

Lecture 2: Dieudonné Theory

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1 Dieudonné Modules associated to p -divisible groups

Fix a perfect field k . Let W_n be the ring of Witt vectors of length n and W the Witt vector ring.

Let G be a finite group scheme over k , whose order is a power of p . Consider the W -module defined as the following:

$$M(G) := \varinjlim_n \operatorname{Hom}(G, W_n).$$

This is a W -module since $\operatorname{Hom}(G, W_n)$ is naturally a W_n -module by

$$a\chi(t) := a \cdot \chi(t)$$

Let R be a complete noetherian local ring. Recall that a p -divisible group over R has the following connected-étale decomposition

$$0 \rightarrow G^0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow G^{\text{ét}} \rightarrow 0,$$

which is induced by the connected-étale decomposition of each G_i .

Proposition 1.1. Let R be a complete noetherian local ring whose residue field is k . Then there is a category equivalence

$$\Gamma \mapsto \Gamma(p)$$

from the category of commutative divisible formal Lie groups over R to the category of p -divisible groups over R .

Let T be the torsion $W(k)$ -module

$$W(k)[\frac{1}{p}]/W(k).$$

Then we define the Pontragin dual of a finite $W(k)$ -module N by

$$N^* := \operatorname{Hom}_{W(k)}(N, T).$$

It is not hard to see that $(N^*)^* \cong N$.

2 Breuil-Kisin modules

Breuil-Kisin modules can be viewed as the generalization of Dieudonné modules over discrete valuation ring in mixed characteristics.

Let R be a complete discrete valuation ring whose residue field is the perfect field k . Let π be a uniformizer of R , i.e. π is a generator of the maximal ideal of R such that $v_p(\pi) = 1$. Let $E(u)$ be the Eisenstein polynomial of π . Consider the formal power series ring $\mathfrak{S} := W[[u]]$.

Definition 2.1. A Breuil-Kisin module is a finite free \mathfrak{S} -module M which is equipped with an isomorphism

$$\varphi_M: M \otimes_{\mathfrak{S}, \varphi} \mathfrak{S}[\frac{1}{E}] \xrightarrow{\sim} M[\frac{1}{E}].$$

Remark 2.2. The definition is similar to the definition of F -crystal over W . The φ_M is the linearized Frobenius on M .

Let $\text{Mod}_{\mathfrak{S}}^{\varphi}$ be the category of Breuil-Kisin modules. A fundamental result in the Breuil-Kisin theory is the following.

Theorem 2.3. There is a fully-faithful tensor (i.e. preserving the tensor structure)

$$\mathfrak{M}: \text{Rep}_{G_K}^{\text{crys}, \circ} \rightarrow \text{Mod}_{\mathfrak{S}}^{\varphi}$$

which is compatible with the formation of symmetric and exterior powers.

Corollary 2.4 (Crystalline and de Rham comparison). Let $V := T \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p$ be the crystalline representation induced by some $T \in \text{Rep}_{G_K}^{\text{crys}, \circ}$. Then there are canonical isomorphisms:

$$D_{\text{crys}}(V) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{M}/u\mathfrak{M}[\frac{1}{p}] \quad D_{dR}(V) \xrightarrow{\sim} \varphi_M^*(M) \otimes_{\mathfrak{S}} K.$$

Let $\text{BT}_{\mathfrak{S}}^{\varphi}$ be the full subcategory of $\text{Mod}_{\mathfrak{S}}^{\varphi}$ which consists of the Breuil-Kisin modules such that $\varphi_M(M) \subset M$. The following theorem provides a classification for p -divisible groups in mixed characteristics.

Theorem 2.5. Let K be a totally ramified extension of $K(k)$. Let \mathcal{O}_K be the ring of integers in K . There is a category equivalence

$$\mathfrak{M}: (p\text{-div}/\mathcal{O}_K) \rightarrow \text{BT}_{\mathfrak{S}}^{\varphi},$$

where the functor is applied to the p -adic Tate modules as the \mathbb{Z}_p -lattice of crystalline representations.

2.1 Reductive Groups in Crystalline Representations

Let M^{\otimes} be the direct sum of

Proposition 2.6. Let R be a discrete valuation ring in mixed characteristics. Let $G \subset \text{GL}(M)$ be a closed R -flat subgroup scheme for some finite free R -module M . Suppose that the generic fiber of G is reductive. Then G is defined by a finite collection of tensors $(s_{\alpha}) \subset M^{\otimes}$.