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0. - Introduction

(0.1) A basic ingredient of the “geometric” approach [1, 6] to the theory of arithmetic modular forms is the so-called \textit{q-expansion principle}. It says, essentially, that a modular form $f$ of weight $k$ and level $N$ is defined over the $\mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1}{N}, \zeta_N \right]$-algebra generated by its Fourier coefficients, $\zeta_N$ being a primitive $n$-th root of unity.

The goal of this paper is to prove a similar result, where instead of considering the Fourier expansions, we consider expansions at the points corresponding to elliptic curves with complex multiplications. Let $\Gamma$ be a congruence subgroup without elliptic elements of $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ acting on the upper half-plane $\mathcal{H}$, let $Y_\Gamma$ be the affine canonical model [19] of the quotient $\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{H}$, $X_\Gamma = Y_\Gamma \cup \{ \text{cusps} \}$ its closure and $k_\Gamma$ its field of definition. Our main result is the following:

\textbf{THEOREM 1 (Integrality Criterion).} Let $f$ be a holomorphic $\Gamma$-automorphic form of weight $k$. Let $K$ be a number field containing $k_\Gamma$, $v$ a non-archimedean place of $K$ such that $X_\Gamma$ has good reduction modulo $v$, $E$ a CM curve defined over $K$ with ordinary good reduction modulo $v$ corresponding to a $K$-rational point of $Y_\Gamma$. Let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ such that $E \otimes \mathbb{C} \simeq \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \tau$. Then $f$ is defined over $\mathcal{O}_v = \mathcal{O}_e \cap K$ if and only if

$$c_\tau(f) = \frac{(-4\pi)^r (2\pi i)^{k+2r}}{\Omega_0^{k+2r}} (\delta_k f)(\tau) \in \mathcal{O}_v$$

and

$$v \left( \sum_{i=1}^{r} b_{i, \tau} c_\tau(f) \right) \geq v(r!)$$

for each \( r \geq 0 \), where \( \delta^r_k \) is the \( r \)-th iterate of the Maaß operator \( \delta_k \), \( \Omega_v \) is a \( v \)-adic period of \( E \) and 
\[
\sum_{i=1}^{r} b_{i,r}X^i = r! \binom{X}{r}.
\]

The strategy used to prove this result has two distinct phases. First, we find a significant local parameter at a CM point \( x \in Y_r \), which is to play the role of \( q = e^{2\pi i z} \) in the Fourier expansion case. Then, once this parameter is chosen, and the form \( f \) is expanded around \( x \) with respect to it, the second problem is to compute the coefficients of the expansion only in terms of \( f \) and of the elliptic curve corresponding to \( x \).

The problem of finding a good local parameter at a CM point is attacked in Sections 1 and 2. We study the natural action of the complex multiplications on the ring \( \mathcal{O}_x \) (the fiber at \( x \) of the jet bundle) and we show that the local parameter eigenvector of this action is in fact defined over a sufficiently large number field (Theorem 3). Moreover, it is shown (with the specified restrictions on the elliptic curve under consideration and on the place of reduction) that this eigenparameter is strongly related to the Serre-Tate parameter classifying formal deformations of ordinary elliptic curves in positive characteristic. This relation with formal geometry allows us to characterize the \( v \)-integral jets at \( x \) (Theorem 10).

After a brief review of the different aspects of the theory of the Maaß operators (for a more detailed exposition, with proofs, see [3, 4, 8]), the final part of Section 3 contains an explicit computation (based mainly on the results of [9]) of the coefficients. This computation will be used to prove Theorem 1 in the last section.

(0.2) In essence, our proof of Theorem 1 exploits only the fact that the modular curves \( Y_r \) are naturally the base of algebraic “universal” families of elliptic curves. This seems to suggest that our methods can be generalized in order to prove integrality criteria for much more general automorphic forms; in particular, results of this kind may be of great interest in the case of compact quotients, where Fourier expansions are not available.

In [15] the author extends the result presented here to forms of even weight automorphic with respect to norm 1 subgroups of an indefinite quaternion division algebra over \( \mathbb{Q} \) (see [19, § 9.2]). The Shimura curve associated to such an algebra is the moduli space for the family of abelian surfaces (i.e. 2-dimensional abelian varieties) with quaternionic multiplication by the algebra itself (e.g. see [12, 18]).

Also, Theorem 1 can be partially extended to primes dividing the level using the theory [10] of bad reduction of modular curves, see [14].

(0.3) It should also be noted that a possible important consequence of the method of proving Theorem 1 is that the evaluation of the iterates \( \delta^r_k f \) at \( r \) offers a way to attach a \( v \)-adic power series, i.e. an element of the Iwasawa algebra, to a pair \( (f, q : F \hookrightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Q})) \), where \( f \) is a \( v \)-adic modular form, \( F \) an
imaginary quadratic extension of $\mathbb{Q}$ in which the rational prime under $v$ splits, and $q$ is an embedding normalized in the sense of [19, Ch. 4]. Although the author is presently not able to state any precise result, or even a conjecture, this seems to be relevant for the theory of special values of $L$-functions.

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(0.5) Notations and Conventions. The symbols $\mathbb{Z}$, $\mathbb{Q}$ and $\mathbb{C}$ denote, as usual, the integers, the rational and the complex numbers respectively. By a number field we shall always mean a finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}$, which will be thought as a subfield of $\mathbb{C}$ (in other words, let us fix once for all an embedding $\sigma : \mathbb{Q} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$). If $v$ is a non-archimedean place of a number field $K$, the symbols $K_v$, $\mathcal{O}_v$ and $\mathcal{O}_v^{nr}$ denote the $v$-adic completion of $K$, the ring of integers of $K_v$, and the ring of integers of the maximal unramified extension of $K_v$ (which is also, for our purposes, the strict henselization of $\mathcal{O}_v$) respectively.

If $X$ is a scheme over (the spectrum of) a ring $R$ and $\phi : R \to R'$ is a map of rings, we shall denote $X \otimes_R R'$ (or simply $X \otimes R'$) the scheme over $R'$ obtained by base extension along the natural map $\text{Spec}(R') \to \text{Spec}(R)$.

If $x$ is a point of a scheme $X$ we shall denote $J^{(n)}_{x,X}$ (respectively $J^\infty_{x,X}$) the stalk at $x$ of the sheaf of the $n$-jets (respectively the $\infty$-jets) on $X$.

If $X$ is a scheme over a DVR $R$ with uniformizer $\pi$, and if $x : \text{Spec}(R) \to X$ is an $R$-rational point of $X$, set $x_0 = x((0))$ and $x_\pi = (\pi R)$.

1. - Local parameters eigenvectors of complex multiplications

(1.1) Let $K$ be a number field and $x$ a $K$-rational point on the affine modular curve $Y_\Gamma = \Gamma \backslash \mathcal{H}$ corresponding to an elliptic curve $E$ (endowed with a $\Gamma$-structure) defined over $K$. Assume that $E$ has complex multiplications and let $K_\sigma = \text{End}_K(E) = \text{End}(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$. The field $K_\sigma$ is a quadratic imaginary extension of $\mathbb{Q}$ and we shall always assume that $K_\sigma \subset K$. Let

$$ \phi_\Gamma : \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow Y_\Gamma $$

be the natural quotient map and pick $\tau = \tau_E \in \mathcal{H}$ such that $\phi_\Gamma(\tau) = x$. The
complex torus \( E \otimes \mathbb{C} \) is thus isomorphic to \( \mathbb{C}/\Lambda \), where \( \Lambda = \mathbb{Z} \otimes \mathbb{Z} \tau \). The action of the complex multiplications on the torsion points of \( E \otimes \mathbb{C} \) lifts to an embedding \( q_r : K_r^\times \hookrightarrow \text{GL}(\Lambda_r \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \). Explicitly, for any \( \mu = \alpha + \beta \tau \in K_r^\times \), with \( \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Q} \), we have

\[
q_r(\mu) = \begin{pmatrix}
\alpha + \beta \text{Tr}_{K_r/\mathbb{Q}} & -\beta N_{K_r/\mathbb{Q}} \\
\beta & \alpha
\end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q}).
\]

Hence, a complex multiplication \( \mu \in K_r^\times \) acts on \( \mathcal{H} \) via \( q_r(\mu) \), fixing \( \tau \). Its action does not induce in general an action on the modular curve \( Y_\Gamma \), because it does not preserve \( \Gamma \)-orbits. Nevertheless we have:

**Proposition 2.** The action of \( \mu \in K_r^\times \) on \( \mathcal{H} \) gives rise to an automorphism \( \rho_\mu \) of \( \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x,Y_\Gamma} \).

**Proof.** As (2) is a local isomorphism of analytic varieties, it is enough to observe that, by discreteness of \( \Gamma \), we can find open analytic neighborhoods \( U \subset \mathcal{H}, \tau \in U \), and \( V \subset Y_\Gamma, x \in V \), such that \( U \simeq V \) via \( \phi_\Gamma \) and:

1. for each \( z_1, z_2 \in U \), if \( z_1 = \gamma z_2 \) for some \( \gamma \in \Gamma \) then \( z_1 = z_2 \);
2. for each \( z_1, z_2 \in U \), if \( q_r(\mu)z_1 = \gamma q_r(\mu)z_2 \) for some \( \gamma \in \Gamma \) then \( z_1 = z_2 \).

Finally, \( \rho_\mu \) is non-zero (and in fact invertible) because \( \frac{d}{dz} q_r(\mu)z = \frac{\bar{\mu}/\mu \neq 0}, \) as easily computed from (3).

**Theorem 3.** Let \( K \) be a number field and \( x \) a \( K \)-rational point on the modular curve \( Y_\Gamma \) corresponding to the CM curve \( E \). Then there is a local parameter \( U \) at \( x \), rational over \( K \), which is an eigenvector for the action of all complex multiplications of \( E \) on \( \mathcal{H} \).

This will be established in three steps. First we will compute explicitly the action in terms of the natural parameter \( z - \tau \), obtaining a complex eigenvector. Next, we will establish the \( K \)-rationality of the maps \( \rho_\mu \) (Proposition 5) and finally we will reduce the proof of Theorem 3 to an elementary result of linear algebra (Lemma 6).

(1.2) The rest of this section will be devoted to proving the following statement.

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(1.3) Working with the analytic varieties \( \mathcal{H} \) and \( Y_\Gamma \) (i.e. working “over \( \mathbb{C} \)) it is natural to choose the local parameter \( Z = z - \tau \) to make the identification \( \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x,\mathcal{H}}^{\text{hol}} \simeq \mathbb{C}[[Z]] \), which will be used to make the maps \( \rho_\mu \) of Proposition 2 explicit (at least up to the isomorphism \( \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x,\mathcal{H}}^{\text{hol}} \simeq \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x,Y_\Gamma} \) induced by (2)). For all \( n \geq 1 \) and \( \mu = \alpha + \beta \tau \in K_r^\times \), we have

\[
\rho_\mu(Z^n) = \left( \frac{\bar{\mu}}{\mu} \right)^n Z^n \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+j-1}{j} \left( -\frac{\beta}{\mu} \right)^j Z^j.
\]
In particular $\rho_\mu(m_n^\ast) \subseteq m_n^\ast$, so that $\rho_\mu$ defines maps $\rho_{\mu,n} : \hat{O}_x/m_{n+1} \rightarrow \hat{O}_x/m_n$, for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$. For $\mu \not\in \mathbb{Q}$ set $\lambda = \lambda_\mu = \frac{\mu}{\mu}, \eta = \eta_\mu = \frac{\beta}{\mu}, \epsilon = \epsilon_\mu = \frac{\eta}{\lambda - 1} = \frac{1}{2 \text{Im}(\tau)}$; then we have:

**PROPOSITION 4.** There exists $U_n \in \hat{O}_x/m_n$ which is a $\lambda$-eigenvector for all maps $\rho_{\mu,n}$, with $\mu \in K^\times$. After the prescribed identifications

$$U_n = Z + \epsilon Z^2 + \epsilon^2 Z^3 + \cdots + \epsilon^{n-1} Z^n \quad (\text{mod } Z^{n+1}).$$

**PROOF.** It is enough to check that the given $U_n$ is multiplied by $\lambda \mod Z^{n+1}$, under (4). As $\epsilon$ does not in fact depend on $\mu$, this will also prove the first part of the proposition.

The result can be proven by induction on $n$, the case $n = 1$ being obvious. Assume that the result is true for $U_{n-1} \in \hat{O}_x/m_n$ and write $U_n = V_n + \epsilon^{n-1} Z^n$ with $V_n \equiv U_{n-1} \mod Z^n$. Then, by the induction hypothesis, $\rho_{\mu,n}(U_n) = \lambda V_n + c Z^n$ and we have to check that $c = \lambda \epsilon^{n-1}$. Using (4):

$$c = \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} (-\eta)^k \frac{\eta^{n-k-1}}{(\lambda - 1)^{n-k-1}} \lambda^{n-k-1}$$

$$= \lambda \eta^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} (-1)^k \frac{\lambda^{n-k-1}}{(\lambda - 1)^{n-k-1}}$$

$$= \lambda \left( \frac{\eta}{\lambda - 1} \right)^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \lambda^{n-k-1}(1 - \lambda)^k = \lambda \epsilon^{n-1}. \quad \square$$

This explicit description of the eigenvector $U_n$ shows that for $n \rightarrow \infty$ the $U_n$'s converge to an element $U \in \hat{O}_x$ which is a $\lambda$-eigenvector for all complex multiplications of $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$, and also a local parameter, as $U \in m_x - m_x^2$.

From now on, we will often think of the ring $\hat{O}_{x,Y}$ as the fiber at $x$ of the jet bundle on $Y_\Gamma$ [2; § IV.16.4.12].

(1.4) We shall now show that the element $U \in \hat{O}_x$ constructed in the previous subsection is in fact rational over $K$. To do this it is enough to establish the rationality over $K$ of at least one of the maps $\rho_\mu$ of Proposition 2 with $\mu \in \text{End}(E)$ and $\mu \not\in \mathbb{Z}$.

**PROPOSITION 5.** Let $K$ be a number field, and $x$ a $K$-rational point of $Y_\Gamma$ corresponding to a CM curve $E$ with $K_0 = \text{End}_{\mathbb{Q}}(E) \subseteq K$. Then there is a $\mu \in \text{End}(E), \mu \not\in \mathbb{Z}$, such that the action $\rho_\mu$ on the fiber of the jet bundle at $x$ is rational over $K$.

**PROOF.** Let $\mu \in \text{End}(E), \mu \not= 0$, and let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ and $q_\tau(\mu) \in \text{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$ be defined as in subsection 1.1. Then, as explained in [19, § 7.2], $q_\tau(\mu)$ defines a

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modular correspondence

\[ Y_\mu = \{(\phi_T(x), \phi_T(q_\mu(x))) \mid x \in \mathcal{H}\} \subset Y_\Gamma \times Y_\Gamma. \]

The action \( \rho_\mu \) can be realized as follows. Look at the maps

\[ Y_\Gamma \xrightarrow{\pi_2} Y_\mu \xrightarrow{i} Y_\Gamma \times Y_\Gamma \xrightarrow{\pi_1} Y_\Gamma. \]

where \( i \) is the inclusion, \( \pi_1 \) is the projection on the first factor and \( \pi_2 \) is the restriction to \( Y_\mu \) of the projection on the second factor. Then we have a map of sheaves on \( Y_\Gamma \):

\[ \mathcal{O}_{Y_\Gamma} \longrightarrow \pi_2^*\pi_1^*\mathcal{O}_{Y_\Gamma}, \]

and hence a map of stalks

\[ (5) \quad \mathcal{O}_{x,Y_\Gamma} \longrightarrow [\pi_2^*\pi_1^*\mathcal{O}_{Y_\Gamma}]_x. \]

Now \( [\pi_2^*\pi_1^*\mathcal{O}_{Y_\Gamma}]_x = \bigoplus \mathcal{O}_{x,Y_\Gamma} \), the direct sum being extended over the (finite) set \( \{z \in Y_\Gamma\mid (x, z) \in Y_\mu\} \). In particular, \( \mathcal{O}_{x,Y_\Gamma} \) is itself a direct summand of the right-hand side of (5). After completing with respect to the \( m_x \)-adic topology, the map \( \rho_\mu \) is exactly the composition of (5) with the projection on the \( \mathcal{O}_{x,Y_\Gamma} \) factor.

Thus, it would be enough to know that all the varieties and subvarieties under consideration are defined over \( K \). But in fact \( Y_\Gamma \) has a model over (a subfield of) \( K \), and the same is true for at least a \( Y_\mu \), with \( \mu \) as specified, by \([19, \S\S 7.2 \text{ and } 7.3]\). \( \square \)

We can now show that also the eigenvectors \( U_n \) and \( U = \lim U_n \) are rational over \( K \). To do this, we shall exploit two facts:

(1) the algebras \( \mathcal{O}_x/m_x^{n+1} \) have a natural filtration which is respected by the action of the complex multiplications;

(2) the eigenvalues are in \( K_0 \subset K \).

Propositions 4 and 5 reduce the task to the following:

**Lemma 6.** Let \( F \subset L \) be two fields. Let \( V \) be a finite dimensional vector space over \( F \) and \( \psi_F \in \text{End}(V) \). Let \( W = V \otimes_L F \) and consider \( \psi_L = \psi_F \otimes 1 \in \text{End}(W) \). Suppose that:

1. \( V \) has a filtration \( V = V_1 \supset V_2 \supset \cdots \supset V_n \supset V_{n+1} = \{0\} \) with \( \dim(V_i/V_{i+1}) = 1 \) such that \( \psi_F(V_i) \subseteq V_i \) for \( i = 1, \ldots, n \);

2. For each \( i = 1, \ldots, n \) there exists \( w_i \in W_i = V_i \otimes L \), \( w_i \neq 0 \), such that \( \psi_L(w_i) = \xi^i w_i \) for some \( \xi \in F^\times \).

Then, if \( \xi \) is not a root of unity, we can find \( v_1, \ldots, v_n \in V \) such that \( \psi_F(v_i) = \xi^i v_i \).

**Proof.** We shall construct \( v_1, \ldots, v_n \) inductively, starting with \( v_n \). Since \( V_n \otimes L = W_n = L w_n \), we can find \( v_n \) simply by multiplying \( w_n \) by a suitable
scalar. Suppose that we have already constructed \( v_{k+1}, \ldots, v_n \) for some \( k \geq 1 \). Pick \( v \in V \) such that \( \{ v, v_{k+1}, \ldots, v_n \} \) is a basis for \( V_k \). Thus

\[
w_k = av + \sum_{j=k+1}^{n} a_j v_j
\]

where \( a_{k+1}, \ldots, a_n \in L \) and \( a \in L^\times \). If \( a_{k+1} = \cdots = a_n = 0 \) then \( v \) is already a \( \xi^k \)-eigenvector, so we may assume that \( a_{k+1}, \ldots, a_n \in L^\times \) (if only some of these coefficients are non-zero, the following reduction procedure is shorter but not at all different). Apply \( \psi_L \) to both sides of (6) to get

\[
\xi^k w_k = a\psi_L(v) + \sum_{j=k+1}^{n} a_j \xi^j v_j,
\]

and subtract (7) from (6) multiplied by \( \xi^{k+1} \). The result is \( w_k = av' + \sum_{j=k+2}^{n} b_j v_j \), where \( b_j = a_j (\xi - \xi^{j-k}) (\xi - 1)^{-1} \) and \( v' = \xi (\xi - 1)^{-1} v - \xi^{-k} (\xi - 1)^{-1} \psi_L(v) \in V \). Iterating this procedure we can eliminate all the coefficients of the \( v_j \)'s in (6) and finally write \( w_k = av_k \) for some \( v_k \in V \).

Let us fix \( n > 0 \) and apply Lemma 6 to the situation

\[
\begin{align*}
F &= K, & L &= \mathbb{C}, \\
V &= m_{x', Y_r}/m_{x', Y_r}^{n+1}, & V_i &= m_{x', Y_r}^i V, \\
\psi_F &= \rho_{\mu}|_V & (\text{any } \mu \text{ as in Proposition 5}), \\
\xi &= \lambda_\mu = \bar{\mu}/\mu \in K^\times.
\end{align*}
\]

It is now clear that the \( n \)-jet \( U_n \) has a \( K \)-rational multiple. The existence of a \( K \)-rational \( \lambda_{\mu} \)-eigenvector in \( \hat{\mathcal{O}}_x \) is easily obtained taking the limit. This concludes the proof of Theorem 3.

2. - Integrality properties of the eigenparameter

(2.1) Let \( K \) be as above, and let \( v \) be a place of \( K \) with associated prime \( p = p_v \subset \mathcal{O}_K \) and residue field \( k_v \) of characteristic \( p \), such that the canonical model \( X_r \) has a smooth \( v \)-adic model. If, for instance, \( \Gamma \) is one of the groups \( \Gamma(N) \), \( \Gamma_0(N) \) or \( \Gamma_1(N) \), these places \( v \) are exactly those not dividing \( N \). Thus, we will think of \( Y_r \) as a smooth scheme over (the spectrum of) \( \mathcal{O}_v^{nr} \). Let \( x \) be a \( K \)-rational point of \( Y_r \) corresponding to an elliptic curve \( E \) with complex multiplications, and assume that \( E \) has ordinary good reduction \( \bar{E} \) modulo \( v \). Thus \( E \) defines in fact a \( \mathcal{O}_v^{nr} \)-rational point of \( Y_r \), which we
denote by \( x \) again. The goal of this section is to characterize numerically the fiber \( J_{x_1, x_2}^\infty \), in terms of the \( K \)-rational parameter of Theorem 3. This will be achieved by Theorem 10.

We know from [2, § IV.16.4.2] that there are canonical isomorphisms \( J_{x_1}^{(n)} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}}/m_{x_1}^{n+1} \) and \( J_{x_2}^\infty = \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x_2} \). As \( x \) is a smooth point, the choice of a \( \mathcal{O}_v^{nr} \)-rational local parameter \( T \) at \( x \) will provide a non-canonical identification

\[
J_{x_2}^\infty \simeq \mathcal{O}_v^{nr}([T]).
\]

For any \( n \geq 0 \), the map of sheaves \( \text{jet}^{(n)}: \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \text{jet}^{(n)}_{\mathcal{X}/\mathcal{O}_v^{nr}} \) described in [2, § IV.16.3] defines a map of rings

\[
H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}}) \rightarrow \text{jet}^{(n)}_{\mathcal{X}/\mathcal{O}_v^{nr}}.
\]

For \( m \geq 0 \) set \( R_m^n = J_{x_1}^{(n)} \otimes (\mathcal{O}_v^{nr}/\mathcal{O}_v^{nr}) \) and let \( \Phi_m^n : \Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}}) \rightarrow R_m^n \) be the composition of (9) with the natural projection. Let \( \mathcal{E} \) be the universal elliptic curve defined over the ring \( H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}}) \). By extending the scalars via the map \( \Phi_m^n \), we can construct elliptic curves \( E_m^n = \mathcal{E} \otimes R_m^n \). This construction is clearly functorial with respect to the natural maps \( R_m^n \rightarrow R_{m-1}^n \) and \( R_m^n \rightarrow R_{m-1}^n \).

The rings \( R_m^n \) are Artin rings with algebraically closed residue field \( k = \bar{k}_v \). In other words, the curves \( E_m^n \) are formal deformations of the curve \( \mathcal{E} \otimes k \). By the Serre-Tate classification of formal deformations of ordinary abelian varieties in positive characteristic, we can associate to each curve \( E_m^n \) a symmetric (because of autoduality) bilinear form

\[
q(E_m^n; -, -) : T_p(\hat{\mathcal{E}} \otimes k) \times T_p(\hat{\mathcal{E}} \otimes k) \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{O}}_m(R_m^n).
\]

Let us choose a \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-generator \( P \) of the Tate module \( T_p(\hat{\mathcal{E}} \otimes k) \). Then (10) defines an element \( q_m^n = q_m^n(P) = q(E_m^n; P, P) \in \hat{\mathcal{O}}_m(R_m^n) \). As \( \lim R_m^n = J_{x_2}^\infty \), the elements \( q_m^n \) converge to

\[
q = q(P) \in \hat{\mathcal{O}}_m(J_x) = 1 + m_x.
\]

(2.2) Let us point out that so far the fact that \( E \) has complex multiplication has not been used. It is a well-known fact that the reduction map \( \text{End}(E) \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathcal{E}) \) is injective, and since \( \mathcal{E} \) is ordinary, \( \text{End}(\mathcal{E}) \) can be embedded in \( \mathbb{Z}_p \). Of the two possible ways to embed \( \text{End}(E) \) in \( \mathbb{Z}_p \), the action on the torsion points of \( E \) corresponds to that for which \( \text{End}(E) \) acts on the Tate module via the latter’s natural \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-module structure. Having chosen this embedding, let us denote by \( [\mu] \) the complex multiplication corresponding to \( \mu \in \mathbb{Z}_p \).

**Proposition 7.** If \( E \) has complex multiplications, the element \( q - 1 \) of (11) is a formal local parameter at \( x \), defined over \( \mathcal{O}_v^{nr} \).

**Proof.** After the identification (8), \( q - 1 = a_1 T + \cdots \in \mathcal{O}_v^{nr}([T]) \) and \( R_0^n = k[T]/(T^2) \), so that it is enough to prove that \( q_0^1 \neq 1 \). This is in turn
equivalent to asking that the $p$-divisible group $E_0[p^\infty]$ is not isomorphic to the trivial extension $\tilde{E}(R_0)[p^\infty]$. As the latter is characterized by the fact that the short exact sequence

$$0 \to \tilde{E}(R_0)[p^\infty] \to \tilde{E}(E_0)[p^\infty] \to \tilde{E}(E_0)[p^\infty]^{et} \to 0$$

splits, the proof reduces to showing that not all endomorphisms of $\tilde{E} \otimes k$ lift to endomorphisms of $E_0[p^\infty]$.

Let $[\mu]$ be a complex multiplication such that $\bar{\mu}/\mu$ is a unit in $O_v^{nr}$. As $[\mu]$ maps points of order $p$ to points of order $p$, it is enough to check that there is no lifting of $[\mu]$ to $E_0[p]$. Indeed, any lifting $\mu'_0 : E_0[p] \to E_0[p]$ would give rise to a linear map $A(p)_{\mu} \to A(p)_{\mu}$ of the corresponding Hopf algebra. This map would have to be the identity on $R_0 = k \otimes (m_\bar{\mu}/m_\mu) \otimes k$, which is impossible because the action of the chosen $[\mu]$ on $(m_\bar{\mu}/m_\mu) \otimes k$ is not trivial.

**COROLLARY 8.** There is a (non-canonical) isomorphism $J_{\infty} \simeq O_v^{nr}[[q-1]]$.

**PROOF.** It is the identification (8). See also [16, Remarks (2.3)].

(2.3) Now we explain how the complex multiplications act on the parameter $q-1$. Since for CM curves the Rosati involution corresponds to complex conjugation, $\text{End}(E)$ acts on $T_p(\tilde{E} \otimes k) \times T_p(\tilde{E} \otimes k)$ as $[\mu] \cdot (P_1, P_2) = (\mu P_1, \bar{\mu} P_2)$. We have proved in the previous subsection that the complex multiplications do not lift to the deformations $E_{\mu}$. This will be still true for a general formal deformation $E/R$ ($R$ an Artin local ring with residue field $k$), because the requirement due to the Serre-Tate classification theorem is not met. Indeed

$$q(E/R; \mu P_1, P_2) = q(E/R; P_1, P_2)^{\mu} \neq q(E/R; P_1, P_2) = q(E/R; P_1, \bar{\mu} P_2)$$

for generic $E$, $[\mu]$. Nevertheless the following result holds:

**LEMMA 9.** Let $E$ be a deformation of $\tilde{E} \otimes k$ over an Artin ring $R$ with residue field $k$, and $[\mu]$ a complex multiplication of $E$. If $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$, then there exists a deformation $E_{\mu}$ over $R$ and a map $[\mu]_R : E \to E_{\mu}$ lifting $[\mu]$.

**PROOF.** Let $q(E/R; -,-)$ be the bilinear form associated to $E$. Define $q_\mu(-,-) = q(E/R; -,-)^{\mu}$. Clearly, $q_\mu(-,-)$ is a bilinear form on $T_p(\tilde{E} \otimes k) \times T_p(\tilde{E} \otimes k)$. Let $E_{\mu}$ be the deformation of $\tilde{E} \otimes k$ over $R$ such that $q_\mu(-,-) = q(E_{\mu}/R; -, -)$. Then $q(E/R; P_1, \bar{\mu} P_2) = q(E_{\mu}/R; \mu P_1, P_2)$ and the existence of the lifting is guaranteed again by the theorem of Serre and Tate.

This discussion shows that the action of the complex multiplications corresponding to $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ sits in the action of $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ on $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(T_p(\tilde{E} \otimes k) \times T_p(\tilde{E} \otimes k), \mathbb{G}_m(R))$ given by $z \cdot \phi = \phi^{z/\mu}$. The latter action is functorial with respect to the natural maps $R_m \to R_{m-1}$ and $R_m \to R_{m-1}$. By taking the limit,
it is therefore clear that also the parameter \( q \in 1 + m_z \) is transformed by the complex multiplications according to the law \( q \mapsto q^{\eta/\mu} \).

(2.4) We can now prove the following result.

**Theorem 10.** Let \( K \) be a number field, \( \mathfrak{p} \subset K \) a prime as in (2.1) and \( x \) a \( K_{\mathfrak{p}} \)-rational point of the modular curve \( Y_1 \) corresponding to a CM curve \( E \) with ordinary good reduction modulo \( \mathfrak{p} \). Then there is a \( K_{\mathfrak{p}} \)-rational local parameter \( T \) at \( x \) which is an eigenvector for the action of the complex multiplications of \( E \) on the fiber at \( x \) of the jet bundle on \( Y_1 \). Moreover, an element \( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{n!} T^n \in K_{\mathfrak{p}}[[T]] \) is \( \mathfrak{p} \)-integral if and only if \( \alpha_n \in \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{p} \) and

\[
(12) \quad v_\mathfrak{p} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n} b_{j,n} \alpha_n \right) \geq v_\mathfrak{p}(n!),
\]

where the coefficients \( b_{j,n} \) are defined by the formal identity \( \sum_{j=0}^{n} b_{j,n} X^j = n! \binom{X}{n} \).

**Proof.** Consider \( Q = \log q = (q - 1) + \frac{1}{2} (q - 1)^2 + \frac{1}{6} (q - 1)^3 + \cdots \). By the results obtained in the previous subsection, \( Q \) is a \( \lambda_\mathfrak{p} \)-eigenvector for the action of the complex multiplications. Therefore \( U = \alpha Q \), where \( U \) is the local parameter at \( x \) constructed in Section 1, and \( \alpha \in K_{\mathfrak{p}}^{nr}, \alpha \neq 0 \). Up to multiplying \( U \) by a scalar in \( K_{\mathfrak{p}}^{nr} \) we may always assume that \( \alpha \) is a unit in \( \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{p}^{nr} \). Let \( T \) be any parameter defined over \( K_{\mathfrak{p}} \) satisfying a relation

\[
(13) \quad T = \alpha Q
\]

with \( \alpha \) a unit in \( \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{p}^{nr} \). Then \( e^T - 1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{n} (q - 1)^n \) is defined over \( \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{p}^{nr} \), see [5, § 5.1]. But also \( e^T - 1 = T + \frac{1}{2} T^2 + \frac{1}{6} T^3 + \cdots \) so that \( e^T - 1 \) is defined over \( \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{p} = \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{p}^{nr} \cap K_{\mathfrak{p}} \).

Finally, the second part of the statement is proven exactly as in [5, Theorem 13]. □

3. - Computing the coefficients via the Maass operators

(3.1) Maass [11] introduced the differential operators \( M_k = (2iy)^{1-k} \frac{d^k}{dz^k} ((2iy)^k) \) (and the analogous for the Siegel upper half-space). Write \( z = x + iy \in \mathbf{H} \) and
let $k$ be a positive integer. Define the operator

\begin{equation}
\delta_k = -\frac{1}{4\pi y} M_k = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \left( 2i \frac{d}{dz} + \frac{k}{y} \right).
\end{equation}

For any subgroup $\Gamma$ of finite index in $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$, let $G^\infty_k(\Gamma)$ denote the space of $C^\infty$-modular forms of weight $k$ with respect to $\Gamma$. Then, it is routinely checked that the operators $\delta_k$ descend to operators $\delta_k : G^\infty_k(G) \to G^\infty_{k+2}(G)$.

The Maass operators (14) are subject to different interpretations as automorphic forms are seen from different points of view, as briefly explained in the next two subsections.

(3.2) A (possibly $C^\infty$) modular form $f$ of weight $k$ with respect to a subgroup $\Gamma$ of finite index in the full modular group $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ can be lifted to a $C^\infty$ function $\phi_{k,f}$ on $G = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$, defined by the formula

$$\phi_{k,f}(g) = (cz + d)^{-k} f(g \cdot i), \quad \forall g = \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \right) \in G.$$

The automorphic relation satisfied by $f$ forces upon $\phi_{k,f}$ the relations

\begin{equation}
\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
\phi_{k,f}(\gamma g) = \phi_{k,f}(g), \\
\phi_{k,f}(g\kappa) = e^{-ik\theta} \phi_{k,f}(g),
\end{array} \right. \quad \forall \gamma \in \Gamma, \quad \forall \kappa = r(\theta) \in K,
\end{equation}

where $K = \left\{ r(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \middle| \theta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ is the maximal compact subgroup of $G$ that stabilizes $i \in \mathbb{H}$. Conversely, if $\phi$ is a $C^\infty$-function on $G$ satisfying the relations (15), then we can define a $\Gamma$-automorphic form $f_{k,\phi}$ of weight $k$ by

$$f_{k,\phi}(z) = (cz + d)^k \phi(g), \quad \forall g = \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \right) \in G \text{ such that } g \cdot i = z.$$

An element $A \in \text{Lie}(G)$ acts on the $C^\infty$-functions on $G$ by $\frac{d}{dt}_{t=0} \phi(ge^{tA})$. The adjoint action of $K$ induces a decomposition $\text{Lie}(G) \otimes \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C} H \oplus \mathbb{C} X \oplus \mathbb{C} Y$ with

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad X = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

\begin{equation}
\text{Ad}(r(\theta)) X = e^{-2i\theta} X, \quad \text{Ad}(r(\theta)) Y = e^{2i\theta} Y.
\end{equation}

If $f$ is a $\Gamma$-automorphic form of weight $k$, the formulae (16) imply that the function $X \ast \phi_{k,f}$ satisfies the relations (15) with $k+2$ in the place of $k$. Hence,
we can define an operator $D_k : G^\infty(\Gamma) \rightarrow G^\infty_d(\Gamma)$ as $D_k f = f_{k+2, \varepsilon + \phi_k}$. An explicit computation, see [4], shows that $\delta_k = -\frac{1}{4\pi} D_k$. 

(3.3) Consider now the analytic family of elliptic curves $\pi : \mathcal{E}_\tau \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$, whose fiber over $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ is the complex torus $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \tau$, and the algebraic families $\pi : \mathcal{X}_\tau \rightarrow Y_\Gamma$ obtained as the space of the orbits of the action of $\Gamma$ on $\mathcal{E}_\tau$. To each of these families, we can attach the relative de Rham cohomology bundle $H^1_{\text{DR}}$, whose fiber at $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ (or $x \in Y_\Gamma$) is just the first de Rham group of the corresponding elliptic curve. Furthermore, we will denote $H^1_{\infty}$ the associated $C^\infty$-bundles. The fiber-by-fiber Hodge decomposition induces a splitting

$$H^1_{\infty} \simeq H^{1,0}_{\infty} \oplus H^{0,1}_{\infty},$$

with an isomorphism of $C^\infty$-bundles $H^1_{\infty} \simeq \omega = \pi_\Gamma^* \Omega^1_{\Gamma}/Y_\Gamma$. Let

$$\text{Split} : H^1_{\infty} \rightarrow \omega$$

be the projection defined by (17) and the isomorphism just mentioned. If $k$ is a positive integer, we can now define a $C^\infty$ differential operator $\Theta_k : \omega^{\otimes k} \rightarrow \omega^{\otimes k+2}$ through the following steps (where $\Omega^1$ denotes the bundle of 1-forms on the base):

Step 1: Embed $\omega^{\otimes k} \hookrightarrow S^k H^1_{\infty}$.

Step 2: Apply the map $\nabla_k : S^k H^1_{\infty} \rightarrow (S^k H^1_{\infty}) \otimes \Omega^1$ obtained by product rule from the Gauß-Manin connection $\nabla : H^1_{\infty} \rightarrow H^1_{\infty} \otimes \Omega^1$.

Step 3: Compose the result with the Kodaira-Spencer isomorphism $\Omega^1 \simeq \omega^{\otimes 2}$ to land in $(S^k H^1_{\infty}) \otimes \omega^{\otimes 2}$.

Step 4: Use the obvious projection induced by (18) $S^k(\text{Split}) : S^k H^1_{\infty} \rightarrow \omega^{\otimes k}$ to send the result to $\omega^{\otimes k} \otimes \omega^{\otimes 2} \simeq \omega^{\otimes k+2}$.

It is shown in [4] that, after the identification $f \mapsto f(2\pi i du)^{\otimes k}$ between elements of $G^\infty(\Gamma)$ and global sections of $\omega^{\otimes k}$, the operators $\Theta_k$ coincide with the operators $D_k$ defined in the previous subsection.

(3.4) Suppose that $E$ is an elliptic curve with complex multiplications, defined over a number field $K$. Any complex multiplication $\mu$ acts on the group $H^1_{\text{DR}}(E/K)$ inducing an eigenspace decomposition $H^1_{\text{DR}}(E/K) = \bigoplus H^1_{\mu}$ which is in fact independent of $\mu$. Furthermore, the decomposition of $H^1_{\text{DR}}(E, \mathbb{C}) = H^1_{\text{DR}}(E/K) \otimes \mathbb{C}$ induced by it coincides with the Hodge decomposition, [7, Lemma 4.0.7]. This is an essential ingredient for a number of results about the algebraicity of the values that modular forms attain at CM points. In particular, it shows that at a point $y \in Y_\Gamma$ corresponding to $E$, the operator

$$\Theta_k(y) : \omega^{\otimes k}_y \rightarrow \omega^{\otimes k+2}_y$$
will be actually defined on the fibers of the algebraic bundles.

Let $R$ be a sufficiently large ring over which $E$ is defined and such that the $R$-module $\Omega^1_{E/R}$ is free. The choice of a single $R$-rational invariant 1-form $\omega$ on $E$ induces an identification of $\omega^{\otimes k}_y$ with a copy of $R$; thus (19) defines isomorphisms $[\text{Split}(y), \omega]^{k+2}_y : \omega^{\otimes k}_y \longrightarrow R$, and, considering the $r$-th iterate of $\Theta_k$, isomorphisms $\omega^{\otimes k}_y \longrightarrow R$. Katz proves in [8] the following result (where, in view of our application, the restrictions on $R$ are automatically satisfied as $E$ has ordinary good reduction):

**Theorem 11.** Let $E$ be a CM curve defined over a subring $R$ of $\mathbb{C}$, $\omega$ a $R$-rational invariant 1-form on $E$, and $f$ a modular form of weight $k$ defined over $R$. Then:

1. $\Theta^{(r)}_k f(E \otimes \mathbb{C}, \omega) \in R$;
2. $\Theta^{(r)}_k f(E \otimes \mathbb{C}, \omega) = [\text{Split}(y), \omega]^{k+2}_y(f(y))$;

where $f$ is identified to a section of $\omega^{\otimes k}_y$ and $y$ is the point corresponding to $E \otimes \mathbb{C}$.

(3.5) One of the advantages of the algebraic theory of the Maaß operators as described in subsection 3.3 is that it is well suited for generalizations. In particular, the entire theory can be carried over to the $p$-adic case, when one uses, instead of (17), the unit root space decomposition of the $p$-adic de Rham bundle provided by the Frobenius map.

It turns out that for CM curves with ordinary good reduction, also the unit root space decomposition coincides with the Hodge decomposition, [7, Lemma 8.0.13]). Therefore, regarding a modular form defined over a $p$-adic ring $R$ as a $p$-adic modular form (in the sense of [8, §§ 1.9-10]), the values at a CM curve with ordinary good reduction of $\Theta_k(f)$ and its $p$-adic counterpart coincide. We will exploit this fact in the next subsection.

(3.6) Let us go back to the situation and notation of Section 2. Consider the universal formal deformation $\mathcal{E}$ of $\tilde{E} \otimes \mathbb{k}$. The elliptic curve $\mathcal{E}$ is defined over the ring $\mathcal{R}$, an algebra over the Witt vectors $W(k)$. Since the elliptic curves $E^n_m$ are deformations of $E \otimes \mathbb{k}$ to Artin rings, for each of them there is a “classifying map” $\psi_m^\mathbb{n} : \mathcal{R} \longrightarrow R^\mathbb{n}_m$ such that $E^n_m = \mathcal{E} \otimes_{\psi^\mathbb{n}} R^\mathbb{n}_m$. Passing to the limit over $m$ and $n$, we can construct a map

$$\psi : \mathcal{R} \longrightarrow \lim R^\mathbb{n}_m = J^\infty_{\mathcal{E}_\mathbf{R}} \simeq \mathcal{O}^\mathbb{m}_v[[q - 1]]$$

and, in particular, an elliptic curve $E_{\text{jet}}$ defined over the ring of $p_v$-integral jets, by $E_{\text{jet}} = \mathcal{E} \otimes_{\psi} J^\infty_{\mathcal{E}_\mathbf{R}}$.

Let $f$ be a holomorphic $\Gamma$-automorphic form of weight $k$ defined over (a subring of) $\mathbb{C}$. It is understood that we may extend the scalars where the elliptic curves under consideration are defined, in order to be able to evaluate $f$ at them.
Let us recall that the construction of the parameter $q - 1$ involved choosing a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-generator $P$ of the Tate module $T_p(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbf{k})$. Using once again the self-duality of $E$, $P$ determines, as in [9, § 3.3], a non-zero invariant 1-form $\omega(P)$ on $E$. This form allows us to identify the fiber of $\mathcal{O}$ (as well as its powers) over the $\mathcal{R}$-rational point corresponding to $E$, with $\mathcal{R}$ itself. Thus we can write $f(E) = \tilde{f} \otimes \omega(P)^{\otimes k}$ where $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{R}$ and $f(E_{\text{jet}}) = (\text{jet } f)(x) = \psi(\tilde{f}) \otimes (\psi^* \omega(P))^{\otimes k}$. Set $f_{\text{jet}} = \psi(\tilde{f}) \in \mathcal{J}_x^\infty$ and $\omega_{\text{jet}} = \psi^* \omega(P)$. Let us now use the parameter $Q = \log q$ to identify $f_{\text{jet}}$ with a power series, i.e. write

\begin{equation}
(20) \quad f_{\text{jet}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_n(f)}{n!} Q^n.
\end{equation}

Observe that the coefficients $b_n(f)$ depend in fact also on $P$. If $P' = \nu P$ with $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ is another $\mathbb{Z}_p$-generator of $T_p(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbf{k})$, then

\begin{equation}
(21) \quad b_n(f, P') = b_n(f, P) \nu^{-k-2n},
\end{equation}

as easily seen.

We shall now use the identification (20) to compute the value at $x$ of $\Theta_k^r(f)$ for $r = 1, 2, \ldots$. We are going to follow the “instructions” outlined in subsection 3.3, and we will make frequent use of the results and notations of [9]. In fact, we will compute the value at $x$ of the transformed of $f$ by the $p$-adic Maaß operators. As remarked in the previous subsection, this will not change the final result.

Step 1: Computing the Gauß-Manin connection.

Let $P^*$ be the dual generator of $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(T_p(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbf{k}), \mathbb{Z}_p) \subset \text{Lie}(E/\mathcal{R})$ and let $\text{Fix}(P^*)$ be the lifting of $P^*$ to the unit root subspace. Then, by [9, Theorem 4.3.1], $\nabla(\omega(P)) = \text{Fix}(P^*) \otimes dQ$, and $\nabla(\text{Fix}(P^*)) = 0$. Therefore, we have

\[
\nabla_k(f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k}) = df_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k} + f_{\text{jet}} \nabla_k(\omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k})
\]
\[
= df_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k} + k f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k-1} \otimes \nabla(\omega_{\text{jet}})
\]
\[
= df_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k} + k f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k-1} \otimes \text{Fix}(P^*) \otimes dQ
\]
\[
= \left[ \frac{df_{\text{jet}}}{dQ} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k} + k f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k-1} \otimes \text{Fix}(P^*) \right] \otimes dQ.
\]
Step 2: Composing with the Kodaira-Spencer map.

We need to compute the image of the differential $dQ$ under the Kodaira-Spencer map $KS : \Omega \rightarrow \omega^{\otimes 2}$. In [9] Katz constructs the Kodaira-Spencer map as a map $Kod : \omega \rightarrow \text{Lie} \otimes \Omega$ and proves that under the canonical pairing $\omega \otimes \text{Lie} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ one has $\omega(P) \cdot \text{Kod}(\omega(P)) = dQ$. Therefore, we must have $KS(dQ) = \omega(P)^{\otimes 2}$, and from the computation made in step 1:

\[
(1 \otimes KS)(\nabla_k(f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega(P)^{\otimes k})) =
\frac{df_{\text{jet}}}{dQ} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k} + k f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k-1} \otimes \text{Fix}(P^*) \otimes KS(dQ) =
\]

\[
= \frac{df_{\text{jet}}}{dQ} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k+2} + k f_{\text{jet}} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k+1} \otimes \text{Fix}(P^*).
\]

Step 3: Projection.

Applying the $p$-adic splitting induced by the unit root space decomposition, the term in (22) containing $\text{Fix}(P^*)$ vanishes and we get

\[
\text{jet}((p \text{Split} \circ (1 \otimes KS) \circ \nabla_k(f))(x)) = \frac{df_{\text{jet}}}{dQ} \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}^{\otimes k+2}.
\]

The original curve $E \otimes \mathcal{O}_v^{\text{nr}}$ can be recovered from $E_{\text{jet}}$ just setting formally $Q = 0$ once the isomorphism $J^\infty_x \simeq \mathcal{O}_v^{\text{nr}}[[q - 1]]$ is fixed. Therefore from the identification (20) and formula (23) we obtain

\[
\Theta_k(f)(x) = b_1(f) \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}(x)^{\otimes k+2},
\]

whose right hand side is really independent on $P$ (as it must be) as easily confirmed by the relations (21). It is also clear that the computation can be iterated. Since the unit root subspace is horizontal for the Gauß-Manin connection, we have

\[
\Theta_k^{(r)}(f)(x) = b_r(f) \otimes \omega_{\text{jet}}(x)^{\otimes k+2r} \quad \text{for all } r \geq 0.
\]

4. - Proof of the main result

(4.1) We shall now define the period $\Omega_v$ of $E$ entering in the definition of the numbers $c_v(f)$. Since $E$ has complex multiplications, we may assume that $E$ has a smooth model $E_v$ over $\mathcal{O}_v$ for each non-archimedean place of $K$. The $\mathcal{O}_v$-module $H^0(E_v, \Omega_E^{1}/\mathcal{O}_v)$ of $v$-integral invariant 1-forms on $E$ is free. Let $\omega_v$ be a generator. By definition, $\omega_v$ is defined up to a $v$-adic unit. Pick $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$
such that there is an isomorphism $\Phi : \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \tau \cong E \otimes \mathbb{C}$. Then the global differential 1-form $\Phi^*(\omega_v)$ will be a scalar multiple of the 1-form defined by $dz$, i.e. we may write, by abuse of notation, $\Phi^*(\omega_{\text{int}}) = \Omega_v dz$, for some $\Omega_v \in \mathbb{C}$. This complex number can be seen as a period of $E$ as $\Omega_v = \int_0^1 \Phi^*(\omega_v) = \int_{\Phi(0,1)}^1 \omega_v$.

The choice of a different $\tau$ to write an isomorphism of complex tori as above, is reflected in a different normalization of the period lattice of $E$, which alters the number $\Omega_v$ by a global unit in $\mathcal{O}_K$. Combining the effects of the different choices, $\Omega_v$ remains defined up to a $v$-adic unit.

Let us remark that if $K$ has class number 1, the choice of a $v$-adic period for $E$ can be globalized. Indeed, in that case the module $H^0(E, \Omega^1_{E/K})$ is free: any generator $\omega_0$ may serve as $\omega_v$ for all $v$'s at the same time.

(4.2) We can now use the computation made in subsection 3.6 to prove our integrality criterion (Theorem 1). To avoid any ambiguity, we shall denote by $f_{\text{alg}}$ the algebraic modular form defined over $\mathbb{C}$, obtained from $f$ via the relation $f(\tau) = f_{\text{alg}}(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \tau, 2\pi i d\tau)$.

Let us start with $f$ (i.e. $f_{\text{alg}}$) defined over $\mathcal{O}_v = \mathcal{O}_v \cap K$. From the discussion preceding Theorem 11 we know that also the form $\Theta_k^{(\tau)}(f)(x)$ must be $v$-integral. Now compute:

$$\Theta_k^{(\tau)}(f)(x) = (\text{by Theorem 11}) = [\text{Split}(x), \omega_v]^{k+2r} \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k+2r}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{\Omega_v^{k+2r}} \text{Split}(x, 2\pi i d\tau) \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k+2r}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{\Omega_v^{k+2r}} \Theta_k^{(\tau)}(f_{\text{alg}}(E_{\tau}, 2\pi i d\tau) \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k+2r}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{\Omega_v^{k+2r}} D_k^{(\phi_{f,k}(x))} \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k+2r}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{\Omega_v^{k+2r}} (\frac{(-4\pi)^r}{(k^r)(f)}(\tau) \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k+2r} = c_r(f) \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k+2r}.$$  

Thus, $c_r(f) \in \mathcal{O}_v$ for all $r \geq 0$.

Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ be such that $\omega_{\text{jet}}(x) = \alpha \omega_v$. Comparing the above computation of $\Theta_k^{(\tau)}(f)(x)$ with (24) and (20) yields

$$\text{jet}(f)(x) = \left( \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{c_n(f)}{n!} \left( \frac{Q}{\alpha^2} \right)^n \right) \otimes \omega_v^{\otimes k}.$$  

As the jet of $f$ in $x$ must be $\mathcal{O}_v$-rational, this last expression shows that the local parameter $\alpha^{-2}Q$ is defined over $K$ and that the coefficients $c_r(f)$ must satisfy the Kummer-Serre congruences (1).
Conversely, suppose that the numbers \( c_r(f) \) are \( v \)-adic integers satisfying the congruences (1). Unwinding the computations done so far shows that the holomorphic section of \( \omega^\otimes k \) corresponding to \( f \) has a \( v \)-integral jet at \( x \). Thus, it remains to prove that if such a section has a \( v \)-integral jet at a \( \mathcal{O}_v \)-rational point, then it is in fact rational over \( \mathcal{O}_v \). This is a consequence of the following general result, where \( R \subset \mathbb{C} \) denotes a DVR with uniformizer \( \pi \) and field of quotients \( K \).

**Lemma 12.** Let \( X \) be an irreducible, smooth scheme over \( R \) of relative dimension \( \geq 1 \). Let \( \mathcal{L} \) be an invertible sheaf on \( X \) and \( f \) a global section of the pull-back of \( \mathcal{L} \) to \( X \otimes \mathbb{C} \). If the jet of \( f \) at a \( K \)-rational point is \( R \)-rational, then \( f \) lifts to a global section of \( \mathcal{L} \) on \( X \).

**Proof.** Let \( x : \text{Spec}(R) \to X \) be an \( R \)-rational point of \( X \). There are natural embeddings \( J_{x_0, x}^{(n)} \to J_{x_0, x}^{(n)} \to J_{x_0, x}^{(n)} \otimes \mathbb{C} \) for all \( n \). Let us first prove that \( f \) lifts to a \( K \)-rational section. On a sufficiently small open neighborhood of \( x_0 \), the section \( f \) can be identified to a section of \( \mathcal{O}_X \). Since the stalk \( J_{x_0, x}^{(n)} \otimes \mathbb{C} \) is generated, as an \( \mathcal{O}_{x_0} \)-module, by \( \omega^n(x_0) \), we can find elements \( f_1, \ldots, f_t, g_1, \ldots, g_t \in \mathcal{O}_{x_0} \) such that, locally at \( x_0 \),

\[
\text{jet}^n f = \sum_{i=1}^t f_i \cdot \text{jet}^n(g_i).
\]

Any \( h \in \mathcal{O}_{x_0} \) acts on \( J_{x_0, x}^{(n)} \otimes \mathbb{C} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{x_0}/m_{x_0}^{n+1} \) simply as multiplication, so that (25) can be read as congruence \( f = \Sigma f_i g_i \mod m_{x_0}^{n+1} \). By Krull's intersection theorem, \( f \in \mathcal{O}_{x_0} \). Therefore \( f \) is the extension of the pull-back of a \( K \)-rational section defined over an open dense subscheme of \( X \otimes K \), and so is itself \( K \)-rational.

To achieve \( R \)-rationality, argue as above with \( f_1, \ldots, f_t, g_1, \ldots, g_t \in \mathcal{O}_{x_0} \) in (25) to extend \( f \) to a neighborhood of \( x_0 \). In this way, \( f \) extends to an open subscheme \( U \) of \( X \) containing all \( K \)-rational points. Then \( X - U \) is a finite union of closed points, whose local ideals have depth \( \geq 2 \) (by smoothness). Hence \( f \) extends to an element of \( H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) \).

Theorem 1 is now completely proved.

(4.3) As already remarked in (0.3) our method to prove Theorem 1 fails, in general, for those groups \( \Gamma \) which have elliptic elements, essentially because the map (2) becomes ramified. Nevertheless, the result extends also to automorphic forms with respect to "bad" \( \Gamma \) if we exclude test elliptic curves with \( j \)-invariant equal to 0 or 1728. This follows from the fact that any congruence subgroup \( \Gamma \) contains (by definition!) a \( \Gamma(N) \) for some \( N \geq 3 \) and the natural map \( Y_{\Gamma(N)} \to Y_{\Gamma} \) is étale over the open set \( \{ x | j(x) \neq 0, 1728 \} \subset Y_{\Gamma} \).
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