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Abstract

Let $E/\mathbb{Q}$ be an elliptic curve and p a prime of supersingular reduction for E. Denote by K_∞ the anticyclotomic $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension of an imaginary quadratic field K which satisfies the Heegner hypothesis. Assuming that p splits in $K/\mathbb{Q}$, we prove that $Ш(K_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ has trivial Λ-corank and, in the process, also show that $H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K_\infty, E_{p^\infty})$ and $E(K_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$ both have Λ-corank two.

Introduction

Let E be an elliptic curve of conductor N defined over $\mathbb{Q}$, and let p be a rational prime such that E has supersingular reduction at p. We denote by E_p the p-torsion of E and assume throughout the paper that $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable. Let $K/\mathbb{Q}$ be any imaginary quadratic extension such that the primes dividing pN split. Denote by K_∞ the anticyclotomic $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension of K which is the unique Galois extension of K such that $\mathrm{Gal}(K_\infty/K) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p$ and $\mathrm{Gal}(K_\infty/\mathbb{Q})$ is a pro-dihedral group. We now consider the Tate–Shafarevich group of E/K_∞, namely the group of genus-one curves defined over K_∞ with E as their Jacobian possessing a point over every completion of K_∞; this is a torsion group. The p-primary part of the Tate–Shafarevich group of E/K_∞, denoted by $Ш(K_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$, can be viewed as a module over $\Lambda := \mathbb{Z}_p[[\mathrm{Gal}(K_\infty/K)]]$, and its Pontryagin dual

$$\widehat{Ш(K_\infty, E)}_{p^\infty} := \mathrm{Hom}(Ш(K_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}, \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

is finitely generated over Λ. The Λ-corank of $Ш(K_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ is defined to be the rank of its Pontryagin dual. We will prove the following theorem.

Theorem 0.1. *The Λ-module $Ш(K_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ has trivial corank.*

This result is a manifestation of the break in the behavior of the Tate–Shafarevich group at supersingular primes in comparison to ordinary primes. When p is a prime of ordinary reduction, Rubin [Rub88] (in the CM case) and Kato [Kat04] (in the non-CM case) have analyzed the behavior of the Tate–Shafarevich group over the cyclotomic $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension $\mathbb{Q}_\infty/\mathbb{Q}$, showing that $Ш(\mathbb{Q}_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ has trivial corank. In this same case, assuming that the primes dividing N split in $K/\mathbb{Q}$, Bertolini [Ber95] has shown that $Ш(K_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ has trivial Λ-corank also.

When p is a prime of supersingular reduction, by using the work of Schneider [Sch85], Rohrlich [Roh84] and Kato [Kat04] one can see that the Λ-corank of $Ш(\mathbb{Q}_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ is greater than or equal to one. Furthermore, under certain conditions which, in particular, imply that $E/\mathbb{Q}$ has trivial analytic rank, Kurihara [Kur02] has proven that $Ш(\mathbb{Q}_\infty, E)_{p^\infty}$ has Λ-corank one.

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An algebraic proof of this result has been given by Pollack [Pol05]. In this paper, we shall see that the Λ-corank of $Ш(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty}$ is trivial, and in the process we will analyze the Λ-corank of the Selmer group $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ (defined in § 1) and of $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$.

1. Structure results

For every number field F and $m \in \mathbb{N}$, we can define the p^m-torsion of the Selmer group of E/F to be

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{F}, \mathrm{E}_{p^m}) := \ker\left[\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{F}, \mathrm{E}_{p^m}) \to \prod_{\lambda \subseteq \mathrm{F}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{F}_\lambda, \mathrm{E})\right],$$

where λ denotes primes in F and F_λ is the completion of F at λ. Then, the p^m-torsion of the Tate–Shafarevich group of E/F fits in the exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{F})/p^m\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{F}) \to \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{F}, \mathrm{E}_{p^m}) \to Ш(\mathrm{F}, \mathrm{E})_{p^m} \to 0. \tag{1}$$

Let $\mathrm{K}_n \subseteq \mathrm{K}_\infty$ be the unique extension of K such that $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_n/\mathrm{K}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$. One can consider

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}) := \varinjlim_m \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^m}),$$

where the transition maps are induced by the inclusions $\mathrm{E}_{p^m} \hookrightarrow \mathrm{E}_{p^{m+1}}$. We now define

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}) := \varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}),$$

where the transition maps are simply restrictions. Observe that since we are assuming $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mathrm{E}_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable, the transition maps in both of the above direct limits are injective. Since

$$Ш(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty} = \varinjlim_m Ш(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^m} \quad \text{and} \quad Ш(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty} = \varinjlim_n Ш(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty},$$

the exactness of the sequence (1) implies that the sequence

$$0 \to \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p \to \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}) \to Ш(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty} \to 0$$

is also exact.

Let us now choose a strictly increasing sequence of natural numbers $\{m_n\}$ such that $m_n \geq n$ and $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})_{p^\infty} \subseteq \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}$ for all primes $\lambda_n \subset \mathrm{K}_n$ which divide N, where K_{λ_n} denotes the completion of K_n at λ_n. One can verify that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}) = \varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}).$$

For any finite set of rational primes Q, we can consider the group

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup\mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) := \ker\left[\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \prod_{\lambda_n \nmid \ell \in p\cup\mathrm{Q}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E})\right],$$

where λ_n denotes primes of K_n and K_{λ_n} is the completion of K_n at λ_n. Notice that $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \subseteq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup\mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$. Set

$$\mathrm{R}_n := \mathbb{Z}/p^{m_n}\mathbb{Z}[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_n/\mathrm{K})]$$

and observe that $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup\mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ can be viewed as an R_n-module.

Let $n' \geq n$. The assumption that $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mathrm{E}_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable implies that the restriction map

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}),$$

as well as the map

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$$

induced by the inclusion $\mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}} \hookrightarrow \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}}$, are both injective. By composing the above maps, we obtain the injection

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}}). \tag{2}$$

Lemma 1.1. *The map* (2) *induces an isomorphism between the following* R_n*-modules:*

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}],$$

where $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_\infty/\mathrm{K}_n) = \langle g^{p^n}\rangle$ *and* $n' \geq n$.

Proof. The restriction map induces the isomorphism

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})^{\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_\infty/\mathrm{K}_n)} = \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1].$$

Since $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[p^{m_n}]$, it follows that

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}]$$

under the map (2). It is clear that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}].$$

We will now show that the above map is surjective. Let λ_n be a prime of K_n and $\lambda_{n'}$ a prime of $\mathrm{K}_{n'}$ that divides λ_n. We will assume that λ_n does not divide any of the primes in $\{p\} \cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}$.

If $\lambda_{n'}$ is a prime of good reduction, then the image of

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$$

lies in $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_{n'}}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^r}-1, p^{m_n}]$; here $\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}$ denotes the completion of $\mathrm{K}_{n'}$ at $\lambda_{n'}$, $\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_{n'}}$ denotes its maximal unramified extension, and g^{p^r} generates $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})$. Since $\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}$ is unramified, the preimage of $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_{n'}}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^r}-1]$ under the restriction map

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$$

lies in $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_n}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$. Finally, since

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_n}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[p^{m_n}] = \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_n}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}),$$

we see that the image of

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$$

lies in $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{unr}}_{\lambda_n}/\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$.

If $\lambda_{n'}$ is a prime of bad reduction, then the image of

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$$

lies in the image of

$$(\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}})/p^{m_{n'}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}}).$$

By our choice of the sequence m_n and [ÇW08, Lemma 2.1.3], we know that

$$\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}})/p^{m_{n'}} \simeq \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}})_{p^{m_{n'}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})/p^{m_n} \simeq \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})_{p^{m_n}}.$$

It then follows that

$$(\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}})/p^{m_{n'}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] \simeq \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_{n'}})_{p^{m_{n'}}}[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] = \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})_{p^{m_n}} \simeq \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})/p^{m_n}.$$

This concludes the proof that the preimage of $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}]$ under the map (2) is $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$. □

Let $\{\mathrm{Q}_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a sequence of sets of rational primes such that:

(i) $q \in \mathrm{Q}_n$ is inert in $\mathrm{K}/\mathbb{Q}$;

(ii) $q \in \mathrm{Q}_n$ is prime to $p\mathrm{N}$;

(iii) $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_q)_{p^\infty} = \mathrm{E}(\overline{\mathrm{K}_q})_{p^{m_n}}$, where K_q denotes the completion of K at the prime of K above q;

(iv) $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \hookrightarrow \prod_{q\in \mathrm{Q}_n} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_q, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$;

(v) the set Q_n is finite and its size does not depend on n.

By [ÇW08, Proposition 2.6.3], all the R_n-modules in the set

$$\{\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_k}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \mid k \geq n\}$$

have the same size. This implies that we can find a strictly increasing sequence $\{k_n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ such that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$$

as R_n-modules for all $n' \geq n$. Moreover, from Lemma 1.1 we know that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}].$$

Consequently, even if the R_n-modules $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ are not naturally related as n grows, we have that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n+1}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}],$$

where the first isomorphism is formal while the second is induced by the map (2). It follows that we can now fix maps

$$i_n : \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n+1}}})$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and we observe that all these maps are injective. Using i_n as transition maps, we construct the direct limit

$$\mathcal{M}_s := \varinjlim_{n} \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}).$$

The following theorem describes the structure of $\mathcal{M}_s$ as a Λ-module.

THEOREM 1.2 (Theorem 2.6.4 in [ÇW08]). *The Λ-module $\widehat{\mathcal{M}_s}$ is isomorphic to Λ^{2t+2}, where $t = \#\mathrm{Q}_{k_n}$.*

Observe that for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $n' \geq n$ there is a noncanonical isomorphism

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$$

and that the map

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_n}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathcal{M}_s$$

is injective with image contained in $\mathcal{M}_s[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}]$. The composition therefore determines an injection

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathcal{M}_s[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}].$$

In addition, by [ÇW08, Proposition 2.6.3], we know that

$$\#\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) = \#({\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t+2}) \quad \text{for all } n' \geq n.$$

This implies that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq \mathcal{M}_s[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}]$$

and, consequently, that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \simeq {\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t+2} \quad \text{for every } n' \geq n.$$

Let us now consider the maps

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \prod_{q\in \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n'}}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}, \tag{3}$$

where $n' \geq n$ and $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} := \prod_{q_n | q} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{q_n}, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}$, with q_n denoting primes of K_n above q and K_{q_n} denoting the completion of K_n at q_n. Notice that the kernel of the map (3) is $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ and, as in Lemma 1.1, one can see that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \quad \text{for all } n' \geq n.$$

The first three properties of primes $q \in \mathrm{Q}_n$ imply that (see [Ber95, Corollary 6])

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} \simeq {\mathrm{R}_n}^2.$$

Thus, the maps (3) can be viewed as maps between formal R_n-modules

$$\theta_{n,n'} : {\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t+2} \to {\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t}.$$

Since for every n we have infinitely many maps ${\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t+2} \to {\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t}$, it follows that infinitely many of them are identical. This allows us to assume (by switching to a subsequence of the sequence k_n if necessary) that

$$\theta_{n,n'} = \theta_{n,n} \quad \text{for all } n' \geq n.$$

We now view R_n as the Λ-module $\hat{\Lambda}[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}]$. It is then easy to see that $\mathrm{R}_n \subseteq \mathrm{R}_{n+1}$. By using Lemma 1.1, the fact that

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n+1}(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_{n+1}}}[g^{p^n}-1, p^{m_n}] = \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}$$

and the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n+1}}}) & \longrightarrow & \prod_{q\in \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n+1}(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_{n+1}}} \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow \\
\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) & \longrightarrow & \prod_{q\in \mathrm{Q}_{k_{n+1}}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}
\end{array}$$

we see that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} {\mathrm{R}_{n+1}}^{2t+2} & \xrightarrow{\theta_{n+1,n+1}} & {\mathrm{R}_{n+1}}^{2t} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ {\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t+2} & \xrightarrow{\theta_{n,n+1}} & {\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t} \end{array}$$

commutes. Since $\theta_{n,n+1} = \theta_{n,n}$, we can now consider the Λ-module map

$$\theta : \hat{\Lambda}^{2t+2} \to \hat{\Lambda}^{2t}, \tag{4}$$

where the restriction of θ to ${\mathrm{R}_n}^{2t+2}$ equals $\theta_{n,n}$.

Notice that the kernel of the map (3) is $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$, which is equivalent to saying that

$$\ker \theta_{n,n} \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}).$$

Consequently, the kernel of the map θ is a direct limit of $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$, where the transition maps are injective but not necessarily the natural ones.

PROPOSITION 1.3. *The Λ-corank of $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ is equal to the Λ-corank of the kernel of θ.*

Proof. As in Lemma 1.1, we can show that

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})[g^{p^n} - 1, p^{m_n}] \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \quad \text{for all } n' \geq n. \tag{5}$$

On the one hand, since $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}) = \varinjlim_{n'} \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_{n'}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})$, we have

$$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})[g^{p^n} - 1, p^{m_n}] \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}).$$

On the other hand, (5) and the fact that the transition maps used in viewing $\ker \theta$ as a direct limit of $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ are injective together imply that

$$\ker \theta \, [g^{p^n} - 1, p^{m_n}] \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}).$$

So we have that

$$\ker \theta \, [g^{p^n} - 1, p^{m_n}] \simeq \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})[g^{p^n} - 1, p^{m_n}],$$

which implies that the Λ-corank of $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ equals that of the kernel of θ. □

2. Heegner points and Kolyvagin classes

2.1 We fix a parametrization $\pi : \mathrm{X}_0(\mathrm{N}) \to \mathrm{E}$ which maps the cusp at ∞ to the origin of E (see [BCDT01] and [Wil95]). Let $\mathcal{O}_\mathrm{K}$ be the ring of integers of K. Since we have assumed that the primes dividing N (the conductor of E) split in $\mathrm{K}/\mathbb{Q}$, we can choose an ideal $\mathcal{N}$ such that $\mathcal{O}_\mathrm{K}/\mathcal{N} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/\mathrm{N}\mathbb{Z}$. For any positive integer $\mathfrak{f}$ prime to N, we can consider $x_\mathfrak{f} = (\mathbb{C}/\mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{f}, \mathbb{C}/\mathcal{N}_\mathfrak{f}) \in \mathrm{X}_0(\mathrm{N})$, where $\mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{f}$ denotes the order of K of conductor $\mathfrak{f}$ and $\mathcal{N}_\mathfrak{f} = \mathcal{N} \cap \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{f}$. We define the Heegner point by $y_\mathfrak{f} = \pi(x_\mathfrak{f})$. The Heegner point $y_\mathfrak{f}$ is defined over $\mathrm{K}[\mathfrak{f}]$, the ring class field of K of conductor $\mathfrak{f}$.

Let $\widetilde{\mathrm{K}}_\infty = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathrm{K}[p^n]$. Then $\mathrm{Gal}(\widetilde{\mathrm{K}}_\infty/\mathrm{K})$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \Delta$, where Δ is a finite abelian group. The unique $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension contained in $\widetilde{\mathrm{K}}_\infty$ is the anticyclotomic $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension K_∞. Denote by $\mathrm{K}[p^{k(n)}]$ the minimal ring class field of p-power conductor that contains K_n, the subextension of K_∞ of degree p^n over K. We then define $\alpha_n \in E(K_n)$ to be the trace of $y_{p^{k(n)}}$ from $K[p^{k(n)}]$ to K_n. Perrin-Riou [Per87, § 3.3, Lemma 2] has shown that

$$a_p y_{p^{n+1}} = y_{p^n} + \mathrm{tr}_{K[p^{n+2}]/K[p^{n+1}]} y_{p^{n+2}} \quad \text{for } n \geq 0.$$

Since we are assuming that $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable, it follows that $p \geq 5$; in conjunction with the fact that E has supersingular reduction at p, this implies that $a_p = 0$. We can therefore deduce that

$$\mathrm{tr}_{K_{n+2}/K_n} \alpha_{n+2} = -\alpha_n \tag{6}$$

for all $n \geq k_0 := \max\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid K_n \subseteq K[1]\}$.

For any $n' \geq n$, let $R_{n'}\alpha_n$ denote the $R_{n'}$-submodule of $H^1(K_{n'}, E_{p^{m_{n'}}})$ generated by the image of α_n under the map

$$E(K_{n'}) \to H^1(K_{n'}, E_{p^{m_{n'}}}).$$

Since the group $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable, the map

$$H^1(K_n, E_{p^{m_n}}) \to H^1(K_{n'}, E_{p^{m_{n'}}}) \tag{7}$$

is injective and induces the isomorphism

$$R_n\alpha_n \simeq R_{n'}(p^{m_{n'}-m_n}\alpha_n).$$

By using

$$R_{n'}(p^{m_{n'}-m_n}\alpha_n) \subseteq R_{n'}\alpha_n \subseteq H^1(K_{n'}, E_{p^{m_{n'}}}),$$

we see that the map (7) induces the injective homomorphism

$$R_n\alpha_n \hookrightarrow R_{n'}\alpha_n.$$

Moreover, the relations (6) imply that

$$R_{n+2k}\alpha_n \subseteq R_{n+2k}\alpha_{n+2k} \subseteq H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K_{n+2k}, E_{p^{m_{n+2k}}}) \subseteq H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K_\infty, E_{p^\infty}),$$

where k is any positive integer. Hence, we have the following maps:

$$R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n} \hookrightarrow R_{2n'+1}\alpha_{2n'} \quad \text{and} \quad R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1} \hookrightarrow R_{2n'+1}\alpha_{2n'+1},$$

which can be used as transition maps in defining the direct limits

$$\varinjlim_n R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n} \quad \text{and} \quad \varinjlim_n R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}.$$

Since the transition maps of the above direct limits are simply restrictions of the maps (7), these direct limits are submodules of $H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K_\infty, E_{p^\infty})$.

Proposition 2.1. *The Λ-modules $\varinjlim_n R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n}$ and $\varinjlim_n R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}$ have nontrivial coranks, and together they give rise to a submodule of $H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(K_\infty, E_{p^\infty})$ of corank greater than or equal to two.*

Remark 2.2. Observe that, while the statement of this proposition is the same as that of [ÇW08, Lemma 2.6.5], in this case we do not assume that K_∞/K is totally ramified at the primes above p.

Proof. Cornut [Cor02] and Vatsal [Vat03] have shown that all but finitely many of the Heegner points are nontorsion. Using this result, one can show (see [ÇW08, Proposition 2.5.1]) that the Λ-modules $\varinjlim_n R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n}$ and $\varinjlim_n R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}$ have nontrivial coranks. It then follows that we can restrict our attention to the case where each of these submodules of $H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(K_\infty, E_{p^\infty})$ has

Λ-corank one. In this case, we will consider the restrictions of the submodules at primes above p and analyze their image in the local cohomology group.

Let $\wp$ be a prime of K above p, $\wp_n$ a prime of K_n dividing $\wp$, $\mathrm{K}_\wp$ the completion of K at $\wp$, and $\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}$ the completion of K_n at $\wp_n$. Following Kobayashi [Kob03], we define the following subgroups of $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})$:

$$\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) := \{x \in \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) \mid \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}/\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{m+1}}}(x) \in \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_m}) \text{ for all } k_0 \le m < n, m \text{ even}\},$$
$$\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) := \{x \in \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) \mid \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}/\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{m+1}}}(x) \in \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_m}) \text{ for all } k_0 \le m < n,\ m \text{ odd}\}.$$

Observe that $\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n}}\alpha_{2n} \in \mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}})$ and $\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n+1}}\alpha_{2n+1} \in \mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n+1}})$, where

$$\mathrm{res}_{\wp_n} : \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n) \to \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}).$$

Since the subgroups $\mathrm{E}^\pm(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})$ are closed under the action of $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)$, they can be viewed as $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]$-modules. Our aim now is to show that $\varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^\pm(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$, viewed as modules over $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_\infty}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]$, have corank one.

We know that the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-rank of $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})$ equals that of $\mathcal{O}_{\wp_n}$, the ring of integers of $\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}$. Since $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})/(\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) + \mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}))$ is annihilated simultaneously by

$$\prod_{k_0<2m\le n} \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}}/\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m-1}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \prod_{k_0<2m+1\le n} \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m+1}}/\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}}},$$

it follows that

$$p^n\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) \subseteq \mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) + \mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}).$$

Moreover, $\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m+1}}) \subseteq \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}})$ and $\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}}) \subseteq \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m-1}})$ for all $m \ge k_0$. Consequently, we can deduce the following facts about the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-ranks of $\mathrm{E}^\pm(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})$:

$$\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) = \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathcal{O}_{\wp_{k_0}} + \sum_{k_0<2m\le n}(\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathcal{O}_{\wp_{2m}} - \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathcal{O}_{\wp_{2m-1}}),$$
$$\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) = \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathcal{O}_{\wp_{k_0}} + \sum_{k_0<2m+1\le n}(\mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathcal{O}_{\wp_{2m+1}} - \mathrm{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathcal{O}_{\wp_{2m}}).$$

Let $r_0 = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \alpha_{2n} \notin \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}})_{\mathrm{tors}},\ 2n \ge k_0\}$. Then, for some $f_0(g)$ dividing $g^{k_0} - 1$, we have that

$$f_0(g) \prod_{r_0<r\le m} \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2r}}/\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2r-1}}}$$

is a minimal annihilator $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2m}}\alpha_{2m} \subseteq \mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}})$ and r_0 is by definition independent of m. This implies that the difference between the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-rank of $\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}})$ and the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-rank of its submodule $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2m}}\alpha_{2m}$ is bounded independently of m. One can draw the same conclusion about the difference between the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-ranks of $\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m+1}})$ and $\mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2m+1}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2m+1}}\alpha_{2m+1}$. It then follows that

$$\mathrm{corank}_\Lambda \varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n}}\alpha_{2n} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p = \mathrm{corank}_\Lambda \varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p, \tag{8}$$

$$\mathrm{corank}_\Lambda \varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n+1}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n+1}}\alpha_{2n+1} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p = \mathrm{corank}_\Lambda \varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p. \tag{9}$$

Since α_n is nontorsion for almost all n, the same holds for $\mathrm{res}_{\wp_n}\alpha_n$. Consequently, as in [ÇW08, Proposition 2.5.1], one can show that the modules $\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n}}\alpha_{2n}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$ and $\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n+1}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n+1}}\alpha_{2n+1}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$ have nontrivial Λ-coranks.

Moreover, using the fact that the maps

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n}\to\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n}}\alpha_{2n}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$$

and

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}\to\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n+1}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n+1}}\alpha_{2n+1}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$$

are surjective, together with our assumption that $\varinjlim_n \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n}$ and $\varinjlim_n \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}$ have Λ-corank one, we deduce that

$$\mathrm{corank}_\Lambda\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n}}\alpha_{2n}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p=1,$$
$$\mathrm{corank}_\Lambda\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n+1}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n+1}}\alpha_{2n+1}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p=1.$$

Hence, in view of (8) and (9), we have that

$$\mathrm{corank}_\Lambda\varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p=\mathrm{corank}_\Lambda\varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p=1.$$

Consider the exact sequence

$$0\to\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})+\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\to\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\to\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})/(\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})+\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}))\to 0.$$

The last term is annihilated by p^n. Moreover, since p is a prime of supersingular reduction and $\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}/\mathbb{Q}_p$ is a cyclic Galois extension, we know that $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})_p=0$. Hence, by applying the snake lemma, we get

$$\begin{aligned}0&\to\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})/(\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})+\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}))\\&\to(\mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})+\mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}))\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p\to\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p\to 0.\end{aligned}$$

The fact that p is a supersingular prime also implies that

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p\simeq\varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n},\mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$$

under the natural inclusion maps. In addition, we know that (see [Gre01, ch. 2])

$$\mathrm{corank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n},\mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})=2[\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}:\mathrm{K}_\wp],$$

which implies that $\varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n},\mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ has Λ-corank two. By the above we have that

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^+(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p+\varinjlim_n \mathrm{E}^-(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n})\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p\twoheadrightarrow\varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n},\mathrm{E}_{p^\infty});$$

therefore the cokernel of

$$\begin{aligned}&\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n}}\alpha_{2n}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p\\&\quad+\varinjlim_n \mathbb{Z}_p[\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_{2n+1}}/\mathrm{K}_\wp)]\mathrm{res}_{\wp_{2n+1}}\alpha_{2n+1}\otimes\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p\to\varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n},\mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})\end{aligned}$$

is torsion over Λ and, consequently, the image of

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n} + \varinjlim_n \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1} \quad \text{in} \quad \varinjlim_n \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\wp_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$$

has Λ-corank two. Thus we can now conclude that the Heegner points give rise to a submodule of $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ of Λ-corank greater than or equal to two. □

2.2 Kolyvagin used Heegner points to construct cohomology classes whose ramification can be controlled. We will now describe a natural generalization of Kolyvagin's cohomology classes to ring class fields (following [BD90]). Let r be a squarefree product of primes $\ell | r$ satisfying the following conditions:

(i) ℓ is relatively prime to $p\mathrm{N}\mathrm{D}_\mathrm{K}$;

(ii) $\tau \in \mathrm{Frob}_\ell(\mathrm{K}(\mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n'}}})/\mathbb{Q})$, where τ denotes complex conjugation.

Let $k_0 \le n \le n'$, and denote by $\mathrm{K}_n[r]$ the maximal subextension of $\mathrm{K}_n\mathrm{K}[r]$ which is a p-primary extension of K_n. We now define $\alpha_n(r)$ to be the trace of $y_{rp^{k(n)}}$ over $\mathrm{K}[rp^{k(n)}]/\mathrm{K}_n[r]$.

Let $\mathsf{G}_{n,r} = \mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_n[r]/\mathrm{K}_n[r] \cap \mathrm{K}_n\mathrm{K}[1])$ and $\mathsf{G}_{n,\ell} = \mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_n[\ell]/\mathrm{K}_n[\ell] \cap \mathrm{K}_n\mathrm{K}[1])$. By class field theory, $\mathsf{G}_{n,r} = \prod_{\ell|r} \mathsf{G}_{n,\ell}$ and $\mathsf{G}_{n,\ell} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/p^{n_\ell}\mathbb{Z}$ for $n_\ell = p^{\mathrm{ord}_p(\ell+1)}$. Consider $D_\ell := \sum_{i=1}^{n_\ell} i\sigma_\ell^i \in \mathbb{Z}/p^{m_n}\mathbb{Z}[\mathsf{G}_{n,\ell}]$ and $D_r := \prod_{\ell|r} D_\ell \in \mathbb{Z}/p^{m_n}\mathbb{Z}[\mathsf{G}_{n,r}]$ (with $D_1 := 1$). One can then show that $D_r\alpha_n(r)$ belongs to $(\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n[r])/p^{m_n})^{\mathsf{G}_{n,r}}$ (see [BD90, Lemma 3.3]). It follows that

$$\mathrm{tr}_{(\mathrm{K}_n[r]\cap\mathrm{K}_n\mathrm{K}[1])/\mathrm{K}_n} D_r\alpha_n(r) \in (\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n[r])/p^{m_n})^{\mathcal{G}_{n,r}},$$

where $\mathcal{G}_{n,r} = \mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_n[r]/\mathrm{K}_n)$. We now consider the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{CD}
@. @. @. 0 @.\\
@. @. @. @VVV @.\\
@. @. @. \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n[r]/\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} @.\\
@. @. @. @V{\mathrm{Inf}}VV @.\\
0 @>>> \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n)/p^{m_n}\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n) @>{\phi}>> \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) @>>> \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} @>>> 0\\
@. @VVV @V{\mathrm{res}}V{\wr}V @V{\mathrm{res}}VV @.\\
0 @>>> (\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n[r])/p^{m_n})^{\mathcal{G}_{n,r}} @>{\phi_r}>> \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n[r], \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})^{\mathcal{G}_{n,r}} @>>> \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n[r], \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}^{\mathcal{G}_{n,r}} @.
\end{CD} \tag{10}$$

Let $c_n(r) \in \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ be such that

$$\phi_r(\mathrm{tr}_{(\mathrm{K}_n[r]\cap\mathrm{K}_n\mathrm{K}[1])/\mathrm{K}_n} D_r\alpha_n(r)) = \mathrm{res}(c_n(r)),$$

and let $d_n(r)$ be the image of $c_n(r)$ in $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}$. In particular, $\mathrm{res}(c_n(1)) = \phi_1(\alpha_n)$. These generalized Kolyvagin cohomology classes have the following properties.

(1) Let $-\epsilon$ denote the sign of the functional equation of the L-function of $\mathrm{E}/\mathbb{Q}$, and let f_r be the number of prime divisors of r. After extending τ to a complex conjugation in $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_\infty/\mathbb{Q})$, we see that τ acts on α_n with $\tau\alpha_n = \epsilon g^{i_{n,1}}\alpha_n + \beta_n$, where $\beta_n \in \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n)_{\mathrm{tors}}$, g is a generator of $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathrm{K}_\infty/\mathrm{K})$ and $i_{n,1} \in \{0, \ldots, p^n - 1\}$. Moreover, the complex conjugation τ acts on $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$, and we can deduce that $\tau c_n(r) = \epsilon_r g^{i_{n,r}} c_n(r)$ where $\epsilon_r = (-1)^{f_r}\epsilon$ and $i_{n,r} \in \{0, \ldots, p^n - 1\}$.

(2) If v is a rational prime which does not divide r, then $d_n(r)_{v_n} = 0$ in $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{v_n}, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}$ for all primes v_n of K_n such that $v_n | v$.

(3) Let $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell), \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) := \prod_{\lambda_n|\ell} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ and $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} := \prod_{\lambda_n|\ell} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n}, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}$. Define res_ℓ and $\mathtt{res}_\ell$ to be the following localization maps:

$$\mathrm{res}_\ell : \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell), \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}),$$
$$\mathtt{res}_\ell : \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}}.$$

We set $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell))/p^{m_n} := \prod_{\lambda_n|\ell} \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n})/p^{m_n}$. Then if $\ell | r$, there exists a G_n-equivariant and τ-antiequivariant isomorphism

$$\psi_\ell : \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_n}} \to \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_n(\ell))/p^{m_n}$$

such that $\psi_\ell(\mathtt{res}_\ell(d_n(r))) = \mathrm{res}_\ell(c_n(r/\ell))$.

(4) As in the case where $r = 1$ (see § 2.1), Perrin-Riou [Per87, § 3.3, Lemma 2]) has shown that

$$a_p y_{rp^{n+1}} = y_{rp^n} + \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}[rp^{n+2}]/\mathrm{K}[rp^{n+1}]} y_{rp^{n+2}}$$

for any $n \geq 0$ and any $r \in \mathbb{N}$ prime to p. Since $a_p = 0$, it follows that

$$y_{rp^n} = -\mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{K}[rp^{n+2}]/\mathrm{K}[rp^{n+1}]} y_{rp^{n+2}}. \tag{11}$$

Let $\mathrm{R}_n c_n(r)$ be the R_n-submodule of $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$ generated by $c_n(r)$. Under the injective map

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_n, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n+2}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n+2}}}),$$

$\mathrm{R}_n c_n(r)$ can be viewed as a submodule of $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{n+2}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{n+2}}})$. Moreover, by (11) we can then see that $\mathrm{R}_n c_n(r) \subseteq \mathrm{R}_{n+2} c_{n+2}(r)$ and, consequently, that $\mathrm{R}_n d_n(r) \subseteq \mathrm{R}_{n+2} d_{n+2}(r)$.

By identifying $\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n}$ with its image under the injective map

$$\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{2n}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n}}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n+1}}}),$$

we now view $\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}$ as an R_{2n+1}-submodule of $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n+1}}})$.

Proposition 2.3. *For almost all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists a set of rational primes*

$$\mathrm{Q}_n = \{\ell_n(1), \ldots, \ell_n(t)\}$$

satisfying the following properties:

(i) *$\ell_n(i)$ is inert in $\mathrm{K}/\mathbb{Q}$;*

(ii) *$\ell_n(i)$ is prime to $p\mathrm{N}$;*

(iii) *$\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_\lambda)_{p^\infty} = \mathrm{E}(\overline{\mathrm{K}_\lambda})_{p^{m_n}}$ for all $\lambda \mid \ell_n(i)$, where K_λ denotes the completion of K at λ;*

(iv) *$\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}}) \hookrightarrow \prod_{i=1}^t \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{\lambda_n(i)}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_n}})$;*

(v) *the images of $\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}$ under*

$$\mathrm{res}_{\ell_m(i)} : \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n+1}}}) \to \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}(\ell_m(i)), \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n+1}}})$$

are isomorphic as R_{2n+1}-modules for all $m \geq 2n+1$;

(vi) *the direct limits*

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}),$$

which will be defined using injective transition maps, have Λ-corank two for each $i \in \{1, \ldots, t\}$.

Proof. Let $L_n = K(E_{p^{m_n}})$ and $\mathscr{G}_n = \mathrm{Gal}(L_n/K)$. Consider the exact sequence

$$0 \to H^1(\mathscr{G}_n, E_{p^{m_n}}) \to H^1(K, E_{p^{m_n}}) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^1(L_n, E_{p^{m_n}})^{\mathscr{G}_n}. \tag{12}$$

Since $H^1(\mathscr{G}_n, E_{p^{m_n}}) = 0$ for all n [ÇW08, Proposition 1.3.1], the above diagram implies that

$$H^1(K, E_{p^{m_n}}) \hookrightarrow H^1(L_n, E_{p^{m_n}})^{\mathscr{G}_n} = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathscr{G}_n}(\mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L}_n/L_n), E_{p^{m_n}}).$$

Let M_n be the splitting field over L_n of the finite subgroup $H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K, E_{p^{m_n}})$ of $H^1(L_n, E_{p^{m_n}})^{\mathscr{G}_n}$. The complex conjugation τ acts on $\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)$ and the $+1$ eigenspace

$$\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)^+ = \{(\tau h)^2 \mid h \in \mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)\}.$$

Fix $\{h_n(1), \ldots, h_n(t)\}$ to be a minimal set of generators of $\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)^+$. One can easily see that t does not depend on n. We then choose primes $\ell_n(i) \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $\tau h'_n(i) \in \mathrm{Frob}_{\ell_n}(M_n/\mathbb{Q})$, where $h_n(i) = (\tau h'_n(i))^2$. This choice ensures that the prime $\ell_n(i)$ satisfies the first two required properties.

In [ÇW08, § 1.3.2] we showed that M_n and L_{n+1} are disjoint over L_n. We also know that the index of $\mathrm{Gal}(L_n/K)$ in $\mathrm{GL}(2, \mathbb{Z}/p^{m_n}\mathbb{Z})$ is finite and depends only on E and K (see [Ser72]). This implies that, for almost all n, we can extend each $\tau h'_n(i)$ to an element of $\mathrm{Gal}(M_n K(E_{p^{m_{n+1}}})/\mathbb{Q})$ in such a way that the restriction of $(\tau h'_n(i))^2$ to $\mathrm{Gal}(K(E_{p^{m_{n+1}}})/L_n)$ has no fixed points in $E_{p^{m_{n+1}}}/E_{p^{m_n}}$. Hence we have

$$E(K_\lambda)_{p^\infty} = E(\overline{K_\lambda})_{p^{m_n}} \quad \text{where } \lambda \mid \ell_n(i) \text{ and } i \in \{1, \ldots, t\}.$$

Observe that if $s \in H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K, E_{p^{m_n}})$ is an eigenvector of the complex conjugation τ and if, viewed as an element of $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathscr{G}_n}(\mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L}_n/L_n), E_{p^{m_n}})$, it is trivial on $\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)^+$, then $s(\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n))$ is a $\mathscr{G}_n$-invariant submodule of one of the eigenspaces of $E_{p^{m_n}}$. Since we have assumed that $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable, it follows that $s(\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)) = 0$. Hence, by the choice of $\{h_n(1), \ldots, h_n(t)\}$, we know that if $s \in H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K, E_{p^{m_n}})^{\pm}$ and $s(h_n(i)) = 0$ for all $i \in \{1, \ldots, t\}$, then $s = 0$. By [Gro91, Proposition 9.6] and [ÇW08, Proposition 2.4.2], we have that for any $s \in H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K, E_{p^{m_n}})$,

$$\mathrm{res}_{\lambda_n(i)} s = 0 \quad \text{if and only if } s(h_n(i)) = 0.$$

Since $H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K, E_{p^{m_n}})$ is the direct sum of its eigenspaces under the action of τ, we can conclude that the map

$$H^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(K, E_{p^{m_n}}) \to \prod_{i=1}^{t} H^1(K_{\lambda_n(i)}, E_{p^{m_n}})$$

is injective. We have now shown that the set $Q_n = \{\ell_n(1), \ldots, \ell_n(t)\}$ satisfies the first four properties.

We shall now refine the choice of primes in Q_n to ensure that the last two properties are satisfied. Let $h_n \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_n}/K_n L_n)$. In [ÇW08, § 2.5.2] we defined the R_n-module $[R_n\alpha_n](h_n)$ as follows:

$$[R_n\alpha_n](h_n) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{p^{2n}} [(g^{-i}c)(h_n)] \cdot g^i \text{ such that } c \in R_n\alpha_n \right\} \subseteq \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{sets}}(G_n, E_{p^{m_n}}),$$

where $G_n = \langle g \rangle$ and $[(g^{-i}c)(h_n)] \in E_{p^{m_n}}$ is simply the evaluation of the class $g^{-i}c$ at $h_n \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{K_n(E_{p^{m_n}})}/K_n(E_{p^{m_n}}))$. The action of G_n on this module is the one induced by the standard action on $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{sets}}(G_n, E_{p^{m_n}})$, namely by multiplication on G_n, $(gf)(g_1) = f(gg_1)$. The map

$R_n\alpha_n \to [R_n\alpha_n](h_n)$ is seen to be an R_n-module homomorphism. By picking a basis for $E_{p^{m_n}}$, we view the right-hand side as ${R_n}^2$ and hence view $[R_n\alpha_n](h_n)$ as a submodule of ${R_n}^2$.

By [ÇW08, Lemma 2.5.3], we know that K_∞ and L_n are disjoint over K. Since we are assuming that $\mathrm{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_p)/\mathbb{Q})$ is not solvable, it follows that M_n and K_n are disjoint over K. Hence we can assume that $h_n(i) \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_n}/K_nL_n)$. Then, by [ÇW08, Proposition 2.5.7], we know that

$$\mathrm{res}_{\ell_n(i)}(R_n\alpha_n) \simeq [R_n\alpha_n](h_n(i)) \text{ as } R_n\text{-modules.}$$

Let $(h_n(i))_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_\infty}/L_\infty)$, where $h_n(i) \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_n}/K_nL_n)$ and $i \in \{1, \ldots, t\}$. As above, we have that

$$\mathrm{res}_{\ell_m(i)}(R_n\alpha_n) \simeq [R_n\alpha_n](h_m(i)) \quad \text{for all } m \geq n$$

and, moreover, the compatibility of $h_n(i) \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_n}/K_nL_n)$ implies that

$$[R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i)) = [R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_m(i)) \quad \text{for all } m \geq 2n+1.$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}) &\simeq [R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i)) \\ &= [R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_m(i)) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{res}_{\ell_m(i)}(R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1})\end{aligned}$$

for all $m \geq 2n+1$. This concludes the proof of part (v) of this proposition.

By the compatibility of $h_n(i) \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_n}/K_nL_n)$ and the fact that $R_n\alpha_n \hookrightarrow R_{n+2}\alpha_{n+2}$ under the map

$$H^1(K_n, E_{p^{m_n}}) \to H^1(K_{n+2}, E_{p^{m_{n+2}}}),$$

we have that

$$[R_n\alpha_n](h_n(i))) = [R_n\alpha_n](h_{n+2}(i)) \hookrightarrow [R_{n+2}\alpha_{n+2}](h_{n+2}(i)) \quad \text{for every } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

By choosing the basis of $E_{p^{m_n}}$ compatibly as n grows, we can consider the direct limit $\varinjlim_n [R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i))$ and view it as a Λ-submodule of $\hat{\Lambda}^2$.

By observing that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R_n\alpha_n & \longrightarrow & [R_n\alpha_n](h_n(i)) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ R_{n+2}\alpha_{n+2} & \longrightarrow & [R_{n+2}\alpha_{n+2}](h_{n+2}(i)) \end{array}$$

is commutative, we deduce that there is the following surjective map of Λ-modules:

$$\psi : \varinjlim_n (R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}) \to \varinjlim_n [R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i)).$$

In [ÇW08, § 2.6.4], we used the first property of Kolyvagin's classes and the fact that the module $\varinjlim_n (R_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + R_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1})$ has Λ-corank at least two (Proposition 2.1) to show that we can choose $(h_n(i))_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_\infty}/L_\infty)$ such that:

(i) $h_n(i) \in \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{L_n}/K_nL_n)$ and the restriction of $h_n(i)$ to M_n lies in $\mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)^+$;

(ii) $\langle h_n(1), \ldots, h_n(t)\rangle = \mathrm{Gal}(M_n/L_n)^+$;

(iii) the invariants of $f \varinjlim_n [\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i))$ contain a subgroup isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)^2$ for all $f \in \Lambda$, which implies that $\varinjlim_n [\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i))$ has Λ-corank two.

By part (v), we have the following diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}) & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & [\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i)) \\ & & \downarrow \\ \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+3}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n+2}\alpha_{2n+2} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+3}\alpha_{2n+3}) & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & [\mathrm{R}_{2n+2}\alpha_{2n+2} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+3}\alpha_{2n+3}](h_{2n+3}(i)) \end{array} \tag{13}$$

This allows us to see that we can define injective maps

$$\mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+3}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n+2}\alpha_{2n+2} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+3}\alpha_{2n+3}) \tag{14}$$

which transform (13) into a commutative diagram. We use the above maps to construct the direct limit $\varinjlim_n \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1})$, and then we have that

$$\varinjlim_n \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}) \simeq \varinjlim_n [\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}](h_{2n+1}(i)).$$

It follows that the formal direct limit $\varinjlim_n \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1})$ has Λ-corank two for each $i \in \{1, \ldots, t\}$. Hence the set Q_n satisfies all the required properties. □

3. The Λ-corank of the Tate–Shafarevich group

We will now use Kolyvagin's classes to analyze the image of the map

$$\mathrm{H}^1{}_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{2n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n+1}}}) \to \prod_{q \in \mathrm{Q}_{k_{2n+1}}} \mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}(q), \mathrm{E})_{p^{m_{2n+1}}}, \tag{15}$$

where Q_n is the set of primes chosen in Proposition 2.3. Using properties (2) and (3) of Kolyvagin's classes, we can see that the image of

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathrm{R}_{2n}c_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(1)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}c_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(1)) + \cdots + \mathrm{R}_{2n}c_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(t)) \\ &\quad + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}c_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(t)) \subseteq \mathrm{H}^1{}_{\mathrm{Sel}_{p\cup \mathrm{Q}_{k_{2n+1}}}}(\mathrm{K}_{2n+1}, \mathrm{E}_{p^{m_{2n+1}}}) \end{aligned}$$

under the map (15) is

$$\prod_{i=1}^{t} \mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}d_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}d_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i))].$$

We know that the maps $\psi_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}$, from property (3) of Kolyvagin's classes, induce the isomorphisms

$$\mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}d_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}d_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i))] \simeq \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}]$$

for each $i = 1, \ldots, t$. We now use the maps (14) to define the injective maps

$$\mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}d_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}d_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i))] \hookrightarrow \mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+3}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n+2}d_{2n+2}(\ell_{k_{2n+3}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+3}d_{2n+3}(\ell_{k_{2n+3}}(i))],$$

which can be used as transition maps in defining the direct limit

$$\varinjlim_{n} \mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}d_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}d_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i))].$$

We can immediately see that

$$\varinjlim_{n} \mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}d_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}d_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i))] \simeq \varinjlim_{n} \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1}).$$

Since, by Proposition 2.3(v), the Λ-modules $\varinjlim_{n} \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{2n+1}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1})$ have corank two, it follows that the formal direct limit

$$\varinjlim_{n} \mathtt{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}[\mathrm{R}_{2n}d_{2n}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)) + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}d_{2n+1}(\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i))]$$

has Λ-corank two for each $i \in \{1, \ldots, t\}$. The fact that all the transition maps that we are using are injective implies that the image of the formal map θ (see § 1) has corank $2t$, even if the modules $\varinjlim_{n} \mathrm{res}_{\ell_{k_{2n+1}}(i)}(\mathrm{R}_{2n}\alpha_{2n} + \mathrm{R}_{2n+1}\alpha_{2n+1})$ cannot be viewed as submodules of the image of θ. It then follows that the kernel of θ has Λ-corank two. Proposition 1.3 implies that we have now proven the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. *The Λ-module $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}_p}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ has corank two.*

By Proposition 2.1, we know that the image of $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_\infty)$ in $\mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty})$ has Λ-corank at least two. Hence Theorem 3.1 implies this corollary.

Corollary 3.2. *The Λ-module $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$ has corank two.*

Then, the exactness of the sequence

$$0 \to \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{K}_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p \to \mathrm{H}^1_{\mathrm{Sel}}(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E}_{p^\infty}) \to Ш(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty} \to 0$$

implies that the Λ-corank of $Ш(\mathrm{K}_\infty, \mathrm{E})_{p^\infty}$ is trivial. This concludes the proof of Theorem 0.1.

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