

# ANALOGUES OF IWASAWA'S $\mu = 0$ CONJECTURE AND THE WEAK LEOPOLDT CONJECTURE FOR A NON-CYCLOTOMIC $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -EXTENSION\*

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**Abstract.** Let  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$ , where  $q$  is any prime number congruent to 7 modulo 8, and let  $\mathcal{O}$  be the ring of integers of  $K$ . The prime 2 splits in  $K$ , say  $2\mathcal{O} = \mathfrak{pp}^*$ , and there is a unique  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -extension  $K_\infty$  of  $K$  which is unramified outside  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $H$  be the Hilbert class field of  $K$ , and write  $H_\infty = HK_\infty$ . Let  $M(H_\infty)$  be the maximal abelian 2-extension of  $H_\infty$  which is unramified outside the primes above  $\mathfrak{p}$ , and put  $X(H_\infty) = \text{Gal}(M(H_\infty)/H_\infty)$ . We prove that  $X(H_\infty)$  is always a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module, by an elliptic analogue of Sinnott's cyclotomic argument. We then use this result to prove for the first time the weak  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic Leopoldt conjecture for the compositum  $J_\infty$  of  $K_\infty$  with arbitrary quadratic extensions  $J$  of  $H$ . We also prove some new cases of the finite generation of the Mordell-Weil group  $E(J_\infty)$  modulo torsion of certain elliptic curves  $E$  with complex multiplication by  $\mathcal{O}$ .

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$ , where  $q$  is any prime number congruent to 7 modulo 8, let  $\mathcal{O}$  be the ring of integers of  $K$ , and let  $H$  be the Hilbert class field of  $K$ . We fix once and for all an embedding of  $K$  into  $\mathbb{C}$ . By the theory of complex multiplication, we have  $H = K(j(\mathcal{O}))$  where  $j$  is the classical modular function; in particular, this fixes an embedding of  $H$  into  $\mathbb{C}$ . We write  $G$  for the Galois group of  $H$  over  $K$ , and  $h$  for the class number of  $K$ . Then  $h$  is odd because  $K$  has prime discriminant. The prime  $p = 2$  splits in  $K$ , and we write

$$2\mathcal{O} = \mathfrak{pp}^*.$$

Throughout the remainder of the paper, we fix once and for all an embedding  $\iota_{\mathfrak{p}}$  of  $\overline{K}$  into  $\mathbb{C}_2$ , which induces the prime  $\mathfrak{p}$ . By global class field theory,  $K$  has a unique  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -extension which is unramified outside  $\mathfrak{p}$ , which we denote by  $K_\infty/K$ . Note that the prime  $\mathfrak{p}$  is totally ramified in  $K_\infty$  because  $h$  is odd. Define

$$H_\infty = HK_\infty, \quad \Gamma = \text{Gal}(H_\infty/H).$$

We write  $M(H_\infty)$  for the maximal abelian 2-extension of  $H_\infty$  which is unramified outside the primes of  $H_\infty$  above  $\mathfrak{p}$ , and put

$$X(H_\infty) = \text{Gal}(M(H_\infty)/H_\infty).$$

Note that  $M(H_\infty)$  is clearly Galois over  $H$ , and thus  $\Gamma$  acts continuously on  $X(H_\infty)$  in the usual fashion via inner automorphisms. This action endows  $X(H_\infty)$  with the

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structure of a module over the Iwasawa algebra  $\Lambda(\Gamma)$  of  $\Gamma$ . In fact, it has long been known that  $X(H_\infty)$  is a finitely generated torsion module over  $\Lambda(\Gamma)$ . In the present paper, we prove the following stronger theorem, which is equivalent to saying that the Iwasawa  $\mu$ -invariant for the  $\Lambda(\Gamma)$ -module  $X(H_\infty)$  vanishes.

**THEOREM 1.1.** *The Galois group  $X(H_\infty)$  is a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module.*

In §5, we give some interesting numerical computations of the group  $X(H_\infty)$ , which show, somewhat surprisingly, that in fact it is zero for all primes  $q < 500$  with  $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  except  $q = 431$ . Moreover, by a simple application of Nakayama's lemma, we obtain the following corollary of Theorem 1.1. Let  $J$  denote any quadratic extension of the Hilbert class field  $H$ , and write  $J_\infty = JK_\infty$ . Let  $M(J_\infty)$  be the maximal abelian 2-extension of  $J_\infty$  which is unramified outside the primes above  $\mathfrak{p}$ , and put  $X(J_\infty) = \text{Gal}(M(J_\infty)/J_\infty)$ .

**COROLLARY 1.2.** *For every quadratic extension  $J$  of  $H$ , the Galois group  $X(J_\infty)$  is a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module.*

We point out that this corollary implies in particular (see [4]) that the weak  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic Leopoldt conjecture is valid for the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -extension  $J_\infty/J$ . This is the first example where such a weak  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic Leopoldt conjecture has been proven for extensions of  $K$  which are not in general abelian over  $K$ .

In the proof of Theorem 1.1, we shall make use of what is, in some sense, the simplest elliptic curve with complex multiplication by  $\mathcal{O}$ , which was introduced by Gross [14]. He has proven that there exists a unique elliptic curve defined over  $\mathbb{Q}(j(\mathcal{O}))$ , which we shall denote by  $A$ , whose  $j$ -invariant is equal to  $j(\mathcal{O})$ , whose ring of  $H$ -endomorphisms is equal to  $\mathcal{O}$ , whose minimal discriminant ideal in  $H$  is equal to  $(-q^3)$ , and which is isogenous to all of its conjugates under the Galois action of  $G$ . The Grössencharacter of  $A$  is the Hecke character  $\psi$  of  $H$  with conductor  $(\sqrt{-q})$ , which, on ideals  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $H$  prime to  $(\sqrt{-q})$  is defined by the formula

$$\psi(\mathfrak{a}) = \alpha, \text{ where } (\alpha) = N_{H/K}\mathfrak{a} \text{ and } \alpha \text{ is a square modulo } (\sqrt{-q}).$$

We have the identity

$$\psi = \phi \circ N_{H/K} \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\phi$  is the following Grössencharacter of  $K$  with conductor  $\mathfrak{q} = \sqrt{-q}\mathcal{O}$ . Let  $B$  denote the abelian variety over  $K$ , which is the restriction of scalars from  $H$  to  $K$  of  $A$ . Let  $T = \text{End}_K(B) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $T$  is an extension of degree  $h$  of  $K$ , and for ideals  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $K$  prime to  $\mathfrak{q}$  we have  $\phi(\mathfrak{b}) = \beta$ , where  $\beta$  is the unique element of  $T$  such that  $\mathfrak{b}^h = (\beta^h)$  and  $\beta^h$  is a square modulo  $\mathfrak{q}$ . In particular, we remark that  $B$  is isomorphic over  $H$  to the product of the elliptic curves  $A^\sigma$ , where  $\sigma$  runs over the elements of  $G$ . It follows that for any integral ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $K$  prime to  $\mathfrak{q}$ , the endomorphism  $\phi(\mathfrak{b})$  of  $B/K$  defines a unique isogeny defined over  $H$

$$\eta_{A^\sigma}(\mathfrak{b}) : A^\sigma \rightarrow A^{\sigma\sigma\mathfrak{b}} \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\sigma\mathfrak{b}$  denotes the Artin symbol of  $\mathfrak{b}$  in  $G$ , whose kernel is  $A_6^\sigma$ . For a more detailed discussion on this isogeny, see [14]. Moreover, Gross [15] has proven that  $A$  has a global minimal Weierstrass equation over  $H$ . Hence we fix once and for all such a global minimal equation

$$y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6, \quad (1.3)$$

with coefficients  $a_i$  which are all integers in  $H$ . Moreover, there is an interesting new application of Corollary 1.2 to certain quadratic twists of  $A$ . Let  $E$  denote a twist of  $A$  by an arbitrary quadratic extension of  $H$ , whose conductor is relatively prime to  $2q$ . Define

$$F = H(E_{\mathfrak{p}^2}), \quad F_\infty = H(E_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}), \quad \mathcal{G} = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/H), \quad \Delta = \text{Gal}(F/H). \quad (1.4)$$

The fields  $F$  and  $F_\infty$  are, of course, abelian extensions of  $H$ , but we stress that they are not in general abelian over  $K$ . Here  $\Delta$  is cyclic of order 2, and it can easily be seen that  $F_\infty = FK_\infty$ . We recall that the  $\mathfrak{p}^\infty$ -Selmer group of  $E$  over  $F_\infty$  is defined by

$$S_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}(E/F_\infty) = \text{Ker} \left( H^1(F_\infty, E_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}) \rightarrow \prod_v H^1(F_{\infty,v}, E)(\mathfrak{p}) \right)$$

where  $v$  runs over all finite places of  $F_\infty$ .

**THEOREM 1.3.** *Let  $E$  be a twist of  $A$  by any quadratic extension of  $H$  of conductor prime to  $2q$ . Then the Pontryagin dual of  $S_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}(E/F_\infty)$  is always a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module. In particular, both  $E(F_\infty)$  and  $E(H_\infty)$  modulo torsion are finitely generated abelian groups.*

We stress that this result was unknown previously, except in the very special case when  $E$  is the quadratic twist of  $A$  by the compositum with  $H$  of a quadratic extension of  $K$ . Moreover, none of the analytic results is known for such a curve  $E$ , for example, the construction of the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function attached to  $E$ .

Our proof of Theorem 1.1 uses an elliptic analogue of Sinnott's beautiful proof of the vanishing of the cyclotomic  $\mu$ -invariant. Considerable past work in this direction has already been done by Gillard [12], [11] and Schneps [17] for split odd primes  $p$ . For the prime  $p = 2$  there has recently been independent work by Oukhaba and Viguié [18], which would seemingly include a proof of Theorem 1.1. However, we give the full details of a rather different construction of the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -functions and the analogue of Sinnott's proof in our case, rather than the arguments sketched in [18].

**2. Construction of the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function.** The aim of this section is to construct the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function attached to the curve  $A/H$ , by using the method of [9] and [6]. In this section,  $F$  and  $F_\infty$  will denote the fields defined by (1.4) in the special case in which  $E = A$ . Thus, we will have

$$F = H(A_{\mathfrak{p}^2}), \quad F_\infty = H(A_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}).$$

Write  $\chi_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}^\times = \mathbb{Z}_2^\times$  for the character giving the action of  $\mathcal{G} = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/H)$  on  $A_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}$ . It is well-known that  $A$  has good reduction everywhere over  $F$  (the proof of Lemma 2.1 of [3] generalizes immediately to all of the curves  $A$  discussed here). Thus we must have  $[F : H] = 2$ , whence we see that  $\chi_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is an isomorphism. Hence  $\mathcal{G} = \Gamma \times \Delta$ , where  $\Delta = \text{Gal}(F/H)$  is of order 2 and  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . Note that all the primes of  $H$  lying above the  $\mathfrak{q}$  must be ramified in the extension  $F/H$ , because  $A/H$  has bad reduction at the primes of  $H$  above  $\mathfrak{q}$ . As  $H_\infty/H$  is unramified outside of the primes of  $H$  dividing  $\mathfrak{p}$ , we see that  $H_\infty \cap F = H$ , whence we can also identify  $\Gamma$  with the Galois group of  $H_\infty/H$  under restriction.

Recall that  $G$  denotes the Galois group of  $H$  over  $K$ . Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be any non-zero integral ideal of  $K$ , which we will always assume is prime to  $\mathfrak{p}\mathfrak{q}$ . We write  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}$  for

the Artin symbol of  $\mathfrak{a}$  in  $G$ , and  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}$  for the image of  $A$  under  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}$ . A global minimal Weierstrass equation for  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}/H$ , and its associated Néron differential  $\omega^{\mathfrak{a}}$ , are given respectively by just applying  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}$  to the coefficients of the equation (1.3), and to the coefficients of its Néron differential  $\omega = dx/(2y+a_1x+a_3)$ . We then define an element  $\xi(\mathfrak{a})$  of  $H$  by the equation

$$\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})^*(\omega^{\mathfrak{a}}) = \xi(\mathfrak{a})\omega, \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\eta_A(\mathfrak{a}) : A \rightarrow A^{\mathfrak{a}}$  is the isogeny as defined in (1.2). We also write  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}$  for the period lattices of  $\omega$  and  $\omega_{\mathfrak{a}}$ . If we write  $\mathcal{L} = \Omega_{\infty}\mathcal{O}$  where  $\Omega_{\infty} \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we have  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}} = \xi(\mathfrak{a})\Omega_{\infty}\mathfrak{a}^{-1}$ . Note that the Weierstrass isomorphism  $\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$  from  $\mathbb{C}/\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}$  to  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}(\mathbb{C})$  is given by

$$\left( \wp(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) - \frac{a_{1,\mathfrak{a}}^2 + 4a_{2,\mathfrak{a}}}{12}, \frac{1}{2} \left( \wp'(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) - a_{1,\mathfrak{a}} \left( \wp(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) - \frac{a_{1,\mathfrak{a}}^2 + 4a_{2,\mathfrak{a}}}{12} \right) - a_{3,\mathfrak{a}} \right) \right)$$

where we simply write  $a_{i,\mathfrak{a}}$  for  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}(a_i)$ , and where  $\wp(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$  denotes the Weierstrass  $\wp$ -function of the lattice  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}$ .

Let  $P = (x, y)$  denote a generic point of our global minimal Weierstrass equation for  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}/H$ . Given any non-zero element  $\lambda$  of  $\mathcal{O} = \text{End}_H(A)$  with  $\lambda \neq \pm 1$  and  $(\lambda, 6\mathfrak{q}) = 1$ , we define the rational function  $R_{\lambda,\mathfrak{a}}(P)$  on  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}$ , with coefficients in  $H$ , by

$$R_{\lambda,\mathfrak{a}}(P) = c_{\mathfrak{a}}(\lambda) \prod_{M \in V_{\lambda}} (x(P) - x(M))^{-1}$$

where  $V_{\lambda}$  denotes any set of representatives of the non-zero  $\lambda$ -division points on  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}$  modulo  $\{\pm 1\}$ , and  $c_{\mathfrak{a}}(\lambda)$  is a unique 12-th root in  $H$  of  $\Delta(\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})^{N\lambda}/\Delta(\lambda^{-1}\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$  (see also Proposition 1 of the Appendix of [5]). Here  $\Delta$  denotes Ramanujan's  $\Delta$ -function. For each non-zero integral ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $K$  with  $(\mathfrak{b}, \lambda\mathfrak{q}) = 1$ , it is easily seen that we have (see Theorem 4 of the Appendix of [5])

$$R_{\lambda,\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}}(\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{b})(P)) = \prod_{U \in A_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{a}}} R_{\lambda,\mathfrak{a}}(P \oplus U). \quad (2.2)$$

We introduce the index set  $\mathcal{I}$  consisting of all finite sets  $\rho = \{(\lambda_i, n_i) \mid i = 1, \dots, r\}$  where  $r \geq 2$ ,  $n_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\lambda_i \neq \pm 1$  non-zero elements of  $\mathcal{O}$  with  $(\lambda_i, 6\mathfrak{q}) = 1$ , and satisfying  $\sum_{i=1}^r n_i(N\lambda_i - 1) = 0$ . Here  $N\lambda_i$  denotes the norm from  $K$  to  $\mathbb{Q}$  of  $\lambda_i$ . Given  $\rho \in \mathcal{I}$ , we consider the product

$$\mathfrak{R}_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}}(P) = \prod_{i=1}^r R_{\lambda_i,\mathfrak{a}}(P)^{n_i}, \quad (2.3)$$

which is also a rational function on  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}/H$ . Under the Weierstrass isomorphism, this rational function can be considered as a function on  $\mathbb{C}/\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}$  with variable  $z$ . Taking the derivative logarithm of this function, we have the following result.

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *We have*

$$\frac{d}{dz} \log \mathfrak{R}_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}}(P) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{k=2, even}^{\infty} -n_i \frac{\phi^k(\mathfrak{a})}{\xi(\mathfrak{a})^k \Omega_{\infty}^k} (N\lambda_i - \lambda_i^k) L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}, k) z^{k-1}.$$

In particular, for each even integer  $k > 0$ , we have

$$\left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \Re_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P) \Big|_{z=0} = B_\rho(k)(k-1)! \frac{\phi^k(\mathfrak{a})}{\xi(\mathfrak{a})^k \Omega_\infty^k} L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}, k) \quad (2.4)$$

where  $B_\rho(k) = \sum_{i=1}^r -n_i (N\lambda_i - \lambda_i^k)$ .

*Proof.* We recall the basic properties of Kronecker–Eisenstein series and elliptic functions, which are fully discussed in [13]. Let  $z$  and  $s$  be complex variables. For any lattice  $L$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , we define the Kronecker–Eisenstein series by

$$H_k(z, s, L) = \sum_{w \in L} \frac{(\bar{z} + \bar{w})^k}{|z + w|^{2s}}$$

where the sum is taken over all  $w \in L$ , except  $-z$  if  $z \in L$ . It defines a holomorphic function of  $s$  in the half plane  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1 + k/2$ , and has an analytic continuation to the whole  $s$ -plane. In particular, for each  $k \geq 3$ ,  $G_k(L) = H_k(0, k, L)$  is a classic holomorphic Eisenstein series of weight  $k$ . For the convention, we will denote by

$$G_1(L) = 0, \quad G_2(L) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0+} \sum_{w \in L \setminus \{0\}} w^{-2} |w|^{-2s}.$$

Let  $\sigma(z, L)$  denote the Weierstrass  $\sigma$ -function. We define a non-holomorphic function  $\theta(z, L)$  by

$$\theta(z, L) = \exp \left( -G_2(L) \frac{z^2}{2} \right) \sigma(z, L).$$

Then  $\theta$  possesses a Taylor expansion of the logarithmic derivative of  $\theta(z, L)$  as

$$\frac{d}{dz} \log \theta(z, L) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} G_k(L) z^{k-1} = \sum_{k=2, \text{ even}}^{\infty} -G_k(L) z^{k-1},$$

where the second equality follows from  $G_k(L) = 0$  for  $k$  odd.

Moreover, we have the identity

$$\theta^2(z, L)^{N\lambda} / \theta^2(z, \lambda^{-1}L) = \prod_{0 \neq w \in \lambda^{-1}L/L} (\wp(z, L) - \wp(w, L))^{-1} \quad (2.5)$$

for any non-zero element  $\lambda$  of  $\mathcal{O}$ . Hence, one gives another expression of the rational function  $\Re_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P) = \Re_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}))$  as

$$\Re_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}))^2 = \prod_{i=1}^r \left( c_{\mathfrak{a}}(\lambda_i) \frac{\theta^2(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})^{N\lambda_i}}{\theta^2(z, \lambda_i^{-1}\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})} \right)^{n_i}.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \log \Re_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})) &= \sum_{i=1}^r n_i \left( N\lambda_i \frac{d}{dz} \log \theta(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) - \frac{d}{dz} \log \theta(z, \lambda_i^{-1}\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{k=2, \text{ even}}^{\infty} -n_i (N\lambda_i G_k(\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) - \lambda_i^k G_k(\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})) z^{k-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Finally, Proposition 5.5 in [13] shows that the partial Hecke  $L$ -function  $L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}, s)$  decomposes into Kronecker–Eisenstein series  $H_k(z, s, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$ . In particular, we have

$$G_k(\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}) = \frac{\phi^k(\mathfrak{a})}{\xi(\mathfrak{a})^k \Omega_{\infty}^k} L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}, k).$$

Applying this equality to (2.6), this completes the proof of the proposition.  $\square$

Now we define the rational function  $\mathfrak{I}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P)$  on  $A/H$  by

$$\mathfrak{I}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P) = \mathfrak{R}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P)^2 / \mathfrak{R}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{p}}(\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})(P)).$$

Clearly, it follows from (2.2) that

$$\prod_{V \in A_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\mathfrak{a}}} \mathfrak{I}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P \oplus V) = 1.$$

Let  $v$  be the prime of  $H$  lying above  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{m}_v$  be the maximal ideal of the ring  $\mathcal{O}_v$  of integers of the completion  $H_v$ . For the elliptic curve  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}/H$ , we denote by  $\widehat{A}^{\mathfrak{a}, v}$  the formal group of  $A^{\mathfrak{a}}$  at  $v$ . We denote by  $t = -x/y$  the parameter of this formal group.

**LEMMA 2.2.** *Let  $\mathfrak{D}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(t)$  denote the  $t$ -expansion of the rational function  $\mathfrak{I}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(P)$ . Then  $\mathfrak{D}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(t)$  lies in  $1 + \mathfrak{m}_v[[t]]$ . In particular, we can define  $m_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \log(\mathfrak{D}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(t))$ , which lies in  $\mathcal{O}_v[[t]]$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $D_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n t^n$  denote the  $t$ -expansion of the rational function  $R_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(P)$ . We use a classical result (see Lemma 23 of [8]) that  $D_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(t)$  is a unit in  $\mathcal{O}_v[[t]]$ . Writing

$$\widehat{\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})}(t) : \widehat{A}^{\mathfrak{a}, v} \rightarrow \widehat{A}^{\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{p}, v}$$

for the formal power series induced by the isogeny  $\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})$ , we have  $\widehat{\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})}(t) \equiv t^2 \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_v}$ . Since  $(\lambda_i, \mathfrak{p}) = 1$ , it follows that

$$D_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{p}}(\widehat{\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})}(t)) = \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n^{\sigma_{\mathfrak{p}}} (\widehat{\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})}(t))^n \equiv \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n^2 t^{2n} \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_v}.$$

Hence the lemma follows immediately, since

$$D_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(t)^2 = \left( \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n t^n \right)^2 \equiv \sum_{n \geq 0} d_n^2 t^{2n} \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_v}.$$

$\square$

Let  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$  denotes the ring of integers of the completion of the maximal unramified extension of  $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . As  $\widehat{A}^v$  has height 1 as a formal group, there exists an isomorphism over  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$\beta_v : \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m \xrightarrow{\sim} \widehat{A}^v,$$

where  $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m$  denotes the formal multiplicative group with parameter  $w$ . For each non-zero integral ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $K$  with  $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{p}) = 1$ , the isogeny  $\eta_A(\mathfrak{a}) : A \rightarrow A^{\mathfrak{a}}$  induces an isomorphism from  $\widehat{A}^v$  onto  $\widehat{A}^{\mathfrak{a}, v}$ , and hence we have an isomorphism over  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$\beta_v^{\mathfrak{a}} : \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m \xrightarrow{\sim} \widehat{A}^{\mathfrak{a}, v}, \quad \beta_v^{\mathfrak{a}} = \widehat{\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})} \circ \beta_v.$$

The isomorphism  $\beta_v^{\mathfrak{a}}$  is given by a power series  $t = \beta_v^{\mathfrak{a}}(w)$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . We write  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v}$  for the coefficient of  $w$  in this power series.

LEMMA 2.3. *We have  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v} = \xi(\mathfrak{a})\Omega_v$ .*

*Proof.* Viewing  $z$  as a parameter of the formal additive group  $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$ , we have the exponential map  $\mathcal{E}(z, \mathcal{L})$  of  $\widehat{A}^v$  is given by the formal power series

$$t = \mathcal{E}(z, \mathcal{L}) = -\frac{2\wp(z, \mathcal{L}) - (a_1^2 + 4a_2)/12}{\wp'(z, \mathcal{L}) - a_1(\wp(z, \mathcal{L}) - (a_1^2 + 4a_2)/12) - a_3}.$$

Similarly, let  $\mathcal{E}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$  be defined analogously for the formal group  $\widehat{A}^{\mathfrak{a},v}$  by using the Weierstrass isomorphism  $\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$ . By the uniqueness of the exponential map for a formal group, we have

$$\beta_v(e^{z/\Omega_v} - 1) = \mathcal{E}(z, \mathcal{L}), \quad \beta_v^{\mathfrak{a}}(e^{z/\Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v}} - 1) = \mathcal{E}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}).$$

On the other hand, as  $\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L})) = \mathfrak{M}(\xi(\mathfrak{a})z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$ , we have  $\widehat{\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})(\mathcal{E}(z, \mathcal{L}))} = \mathcal{E}(\xi(\mathfrak{a})z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})$ . The lemma then follows by comparing the first coefficients of the last equality on both sides.  $\square$

We now define the formal power series  $\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(w)$  in  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[w]]$  by

$$\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(w) = m_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\beta_v^{\mathfrak{a}}(w)),$$

and let  $\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  be the  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -valued measure on  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  associated to  $\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(w)$ . Indeed, let  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\mathfrak{G})$  denotes the ring of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -valued measures on a profinite group  $\mathfrak{G}$ . Then  $\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  is determined by Mahler's theorem that there exists the ring isomorphism

$$\mathcal{M} : \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\mathbb{Z}_2) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[w]], \quad \mathcal{M}(\nu) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \left( \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2} \binom{x}{n} d\nu \right) w^n = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2} (1+w)^x d\nu. \quad (2.7)$$

Now we have the inclusion  $i : \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\mathbb{Z}_2^{\times}) \hookrightarrow \Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\mathbb{Z}_2)$  given by extending a measure on  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{\times}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  by zero. By (2.2) we have

$$\sum_{\zeta \in \{\pm 1\}} \mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\zeta(1+w) - 1) = 0,$$

whence the measure  $\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  belongs to  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\mathbb{Z}_2^{\times})$ . Thus the measure  $\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  can be viewed as an element of  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\mathcal{G})$  via the isomorphism  $\chi_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}_2^{\times}$ . For all  $k \geq 0$ , we have

$$\int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}} = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2} x^k d\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}} = D^k \mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(w) \Big|_{w=0} = \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(e^z - 1) \Big|_{z=0},$$

where  $D = (1+w) \frac{d}{dw}$ . It is equal to

$$\Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v}^k \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(e^{z/\Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v}} - 1) \Big|_{z=0} = \frac{1}{2} \Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v}^k \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \mathfrak{I}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})) \Big|_{z=0}.$$

LEMMA 2.4. *For each even integer  $k > 0$ , we have*

$$\Omega_v^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}} = B_{\rho}(k)(k-1)! \phi^k(\mathfrak{a}) \Omega_{\infty}^{-k} \left( L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}, k) - \frac{\phi^k(\mathfrak{p})}{2} L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}\sigma_{\mathfrak{p}}, k) \right).$$

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{\mathfrak{a},v}^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}} &= \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \Re_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}}(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})) \Big|_{z=0} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d}{dz} \right)^k \log \Re_{\rho,\mathfrak{ap}}(\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}}))) \Big|_{z=0}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{p})(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{a}})) = \mathfrak{M}(\xi(\mathfrak{p})^{\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}} z, \mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{ap}})$  and  $\xi(\mathfrak{ap}) = \xi(\mathfrak{a})\xi(\mathfrak{p})^{\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}}$ . Then the lemma follows from Proposition 2.1 and Lemma 2.3.  $\square$

We now denote by  $\mathfrak{C}$  a set of integral ideals  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $K$  prime to  $\mathfrak{pq}$ , whose Artin symbols give precisely the Galois group  $G = \text{Gal}(H/K)$ . There is the relation

$$L(\bar{\phi}^k \chi, s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) L(\bar{\phi}^k, \sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}, s), \quad \forall \chi \in G^*,$$

where  $G^*$  denotes the group of characters of  $G$ . Hence by Lemma 2.4, for each  $\chi \in G^*$  we have

$$\Omega_v^{-k} \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) \phi^{-k}(\mathfrak{a}) \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}} = B_{\rho}(k)(k-1)! \left( 1 - \frac{\phi^k \chi^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}{2} \right) \Omega_{\infty}^{-k} L(\bar{\phi}^k \chi, k).$$

We can interpret the expression on the left hand side of this formula as follows. Write  $\mathcal{G}$  for the Galois group  $\text{Gal}(F_{\infty}/K)$ . Let  $B_H$  denote the base extension of  $B$  to  $H$ , and let  $\rho_{\mathfrak{p}}$  be the character of  $\mathcal{G}$  which coincides with the character  $\chi_{\mathfrak{p}}$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  and describes the action of  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $(B_H)_{\mathfrak{p}^{\infty}} = \prod_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} A_{\mathfrak{p}^{\infty}}^{\mathfrak{a}}$  in the following way. First, we identify  $\mathcal{G}$  with  $\mathcal{G} \times G$ . Then for  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{c}} \in G$  with  $\mathfrak{c} \in \mathfrak{C}$  and  $Q \in A_{\mathfrak{p}^n}^{\mathfrak{a}}$ , we have

$$\rho_{\mathfrak{p}}(\sigma_{\mathfrak{c}})(Q) = \eta_{A^{\mathfrak{a}}}(\mathfrak{c})(Q) \in A_{\mathfrak{p}^n}^{\mathfrak{ac}}.$$

Hence, for  $g = h\sigma_{\mathfrak{c}} \in \mathcal{G}$  with  $h \in \mathcal{G}$ , we have

$$\rho_{\mathfrak{p}}(g) = \chi_{\mathfrak{p}}(h)\phi(\mathfrak{c}).$$

As is shown in §3 of [2], we can fix a prime  $\mathfrak{P}$  of  $T$  lying above  $\mathfrak{p}$  such that  $T_{\mathfrak{P}} = K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Since  $\phi(\mathfrak{a})$  is a unit at  $\mathfrak{P}$ , we note that the value of  $\rho_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is in  $K_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times}$ .

Now, let  $\tau_{\mathfrak{a}}$  denote the Artin symbol of  $\mathfrak{a}$  in  $\mathcal{G}$  so that  $\{\tau_{\mathfrak{a}}|_H\}_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} = \mathfrak{C}$ . We define

$$\nu_{\chi}^{\circ} = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) \tau_{\mathfrak{a}}^{-1} \nu_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}} \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[\mathcal{G}]] = \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}[G][[\mathcal{G}]].$$

Note that, by Lemma I.3.4 of [10], it is independent of the choice of representatives of  $G$  in  $\mathcal{G}$ . It follows that

$$\Omega_v^{-k} \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) \phi^{-k}(\mathfrak{a}) \int_{\mathcal{G}} \chi_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\rho,\mathfrak{a}} = \Omega_v^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \rho_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\chi}^{\circ}.$$

**THEOREM 2.5.** *For each  $\chi \in G^*$ , there exists a unique  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -valued pseudo-measure  $\nu_{\chi}$  on  $\mathcal{G} = \text{Gal}(F_{\infty}/K)$  such that for each even integer  $k > 0$ , we have*

$$\Omega_v^{-k} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \rho_{\mathfrak{p}}^k d\nu_{\chi} = (k-1)! \left( 1 - \frac{\phi^k \chi^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}{2} \right) \Omega_{\infty}^{-k} L(\bar{\phi}^k \chi, k).$$

This theorem is immediately followed by the next lemma.

LEMMA 2.6. *There exists an  $\mathcal{I}_p$ -valued measure  $\theta_\rho$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  such that*

$$\int_{\mathcal{G}} \rho_p^k d\theta_\rho = B_\rho(k)$$

for all  $k \geq 1$ , and the restriction  $\theta_\rho$  to  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$  generates the augmentation ideal of  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\Gamma)$ .

*Proof.* This lemma is essentially the same with Lemma II. 7 of [1]. We can choose an element  $\lambda$  in  $\mathcal{O}$  satisfying  $(\lambda, 6\mathfrak{q}) = 1$  and

$$\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}^3}, \bar{\lambda} \equiv 1 + 2^2 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}^3}. \quad (2.8)$$

We set  $\rho = \{(\lambda, 1), (\bar{\lambda}, -1)\} \in \mathcal{I}$  and write  $\tau_\lambda$  and  $\tau_{\bar{\lambda}}$  for the Artin symbols of the integral ideals  $(\lambda)$  and  $(\bar{\lambda})$  of  $K$  in  $\mathcal{G}$ , respectively. Since  $B_\rho(k) = \lambda^k - \bar{\lambda}^k$ , the measure

$$\theta_\rho = \tau_\lambda - \tau_{\bar{\lambda}}$$

satisfies the first condition of the lemma. For the second condition, we fix a topological generator  $\gamma$  of  $\Gamma$ , and write  $\tau_\lambda|_\Gamma = \gamma^a$  and  $\tau_{\bar{\lambda}}|_\Gamma = \gamma^b$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ . The congruences (2.8) imply that  $a \in 2\mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $b \notin 2\mathbb{Z}_2$ . Hence we have

$$\tau_\lambda|_\Gamma - \tau_{\bar{\lambda}}|_\Gamma = \gamma^a(1 - \gamma^{b-a})$$

where  $\gamma^a$  is a unit in  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\Gamma)$ , and  $(1 - \gamma^{b-a}) = (1 - \gamma)u$  with  $u$  a unit in  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\Gamma)$ .  $\square$

**3. Vanishing of the  $\mu$ -invariant for the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function.** We have constructed the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function  $\nu_\chi$  in Theorem 2.5 for each  $\chi \in G^*$ . Since we deal with the Iwasawa module  $X(H_\infty)$ , not  $X(F_\infty)$ , we define a related pseudo-measure on  $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$  by using the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let  $\delta$  be the generator of  $\Delta = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/H_\infty)$ . We have  $(1 + \delta)\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\mathcal{G}) = (1 + \delta)\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K))$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{I}_p}(\mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{I}_p[\Delta][[\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)]]$ , it suffices to prove that  $(1 + \delta)\mathcal{I}_p[\Delta] = (1 + \delta)\mathcal{I}_p$ . Indeed, if  $a + b\delta \in \mathcal{I}_p[\Delta]$ , then  $(1 + \delta)(a + b\delta) = (1 + \delta)(a + b) \in (1 + \delta)\mathcal{I}_p$ .  $\square$

Hence there exists an  $\mathcal{I}_p$ -valued pseudo-measure  $m_\chi$  on  $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$  such that

$$(1 + \delta)\nu_\chi = (1 + \delta)m_\chi. \quad (3.1)$$

We define the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function of  $\chi$  by

$$L_p(s, \chi) = \int_{\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)} \kappa^s dm_\chi, \quad s \in \mathbb{Z}_2,$$

where  $\kappa$  is the natural isomorphism of  $\text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$  onto  $1 + 2^2\mathbb{Z}_2$  with  $\gamma \mapsto u$ , and we view such a function on  $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$  via the natural surjection from  $\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)$  to  $\text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$ . It is well-known that this function is an Iwasawa function, i.e. there exists a formal power series  $G_p(\chi; w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$  such that

$$G_p(\chi; u^s - 1)/(u^s - 1)^e = L_p(s, \chi) \quad (3.2)$$

where  $e = 0$  or  $1$ , according as  $\chi \neq 1$  or  $\chi = 1$ . The aim of this section is to prove the vanishing of the  $\mu$ -invariant of  $m_\chi$ , or equivalently,

**THEOREM 3.2.** *For each  $\chi \in G^*$ , the formal power series  $G_p(\chi; w)$  is prime to  $2$ , i.e. the  $\mu$ -invariant of  $G_p(\chi; w)$  vanishes.*

We remark that this vanishing theorem has recently been proven in [18], but in the present paper we will clarify it for our situation. We will use the idea of Sinnott [19] and Schneps [17]. Let  $\omega$  be the Teichmüller character on  $\mathbb{Z}_2^\times$ , and for each  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\times$ , let  $\langle x \rangle = x/\omega(x)$ . Given a formal power series  $F(w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$ , we associate it to a measure  $m_F$  via Mahler's theorem (2.7). Then there exists a formal power series  $\mathcal{L}(F)(w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$  such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_2^\times} \langle x \rangle^s dm_F(x) = \mathcal{L}(F)(u^s - 1), \quad s \in \mathbb{Z}_2. \quad (3.3)$$

The  $\mu$ -invariant of a formal power series  $F(w)$  and that of  $m_F$  are both denoted by  $\mu(F)$ . Recall that  $\beta_v : \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m \xrightarrow{\sim} \widehat{A}^v$  is the isomorphism of formal groups. Recall also that  $\mathcal{O}_v$  is the ring of integers of  $H_v$ .

**LEMMA 3.3** (Elliptic analogue of Theorem 1 of [19]). *Let  $F(w) \in \mathcal{I}_p[[w]]$  be a formal power series of the form  $F(w) = f(\beta_v(w))$ , where  $f$  is a rational function on  $A$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{O}_v$ . Then we have*

$$\mu(\mathcal{L}(F)) = \mu(\tilde{F} + \tilde{F} \circ (-1)),$$

where

$$\tilde{F}(w) = F(w) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\zeta \in \{\pm 1\}} F(\zeta(1+w) - 1), \quad (F \circ (-1))(w) = F((1+w)^{-1} - 1).$$

*Proof.* Firstly, we may assume that  $\tilde{F} = F$  and  $F \circ (-1) = F$ . Indeed, we put  $F' = \tilde{F} + \tilde{F} \circ (-1)$ . If the lemma holds for  $F'$  then it holds for  $F$ , since

$$\mathcal{L}(F') = 2\mathcal{L}(F), \quad \tilde{F}' + \tilde{F}' \circ (-1) = 2F' = 2(\tilde{F} + \tilde{F} \circ (-1)).$$

Moreover, we may also assume that  $\mu(F) = 0$ . Indeed, replacing  $f$  by  $\pi^{-t}f$ , where  $\pi$  is a uniformizer of  $H_v$ , both  $\mu$ -invariants are decreased by  $t$ . Hence we have to show that  $\mu(\mathcal{L}(F)) = 1$ .

By (3.3), we have

$$\mathcal{L}(F)(u^s - 1) = 2 \int_{1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2} x^s dm_F(x) = 2G(u^s - 1)$$

where  $G(w)$  is the formal power series associated to  $m_F|_{1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2}$ . Since the characteristic function of  $1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2$  is given by  $1_{1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2}(u) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^4 \zeta_4^{(1-u)i}$  with  $\zeta_4$  a primitive 4-th root of unity, we have  $G(w) = g(\beta_v(w))$  where  $g$  is a rational function on  $A$  given by

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^4 \zeta_4^{-i} f(t + t_i), \quad t_i = \beta_v(\zeta_4^i - 1),$$

with coefficients in the ring of integers of  $H_v(A_4)$ . We denote by  $\pi'$  a uniformizer of  $H_v(A_4)$ .

Assume that  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi'}$ , i.e.  $\mu(G) > 0$ . Clearly, we have  $\mu(G \circ (-1)) > 0$ . By the first assertion, it is easily seen that  $m_F = m_F|_{\mathbb{Z}_2^\times}$  and that  $G \circ (-1)$  is associated to  $m_F|_{-1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2}$ . But then

$$m_F = m_F|_{\mathbb{Z}_2^\times} = m_F|_{1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2} + m_F|_{-1+2^2\mathbb{Z}_2}$$

has positive  $\mu$ -invariant, which contradicts the second assumption that  $\mu(F) = 0$ . Hence we have  $\mu(G) = 0$  and then  $\mu(\mathcal{L}(F)) = 1$ .  $\square$

LEMMA 3.4. *For each  $\chi \in G^*$ , we have*

$$2G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi; w) = \mathcal{L} \left( \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}})(\omega^{-1} * D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}) \right) (u^{-1}(1+w) - 1) \cdot u_{\chi}(w)$$

where  $u_{\chi}(w)$  is a unit in  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[w]]$ . Here,  $\omega$  is the Teichmüller character on  $\mathbb{Z}_2^\times$  and  $\omega^{-1} * F$  denotes the formal power series associated to the measure  $\omega^{-1} \cdot m_F$ .

*Proof.* By (3.1) it is easy to check that

$$\int_{\mathcal{G}} \kappa(\sigma)^s d\nu_{\chi}(\sigma) = 2L_{\mathfrak{p}}(s, \chi).$$

On the other hand, we recall that  $\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(w)$  is the formal power series associated to  $\nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$ , i.e.  $m_{\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}} = \nu_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$ . Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{G}} \kappa(\sigma)^s d\nu_{\chi}^{\circ}(\sigma) &= \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) \int_{\mathcal{G}} \kappa(\sigma)^s dm_{\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}}(\sigma) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2^\times} \langle x \rangle^s dm_{(\sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) \mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}})}(x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_2^\times} \langle x \rangle^{s-1} dm_{(\sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}})(\omega^{-1} * D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}))}(x). \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the lemma is now complete, since the integral on the measure  $\theta_{\rho}$  can be written as  $u_{\chi}(w)^{-1}$  or  $u_{\chi}(w)^{-1}w$  according as  $\chi \neq 1$  or  $\chi = 1$ .  $\square$

Recall that the formal power series  $D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(w)$  is a rational function whose integral power expansion in  $z$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{2} \Omega_v \frac{d}{dz} \log \mathfrak{J}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}(\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})(\mathfrak{M}(z, \mathcal{L}))). \quad (3.4)$$

By our construction, it is clear that  $\widetilde{D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}} = D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$ . Moreover,  $D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  and  $D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}} \circ (-1)$  have the same poles, which implies that  $D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}} = D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}} \circ (-1)$ . We also note that  $\mu(F) = \mu(\omega * F)$ . Hence by Lemma 3.3 and Lemma 3.4, the proof of Theorem 3.2 is now complete by the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.5. *For each  $\chi \in G^*$ , we have  $\mu(\sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that  $v$  is our fixed prime of  $H$  above  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $\tilde{A}$  denote the reduced curve modulo  $v$ . It suffices to show that the reduction modulo  $v$  of the function  $\sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  has some poles on  $\tilde{A}$  with non-zero residue modulo  $v$ .

By (3.4), the function  $D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  can be written as a rational function on  $A$

$$\frac{1}{2}\Omega_v \frac{d}{dz} \log \left( \frac{\prod_{i=1}^r R_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})(P))^{2n_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^r R_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{ap}}(\eta_A(\mathfrak{ap})(P))^{n_i}} \right). \quad (3.5)$$

As (2.2), we have the relations

$$R_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(\eta_A(\mathfrak{a})(P)) = \prod_{W \in A_{\mathfrak{a}}} R_{\lambda_i}(P \oplus W), \quad R_{\lambda_i, \mathfrak{a}}(\eta_A(\mathfrak{ap})(P)) = \prod_{U \in A_{\mathfrak{ap}}} R_{\lambda_i}(P \oplus U).$$

Therefore, (3.5) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}\Omega_v \sum_{i=1}^r -2n_i \left( \sum_{W \in A_{\mathfrak{a}}} \sum_{M \in V_{\lambda_i}} \frac{-2y(P \oplus W) + a_1x(P \oplus W) + a_3}{x(P \oplus W) - x(M)} \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\Omega_v \sum_{i=1}^r n_i \left( \sum_{U \in A_{\mathfrak{ap}}} \sum_{M \in V_{\lambda_i}} \frac{-2y(P \oplus U) + a_1x(P \oplus U) + a_3}{x(P \oplus U) - x(M)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We now analyze its possible poles of the reduction of this function on  $\tilde{A}$ . For the second term, we see that they could come from the points  $M - U$  for all  $M \in V_{\lambda_i}$  and  $U \in A_{\mathfrak{ap}}$ . By the  $t$ -expansions of  $x$  and  $y$ , we can easily compute that the residue at each  $M - U$  is equal to  $-n_i\Omega_v$ . This is a  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic unit because we chose  $n_i = \pm 1$  in the proof of Lemma 2.6. However, as  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$  reduces to zero modulo  $v$ , the residue at such a pole on  $\tilde{A}$  is a multiple of 2, and hence reduces to zero modulo  $v$ .

For the first term, we note that  $x$  is an even function, in particular  $x(M) = x(-M)$ . Thus this term is equal to

$$-\frac{1}{2}\Omega_v \sum_{i=1}^r n_i \left( \sum_{W \in A_{\mathfrak{a}}} \sum_{M \in A_{\lambda_i} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{-2y(P \oplus W) + a_1x(P \oplus W) + a_3}{x(P \oplus W) - x(M)} \right).$$

Clearly the poles must come from the points  $M - W$  for  $M \in A_{\lambda_i} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $W \in A_{\mathfrak{a}}$ . The residue at each  $M - W$  is equal to  $n_i\Omega_v$ , which is a  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic unit. Since reduction modulo  $v$  is injective on the set of these  $M - W$ , each of these  $M - W$  gives a pole of the reduced function on  $\tilde{A}$ . Note that as  $i = 1, \dots, r$ , all of these poles on  $\tilde{A}$  are distinct because  $M$  is a non-zero element of  $A_{\lambda_i}$ .

Hence the set of poles of the reduction of the function  $D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  on  $\tilde{A}$  is given by the reduction modulo  $v$  of

$$\{M - W \mid M \in A_{\lambda_i} \setminus \{0\}, W \in A_{\mathfrak{a}}\}, \quad (3.6)$$

and their residues are non-zero modulo  $v$ . Clearly the same is true for the sum  $\sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}}) D\mathfrak{B}_{\rho, \mathfrak{a}}$  because each  $\chi(\sigma_{\mathfrak{a}})$  is an  $h$ -th root of unity and thus a  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic unit.  $\square$

**4. Vanishing of the  $\mu$ -invariant for  $X(H_{\infty})$ .** We will show that the Iwasawa invariants of  $X(H_{\infty})$  and the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function  $m$  are equal. As a corollary, Theorem 1.1 follows immediately from Theorem 3.2. This equality is a well-known result (for example, see [10]) for the primes  $p \neq 2$ , but it can easily be extended to  $p = 2$  in our case, thanks to our assumptions that 2 splits in  $K$  and  $(2, h) = 1$ .

For the remainder of this section, we denote by  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  the  $\mu$ -invariant and the  $\lambda$ -invariant of  $X(H_\infty)$ , respectively. Recall that  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(H_\infty/H)$ . For each  $n \geq 0$ , we define  $\Gamma_n = \Gamma^{p^n}$  and  $H_n = H_\infty^{\Gamma_n}$ . We write  $M(H_n)$  for the maximal abelian 2-extension of  $H_n$  which is unramified outside of the primes of  $H_n$  above  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Then it is easily seen that the  $\Gamma_n$ -coinvariants of  $X(H_\infty)$  is given by

$$X(H_\infty)_{\Gamma_n} = \text{Gal}(M(H_n)/H_\infty).$$

We have the following asymptotic formula of Iwasawa

$$\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = 2^n\mu + \lambda n + c, \quad n \gg 0, \quad (4.1)$$

where  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  is a constant independent of  $n$ . One can compute this 2-adic valuation using the methods of Coates and Wiles [7]. Let  $\mathfrak{P}$  be any prime of  $H_n$  lying above  $\mathfrak{p}$ , and let  $U_{n,\mathfrak{P}}$  denote the group of principal units of the completion  $H_{n,\mathfrak{P}}$ . Write  $U_n = \prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} U_{n,\mathfrak{P}}$  and  $\Phi_n = \prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} H_{n,\mathfrak{P}}$ . Let  $E_n$  be the group of units of  $H_n$ . As  $E_n$  is canonically embedded into  $U_n$ , let  $\bar{E}_n$  be the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -submodule of  $U_n$  generated by  $E_n$ , and let  $D_n$  be the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -submodule of  $U_n$  generated by  $E_n$  and  $(1+2^2)$ . Let  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n)$  denote the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic regulator for  $H_n/K$ . Let  $\Delta(H_n/K)$  denote the discriminant of  $H_n/K$ , and choose any generator  $\Delta_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n/K)$  of the ideal  $\Delta(H_n/K)\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ .

**THEOREM 4.1.** *We have*

$$\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \frac{h(H_n)R_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n)}{\omega(H_n)\sqrt{\Delta_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n/K)}} \prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} (1 - (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1}) \right) + n + 2$$

where  $h(H_n)$  is the class number of  $H_n$ ,  $\omega(H_n)$  is the number of roots of unity in  $H_n$  and  $N\mathfrak{P}$  is the absolute norm of  $\mathfrak{P}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $C_n$  denote the idèle class group of  $H_n$ . Let  $Y_n = \bigcap_{m \geq n} N_{H_m/H_n} C_m$ . Let  $L(H_n)$  be the maximal unramified extension of  $H_n$  in  $M(H_n)$ . Class field theory gives an isomorphism

$$(Y_n \cap U_n)/\bar{E}_n \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Gal}(M(H_n)/L(H_n)H_\infty).$$

Noting that  $L(H_n) \cap H_\infty = H_n$  because  $H_\infty/H_n$  is totally ramified at  $\mathfrak{P}$ , we obtain an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow (Y_n \cap U_n)/\bar{E}_n \rightarrow \text{Gal}(M(H_n)/H_\infty) \rightarrow \text{Gal}(L(H_n)/H_n) \rightarrow 0.$$

It is easy to check (see Lemma 5 and 6 of [7]) that  $Y_n \cap U_n = \text{Ker}(N_{\Phi_n/K_{\mathfrak{p}}}|_{U_n})$  and  $\bar{E}_n = \text{Ker}(N_{\Phi_n/K_{\mathfrak{p}}}|_{D_n})$ , which follows that  $[Y_n \cap U_n : \bar{E}_n] = [U_n : D_n]$ . Using methods analogous to Lemma 7 and Lemma 8 of [7], one can obtain

$$[U_n : D_n] = \text{ord}_2 \left( \frac{R_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n)}{\omega(H_n)\sqrt{\Delta_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n/K)}} \prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1} \right) + n + 2. \quad (4.2)$$

The theorem now follows on noting  $\prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1}$  and  $\prod_{\mathfrak{P}|\mathfrak{p}} (1 - (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1})$  have the same order, and that  $\text{Gal}(L(H_n)/H_n)$  is the 2-primary part of the ideal class group of  $H_n$ .  $\square$

We now begin the computation of the Iwasawa invariants of our  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function  $m$ . Given  $n \geq 0$ , let  $\epsilon$  be a non-trivial character of  $\text{Gal}(H_n/K)$ , say  $\epsilon = \chi\theta$ , where  $\chi$  is a character of  $G$  and  $\theta$  is a character of  $\text{Gal}(H_n/H)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon$  denote the conductor of  $\epsilon$  with  $(f_\epsilon) = \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon \cap \mathbb{Z}$ . As before, we define

$$L_{\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}(s, \epsilon) = \int_{\text{Gal}(H_\infty/K)} \epsilon^{-1} \kappa^s dm$$

where  $m$  is the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic  $L$ -function defined in the previous section.

For each  $n \geq 0$ , we denote by  $\mathfrak{C}_n$  a set of integral ideals  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $K$  prime to  $\mathfrak{p}\mathfrak{q}$ , whose Artin symbols  $\tau_{\mathfrak{a}}$  give precisely the Galois group  $G = \text{Gal}(H_n/K)$ . For the convention, we take  $\mathfrak{C}_0 = \mathfrak{C}$ . For  $\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}_n$ , we denote by  $\delta(\mathfrak{a})$  the Siegel unit as defined in II.2.2 of [10]. We also denote by  $\varphi_{\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}(\mathfrak{a})$  the Robert's invariant as defined in II.2.6 of [10]. Then we put

$$G(\epsilon) = \frac{\theta(\mathfrak{p}^m)}{2^m} \sum_{\tau} \chi(\tau)(\tau(\zeta_m))^{-1}$$

where the sum runs over  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(H_n K(\mathfrak{p}^{*\infty})/K)$  with  $\tau|_{K(\mathfrak{p}^{*\infty})} = (\mathfrak{p}^m, K(\mathfrak{p}^{*\infty})/K)$ ,  $m$  is an integer such that  $\mathfrak{p}^m \parallel \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon$ , and  $\zeta_m$  is a primitive  $p^m$ -th root of unity. Define also

$$S(\epsilon) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}_n} \epsilon(\mathfrak{a}) \log(\varphi_{\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}(\mathfrak{a})) & \text{if } \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon \neq 1 \\ \frac{1}{h} \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \mathfrak{C}} \epsilon(\mathfrak{a}) \log(\delta(\mathfrak{a})) & \text{if } \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon = 1. \end{cases}$$

Then, following the methods of [10, Theorem II.5.2], we obtain

$$L_{\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}(0, \epsilon) = \frac{-1}{12f_\epsilon \omega_{\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}} G(\epsilon^{-1}) S(\epsilon) \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}{2} \right)$$

where  $\omega_{\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}$  denotes the number of roots of unity in  $K$  congruent to 1 modulo  $\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon$ .

On the other hand, the analytic class number formula, together with Kronecker's theorem (see §0.2.7, §I.2.2 and §IV.3.9 (6) of [20]), gives

$$\frac{h(H_n)R_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n)}{\omega(H_n)} = \frac{hR_{\mathfrak{p}}(K)}{\omega(K)} \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} \frac{S(\epsilon)}{12f_\epsilon \omega_{\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}}.$$

Clearly,  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}(K) = 1$  and  $\omega(K) = 2$ . Thus, by Theorem 4.1, we have

$$\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n/K)}} \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} \frac{S(\epsilon)}{12f_\epsilon \omega_{\mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}} \prod_{\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}} (1 - (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1}) \right) + n + 1.$$

Furthermore, we have  $\prod_{\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}} (1 - (N\mathfrak{P})^{-1}) = \frac{1}{2} \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}{2} \right)$ , and the conductor-discriminant formula gives that  $\prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} G(\epsilon)$  is  $\Delta_{\mathfrak{p}}(H_n/K)^{-1/2}$  up to a  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic unit. It follows that

$$\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} L_{\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{f}_\epsilon}(0, \epsilon) \right) + n.$$

Define as before  $G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\epsilon; w) \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[w]]$  to be the formal power series associated to  $L_{\mathfrak{p}, f_\epsilon}(s, \epsilon)$ . In particular, we have

$$L_{\mathfrak{p}, f_\epsilon}(0, \epsilon) = G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\epsilon; 0) = (\theta^{-1}(u) - 1)^{-e} G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1)$$

where  $e = 0$  or  $1$  according as  $\chi \neq 1$  or  $\chi = 1$  and  $u$  is a fixed topological generator of  $1 + 4\mathbb{Z}_2$ . Noting that  $\text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\theta \neq 1} (\theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right) = n$ , we obtain

$$\text{ord}_2([M(H_n) : H_\infty]) = \text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right). \quad (4.3)$$

For each  $\chi \in G^*$ , we denote by  $\mu_\chi$  and  $\lambda_\chi$  the  $\mu$ -invariant and  $\lambda$ -invariant of  $G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi; w)$ , respectively. We define  $\mu^{\text{an}} = \sum_{\chi \in G^*} \mu_\chi$  and  $\lambda^{\text{an}} = \sum_{\chi \in G^*} \lambda_\chi$ . For sufficiently large  $n$ , Theorem 3.2 tells us that  $\text{ord}_2(G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1)) = \text{ord}_2((\theta^{-1}(u) - 1)^{\lambda_\chi})$ , and hence

$$\text{ord}_2 \left( \prod_{\epsilon \neq 1} G_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi; \theta^{-1}(u) - 1) \right) = \lambda^{\text{an}} n + c'$$

where  $c' \in \mathbb{Z}$  is a constant independent of  $n$ . By (4.1) and (4.3), we conclude that

$$\mu = \mu^{\text{an}} = 0, \quad \lambda = \lambda^{\text{an}}, \quad c = c'.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

**5. Numerical examples for the prime  $q < 500$ .** Before giving numerical examples for  $X(H_\infty)$ , we point out the following well-known general lemma.

**LEMMA 5.1.** *Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field, and  $p$  any rational prime which splits in  $K$  and does not divide the class number of  $K$ . Let  $K_\infty$  be the unique  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension of  $K$  unramified outside one of the primes  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $K$  above  $p$ . Then  $K_\infty$  has no non-trivial abelian  $p$ -extension unramified outside the primes above  $\mathfrak{p}$ .*

*Proof.* In a similar notation to that used for the case  $p = 2$ , let  $X(K_\infty)$  be the Galois group over  $K_\infty$  of the maximal abelian  $p$ -extension of  $K_\infty$  unramified outside the primes above  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Then, as usual in Iwasawa theory, we have  $X(K_\infty)_\Gamma = \text{Gal}(R/K_\infty)$  where  $R$  denotes the maximal abelian  $p$ -extension which is unramified outside  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Thus  $R$  must be the maximal pro- $p$  extension of  $K$  contained in the union of the ray class fields of  $K$  modulo  $\mathfrak{p}^n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Thus, as  $p$  does not divide  $h$ , class field theory tells us that  $\text{Gal}(R/K)$  must be the maximal pro- $p$  quotient of

$$\varprojlim_n ((\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^n)^\times / \{\pm 1\})$$

which is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Thus  $R = K_\infty$ , and the proof of the lemma is complete by Nakayama's lemma.  $\square$

Clearly, the assumption of the above lemma is valid for our situation when  $p = 2$  and  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-q})$  with  $q$  any prime congruent to 7 modulo 8. The simplest example is given by  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$ , which has class number 1, in which case  $X(H_\infty) = X(K_\infty) = 0$ . Somewhat surprisingly, the numerical calculations below show that we seem to quite

often have  $X(H_\infty) = 0$  for arbitrary primes  $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$ . However, we point out that when 2 divides the class number of  $H$ , it is easily seen that we must necessarily have  $X(H_\infty) \neq 0$ , and therefore of infinite order. Andrzej Dabrowski has kindly informed us that 2 does divide the class number of  $H$  for the primes  $q = 751$ ,  $q = 1367$  and  $q = 1399$ .

We give a list of numerical examples for the primes  $q < 500$ . By using SAGE calculation, we obtain the class numbers of  $K$  and  $H$  and the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic regulator  $R_{\mathfrak{p}} = R_{\mathfrak{p}}(H/K)$  for  $H/K$ . By Theorem 4.1, we then obtain the index  $[M(H) : H_\infty]$ . Recall that  $M(H)$  denotes the maximal abelian 2-extension of  $H$  which is unramified outside the primes of  $H$  lying above  $\mathfrak{p}$ . If we have  $[M(H) : H_\infty] = 0$ , Nakayama's lemma implies immediately that  $X(H_\infty) = 0$ . We note that the prime  $q = 431$  is the first example in which  $X(H_\infty) \neq 0$ .

$q$	$h(K)$	$h(H)$	$\text{ord}_2(R_{\mathfrak{p}})$	$\text{ord}_2([M(H) : H_\infty])$
7	1	1	0	0
23	3	1	2	0
31	3	1	2	0
47	5	1	4	0
71	7	1	6	0
79	5	1	4	0
103	5	1	4	0
127	5	1	4	0
151	7	1	6	0
167	11	1	10	0
191	13	1	12	0
199	9	1	8	0
223	7	1	6	0
239	15	1	14	0
263	13	1	12	0
271	11	1	10	0
311	19	1	18	0
359	19	1	18	0
367	9	1	8	0
383	17	1	16	0
431	21	1	25	5
439	15	1	14	0
463	7	1	6	0
479	25	1	24	0
487	7	1	6	0

For example, when  $q = 23$ , by SAGE calculation we obtain  $H = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  where

$$\alpha^6 - 3\alpha^5 + 5\alpha^4 - 5\alpha^3 + 5\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 1 = 0.$$

The two fundamental units are then given by

$$\alpha^5 - 2\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 - \alpha^2 + 2\alpha, \quad \alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 + 3\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2,$$

and the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic regulator  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is given by

$$2^2 + 2^4 + 2^6 + 2^7 + 2^8 + 2^9 + 2^{10} + 2^{13} + 2^{17} + 2^{20} + O(2^{23}).$$

**6. Proof of Corollary 1.2 and Theorem 1.3.** Finally, we give simple proofs that Theorem 1.1 implies Corollary 1.2 and Theorem 1.3. For the corollary, let  $J/H$  be any quadratic extension and let  $J_\infty = JK_\infty$ . Define  $\Delta = \text{Gal}(J_\infty/H_\infty)$ . If  $\Delta$  is trivial, then  $J \subseteq H_\infty$ , and so there is nothing more to prove. Hence we may assume that  $\Delta$  is cyclic of order 2. The group ring  $\mathbb{Z}_2[\Delta]$  is then a commutative local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  generated by 2 and  $\delta - 1$ , where  $\delta$  denotes the non-trivial element of  $\Delta$ . We will use Nakayama's lemma which asserts that, for any  $\mathbb{Z}_2[\Delta]$ -module  $M$ , if there are elements  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in M$  whose images in  $M/\mathfrak{m}M$  generate  $M/\mathfrak{m}M$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , then they generate  $M$  itself over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . We note that, by maximality,  $M(J_\infty)$  is clearly Galois over  $K_\infty$ . We have an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow X(J_\infty) \longrightarrow \text{Gal}(M(J_\infty)/H_\infty) \longrightarrow \Delta \longrightarrow 0.$$

Thus, as usual,  $\Delta$  acts on  $X(J_\infty)$  by inner automorphisms. In particular, it follows from this action that

$$X(J_\infty)/(\delta - 1)X(J_\infty) = \text{Gal}(R/J_\infty) \tag{6.1}$$

where  $R$  denotes the maximal abelian extension of  $H_\infty$  contained in  $M(J_\infty)$ . Our claim is that, under the hypothesis that  $X(H_\infty)$  is a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module,  $\text{Gal}(R/J_\infty)$  is a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module. It follows that  $X(J_\infty)/\mathfrak{m}X(J_\infty)$  is a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , and hence, by Nakayama's lemma,  $X(J_\infty)$  is a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module.

Let  $S$  be the set of all primes of  $H_\infty$ , which do not lie above  $\mathfrak{p}$ , and which are ramified in  $J_\infty$ . If  $S = \emptyset$ ,  $J_\infty$  is contained in  $M(H_\infty)$ , in particular  $M(J_\infty) = M(H_\infty)$ , and hence there is nothing to prove. Otherwise, the set  $S$  is finite. This is because, by a basic elementary property of the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -extension  $K_\infty/K$ , there are only finitely many primes of  $K_\infty$  lying above each prime of  $K$ , and thus the same is true for the primes of  $H_\infty$  lying above a prime of  $H$ . Hence, as there are only finitely many primes of  $H$  which ramifies in  $J$ , it follows that  $S$  is finite. Moreover, the inertia subgroup in  $\text{Gal}(R/H_\infty)$  of each prime in  $S$  must be of order 2. Now let  $R'$  be the fixed field of the subgroup of  $\text{Gal}(R/H_\infty)$  generated by the inertia subgroups of all primes in  $S$ . Obviously, we have

$$[R : R'] \leq 2^{\#(S)} \tag{6.2}$$

and  $\text{Gal}(R/R')$  is annihilated by 2. But  $R'/H_\infty$  is an abelian 2-extension which is unramified outside  $\mathfrak{p}$ , and therefore we have  $R' \subset M(H_\infty)$ . Hence, by our hypothesis and (6.2),  $\text{Gal}(R/H_\infty)$  is a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module, and so is  $\text{Gal}(R/J_\infty)$ . This completes the proof of Corollary 1.2.

For Theorem 1.3, let  $F$  and  $F_\infty$  be the fields defined as in (1.4). Then again the same classical argument (cf. the proof of Lemma 2.1 of [3]) shows that  $E$  has good reduction everywhere over  $F$ . By Corollary 1.2, the Galois group  $X(F_\infty)$  is a finitely generated torsion module over the Iwasawa algebra  $\Lambda(\Gamma)$  of  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(F_\infty/F)$ . Hence, followed by classical arguments (for example, see [4]), one can easily obtain

$$S_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}(E/F_\infty) = \text{Hom}(X(F_\infty), E_{\mathfrak{p}^\infty}).$$

Then Theorem 1.3 clearly follows immediately from Corollary 1.2.

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