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- These modules are defined over certain infinite Galois extensions of \mathbb{Q} .

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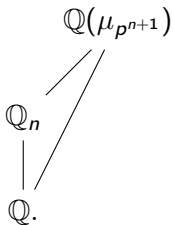
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- Let \mathbb{Q}_n be the subfield of $\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^{n+1}})$ such that $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_n/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}/p^n$ as depicted



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- The field \mathbb{Q}_{cyc} is taken to be the union

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}} := \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{Q}_n.$$

The Galois group $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}}/\mathbb{Q})$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_p .

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- Iwasawa showed that there are invariants $\mu, \lambda, \nu \geq 0$ such that

$$\#\mathcal{A}_n = p^{\mu p^n + \lambda n + \nu}$$

for large values of n .

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- He showed that \mathcal{A}_∞ is a finitely generated torsion $\mathbb{Z}_p[[x]]$ -module and his theorem is a consequence of the structure theory of such modules.

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- They studied the variation of Selmer groups as one goes up the tower.

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- The group $E[p^\infty]$ is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)^2$ equipped with an action of $\text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$.

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- For each number field extension F of \mathbb{Q} , the Selmer group $\text{Sel}_{p^\infty}(E/F)$ consists of Galois cohomology classes

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satisfying suitable local conditions.

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- It fits into a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow E(F) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \text{Sel}_{p^\infty}(E/F) \rightarrow \text{III}(E/F)[p^\infty] \rightarrow 0.$$

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- The Pontryagin dual $\mathfrak{M}_\infty := \text{Hom}_{\text{cnts}}(\text{Sel}_{p^\infty}(E/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}}), \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)$ is a finitely generated and torsion $\Lambda \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p[[x]]$ module.

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- The μ and λ invariants are as follows

$$\mu_E := \sum_j \mu_j \text{ and } \lambda_E := \sum_j \deg f_j(x).$$

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- When $E(\mathbb{Q})$ is infinite, there is a generalization of the above definition and this generalized Euler characteristic is denoted $\chi_t(\Gamma, E)$.

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- Here, $R_p(E/\mathbb{Q})$ is the p -adic regulator and $\tau(E) := \prod c_l$ is the Tamagawa product.

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- Greenberg and Vatsal showed that if E_1 and E_2 are p -congruent, then the Iwasawa invariants μ and λ for E_1 can be related to the Iwasawa invariants μ and λ for E_2 .

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- This is not true, for instance, $E_1 = 37a1$, $E_2 = 1406g1$ are both rank 1 elliptic curves and congruent mod-5. However, computations show that

$$\chi_t(\Gamma, E_1) = 1 \text{ and } \chi_t(\Gamma, E_2) = 5^2.$$

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- Set $\Phi_{\Sigma_0}(E_i)$ to be the product of local L -factors $\prod_{l \in \Sigma_0} L_l(E_i, 1)^{-1}$.

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- 2 Suppose that $\text{rank } E_1(\mathbb{Q}) < \text{rank } E_2(\mathbb{Q})$. Then, we have that

$$\Phi_{\Sigma_0}(E_1) \times \chi_t(\Gamma, E_1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}.$$

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- The Euler characteristic $\chi_t(\Gamma, E_i)$ modulo p is detected by the p -torsion

$$\text{Sel}(E_i/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}})[p] \subset \text{Sel}(E_i/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}}).$$

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- It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Sel}(E_1/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}})[p] \\ & \simeq \text{Sel}(E_1[p]/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}}) \\ & \simeq \text{Sel}(E_2[p]/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}}) \\ & \simeq \text{Sel}(E_2/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}})[p]. \end{aligned}$$

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- One needs to modify the Selmer groups to account for the auxiliary primes Σ_0 ;

$$\text{Sel}^{\Sigma_0}(E_i/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}})[p] \simeq \text{Sel}^{\Sigma_0}(E_i[p]/\mathbb{Q}_{\text{cyc}})$$

and this is where the auxiliary factors $\prod_{l \in \Sigma_0} L_l(E_i, 1)^{-1}$ come from.

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