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We have seen in the previous lecture that Colmez-Fontaine equivalence of categories between crystalline representations and admissible filtered φ -modules gives an explicit classification of crystalline representations of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, and then an explicit p -adic local Langlands correspondence in dimension 2.

To take into account all the p -adic representations of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, we have to consider a new family of objects called (φ, Γ) -modules. We will only describe here the ideas involved in this theory and its main steps. For further details and proofs, we refer to [Be, Section 9], [BeBr, Section 3] and to M.-F. Vignéras lectures during the next week.

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1 What you need to know / Prerequisites

- The classification of 2-dimensional modulo p Galois representations

$$\rho : G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \longrightarrow GL_2(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p)$$

will be recalled in the next section and is constructed in Advanced Homework Session 1.

- We have the following result, which is proved in Advanced Homework Sessions 3 and 4:

Theorem 1. *Assume that \mathbf{E} is endowed with the discrete topology.*

1. $H^1(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, GL_d(\mathbf{E})) = \{1\}$ for any integer $d \geq 1$.
2. $H^1(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, \mathbf{E}) = \{0\}$.

Basically, this theorem says that any free \mathbf{E} -module of rank d endowed with a semi-linear action of $H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ is isomorphic to \mathbf{E}^d . We refer to Advanced Homework Session 3 for more details.

2 Modulo p representations of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$

2.1 The 2-dimensional case

As we mentioned it in the previous section, we have a complete classification of absolutely irreducible representations of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ on finite fields (Advanced Homework Session 1):

Theorem 2. *Let E be a finite extension of \mathbb{Q}_p with residue field k_E . Any 2-dimensional k_E -linear absolutely irreducible representation of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ is isomorphic to $\rho(r, \chi) = \text{ind}(\omega_2^{r+1}) \otimes \chi$ for some integer $0 \leq r \leq p-1$ and some character $\chi : G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow k_E^\times$.*

Here we denote by $\omega_2 : I_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{p^2}^\times$ the character sending g to $\frac{g(p^{\frac{1}{p^2-1}})}{p^{\frac{1}{p^2-1}}}$ and $\text{ind}(\omega_2^r)$ is defined as the unique semi-simple representation ρ of dimension 2 whose determinant is equal to ω_2^r and such that $\rho|_{I_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} = \omega_2^r \oplus \omega_2^{pr}$. The problem is that this classification offers a too naive point of view to be generalized. To become less naive, we have to introduce a new category of objects called (φ, Γ) -modules.

2.2 (φ, Γ) -modules in characteristic p

First recall that $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$ is (non-canonically) isomorphic to the algebraic closure of $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} := \mathbb{F}_p((\epsilon - 1))$. We denote by \mathbf{E} the separable closure of $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, which is not equal to its algebraic closure! The following result, which is a particular case of a powerful theorem due to Fontaine-Wintenberger [FW], will be proved in Advanced Homework Session 3:

Theorem 3. *There exists a group isomorphism:*

$$H_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \simeq \text{Gal}(\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}) .$$

Denote by $\Gamma = \Gamma_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ the Galois group of $\mathbb{Q}_{p^\infty}/\mathbb{Q}_p$. A (φ, Γ) -**module over $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$** is a free $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -module of finite rank d endowed with a semi-linear Frobenius map φ such that $\text{Mat}(\varphi) \in \text{GL}_d(\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$ and a continuous semi-linear action of Γ that commutes with φ .

We do the two following remarks:

1. First note that the condition on $\text{Mat}(\varphi)$ does not depend on the basis in which the matrix of φ is considered.
2. If we choose a basis e of D , an element $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and set $P := \text{Mat}_e(\varphi)$ and $G := \text{Mat}_e(\gamma)$, then requiring that ϕ and γ commute as semi-linear operators is equivalent to require that $P\varphi(G) = G\gamma(P)$.

Assuming the fact that $\mathbf{E}^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} = \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ (Advanced Homework Session 3), we can prove the following result:

Proposition 1. *Let W be an \mathbb{F}_p -representation of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ of dimension d .*

Then $D(W) := (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} W)^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}$ is a (φ, Γ) -module over $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ of dimension d such that

$$\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(W) \simeq \mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} W .$$

In particular, we have

$$W = (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(W))^{\varphi=1} .$$

Démonstration. Let $W : G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow \text{GL}_d(\mathbb{F}_p)$ be such a representation. Its restriction to $H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ defines an element $[W \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \mathbf{E}]$ of $H^1(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, \text{GL}_d(\mathbf{E}))$, which is trivial by the first point of Theorem 1. This means that $W \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \mathbf{E}$ is isomorphic to \mathbf{E}^d as an $H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -representation, so that $D(W) := (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} W)^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}$ is an $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -vector space of dimension d which is stable under φ and Γ . Moreover, we have an isomorphism of $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -vector spaces (but not of (φ, Γ) -modules):

$$D(W) \simeq \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^d$$

so that $(\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(W))^{\varphi=1} = W$. □

Proposition 2. *Let D be a (φ, Γ) -module of rank d over $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$.*

Then $W(D) := (\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D)^{\varphi=1}$ is an \mathbb{F}_p -representation of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ of dimension d such that

$$\mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} W(D) \simeq \mathbf{E} \otimes_{\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D .$$

Démonstration. [Be, Proposition 9.1.5] □

Corollaire 1. *The map $[W \mapsto D(W)]$ defines an equivalence of categories:*

$$\{\mathbb{F}_p\text{-linear representations of } G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}\} \leftrightarrow \{(\varphi, \Gamma)\text{-modules over } \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}\} .$$

Démonstration. [Be, Theorem 9.1.8] □

To finish this section, note that if we forget about the action of Γ , we then get the following result:

Corollaire 2. *There exists an equivalence of categories:*

$$\{\mathbb{F}_p\text{-linear representations of } H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}\} \leftrightarrow \{\varphi\text{-modules over } \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}\} .$$

3 Application to a mod p Langlands correspondence for $n = 2$

We just saw how to go from Galois representations to (φ, Γ) -modules. We now introduce an operator ψ on these (φ, Γ) -modules in order to define (as Colmez did) a representation of the Borel subgroup $B_2(\mathbb{Q}_p) \subset GL_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$.

3.1 The operator ψ

Recall that $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} := \mathbb{F}_p((\epsilon - 1))$ is a vector space over $\varphi(\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}) = \mathbb{F}_p((\varphi(\epsilon - 1)))$ which admits $\{1, \epsilon, \dots, \epsilon^{p-1}\}$ as a basis. Any $\alpha \in \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ can therefore be uniquely written as

$$\alpha = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \epsilon^j \alpha_j$$

with $\alpha_j \in \varphi(\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$. We set $\psi(\alpha) := \alpha_0$.

Let now D be a (φ, Γ) -module over $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$: then D admits a basis $(\varphi(e_1), \dots, \varphi(e_d))$ made from elements of $\varphi(D)$, so that any $x \in D$ can be uniquely written

$$x = \sum_{j=1}^d x_j \varphi(e_j)$$

with $x_j \in \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$. We set $\psi(x) := \sum_{j=1}^d \psi(x_j) e_j$.

Lemma 1. *The map $\psi : D \rightarrow D$ defined just above doesn't depend on the choice of the basis $(\varphi(e_1), \dots, \varphi(e_d))$ and commutes to the action of Γ .*

3.2 Main steps to a mod p Langlands correspondence

The construction of a $GL_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -representation starting from a (φ, Γ) -module attached to a $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -representation, known as **Colmez' functor**, splits into three main steps:

1st step: Let D be a (φ, Γ) -module. There exists some ψ -stable lattice N in D , and we let $(\varprojlim_{\leftarrow \psi} D)^b$ be the set of elements $x = (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in D^{\mathbb{N}}$ satisfying the two following conditions:

$$\begin{cases} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \psi(x_{n+1}) = x_n ; \\ \exists k \in \mathbb{N} \mid \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, x_n \in \pi^{-k} N . \end{cases}$$

2nd step: We set $D^\sharp := \{x_0, x \in (\lim_{\leftarrow \psi} D)^b\}$. One can prove that D^\sharp is stable under ψ and Γ , and that $\psi : D^\sharp \rightarrow D^\sharp$ is surjective. We can also build $\lim_{\leftarrow \psi} D^\sharp$ starting from D^\sharp as we built $(\lim_{\leftarrow \psi} D)^b$ starting from D .

3rd step: Let $\chi : \mathbb{Q}^\times \rightarrow E^\times$ be a smooth character. We endow $\lim_{\leftarrow \psi} D^\sharp$ with an action of the Borel subgroup $B_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left(\left(\begin{array}{cc} t & 0 \\ 0 & t \end{array} \right) x \right)_n = \chi^{-1}(t)x_n ; \quad \left(\left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^j \end{array} \right) x \right)_n = x_{n-j} = \psi^j(x_n) \\ ; \\ \left(\left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{array} \right) x \right)_n = \gamma_{a^{-1}}(x_n) ; \quad \left(\left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & z \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) x \right)_n = \pi^{p^n z} x_n . \end{array} \right.$$

Here $x \in \lim_{\leftarrow \psi} D^\sharp$, $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ and $z \in \mathbb{Q}_p$. Moreover, we set $\gamma_{a^{-1}}$ the element of Γ such that $\chi_{cyc}(\gamma_{a^{-1}}) = a^{-1}$ (where χ_{cyc} denotes the cyclotomic character).

The key point of this construction is that if D is the (φ, Γ) -module associated to an absolutely irreducible representation of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, then this representation of $B_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ lifts in a unique way to an irreducible representation of $GL_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$.

4 First steps in characteristic 0

As usual, we want to lift to characteristic 0 what we have done in characteristic p . To do this, we will (as usual) introduce some new rings of period.

Let $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} := W(\tilde{\mathbf{E}})$ be the ring of Witt vectors with coefficients in $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}$. Denote by $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ the p -adic completion of $\mathbb{Z}_p[[\pi]][\frac{1}{\pi}]$ inside $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ and set $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} := \mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}[\frac{1}{p}]$: this is a local field with residue field equal to $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$.

Let $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} := \tilde{\mathbf{A}}[\frac{1}{p}]$ and denote by \mathbf{B} the p -adic completion of the maximal unramified extension of $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ inside $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$. Finally set $\mathbf{A} := \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \cap \mathbf{B}$.

We then set the following definitions:

- A (φ, Γ) -**module over $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$** is a free $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -module D of finite rank d equipped with a semi-linear Frobenius φ such that $Mat(\varphi) \in GL_d(\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$ and a continuous semi-linear action of Γ which commutes to φ .
- A (φ, Γ) -**module over $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$** is a free $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -module D of finite rank d equipped with a semi-linear Frobenius φ such that $Mat(\varphi) \in GL_d(\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$ and a continuous semi-linear action of Γ which commutes to φ .
- We say that a (φ, Γ) -module over $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ is **étale** if there exists a basis e of D such that $Mat_e(\varphi) \in GL_d(\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$.

As in characteristic p , we have $H^1(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, GL_d(\mathbf{A})) = \{1\}$ if \mathbf{A} is endowed with the p -adic topology (Advanced Homework Session 4). This leads to the following results:

Lemma 2. *Let T be a free \mathbb{Z}_p -module of finite rank d endowed with a continuous action of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$. Then $D(T) := (\mathbf{A} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} T)^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}$ is a (φ, Γ) -module of rank d over $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ and it satisfies:*

$$\mathbf{A} \otimes_{\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(T) \simeq \mathbf{A} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} T .$$

In particular, we have:

$$(\mathbf{A} \otimes_{\mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(T))^{\varphi=1} = T .$$

Lemma 3. *Let V be a free \mathbb{Q}_p -module of finite rank d endowed with a continuous action of $G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$. Then $D(V) := (\mathbf{B} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_p} V)^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}$ is an étale (φ, Γ) -module of rank d over $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ and it satisfies:*

$$\mathbf{B} \otimes_{\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(V) \simeq \mathbf{B} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_p} V$$

In particular, we have

$$(\mathbf{B} \otimes_{\mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} D(V))^{\varphi=1} = V$$

Theorem 4. *The functor $D(\cdot)$ defines equivalences of categories:*

$$\{ \text{free } \mathbb{Z}_p\text{-representations of } G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} \leftrightarrow \{ (\varphi, \Gamma)\text{-modules over } \mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} .$$

$$\{ \mathbb{Q}_p\text{-linear representations of } G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} \leftrightarrow \{ \text{étale } (\varphi, \Gamma)\text{-modules over } \mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} .$$

Once again, if we forget about the Γ -action, we have the following result:

Corollaire 3. *We have the following equivalences of categories:*

$$\{ \text{free } \mathbb{Z}_p\text{-representations of } H_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} \leftrightarrow \{ \varphi\text{-modules over } \mathbf{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} ;$$

$$\{ \mathbb{Q}_p\text{-linear representations of } H_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} \leftrightarrow \{ \text{étale } \varphi\text{-modules over } \mathbf{B}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \} .$$

It is also possible to define an operator ψ and to make the three-steps construction that has been seen in characteristic p , but it is harder to go from $B_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -representations to $GL_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -representations in the characteristic 0 setting. In fact, one can prove that it works for some big enough family of p -adic representations so that we can conclude that it works for any p -adic representation by density. For further details, we refer to [C, Section II.3.2].

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