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On the local divisibility of Heegner points

The following problem on elliptic curves formed the motivation for this paper. Let E be an elliptic curve over \mathbb{Q} , of conductor N , whose L -function is non-zero at $s=1$. Then the group $E(\mathbb{Q})$ is finite. However, if K is any imaginary quadratic field where all primes dividing N are split, then the group $E(K)$ is expected to be infinite, of odd rank.

Let p be a prime which is inert in K , and let $E(p^2)$ be the finite group of points on $E \pmod{p}$ over the field of p^2 elements. What is the image of the reduction homomorphism $E(K) \rightarrow E(p^2)$? ~~What is the image of the reduction homomorphism~~

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We will address this question in a simple case

We could also do experiments when $E(\mathbb{Q})$ has rank $2, \geq 0$ so P_K is torsion.

(when the Heegner point P_K in $E(K)$ has infinite order, Kolyvagin has ^{then} studied the divisibility of P_K in the group $E(K)$. To study the image of $E(K)$ in $E(\mathbb{p}^2)$, we will consider _{the local group.} the divisibility of P_K in $E(K_{\mathbb{p}})$.

1. We first recall the definition of Heegner points, adopted to the situation above. Fix a factorization of ideals: $(N) = m \cdot \bar{m}$ in K , with $\text{gcd}(m, \bar{m}) = 1$. Let \mathcal{O}_K denote the ring of integers of K , and consider the isogeny of tori: $\mathbb{C}/\mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\bar{m}$. This defines a

complex point x on $X_0(N)$. By the theory of complex multiplication, x is defined over the Hilbert class field H of K .

The Galois group of H is a semi-direct product: $\text{Gal}(H/K) \rtimes \langle \tau \rangle$, where τ is any complex conjugation. Define the divisor ~~E_K~~ ^{E_K} of degree zero on $X_0(N)$ by

$$E_K \text{ ~~is~~ } = \sum (x^\sigma) - \sum (x^{\sigma\tau})$$

Both sums are over σ in $\text{Gal}(H/K)$. Then

~~E_K~~ is rational over K , and in the ~~the~~ minus

eigenspace for $\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})$. Let e_K denote its

class in $\overset{\text{the Jacobian}}{J_0(N)}(K)$. If $\pi: J_0(N) \rightarrow E$

is a surjective homomorphism, we define

$P_K \text{ ~~is~~ } = \pi(e_K)$. This is the Heegner point

described above. It has infinite order when
 the L-function of E over K vanishes to order
 $\neq 1$ at $s=1$, and depends (up to sign) on the
^{the ideal}
 factorization of $\mathfrak{f}(N)$.

More generally, we will want to consider
^{the class}
 the divisibility of $\mathfrak{f} \in \mathfrak{K}$ in the Hecke modules
 $J_0(N)(\mathfrak{K})^-$ and $J_0(N)(\mathfrak{K}_p)^-$.

2. We recall some results of Ribet on
 maximal ideals in the Hecke algebra, which
 will allow us to formulate our results. Let
 T denote the Hecke algebra of $X_0(N)$, acting on
 the space of cusp forms of weight 2. Then T is
 a commutative subring of $\text{End}(J_0(N))$, generated

by the operators T_n , for all $n \geq 1$. Let $\mathfrak{m} \subset T$ be a maximal ideal, which satisfies

1) the ideal \mathfrak{m} has support in the finite T -module $J_0(N)(p^2)^{-}$, and has residual characteristic ℓ prime to $2Np$.

2) the kernel $V = J_0(N)[\mathfrak{m}]$ of multiplication by \mathfrak{m} on $J_0(N)$ over $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$, which is isomorphic (by hypothesis 1)) to $(T/\mathfrak{m})^2$, affords an irreducible representation of $\text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$, of Artin-Serre conductor N .

3) $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{\ell}$, so the eigenvalues -1 and $-p$ of $\text{Frob}(p)$ on V are distinct.

In this situation, $J_0(N)(p^2)^{-} \otimes T_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a cyclic, non-trivial $T_{\mathfrak{m}}$ -module, and we will



determine when the Hecke ~~operator~~ ^{divisor ex} generates it.

3. Ribet associates to the maximal ideal m of T a maximal ideal M of the p -new quotient S of the Hecke ring of $X_0(N_p)$. The map $T \rightarrow S/M$, taking T_n to $T_n \pmod{M}$ for all n prime to p , is well-defined, and induces an isomorphism of fields $T/m \cong S/M$.

We ^{may} define ^{the ideal} M as follows. Let γ be the free \mathbb{Z} -module of divisors of degree 0 on the supersingular points of $X_0(N_p) \pmod{p}$. Since γ is the character group of the maximal torus in the reduction of the Néron model of $J_0(N_p) \pmod{p}$, the p -new Hecke algebra S acts on γ . This action is faithful; ~~in fact~~ in fact $\gamma \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ is a free $S \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ -module of rank 1. We will define M as the annihilator of a ^{certain} finite quotient of γ .

The supersingular points on $X_0(Np) \pmod{p}$ can be identified with the supersingular points on $X_0(N) \pmod{p}$. They are all rational over the field of p^2 elements. Hence the divisor class map gives a group homomorphism

$$\text{div} : Y \longrightarrow J_0(N) \pmod{p^2}$$

This is a map of S -modules, with T_n acting naturally for n prime to p , and U_p acting as $\text{Frob}(p)$ on $J_0(N) \pmod{p^2}$.

I have determined the cokernel of the divisor class map, which is dual to the Shimura subgroup Σ_N .

His results imply that the composition

$$Y \longrightarrow J_0(N) \pmod{p^2} / \mathfrak{m}$$

is surjective. This is the finite quotient of Y which is annihilated by \mathfrak{M} .

Emerton has shown that the completion

$$Y_{\mathfrak{M}} = Y \otimes S_{\mathfrak{M}} \quad \text{is a free } S_{\mathfrak{M}}\text{-module of}$$

rank 1. ^{His proof} ~~then~~ uses the cyclicity of the quotient

$$Y/M = J_0(N)(p^m)/m \quad \text{as an } S/M = T/m\text{-module}$$

Since p is inert in K , the divisor $E_K \pmod{p}$ defines an element of Y . We will determine when

$E_K \pmod{p}$ gives a basis for the free S_M -module

Y/M .

4. We now recall Kolyvagin's results, on the global divisibility of e_K . These hold for any maximal ideal $m \subset T$ satisfying condition 2) ^{Logachev?}

Proposition 4.1 (Kolyvagin) The following conditions

are all equivalent

a) the class e_K is not divisible by m in $J_0(N)(K)^- \otimes T_m$

b) the m -Selmer group $\text{Sel}(J_0(N)/K, m)$ is isomorphic to T/m as a T -module, and is generated by the image of e_K

c) the T_m -module $J_0(N)(K)^- \otimes T_m$ is free of rank 1, ~~with~~ with basis e_K , and the Tate-Shafarevic group of $J_0(N)$ over K has no m -torsion.

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In fact, the three conditions of Proposition 4.7
should be equivalent to the simpler:

d) the m -Selmer group $\text{Sel}(J_0(N)/K, m)$ is
isomorphic to T/m as a T -module

BUT, for the moment, this is out of reach.

5. Our results on the local divisibility of e_K take a similar form. First, we have the following localized version of Ihara's theorem

Proposition 5.1 The following conditions are all
equivalent

a) the class e_K is not divisible by
 m in $J_0(N)(K_p) \otimes T_m$

b) the class $e_k \pmod{p}$ is non-trivial in $J_0(N)(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p) / m$

c) the divisor $E_k \pmod{p}$ is a basis for the free S_M -module T_M .

Next, let $A \subset J_0(N_p)$ be the p -new Abelian sub-variety, with $\dim A = \text{rank } S = \text{rank } T$. The p -new Hecke ring S is a sub-ring of $\text{End}(A)$, and the M -torsion on A can be identified with the T/m -module $V = J_0(N)[m]$ over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$.

Proposition 5.2 The equivalent conditions of Prop 5.1 imply that the Selmer group $\text{Sel}(A/K, M)$ is trivial.

We expect that the condition $\text{Sel}(A/K, M) = 0$ is, in fact, equivalent to the fact that e_k is not divisible by m in $J_0(N)(\overline{K}_p) \otimes T_m$. Again, this seems a bit out of reach.