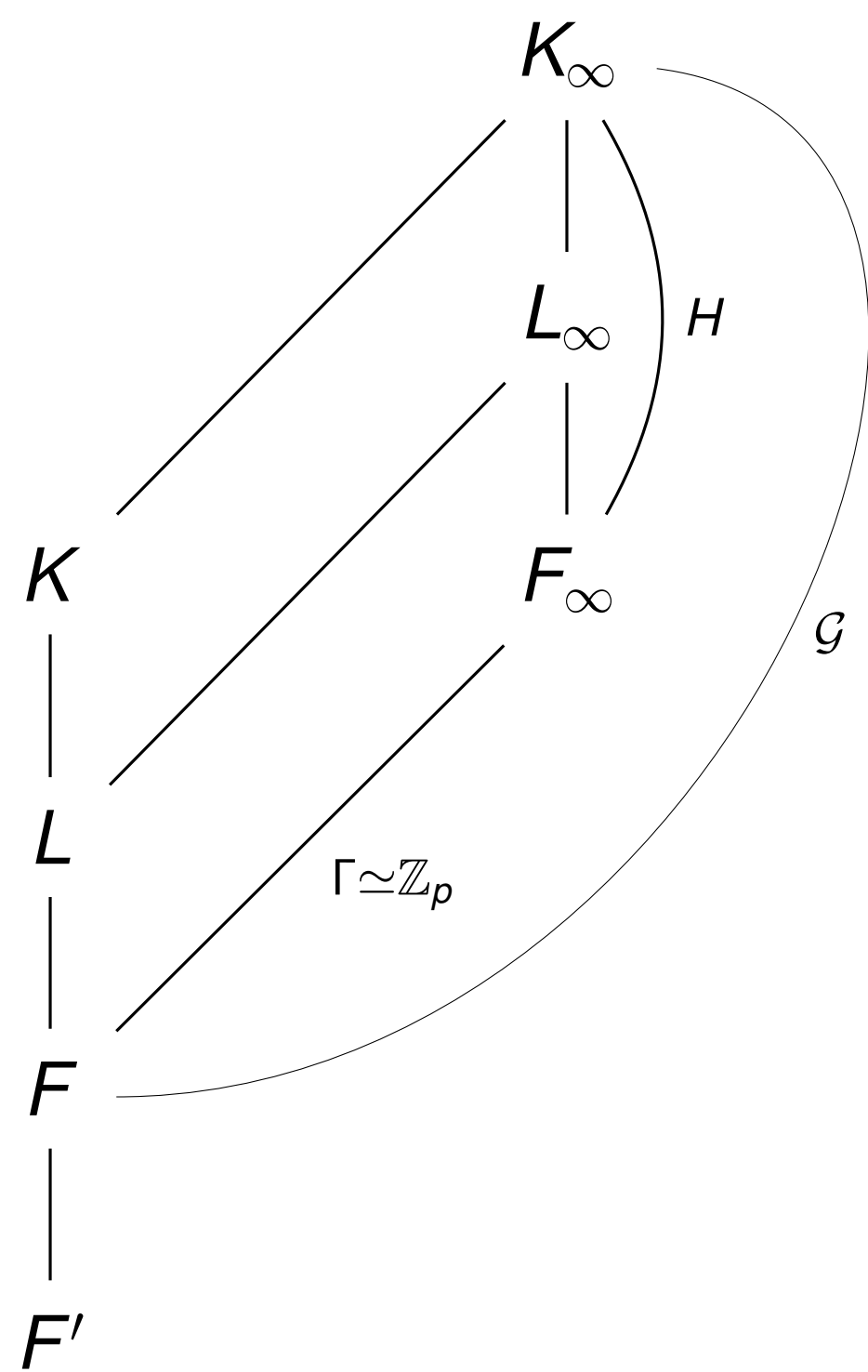


# Signed Selmer groups of supersingular elliptic curves in weakly ramified base fields

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## Setup

- $p \geq 5$  rational prime
- $F'/\mathbb{Q}$  finite extension
- $E/F'$  elliptic curve, good reduction at all  $p$ -adic places
- $F/F'$  finite extension,  $F_\infty/F$  cyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension



- $K/F$  finite Galois
- $\Sigma$  finite set of places of  $F$  containing  $p$ -adic, infinite, and bad places, and those ramifying in  $K/F$  or  $F/F'$
- $\mathcal{G} = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/F) \simeq H \rtimes \Gamma$  not necessarily abelian
- $\Lambda(\mathcal{G}) := \mathbb{Z}_p[[\mathcal{G}]]$  completed group ring
- Fix a lift of  $\Gamma$  to  $\mathcal{G}$ , so that  $\Lambda := \mathbb{Z}_p[[\Gamma]] \subset \Lambda(\mathcal{G})$

## Assumptions

1. There is a  $p$ -adic place where  $E$  has supersingular reduction.
2.  $p$  is completely split in  $F'/\mathbb{Q}$
3. For all  $p$ -adic places  $v$  of  $F$  where  $E$  has supersingular reduction:
  - (a) the ramification index  $e_v(K/F')$  is *not divisible by  $p^2 - 1$* ,
  - (b) there is a finite *weakly ramified extension*  $\mathcal{K}_v$  of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  such that  $\mathcal{K}_v \cap \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty} = \mathbb{Q}_p$  and  $K_v \subseteq \mathcal{K}_v \mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty}$ .

Weakly ramified extension of local fields: the second ramification group vanishes. So arbitrary tame and even some wild ramification is allowed!

This generalises previous work of M.F. Lim, where  $p$ -adic supersingular places  $v$  were *unramified* in  $K/F'$ .

## Definition of signed Selmer groups

*Coherent choice of signs along the cyclotomic tower:* For each  $v \mid p$  supersingular place, choose  $s_v \in \{+, -\}$ . Let  $F_n/F$  be the unique degree  $p^n$  extension inside  $F_\infty$ . For  $u \mid v$  place in  $F_n$ , let  $s_u := s_v$ .

Let  $\hat{E}^\pm$  be the plus/minus norm subgroups of Kobayashi.

$$\text{Sel}^{\bar{s}}(E/F_n) := \ker \left( H^1(F_n, E[p^\infty]) \xrightarrow{\oplus \text{res}_v} \bigoplus_{\substack{v \in \Sigma \\ v \nmid p}} H^1(F_v, E[p^\infty]) \oplus \bigoplus_{\substack{v \in \Sigma \\ v \nmid p \\ \text{ordinary}}} \frac{H^1(F_v, E[p^\infty])}{E(F_v) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p} \oplus \bigoplus_{\substack{v \in \Sigma \\ v \nmid p \\ \text{sup.s.}}} \frac{H^1(F_{n,v}, E[p^\infty])}{\hat{E}^{s_v}(F_{n,v}) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p} \right)$$

$$\text{Sel}^{\bar{s}}(E/F_\infty) := \varinjlim_n \text{Sel}^{\bar{s}}(E/F_n), \quad X^{\bar{s}}(E/F_\infty) := \text{Hom} \left( \text{Sel}^{\bar{s}}(E/F_\infty), \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p \right)$$

$X^{\bar{s}}(E/F_\infty)$  is expected to be a torsion  $\Lambda$ -module.

## Main technical result: cohomology of local conditions

$\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q}_p$  finite extension such that  $p^2 - 1 \nmid e(\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$  and  $\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q}_p$  weakly ramified and  $\mathbb{Q}_{p,\infty} \cap \mathcal{K} = \mathbb{Q}_p$

**Proposition.** For all  $G \leq \text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ :

$$H^i \left( G, \frac{H^1(\mathcal{K}_\infty^G, E[p^\infty])}{\hat{E}^\pm(\mathcal{K}_\infty^G) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p} \right) = \begin{cases} \frac{H^1(\mathcal{K}_\infty^G, E[p^\infty])}{\hat{E}^\pm(\mathcal{K}_\infty^G) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p} & i = 0 \\ 0 & i > 0 \end{cases}$$

The proof uses cohomological triviality of  $\hat{E}(\mathcal{K}_n)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ , relying on a result of Ellerbrock–Nickel (2018) on formal groups. This is where weak ramification is used.

*The Proposition was proved in the unramified abelian case by M.F. Lim (2021).*

*His proof uses the existence a sequence of norm coherent points along the cyclotomic tower established by Kobayashi ( $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{Q}$ , 2003) and B.D. Kim ( $\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q}$  unramified abelian). Such a sequence is *not available* in our ramified setting.*

## Kida formula

- $P_1 := \{v \in \Sigma : v \nmid p, p \mid e_v(K/L), E \text{ has split multiplicative reduction at } v\}$
- $P_2 := \{v \in \Sigma : v \nmid p, p \mid e_v(K/L), E \text{ has good reduction at } v \text{ and } E(K)[p] \neq 0\}$

Fix a (non-canonical) isomorphism  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}_p[[\Gamma]] \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p[[T]]$ .

For  $X$  a torsion  $\Lambda$ -module, there is a homomorphism of  $\Lambda$ -modules

$$X \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in I} \Lambda/p^{m_i} \Lambda \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in J} \Lambda/F_j(T) \Lambda$$

with finite kernel and cokernel,  $I, J$  are finite sets,  $F_j(T)$  are certain polynomials.

$$\lambda(X) := \sum_{j \in J} \deg(F_j), \quad \mu(X) := \sum_{i \in I} m_i, \quad \theta(X) := \max\{m_i : i \in I\}$$

**Theorem.** Suppose that:

- $K/L$  is a subextension of  $K/F$  satisfying Assumption 3 above
- $\text{Gal}(K/L)$  is a  $p$ -group
- $X^{\bar{s}}(E/K_\infty)$  is  $\Lambda$ -torsion,
- $\theta(X^{\bar{s}}(E/K_\infty)) \leq 1$ .

For  $v \in \Sigma$ , let  $e_v$  denote the ramification index of a place above  $v$  in  $K_\infty/L_\infty$ . Then:

$$\lambda(X^{\bar{s}}(E/K_\infty)) = [K_\infty : L_\infty] \cdot \lambda(X^{\bar{s}}(E/L_\infty)) + \sum_{v \in P_1} (e_v - 1) + 2 \sum_{v \in P_2} (e_v - 1),$$

$$\mu(X^{\bar{s}}(E/K_\infty)) = [K_\infty : L_\infty] \cdot \mu(X^{\bar{s}}(E/L_\infty)).$$

*Previously known in the ordinary case: Hachimori–Matsuno (1998) and Hachimori–Sharifi (2005), and in the supersingular unramified case: M.F. Lim (2021)*

## Integrality of characteristic elements

- Let  $n_0 \gg 0$  such that  $\Gamma_0 := \Gamma^{p^{n_0}}$  is central in  $\mathcal{G}$ , and let  $\Lambda(\Gamma_0) := \mathbb{Z}_p[[\Gamma_0]] \subset \Lambda(\mathcal{G})$ .
- A  $\Lambda(\Gamma_0)$ -order  $\mathfrak{M}$  in  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G})$  is called *graduated* if there exist orthogonal indecomposable idempotents  $e_1, \dots, e_t \in \mathfrak{M}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^t e_i = 1$  and  $e_i \mathfrak{M} e_i \subset e_i \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G}) e_i$  is a maximal order for each  $i = 1, \dots, t$ . Maximal orders are graduated.
- $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G}) := \text{Quot}(\Lambda(\mathcal{G}))$  total ring of quotients of the Iwasawa algebra  $\Lambda(\mathcal{G})$ .
- $\partial : K_1(\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G})) \rightarrow K_0(\Lambda(\mathcal{G}), \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G}))$  connecting homomorphism in the localisation exact sequence of relative  $K$ -theory.
- For  $X$  a finitely generated  $\Lambda(\mathcal{G})$ -module that is torsion over  $\Lambda$  and has projective dimension  $\text{pd}_{\Lambda(\mathcal{G})} X \leq 1$ , a *characteristic element* is some  $\xi_X \in K_1(\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G}))$  whose image  $\partial(\xi_X) \in K_0(\Lambda(\mathcal{G}), \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G}))$  agrees with the class of  $X$  in the relative  $K_0$ -group.

**Theorem.** Suppose that:

- $X^{\bar{s}}(E/K_\infty)$  is  $\Lambda$ -torsion
- every ordinary  $p$ -adic place  $v \in \Sigma$  is either tamely ramified in  $K/F$  or non-anomalous (i.e. if  $w \mid v$  for  $w$  a place of  $K$ , then  $p \nmid \# \tilde{E}(\overline{K}_w)$ ),
- $P_1 = P_2 = \emptyset$  (where  $P_1, P_2$  are as in the Kida formula)

Let  $\xi_E$  be a characteristic element of  $X^{\bar{s}}(E/K_\infty)$ . Then for every graduated  $\Lambda(\Gamma_0)$ -order  $\mathfrak{M}$  in  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G})$  containing  $\Lambda(\mathcal{G})$ , we have

$$\xi_E \in \text{im} \left( \mathfrak{M} \cap \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G})^\times \rightarrow K_1(\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{G})) \right).$$

*Previously known for maximal orders in the ordinary and split multiplicative case for elliptic curves admitting certain isogenies by Nichifor–Palvannan (2019), supersingular unramified case by M.F. Lim (2021).*