaginary unit.

Definition. A family of quadratic distinguished classes is

$$\{i, \sigma(i)\}_{\sigma \in H(G)},\$$

with G a set of generators of Γ .

We have the following

Proposition 2.1. Any class in $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}),\mathbb{Z})$ can be represented as a sum of quadratic distinguished classes. In particular, the quadratic distinguished classes generate $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}),\mathbb{R})$ as a real vector space.

Proof. By Theorem 2.2, any class in $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}),\mathbb{Z})$ is of the form $\{i,g(i)\}$ for some $g \in \Gamma$. Decompose $g = \eta_1 \cdots \eta_l$ where the η_k are generators of Γ . Notice that

$$\{i,g(i)\} = \{i,\eta_1(i)\} + \{\eta_1(i),g(i)\} = \{i,\eta_1(i)\} + \{i,\eta_2\eta_3\cdots\eta_l(i)\}.$$

Iterating, we have

$$\{i, g(i)\} = \sum_{k=1}^{l} \{i, \eta_k(i)\}.$$

If $\eta_k \notin H(G)$, we can consider its fixed point $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ and have

$$\{i,\eta_k(i)\} = \{i,\tau\} + \{\tau,\eta_k(i)\} = \{i,\tau\} + \{\eta_k(\tau),\eta_k(i)\} = \{i,\tau\} + \{\tau,i\} = 0.$$

Remark. For any arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind Γ , it is possible to find a set of generators of Γ of the form $\{\eta_1, ..., \eta_{2g}, \varepsilon_1, ..., \varepsilon_t\}$ with η_k hyperbolic and ε_j elliptic, parabolic or commutator for any k, j (cf. [16]). Thus, the set $\{\{i, \eta_1(i)\}, ..., \{i, \eta_{2g}(i)\}\}$ is a basis of $H_1(X(\Gamma)(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z})$. We illustrate this fact numerically by showing a basis of the homology for several Shimura curves.

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Example. Let us define the matrices

$$V_k = \begin{pmatrix} k' & 1\\ -(k'k+1) & -k \end{pmatrix},$$

with $1 \le k, k' \le p-1$ and $kk' \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$. Denote the unitary translation by T. Table 2.1 shows generators and fundamental relations of $\Gamma_0(N)$ (with N = p prime).

p	Minimal set of generators of $\Gamma_0(p)$	Relations	Genus of $X_0(p)$
2	T, V_1	$V_1^2 = 1$	0
3	T, V_2	$V_2^3 = 1$	0
5	T, V_2, V_3	$V_2^2 = V_3^3 = 1$	0
7	T, V_3, V_5	$V_3^3 = V_5^3 = 1$	0
11	T, V_4, V_6		1
13	T, V_4, V_5, V_8, V_{10}	$V_5^2 = V_8^2 = V_4^3 = V_{10}^3 = 1$	0
17	T, V_4, V_7, V_9, V_{13}	$V_4^2 = V_{13}^2 = 1$	1
19	$T, V_5, V_8, V_{12}, V_{13}$	$V_8^2 = V_{12}^2 = 1$	1
23	$T, V_8, V_{10}, V_{12}, V_{14}$		2
29	$T, V_6, V_{12}, V_{13}, V_{15}, V_{17}, V_{22}$	$V_{12}^2 = V_{17}^2 = 1$	2
31	$T, V_6, V_9, V_{13}, V_{17}, V_{21}, V_{26}$	$V_6^3 = V_{26}^3 = 1$	2
37	$T, V_6, V_8, V_{11}, V_{16}, V_{20}, V_{27}, V_{28}, V_{31}$	$V_6^2 = V_{31}^2 = V_{11}^3 = V_{27}^3 = 1$	2
41	$T, V_7, V_9, V_{16}, V_{19}, V_{21}, V_{24}, V_{32}, V_{33}$	$V_9^2 = V_{32}^2 = 1$	3
43	$T, V_7, V_{13}, V_{15}, V_{18}, V_{24}, V_{27}, V_{29}, V_{37}$	$V_7^3 = V_{37}^3 = 1$	3
47	$T, V_{13}, V_{16}, V_{19}, V_{22}, V_{24}, V_{27}, V_{30}, V_{33}$		4
53	$T, V_{12}, V_{14}, V_{20}, V_{23}, V_{25}, V_{27}, V_{30}, V_{32} \\V_{38}, V_{40}$	$V_{23}^2 = V_{30}^2 = 1$	4
59	$T, V_{12}, V_{15}, V_{20}, V_{26}, V_{28}, V_{30}, V_{32}, V_{38}$ V_{43}, V_{46}		5
61	$T, V_9, V_{11}, V_{14}, V_{18}, V_{25}, V_{28}, V_{32}, V_{35} \\V_{42}, V_{48}, V_{50}, V_{51}$	$V_{11}^2 = V_{50}^2 = V_{14}^3 = V_{48}^3 = 1$	4
67	$T, V_{10}, V_{18}, V_{21}, V_{24}, V_{30}, V_{31}, V_{35}, V_{38}$ $V_{42}, V_{45}, V_{48}, V_{56}$	$V_{30}^3 = V_{28}^3 = 1$	5
71	$T, V_9, V_{13}, V_{24}, V_{26}, V_{28}, V_{34}, V_{36}, V_{42}$ $V_{44}, V_{46}, V_{57}, V_{61}$		6
73	$T, V_9, V_{11}, V_{17}, V_{22}, V_{25}, V_{27}, V_{33}, V_{39}$ $V_{46}, V_{47}, V_{50}, V_{55}, V_{61}, V_{65}$	$V_{27}^2 = V_{46}^2 = V_9^3 = V_{65}^3 = 1$	5
79	$T, V_{12}, V_{20}, V_{24}, V_{25}, V_{30}, V_{34}, V_{36}, V_{42}$ $V_{44}, V_{48}, V_{53}, V_{56}, V_{58}, V_{66}$	$V_{24}^3 = V_{56}^3 = 1$	6
83	$T, V_{14}, V_{22}, V_{28}, V_{30}, V_{32}, V_{37}, V_{40}, V_{42} \\V_{45}, V_{50}, V_{52}, V_{54}, V_{60}, V_{68}$		7
89	$T, V_{10}, V_{18}, V_{21}, V_{31}, V_{34}, V_{36}, V_{39}, V_{43} \\V_{45}, V_{49}, V_{52}, V_{55}, V_{57}, V_{67}, V_{70}, V_{78}$	$V_{34}^2 = V_{55}^2 = 1$	7
97	$T, V_{11}, V_{15}, V_{22}, V_{23}, V_{28}, V_{30}, V_{36}, V_{40} V_{46}, V_{50}, V_{56}, V_{62}, V_{66}, V_{68}, V_{73}, V_{75}, V_{81}, V_{85}$	$V_{22}^2 = V_{75}^2 = V_{36}^3 = V_{62}^3 = 1$	7
101	$\begin{array}{c} T, V_{10}, V_{19}, V_{23}, V_{27}, V_{30}, V_{35}, V_{40}, V_{43} \\ V_{49}, V_{51}, V_{57}, V_{60}, V_{65}, V_{70}, V_{73}, V_{77}, V_{81}, V_{91} \end{array}$	$V_{10}^2 = V_{91}^2 = 1$	8

TABLE 2.1

Example. The Shimura curve X(6, 1) has genus 0 and $\Gamma(6, 1)$ can be generated by six elliptic matrices. The Shimura curve X(10, 1) has genus 0 and

 $\Gamma(10,1)$ can be generated by three elliptic matrices. The Shimura curve X(15,1) has genus 1 and $\Gamma(15,1)$ has the following minimal set of generators:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1\\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, h = \begin{pmatrix} 2+\sqrt{3} & 0\\ 0 & 2-\sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\beta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1+2\sqrt{3} & 3-2\sqrt{3}\\ 15+10\sqrt{3} & 1-2\sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The matrices α , h are hyperbolic and β is elliptic of order 6.

2.2. Modular integrals. In what follows, Γ will denote an arithmetic Fuchsian group commensurable with Γ_H^1 for some quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra H.

Definition. Let f be an automorphic form of weight 2 for Γ and $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ a quadratic imaginary point. The modular integral attached to f and τ is the map

$$\begin{array}{rccc} \phi_f^{\tau}: & \Gamma_H^1 \tau & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C} \\ & & & & \\ & & & & & \int_{\gamma(\tau)}^{\tau} f. \end{array}$$

We will denote $\phi_f = \phi_f^i$ when $\tau = i$, the imaginary unit.

Remark. If $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(N)$ and instead of a quadratic imaginary point we consider $\tau = i\infty$ we have the classical modular integral as in [10].

Let Γ be an arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind commensurable with Γ^1_H for some quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra H. In particular, there is a finite number of coset representatives of $(\Gamma^1_H \cap \Gamma) \setminus \Gamma^1_H$.

Lemma 2.1. Let $f \in S_2(\Gamma)$ and let $A, \gamma \in \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{R})^+$. Then

$$\phi_f^{\tau}(A\gamma(\tau)) = \phi_{f|A}^{\tau}(\gamma(\tau)) + \phi_f^{\tau}(A(\tau)),$$

where $\phi_{f|A}^{\tau}(\gamma(\tau)) = \int_{\gamma(\tau)}^{\tau} f|A$.

Proof. Suppose $\tau = i$. First, notice that $dA(z) = \rho(A, z)^2 dz$, hence

$$\phi_{f|A}(\gamma(i)) = \int_{\gamma(i)}^{i} \rho(A, z)^2 f(A(z)) dz = \int_{A\gamma(i)}^{A(i)} f(w) dw.$$

Since f is holomorphic in the upper half-plane, the integral along the triangle with vertices A(i), $A\gamma(i)$ and i vanishes. Hence

$$\phi_{f|A}(\gamma(i)) = \int_{A\gamma(i)}^{i} f(z)dz + \int_{i}^{A(i)} f(z)dz,$$

and the result holds.

As a corollary we have the following

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Proposition 2.2. The \mathbb{Z} -module $\Sigma_f = \langle \phi_f(\gamma(i)); \gamma \in \Gamma^1_H \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is finitely generated and torsion-free. Given G a minimal set of generators of Γ , then

$$\operatorname{rk}(\Sigma_f) \leq \operatorname{card}(G) + \left[\Gamma_H^1 : \Gamma \cap \Gamma_H^1\right].$$

Proof. Let $\{A_l\}_{1 \leq l \leq n}$ be a set of coset representatives of $(\Gamma \cap \Gamma_H^1) \setminus \Gamma_H^1$ and let $G = \{B_j\}_{1 \leq j \leq m}$ be a minimal set of generators of Γ .

Let $A \in \Gamma_{H}^{1}$. There exists $B \in \Gamma \cap \Gamma_{H}^{1}$ and $l_{0} \in \{1, ..., n\}$ such that $A = BA_{l_{0}}$. Hence

$$\phi_f(BA_{l_0}(i)) = \phi_{f|B}(A_{l_0}(i)) + \phi_f(B(i)) = \phi_f(A_{l_0}(i)) + \phi_f(B(i)).$$

Now, write $B = B_{j_1}...B_{j_r}$ with $\{j_1, ..., j_r\} \subseteq \{1, ..., m\}$. Hence

$$\phi_f(B(i)) = \phi(B_{j_2}...B_{j_r}(i)) + \phi_f(B_{j_1}(i)),$$

and

$$\phi_f(A(i)) \in \langle \phi_f(A_l(i)), \phi_f(B_j(i)); 1 \le l \le n, 1 \le j \le m \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

3. Modular symbols

3.1. Classical modular symbols. We begin by recalling the following

Definition (Manin [9], Pollack-Stevens [11]). Denote $\Delta_0 = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) i\infty$. Let $K = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{Q}_p and V be a K-vector space. A V-valued modular symbol is a map F from the set $\Delta_0 \times \Delta_0$ to V such that for any $P, Q, R \in \Delta_0$,

$$F(P,Q) = F(P,R) + F(R,Q).$$

Denote by Symb (Δ_0, V) the K-vector space of V-valued modular symbols.

Notice that $\Gamma_0(N)$ acts by the left on Symb (Δ_0, V) . The *K*-vector space of $\Gamma_0(N)$ -invariant modular symbols will be denoted by Symb $(\Delta_0, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$.

Via Theorem 2.2 and the Manin continued fraction trick, one can constructively show (cf. [7]) that any closed path $\omega \in H_1(X(\Gamma_0(N)), \mathbb{Z})$ can be expressed as a \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of paths of the form $\{g(0), g(i\infty)\}$, with $g \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$. These paths are called *M*-paths and they suffice to determine a modular symbol. The *K*-valued modular symbols supported on the *M*-paths are normally referred to as *M*-symbols.

The action of the Hecke algebra on Symb $(\Delta_0, \mathbb{Q}_p)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$ is determined by the following double coset decomposition of the orbit space

$$\Gamma_0(N) \setminus \Gamma_0(N) \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Gamma_0(N)$$

(cf. [7], Proposition 1.6):

(i) If $p \nmid N$, then

(ii) If p|N, then

$$\Gamma_0(N) \setminus \Gamma_0(N) \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Gamma_0(N) = \bigcup_{u=0}^{p-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix} \Gamma_0(N).$$

The action on paths is:

(i) if $p \nmid N$, then

$$\{g(0), g(i\infty)\}|_{T_p} = \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} \{(g(0)+u)p^{-1}, (g(i\infty)+u)p^{-1}\} + \{pg(0), pg(i\infty)\}.$$

(ii) If p|N, then

$$\{g(0), g(i\infty)\}|_{T_p} = \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} \{(g(0)+u)p^{-1}, (g(i\infty)+u)p^{-1}\}.$$

Notice that, since T_p acts on the rational numbers, it is again possible to decompose each path in the above sum as a \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of M-paths.

Remark. If K is a field, denote by K^{alg} an algebraic closure of K. Fix compatible embeddings of \mathbb{Q} in \mathbb{Q}^{alg} and in \mathbb{Q}_p^{alg} . By Proposition 2.2, given $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$, the classical modular integral ϕ_f can be seen both as a modular symbol with values in \mathbb{C} or in a finite dimensional \mathbb{Q}_p -vector space.

An important application of classical modular symbols is the explicit computation of spaces of modular forms. This topic is treated in detail in [7]. In particular, one has the following result:

Proposition 3.1 (Pollack-Stevens [11]). There exists an injection as Hecke-modules

$$S_2(\Gamma_0(N)) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Symb}(\Delta_0)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$$

The method for computing modular forms consists in the determination of the eigenvalues of the Hecke operators acting on $\operatorname{Symb}(\Delta_0, \mathbb{C})^{\Gamma_0(N)}$. These eigenvalues determine spaces of newforms for $\Gamma_0(N)$. The Manin continued fraction trick grants that it is easy to determine the eigenvalues by working on modular symbols. Hence, the Fourier expansion at infinity of such an eigenform has as *n*-th Fourier coefficient the computed eigenvalue for T_n .

3.2. Quadratic modular symbols. Let Γ be an arithmetic Fuchsian group of the first kind commensurable with $\Gamma^1 = \phi(\mathcal{O}_H^1)$ for some indefinite quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra H and let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ be a quadratic imaginary point. If $\Gamma^1 = \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$ and $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(N)$ we allow $\tau \in \mathbb{Q} \cup \{i\infty\}$.

Let p be a prime. Choose a quaternion $\omega_p \in \mathcal{O}_H^1$ of reduced norm pand set $\gamma_p = \phi(\omega_p)$. In [15] it is proved that there exists $d \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $[\Gamma : \Gamma \cap \gamma_p \Gamma \gamma_p^{-1}] = d$. Hence, there is a coset decomposition

$$\Gamma \gamma_p \Gamma = \bigcup_{a=1}^d \gamma_a \Gamma.$$

Let us denote

$$\Delta_0^{\tau,p} = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\substack{1 \le i_j \le d \\ 1 \le j \le n}} \gamma_{i_1} \dots \gamma_{i_n} \Gamma^1 \tau$$

and

$$\Gamma(\Delta_0^{\tau,p} \times \Delta_0^{\tau,p}) = \{(\gamma \sigma_1, \gamma \sigma_2); \gamma \in \Gamma, \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Delta_0^{\tau,p}\}.$$

Definition. Let $K = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{Q}_p and V a K-vector space. A V-valued τ -modular symbol is a map F from the set $\Gamma(\Delta_0^{\tau,p} \times \Delta_0^{\tau,p})$ to V such that for any $P, Q, R \in \Delta_0^{\tau,p}$ and for any $\gamma \in \Gamma$,

$$F(\gamma P, \gamma Q) = F(\gamma P, \gamma R) + F(\gamma R, \gamma Q).$$

Denote by Symb $(\Delta_0^{\tau,p}, V)^{\Gamma}$ the *K*-vector space of τ -modular symbols which are invariant under Γ . If τ is quadratic imaginary we will refer to the elements of Symb $(\Delta_0^{\tau,p}, V)^{\Gamma}$ as quadratic modular symbols.

Remark. Notice that Γ acts trivially on Symb $(\Delta_0^{\tau,p}, V)^{\Gamma}$. The motivation for our definition is that we want the matrices attached to the Hecke operator T_p to act on Symb $(\Delta_0^{\tau,p}, V)^{\Gamma}$. Notice that for $\tau = i\infty$, for any prime p, for $\Gamma^1 = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ and $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(N)$, $\Delta_0^{i\infty,p} = \Delta_0$ and $\Gamma(\Delta_0^{i\infty,p} \times \Delta_0^{i\infty,p}) = \Delta_0 \times \Delta_0$.

Let us turn to the modular case. Let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ be a quadratic imaginary point satisfying $\tau^2 + D = 0$ with D square free and τ non-elliptic. We have the following

Proposition 3.2. Let p be a prime number such that $\left(\frac{-D}{p}\right) = -1$. There is an injection

$$\operatorname{Symb} (\Delta_0, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)} \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Symb} (\Delta_0^{\tau, p}, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$$

Proof. Given $0 \le a \le p^n - 1$, let us denote $\gamma_{a,p^n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & p^n \end{pmatrix}$. Define a map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I: \operatorname{Symb} \left(\Delta_0, V \right)^{\Gamma_0(N)} & \to & \operatorname{Symb} \left(\Delta_0^{\tau, p}, V \right)^{\Gamma_0(N)} \\ F & \mapsto & I(F), \end{array}$$

where

$$I(F)(\gamma\gamma_{a,p^n}\gamma_1\tau,\gamma\gamma_{b,p^m}\gamma_2\tau) = F(\gamma\gamma_{a,p^n}\gamma_1\infty,\gamma\gamma_{b,p^n}\gamma_1\infty)$$

First, we check that the map is well defined. It suffices to check that if

 $\sigma_1 \gamma_{a,p^n} \gamma_1 \tau = \sigma_2 \gamma_{b,p^m} \gamma_2 \tau$, with $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Gamma_0(N), \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$,

then $\sigma_1 \gamma_{a,p^n} \gamma_1 \infty = \sigma_2 \gamma_{b,p^m} \gamma_2 \infty$.

To prove this fact, suppose that $\sigma_1\gamma_{a,p^n}\gamma_1\tau = \sigma_2\gamma_{b,p^m}\gamma_2\tau$. This would imply that $\gamma\tau = \tau$ with $\gamma = \gamma_2^{-1}\gamma_{b,p^m}^{-1}\sigma_2^{-1}\sigma_1\gamma_{a,p^n}\gamma_1 \in \mathrm{GL}(2,\mathbb{Q})$. Notice that $\eta = p^m\gamma \in \mathrm{GL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$ also fixes τ and has determinant p^{n+m} . If $\eta = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, then p^{n+m} would be represented by the binary quadratic form $X^2 + DY^2$, with discriminant -4D, hence, -4D would be a square modulo $p^{n-m}r^2$, in particular modulo p, hence, $\left(\frac{-D}{p}\right) = 1$, which would be a contradiction. If n = m = 0, then $\gamma \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$. Since τ is non-elliptic, $\sigma_1\gamma_{a,p^n}\gamma_1 = \sigma_2\gamma_{b,p^n}\gamma_2$. Linearity and injectivity are obvious.

Remark. It does not seem easy to prove that the Hecke algebra acts on Symb $(\Delta_0^{\tau,p}, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$ (the operator T_p certainly does). But since

Symb
$$(\Delta_0, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)} \hookrightarrow \bigcap_{\left(\frac{-D}{p}\right) = -1}$$
Symb $(\Delta_0^{\tau, p}, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$,

we see that the Hecke algebra acts on the image of $\operatorname{Symb}(\Delta_0, V)^{\Gamma_0(N)}$ in the intersection.

4. *p*-adic *L*-functions

Classical modular symbols are at the core of the definition of the cyclotomic p-adic L-function. Next we recall this construction, following Mazur-Tate-Teitelbaum ([10]).

4.1. Cyclotomic *p*-adic *L*-functions. Let $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$ be a normalized newform. It is well known that the field K_f obtained by adjoining to \mathbb{Q} the Fourier coefficients of f is a totally real number field. Denote by \mathcal{O}_f the ring of integers of K_f and by $\mathcal{O}_{f,p}$ the completion of \mathcal{O}_f at a prime over p. Let a_p denote the eigenvalue corresponding to the Hecke operator T_p . The Hecke polynomial of f at p is $X^2 - a_p X + p$. Fix an embedding of \mathbb{Q} in \mathbb{Q}^{alg} and in \mathbb{Q}_p^{alg} and consider α_p a root of the Hecke polynomial such

that $|\alpha|_p > p^{-1}$. The fact that f is an eigenvalue for T_p and that α_p is a root of the Hecke polynomial allows to define a p-adic distribution:

Definition (Mazur-Tate-Teitelbaum [10]). The following function on compact open discs of \mathbb{Z}_p^* extends in a unique way to a *p*-adic distribution.

(i) If
$$p \nmid N$$
, $\mu_{f,p} = (a + p^n \mathbb{Z}_p) = \alpha_p^{-n} \left(\int_{\frac{a}{p^n}}^{\frac{a}{p^n} + i\infty} f - \alpha^{-1} \int_{\frac{p^n}{p^n}}^{\frac{p^n}{p^n} + i\infty} f \right)$.
(ii) If $p \mid N$, $\mu_{f,p} = (a + p^n \mathbb{Z}_p) = a_p^{-n} \int_{\frac{a}{p^n}}^{\frac{a}{p^n} + i\infty} f$.

If $\alpha_p \in \mathcal{O}_{f,p}^*$, then $\mu_{f,p}$ is uniformly bounded on compact-open subsets of \mathbb{Z}_p and f is said to be ordinary at p. Otherwise, f is called supersingular at p.

Denote $\mathcal{X} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{cont}} \left(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \mathbb{C}_p^* \right)$ the group of \mathbb{C}_p^* -valued continuous characters of \mathbb{Z}_p^* .

Definition (Mazur-Tate-Teitelbaum [10]). Given $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$ and $\chi \in \mathcal{X}$, the *p*-adic *L*-function is the Mellin-Mazur transform of $\mu_{f,p}$,

$$L_p(f;\chi) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \chi(x) d\mu_{f,p}(x).$$

The key property of this *p*-adic *L*-function is that it interpolates values of the complex *L*-function attached to f:

Proposition 4.1 (Mazur-Tate-Teitelbaum [10]). Let $\chi \in \mathcal{X}$ be a character of conductor p^n , with $n \ge 0$ and $\tau(\chi)$ its Gauss sum. Then

$$L_p(f;\chi) = \frac{p^n}{\alpha^n \tau(\chi)} L(f;\chi,1).$$

The *p*-adic *L*-function cannot be identically zero. Indeed, by a theorem of Rohrlich [13], it is non-zero for an infinite family of characters of conductor a power of *p*. In addition, in the ordinary case, it is non-zero for an infinite family of characters of the form $x \mapsto x^n$. Moreover, in the ordinary case, $L_p(f;\chi) = 0$ only for a finite number of characters χ . This is true also in the supersingular case assuming that $L_p(f;\chi) \neq 0$ for some *p*-adic character of infinite order ([6]).

4.2. Coset representatives and *p*-adic *L*-functions. To define the classical *p*-adic *L*-function, one considers the standard right coset decomposition of the operator T_p given in subsection 3.1. Indeed, one fixes a way of assigning a coset representative to any compact open subset of the form $a + p\mathbb{Z}_p$ for $1 \le a \le p - 1$. Even if we fix the standard right coset decomposition, another assignment of right coset representatives yields a

different *p*-adic measure. To illustrate this, let us consider a permutation $\sigma \in \text{Bij}(\{1, ..., p-1\})$. Define $\sigma(0) = 0$. Denote again by σ the bijection

$$\sigma : \mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*} \cap \{1, ..., p^{n} - 1\} \to \mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*} \cap \{1, ..., p^{n} - 1\}$$
$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_{i}p^{i} \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sigma(a_{i})p^{i}.$$

Let μ be a \mathbb{Q}_p -valued *p*-adic distribution. Define

$$\mu^{\sigma} \left(a + p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p} \right) = \mu \left(\sigma(a) + p^{n} \mathbb{Z}_{p} \right).$$

Proposition 4.2. For any p-adic distribution μ and for any permutation $\sigma \in \text{Bij}(\{1, ..., p-1\}), \mu^{\sigma} \text{ is a p-adic distribution.}$

Proof. First notice that for any $a = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i p^i \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$, we have the decomposition

$$a + p^n \mathbb{Z}_p = \bigcup_{j=0}^{p-1} a + jp^n + p^{n+1} \mathbb{Z}_p.$$

Hence,

$$\mu^{\sigma}\left(a+p^{n}\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\mu\left(\sigma(a)+p^{n}\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\sum_{j=0}^{p-1}\mu\left(\sigma(a)+jp^{n}+p^{n+1}\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right).$$

But since σ is a permutation of indices between 1 and p-1, the right hand side equals

$$\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \mu \left(\sigma(a) + \sigma(j) p^n + p^{n+1} \mathbb{Z}_p \right) = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \mu^\sigma \left(a + j p^n + p^{n+1} \mathbb{Z}_p \right).$$

Let $\chi \in \mathcal{X}$ a continuous *p*-adic character. We can define

$$\chi_{\sigma}(a) = \chi(a^{\sigma^{-1}}a^{-1}).$$

It is not difficult to see that $\chi_{\sigma} \in \mathcal{X}$. Denote by $L_{p}^{\sigma}(f;\chi)$ the Mellin-Mazur transform of μ^{σ} at χ . We have the following result:

Proposition 4.3. For any $\chi \in \mathcal{X}$, $L_p^{\sigma}(f;\chi) = L_p(f;\chi\chi_{\sigma})$. In particular, L_p^{σ} is not identically zero.

Proof. By definition, $\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \chi(x) d\mu^{\sigma}(x) = \lim \sum_a \chi(a) \mu^{\sigma}(a+p^n \mathbb{Z}_p)$ where the limit is taken as $\{a+p^n \mathbb{Z}_p\}$ runs over the partitions of \mathbb{Z}_p^* . Hence,

$$L_p^{\sigma}(f;\chi) = \lim \sum_{a} \chi(\sigma(a))\chi(a\sigma(a^{-1}))\mu(a^{\sigma} + p^n \mathbb{Z}_p)$$
$$= \lim \sum_{a} \chi(a)\chi_{\sigma}(a)\mu(a + p^n \mathbb{Z}_p).$$

The right hand side equals $L_p(f; \chi\chi_{\sigma})$. As for the fact that it does not vanish, notice that the conductor of χ_{σ} is a power of p and apply the main result of [13].

As we can see, the Mazur-Mellin transforms of μ^σ and μ are not equal. However, we have

Corollary 4.1. For any $\sigma \in \text{Bij}(\{1, ..., p-1\}), L_p(f; 1) = L_p^{\sigma}(f; 1).$

4.3. Quadratic *p*-adic *L*-functions. In [3], we have constructed *p*-adic *L*-functions based on quadratic modular symbols. The construction is as follows.

For any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $|a| \in \{1, ..., p-1\}$, there exists a unique couple of integers $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that ax - py = 1 and $x \in \{0, ..., p-1\}$. Denote

$$\gamma_{a,p} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a & y \\ p & x \end{array}\right).$$

For any $u \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $0 \leq |u| \leq p - 1$, define

$$\gamma_u = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & u \\ 0 & p \end{array}\right).$$

For any $0 \le |a| < p^n$ coprime to p, consider the expansion

$$a = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i p^i.$$

Define

$$\gamma_{a,p^n} = \gamma_{u_{n-1}} \gamma_{u_{n-2}} \dots \gamma_{u_1} \gamma_{a_0,p}.$$

If $n \geq 2$, denote $\gamma_{pa,p^n} = \gamma_{a,p^{n-1}}$ and for n = 1, denote $\gamma_{a,1} = p\gamma_{a,p}$. Notice that $\gamma_{a+up^n,p^{n+1}} = \gamma_u \gamma_{a,p^n}$. Let $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$ an eigenform for T_p , a_p the corresponding eigenvalue and α_p and admissible root of the Hecke polynomial. If p||N, the only choice is $\alpha_p = a_p$. We propose the following

Definition. For any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ coprime to p and for any $n \ge 0$, denote by $\delta_f(\gamma_{a,p^n}(i)) = \phi_f(\gamma_{a,p^n}(i)) - \phi_f(\gamma_{-a,p^n}(i))$. Let $n \ge 1$.

(a) If $p \parallel N$, we define

$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(a+p^{n}\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\frac{1}{a_{p}^{n}}\delta_{f}\left(\gamma_{a,p^{n}}(i)\right).$$

(b) If $p \nmid N$, we define

$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(a+p^{n}\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=\frac{1}{\alpha_{p}^{n}}\left(\delta_{f}\left(\gamma_{a,p^{n}}(i)\right)-\alpha_{p}^{-1}\delta_{f}\left(\gamma_{a,p^{n-1}}(i)\right)\right).$$

Define

$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(\mathbb{Z}_p^*\right) = \sum_{a=0}^{p-1} \mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(a + p\mathbb{Z}_p\right)$$

and

 $\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(p\mathbb{Z}_p\right) = 0.$

The fact that f is an eigenfunction for T_p and that α_p is a root of the Hecke polynomial grants that μ_Q is a *p*-adic distribution. This distribution takes values in the Banach \mathbb{C}_p -vector space

$$c_{\infty}(\mathbb{C}_p) = \left\{ x = (x_n)_{n \ge 1} \in \mathbb{C}_p^{\mathbb{N}}; \text{ there exists } C_x \text{ s. t.} \\ |x_n| \le C_x \text{ for all } n \ge 1 \right\}.$$

If $\alpha_p \in \mathcal{O}_{f,p}^*$, then all the $\mathcal{O}_{f,p}$ -linear combinations of the integrals $\delta_f(\gamma_{a,p^n}(i))$ are uniformly bounded by 1. In this case, as usual, we say that f is ordinary at p. Otherwise we say that f is supersingular at p.

Definition. Let $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$ be ordinary at p. The quadratic p-adic L-function attached to f is

$$L_p(f;\chi) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \chi(x) d\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}(x),$$

where $\chi \in \mathcal{X}$.

Since, for f ordinary at p, μ_Q is a p-adic measure, we can integrate continuous functions against μ_Q , and the integral belongs to $c_{\infty}(\mathbb{C}_p)$. We are interested in integrating continuous p-adic characters. Recall that for any $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ we can write

$$x = \omega(x) \langle x \rangle,$$

where $\omega(x)$ is the unique p - 1-th root of unity in \mathbb{Z}_p^* congruent to $x \mod p - 1$. Given $s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, let us consider the p-adic character:

$$\chi_s(x) = \exp_p\left(s\log_p\left(\langle x \rangle\right)\right), \ x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*.$$

Here, the function \exp_p is the *p*-adic exponentiation, which is *p*-adically holomorphic in the disc $D(0, p^{\frac{-1}{p-1}})$, and \log_p is the *p*-adic logarithm, which is holomorphic in the disc $D(1, p^{\frac{-1}{p-1}})$ (for details cf. [12]).

It is not difficult to obtain the following expansion:

(4.1)
$$\chi_s(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\log_p \left(\langle x \rangle\right)^n}{n!} s^n$$

Given $s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, let us denote

$$L_p(f;s) = L_p(f;\chi_s).$$

Proposition 4.4. The quadratic p-adic L-function $L_p(f;s)$ is p-adically holomorphic in the disc $D(0, p^{-1})$.

Proof. For any integer $n \ge 1$, lt us denote by σ_n the sum of its digits in base p. Given $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}_p$, let us denote by $|\alpha|$ the p-adic valuation of α (normalized such that $|p| = p^{-1}$). It is well known (cf. [12]) that $|n!| = p^{\frac{-n+\sigma_n}{p-1}}$. Thus, there exists C > 0 such that

$$\left|\frac{\log_p\left(\langle x\rangle\right)^n}{n!}\right| \le C.$$

Since $\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}$ is uniformly bounded on the compact subsets of \mathbb{Z}_p , say, by M, we have that

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \frac{\log_p \left(\langle x \rangle \right)^n}{n!} d\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}(x) \bigg| \le MC.$$

Hence, for any $s \in D(0, p^{-1})$

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \langle x \rangle^s d\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty s^n \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \frac{\log_p \left(\langle x \rangle\right)^n}{n!} d\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}(x).$$

Let E be an elliptic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} of conductor N. Let f_E be its corresponding weight 2 newform. There is a modular parametrization

$$\Psi_E: \ \Gamma_0(N) \backslash \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_E
\tau \qquad \mapsto \quad \int_{\infty}^{\tau} f_E.$$

Definition. The quadratic p-adic L-function attached to E is

$$L_p(E;s) = L_p(f_E;\chi_{s-1}),$$

Denote by $\phi_E = (\wp_{\Lambda_E}, \wp'_{\Lambda_E})$ the Weierstrass uniformization map. The following result is well known

Theorem 4.1 (Birch [5]). Let K be a quadratic imaginary field. If $\tau \in K \cap \mathcal{H}$, then

$$\phi_E\left(\Psi_E(\tau)\right) \in E\left(K^{ab}\right).$$

Here K^{ab} denotes the maximal abelian extension of K.

The quadratic p-adic L-function satisfies the following

Theorem 4.2. Let E be an elliptic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} of conductor Nand α_p an admissible root of the Hecke polynomial of the corresponding newform f_E . Let p be a prime number and a_p the eigenvalue of T_p corresponding to f_E . Suppose that f_E is ordinary at p.

(i) If $p \nmid N$ and $\alpha_p = 1$, then, for any a coprime to p and for any $n \geq 0$,

$$\phi_E\left(\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(a+p^n\mathbb{Z}_p\right)\right)\in E\left(\mathbb{Q}(\tau)^{ab}\right).$$

In particular,

$$\phi_E(L_p(E;1)) \in E\left(\mathbb{Q}(\tau)^{ab}\right).$$

(i) If $p \parallel N$, then, for any any a coprime to p and for any $n \ge 0$,

$$\phi_E\left(a_p^n\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(a+p^n\mathbb{Z}_p\right)\right)\in E\left(\mathbb{Q}(\tau)^{ab}\right).$$

In particular,

$$\phi_E(a_p L_p(E;1)) \in E\left(\mathbb{Q}(\tau)^{ab}\right).$$

Here $\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}$ stands for the quadratic p-adic measure attached to f_E .

Proof. Suppose that $p \parallel N$ (the other case is analogous). We have:

$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}\left(a+p^{n}\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right)=a_{p}^{-n}\delta_{f}\left(\gamma_{a,p^{n}}(\tau)\right)=a_{p}^{-n}\left(\Psi_{E}\left(\gamma_{a,p^{n}}(\tau)\right)-\Psi_{E}\left(\gamma_{-a,p^{n}}(\tau)\right)\right).$$

The arguments of the modular parametrization belong to the quadratic imaginary field $\mathbb{Q}(\tau)$. Hence, by using Theorem 4.1,

$$\phi_E\left(\Psi_E\left(\gamma_{a,p^n}(\tau)\right)\right), \phi_E\left(\Psi_E\left(\gamma_{-a,p^n}(\tau)\right)\right) \in E\left(\mathbb{Q}(\tau)^{ab}\right).$$

Since ϕ_E is an isomorphism of groups the result holds.

4.4. *p*-adic *L*-functions for certain Shimura curves. Let *H* be a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra of discriminant D > 1, \mathcal{O} an Eichler order of level $N \geq 1$ and \mathcal{O}^* the group of units of reduced norm 1 in \mathcal{O} . Denote by Γ the group $\phi(\mathcal{O}^*)$. Let *p* be a prime. The Hecke operator T_p is defined as the double coset $\Gamma \eta_p \Gamma$ acting of $S_2(\Gamma)$, where $\eta_p = \phi(\omega_p)$ with ω_p a quaternion of reduced norm *p* (see [15]). We thank Professor Y. Yang for showing us the following

Proposition 4.5. Let *p* be a prime.

- (i) If $p \nmid ND$, then $[\Gamma : \Gamma \cap \gamma_p^{-1}\Gamma\gamma_p] = p+1$.
- (ii) If p|N and $p \nmid D$, then $[\Gamma : \Gamma \cap \gamma_p^{-1}\Gamma \gamma_p] = p$.
- (iii) If p|D, then $[\Gamma:\Gamma\cap\gamma_p^{-1}\Gamma\gamma_p]=1$.

Proof. The number of coset representatives is finite in any case (see [15]) and it is enough to count it locally, since H splits at infinity. If $p \nmid ND$, the Eichler order $\mathcal{O} \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ is conjugated to the local Eichler order $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{Z}_p & \mathbb{Z}_p \\ \mathbb{Z}_p & \mathbb{Z}_p \end{pmatrix}$. The matrices $\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & j \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix}$ with $0 \leq j \leq p-1$ are a family of coset representatives. If $p \mid N$ but $p \nmid D$, the Eichler order $\mathcal{O} \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ is conjugated to the local Eichler order $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & j \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix}$ with $0 \leq j \leq p-1$ are a family of coset representatives in this case. Finally, if $p \mid D$, the Eichler order $\mathcal{O} \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ is a discrete valuation ring and we can take

as element of norm p any uniformizer of the Eichler order, and any element of norm p of this Eichler order is a uniformizer, which differs from the first in a unit, hence, there is only one class.

Next we propose a definition of a *p*-adic *L*-function for the Shimura curve X(D,N) provided that p|N but $p \nmid D$. Before doing this, note that the decomposition in coset representatives is not unique (both for cocompact and non-cocompact Shimura curves). In the non-cocompact case, having fixed the standard decomposition of the Hecke double coset operator, one has to assign a coset representative to any compact-open subset $D(j, p^{-1})$, $1 \leq j \leq p - 1$, and for different assignments, the corresponding *p*-adic *L*-functions are different. Hence, fix a family of coset representatives $\{\gamma_j\}$ for the orbit space $\Gamma \setminus \Gamma \eta_p \Gamma$. Let $f \in S_2(\Gamma)$ be a weight 2 automorphic form which is an eigenform for the operator T_p , which is defined as

$$T_p(f) = \sum_{j=1}^p f|_2 \gamma_j.$$

Let *a* be a natural number less than p^n . Write $a = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i p^i$ with $0 \le a_i \le p-1$. Fix a permutation σ of the set $\{1, \dots, p-1\}$ and set $\sigma(0) = 0$. Denote $\delta(f, \tau, \sigma, a) = \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(a_0)}(\tau) \right) - \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(p-a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(p-a_0)}(\tau) \right)$. Definition. Let σ be a bijection of the set $\{0, \dots, n-1\}$ with $\sigma(0) = 0$ and

Definition. Let σ be a bijection of the set $\{0, ..., p-1\}$ with $\sigma(0) = 0$ and let $f \in S_2(\Gamma)$ be an eigenform for T_p with eigenvalue a_p . Let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ be a quadratic imaginary point. The quadratic *p*-adic distribution attached to f, τ and σ is defined by

$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\sigma}\left(D\left(a,p^{n}\right)\right) = a_{p}^{-n}\delta(f,\tau,\sigma,a),$$
$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\sigma}\left(\mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*}\right) = \sum_{a=1}^{p-1}\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\sigma}\left(D\left(a,p\right)\right),$$
$$\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\sigma}\left(p\mathbb{Z}_{p}\right) = 0.$$

The following notation is usual in p-adic functional analysis and we will need it:

 $c_{00}\left(\mathbb{C}_p\right) = \left\{ (x_n) \in \mathbb{C}_p^{\mathbb{N}}; \text{ s.t. there exists } n_0 \ge 1, \text{ with } x_n = 0 \text{ for } n \ge n_0 \right\}.$

Proposition 4.6. The function μ_Q extends, in a unique way, to a $c_{00}(\mathbb{C}_p)$ -valued *p*-adic distribution.

Proof. Notice that $\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}(a + p^n \mathbb{Z}_p) \in \Sigma_{f,n} \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p[a_p^{-1}]$. Since each compact open subset can be covered by a finite number of discs, $\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}$ takes values on $c_{00}(\mathbb{C}_p)$.

To prove the distribution property, denote by $\gamma_j(z)$ the action of γ_j on z by Möbius transformation. Since f is an eigenform for T_p , we have

$$a_p \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(a_0)}(\tau) \right) = p^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^p \int_{\gamma_{\sigma(a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(a_0)}(\tau)}^{\tau} f\left(\gamma_j(z)\right) dz.$$

After changing variables, and taking into account that j is a mute index, we have

(4.2)

$$a_p \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(a_0)}(\tau) \right) = \sum_{j=1}^p \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(j)} \gamma_{\sigma(a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(a_0)}(\tau) \right) + K,$$

where

$$K = -\sum_{j=1}^{p} \int_{\gamma_j(\tau)}^{\tau} f(z) dz.$$

In addition

(4.3)
$$a_p \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(p-a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(p-a_0)}(\tau) \right) =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \phi_f^{\tau} \left(\gamma_{\sigma(p-j)} \gamma_{\sigma(p-a_{n-1})} \cdots \gamma_{\sigma(p-a_0)}(\tau) \right) + K.$$

Now, by subtracting equation 4.2 from 4.3, the result follows.

To distinguish between ordinary and supersingular forms, we need the following result on algebraicity:

Theorem 4.3 (Shimura [15]). Let H be a quaternion \mathbb{Q} -algebra of discriminant D and let \mathcal{O} be an Eichler order of level N. Let p be a prime. Then the eigenvalue of the Hecke operator T_p acting on $S_2(\Gamma)$ is an algebraic integer.

Let a_p be the eigenvalue of T_p attached to f. By Theorem 4.3, a_p is an algebraic integer. We say that f is ordinary at p if $|a_p| = 1$, otherwise we say that f is supersingular at p.

Definition. Denote by Σ_{p-1} the symmetric group of order p-1. Let $f \in S_2(\Gamma(D,N))$ be an eigenform for the Hecke operator T_p , for $p \nmid D$, $p \mid N$. Let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ be a quadratic imaginary point. If f is ordinary at p, the p-adic L-function attached to f and τ is

$$L_p(f;\sigma,\chi) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^*} \chi(x) d\mu_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\sigma}(x).$$

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