

L-INDISTINGUISHABILITY ON EIGENVARIETIES

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Abstract In this article, we construct examples of L -indistinguishable overconvergent eigenforms for an inner form of SL_2 .

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this article is to show the existence of points on eigenvarieties for an inner form of SL_2 , whose associated systems of Hecke eigenvalues come from classical automorphic representations of an inner form of GL_2 , but which are *not classical* themselves, in the sense that there are no classical forms for these systems of Hecke eigenvalues in the corresponding spaces of overconvergent forms. By construction there are *overconvergent* forms giving rise to these points. For each such point we also construct a twin on a different eigenvariety which is classical. The overconvergent non-classical form f on the first eigenvariety and the classical form g on the second eigenvariety are L -indistinguishable in the sense that they give rise to the same Galois representation. Although there is no definition of a global p -adic L -packet, our results suggest that, for any future definition, f and g should lie in the same L -packet.

We describe our results in more detail: let B/\mathbb{Q} be a definite quaternion algebra and denote by S_B the set of primes where B ramifies. Let \tilde{G} be the algebraic group over \mathbb{Q} defined by the units B^* and G the subgroup of elements of reduced norm one. Fix a prime $p \notin S_B$ and a finite extension E/\mathbb{Q}_p .

For S a finite set of places which includes p and S_B , we have a Hecke algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S := \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{ur,S} \otimes_E \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_p$ for \tilde{G} , which is the product of the spherical Hecke algebras at all places not in S and an Atkin–Lehner algebra at p , and an analogue \mathcal{H}_S for G . Any idempotent $\tilde{e} = \otimes \tilde{e}_l \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$, such that $\tilde{e}_l = \mathbf{1}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)}$ for all $l \notin S$, gives rise to an eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$ of idempotent type \tilde{e} , whose underlying set of points embeds

$$\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \tilde{\mathcal{W}}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p),$$

where $\tilde{\mathcal{W}} = \mathrm{Hom}_{cts}((\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2, \mathbb{G}_m)$ denotes the usual weight space. If $e \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ is an idempotent with the same set S of bad places, we have an eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(e)$ of idempotent

type e for G , whose underlying set of points embeds

$$\mathcal{D}(e)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \hookrightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \mathcal{W}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p),$$

for the corresponding weight space $\mathcal{W} = \text{Hom}_{cts}(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \mathbb{G}_m)$. There are natural maps

$$\mathcal{H}_S \hookrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{W}} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}.$$

Definition (Definition 5.1). A point z on an eigenvariety of idempotent type is called *classical*, if there is a classical automorphic eigenform in the corresponding space of overconvergent forms, whose system of Hecke eigenvalues is that defined by z .

Let $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ be an algebraic automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ associated to a Größencharacter $\tilde{\theta}$ of an imaginary quadratic field L . Assume that p splits in L . Then such a representation gives rise to two points on $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$ for a suitable idempotent $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), E)$, one which is ordinary and one which is of critical slope.

Let \tilde{x} be the point of critical slope and consider its image in $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \mathcal{W}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ under the composite of the maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \tilde{\mathcal{W}}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \\ & \searrow \phi & \downarrow \\ & & \text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \mathcal{W}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p), \end{array}$$

which we denote by ϕ .

Our main theorem is the following.

Theorem (Theorem 4.3). *There exist automorphic representations $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ as above together with idempotents $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ and $e_1, e_2 \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$, such that, using the above notation, the image $\phi(\tilde{x})$ of the critical slope refinement \tilde{x} of $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ lifts to a non-classical point on the eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(e_1)$ and to a classical point on $\mathcal{D}(e_2)$.*

The proof of the theorem uses a p -adic version of a Labesse–Langlands transfer proved by the author in [10]. The representations $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ and the idempotents e_1 and e_2 are constructed in such a way, that each e_i sees exactly one member of the L -packet $\Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta}))$, i.e., for $i = 1, 2$ there exists a unique element $\pi_i \in \Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta}))$ such that $e_i(\pi_i)_f^p \neq 0$. Moreover $m(\pi_1)$, the multiplicity of π_1 in the automorphic spectrum of G , is zero and π_2 is automorphic. In particular, this implies that $\phi(\tilde{x})$ lifts to $\mathcal{D}(e_2)$. In order to show that it also lifts to $\mathcal{D}(e_1)$, the crucial point is that in a neighbourhood of \tilde{x} we can find many points associated to automorphic representations that do not come from a Größencharacter. These automorphic representations of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ give rise to stable L -packets of G and therefore their images under ϕ all lift to $\mathcal{D}(e_1)$.

By construction, points on eigenvarieties give rise to systems of Hecke eigenvalues occurring in spaces of overconvergent automorphic forms. So in particular the theorem shows the existence of an overconvergent eigenform f of tame level e_1 , whose system of Hecke eigenvalues ψ_f comes from a classical automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$.

The multiplicity formulae of Labesse and Langlands rule out that there is a classical eigenform for ψ_f of the same tame level. On the other hand, the point on $\mathcal{D}(e_2)$ comes from a classical form, say g . The associated Galois representations ρ_f and ρ_g agree as the systems of \mathcal{H}_S -eigenvalues for f and g are the same. In this sense the two forms are L -indistinguishable.

Notation. Fix embeddings $\iota_\infty : \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $\iota_p : \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ as well as a finite extension E/\mathbb{Q}_p with ring of integers \mathcal{O}_E and an embedding $E \subset \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$. For a number field K we denote by $G_K := \text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K)$ the absolute Galois group of an algebraic closure of K . For a finite set S of places of K , let $G_{K,S}$ be the Galois group of a maximal extension of K that is unramified outside S , and for $v \notin S$, let $\text{Frob}_v \in G_{K,S}$ denote a representative of the geometric Frobenius at v .

We will frequently choose idempotents $e \in C_c^\infty(H(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ where H is equal to either \tilde{G} or to G . We will always assume that E is chosen big enough so that $\iota_p \circ e$ takes values in E . We ease notation by dropping the embeddings from the notation when it is obvious, e.g., for a complex representation π_f^p of $H(\mathbb{A}_f^p)$ we write $e \cdot \pi_f^p$ instead of $(\iota_\infty \circ e) \cdot \pi_f^p$. Furthermore we assume that the idempotents we consider are given as a tensor product of local idempotents $e_l \in C_c^\infty(H(\mathbb{Q}_l), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$, where $e_l = \mathbf{1}_{H(\mathbb{Z}_l)}$ for almost all l . We denote by $S(e)$ the minimal finite set of finite primes containing S_B and p , such that $e_l = \mathbf{1}_{H(\mathbb{Z}_l)}$ for all $l \notin S(e)$.

For a rigid analytic space X defined over E , any point is defined over a finite extension of E . We write $X(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) := \bigcup_{E'/E \text{ finite}} X(E')$.

2. Eigenvarieties and a p -adic Labesse–Langlands transfer

Let B, \tilde{G} and G be as in § 1 and let $e := \otimes e_l \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ be an idempotent. Choose $S \supset S(e)$ and define

$$\mathcal{H}_{ur,S} := \bigotimes_{l \notin S} \mathcal{H}_E(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_l), \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)),$$

where $\mathcal{H}_E(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_l), \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l))$ is the algebra under convolution of compactly supported E -valued functions on $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_l)$ that are bi-invariant under $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)$. Denote by I the Iwahori subgroup of $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ given by

$$I := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p) : c \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \right\}.$$

Let

$$\mathcal{H}_S := \mathcal{H}_{ur,S} \otimes_E \mathcal{A}_p$$

be the Hecke algebra, where \mathcal{A}_p is the commutative E -subalgebra of the Iwahori Hecke algebra $\mathcal{H}_E(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p), I)$ generated by the characteristic function on the double coset

$$I \begin{pmatrix} p^{-1} & \\ & p \end{pmatrix} I.$$

We let $\mathcal{W} := \text{Hom}_{cts}(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \mathbb{G}_m)$ be the usual weight space. Using the spaces of overconvergent forms for G as constructed in [9] and Buzzard’s machine, one can attach to this data an eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(e, S)$ of idempotent type e (cf. [4, 9]).

To be precise, one also has to make a choice of a compact operator in the construction, which we fix once and for all to be

$$u_0 := \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{H}_{ur,S}} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{\mathbf{1}_{\binom{p-1}{p}} \mathbf{1}} \in \mathcal{H}_S.$$

The eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(e, S)$ is a rigid analytic space defined over E and it comes equipped with a locally finite (on the source) morphism

$$\omega : \mathcal{D}(e, S) \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$$

and an E -algebra homomorphism

$$\psi : \mathcal{H}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(e, S)).$$

The points of $\mathcal{D}(e, S)$ correspond to finite slope systems of Hecke eigenvalues occurring in the space of overconvergent forms mentioned above. Moreover the map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(e, S)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \mathcal{W}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \\ x &\mapsto (\psi_x(h) := \psi(h)(x), \omega(x)) \end{aligned}$$

is an injection (cf. [1, Lemma 7.2.7]).

Likewise, starting from an idempotent $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$, a set $S \supset S(\tilde{e})$ and an associated Hecke algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{ur,S} \otimes_E \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_p$, we can build an eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}, S)$ of idempotent type \tilde{e} for \tilde{G} . The weight space in this case is $\tilde{\mathcal{W}} := \text{Hom}_{cts}((\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2, \mathbb{G}_m)$. We have natural maps (see [10, §§ 2.2 and 2.3])

$$\begin{aligned} \mu : \tilde{\mathcal{W}} &\longrightarrow \mathcal{W}, \\ \lambda : \mathcal{H}_S &\hookrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S. \end{aligned}$$

In the construction of $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}, S)$ we always choose $\lambda(u_0)$ as the compact operator.

There are natural \mathbb{Q} -structures on the Hecke algebras defined by the subalgebras of \mathbb{Q} -valued functions which we denote by $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{Q},S}, \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{Q},ur,S}$ etc. The monomorphism λ can in fact be defined over \mathbb{Q} (see [10, § 2] for details). In particular, we constructed in [10, Lemma 2.10] an inclusion of \mathbb{Q} -algebras

$$\lambda_{l,\mathbb{Q}} : \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_l), \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_l), \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)).$$

We also refer to [10] for details regarding the construction as well as general properties of the eigenvarieties.

Remark 2.1. There exists a Zariski-dense and accumulation subset

$$Z \subset \mathcal{D}(e, S)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$$

coming from p -refined classical automorphic representations as defined in [10, Definition 3.14]. This is proved as usual (cf. [5, § 6.4.5] and also [10, Proposition 3.9] for a proof of the analogous assertion for \tilde{G} in the same notation) using the fact that forms of small slope are classical and that classical weights are dense in weight space.

Define $t_l \in \mathcal{H}_{ur,S}$, as the characteristic function on the double coset

$$\mathrm{SL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S) \begin{pmatrix} l & 0 \\ 0 & l^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mathrm{SL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S),$$

where $\begin{pmatrix} l & \\ & l^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ is understood to be the matrix in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S) = \prod_{q \neq S} \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_q)$ which is equal to 1 for all $q \neq l$ and equal to $\begin{pmatrix} l & \\ & l^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ at l . Furthermore let

$$h_l := \frac{1}{l} (t_l + 1) \in \mathcal{H}_{ur,S}.$$

Note that h_l is an element of the subalgebra $\mathcal{H}_{ur,S}^0 \subset \mathcal{H}_{ur,S}$ of \mathcal{O}_E -valued functions.

Lemma 2.2. *Let $\mathcal{D}(e, S)$ be an eigenvariety of idempotent type for G . Then there exists a 3-dimensional pseudo-representation*

$$T : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(e, S))$$

such that $T(\mathrm{Frob}_l) = \psi(h_l)$ for all $l \notin S$.

Proof. By the previous remark we have a Zariski-dense subset $Z \subset \mathcal{D}(e, S)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ of classical points. A point $z \in Z$ comes from an algebraic automorphic representation π of $G(\mathbb{A})$ and there is a projective Galois representation

$$\rho_z : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$$

associated to π . Namely, if $\tilde{\pi}$ is any algebraic automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ which is unramified outside S and lifts π , let $\rho(\tilde{\pi}) : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ be the attached Galois representation by Deligne. It has the property that for any $l \notin S$, the characteristic polynomial of $\rho(\tilde{\pi})(\mathrm{Frob}_l)$ is given by $X^2 - T_l(\tilde{\pi})X + lS_l(\tilde{\pi})$, where $T_l(\tilde{\pi}) := \iota_p \circ \iota_\infty^{-1}(\mu_l)$ and μ_l is the eigenvalue of

$$T_l := \mathbf{1}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S)} \begin{pmatrix} l & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S)} \in \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathbb{Q},ur,S}$$

on $(\tilde{\pi}_f^S)^{\mathrm{GL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S)}$ and similarly for $S_l = \mathbf{1}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S)} \begin{pmatrix} l & \\ & l \end{pmatrix}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^S)} \in \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathbb{Q},ur,S}$.

Then

$$\rho_z = \eta \circ \rho(\tilde{\pi}) : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$$

is the composition of $\rho(\tilde{\pi})$ and the natural homomorphism $\eta : \mathrm{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$. There is a monomorphism $\iota : \mathrm{PGL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{GL}_3(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ coming from the adjoint action, which identifies $\mathrm{PGL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ with $\mathrm{SO}_3(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$. Define

$$\sigma_z := \iota \circ \rho_z : G_{\mathbb{Q},S} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_3(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p).$$

Then

$$\sigma_z \cong \mathrm{Sym}^2(\rho(\tilde{\pi})) \otimes \det(\rho(\tilde{\pi}))^{-1}$$

and an easy calculation shows that for all $l \notin S$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Tr}(\sigma_z(\mathrm{Frob}_l)) &= \mathrm{Tr}^2(\rho(\tilde{\pi})(\mathrm{Frob}_l)) / \det(\rho(\tilde{\pi})(\mathrm{Frob}_l)) - 1 \\ &= T_l^2(\tilde{\pi}) / (lS_l(\tilde{\pi})) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

Now an elementary calculation shows that $T_l^2/(lS_l) - 1 = \lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}(h_l)$ and therefore

$$T_l^2(\tilde{\pi})/(lS_l(\tilde{\pi})) - 1 = \psi(h_l)(z).$$

The lemma now follows from [5, Proposition 7.1.1] (see also [10, §3.1.3]), i.e., Hypothesis **H** in [5] is satisfied using the Zariski-dense set $Z \subset \mathcal{D}(e, S)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$, the representations σ_z for $z \in Z$ and the family of functions $\psi(h_l) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(e, S))$. \square

Remark 2.3. In the following, we abbreviate $\mathcal{D}(e) := \mathcal{D}(e, S(e))$ and $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) := \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}, S(\tilde{e}))$.

Below we will often use the so-called *special idempotents* attached to a finite set of Bernstein components. Let F/\mathbb{Q}_l be a finite extension, $H(F)$ the F -points of a reductive group over F . Given a Bernstein component \mathfrak{s} of the category of smooth $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ -representations of $H(F)$, there is an idempotent $e_{\mathfrak{s}} \in C_c^\infty(H(F), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ such that for an irreducible smooth $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ -representation σ of $H(F)$, $e_{\mathfrak{s}} \cdot \sigma \neq 0$ if and only if σ is contained in the Bernstein component \mathfrak{s} . Similarly one can attach an idempotent to a finite set Σ of Bernstein components. We refer to [3, §3] for a nice overview and to [3, Proposition 3.13] for the existence of these so-called special idempotents.

When we choose special idempotents below, we may always assume they take values in $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ as all automorphic representations we deal with in this paper are algebraic and have the property that their finite part is defined over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$.

We also want to remark here that irreducible supercuspidal representations that are in the same Bernstein component differ from each other by a twist by an unramified character. In particular, if two irreducible supercuspidal representations σ and σ' of $SL_2(\mathbb{Q}_l)$ are in the same Bernstein component, then $\sigma \cong \sigma'$.

We use the following notation: Let \mathfrak{s} be the Bernstein component of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{Q}_l)$ defined by a supercuspidal representation $\tilde{\pi}_l$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{Q}_l)$. Then we denote by $\text{Res}_{\tilde{G}}^{\tilde{G}}(\mathfrak{s})$ the finite set of Bernstein components defined by the representations occurring in $\tilde{\pi}_l|_{G(\mathbb{Q}_l)}$. Note that this is well defined.

The classical transfer, by which we just mean the map that attaches to an automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ an L -packet of representations $\Pi(\tilde{\pi})$ of $G(\mathbb{A})$, can be interpolated to maps between suitable eigenvarieties.

Definition 2.4. Two idempotents $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ and $e \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ are called *Langlands compatible* if they satisfy: For any discrete automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ with $\tilde{e} \cdot \tilde{\pi}_f^p \neq 0$ and any $\tau \in \Pi(\tilde{\pi}_p)$, there exists an element π in the packet $\Pi(\tilde{\pi})$, such that

- $m(\pi) > 0$;
- $e \cdot \pi_f^p \neq 0$; and
- $\pi_p = \tau$.

Theorem 2.5. (1) *Let $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ be an idempotent. Then there exists an idempotent $e \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ with $S(e) = S(\tilde{e})$ and such that \tilde{e} and e are Langlands compatible. Define $S := S(e)$.*

- (2) Assume $\tilde{e} = \otimes e_l \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ has the property that for all $l \in S(\tilde{e})$, \tilde{e}_l is a special idempotent attached to a supercuspidal Bernstein component \mathfrak{s}_l . Define $e := \otimes e_l \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ where $e_l := e_{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)}$ for all $l \notin S(\tilde{e})$ and for $l \in S(\tilde{e})$, e_l is a special idempotent attached to the finite set of Bernstein components $\text{Res}_G^{\tilde{G}}(\mathfrak{s}_l)$. Then \tilde{e} and e are Langlands compatible.
- (3) For any two Langlands compatible idempotents $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ and $e \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ with the same set S of bad places there exists a morphism $\zeta : \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(e)$ such that the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & \mathcal{D}(e) \\
 \downarrow \tilde{\omega} & & \downarrow \omega \\
 \tilde{\mathcal{W}} & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \mathcal{W}
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{H}_S & \xhookrightarrow{\lambda} & \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(e)) & \xrightarrow{\zeta^*} & \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}))
 \end{array}$$

commute.

Proof. Part (1) follows from [10, Propositions 4.15 and 4.16], once we remark that for any idempotent $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$, there exists a compact open subgroup $\tilde{K} \subset \tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p)$ such that $e_{\tilde{K}} \cdot \tilde{e} = \tilde{e} = \tilde{e} \cdot e_{\tilde{K}}$. Part (3) follows from [10, Theorem 5.7] and the proof of it.

Part (2) can be proved in the same way as [10, Proposition 4.16]. Namely, for an automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ with $\tilde{e} \cdot \tilde{\pi}_f^p \neq 0$ and any $\tau \in \Pi(\tilde{\pi}_p)$ define

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(\tilde{\pi}, \tau) &:= \{ \pi \in \Pi(\tilde{\pi}) \mid e \cdot (\pi_f^p) \neq 0, \pi_p = \tau \} \\
 &= \{ \pi \in \Pi(\tilde{\pi}) \mid \pi_l = \pi_l^0 \ \forall l \notin S(\tilde{e}), \pi_p = \tau \},
 \end{aligned}$$

where in the last line π_l^0 denotes the unique member of the L -packet $\Pi(\tilde{\pi}_l)$ with $(\pi_l^0)^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)} \neq 0$. We need to show that there exists $\pi \in Y(\tilde{\pi}, \tau)$ such that $m(\pi) > 0$. For that let $\pi \in Y(\tilde{\pi}, \tau)$ be arbitrary and assume $m(\pi) = 0$. Then by [10, Proposition 4.11] we may change π at a prime $l \in S_B$ to a different representation in the local L -packet $\Pi(\tilde{\pi}_l)$ to get a representation π' which is automorphic and still in $Y(\tilde{\pi}, \tau)$. \square

Remark 2.6. We recall that ζ is constructed using two auxiliary eigenvarieties $\mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})$ and $\mathcal{D}'(e)$, which are described in [10, §§3.3 and 3.4]. $\mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})$ is the eigenvariety which apart from the Hecke algebra is build from the same data as $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$ but where the Hecke algebra is replaced by \mathcal{H}_S . It comes equipped with a morphism $\omega' : \mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e}) \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{W}}$ and the points of $\mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})$ embed

$$\mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \hookrightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}_S, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) \times \tilde{\mathcal{W}}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p).$$

We have a morphism $\lambda' : \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})$, which on points is given by

$$(\psi_x, \tilde{\omega}(x)) \mapsto (\psi_x|_{\mathcal{H}_S}, \tilde{\omega}(x)).$$

The second eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}''(e)$ is simply defined as the pullback $\tilde{\mathcal{W}} \times_{\mathcal{W}} \mathcal{D}(e)$ and the morphism ζ is the composite

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) & \xrightarrow{\lambda'} & \mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e}) & \xrightarrow{\xi} & \mathcal{D}''(e) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{D}(e) . \\ \downarrow \tilde{\omega} & & \downarrow \omega' & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \omega \\ \tilde{\mathcal{W}} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & \tilde{\mathcal{W}} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & \tilde{\mathcal{W}} & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \mathcal{W} \end{array}$$

By [10, Proposition 5.6], the morphism ξ is a closed immersion. This is important in what follows.

Remark 2.7. If $e, e' \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ are two idempotents as above, such that $S(e) = S(e')$ and such that $e'_l | e_l$ for all $l \in S \setminus \{p\}$, then there exists a closed immersion $\mathcal{D}(e) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(e')$. (cf. [1, §7.3].)

3. Slopes of CM points

We determine the slopes of points on eigenvarieties $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$ that arise from automorphic representations $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ coming from a Größencharacter.

We view \mathbb{Z}^2 as a subset of weight space via

$$\mathbb{Z}^2 \hookrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{W}}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p), (k_1, k_2) \mapsto ((z_1, z_2) \mapsto z_1^{k_1} z_2^{k_2}).$$

Let $\underline{k} = (k_1, k_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, k_1 \geq k_2$. We denote by \tilde{I} the Iwahori subgroup of $\text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ given by

$$\tilde{I} := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Z}}_p) : c \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \right\}.$$

Recall (cf. [1, §7.2.2] and [10, Definition 3.14]) that a p -refined automorphic representation of weight \underline{k} of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ is a pair $(\tilde{\pi}, \chi)$ such that

- $\tilde{\pi}$ is an automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$;
- $\tilde{\pi}_p$ has a non-zero fixed vector under the Iwahori \tilde{I} and $\chi = (\chi_1, \chi_2)$ is an ordered pair of characters $\chi_i : \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*, i = 1, 2$ such that $\tilde{\pi}_p \hookrightarrow \text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)}(\chi_1, \chi_2)$, where $\text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)}(-)$ denotes the normalized parabolic induction from the upper triangular Borel $B \subset \text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$;
- $\tilde{\pi}_\infty \cong (\text{Sym}^{k_1 - k_2}(\mathbb{C}^2) \otimes \text{Nrd}^{k_2})^*$.

Different points on an eigenvariety that come from the same automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}$ are parametrized by the different choices of pairs $\chi = (\chi_1, \chi_2)$, such that $\tilde{\pi}_p \hookrightarrow \text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)}(\chi_1, \chi_2)$, which are called refinements. Note that if $\pi_p \cong \text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)}(\chi_1, \chi_2)$, there are precisely two refinements, namely (χ_1, χ_2) and (χ_2, χ_1) .

Fix an idempotent \tilde{e} and let $S := S(\tilde{e})$. Define

$$U_p := \mathbf{1}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{ur,S}} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{\tilde{\Gamma}(1/p)} \tilde{I} \in \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S.$$

The operator

$$\mathbf{1}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{ur,S}} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{\tilde{\Gamma}(p^{-1}/p)} \tilde{I} \in \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S$$

is the image of u_0 under λ , and we denote it by u_0 again.

Recall from §2 that $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})$ comes equipped with a morphism $\psi : \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}))$. For a point z on the eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})$ which corresponds to a p -refined automorphic representation $(\tilde{\pi}, (\chi_1, \chi_2))$ of weight \underline{k} , we have

$$\psi(U_p)(z) = \psi_{(\tilde{\pi}, (\chi_1, \chi_2))}(U_p) = \iota_p(\chi_2(p)p^{1/2})p^{-k_2}$$

and

$$\psi(u_0)(z) = \iota_p(\chi_2(p)\chi_1(p)^{-1})p^{k_1-k_2+1}. \tag{1}$$

To justify the next definition recall the following classicality theorem. Again fix \underline{k} as above and choose an affinoid neighbourhood X of \underline{k} in $\tilde{\mathcal{W}}$. We denote by $M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k}, k(X))$ the E -Banach space of overconvergent forms of weight \underline{k} and ‘tame level’ $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ as defined in [9, §3]. It comes equipped with an action of $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S$. We sometimes omit the parameter $k(X)$ and write $M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k})$ instead. If $x \in \mathcal{D}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ with $\tilde{\omega}(x) = \underline{k}$, then there exists an overconvergent finite slope eigenform $f \in M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k}, k(X))$ with eigenvalues ψ_x . The space $M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k}, k(X))$ has a finite-dimensional subspace $M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k})^{cl}$ of classical forms.

Theorem 3.1 [9, Theorem 3.9.6]. *Let $\underline{k} = (k_1, k_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$, $k_1 \geq k_2$. Let E'/E be a finite extension, $\lambda \in E'^*$ and $\sigma := v_p(\lambda)$. If*

$$\sigma < k_1 - k_2 + 1,$$

then the generalized λ -eigenspace of U_p acting on $M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k}, k(X)) \hat{\otimes}_E E'$ is contained in the subspace $M(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{k})^{cl} \hat{\otimes}_E E'$.

Definition 3.2. (1) A point $x = (\psi_x, \tilde{\omega}(x))$ on $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})$, with $\tilde{\omega}(x) = (k_1, k_2)$ is called of *critical slope* if $v_p(\psi_x(U_p)) = k_1 - k_2 + 1$.

(2) A refinement χ of an automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ of weight (k_1, k_2) is called of *critical slope* if $v_p(\psi_{(\tilde{\pi}, \chi)}(U_p)) = k_1 - k_2 + 1$.

Now let L/\mathbb{Q} be an imaginary quadratic extension and let $\tilde{\theta} : \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ be a Größencharacter which does not factor through the norm. In [7], Jacquet and Langlands show how to associate to $\tilde{\theta}$ a cuspidal automorphic representation $\tau(\tilde{\theta})$ of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{A})$. We refer to [7, §12] for details regarding the construction and characterization. Assume $\tau(\tilde{\theta})$ is in the image of the global Jacquet–Langlands transfer JL from \tilde{G} to GL_2 , i.e., $\tau(\tilde{\theta})_v$ is a discrete series representation for all $v \in S_B$. Then $\pi(\tilde{\theta}) := \mathrm{JL}^{-1}(\tau(\tilde{\theta}))$ is an automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$. Assume $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ is of weight $(k_1, k_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$, so

$$\pi(\tilde{\theta})_\infty \cong (\mathrm{Sym}^{k_1-k_2}(\mathbb{C}^2) \otimes \mathrm{Nrd}^{k_2})^* \cong \mathrm{Sym}^{k_1-k_2}(\mathbb{C}^2) \otimes \mathrm{Nrd}^{-k_1}$$

and $\tilde{\theta}_\infty : L_\infty^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ is given by $\tilde{\theta}_\infty(z) = (z\bar{z})^{-k_1-1/2}z^{k_1-k_2+1}$ (see [6, Remark 7.7]). Let $\tilde{e} \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ be an idempotent such that $\tilde{e} \cdot \pi(\tilde{\theta})_f^p \neq 0$.

Lemma 3.3. *Let $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ be an automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ associated to a Größencharacter of L as above. Assume p splits in L and $\pi(\tilde{\theta})_p$ is unramified. Then $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ has a refinement of critical slope. More precisely, let $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \mathcal{D}(\tilde{\mathcal{E}})$ be the two points attached to $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$. Then the slopes of $\psi_{\tilde{x}}(U_p)$ and $\psi_{\tilde{y}}(U_p)$ are $k_1 - k_2 + 1$ and 0. Furthermore*

$$v_p(\psi_{\tilde{x}}(u_0)) = 2(k_1 - k_2 + 1).$$

Proof. The Größencharacter $\tilde{\theta}_0 := \tilde{\theta} \|N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(\cdot)\|^{-1/2}$ is algebraic and we can turn it into a p -adic character by shifting the weight from ∞ to p , i.e., we define

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta}' : \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^* &\rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^* \\ \tilde{\theta}'(x) &= \iota_p(\tilde{\theta}_0(x)\tilde{\theta}_{0,\infty}^{-1}(x_\infty))\tau_w(x_w)^{-k_2}\tau_{\bar{w}}(x_{\bar{w}})^{-k_1-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have matched the two complex embeddings of L_∞ with the two places w, \bar{w} above p . The finite part of an algebraic Größencharacter takes values in a number field. Moreover, $\tilde{\theta}'$ factors through the compact group $\mathbb{A}_L^*/L^*L_\infty^*$, so it takes values in \mathcal{O}_F^* for some finite extension F/\mathbb{Q}_p .

Our assumptions imply that $\pi(\tilde{\theta})_p \cong \text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)}(\tilde{\theta}_w, \tilde{\theta}_{\bar{w}})$ and the two refinements of $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ are given by $(\tilde{\theta}_w, \tilde{\theta}_{\bar{w}})$ and $(\tilde{\theta}_{\bar{w}}, \tilde{\theta}_w)$.

Let $p_w = (1, \dots, 1, p, 1, \dots, 1) \in \mathbb{A}_L^*$ (respectively $p_{\bar{w}}$) denote the idele which is 1 at all places except for w (respectively \bar{w}), where it equals p . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta}'(p_w) &= \iota_p(\tilde{\theta}_w(p)p^{1/2})p^{-k_2} = \psi_{(\pi(\tilde{\theta}), (\tilde{\theta}_{\bar{w}}, \tilde{\theta}_w))}(U_p) \quad \text{and} \\ \tilde{\theta}'(p_{\bar{w}}) &= \iota_p(\tilde{\theta}_{\bar{w}}(p)p^{1/2})p^{-k_1-1} = \psi_{(\pi(\tilde{\theta}), (\tilde{\theta}_w, \tilde{\theta}_{\bar{w}}))}(U_p)p^{k_2-k_1-1}. \end{aligned}$$

As $\tilde{\theta}'(p_w)$ and $\tilde{\theta}'(p_{\bar{w}})$ are in \mathcal{O}_F^* this implies the claim on the slopes of the U_p -eigenvalues. Using Equation (1), one then verifies the slope of $\psi_{\tilde{x}}(u_0)$. □

Remark 3.4. The character $\tilde{\theta}' : \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^* \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^*$ in the proof of the above lemma is trivial on L_∞^* , so it factors through the quotient $\mathbb{A}_L^*/L^*L_\infty^* \cong G_L^{ab}$. We may therefore view $\tilde{\theta}'$ as a continuous character of G_L with values in $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^*$. In this notation, the Galois representation $\rho_{\pi(\tilde{\theta})} : G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ attached to $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ is given by

$$\rho_{\pi(\tilde{\theta})} \cong \text{Ind}_{G_L}^{G_{\mathbb{Q}}}(\tilde{\theta}')$$

as one easily checks by comparing traces of Hecke operators and Frobenius.

Lemma 3.5. *Let $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ be an automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ of tame level \tilde{e} , weight (k_1, k_2) and unramified at p which is associated to a Größencharacter $\tilde{\theta} : \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ and assume that p is inert in L . Then $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ gives rise to two distinct points x, y on $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$. Their slopes agree and are equal to*

$$v_p(\psi_x(U_p)) = v_p(\psi_y(U_p)) = (k_1 - k_2 + 1)/2.$$

Proof. Let v denote the unique place above p , and let $\omega : \mathbb{Q}_p^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ be the character associated to the quadratic extension L_v/\mathbb{Q}_p by local class field theory. By assumption $\tilde{\theta}_v$ is unramified and therefore factors through the norm $N_{L_v/\mathbb{Q}_p} : L_v^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p^*$. Let $\delta : \mathbb{Q}_p^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ be a character such that $\tilde{\theta}_v = \delta \circ N_{L_v/\mathbb{Q}_p}$. Then by construction $\pi(\tilde{\theta})_p = \text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)}(\delta, \delta\omega)$, in particular, the two refinements are distinct. The U_p -eigenvalues on the two points x and y are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_x(U_p) &= \iota_p(\delta(p)p^{1/2})p^{-k_2}, \\ \psi_y(U_p) &= \iota_p(\delta(p)\omega(p)p^{1/2})p^{-k_2} = \iota_p(-\delta(p)p^{1/2})p^{-k_2}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we see that they have the same slope. A similar calculation as in the proof of the last lemma, with

$$\tilde{\theta}'(x) = \iota_p(\tilde{\theta}_0(x)\tilde{\theta}_{0,\infty}^{-1}(x_\infty))(N_{L_v/\mathbb{Q}_p}(x_v))^{-k_1-1}\tau_v(x_v)^{k_1-k_2+1},$$

implies that the slope is given by $(k_1 - k_2 + 1)/2$. □

4. Existence of *L*-indistinguishable forms

Let $q \geq 5$ be a prime number such that $-q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and let $L := \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$ be the associated imaginary quadratic extension. Choose a prime p which splits in L and let B be the quaternion algebra over \mathbb{Q} such that $S_B = \{q, \infty\}$. Let \tilde{G} and G be as above.

Let $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ be an automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ coming from a Größencharacter $\tilde{\theta} : \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ of L . Assume that

- (1) $\pi(\tilde{\theta})_l$ is unramified for all $l \neq q$.
- (2) The L -packet $\Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta})_q) = \{\tau_1, \tau_2\}$ defined by $\pi(\tilde{\theta})_q$ is of size two.
- (3) Precisely one of the representations

$$\pi_1 := \bigotimes_{l \neq q} \pi_l^0 \otimes \tau_1 \otimes \pi_\infty, \quad \pi_2 := \bigotimes_{l \neq q} \pi_l^0 \otimes \tau_2 \otimes \pi_\infty$$

is automorphic. As before π_l^0 denotes the unique member of the local L -packet $\Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta})_l)$, which has a non-zero fixed vector under $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)$.

Lemma 4.1. *Automorphic representations $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ satisfying the above list of properties exist.*

Proof. Note that $(\prod_{w \neq \infty} \mathcal{O}_w^* \times L_\infty^*)/\mathcal{O}_L^* \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^*$ is of finite index. Furthermore, our assumptions imply that $\mathcal{O}_L^* = \{1, -1\}$ and that q is the only prime that ramifies in L . Define a Größencharacter $\tilde{\theta} : \mathbb{A}_L^*/L^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ as follows.

Let $\tilde{\theta}_\infty : L_\infty^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ be the character given by $\tilde{\theta}_\infty(z) \mapsto (z\bar{z})^r z^m$, where $r \in \mathbb{C}$ and $m \geq 2$ is an even integer, so that $\tilde{\theta}_\infty$ is trivial on \mathcal{O}_L^* .

Denote by v the unique place of L above q . For all $w \neq v$ let $\tilde{\theta}_w : \mathcal{O}_w^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ be the trivial character.

For v , let \mathcal{O}_v^1 be the kernel of the norm map $(N_{L_v/\mathbb{Q}_q})|_{\mathcal{O}_v^*}$. Choose any continuous non-quadratic character

$$\theta'_v : \mathcal{O}_v^1/\{1, -1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$$

and extend it to a continuous character

$$\tilde{\theta}_v : \mathcal{O}_v^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*.$$

Now the character

$$\prod_{w \neq \infty} \tilde{\theta}_w \times \tilde{\theta}_\infty : \left(\prod_{w \neq \infty} \mathcal{O}_w^* \times L_\infty^* \right) / \mathcal{O}_L^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$$

is continuous. Extend it arbitrarily to a character $\tilde{\theta}$ of $L^*\backslash\mathbb{A}_L^*$.

We verify the conditions (1)–(3) for $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$. By construction $\tilde{\theta}_w$ is unramified for all finite places w not equal to v , and the local extensions L_w/\mathbb{Q}_l are unramified for $q \neq l$, which implies (1). Part (2) follows from [8, Lemma 7.1]. As we have chosen a non-quadratic character θ'_v in the construction of $\tilde{\theta}_v$, there exists an element $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_v^1$ such that $\tilde{\theta}_v(\gamma) \neq \tilde{\theta}_v(\gamma^{-1}) = \tilde{\theta}_v(\bar{\gamma})$. The other conditions of [8, Lemma 7.1] are also satisfied by construction.

Part (3) follows from the multiplicity formulae. The representations π_1 and π_2 are of type (a) and the formula for their multiplicity is given in [8, Proposition 7.3]. □

Remark 4.2. The reason for this slightly delicate choice of the local character at the place above q in the above proof is that we are constructing L -packets of an inner form of \mathbf{SL}_2 , which is not quasi-split. Changing a representation in a global endoscopic packet at a place where the local L -packet is of size two therefore not always changes the multiplicity.

Now fix an automorphic representation $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ as above and such that

$$\tilde{\theta}_\infty(z) \mapsto (z\bar{z})^{-k_1-1/2} z^{k_1-k_2+1},$$

where $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $k_1 - k_2 + 1 \geq 2$ is an even integer. In particular,

$$\pi(\tilde{\theta})_\infty \cong (\text{Sym}^{k_1-k_2}(\mathbb{C}^2) \otimes \text{Nrd}^{k_2})^*.$$

We have two representations π_1 and π_2 as above and we assume that π_2 is automorphic and π_1 is not.

The representation $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ shows up in the following eigenvariety: for all $l \neq q$ define $\tilde{e}_l := e_{\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)}$ and let \tilde{e}_q be the special idempotent attached to the Bernstein component defined by the supercuspidal representation $\pi(\tilde{\theta})_q$. Define $\tilde{e} = \otimes_l \tilde{e}_l \in C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$. Let $S = S(\tilde{e}) = \{p, q\}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_S := \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{ur,S} \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_p$ as in §2. Then by construction $\pi(\tilde{\theta})$ gives rise to two points on the eigenvariety $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$, one of which is of critical slope by Lemma 3.3, which we denote again by \tilde{x} .

Let $e_{q,1}$ (respectively $e_{q,2}$) $\in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{Q}_q), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ be the special idempotent associated with τ_1 (respectively τ_2) and define

$$e_1 := \bigotimes_{l \neq q, p} e_{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)} \otimes e_{q,1} \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$e_2 := \bigotimes_{l \neq q, p} e_{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)} \otimes e_{q,2} \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}}).$$

Theorem 4.3. *There exist points $x_1 \in \mathcal{D}(e_1)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ and $x_2 \in \mathcal{D}(e_2)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ such that*

$$(\psi_{x_1}, \omega(x_1)) = (\psi_{x_2}, \omega(x_2)) = (\psi_{\tilde{x}}|_{\mathcal{H}_S}, \mu(\omega(\tilde{x}))).$$

Proof. By construction π_2 is an automorphic representation such that $e_2 \cdot (\pi_2)_f^p \neq 0$ and so there is a point $x_2 \in \mathcal{D}(e_2)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ as claimed.

For the existence of x_1 we use the p -adic transfer. Recall the notation of Remark 2.6. We have a Zariski-dense and accumulation set Z' on $\mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})$, which is in bijection with the set of pairs

$$\{(\lambda' \circ \psi_{(\tilde{\pi}, \chi)}, (k_1, k_2))\},$$

where $\tilde{\pi}$ is a p -refined automorphic representation of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$ of weight (k_1, k_2) (cf. [10, § 3.3]). In particular, $\lambda'(\tilde{x}) \in Z'$.

Let Π_s be the set of all stable L -packets of $G(\mathbb{A})$ and let

$$Z'_s := \{(\lambda' \circ \psi_{(\tilde{\pi}, \chi)}, (k_1, k_2)) \in Z' \mid \Pi(\tilde{\pi}) \in \Pi_s\}$$

be the subset of Z' arising from representations $\tilde{\pi}$ that do not come from a Größencharacter. This is well defined (cf. [10, § 3.3.1]).

Claim. There exists an open affinoid neighbourhood U of $\lambda'(\tilde{x}) \in \mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ such that $Z'_s \cap U$ is Zariski-dense and accumulation in U . Indeed choose any open affinoid neighbourhood W of $\lambda'(\tilde{x})$ and let

$$V := \{x \in W \mid v_p(\psi_x(u_0)) = v_p(\psi_{\lambda'(\tilde{x})}(u_0)) = 2(k_1 - k_2 + 1)\}.$$

This is an affinoid neighbourhood of $\lambda'(\tilde{x})$. Choose $U \subset V$ to be an open affinoid neighbourhood of $\lambda'(\tilde{x})$ with the property that $\omega'(U) \subset \tilde{W}$ is open affinoid and the induced morphism $\omega'|_U : U \rightarrow \omega'(U)$ is finite and surjective when restricted to any irreducible component of U .

To see that $Z'_s \cap U$ is Zariski-dense and accumulation, let $y := \mu(\tilde{\omega}(\tilde{x})) = k_1 - k_2$ and $y' := 2(k_1 - k_2) + 1 \in \mathcal{W}(E)$ and define $Y := (\mu \circ \omega')|_U^{-1}(\{y, y'\})$ to be the fibre, which is a Zariski-closed subspace of U of codimension 1. Let $U' := U \setminus Y$. Then $Z' \cap U' \subset Z'_s$ by Lemmas 3.3 and 3.5 above. But $Z' \cap U'$ is still Zariski-dense and accumulation in U , as we have only removed a Zariski-closed subset of smaller dimension. This proves the claim.

Define $e := \bigotimes_{l \neq q, p} e_{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)} \otimes e_q \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$, where e_q is the special idempotent associated with the two Bernstein components defined by the representations τ_1 and τ_2 . Then \tilde{e} and e are Langlands compatible and we have a p -adic transfer as in Theorem 2.5.

By Remark 2.7 we have a closed immersion $\mathcal{D}(e_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(e)$, which we base-change along $\mu : \tilde{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ to $\iota : \mathcal{D}''(e_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}''(e)$. Consider the following diagram (cf. Remark 2.6)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & \mathcal{D}''(e_1) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{D}(e_1) \\ & & & & \downarrow \iota & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) & \xrightarrow{\lambda'} & \mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e}) & \xrightarrow{\xi} & \mathcal{D}''(e) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{D}(e) \end{array}$$

As ξ and ι are closed immersions of equi-dimensional rigid analytic spaces, their images are a union of irreducible components of $\mathcal{D}''(e)$. We identify $\mathcal{D}'(e)$ and $\mathcal{D}''(e_1)$ with their images in $\mathcal{D}''(e)$, i.e., we consider them as subspaces of $\mathcal{D}''(e)$.

Let T be an irreducible component of $\mathcal{D}'(\tilde{e})$ containing $\lambda'(\tilde{x})$. Let U be as above. Then $U \cap Z'_s \cap T$ is still Zariski-dense in $U \cap T$ and so there exists a point $s \in Z'_s \cap T$ and we can also assume that $s \notin T' \cap T$ for any irreducible component $T' \neq T$. As $s \in Z'_s$, s comes from an automorphic representation that gives rise to a stable L -packet for G , which implies that $s \in \mathcal{D}''(e_1)$. Therefore $T \subset \mathcal{D}''(e_1)$ and in particular, $\lambda'(\tilde{x}) \in \mathcal{D}''(e_1)$. \square

Remark 4.4. One can of course cook up other examples by using more general imaginary quadratic fields L and quaternion algebras B with more ramified primes. For example, assume that B is ramified at more places and π' is a representation in an endoscopic

l -packet $\Pi(\tilde{\pi})$, such that π'_l is unramified for all $l \notin S_B$, with $m(\pi') = 0$, and such that $\Pi(\tilde{\pi}_p)$ has size one. Then one can again use the special idempotents at the bad places to construct idempotents $e \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}_f^p), \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ such that

$$e \cdot \pi_f^p \neq 0 \quad \text{for } \pi \in \Pi(\tilde{\pi}) \text{ if and only if } \pi = \pi'.$$

In fact, this trick works as long as π'_l is supercuspidal at all places where it is not unramified.

Corollary 4.5. *In the notation of Theorem 4.3 define $\varphi := \psi_{\tilde{x}}|_{\mathcal{H}_S}$ and let $n = \mu(\tilde{\omega}(\tilde{x})) = k_1 - k_2 \in \mathcal{W}(E)$. The eigenspaces $M(e_1, n)^\varphi$ and $M(e_2, n)^\varphi$ are both non-zero. The Galois representations attached to the eigenforms in these two spaces agree.*

Proof. The Galois representations exist by Lemma 2.2 and depend only on the points on the eigenvariety defined by the eigenforms. But the images of x_1 and x_2 in $\mathcal{D}(e)$, with e as in the proof of Theorem 4.3, agree by construction. □

5. Consequences

Definition

5.1. Let $\omega : \mathcal{D}(e) \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ (respectively $\tilde{\omega} : \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}) \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{W}}$) be an eigenvariety of idempotent type e (respectively \tilde{e}). We call a point $z \in \mathcal{D}(e)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ (respectively $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$) *classical* if there exists $f \in M(e, \omega(z))^{cl}$ (respectively $M(\tilde{e}, \tilde{\omega}(z))^{cl}$) such that $h \cdot f = \psi_z(h)f$ for all $h \in \mathcal{H}_{S(e)}$ (respectively $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{S(\tilde{e})}$).

For the group \tilde{G} we have the following phenomenon.

Proposition 5.2. *Assume \tilde{e}' and \tilde{e} in $C_c^\infty(\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A}_f), \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ are idempotents with $S(\tilde{e}') = S(\tilde{e}) =: S$ and assume for all $l \in S$ the local idempotents \tilde{e}'_l and \tilde{e}_l are special idempotents associated to Bernstein components. Assume that $\tilde{e} * \tilde{e}' = \tilde{e}' = \tilde{e}' * \tilde{e}$ so that we have a closed immersion $h : \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}') \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$. Assume $z \in \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}')(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ is such that $h(z)$ is classical. Then z is classical.*

Proof. We have to show that there exists a classical automorphic eigenform $f \in M(\tilde{e}', \tilde{\omega}(z))^{cl}$ with system of Hecke eigenvalues ψ_z . By construction of the eigenvarieties there exists an overconvergent eigenform $f_{oc} \in M(\tilde{e}', \tilde{\omega}(z))$ with system of Hecke eigenvalues given by ψ_z . By assumption the point $h(z)$ is classical, so there exists an eigenform $g \in M(\tilde{e}, \tilde{\omega}(z))^{cl}$ for the same system of Hecke eigenvalues $\psi_{h(z)} = \psi_z$. In particular, we have a p -refined automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}_{h(z)}$ giving rise to $h(z)$. Both eigenvarieties $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}')$ and $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$ carry pseudo-representations T' and T (see [10, Proposition 3.10]) and $T' = h^* \circ T$, where $h^* : \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}'))$ denotes the homomorphism induced by h . For $l \in S$, let I_l be the inertia subgroup of $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l/\mathbb{Q})$. By [1, Lemma 7.8.18], $T|_{I_l}$ is constant on the connected components of $\mathcal{D}(\tilde{e})$. Let $x \in \mathcal{D}(\tilde{e}')$ be a classical point on the same connected component as z . Then $T'_x|_{I_l} = T'_{h(z)}|_{I_l} = T_z|_{I_l}$. Local-global compatibility, compatibility of the local Jacquet–Langlands transfer with twists and the inertial local Langlands correspondence (see [2, Appendix 1.2]) imply that

the local components $(\tilde{\pi}_{h(z)})_l$ and $(\tilde{\pi}_x)_l$ are in the same Bernstein component. Therefore $\tilde{e}'_l \cdot (\tilde{\pi}_{h(z)})_l \neq 0$. □

The situation for eigenvarieties of the group G is different. First of all we have the following result.

Proposition 5.3. *In the notation of Theorem 4.3, the point $x_1 \in \mathcal{D}(e_1)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ is not classical.*

Proof. Assume x_1 is classical. Then there exists an automorphic representation π of $G(\mathbb{A})$ such that

$$e_1 \cdot \pi_f^p \neq 0, \tag{2}$$

in particular, $\pi_l^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)} \neq 0$ for all $l \notin \{p, q\}$. The system of Hecke eigenvalues $\psi_{\tilde{x}}|_{\mathcal{H}_{ur,S(\tilde{e})}}$ determines the representation π_l with $\pi_l^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_l)} \neq 0$ and the local L -packet $\Pi_l = \Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta})_l)$ uniquely. But this implies $\pi \in \Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta}))$ (cf. [11, Theorem 4.1.2]). Condition (2) implies that $\pi_q = \tau_1$, so the only choice left might be at p . But by construction $\Pi(\pi(\tilde{\theta})_p) = \{\pi_{1,p}\}$ is a singleton and therefore $\pi \cong \pi_1$. But $m(\pi_1) = 0$. □

Remark 5.4. It is obvious that one cannot produce non-classical points starting from Größencharacters of an imaginary quadratic field L in which p is inert. There are multiple reasons for this. For example, note that any ‘candidate for x_1 ’ that one would end up constructing would automatically be classical by the classicality theorem. The critical slope for u_0 is given by $2(k_1 - k_2 + 1)$ and Lemma 3.5 implies that the slope of the u_0 -eigenvalue of any candidate is $k_1 - k_2 + 1$.

Corollary 5.5. *Let $\mathcal{D}(e)$ be an eigenvariety of idempotent type e for G and assume $z \in \mathcal{D}(e)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$ is a point whose system of Hecke eigenvalues ψ_z comes from a classical automorphic representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of $\tilde{G}(\mathbb{A})$. Then z is not necessarily classical.*

Remark 5.6. Note however that one can always enforce classicality by passing to a suitable idempotent (e.g., the idempotent attached to a sufficiently small compact open subgroup $K \subset G(\mathbb{A}_f^p)$). In our example, the image of the non-classical point x_1 under the map $\mathcal{D}(e_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(e)$ from the proof of Theorem 4.3 is classical. The analogue of Proposition 5.2 for G is therefore false.

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