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# 1 Opening Lecture

Historic Remarks about the genesis of the paper “Perfectoid Spaces”

or why perfectoid spaces are a failed theory.

In 2007, Scholze went to Bonn as an undergrad and studied under M. Rapoport.

Let  $X$  be a smooth projective scheme over  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . Fix  $i \geq 0$  and let  $l \neq p$  be a prime. Consider the  $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -representation  $V = H_{\text{ét}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_l})$ . There is a weight decomposition given by the following: if  $\Phi \in \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$  is a geometric Frobenius, then

$$V = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{2i} V_j,$$

where  $\Phi$  acts through the Weil numbers of weight  $j$  on  $V_j$ .

Rapoport-Zink (1980) if  $X$  has semistable reduction

de Jong (1995) in general (reduction to semistable case).

Rapoport gave Scholze the following problem to think about:

There is a monodromy operator  $N : V \rightarrow V(\pm 1)$  (Tate twist) coming from the action of the inertia subgroup. In particular,  $N : V_j \rightarrow V_{j-2}$ . Then

$$\forall j = 0, \dots, i : N^j : V_{i+j} \xrightarrow{\sim} V_{i-j}.$$

**Conjecture 1.1** (Weight-Monodromy Conjecture). *Let  $X$  be a smooth projective scheme over  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . Fix  $n \geq 0$  and  $l \neq p$  a prime. Consider the  $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$ -representation  $V = H_{\text{ét}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_l})$*

**Example 1.1.**

(i) If  $X$  has good reduction, i.e. there exists a smooth projective  $\mathfrak{X}/\mathbb{Z}_p$  with generic fiber  $X$ , then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \cong & H_{\text{ét}}^i(\mathfrak{X}_{\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_l}) \\ \curvearrowright & & \curvearrowright \\ \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p) & \longrightarrow & \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}/\mathbb{F}_p) \end{array}$$

so that the inertia group acts trivially.

But then  $N = 0$

$$\forall j = 0, N^j = 0 : V'_{i+j} \xrightarrow{\sim} V_{i-j}$$

so equiv,  $V_j = 0 \forall j \neq i$ .

i.e.  $V = V_i$ .

But this follows from the Weil conjectures for  $\mathfrak{X}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ .

(ii) If  $X = E$  is an elliptic curve with multiplicative reduction

$'E = \mathbb{G}_m/q^{\mathbb{Z}}, 0 \neq q \in \mathbb{Q}_p, |q| < 1$  as rigid-analytic/adic spaces

Then

$$H_{\text{ét}}^1(E_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_l}) = H_{\text{ét}}^1(\mathbb{G}_{m, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/q^{\mathbb{Z}}}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}_l}).$$

Then by Hochschild-Serre spectral sequence

$$H^i(\mathbb{Z}, \underbrace{H_{\text{ét}}^j(\mathbb{G}_{m, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l)}_{= \begin{cases} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l, & j = 0 \\ \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l(-1), & j = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}}) \implies H_{\text{ét}}^{i+j}(\mathbb{G}_{m, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p/q^{\mathbb{Z}}}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l).$$

with trivial  $\mathbb{Z}$ -action.

So

$$0 \longrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l \longrightarrow H_{\text{ét}}^1(E_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l) \longrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l(-1) \longrightarrow 0.$$

So  $V_2 = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l(-1)$ ,  $V_0 = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l$

Splitting  $V = V_0 \oplus V_2$  depends on choice of  $\Phi$ .

Weight-monodromy predicts  $N : V_2 \cong V_0$  can be checked by hand. Use that inertia action is trivial on  $l$ -power roots of  $q$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

**Remark.**

(i) Conjecture is known for  $i = 1, 2$ . dim 1: reduce to abelian varieties or curves and use Néron models/semistable models. dim 2: Rapoport-Zink + de Jong.

(ii) Known in equal characteristic  $p$ , i.e. over  $\mathbb{F}_p((f))$ .

Proved in Deligne's Weil 2 paper, uses that  $L$ -functions over function fields have good properties.

(iii) Conversely, weight-monodromy conjectures critical to understanding local factors of Hasse-Weil zeta functions at places of bad reduction ( $\Leftrightarrow$  the Hasse-Weil zeta function "has no poles in region of absolute convergence.")

Rapoport's suggestion: Try to reduce to case of equal characteristic after base change to some very ramified  $K/\mathbb{Q}_p$ .

Idea: If  $\mathfrak{X}/\mathcal{O}_K$  integral (semistable, say) model of  $X \times_{\mathbb{Q}_p} K$ , then  $\mathfrak{X} \times_{\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_K} \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_K/p$  lives over  $\mathcal{O}_K/p \cong \mathbb{F}_q[t]/t^e$ , where  $e$  is the ramification index of  $K/\mathbb{Q}_p$ .

If  $e \gg 0$ , this is almost  $\mathbb{F}_p[[t]]^0$ .

Of course, this does not really work, as even if  $e$  is large, still not deform

$\mathfrak{X} \times_{\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_K} \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_K/p$  from  $\mathcal{O}_K/p = \mathbb{F}_p[t]/t^e$  to  $\mathbb{F}_p[[t]]$ .

Usually, there are (a lot of) obstructions.

Also, in the end need to relate  $V = H_{\text{ét}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l)$  acting on  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_p((t))^{\text{sep}}/\mathbb{F}_p((t)))$ , where  $X^1/\mathbb{F}_p((f))$  is the generic fiber of deformation.

In semistable case, can use log-geometry to do this (related to isomorphism of tame quotients of  $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p/\mathbb{Q}_p)$  and  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_p((t))^{\text{sep}}/\mathbb{F}_p((t)))$ ).

Turning these ideas in my head, lead

**Theorem 1.1** (Fontaine-Wintenberger).  $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p/\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})) \cong \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_p((f))^{\text{sep}}/\mathbb{F}_p((t)))$ , and even canonically.

proof involves Fontain's construction like

$$\varprojlim_{\text{Frob}} \mathcal{O}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}} / p.$$

Hard to understand what it means. Later, I learned from Faltings that

**Theorem 1.2.**

$$\pi^{\text{ét}}(\text{Spec } \mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty}) \langle T^{\pm 1/p^\infty} \rangle) \cong \pi^{\text{ét}}(\text{Spec } \mathbb{F}_p((t)) \langle T^{\pm 1} \rangle)$$

Things started to resolve after I realized the following proof of Fontaine-Winterberger's Theorem

$\{\text{finite étale } \mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})\text{-alg}\} \{\text{almost finite étale } \mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/p^\infty}]\text{-alg}\} \{\text{almost finite étale } \mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/p^\infty}]/p\text{-alg}\}$   
 $\{\text{almost finite étale } \mathbb{F}_p[t^{1/p^\infty}]/t\text{-alg}\} \{\text{finite étale } \mathbb{F}_p((t))(t^{1/p^\infty})\text{-alg}\} \{\text{finite étale } \mathbb{F}_p((t))\text{-alg}\}$

This suggested what to do in the relative case. Find some notion of 'perfectoid'.

$\{\text{perfectoid } \mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})\text{-alg}\} \{\text{perfectoid almost } \mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/p^\infty}]\text{-alg}\} \text{ (needs unique lifting property)}$   
 $\{\text{perfectoid almost } \mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/p^\infty}]/p\text{-alg}\} \{\text{perfectoid almost } \mathbb{F}_p[t^{1/p^\infty}]/t\text{-alg}\} : \{\text{perfectoid } \mathbb{F}_p((t))(t^{1/p^\infty})\text{-alg}\}$

If  $R$  perfectoid (almost)  $\mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/p^\infty}]/p$ -algebra, then cotangent complex of perfectoid almost  $L_{R/(\mathbb{Z}[p^{1/p^\infty}]/p)} = 0$ .

**Lemma 1.1** (Gabber-Romero). *If  $S \rightarrow R$  is a map of  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebras that is "relatively perfect", i.e. relative Frobenius  $\Phi_{R/S} : R \otimes_S R \xrightarrow{\sim} R$  is an isomorphism, then  $L_{R/S} \cong 0$ .*

**Proof (Sketch).**  $\Phi_{R/S}$  isomorphism of  $L_{R/S}$  but also equal as  $d(x^p) = px^{p-1} dx = 0$ .

**Definition.** A perfectoid  $\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})$ -algebra is a uniform Banach  $\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})$ -algebra  $R$  such that  $(R^0/p)/(\mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/p^\infty}]/p)$  is relatively perfect, where  $R^0$  is the set of powerbounded elements in  $R$ , equivalently,  $\Phi : R^0/p \rightarrow R^0/p$ , given by  $x \mapsto x^p$ , is surjective.

**Corollary 1.1.** *Set of  $R$  perfectoid  $\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})$ -algebra mapping to  $R^b$  set of perfectoid  $\mathbb{F}_p((t))(t^{1/p^\infty})$ -algebras.*

This can be made explicit in terms of Fontaine's functor:

$$R^b = \varprojlim_{\text{Frob}} (R^0/p) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p[[t]][t^{1/p^\infty}]} \mathbb{F}_p((t))(t^{1/p^\infty}).$$

pass to geometry.

**Corollary 1.2.**  $(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{F}_p((t))}^{n,ad})_{\text{ét}} = \varprojlim_{\varphi} (\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})}^{n,ad})_{\text{ét}} \varphi(x_0 : \cdots : x_n) = (x_0^p : \cdots : x_n^p)$

Now  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^n$  is your smooth projective variety.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{F}_p((t))}^n & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})}^n \\ \circlearrowleft & & \circlearrowleft \\ \pi^{-1}(X_{\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})}) & \longrightarrow & X_{\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/p^\infty})} \end{array}$$

Applying Deligne to bottom left

Problem: This is not algebraic. But how far can it be away from algebraic?

Easy case: If  $X$  is complete intersection, then any  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood of  $\pi^{-1}(X_{\mathbb{Q}_p} p^{1/p^\infty})$ , there are algebraic varieties of same dimension enough to conclude.

## 2 Closing Lecture

Where do we go from here?

For example, Yves André has recently used perfectoid spaces to prove the following of Hochster (73):

**Theorem 2.1** (Direct Summand Conjecture). *Let  $R$  be a regular ring,  $R \hookrightarrow S$ . Then  $R \hookrightarrow S$  has a splitting as  $R$ -modules.*

The forward direction is descent along  $R \rightarrow S$ .

Part of Hochster's "homological conjectures" refined by Bhatt, Ma, Schwede, ...

developed theory of test ideals in mixed characteristic

also: connections to algebraic topology via topological hochschild homology

but for the rest of talk, let's concentrate on "mixed-characteristic shtukas"

History of shtukas: function fields

Let  $C/\mathbb{F}_q$  be a projective smooth geometrically connected. Let  $G/\mathbb{F}_q$  be reductive groups, e.g.  $G = \mathrm{GL}_2$  curve. moduli space of shtukas over  $C$  with one leg.

$$f : \mathrm{Sht}_{\bullet} \longrightarrow C.$$

analogue of Shimura varieties

$$\mathrm{Sh} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Spec} \mathbb{Z}$$

$$R^i f_* \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l \circ \pi_q(C) = \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{F}/F)^{\mathrm{cuv}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R^i f_* \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l \circ \pi_q(C) \cong \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{F}/F)^{\mathrm{cuv}} \\ \circlearrowleft \\ G(\mathbb{A}) \end{array}$$

where  $F$  is the function field of  $C$  and  $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_F$  are the adèles of  $F$ .

**Theorem 2.2** (Drinfeld, L. Lafforgue...).  $R^i f_* \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l = \bigoplus_* \pi \otimes \sigma(\pi) \circ \mathrm{Gal}(\overline{F}/F) * \text{certain automorphic cpr } \pi \text{ of } G(A)$

This association  $\{\text{autom. rep. of } G(\mathbb{A})\} \rightarrow \{\text{Gal rep}\} \pi \mapsto \sigma(\pi)$ . define the global Langlands correspondence (in some cases)

Unfortunately, not *all* automorphic  $\pi$ .

Insight of Drinfeld: Can get all  $\pi$  if one looks at spaces of shtukas with two legs.

2 legs:

$$f : \mathrm{Sht}_{\bullet} \longrightarrow C \times C$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R^i f_* \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l \circ \pi_1(C \times C/\phi^{\mathbb{Z}}) \cong \pi_1(C) \\ \circlearrowleft \\ G(\mathbb{A}) \end{array}$$

where congruence Drinfeld's lemma

**Theorem 2.3** (Same people). *For good choices of data*

$$R^i f_* \overline{\mathcal{Q}}_l = \bigoplus_* \pi \otimes \sigma(\pi) \otimes o(\pi)^V$$

\* all cuspidal automorphic rep of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  and  $\pi_1(C) \circ \sigma(\pi)$  and  $\pi_1(C) \circ o(\pi)^V$

Get global langland's coorespondence for  $GL_2$ : Drinfeld  $GL_n$ : L. Lafforgue any  $G$ : V. Lafforgue

We would love to do the same over number fields.

Obvious problem: what is the analogue of  $C \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_q} C$ ?

Magic of diamonds: Can we make sense of not  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z} \times \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$  but at last of  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{Q}_p \times_{\mathbb{F}_1} \text{Spec } \mathbb{Q}_p$  (or even  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}_p \times \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}_p = \text{compeltion at } (p_1 p)$ ).

Namely, can take product  $\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p$  in category of diamons get something 2-dimensional.

$$\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p = \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p^{tet} / \mathbb{Z}_p^* = \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{F}_p((t^{1/p^\infty})) / \mathbb{Z}_p^* = (\mathbb{D}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^*)^\diamond / \mathbb{Z}_p^*.$$

where last is perfectoid punctured open unit disk/ $\mathbb{Q}_p$

analogue of Drinfeld's lemma:

**Theorem 2.4.**  $\pi_1(\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p / \varphi^{\mathbb{Z}}) \cong \pi_1(\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p) \times \pi_1(\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p) = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p / \mathbb{Q}_p) \times \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p / \mathbb{Q}_p)$ .  
Equivantly,

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{D}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^* / \mathbb{Q}_p^*) = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p / \mathbb{Q}_p)^2.$$

$$\mathbb{Q}_p^* = \mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \varphi^{\mathbb{Z}} = p^{\mathbb{Z}} \text{ or } \pi_1(\mathbb{D}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^* / \mathbb{Q}_p^*) = \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p / \mathbb{Q}_p)$$

moduli spaces of local, mixed class shtukas with one leg

$$\text{Sht}_{\dots} \longrightarrow \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p.$$

There turn out to be (generalizations of) Rapoport-Zink spaces (local  $p$ -adic analogues of Shimura varieties)

Example (lubin-tate spaces)

Let  $H/\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$  1-dimensional formal group of height  $n$  (then is  $p$ -div. group)

deformation space of  $H$ :

$$\mathfrak{X}_H \cong \text{Spf } W(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p) \llbracket u_1, \dots, u_{k-1} \rrbracket$$

generic fibre  $\mathcal{M}_H$   $(n-1)$ -dimensional open unit disc

tower

$$\dots \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{H,2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{H,0} = \mathcal{M}_H$$

$\mathcal{M}_{H,m}$  classifies isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{H}[p^m] \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p^m \mathbb{Z})^n,$$

where  $\mathcal{H}$  universal deformation of  $H$ .

$$\mathcal{M}_{H,\infty} = \varprojlim_m \mathcal{M}_{H,m}$$

perfectoid space (S.-Weinstein)



**Theorem 2.5** (S., Weinstein). *Let  $C/\mathbb{Q}_p$  algebraically closed complete extension, let  $\infty \in FF_{C^\flat}$  Fargue-Fontaine corresponding to  $C^\flat$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{M}_{H,\infty}(C) = \{\mathcal{O}^n \xrightarrow{f} \mathcal{O}(1/n) \text{ sthm coker } f \text{ is supported at } \infty\}$$

This can be also said in terms of shtukas with one leg at  $\infty$

several legs: there is no obstruction to considering moduli spaces of shtukas with any number of legs.

Test objects:  $S \in \text{Pfd} = \{\text{perfectoid spaces of char } p\}$  legs at  $s$ -valued  $x_1, \dots, x_n : S \rightarrow \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p$  of  $\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p$

These correspond to untilts  $S_1^\#, \dots, S_n^\#$  of  $S$ .

graph of  $x_i S \rightarrow \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p Y_S = S \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p$

closed immersions of adic spaces  $S_i^\# \xrightarrow{\sim} S$  can consider  $\varphi$ -modules over  $Y_S$  (or compactification of it) with poles zeroes at the divisors.

$$f : \text{Sht}^\times \longrightarrow \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R^i f_* \overline{\mathcal{Q}}_l & \hookrightarrow & \pi_1(\text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p \times \text{Spd } \mathbb{Q}_p / \phi^{\mathbb{Z}}) \\ \curvearrowright & & \parallel \\ G(\mathbb{Q}_p) & & \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p} / \mathbb{Q}_p)^2 \end{array}$$

**Theorem 2.6.**  $\pi_0(\text{THH}(\mathcal{O}_C)_p^\wedge)^{hS^1} = \mathbb{A}_{inf}$