ANALOGUES OF IWASAWA’S $\mu = 0$ CONJECTURE AND THE WEAK LEOPOLDT CONJECTURE FOR A NON-CYCLOMATIC $\mathbb{Z}_2$-EXTENSION

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Abstract. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$, where $q$ is any prime number congruent to 7 modulo 8, and let $\mathcal{O}$ be the ring of integers of $K$. The prime 2 splits in $K$, say $2\mathcal{O} = pp^\ast$, and there is a unique $\mathbb{Z}_2$-extension $K_\infty$ of $K$ which is unramified outside $p$. Let $H$ be the Hilbert class field of $K$, and write $H_\infty = HK_\infty$. Let $M(H_\infty)$ be the maximal abelian 2-extension of $H_\infty$ which is unramified outside the primes above $p$, and put $X(H_\infty) = \text{Gal}(M(H_\infty)/H_\infty)$. We prove that $X(H_\infty)$ is always a finitely generated $\mathbb{Z}_2$-module, by an elliptic analogue of Sinnott’s cyclotomic argument. We then use this result to prove for the first time the weak $p$-adic Leopoldt conjecture for the compositum $J_\infty$ of $K_\infty$ with arbitrary quadratic extensions $J$ of $H$. We also prove some new cases of the finite generation of the Mordell-Weil group $E(J_\infty)$ modulo torsion of certain elliptic curves $E$ with complex multiplication by $\mathcal{O}$.

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1. Introduction

Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$, where $q$ is any prime number congruent to 7 modulo 8, and $\mathcal{O}$ be the ring of integers of $K$, and let $H$ be the Hilbert class field of $K$. We fix once and for all an embedding of $K$ into $\mathbb{C}$. By the theory of complex multiplication, we have $H = K(j(\mathcal{O}))$ where $j$ is the classical modular function; in particular, this fixes an embedding of $H$ into $\mathbb{C}$. We write $G$ for the Galois group of $H$ over $K$, and $h$ for the class number of $K$. Then $h$ is odd because $K$ has prime discriminant. The prime $p = 2$ splits in $K$, and we write

$$2\mathcal{O} = pp^\ast.$$ 

Throughout the remainder of the paper, we fix once and for all an embedding $\iota_p$ of $K$ into $\mathbb{C}_2$, which induces the prime $p$. By global class field theory, $K$ has a unique $\mathbb{Z}_2$-extension which is unramified outside $p$, which we denote by $K_\infty/K$. Note that the prime $p$ is totally ramified in $K_\infty$ because $h$ is odd. Define $H_\infty = HK_\infty$, $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(H_\infty/H)$. 

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We write $M(H_\infty)$ for the maximal abelian 2-extension of $H_\infty$ which is unramified outside the primes of $H_\infty$ above $p$, and put
\[ X(H_\infty) = \text{Gal}(M(H_\infty)/H_\infty). \]
Note that $M(H_\infty)$ is clearly Galois over $H$, and thus $\Gamma$ acts continuously on $X(H_\infty)$ in the usual fashion via inner automorphisms. This action endows $X(H_\infty)$ with the structure of a module over the Iwasawa algebra $\Lambda(\Gamma)$ of $\Gamma$. In fact, it has long been known that $X(H_\infty)$ is a finitely generated torsion module over $\Lambda(\Gamma)$. In the present paper, we prove the following stronger theorem, which is equivalent to saying that the Iwasawa $\mu$-invariant for the $\Lambda(\Gamma)$-module $X(H_\infty)$ vanishes.

**Theorem 1.1.** The Galois group $X(H_\infty)$ is a finitely generated $\mathbb{Z}_2$-module.

In §5, we give some interesting numerical computations of the group $X(H_\infty)$, which show, somewhat surprisingly, that in fact it is zero for all primes $q < 500$ with $q \equiv 7$ mod 8 except $q = 431$. Moreover, by a simple application of Nakayama’s lemma, we obtain the following corollary of Theorem 1.1. Let $J$ denote any quadratic extension of the Hilbert class field $H$, and write $J_\infty = JK_\infty$. Let $M(J_\infty)$ be the maximal abelian 2-extension of $J_\infty$ which is unramified outside the primes above $p$, and put $X(J_\infty) = \text{Gal}(M(J_\infty)/J_\infty)$.

**Corollary 1.2.** For every quadratic extension $J$ of $H$, the Galois group $X(J_\infty)$ is a finitely generated $\mathbb{Z}_2$-module.

We point out that this corollary implies in particular (see [4]) that the weak $p$-adic Leopoldt conjecture is valid for the $\mathbb{Z}_2$-extension $J_\infty/J$. This is the first example where such a weak $p$-adic Leopoldt conjecture has been proven for extensions of $K$ which are not in general abelian over $K$.

In the proof of Theorem 1.1, we shall make use of what is, in some sense, the simplest elliptic curve with complex multiplication by $\mathcal{O}$, which was introduced by Gross [14]. He has proven that there exists a unique elliptic curve defined over $\mathbb{Q}(j(\mathcal{O}))$, which we shall denote by $A$, whose $j$-invariant is equal to $j(\mathcal{O})$, whose ring of $H$-endomorphisms is equal to $\mathcal{O}$, whose minimal discriminant ideal in $H$ is equal to $(-q^3)$, and which is isogenous to all of its conjugates under the Galois action of $G$. The Grössencharacter of $A$ is the Hecke character $\psi$ of $H$ with conductor $q = (\sqrt{-q})$, which, on ideals $a$ of $H$ prime to $q$ is defined by the formula
\[ \psi(a) = \alpha, \ \text{where} \ (\alpha) = N_{H/K}a \ \text{and} \ \alpha \ \text{is a square modulo} \ q. \]
We have the identity
\[ (1.1) \ \psi = \phi \circ N_{H/K} \]
where $\phi$ is the following Grössencharacter of $K$ with conductor $q$. Let $B$ denote the abelian variety over $K$, which is the restriction of scalars from $H$ to $K$ of $A$. Let $T = \text{End}_{K}(B) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$. Then $T$ is an extension of degree $h$ of $K$, and for ideals $b$ of $K$ prime to $q$ we have $\phi(b) = \beta$, where $\beta$ is the unique element of $T$ such that $b^h = (\beta^h)$ and $\beta^h$ is a square modulo $q$. In particular, we remark that $B$ is isomorphic over $H$ to the product of the elliptic curves $A^\sigma$, where $\sigma$ runs over the elements of $G$. It follows that for any integral ideal $b$ of $K$ prime to $q$, the endomorphism $\phi(b)$ of $B/H$ defines a unique isogeny defined over $H$.

\[ (1.2) \ \eta_{\text{Art}}(b) : A^\sigma \rightarrow A^{\sigma_{\text{Art}}} \]
where $\sigma_{\text{Art}}$ denotes the Artin symbol of $b$ in $G$, whose kernel is $A^G_{\sigma}$. For a more detailed discussion on this isogeny, see [14]. Moreover, Gross [15] has proven that $A$ has a global minimal Weierstrass equation over $H$. Hence we fix once and for all such a global minimal equation
\[ (1.3) \ y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6, \]
with coefficients \(a_i\) which are all integers in \(H\). Moreover, there is an interesting new application of Corollary 1.2 to certain quadratic twists of \(A\). Let \(E\) denote a twist of \(A\) by an arbitrary quadratic extension of \(H\), whose conductor is relatively prime to \(2q\). Define
\[
F = H(E_{p^2}), \quad F_\infty = H(E_{p^\infty}), \quad \mathcal{G} = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/H), \quad \Delta = \text{Gal}(F/H).
\]
The fields \(F\) and \(F_\infty\) are, of course, abelian extensions of \(H\), but we stress that they are not in general abelian over \(K\). Here \(\Delta\) is cyclic of order 2, and it can easily be seen that \(F_\infty = FK_\infty\). We recall that the \(p^\infty\)-Selmer group of \(E\) over \(F_\infty\) is defined by
\[
S_{p^\infty}(E/F_\infty) = \text{Ker}\left(H^1(F_\infty, E_{p^\infty}) \to \prod_v H^1(F_{\infty,v}, E)(p)\right)
\]
where \(v\) runs over all finite places of \(F_\infty\).

**Theorem 1.3.** Let \(E\) be a twist of \(A\) by any quadratic extension of \(H\) of conductor prime to \(2q\). Then the Pontryagin dual of \(S_{p^\infty}(E/F_\infty)\) is always a finitely generated \(\mathbb{Z}_2\)-module. In particular, both \(E(F_\infty)\) and \(E(H_\infty)\) modulo torsion are finitely generated abelian groups.

We stress that this result was unknown previously, except in the very special case when \(E\) is the quadratic twist of \(A\) by the compositum with \(H\) of a quadratic extension of \(K\). Moreover, none of the analytic results is known for such a curve \(E\), for example, the construction of the \(p\)-adic \(L\)-function attached to \(E\).

Our proof of Theorem 1.1 uses an elliptic analogue of Sinnott’s beautiful proof of the vanishing of the cyclotomic \(\mu\)-invariant. Considerable past work in this direction has already been done by Gillard [12], [11] and Schneps [17] for split odd primes \(p\). For the prime \(p = 2\) there has recently been independent work by Oukhaba and Viguié [18], which would seemingly include a proof of Theorem 1.1. However, we give the full details of a rather different construction of the \(p\)-adic \(L\)-functions and the analogue of Sinnott’s proof in our case, rather than the arguments sketched in [18].

2. Construction of the \(p\)-adic \(L\)-function

The aim of this section is to construct the \(p\)-adic \(L\)-function attached to the curve \(A/H\), by using the method of [9] and [6]. In this section, \(F\) and \(F_\infty\) will denote the fields defined by (1.4) in the special case in which \(E = A\). Thus, we will have
\[
F = H(A_{p^2}), \quad F_\infty = H(A_{p^\infty}).
\]
Write \(\chi_p : G \to O_p^\times = \mathbb{Z}_p^\times\) for the character taking the action of \(G = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/H)\) on \(A_{p^\infty}\). It is well-known that \(A\) has good reduction everywhere over \(F\) (the proof of Lemma 2.1 of [3] generalizes immediately to all of the curves \(A\) discussed here). Thus we must have \([F : H] = 2\), whence we see that \(\chi_p\) is an isomorphism. Hence \(G = \Gamma \times \Delta\), where \(\Delta = \text{Gal}(F/H)\) is of order 2 and \(\Gamma = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)\) is isomorphic to \(\mathbb{Z}_2\). Note that all the primes of \(H\) lying above the \(q\) must be ramified in the extension \(F/H\), because \(A/H\) has bad reduction at the primes of \(H\) above \(q\). As \(H_\infty/H\) is unramified outside of the primes of \(H\) dividing \(p\), we see that \(H_\infty \cap F = H\), whence we can also identify \(\Gamma\) with the Galois group of \(H_\infty/H\) under restriction.

Recall that \(G\) denotes the Galois group of \(H\) over \(K\). Let \(a\) be any non-zero integral ideal of \(K\), which we will always assume is prime to \(pq\). We write \(\sigma_a\) for the Artin symbol of \(a\) in \(G\), and \(A^a\) for the image of \(A\) under \(\sigma_a\). A global minimal Weierstrass equation for \(A^a/H\), and its associated Néron differential \(\omega^a\), are given respectively by just applying \(\sigma_a\) to the coefficients of the equation (1.3), and to the
coefficients of its Néron differential $\omega = dx/(2y + a_1x + a_3)$. We then define an element $\xi(a)$ of $H$ by the equation
\begin{equation}
\eta_A(a)^*(\omega^n) = \xi(a)\omega^n.
\end{equation}
where $\eta_A(a) : A \to A^a$ is the isogeny as defined in (1.2). We also write $L$ and $L_a$ for the period lattices of $\omega$ and $\omega_a$. If we write $L = \Omega_a\hat{O}$ where $\Omega_a \subset \mathbb{C}$, then we have $L_a = \xi(a)\Omega_a a^{-1}$. Note that the Weierstrass isomorphism $\mathfrak{M}(z, L_a)$ from $\mathbb{C}/L_a$ to $A^a(\mathbb{C})$ is given by
\begin{equation}
\left(\varphi(z, L_a) - a_{1,a}^2 + 4a_{2,a} \right) \left( \varphi(z, L_a) - a_{1,a} \left( \varphi(z, L_a) - a_{1,a}^2 + 4a_{2,a} \right) \right)
\end{equation}
where we simply write $a_{i,a}$ for $\sigma_a(a_i)$, and where $\varphi(z, L_a)$ denotes the Weierstrass $\wp$-function of the lattice $L_a$.

Let $P = (x, y)$ denote a generic point of our global minimal Weierstrass equation for $A^a/H$. Given any non-zero element $\lambda$ of $\mathcal{O} = \text{End}_H(A)$ with $\lambda \neq \pm 1$ and $(\lambda, 6q) = 1$, we define the rational function $R_{\lambda,a}(P)$ on $A^a$, with coefficients in $H$, by
\begin{equation}
R_{\lambda,a}(P) = c_\lambda(\lambda) \prod_{M \in V_\lambda} (x(P) - x(M))^{-1}
\end{equation}
where $V_\lambda$ denotes any set of representatives of the non-zero $\lambda$-division points on $A^a$ modulo $\{ \pm 1 \}$, and $c_\lambda(\lambda)$ is a unique 12th root in $H$ of $\Delta(L_a)^{\text{N,\lambda}}/\Delta(\lambda^{-1}L_a)$ (see also Proposition 1 of the Appendix of [5]). Here $\Delta$ denotes Ramanujan’s $\Delta$-function. For each non-zero integral ideal $b$ of $K$ with $(b, \lambda q) = 1$, it is easily seen that we have (see Theorem 4 of the Appendix of [5])
\begin{equation}
R_{\lambda,ab}(\eta_{ab}(b)(P)) = \prod_{U \in A^a_b} R_{\lambda,a}(P \oplus U).
\end{equation}

We introduce the index set $I$ consisting of all finite sets $\rho = \{(\lambda_i, n_i) \mid i = 1, \ldots, r\}$ where $r \geq 2$, $n_i \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\lambda_i \neq \pm 1$ non-zero elements of $\mathcal{O}$ with $(\lambda_i, 6q) = 1$, and satisfying $\sum_{i=1}^r n_i N(\lambda_i) = 0$. Here $N(\lambda_i)$ denotes the norm from $K$ to $\mathbb{Q}$ of $\lambda_i$. Given $\rho \in I$, we consider the product
\begin{equation}
\mathfrak{M}_{\rho,a}(P) = \prod_{i=1}^r R_{\lambda_i,a}(P)^{n_i},
\end{equation}
which is also a rational function on $A^a/H$. Under the Weierstrass isomorphism, this rational function can be considered as a function on $\mathbb{C}/L_a$ with variable $z$. Taking the derivative logarithm of this function, we have the following result.

**Proposition 2.1.** We have
\begin{equation}
\frac{d}{dz} \log \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,a}(P) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{k=2, \text{even}}^\infty -n_i \frac{\phi^k(a)}{\xi(a)^k \Omega_{\infty}^k} \left( N\lambda_i - \lambda_i^k \right) L(\wp^k, \sigma_a, k) z^{k-1}.
\end{equation}
In particular, for each even integer $k > 0$, we have
\begin{equation}
\left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,a}(P) \bigg|_{z=0} = B_k(k-1)! \frac{\phi^k(a)}{\xi(a)^k \Omega_{\infty}^k} L(\wp^k, \sigma_a, k)
\end{equation}
where $B_k(k) = \sum_{i=1}^r -n_i \left( N\lambda_i - \lambda_i^k \right)$.

**Proof.** We recall the basic properties of Kronecker–Eisenstein series and elliptic functions, which are fully discussed in [13]. Let $z$ and $s$ be complex variables. For any lattice $L$ in $\mathbb{C}$, we define the Kronecker–Eisenstein series by
\begin{equation}
H_k(z, s, L) = \sum_{w \in L} \frac{(z + w)^k}{|z + w|^{2s}}
\end{equation}
where the sum is taken over all \( w \in L \), except \(-z\) if \( z \in L \). It defines a holomorphic function of \( s \) in the half plane \( \text{Re}(s) > 1 + k/2 \), and has an analytic continuation to the whole \( s \)-plane. In particular, for each \( k \geq 3 \), \( G_k(L) = H_k(0, k, L) \) is a classic holomorphic Eisenstein series of weight \( k \). For the convention, we will denote by

\[
G_1(L) = 0, \quad G_2(L) = \lim_{s \to 0^+} \sum_{w \in L \setminus \{0\}} \frac{w^{-2}|w|^{-2s}}{s^k}.
\]

Let \( \sigma(z, L) \) denote the Weierstrass \( \sigma \)-function. We define a non-holomorphic function \( \theta(z, L) \) by

\[
\theta(z, L) = \exp \left( -G_2(L) \frac{z^2}{2} \right) \sigma(z, L).
\]

Then \( \theta \) possesses a Taylor expansion of the logarithmic derivative of \( \theta(z, L) \) as

\[
\frac{d}{dz} \log \theta(z, L) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} G_k(L) z^{k-1} = \sum_{k=2, \text{even}}^{\infty} -G_k(L) z^{k-1},
\]

where the second equality follows from \( G_k(L) = 0 \) for \( k \) odd.

Moreover, we have the identity

\[
(2.5) \quad \theta^2(z, L) \frac{\nu^\lambda}{\theta^2(z, \lambda^{-1} L)} = \prod_{0 \neq w \in \lambda^{-1} L} (\varphi(z, L) - \varphi(w, L))^{-1}
\]

for any non-zero element \( \lambda \) of \( O \). Hence, one gives another expression of the rational function \( R_{p, a}(P) = R_{p, a}(M(z, L_a)) \) as

\[
R_{p, a}(M(z, L_a))^2 = \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( c_i(\lambda_i) \frac{\theta^2(z, L_a)^{N\lambda_i}}{\theta^2(z, \lambda_i^{-1} L_a)} \right)^{n_i}.
\]

It follows that

\[
(2.6) \quad \frac{d}{dz} \log R_{p, a}(M(z, L_a)) = \sum_{i=1}^{r} n_i \left( N\lambda_i \frac{d}{dz} \log \theta(z, L_a) - \frac{d}{dz} \log \theta(z, \lambda_i^{-1} L_a) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{k=2, \text{even}}^{\infty} -n_i \left( N\lambda_i G_k(L_a) - \lambda_i^k G_k(L_a) \right) z^{k-1}.
\]

Finally, Proposition 5.5 in [13] shows that the partial Hecke \( L \)-function \( L(\hat{\phi}^k, \sigma_a, s) \) decomposes into Kronecker–Eisenstein series \( H_k(z, s, L_a) \). In particular, we have

\[
G_k(L_a) = \frac{\phi^k(a)}{\xi(a)^k \Omega^k} L(\hat{\phi}^k, \sigma_a, k).
\]

Applying this equality to (2.6), this completes the proof of the proposition. \( \square \)

Now we define the rational function \( J_{p, a}(P) \) on \( A/H \) by

\[
J_{p, a}(P) = R_{p, a}(P)^2 / R_{p, a}(\eta A^+(p)(P)).
\]

Clearly, it follows from (2.2) that

\[
\prod_{V \in A_G^+} J_{p, a}(P \oplus V) = 1.
\]

Let \( v \) be the prime of \( H \) lying above \( p \). Let \( m_v \) be the maximal ideal of the ring \( O_v \) of integers of the completion \( H_v \). For the elliptic curve \( A^g/H \), we denote by \( A^g_{v, v} \) the formal group of \( A^g \) at \( v \). We denote by \( t = -x/y \) the parameter of this formal group.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let \( D_{p, a}(t) \) denote the \( t \)-expansion of the rational function \( J_{p, a}(P) \). Then \( D_{p, a}(t) \) lies in \( 1 + m_v[[t]] \). In particular, we can define \( m_{p, a}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \log(D_{p, a}(t)) \), which lies in \( O_v [[t]] \).
Proof. Let $D_{\lambda,\sigma}(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n t^n$ denote the $t$-expansion of the rational function $R_{\lambda,\sigma}(P)$. We use a classical result (see Lemma 23 of [8]) that $D_{\lambda,\sigma}(t)$ is a unit in $\mathcal{O}_v[[t]]$. Writing

$$\widetilde{\eta_{A^v}(p)}(t) : \mathbb{A}^{a,v} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{a,p,v}$$

for the formal power series induced by the isogeny $\eta_{A^v}(p)$, we have $\widetilde{\eta_{A^v}(p)}(t) \equiv t^2 \mod m_v$. Since $(\lambda, p) = 1$, it follows that

$$D_{\lambda,\sigma}(\widetilde{\eta_{A^v}(p)}(t)) = \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n^p (\widetilde{\eta_{A^v}(p)}(t))^n \equiv \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n^2 t^{2n} \mod m_v.$$ 

Hence the lemma follows immediately, since

$$D_{\lambda,\sigma}(t)^2 = \left( \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n t^n \right)^2 \equiv \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n^2 t^{2n} \mod m_v.$$ 

Let $\mathcal{I}_p$ denote the ring of integers of the completion of the maximal unramified extension of $K_p$. As $\mathbb{A}^v$ has height 1 as a formal group, there exists an isomorphism over $\mathcal{I}_p$

$$\beta_v : \widehat{G}_m \sim \mathbb{A}^v,$$

where $\widehat{G}_m$ denotes the formal multiplicative group with parameter $w$. For each non-zero integral ideal $a$ of $K$ with $(a, p) = 1$, the isogeny $\eta_A(a) : A \rightarrow A^a$ induces an isomorphism from $\mathbb{A}^v$ onto $A^{a,v}$, and hence we have an isomorphism over $\mathcal{I}_p$

$$\beta_v^a : \widehat{G}_m \sim \mathbb{A}^{a,v}, \quad \beta_v^a = \eta_A(a) \circ \beta_v.$$ 

The isomorphism $\beta_v^a$ is given by a power series $t = \beta_v^a(w)$ with coefficients in $\mathcal{I}_p$. We write $\Omega_{a,v}$ for the coefficient of $w$ in this power series.

**Lemma 2.3.** We have $\Omega_{a,v} = \xi(a)\Omega_v$.

**Proof.** Viewing $z$ as a parameter of the formal additive group $\widehat{G}_a$, we have the exponential map $E(z, L)$ of $\mathbb{A}^v$ is given by the formal power series

$$t = E(z, L) = \frac{2\wp(z, L) - (a_1^2 + 4a_2)/12}{\wp(z, L) - a_1 (\wp(z, L) - (a_1^2 + 4a_2)/12) - a_3}.$$ 

Similarly, let $E(z, L_a)$ be defined analogously for the formal group $\mathbb{A}^{a,v}$ by using the Weierstrass isomorphism $\mathfrak{M}(z, L_a)$. By the uniqueness of the exponential map for a formal group, we have

$$\beta_v(e^{z/\Omega_a} - 1) = E(z, L), \quad \beta_v^a(e^{z/\Omega_{a,v}} - 1) = E(z, L_a).$$ 

On the other hand, as $\eta_A(a)(\mathfrak{M}(z, L)) = \mathfrak{M}(\xi(a)z, L_a)$, we have $\overline{\eta_A(a)(E(z, L))} = E(\xi(a)z, L_a))$. The lemma then follows by comparing the first coefficients of the last equality on both sides. \hfill $\Box$

We now define the formal power series $\mathfrak{B}_{a,v}(w)$ in $\mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$ by

$$\mathfrak{B}_{a,v}(w) = m_{a,v}(\beta_v^a(w)), $$

and let $\nu_{a,v}$ be the $\mathcal{I}_p$-valued measure on $\mathbb{Z}_2$ associated to $\mathfrak{B}_{a,v}(w)$. Indeed, let $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\mathfrak{S})$ denotes the ring of $\mathcal{I}_p$-valued measures on a profinite group $\mathfrak{S}$. Then $\nu_{a,v}$ is determined by Mahler’s theorem that there exists the ring isomorphism

$$(2.7) \quad \mathcal{M} : \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\mathbb{Z}_2) \sim \mathcal{I}_p[[w]], \quad \mathcal{M}(\nu) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \left( \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2} \left( \frac{x}{n} \right) \, d\nu \right) w^n = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2} (1 + w)^n \, d\nu.$$
Now we have the inclusion \( i : \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathbb{Z}^\times_2) \hookrightarrow \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathbb{Z}_2) \) given by extending a measure on \( \mathbb{Z}_2^\times \) to \( \mathbb{Z}_2 \) by zero. By (2.2) we have
\[
\sum_{\zeta \in \{\pm 1\}} \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,\zeta}(\zeta(1+w) - 1) = 0,
\]
whence the measure \( \nu_{\rho,\zeta} \) belongs to \( \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathbb{Z}^\times_2) \). Thus the measure \( \nu_{\rho,\zeta} \) can be viewed as an element of \( \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{G}) \) via the isomorphism \( \chi : \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}^\times_2 \). For all \( k \geq 0 \), we have
\[
\int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\rho,\zeta}^k d\nu_{\rho,\zeta} = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2} x^k d\nu_{\rho,\zeta} = D^k \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,\zeta}(w)
\]
where \( D = (1+w) \frac{d}{dw} \). It is equal to
\[
\Omega_{\rho,\zeta}^k \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,\zeta}(e^z - 1) \bigg|_{z=0} = \frac{1}{2} \Omega_{\rho,\zeta}^k \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,\zeta}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_a)) \bigg|_{z=0}.
\]

**Lemma 2.4.** For each even integer \( k > 0 \), we have
\[
\Omega_{\rho,\zeta}^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\rho,\zeta}^k d\nu_{\rho,\zeta} = B_{\rho}(k)(k-1)! \phi^k(a) \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}^{-1}(L(\tilde{\phi}^k, \sigma_a, k) - \phi^k(p) L(\tilde{\phi}^k, \sigma_a \sigma_p, k)).
\]

**Proof.** We have
\[
\Omega_{\rho,\zeta}^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\rho,\zeta}^k d\nu_{\rho,\zeta} = \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,\zeta}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_a)) \bigg|_{z=0}
\]
\[
- \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \mathfrak{M}_{\rho,\zeta}(\eta_{\mathcal{L}^A}(p)(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_a))) \bigg|_{z=0}.
\]
Note that \( \eta_{\mathcal{L}^A}(p)(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_a)) = \mathfrak{M}(\xi(p)^{\sigma_a} z, \mathcal{L}_{ap}) \) and \( \xi(ap) = \xi(a) \xi(p)^{\sigma_a} \). Then the lemma follows from Proposition 2.1 and Lemma 2.3. \( \square \)

We now denote by \( \mathcal{C} \) a set of integral ideals \( a \) of \( K \) prime to \( \mathfrak{p} \mathfrak{q} \), whose Artin symbols give precisely the Galois group \( G = \text{Gal}(H/K) \). There is the relation
\[
L(\tilde{\phi}^k \chi, s) = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{C}} \chi(\sigma_a) L(\tilde{\phi}^k, \sigma_a, s), \forall \chi \in G^*,
\]
where \( G^* \) denotes the group of Dirichlet characters of \( G \). Hence by Lemma 2.4, for each \( \chi \in G^* \) we have
\[
\Omega_{\rho,\zeta}^{-k} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{C}} \chi(\sigma_a) \phi^{-k}(a) \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\rho,\zeta}^k d\nu_{\rho,\zeta} = B_{\rho}(k)(k-1)! \left( 1 - \phi^k(\chi^{-1}(p)) \right) \Omega_{\mathcal{L}}^{-1}(L(\tilde{\phi}^k \chi, k)).
\]

We can interpret the expression on the left hand side of this formula as follows. Write \( \mathfrak{G} \) for the Galois group \( \text{Gal}(F_{\infty}/K) \). Let \( B_H \) denote the base extension of \( B \) to \( H \), and let \( \rho_p \) be the character of \( \mathfrak{G} \) which coincides with the character \( \chi_p \) on \( \mathfrak{G} \) and describes the action of \( \mathfrak{G} \) on \( (B_H)_{p^{\infty}} = \prod_{a \in \mathcal{C}} A_{a}^{\infty} \) in the following way. First, we identify \( \mathfrak{G} \) with \( \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \). Then for \( \sigma_r \in \mathcal{G} \) with \( c \in \mathcal{C} \) and \( Q \in A_{a}^{\infty} \), we have
\[
\rho_p(\sigma_r)(Q) = \eta_{\mathcal{L}^A}(c)(Q) \in A_{a}^{\infty}.
\]
Hence, for \( g = h \sigma_r \in \mathfrak{G} \) with \( h \in \mathcal{G} \), we have
\[
\rho_p(g) = \chi_p(h) \phi(c).
\]
As is shown in §3 of [2], we can fix a prime \( \mathfrak{P} \) of \( T \) lying above \( \mathfrak{p} \) such that \( T_{\mathfrak{P}} = K_{\mathfrak{P}} \).

Now, let \( \delta_a \) denote the Artin symbol of \( a \) in \( \mathfrak{G} \) so that \( \{\delta_a \}_{a \in \mathcal{C}} = \mathcal{C} \). We define
\[
\nu_{\chi}^\phi = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{C}} \chi(\sigma_a) \delta_a^{-1} \nu_{\rho,a} \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathfrak{P}}[[\mathfrak{G}]] = \mathcal{T}_{\mathfrak{P}}[\mathcal{G}][[\mathfrak{G}]].
\]
Note that, by Lemma 1.3.4 of [10], it is independent of the choice of representatives of $G$ in $\mathcal{G}$. It follows that

$$\Omega_v^{-k} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \chi(\sigma_a) \phi^{-k}(a) \int_{\mathcal{G}} \lambda_p^k d\nu_{\sigma,a} = \Omega_v^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \rho_p^k d\nu_{\chi}.$$ 

**Theorem 2.5.** For each $\chi \in G^*$, there exists a unique $\mathcal{I}_p$-valued pseudo-measure $\nu_{\chi}$ on $\mathcal{G} = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/K)$ such that for each even integer $k > 0$, we have

$$\Omega_v^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \rho_p^k d\nu_{\chi} = (k-1)! \left(1 - \frac{\phi^k \chi^{-1}(p)}{2}\right) \Omega_v^{-k} L(\phi^k \chi, k).$$

This theorem is immediately followed by the next lemma.

**Lemma 2.6.** There exists an $\mathcal{I}_p$-valued measure $\theta_\rho$ on $\mathcal{G}$ such that

$$\int_{\mathcal{G}} \rho_p^k d\theta_\rho = B_p(k)$$

for all $k \geq 1$, and the restriction $\theta_\rho$ to $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$ generates the augmentation ideal of $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\Gamma)$.

**Proof.** This lemma is essentially the same with Lemma II. 7 of [1]. We can choose an element $\lambda$ in $\mathcal{O}$ satisfying $(\lambda, 6q) = 1$ and

$$\lambda \equiv 1 \mod p^3, \ \bar{\lambda} \equiv 1 + 2^2 \mod p^3.$$ (2.8)

We set $\rho = \{(\lambda, 1), (\bar{\lambda}, -1)\} \in \mathcal{I}$ and write $\tau_\lambda$ and $\tau_{\bar{\lambda}}$ for the Artin symbols of the integral ideals $(\lambda)$ and $(\bar{\lambda})$ of $K$ in $\mathcal{G}$, respectively. Since $B_p(k) = \lambda^k - \bar{\lambda}^k$, the measure

$$\theta_\rho = \tau_\lambda - \tau_{\bar{\lambda}}$$

satisfies the first condition of the lemma. For the second condition, we fix a topological generator $\gamma$ of $\Gamma$, and write $\tau_\lambda|_\Gamma = \gamma^a$ and $\tau_{\bar{\lambda}}|_\Gamma = \gamma^b$ with $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_2$. The congruences (2.8) imply that $a \in 2\mathbb{Z}_2$ and $b \not\in 2\mathbb{Z}_2$. Hence we have

$$\tau_\lambda|_\Gamma - \tau_{\bar{\lambda}}|_\Gamma = \gamma^a(1 - \gamma^{b-a})$$

where $\gamma^a$ is a unit in $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\Gamma)$, and $(1 - \gamma^{b-a}) = (1 - \gamma)u$ with $u$ a unit in $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\Gamma)$. □

3. **Vanishing of the $\mu$-invariant for the $p$-adic $L$-function**

We have constructed the $p$-adic $L$-function $\nu_{\chi}$ in Theorem 2.5 for each $\chi \in G^*$. Since we deal with the Iwasawa module $X(H_\infty)$, not $X(F_\infty)$, we define a related pseudo-measure on $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$ by using the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let $\delta$ be the generator of $\Delta = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/H_\infty)$. We have $(1 + \delta)\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\mathcal{G}) = (1 + \delta)\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K))$.

**Proof.** Since $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{I}_p[\Delta]|[[\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)]]$, it suffices to prove that $(1 + \delta)\mathcal{I}_p[\Delta] = (1 + \delta)\mathcal{I}_p$. Indeed, if $a + b\delta \in \mathcal{I}_p[\Delta]$, then $(1 + \delta)(a + b\delta) = (1 + \delta)(a + b) \in (1 + \delta)\mathcal{I}_p$. □

Hence there exists an $\mathcal{I}_p$-valued pseudo-measure $m_\chi$ on $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$ such that

$$(3.1) \quad (1 + \delta)\nu_{\chi} = (1 + \delta)m_\chi.$$ 

We define the $p$-adic $L$-function of $\chi$ by

$$L_p(s, \chi) = \int_{\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)} \kappa^s dm_\chi, \ s \in \mathbb{Z}_2,$$

where $\kappa$ is the natural isomorphism of $\text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$ onto $1 + 2^2\mathbb{Z}_2$ with $\gamma \mapsto u$, and we view such a function on $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$ via the natural surjection from $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$
to $\text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$. It is well-known that this function is an Iwasawa function, i.e.
there exists a formal power series $G_p(\chi; w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$ such that

$$G_p(\chi; u^s - 1) / (u^s - 1)^e = L_p(s, \chi)$$

where $e = 0$ or 1, according as $\chi \neq 1$ or $\chi = 1$. The aim of this section is to prove
the vanishing of the $\mu$-invariant of $m_\chi$, or equivalently,

**Theorem 3.2.** For each $\chi \in G^*$, the formal power series $G_p(\chi; w)$ is prime to 2,
 i.e. the $\mu$-invariant of $G_p(\chi; w)$ vanishes.

We remark that this vanishing theorem has recently been proven in [18], but in
the present paper we will clarify it for our situation. We will use the idea of Sinnott
[19] and Schneps [17]. Let $\omega$ be the Teichmüller character on $\mathbb{Z}_2^\times$, and for each
$x \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\times$, let $(x) = x/\omega(x)$. Given a formal power series $F(w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$, we associate
it to a measure $m_F$ via Mahler’s theorem (2.7). Then there exists a formal power series
$\mathcal{L}(F)(w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_2^\times} \langle x \rangle^s dm_F(x) = \mathcal{L}(F)(u^s - 1), \ s \in \mathbb{Z}_2.$$  

The $\mu$-invariant of a formal power series $F(w)$ and that of $m_F$ are both denoted by
$\mu(F)$. Recall that $\beta_v : \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^v$ is the isomorphism of formal groups. Recall also
that $\mathcal{O}_v$ is the ring of integers of $H_v$.

**Lemma 3.3** (Elliptic analogue of Theorem 1 of [19]). Let $F(w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$ be a
formal power series of the form $F(w) = f(\beta_v(w))$, where $f$ is a rational function
on $A$ with coefficients in $\mathcal{O}_v$. Then we have

$$\mu(\mathcal{L}(F)) = \mu(\tilde{F} + \tilde{F} \circ (-1)),$$

where

$$\tilde{F}(w) = F(w) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\zeta \in \{ \pm 1 \}} F(\zeta(1 + w) - 1), \ (F \circ (-1))(w) = F((1 + w)^{-1} - 1).$$

**Proof.** Firstly, we may assume that $\tilde{F} = F$ and $F \circ (-1) = F$. Indeed, we put
$F' = \tilde{F} + \tilde{F} \circ (-1)$. If the lemma holds for $F'$ then it holds for $F$, since

$$\mathcal{L}(F') = 2\mathcal{L}(F), \ \tilde{F}' + \tilde{F}' \circ (-1) = 2\mathcal{L}(F) = 2(\tilde{F} + \tilde{F} \circ (-1)).$$

Moreover, we may also assume that $\mu(F) = 0$. Indeed, replacing $f$ by $\pi^{-t} f$, where
$\pi$ is a uniformizer of $H_v$, both $\mu$-invariants are decreased by $t$. Hence we have to show
that $\mu(\mathcal{L}(F)) = 1$.

By (3.3), we have

$$\mathcal{L}(F)(u^s - 1) = 2 \int_{1+2^s\mathbb{Z}_2} x^s dm_F(x) = 2G(u^s - 1)$$

where $G(w)$ is the formal power series associated to $m_F|_{1+2^s\mathbb{Z}_2}$. Since the
characteristic function of $1 + 2^s\mathbb{Z}_2$ is given by $1_{1+2^s\mathbb{Z}_2}(u) = 1/4 \sum_{i=1}^{4} \zeta_4^{(1-u)i}$ with $\zeta_4$ a
primitive 4-th root of unity, we have $G(w) = g(\beta_v(w))$ where $g$ is a rational function
on $A$ given by

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} \zeta_4^{-i} f(t + t_i), \ t_i = \beta_v(\zeta_4^i - 1),$$

with coefficients in the ring of integers of $H_v(A_4)$. We denote by $\pi'$ a uniformizer
of $H_v(A_4)$. 
Assume that \( g \equiv 0 \mod \pi' \), i.e. \( \mu(G) > 0 \). Clearly, we have \( \mu(G \circ (\cdot)) > 0 \). By the first assertion, it is easily seen that \( m_F = m_F|_{\mathbb{Z}_2^*} \) and that \( G \circ (\cdot) \) is associated to \( m_F|_{-1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2^*} \). But then

\[
m_F = m_F|_{\mathbb{Z}_2^*} = m_F|_{1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2} + m_F|_{-1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2}
\]

has positive \( \mu \)-invariant, which contradicts the second assumption that \( \mu(F) = 0 \). Hence we have \( \mu(G) = 0 \) and then \( \mu(\mathcal{F}(F)) = 1 \).

\[\square\]

**Lemma 3.4.** For each \( \chi \in G^* \), we have

\[
2G_p(\chi; w) = \mathcal{L} \left( \sum_{a \in \mathcal{E}} \chi(\sigma_a)(\omega^{-1} \ast \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}) \right) (u^{-1}(1 + w) - 1) \cdot u_\chi(w)
\]

where \( u_\chi(w) \) is a unit in \( \mathcal{I}_p[[w]] \). Here, \( \omega \) is the Teichmüller character on \( \mathbb{Z}_2^* \) and \( \omega^{-1} \ast F \) denotes the formal power series associated to the measure \( \omega^{-1} \cdot m_F \).

**Proof.** By (3.1) it is easy to check that

\[
\int_{\mathcal{G}} \kappa(\sigma)^s \nu_\chi(\sigma) = 2L_p(s, \chi).
\]

On the other hand, we recall that \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}(w) \) is the formal power series associated to \( \nu_{\rho,a} \), i.e. \( m_{\mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}} = \nu_{\rho,a} \). Hence we have

\[
\int_{\mathcal{G}} \kappa(\sigma)^s \nu_\chi(\sigma) = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{E}} \chi(\sigma_a) \int_{\mathcal{G}} \kappa(\sigma)^s dm_{\mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}}(\sigma)
\]

\[
= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2^*} \langle x \rangle^s dm(\sum_{a \in \mathcal{E}} \chi(\sigma_a) \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}) (x)
\]

\[
= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2^*} \langle x \rangle^{s-1} dm(\sum_{a \in \mathcal{E}} \chi(\sigma_a)(\omega^{-1} \ast \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}))(x).
\]

The proof of the lemma is now complete, since the integral on the measure \( \theta_p \) can be written as \( u_\chi(w)^{-1} \) or \( u_\chi(w)^{-1}w \) according as \( \chi \neq 1 \) or \( \chi = 1 \).

Recall that the formal power series \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}(w) \) is a rational function whose integral power expansion in \( z \) is given by

\[\frac{1}{2} \Omega_\chi \frac{d}{dz} \log \mathcal{I}_{\rho,a}(\eta A(a))(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L})).\]

By our construction, it is clear that \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} = \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \). Moreover, \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \) and \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \circ (\cdot) \) have the same poles, which implies that \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} = \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \circ (\cdot) \). We also note that \( \mu(F) = \mu(\omega \ast F) \). Hence by Lemma 3.3 and Lemma 3.4, the proof of Theorem 3.2 is now complete by the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.5.** For each \( \chi \in G^* \), we have \( \mu \left( \sum_{a \in \mathcal{E}} \chi(\sigma_a) \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \right) = 0 \).

**Proof.** Recall that \( v \) is our fixed prime of \( H \) above \( \mathfrak{p} \). Let \( \tilde{A} \) denote the reduced curve modulo \( v \). It suffices to show that the reduction modulo \( v \) of the function \( \sum_{a \in \mathcal{E}} \chi(\sigma_a) \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \) has some poles on \( A \) with non-zero residue modulo \( v \).

By (3.4), the function \( \mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a} \) can be written as a rational function on \( A \)

\[\frac{1}{2} \Omega_\chi \frac{d}{dz} \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^r R_{\lambda_i,a}(\eta A(a)(P))^{2n_i} \right).\]

As (2.2), we have the relations

\[
R_{\lambda_i,a}(\eta A(a)(P)) = \prod_{W \in A_\mathfrak{p}} R_{\lambda_i}(P \oplus W), \quad R_{\lambda_i,a}(\eta A(a)(P)) = \prod_{U \in A_\mathfrak{p}} R_{\lambda_i}(P \oplus U).
\]
Therefore, (3.5) is equal to
\[
\frac{1}{2} \Omega_v \sum_{i=1}^{r} -2n_i \left( \sum_{W \in A, \lambda_n \in V_i} \frac{-2g(P \oplus W) + a_1 x(P \oplus W) + a_3}{x(P \oplus W) - x(M)} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \Omega_v \sum_{i=1}^{r} n_i \left( \sum_{U \in A_p, \lambda_n \in V_i} \frac{-2g(P \oplus U) + a_1 x(P \oplus U) + a_3}{x(P \oplus U) - x(M)} \right).
\]

We now analyze its possible poles of the reduction of this function on \(\tilde{A}\). For the second term, we see that they could come from the points \(M - U\) for all \(M \in V_i\) and \(U \in A_p\). By the \(t\)-expansions of \(x\) and \(y\), we can easily compute that the residue at each \(M - U\) is equal to \(-n_i \Omega_v\). This is a \(p\)-adic unit because we chose \(n_i = \pm 1\) in the proof of Lemma 2.6. However, as \(A_p\) reduces to zero modulo \(v\), the residue at such a pole on \(\tilde{A}\) is a multiple of 2, and hence reduces to zero modulo \(v\).

For the first term, we note that \(x\) is an even function, in particular \(x(M) = x(-M)\). Thus this term is equal to
\[
-\frac{1}{2} \Omega_v \sum_{i=1}^{r} n_i \left( \sum_{W \in A, \lambda_n \in V_i \setminus \{0\}} \frac{-2g(P \oplus W) + a_1 x(P \oplus W) + a_3}{x(P \oplus W) - x(M)} \right).
\]
Clearly the poles must come from the points \(M - W\) for \(M \in A \setminus \{0\}\) and \(W \in A\). The residue at each \(M - W\) is equal to \(n_i \Omega_v\), which is a \(p\)-adic unit. Since reduction modulo \(v\) is injective on the set of these \(M - W\), each of these \(M - W\) gives a pole of the reduced function on \(\tilde{A}\). Note that as \(i = 1, \ldots, r\), all of these poles on \(\tilde{A}\) are distinct because \(M\) is a non-zero element of \(A\).

Hence the set of poles of the reduction of the function \(D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}\) on \(\tilde{A}\) is given by the reduction modulo \(v\) of
\[
\{M - W \mid M \in A \setminus \{0\}, W \in A\},
\]
and their residues are non-zero modulo \(v\). Clearly the same is true for the sum \(\sum_{a \in \mathbb{C}} \chi(a)D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho,a}\) because each \(\chi(a)\) is an \(h\)-th root of unity and thus a \(p\)-adic unit.

\[\square\]

4. VANISHING OF THE \(\mu\)-INVARIENT FOR \(X(H_\infty)\)

We will show that the Iwasawa invariants of \(X(H_\infty)\) and the \(p\)-adic \(L\)-function \(m\) are equal. As a corollary, Theorem 1.1 follows immediately from Theorem 3.2. This equality is a well-known result (for example, see [10]) for the primes \(p \neq 2\), but it can easily be extended to \(p = 2\) in our case, thanks to our assumptions that 2 splits in \(K\) and \((2, h) = 1\).

For the remainder of this section, we denote by \(\mu\) and \(\lambda\) the \(\mu\)-invariant and the \(\lambda\)-invariant of \(X(H_\infty)\), respectively. Recall that \(\Gamma = \text{Gal}(H_\infty/H)\). For each \(n \geq 0\), we define \(\Gamma_n = \Gamma^p^n\) and \(H_n = H_\infty^{\Gamma_n}\). We write \(M(H_n)\) for the maximal abelian 2-extension of \(H_n\) which is unramified outside of the primes of \(H_n\) above \(p\). Then it is easily seen that the \(\Gamma_n\)-coinvariants of \(X(H_\infty)\) is given by
\[
X(H_\infty)\Gamma_n = \text{Gal}(M(H_n)/H_\infty).
\]
We have the following asymptotic formula of Iwasawa
\[
\text{ord}_2([M(H_n):H_\infty]) = 2^n \mu + \lambda n + c, \quad n \gg 0,
\]
where \(c \in \mathbb{Z}\) is a constant independent of \(n\). One can compute this \(2\)-adic valuation using the methods of Coates and Wiles [7]. Let \(\mathfrak{P}\) be any prime of \(H_n\) lying above \(p\), and let \(U_{n,\mathfrak{P}}\) denote the group of principal units of the completion \(H_{n,\mathfrak{P}}\).
Let \( L \) be the group of units of \( H_n \). As \( E_n \) is canonically embedded into \( U_n \), let \( \mathcal{E}_n \) be the \( \mathbb{Z}_2 \)-submodule of \( U_n \) generated by \( E_n \), and let \( D_n \) be the \( \mathbb{Z}_2 \)-submodule of \( U_n \) generated by \( E_n \) and \((1 + 2^m)\). Let \( R_p(H_n) \) denote the \( p \)-adic regulator of \( H_n/K \). Let \( \Delta(H_n/K) \) denote the discriminant of \( H_n/K \), and choose any generator \( \Delta_p(H_n/K) \) of the ideal \( \Delta(H_n/K)\mathcal{O}_p \).

**Theorem 4.1.** We have

\[
\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \frac{b(H_n)R_p(H_n)}{\omega(H_n)\sqrt{\Delta_p(H_n/K)}} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|p} (1 - (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1}) \right) + n + 2
\]

where \( b(H_n) \) is the class number of \( H_n \), \( \omega(H_n) \) is the number of roots of unity in \( H_n \), and \( N\mathfrak{P} \) is the absolute norm of \( \mathfrak{P} \).

**Proof.** Let \( C_n \) denote the idèle class group of \( H_n \). Let \( Y_n = \bigcap_{m \geq n} N_{H_n/H_n}C_m \). Let \( L(H_n) \) be the maximal unramified extension of \( H_n \) in \( M(H_n) \). Class field theory gives an isomorphism

\[
(Y_n \cap U_n)/\mathcal{E}_n \cong \text{Gal}(M(H_n)/L(H_n)H_\infty).
\]

Noting that \( L(H_n) \cap H_\infty = H_n \) because \( H_\infty/H_n \) is totally ramified at \( \mathfrak{P} \), we obtain an exact sequence

\[
0 \rightarrow (Y_n \cap U_n)/\mathcal{E}_n \rightarrow \text{Gal}(M(H_n)/H_\infty) \rightarrow \text{Gal}(L(H_n)/H_n) \rightarrow 0.
\]

It is easy to check (see Lemma 5 and 6 of [7]) that \( Y_n \cap U_n = \text{Ker}(N_{\mathfrak{P}n/Kp}\mid U_n) \) and \( \mathcal{E}_n = \text{Ker}(N_{\mathfrak{P}n/Kp}\mid D_n) \), which follows that \([Y_n \cap U_n : \mathcal{E}_n] = [U_n : D_n]\). Using methods analogous to Lemma 7 and Lemma 8 of [7], one can obtain

\[
[U_n : D_n] = \text{ord}_2 \left( \frac{R_p(H_n)}{\omega(H_n)\sqrt{\Delta_p(H_n/K)}} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|p} (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1} \right) + n + 2.
\]

The theorem now follows on noting \( \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|p} (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1} \) and \( \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|p} (1 - (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1}) \) have the same order, and that \( \text{Gal}(L(H_n)/H_n) \) is the 2-primary part of the ideal class group of \( H_n \).

We now begin the computation of the Iwasawa invariants of our \( p \)-adic \( L \)-function \( m \). Given \( n \geq 0 \), let \( \epsilon \) be a non-trivial character of \( \text{Gal}(H_n/K) \), say \( \epsilon = \chi \theta \), where \( \chi \) is a character of \( G \) and \( \theta \) is a character of \( \text{Gal}(H_n/H) \). Let \( f_\epsilon \) denote the conductor of \( \epsilon \) with \((f_\epsilon) = \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon \cap \mathbb{Z} \). As before, we define

\[
L_{p.f_\epsilon}(s, \epsilon) = \int_{\text{Gal}(H_n/K)} \epsilon^{-1}\delta^{s}\ dm
\]

where \( m \) is the \( p \)-adic \( L \)-function defined in the previous section.

For each \( n \geq 0 \), we denote by \( \mathfrak{C}_n \) a set of integral ideals \( \mathfrak{a} \) of \( K \) prime to \( p,q \), whose Artin symbols \( \tau_\mathfrak{a} \) give precisely the Galois group \( G = \text{Gal}(H_n/K) \). For the convention, we take \( \mathfrak{C}_0 = \mathfrak{C} \). For \( \mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}_n \), we denote by \( \delta(\mathfrak{a}) \) the Siegel unit as defined in II.2.2 of [10]. We also denote by \( \varphi_{f_\epsilon}(\mathfrak{a}) \) the Robert's invariant as defined in II.2.6 of [10]. Then we put

\[
G(\epsilon) = \frac{\delta(p^m)}{2^m} \sum_{\tau} \chi(\tau)(\tau(\zeta_m))^{-1}
\]

where the sum runs over \( \tau \in \text{Gal}(H_nK(p^\infty)/K) \) with \( \tau|_{K(p^\infty)} = (p^m,K(p^\infty)/K) \), \( m \) is an integer such that \( p^m \parallel f_\epsilon \), and \( \zeta_m \) is a primitive \( p^m \)-th root of unity. Define
also
\[
S(\epsilon) = \begin{cases} 
\sum_{a \in \mathbb{Z}_n} \epsilon(a) \log(\varphi_t(a)) & \text{if } f_\epsilon \neq 1 \\
\frac{1}{\varphi_t} \sum_{a \in \mathbb{Z}_n} \epsilon(a) \log(\delta(a)) & \text{if } f_\epsilon = 1.
\end{cases}
\]

Then, following the methods of [10, Theorem II.5.2], we obtain
\[
L_{p, f_\epsilon}(0, \epsilon) = \frac{-1}{2f_\epsilon \omega_\epsilon} G(\epsilon^{-1}) S(\epsilon) \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^{-1}(p)}{2} \right)
\]
where \( \omega_\epsilon \) denotes the number of roots of unity in \( K \) congruent to 1 modulo \( f_\epsilon \).

On the other hand, the analytic class number formula, together with Kronecker’s theorem (see §0.2.7, §1.2.2 and §IV.3.9 (6) of [20]), gives
\[
\frac{h(H_n) R_p(H_n)}{\omega(H_n)} = \frac{h R_p(K)}{\omega(K)} \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} S(\epsilon) \frac{1}{2f_\epsilon \omega_\epsilon} \prod_{p \mid p} (1 - (Np\mathbb{Z})^{-1})
\]
Clearly, \( R_p(K) = 1 \) and \( \omega(K) = 2 \). Thus, by Theorem 4.1, we have
\[
\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_p(H_n/K)}} \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} S(\epsilon) \frac{1}{12f_\epsilon \omega_\epsilon} \prod_{p \mid p} (1 - (Np\mathbb{Z})^{-1}) \right) + n + 1.
\]
Furthermore, we have \( \prod_{p \mid p} (1 - (Np\mathbb{Z})^{-1}) = \frac{1}{2} \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^{-1}(p)}{2} \right) \), and the conductor-discriminant formula gives that \( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} G(\epsilon) \) is \( \Delta_p(H_n/K)^{-1/2} \) up to a \( p \)-adic unit.

It follows that
\[
\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} L_{p, f_\epsilon}(0, \epsilon) \right) + n.
\]

Define as before \( G_p(\epsilon; w) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[[w]] \) to be the formal power series associated to \( L_{p, f}(s, \epsilon) \). In particular, we have
\[
L_{p, f}(0, \epsilon) = G_p(\epsilon; 0) = (\theta^{-1}(u) - 1)^{-\epsilon} G_p(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1)
\]
where \( \epsilon = 0 \) or \( 1 \) according as \( \chi \neq 1 \) or \( \chi = 1 \) and \( u \) is a fixed topological generator of \( 1 + 4\mathbb{Z}_2 \).

Noting that \( \text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\theta \neq 1} (\theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right) = n \), we obtain
\[
(4.3) \quad \text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} G_p(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right).
\]

For each \( \chi \in G^* \), we denote by \( \mu_\chi \) and \( \lambda_\chi \) the \( \mu \)-invariant and \( \lambda \)-invariant of \( G_p(\chi; w) \), respectively. We define \( \mu^a_n = \sum_{\chi \in G} \mu_\chi \) and \( \lambda^a_n = \sum_{\chi \in G} \lambda_\chi \). For sufficiently large \( n \), Theorem 3.2 tells us that \( \text{ord}_2 \left( G_p(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right) = \text{ord}_2 \left( (\theta^{-1}(u) - 1)^{\lambda_\chi} \right) \), and hence
\[
\text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} G_p(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right) = \lambda^a_n + c'
\]
where \( c' \in \mathbb{Z} \) is a constant independent of \( n \). By (4.1) and (4.3), we conclude that
\[
\mu = \mu^a_n = 0, \quad \lambda = \lambda^a_n, \quad c = c'.
\]
This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.
5. Numerical Examples for the Prime $q < 500$

Before giving numerical examples for $X(H_{\infty})$, we point out the following well-known general lemma.

**Lemma 5.1.** Let $K$ be an imaginary quadratic field, and $p$ any rational prime which splits in $K$ and does not divide the class number of $K$. Let $K_{\infty}$ be the unique $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension of $K$ unramified outside one of the primes $p$ of $K$ above $p$. Then $K_{\infty}$ has no non-trivial abelian $p$-extension unramified outside the primes above $p$.

**Proof.** In a similar notation to that used for the case $p = 2$, let $X(K_{\infty})$ be the Galois group over $K_{\infty}$ of the maximal abelian $p$-extension of $K_{\infty}$ unramified outside the primes above $p$. Then, as usual in Iwasawa theory, we have $X(K_{\infty}) = \text{Gal}(R/K_{\infty})$ where $R$ denotes the maximal abelian $p$-extension which is unramified outside $p$. Thus $R$ must be the maximal pro-$p$ extension of $K$ contained in the union of the ray class fields of $K$ modulo $p^n$ for all $n \geq 1$. Thus, as $p$ does not divide $h$, class field theory tells us that $\text{Gal}(R/K)$ must be the maximal pro-$p$ quotient of \[ \lim_{\leftarrow n} \left( \mathcal{O}/p^n \right)^{\times}/\{\pm 1\} \] which is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}_p$. Thus $R = K_{\infty}$, and the proof of the lemma is complete by Nakayama's lemma. \hfill \Box

Clearly, the assumption of the above lemma is valid for our situation when $p = 2$ and $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$ with $q$ any prime congruent to 7 modulo 8. The simplest example is given by $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$, which has class number 1, in which case $X(H_{\infty}) = X(K_{\infty}) = 0$. Somewhat surprisingly, the numerical calculations below show that we seem to quite often have $X(H_{\infty}) = 0$ for arbitrary primes $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$. However, we point out that when 2 divides the class number of $H$, it is easily seen that we must necessarily have $X(H_{\infty}) \neq 0$, and therefore of infinite order. Andrzej Dabrowski has kindly informed us that 2 does divide the class number of $H$ for the primes $q = 751$, $q = 1367$ and $q = 1399$.

We give a list of numerical examples for the primes $q < 500$. By using SAGE calculation, we obtain the class numbers of $K$ and $H$ and the $p$-adic regulator $R_p = R_p(H/K)$ for $H/K$. By Theorem 4.1, we then obtain the index $[M(H) : H_{\infty}]$. Recall that $M(H)$ denotes the maximal abelian 2-extension of $H$ which is unramified outside the primes of $H$ lying above $p$. If we have $[M(H) : H_{\infty}] = 0$, Nakayama’s lemma implies immediately that $X(H_{\infty}) = 0$. We note that the prime $q = 431$ is the first example in which $X(H_{\infty}) \neq 0$.

| $q$ | $h(K)$ | $h(H)$ | $\text{ord}_2(R_p)$ | $\text{ord}_2([M(H) : H_{\infty}])$ |
|-----|--------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 7   | 1      | 1      | 0                   | 0                                 |
| 23  | 3      | 1      | 2                   | 0                                 |
| 31  | 3      | 1      | 2                   | 0                                 |
| 47  | 5      | 1      | 4                   | 0                                 |
| 71  | 7      | 1      | 6                   | 0                                 |
| 79  | 5      | 1      | 4                   | 0                                 |
| 103 | 5      | 1      | 4                   | 0                                 |
| 127 | 5      | 1      | 4                   | 0                                 |
| 151 | 7      | 1      | 6                   | 0                                 |
| 167 | 11     | 1      | 10                  | 0                                 |
| 191 | 13     | 1      | 12                  | 0                                 |
| 199 | 9      | 1      | 8                   | 0                                 |
| 223 | 7      | 1      | 6                   | 0                                 |
| 239 | 15     | 1      | 14                  | 0                                 |
| 263 | 13     | 1      | 12                  | 0                                 |
For example, when $q = 23$, by SAGE calculation we obtain $H = Q(\alpha)$ where
\[\alpha^5 - 3\alpha^5 + 5\alpha^4 - 5\alpha^3 + 5\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 1 = 0.\]

The two fundamental units are then given by
\[\alpha^5 - 2\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 - \alpha^2 + 2\alpha, \quad \alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 + 3\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2,\]
and the $p$-adic regulator $R_p$ is given by
\[2^2 + 2^4 + 2^6 + 2^7 + 2^8 + 2^9 + 2^{10} + 2^{13} + 2^{17} + 2^{20} + O(2^{23}).\]

6. Proof of Corollary 1.2 and Theorem 1.3

Finally, we give simple proofs that Theorem 1.1 implies Corollary 1.2 and Theorem 1.3. For the corollary, let $J/H$ be any quadratic extension and let $J_\infty = JK\infty$. Define $\Delta = \text{Gal}(J_\infty/H_\infty)$. If $\Delta$ is trivial, then $J \subseteq H_\infty$, and so there is nothing more to prove. Hence we may assume that $\Delta$ is cyclic of order 2. The group ring $\mathbb{Z}_2[\Delta]$ is then a commutative local ring with maximal ideal $m$ generated by $2$ and $\delta - 1$, where $\delta$ denotes the non-trivial element of $\Delta$. We will use Nakayama’s lemma which asserts that, for any $\mathbb{Z}_2[\Delta]$-module $M$, if there are elements $x_1, \ldots, x_m \in M$ whose images in $M/mM$ generate $M/mM$ over $\mathbb{F}_2$, then they generate $M$ itself over $\mathbb{Z}_2$. We note that, by maximality, $M(J_\infty)$ is clearly Galois over $K_\infty$. We have an exact sequence
\[0 \longrightarrow X(J_\infty) \longrightarrow \text{Gal}(M(J_\infty)/H_\infty) \longrightarrow \Delta \longrightarrow 0.\]

Thus, as usual, $\Delta$ acts on $X(J_\infty)$ by inner automorphisms. In particular, it follows from this action that
\[(6.1) \quad X(J_\infty)/(\delta - 1)X(J_\infty) = \text{Gal}(R/J_\infty)\]
where $R$ denotes the maximal abelian extension of $H_\infty$ contained in $M(J_\infty)$. Our claim is that, under the hypothesis that $X(H_\infty)$ is a finitely generated $\mathbb{Z}_2$-module, $\text{Gal}(R/J_\infty)$ is a finitely generated $\mathbb{Z}_2$-module. It follows that $X(J_\infty)/mX(J_\infty)$ is a finite dimensional vector space over $\mathbb{F}_2$, and hence, by Nakayama’s lemma, $X(J_\infty)$ is a finitely generated $\mathbb{Z}_2$-module.

Let $S$ be the set of all primes of $H_\infty$, which do not lie above $p$, and which are ramified in $J_\infty$. If $S = \emptyset$, $J_\infty$ is contained in $M(H_\infty)$, in particular $M(J_\infty) = M(H_\infty)$, and hence there is nothing to prove. Otherwise, the set $S$ is finite. This is because, by a basic elementary property of the $\mathbb{Z}_2$-extension $K_\infty/K$, there are only finitely many primes of $K_\infty$ lying above each prime of $K$, and thus the same is true for the primes of $H_\infty$ lying above a prime of $H$. Hence, as there are only finitely many primes of $H$ which ramifies in $J$, it follows that $S$ is finite. Moreover, the inertia subgroup in $\text{Gal}(R/H_\infty)$ of each prime in $S$ must be of order 2.
let \( R' \) be the fixed field of the subgroup of \( \text{Gal}(R/H_\infty) \) generated by the inertia subgroups of all primes in \( S \). Obviously, we have

\[
[R : R'] \leq 2^{|S|}\tag{6.2}
\]

and \( \text{Gal}(R/R') \) is annihilated by 2. But \( R'/H_\infty \) is an abelian 2-extension which is unramified outside \( p \), and therefore we have \( R' \subset M(H_\infty) \). Hence, by our hypothesis and (6.2), \( \text{Gal}(R/H_\infty) \) is a finitely generated \( \mathbb{Z}_2 \)-module, and so is \( \text{Gal}(R/J_\infty) \).

This completes the proof of Corollary 1.2.

For Theorem 1.3, let \( F \) and \( F_\infty \) be the fields defined as in (1.4). Then again the same classical argument (cf. the proof of Lemma 2.1 of [3]) shows that \( E \) has good reduction everywhere over \( F \). By Corollary 1.2, the Galois group \( X(F_\infty) \) is a finitely generated torsion module over the Iwasawa algebra \( \Lambda(\Gamma) \) of \( \Gamma = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F) \).

Hence, followed by classical arguments (for example, see [4]), one can easily obtain

\[
S_p(E/F_\infty) = \text{Hom}(X(F_\infty), E_p) \leq \text{Hom}(X(E/F_\infty), E_p).\tag{6.3}
\]

Then Theorem 1.3 clearly follows immediately from Corollary 1.2.

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