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1 Introduction

1.1 Notation

We denote the category of sets with (Set) and the category of (unital, commutative) rings with (Ring). If A is a ring, we write $(A\text{-Alg})$ for the category of A -algebras, and $(A\text{-Mod})$ for the category of A -modules.

If $f(T) = c_1T + c_2T^2 + \cdots \in A[[T]]$, we write $f^k(T)$ for the k -fold self composite of f , that is

$$f^k(T) = \underbrace{f(f(\cdots(f(T))\cdots))}_{k\text{-fold}}.$$

In order to not confuse this with taking multiplicative powers, we write

$$f(T)^k = \underbrace{f(T)f(T)\cdots f(T)}_{k\text{-fold}}.$$

1.2 Acknowledgements

2 Formal Modules

This section will serve as an introduction to formal groups and formal modules. Formal groups (or rather, formal group laws) were first introduced by SALOMON BOCHNER in 1946 as a natural means of studying Lie Groups over fields of characteristic 0, cf. [Boc46]. The study of formal groups later became interesting for its own right, with pioneering works of Lazard [Laz55].

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2.1 Basic Notions

As promised in the introduction, we begin by defining formal group laws. For now, let A be any ring.

Definition 2.1.1 (Formal Group Laws of arbitrary dimension). A (commutative) formal group law of dimension n over R is a tuple of power series $F = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$ with

$$F_i(X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n) \in R[[X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n]], \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

such that $F_i(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \equiv X_i + Y_i$ modulo degree ≥ 2 and the following equalities are satisfied:

1. $F(F(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}), \mathbf{Z}) = F(\mathbf{X}, F(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}))$.
2. $F(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{X}$.
3. $F(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = F(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{X})$.

Here, and in the sequel, we abbreviate $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, et cetera. Given a formal group F of dimension n and a formal group law G of dimension m , a morphism $F \rightarrow G$ is a m -tuple $f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$ of power series $f_i \in R[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]$ such that $f(0) = 0$ and

$$G(f(\mathbf{X}), f(\mathbf{Y})) = f(F(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})).$$

For any n -dimensional formal module F , the identity is given by the morphism id_F with components $\text{id}_{F,i}(\mathbf{X}) = X_i$. Composition of morphisms is given by composition of tuples of power-series. This yields the category of formal modules of arbitrary dimension over R , which we denote by $(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)$. We will mostly be concerned with the full subcategory of one-dimensional formal groups, which we denote by (FGL/R) .

- Lemma 2.1.2.**
1. *The set $\text{Hom}_{(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)}(F, G)$ is an abelian group with addition $f + g = G(f, g)$. In particular, $(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ is pre-additive (cf. [Stacks, Tag 00ZY]).*
 2. *Furthermore, $(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ admits finite products. Thereby it is an additive category (cf. [Stacks, Tag 0104]). The unique final and initial object of $(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ is the unique 0-dimensional formal A -module law.*
 3. *In particular $\text{End}_{(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)}(F)$ is a (possibly non-commutative) ring.*

Example. Let us introduce the following two formal group laws.

- *The additive formal group law.* Write $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$ for the formal group law with addition given by $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a(X, Y) = X + Y$.
- *We write $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m$ for the formal group law associated with the with $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m(X, Y) = X + Y + XY$. Note that $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m(X, Y) = (X + 1)(Y + 1) - 1$*

Next up is the definition of formal A -module laws. Naively, we would like to define formal A -module laws as formal group laws F with A -module structure, i.e. a morphism of rings $[\cdot]_F : A \rightarrow \text{End}_{(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)}(F)$. But there is a subtlety, which becomes evident after defining the Lie-algebra of a formal group law.

Definition 2.1.3 (Lie-algebra of formal group law). Let $\text{Lie} : (\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R) \rightarrow (\text{Ab})$ be the functor taking an n -dimensional formal group law \mathbf{F} to the R -module

$$\text{Lie}(F) = \text{Hom}_{(R\text{-Mod})} \left(\frac{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{(X_1, \dots, X_n)^2}, R \right)$$

Given an m -dimensional group law G and a morphism $\mathbf{f} : F \rightarrow G$, $\text{Lie}(f)$ is the induced morphism

$$\text{Lie}(F) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(G), \quad \psi \mapsto \left(S_j \mapsto \psi(\overline{f_j}) \right) \in \text{Hom}_{(R\text{-Mod})} \left(\frac{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{(X_1, \dots, X_n)^2}, R \right),$$

where $\overline{f_j}$ is the reduction of f_j mod $(\mathbf{X})^2$.

We have a canonical basis on both sides, and writing $\text{Lie}(F) = R^n$, $\text{Lie}(G) \cong R^m$, the induced map $\text{Lie}(f) : R^n \rightarrow R^m$ is given by multiplication with the matrix

$$\left(\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial X_i}(0) \right)_{i,j}.$$

Given $F \in (\text{FGL}/R)$, the condition that $F(X, Y) \equiv X + Y$ modulo degree 2 enforces that the induced map $\text{End}(F) \xrightarrow{\text{Lie}} \text{End}(R)$ is a morphism of rings. If we are given $[-]_F : A \rightarrow \text{End}_{(\text{FGL}/R)}(F)$, this A -module structure on F yields an A -module structure on R , given by the composition

$$A \xrightarrow{[-]_F} \text{End}(F) \xrightarrow{\text{Lie}} \text{End}(R), \quad a \mapsto \text{Lie}([a]_F)$$

This is a morphism of rings, and we obtain an A -algebra structure on R . This motivates the following definition.

Definition 2.1.4 (Formal A -Modules of arbitrary dimension). Let R be an A -algebra with structure morphism $j : A \rightarrow R$. A formal A -module over R of dimension n is given by the data of a formal n -dimensional group law F over R and a morphism of rings

$$A \rightarrow \text{End}_{(\text{FGL}^{\text{arb}}/R)}(F), \quad a \mapsto ([a]_{F,i})_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in (R[[X_1, \dots, X_n]])^n$$

such that $[a]_{F,i}(\mathbf{X}) \equiv j(a)X_i$ modulo terms of degree ≥ 2 . Morphisms between formal A -modules of arbitrary dimension are morphisms of formal groups respecting the A -module structure. The resulting category is denoted $(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$. As before, the full subcategory of one-dimensional formal A modules over R is denoted $(A\text{-FML}/R)$.

Note that $(\text{FGL}/R) \cong (\mathbb{Z}\text{-FML}/R)$. Slightly abusing notation, we usually do not explicitly mention the A -structure when referring to formal module laws, simply writing $F \in (A\text{-FML}/R)$, for example.

The following lemma explains the functoriality of the assignment $R \mapsto (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$.

Lemma 2.1.5. *The assignment $R \mapsto (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ is functorial in the following sense. If $i : R \rightarrow R'$ is a morphism of A -algebras, we obtain a functor*

$$(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R) \rightarrow (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R'), \quad F \mapsto F \otimes_R R',$$

where $F \otimes_R R'$ is the formal A -module law obtained by applying i to the coefficients of the formal power series representing the A -module structure of F .

Note that every n -dimensional formal module law $F \in (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ yields a functor

$$(R\text{-Alg}) \rightarrow (A\text{-Mod}), \quad S \mapsto \text{Nil}(S)^n, \quad (2.1)$$

where $\text{Nil}(S)^n$, the set of n -tuples of nilpotent elements of S , is equipped with addition and scalars given by

$$s_1 + s_2 = F(s_1, s_2) \in \text{Nil}(S)^n, \quad as = [a]_F(s) \in \text{Nil}(S)^n.$$

This construction yields a functor (with slight abuse of notation)

$$(A\text{-FML}/R) \rightarrow \text{Fun}((R\text{-Alg}), (A\text{-Mod})), \quad (2.2)$$

where Fun denotes the functor category.

Passing from discrete R -algebras to admissible R -algebras (cf. Definition A.0.1), this construction extends naturally to a functor

$$(A\text{-FML}/R) \rightarrow \text{Fun}((R\text{-Adm}), (A\text{-Mod})), \quad F \mapsto \text{Spf } R[[\mathbf{T}]],$$

where we equip $\text{Spf } R[[\mathbf{T}]]$ with the structure of an A -module object using the endomorphisms coming from F . Following this line of thought leads naturally to the definition of formal modules.

Definition 2.1.6 (Formal Groups and Formal Modules.). Given an A -scheme X , we define the category $(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)$ as follows. Objects are A -module objects \mathcal{F} in the category of formal schemes over X , such that there is a cover of X by Zariski-open affine subsets $U_i = \text{Spec}(R_i)$ such that $\mathcal{F} \times_X U_i$ is isomorphic to $\text{Spf } R_i[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]$ and the induced A -module structure on $\text{Spf } R_i[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]$ yields a formal A -module law on R_i . Given $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/X)$, a morphism $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ in the category of formal schemes over X is a morphism of formal A -modules if ϕ is a morphism of A -module objects. Again, we denote the category of one-dimensional formal A -modules over X by $(A\text{-FM}/X)$.

Remark. Formal schemes (over a base an A -scheme X , say) locally isomorphic to $\text{Spf } \mathcal{O}_X(U)[[\mathbf{T}]]$ are sometimes called Formal Lie Varieties . Equivalently to the definition above, we could have defined formal A -modules as A -module objects in the category of Formal Lie Varieties, such that the A -module structure on the tangent space at the identity agrees with the usual one. reference

Definition 2.1.7 (Coordinate). Let \mathcal{F} be a formal A -module over X . The choice of a cover $\sqcup_{i \in I} \text{Spec}(R_i) \rightarrow X$ together with isomorphisms $\mathcal{F} \times_X \text{Spec}(R_i) \cong \text{Spf}(R_i[[\mathbf{T}]])$ will be referred to as a coordinate of \mathcal{F} .

Of course there is a functor

$$\text{FG} : (A\text{-FML}/R) \rightarrow (A\text{-FM}/R),$$

essentially forgetting the choice of module law. The observation of Lemma 2.1.5 translates to formal modules, a morphism $j : R \rightarrow R'$ yields a functor

$$(A\text{-FM}/R) \rightarrow (A\text{-FM}/R'), \quad \mathcal{F} \mapsto \mathcal{F} \otimes_R R'.$$

Definition 2.1.8 (Lie functor). The functor Lie descends to a functor

$$\text{Lie} : (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X) \rightarrow (\mathcal{O}_X\text{-QCoh}),$$

given by locally describing a formal A -module \mathcal{F} via formal group laws and glueing the local data. Alternatively, it arises from sending a formal A -module \mathcal{F} to $(\mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^2)^\vee$, where \mathcal{I} is the ideal associated to the closed immersion $[0]_{\mathcal{F}} : X \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$.

Lemma 2.1.9. *A map $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ of formal A -modules (of arbitrary dimension) over X is an isomorphism if and only if the induced morphism of Lie-algebras $\text{Lie}(\phi) : \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{G})$ is an isomorphism.*

Proof. This is easily verified in the one-dimensional situation after choosing coordinates. The general case adds no complication. \square

Definition 2.1.10 (Formal Module associated to R -module). Suppose that M is a projective R -module. Then we write $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes M$ for the additive formal A -module associated to M over R . As a formal scheme, this formal module is given by

$$\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes_A M \cong \text{Spf } R[[M^\vee]],$$

where $R[[M^\vee]]$ denotes the completion of $\text{Sym}_R(M^\vee)$ with respect to the ideal generated by M^\vee . The (formal) A -module structure is the canonical additive one. Note that $\text{Lie}(\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes M) = M$ by design. More generally, if X is a quasi-compact and quasi-separated A -scheme and \mathcal{M} is a finite locally free quasi-coherent \mathcal{O}_X -module, this construction yields a formal A -module $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes \mathcal{M}$ over X .

Example. The additive group law $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$ extends to a formal A -module over an affine base $\text{Spec } R$ by setting

$$[a]_{\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a}(T) = aT$$

for $a \in A$. More generally, we obtain a formal A -module over an arbitrary base scheme X over A .

Over \mathbb{Z}_p , the formal group $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m$ extends to a formal \mathbb{Z}_p -module as follows. As a functor, $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m$ is isomorphic to the assignment

$$(\mathbb{Z}_p\text{-Adm}) \rightarrow (\text{Ab}), \quad S \mapsto 1 + S^{\circ\circ} \subset S^\times.$$

Here, we equipped \mathbb{Z}_p with the p -adic topology. The subgroup $1 + S^{\circ\circ}$ naturally carries the structure of a \mathbb{Z}_p -module. Indeed, for $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$(1 + s)^{p^k} = 1 + p^k s + \binom{p^k}{2} s^2 + \cdots + s^{p^k},$$

and given $s \in S^\circ$, this is of the form $1 + o(1)$ as k gets large. In particular, if $x = a_0 + a_1p + a_2p^2 + \cdots \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, expressions of the form

$$(1 + s)^x = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 + s)^{a_i p^i}$$

make sense by lemma A.0.3. This gives $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{m, \mathbb{Z}_p}$ the structure of a formal \mathbb{Z}_p -module. In the upcoming subsection, we discuss how this is the simplest example of a whole family of formal modules constructed by Lubin and Tate. In section 3 we explain applications of these formal modules to local class field theory.

2.2 Lubin–Tate Formal Module Laws

We sketch the construction of a family of formal modules introduced by Lubin and Tate in [LT65].

Let A be a complete discrete valuation ring with finite residue field k , set $q = \#k$ and let $\pi \in A$ be a choice of a uniformizer. Write $\mathcal{F}_{\pi, h}$ for the following set of power series

$$\mathcal{F}_{\pi} := \{f \in \mathcal{O}_K[[T]] \mid f \equiv \pi T \pmod{T^2} \text{ and } f \equiv T^{q^n} \pmod{\pi}\}.$$

The construction of Lubin–Tate formal module laws rests on the following lemma, which is Lemma 1 in [LT65].

Lemma 2.2.1. *Let $f(T)$ and $g(T)$ be elements of $\mathcal{F}_{\pi, h}$ and let $L(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$ be a linear form with coefficients in A . Then there exists a unique series $F(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ with coefficients in A such that*

$$\begin{aligned} F(X_1, \dots, X_n) &\equiv L(X_1, \dots, X_n) \pmod{T^2}, \\ &\text{and} \\ f(F(X_1, \dots, X_n)) &= F(g(X_1), \dots, g(X_n)). \end{aligned}$$

As a direct consequence, we obtain the following useful result.

Lemma 2.2.2. *Let $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pi, h}$. Then there is a unique formal A -module law F_f over A with $[\pi]_{F_f}(T) = f(T)$.*

Proof. In the above Lemma, set $L(X, Y) = X + Y$ and $g = f$ to uniquely determine the power series F_f . The same Lemma yields unique power series $[a]_{F_f}(T) \in R[[T]]$ by setting $L(T) = aT$, $g = f$. It is routine to check that $(F_f, ([a]_f)_{a \in A})$ is a formal A -module law, cf. [LT65]. \square

Definition 2.2.3 (Lubin–Tate Module Law). We refer to module laws arising by the construction above as Lubin–Tate module laws.

Furthermore, attached to each $a \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\pi, h}$, we find unique $[a]_{f, g}(T) \in \mathcal{O}_K[[T]]$ satisfying

$$[a]_{f, g}(T) \equiv aT \pmod{(T)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f([a]_{f, g}(T)) = [a]_{f, g}(g(T)). \quad (2.3)$$

We now have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.2.4 (Lubin–Tate Formal \mathcal{O}_K -Module Laws). *Let K be a local field with ring of integers \mathcal{O}_K . For any choice of uniformizer $\pi \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and any $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pi,h}$, the family of power series $(F_f, ([a]_{f,f})_{a \in \mathcal{O}_K})$ gives rise to a formal \mathcal{O}_K -module law over \mathcal{O}_K . For $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\pi,h}$, the formal \mathcal{O}_K -module laws F_f and F_g are canonically isomorphic, via the morphism induced by $[1]_{f,g} \in \mathcal{O}_K[[T]]$.*

Proof. See Theorem 1 of [LT65] and the succeeding discussion. \square

In particular, up to canonical isomorphism, there is only one Lubin–Tate formal \mathcal{O}_K -module law over \mathcal{O}_K attached to the choice of the uniformizer $\pi \in \mathcal{O}_K$.

Example. If $K = \mathbb{Q}_p$, this reconstructs the multiplicative formal \mathbb{Z}_p module $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m$ constructed above. Indeed, we have

$$\mathcal{F}_p = \{f \in \mathbb{Z}_p[[T]] \mid f(T) \equiv T^p \pmod{p} \text{ and } f(T) \equiv pT \pmod{(T)^2}\},$$

implying that $f(T) = (1 + T)^p - 1$ lies in \mathcal{F}_p . One quickly checks that

$$F_f(X, Y) = (1 + X)(1 + Y) - 1 = X + Y + XY \in \mathbb{Z}_p[[X, Y]]$$

is the addition law associated to f , and that for $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, the power series

$$[a]_{f,f} = (1 + T)^a - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p[[T]]$$

satisfies the condition of (2.3).

2.3 Logarithms

Again, A is a complete discrete valuation ring with uniformizing parameter π and finite residue field $k = A/\pi A$. We write q for the cardinality of k and K for the field of fractions of A . Let R be a local, admissible A -algebra with structure map $i : A \rightarrow R$.

We review results from section 2 and 3 of [GH94]. Suppose that $F = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$ is an n -dimensional formal A -module law over a R . Write $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$, etc.

Definition 2.3.1 (Invariant Differentials for module laws.). The module $\omega(F)$ of invariant differentials is the submodule of the R -module of differentials

$$\Omega_{R[[T_1, \dots, T_n]]/R} \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^n R[[T_1, \dots, T_n]] dT_i,$$

consisting of those $\omega \in \omega(F)$ satisfying

$$\omega(F(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})) = \omega(\mathbf{X}) + \omega(\mathbf{Y}) \quad \text{and} \quad \omega([a]_F(\mathbf{X})) = a\omega(\mathbf{X}). \quad (2.4)$$

for all $a \in A$.

It is possible to explicitly calculate a basis for the R -module $\omega(F)$, which we now explain. Let

$$A(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(R[[\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}]])$$

denote the matrix $((\partial/\partial X_j)F_i(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}))_{i,j}$, the derivative of $F(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ with respect to \mathbf{X} . Write $B(\mathbf{Y}) = A(0, \mathbf{Y})$. Then B is a unit in $\text{Mat}_{n \times n} R[[\mathbf{Y}]]$; and we write $(C_{ij}(\mathbf{Y}))$ for the components of $B(\mathbf{Y})^{-1}$. We now construct

$$\omega_i := \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij}(\mathbf{X}) dX_j \in \Omega_{R[[\mathbf{X}]]/R}$$

for $1 \leq i \leq n$. By definition we have

$$C_{ij}(0) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

Checking that ω_i is an invariant differential is a matter of applying the chain rule, and we have

Proposition 2.3.2. *The R -module $\omega(F)$ is free of rank n generated by invariant differentials $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_n$.*

Proof. This is [HON70, Proposition 1.1]. □

Example. The invariant differentials for $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$ are spanned by the form dX . The invariant differentials for $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_m$ are spanned by the form $\omega_1(X) = \frac{1}{1+X} dX$.

By the Proposition above and Equation (2.5), we may define a pairing

$$\omega(F) \times \text{Lie}(F) \rightarrow R, \quad \langle X_i, \omega_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

This pairing is independent of the parametrization of F . In particular, it descends to a pairing defined for formal modules $\mathcal{F} \in (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/R)$, and we have a natural isomorphism $\omega(\mathcal{F}) \cong \text{Hom}_R(R, \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}))$.

Let $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$ be the additive formal A -module over R . There is a map

$$d_F : \text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FML}/R)}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{a,R}) \rightarrow \omega(F), \quad f \mapsto df(\mathbf{X}) \quad (2.6)$$

which is a map of R -modules if we equip the left hand side with the R -module structure coming from the natural action of $R \subset \text{End}(\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$.

Proposition 2.3.3. *1. If R is a flat A -algebra, the map d_F is injective.*

2. If R is a K -algebra, the map d_F is an isomorphism.

Proof. This is [GH94, Proposition 3.2]. □

Suppose now that $F \in (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ is a formal module law of dimension n over a flat A -algebra R . Let $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n$ be the distinguished basis for $\omega(F)$ constructed above. By the previous proposition, there are unique power series $f_i(\mathbf{X}) \in (R \otimes_A K)[[\mathbf{X}]]$ furnishing homomorphisms $F \otimes (R \otimes_A K) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{a, R \otimes_A K}$ of formal A -module laws and satisfying

$$d_F f_i(\mathbf{X}) = \omega_i(\mathbf{X}) \in \omega(F).$$

Definition 2.3.4 (Logarithm and Exponential). The induced morphism of formal group laws

$$f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) : F \otimes (R \otimes_A K) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$$

is called the logarithm attached to F , we write $\log_F(\mathbf{X}) \in ((R \otimes_A K)[[\mathbf{X}]])^n$ for the corresponding collection of power series. The inverse of $\log_F(\mathbf{X})$ is called the exponential attached to F , denoted $\exp_F(\mathbf{X})$. We have $\text{Lie}(\log_F) = \text{Lie}(\exp_F) = \text{id}$, so \log_F and \exp_F are isomorphisms.

Lemma 2.3.5. *Let F and G be formal A -module laws over R , with $\dim F = n$ and $\dim G = m$. Let $\phi : F \rightarrow G$ be a morphism. Then the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F \otimes (R \otimes_A K) & \xrightarrow{\log_F} & \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes (\text{Lie}(F) \otimes_A K) = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{a, R \otimes_A K}^n \\ \phi \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{Lie}(\phi) \\ G \otimes (R \otimes_A K) & \xrightarrow{\log_G} & \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes (\text{Lie}(G) \otimes_A K) = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{a, R \otimes_A K}^m \end{array}$$

commutes. In particular, attached to any $\mathcal{F} \in (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ comes a natural morphism

$$\log_{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{F} \otimes (R \otimes_A K) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes (\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \otimes_A K).$$

Proof. The square commutes because $\text{Hom}(\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{a, R \otimes_A K}^n, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{a, R \otimes_A K}^m) = \text{Hom}_{R \otimes_A K}((R \otimes_A K)^n, (R \otimes_A K)^m)$ and $\text{Lie}(\log_G \circ \phi \circ \exp_F) = \text{Lie}(\phi)$. \square

Lemma 2.3.6. *Let K be a local field with integers \mathcal{O}_K and a choice of uniformizer $\pi \in \mathcal{O}_K$, and let F be a Lubin-Tate \mathcal{O}_K -module law corresponding to some $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pi}$, cf. Theorem 2.2.4. Let S be an admissible \mathcal{O}_K -algebra, and let $s \in S^{\circ\circ}$ be an element such that the series $\log_{\mathcal{F}}(s)$ converges. Then we have $\log_F(s) = 0$ if and only if $[\pi]_F^r(s) = 0$ for some $r \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Proof. Up to canonical isomorphism, F is a \mathcal{O}_K -module law with $[\pi]_F(T) = \pi T + T^q$. Now one may check that

$$\log_F(T) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[\pi]_F^r(T)}{\pi^r} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{[\pi]_F^i(T)}{\pi[\pi]_F^{i-1}(T)},$$

where convergence is to be taken coefficient-wise. After plugging in $s \in S^{\circ\circ}$, we see that the product vanishes if and only if $[\pi]_F^r(s) = 0$ for some $r \in \mathbb{N}$. \square

2.4 Formal DVR-Modules over Fields

As above, let A be a discrete valuation ring with uniformizer π and finite residue field k ; write q for the cardinality of k . Let K denote the field of fractions of A .

We introduce the concept of height, which is an integer attached to morphisms of formal group laws over fields. The height of a formal A -module \mathcal{F} over R will be defined as the height of its endomorphism $[\pi]_{\mathcal{F}}$.

We have seen in the previous section that if R is a field extension of K , then any morphism of formal group laws $f : F \rightarrow G$ over R is either 0, in which case we say it has height ∞ , or an isomorphism, in which case we say it has height 0. The height becomes interesting in positive characteristic.

We define the height over field extensions of the residue field.

Definition 2.4.1 (Height of morphisms of group laws). Assume that R is a field extension of k and $f : F \rightarrow G$ is a morphism of formal groups laws over R , given by a formal series $f(T) \in R[[T]]$. If $f = 0$, we say that f has infinite height. If $f \neq 0$, the height of f is defined as the largest integer h such that $f = g(T^{q^h})$ for some power series $g(T) = c_1T + c_2T^2 + \dots \in R[[T]]$ with $c_1 \neq 0$.

One readily checks that if $f : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ is a morphism of formal groups over a field extension R of k , the height of f does not depend on the choices of group laws on \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} . This allows us to define the height function attached to f .

Definition 2.4.2 (Height function). Let $f : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ be a morphism of formal groups over a scheme X . For a (scheme-theoretic) point $x \in |X|$, let f_x denote the base-change of f to the residue field of x . The height function attached to f is the upper-semicontinuous function

$$\text{ht}(f) : |X| \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}, \quad x \mapsto \text{ht}(f_x). \quad (2.7)$$

It is not hard to see that the height function is additive, that is, we have

$$\text{ht}(f \circ g) = \text{ht}(f) + \text{ht}(g).$$

Definition 2.4.3 (Isogeny). A morphism $f : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ of formal groups over a field k is called an isogeny if $\text{Ker}(f)$ is represented by a finite free k -scheme. More generally, a morphism of formal A -modules over a base scheme X is an isogeny if and only if $\text{Ker}(f)$ is finite and locally free over X .

Isogenies can be described using the height function.

Lemma 2.4.4. *A morphism $f : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ is an isogeny if and only if the height function $\text{ht}(f)$ is locally constant with values in $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.*

Definition 2.4.5 (π -divisible A -module). We say that a formal A -module H over X is π -divisible if $[\pi]_H$ is an isogeny. If X is connected, the height of H is the (constant) height of the endomorphism $[\pi]_H : H \rightarrow H$.

We close this subsection with a discussion about the structure of formal \mathcal{O}_K -modules over separably closed field extensions k' of k .

Lemma 2.4.6. *Over k' , any two formal \mathcal{O}_K -module laws of the same height are isomorphic.*

Proof. [Dri74, Proposition 1.7]. □

In particular, any formal \mathcal{O}_K -module of height h is isomorphic to the formal \mathcal{O}_K -module F_{norm} with $[\pi]_{F_{\text{norm}}}(T) = T^{q^h}$. We call this the normalized formal \mathcal{O}_K -module.

Lemma 2.4.7. *Suppose that $F \in (\mathcal{O}_K\text{-FML}/k')$. Then $\text{End}_{(A\text{-FM}/k')}(F)$ is isomorphic to the maximal order of the central division algebra D over K of rank h^2 and invariant $\frac{1}{h}$.*

Proof. Also [Dri74, Proposition 1.7]. □

Lemma 2.4.8. *Let $f : F \rightarrow G$ be an isogeny of π -divisible formal \mathcal{O}_K -module laws over k' . Then there is an integer $n \geq 0$ and an isogeny $g : G \rightarrow F$ with*

$$f \circ g = [\pi^n]_G \quad \text{and} \quad g \circ f = [\pi^n]_F.$$

Proof. As the height is additive, we necessarily have $\text{ht}(F) = \text{ht}(G)$, thus by Lemma 2.4.6, we may assume that F and G are given by the normalized formal \mathcal{O}_K -module F_{norm} . Write $f(T) = g(T^{q^n})$ for some power series $h(T) = c_1T + c_2T^2 + \dots$, where $c_1 \neq 0$ is a unit in k' , and let $g(T) = h^{-1}(T)$ be the formal inverse of h . Now g is a morphism of formal \mathcal{O}_K -module laws satisfying $f \circ g(T) = g \circ f(T) = T^{q^n}$. The claim follows. □

2.5 Exact Categories, Extensions of Formal Modules

In this section, we equip the category $(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)$, where A is any ring and X is a quasi-compact and quasi-separated A -scheme, with a notion of short exact sequences. We show that this gives $(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)$ the structure of an exact category in the sense of Quillen [Kel90, Appendix A]. We introduce functors

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}(-, -) &: (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)^{\text{op}} \times (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X) \rightarrow (\text{Set}) \\ \text{RigExt}(-, -) &: (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)^{\text{op}} \times (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X) \rightarrow (\text{Set}), \end{aligned}$$

which send a pair $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$ to the set of equivalence classes of extensions (resp. rigidified extensions) of \mathcal{F} by \mathcal{F}' . These functors will play a major role in the upcoming discussion.

2.5.1 The Category of Formal Modules is Exact

Before turning our attention to formal modules, we introduce the notion of exact categories, following [Kel90, Appendix A].

Definition 2.5.1 (Exact Category). Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category, and let \mathcal{E} be a class whose members are exact triples of objects connected by arrows

$$X \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{d} Z,$$

where i is a kernel of d and d is a cokernel of i . We call a morphism $i : X \rightarrow Y$ an inflation if it appears as first component of some $(i, d) \in \mathcal{E}$, second components are called deflations. We say that the pair $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is an exact category if \mathcal{E} is closed under isomorphisms and satisfies the following properties.

1. The identity $\text{id}_0 : 0 \rightarrow 0$ is a deflation.
2. The composition of two deflations is a deflation.
3. For each $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Z', Z)$, there is a cartesian square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y' & \xrightarrow{d'} & Z' \\ f' \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ Y & \xrightarrow{d} & Z \end{array}$$

such that d' is a deflation.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{i} & Y \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow f' \\ X' & \xrightarrow{i'} & Y' \end{array}$$

such that i' is an inflation.

As above, suppose that A is any ring and X is a quasi-compact and quasi-separated A -scheme. Let \mathcal{F} , \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{F}' be formal A -modules over X . As a primer, we note that the category $(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)$ is additive (essentially by Lemma 2.1.2).

Definition 2.5.2 (Short Exact Sequence). A pair of composable morphisms $\mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ in $(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)$ is called a short exact sequence if the induced sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}') \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence of \mathcal{O}_X -modules. In this case, we write

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0.$$

A pair of composable morphisms $F' \rightarrow E \rightarrow F$ in $(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ is called an exact sequence if it is exact after passing to the respective formal modules.

Lemma 2.5.3. *Let R be an A -algebra and let $F, F' \in (A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ be formal A -module laws of dimensions m and n respectively. Write $\mathcal{F}', \mathcal{F} \in (A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/R)$ for the associated formal A -modules, and suppose that they fit into a exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0.$$

Write \mathbf{X} for the variables of F' and \mathbf{Z} for those of F . Then there exists a (non-canonical) coordinate on \mathcal{E} giving rise to a formal A -module law E in the variables (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) such that the induced morphisms of formal module laws are of the form $\alpha(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{X}, 0)$, $\beta(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{Z}$.

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Furthermore, the formal A -module law E is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} E((\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{Z}_1), (\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2)) &= (F'(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) +_{F'} \Delta(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2), F(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2)) \\ &\text{and} \\ [a]_E(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) &= ([a]_{F'}(\mathbf{X}) +_{F'} \delta_a(\mathbf{Z}), [a]_F(\mathbf{Z})). \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

for some m -tuple of power series $\Delta \in (R[[\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2]])^m$, $\delta_a \in (R[[\mathbf{Z}]])^m$.

Proof. The construction of E is sketched in [GH94, Proposition 6.5]. We know that $\mathcal{E} \cong \mathrm{Spf} R[[M]]$ for some free R module M of rank $m+n$. As we have a short exact sequence on Lie-algebras, we may apply the formal implicit function theorem to obtain a section $\sigma : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ of $\beta : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$. The datum of the morphisms α and σ is equivalent to morphisms

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$$\alpha^\flat : R[[M]] \rightarrow R[[\mathbf{X}]] \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^\flat : R[[M]] \rightarrow R[[\mathbf{Z}]]$$

on affines. Taking their sum, we obtain a morphism $R[[M]] \rightarrow R[[\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{T}]]$. On Lie-algebras, this morphism recovers the isomorphism $\mathrm{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \cong \mathrm{Lie}(\mathcal{F}') \oplus \mathrm{Lie}(\mathcal{F})$ induced by $\mathrm{Lie}(\sigma)$. In particular, $\sigma^\flat + \alpha^\flat$ is an isomorphism in degree 1, hence an isomorphism. This yields the desired coordinate $\mathcal{E} \cong \mathrm{Spf} R[[\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}]]$. The fact about the structure of the formal A -module law E follows quickly from the fact that α and β are morphisms of formal A -module laws. \square

Let's turn our attention to the power series $(\Delta, (\delta_a)_{a \in A})$ appearing in the above Lemma. They satisfy certain conditions.

Definition 2.5.4 (Symmetric 2-cocycles). Let $\mathrm{SymCoc}^2(F, F')$ be the set of collections of power series $(\Delta, (\delta_a)_{a \in A})$ satisfying the following properties

- $\Delta(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2) = \Delta(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_1)$
- $\Delta(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_3) +_{F'} \Delta(\mathbf{Z}_1, F(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_3)) = \Delta(F(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2), \mathbf{Z}_3) +_{F'} \Delta(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2)$
- $\delta_a(\mathbf{Z}_1) +_{F'} \delta_a(\mathbf{Z}_2) +_{F'} \Delta([a]_F(\mathbf{Z}_1), [a]_F(\mathbf{Z}_2)) = [a]_{F'} \Delta(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2) +_{F'} \delta_a(F(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2))$
- $\delta_a(\mathbf{Z}_1) +_{F'} \delta_b(\mathbf{Z}_1) +_{F'} \Delta([a]_F(\mathbf{Z}_1), [b]_F(\mathbf{Z}_1)) = \delta_{a+b}(\mathbf{Z}_1)$
- $[a]_{F'} \delta_b(\mathbf{Z}_1) +_{F'} \delta_a([b]_F(\mathbf{Z}_1)) = \delta_{ab}(\mathbf{Z}_1)$.

These objects are called symmetric 2-cocycles. The set $\mathrm{SymCoc}^2(F, F')$ is naturally a left- $\mathrm{End}(F')$ -module.

Proposition 2.5.5. *There is a bijection*

$$\mathrm{SymCoc}^2(F, F') \xrightarrow{\sim} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A\text{-module laws } E \text{ on } R[[\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}]] \text{ fitting into an exact sequence} \\ 0 \rightarrow F' \xrightarrow{\alpha} E \xrightarrow{\beta} F \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{where } \alpha(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{X}, 0) \text{ and } \beta(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{Z}. \end{array} \right\}$$

The map sends a pair $\{\Delta, (\delta_a)_a\}$ to the A -module law with structure defined following (2.8).

Proof. This is only a matter of calculation, cf. [GH94, Section 6]. \square

Lemma 2.5.6. *If \mathcal{F}' , \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{F} are formal A -modules over a qcqs A -scheme X , and α and β are morphisms such that $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence of formal A -modules, α is a kernel of β and β is a cokernel of α .*

Proof. Let $\psi : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ be a morphism of formal A -modules such that the composition $\mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F}$ is trivial. We have to show that there is a unique morphism $\bar{\psi} : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'$ making the following diagram commute.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\beta} & \mathcal{F} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & \nwarrow & \uparrow \psi & \nearrow 0 & \\ & & & \exists! \bar{\psi} & & & \\ & & & \mathcal{G} & & & \end{array}$$

As $\bar{\psi}$ is unique, we may work locally X and assume that $X = \operatorname{Spec} R$ is affine and \mathcal{F}' , \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} all come from formal A -module laws. We may now assume that the short exact sequence is in the form of Lemma 2.5.3. Write E , F , F' , G for the formal A -module laws corresponding to \mathcal{E} , \mathcal{F} , \mathcal{F}' and \mathcal{G} . Write \mathbf{Y} for the variables of G . Now, as $\beta \circ \psi = 0$, the induced morphism of formal A -module laws $\psi : G \rightarrow E$ is of the form $\psi(\mathbf{Y}) = (\psi_1(\mathbf{Y}), 0)$, and we find that $\psi_1(\mathbf{Y}) \in (R[[\mathbf{Y}]])^m$ yields a morphism of formal A -modules $G \rightarrow F'$. It is clearly unique.

Similar ideas show that β is a cokernel of α . \square

Lemma 2.5.7. *The composition of two deflations of formal A -modules is a deflation.*

Proof. [Proof is simple application of Lemma 2.5.3 but no time to write down] \square

Lemma 2.5.8. *Let $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ be a short exact sequence in $(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/X)$. If $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/X)} \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ is a morphism of formal A -modules, then there is a formal A -module $f^*\mathcal{E}$ and a deflation $f^*\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ fitting into a diagram with short exact sequences as rows*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \xrightarrow{\alpha'} & f^*\mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\beta'} & \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\beta} & \mathcal{F} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

The square on the right is cartesian.

Proof. Assume first that $X = \operatorname{Spec} R$ is affine and that \mathcal{F} , \mathcal{F}' and \mathcal{G} come from formal A -module laws over R . Then we assume to be in the situation of Lemma 2.5.3, with \mathcal{E} coming from a formal A -module law E . Using the induced morphism $f : G \rightarrow F$ of formal A -module laws, define the A -module law f^*E via

$$f^*E((\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{Y}_1), (\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{Y}_2)) = (F'(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) +_{F'} \Delta(f(\mathbf{Y}_1), f(\mathbf{Y}_2)), G(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2))$$

and

$$[a]_{f^*E}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = ([a]_{F'}(\mathbf{X}) +_{F'} \delta_a(f(\mathbf{Y})), [a]_F(\mathbf{Y})).$$

Here, Δ and δ_a are the power series coming from E (cf. Lemma 2.5.3). Now the top-row is exact with $\alpha'(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{X}, 0)$ and $\beta'(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{Y}$. The morphism of A -module laws $f^*E \rightarrow E$ is

given by $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \mapsto (\mathbf{X}, f(\mathbf{Y}))$. One readily checks that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f^*E & \xrightarrow{\beta'} & G \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ E & \xrightarrow{\beta} & F \end{array}$$

is cartesian in the category of formal A -module laws over R . As the data of \mathcal{E} glue, the power series defining f^*E glue to give a formal A -module $f^*\mathcal{E}$, satisfying all of the desired properties. \square

The dual statement is also true.

Lemma 2.5.9. *Let $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ be as above, and let $g \in \text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/X)}(\mathcal{F}', \mathcal{G}')$ be a morphism of formal A modules. There is a formal A -module $g_*\mathcal{E}$ over X and an inflation $\alpha' : \mathcal{G}' \rightarrow g_*\mathcal{E}$ fitting into a diagram with short exact sequences*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\beta} & \mathcal{F} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow g & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}' & \xrightarrow{\alpha'} & g_*\mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\beta'} & \mathcal{F} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Proof. We proceed as in the proof of the previous lemma and assume that $X = \text{Spec } R$ and that \mathcal{F}' , \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} come from formal A -module laws over R . Now E is a formal A -module law over R of the form described in Lemma 2.5.3, and using the power series Δ and δ_a we define g_*E via

$$g_*E((\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Z}_1), (\mathbf{Y}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2)) = (G'(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2) +_{G'} g(\Delta(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2)), F(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2))$$

and

$$[a]_{g_*E}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = ([a]_{G'}(\mathbf{X}) +_{G'} g(\delta_a(\mathbf{Z})), [a]_F(\mathbf{Z})).$$

The morphism $E \rightarrow g_*E$ is given by $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) \mapsto (g(\mathbf{X}), \mathbf{Z})$. These data glue and give rise to a formal A -module $g_*\mathcal{E}$ over X satisfying the desired properties. \square

As a consequence of the previous lemmas, we obtain

Proposition 2.5.10. *Let S be a quasi-compact and quasi-separated S -scheme. Then the category $(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/S)$, equipped with the notion of exact sequences from Definition 2.5.2, is an exact category.*

The following calculation is convenient.

Lemma 2.5.11. *We have natural isomorphisms*

$$\text{Lie}(f^*\mathcal{E}) \cong \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \times_{\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F})} \text{Lie}(\mathcal{G}) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Lie}(g_*\mathcal{E}) \cong \text{Lie}(\mathcal{G}') \sqcup_{\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}')} \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}).$$

Proof. This is true locally, and the local descriptions descent to X . \square

2.5.2 Extensions and Rigidified Extensions

We now introduce the functors Ext and RigExt . Let \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}' be formal A -modules over an A -scheme S .

Definition 2.5.12 (Extension). An extension of \mathcal{F} by \mathcal{F}' is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0.$$

We say that this extension is equivalent to another extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{E}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$$

if and only if there is an isomorphism $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'$ making the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F} & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

commute. We denote the set of equivalence classes of extensions of \mathcal{F} by \mathcal{F}' as $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$.

Proposition 2.5.10 turns $\text{Ext}(-, -)$ into a functor. In particular, $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$ carries the structure of a left- $\text{End}(\mathcal{F}')$ -module, with zero-object given by the canonical extension $\mathcal{F} \oplus \mathcal{F}'$.

Definition 2.5.13 (Rigidified Extension). A rigidified extension of \mathcal{F} by \mathcal{F}' is a pair consisting of an extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$$

and a splitting s of the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}') \longrightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow 0.$$

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We say that two rigidified extensions (E, s) , (E', s') are isomorphic if there is an isomorphism $i : E \rightarrow E'$ of extensions such that $s' = \text{Lie}(i) \circ s$. We denote the set of isomorphism classes of rigidified extensions by $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$.

Lemma 2.5.14. *The assignment $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \mapsto \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$ extends to a functor in both entries (contravariant in the first, covariant in the second).*

Proof. Given a morphism $f : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$, the induced morphism $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \rightarrow \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F}')$ is given by sending the pair (\mathcal{E}, s) to the pair $(f^*\mathcal{E}, s')$, where

$$s' : \text{Lie}(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(f^*\mathcal{E}) \cong \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \times_{\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F})} \text{Lie}(\mathcal{G}), \quad x \mapsto ((s \circ \text{Lie}(f))(x), x).$$

Here we used the description of $\text{Lie}(f^*\mathcal{E})$ from Lemma 2.5.11. Similarly, given a morphism $g : \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$, the induced morphism $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \rightarrow \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}')$ sends (\mathcal{E}, s) to $(g_*\mathcal{E}, \text{Lie}(g') \circ s)$, where $g' : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow g_*\mathcal{E}$ is the canonical morphism. \square

In particular, $\text{RigExt}(-, \mathcal{F}')$ carries the structure of an $\text{End}(\mathcal{F}')$ -module, the zero-object is given by the equivalence class of the pair $(\mathcal{F}' \oplus \mathcal{F}, s_{\text{triv}})$, where $s_{\text{triv}} : \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}') \oplus \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F})$ is the canonical inclusion.

Of course there is a natural transformation $\text{RigExt}(-, -) \rightarrow \text{Ext}(-, -)$, forgetting the splitting. It appears as the right-most term of an interesting exact sequence.

Proposition 2.5.15. *There is an exact sequence of Abelian groups, functorial in \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}'*

$$\text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FM}^{\text{arb}}/S)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \xrightarrow{\text{Lie}} \text{Hom}_{(\mathcal{O}_S\text{-QCoh})}(\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}), \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}')) \rightarrow \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \rightarrow \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}').$$

Proof. The kernel of $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \rightarrow \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$ is given (up to equivalence) by pairs of the form $(\mathcal{F}' \oplus \mathcal{F}, s)$, where s is a morphism of quasi-coherent \mathcal{O}_S -modules such that

$$\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{s} \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}') \oplus \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F})$$

is the identity. It is clear that these morphisms s correspond to morphisms $\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}')$.

The kernel of $\text{Hom}_{(\mathcal{O}_S\text{-QCoh})}(\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}), \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}')) \rightarrow \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$ is spanned by those pairs (\mathcal{E}, s) that are in the same class as $(\mathcal{F}' \oplus \mathcal{F}, s_{\text{triv}})$. Any such \mathcal{E} fits into a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' \oplus \mathcal{F} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow \psi & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}' & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\beta} & \mathcal{F} \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

Working locally, we assume that \mathcal{E} , \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}' come from formal module laws E , F and F' . Now ψ is necessarily of the form $\psi(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) = (\mathbf{X} +_{F'} g(\mathbf{Z}), \mathbf{Z})$. Hence, the power series g furnishes a morphism of formal module laws $F \rightarrow F'$. This construction descends to a morphism of formal A -modules $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'$, and we have

$$s(x) = \text{Lie}(\psi) \circ s_{\text{triv}}(x) = \text{Lie}(\alpha) \circ \text{Lie}(g)(x) + x \in \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}).$$

This explains exactness on the left. □

2.5.3 Explicit Dieudonné Theory

Let \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}' be formal A -modules of dimension m and n respectively, over an affine base $\text{Spec } R$, coming from formal module laws F and F' . We give an explicit description of $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$ in terms of terms of the Symmetric 2-Cocycles associated with F and F' (cf. Definition 2.5.4). We also give a related explicit description of $\text{RigExt}(F, \hat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ in terms of Quasi-Logarithms, cf. Definition 2.5.18.

Write \mathbf{X} for the variables of F' and \mathbf{Z} for the variables of F .

Definition 2.5.16 (Symmetric 1-Cochain). A symmetric 1-cochain associated to (F, F') is a n -tuple of power series $g = (g_1, \dots, g_m)$, such that $g_i(\mathbf{Z}) \in R[[\mathbf{Z}]]$ has no constant term for all i . We write δg for the coboundary of g , that is, the pair $(\Delta g, (\delta_a g)_{a \in A})$, where

$$\Delta g = g(\mathbf{Z}_1) -_{F'} g(F(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2)) +_{F'} g(\mathbf{Z}_2) \in (R[[\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2]])^m$$

and

$$\delta_a g = [a]_{F'} g(\mathbf{Z}) -_{F'} g([a]_F(\mathbf{Z})) \in (R[[\mathbf{Z}]])^m.$$

One readily checks that $\delta g \in \text{SymCoc}^2(F, F')$.

Proposition 2.5.17. *Given two extensions $\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}' \in \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$, write E, E' for the respective formal A -module laws coming from Lemma 2.5.3, and write Δ_E and $\Delta_{E'}$ for the associated symmetric 2-cocycles (cf. Proposition 2.5.5). There is a bijection*

$$\{g \in (R[[\mathbf{Z}]])^m \mid g(0) = 0 \text{ and } \delta g = \Delta_{E'} - \Delta_E\} \xrightarrow{\sim} \{\text{Isomorphisms of extensions } E \rightarrow E'\}.$$

Explicitly, this bijection is given by sending g to the morphism $i_g \in \text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)}(E, E')$, where $i_g(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) = (\mathbf{X} +_{F'} g(\mathbf{Z}), \mathbf{Z})$. In particular, there is a bijection

$$\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}') \cong \frac{\text{SymCoc}^2(F, F')}{\{\delta g \mid g \in (R[[\mathbf{Z}]])^m \text{ with } g(0) = 0\}}.$$

This bijection is an isomorphism of $\text{End}(\mathcal{F}')$ -modules.

For now, this finishes the study of $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}')$.

Assume now that $\mathcal{F}' = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$, and that \mathcal{F} comes from a one-dimensional formal A -module $F \in (A\text{-FML}/R)$. For the remainder of this subsection, we will be concerned with the R -module $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$. The notion of Quasi-Logarithms will play a major role.

Definition 2.5.18 (Quasi-Logarithms). A power series $g(T) \in (R \otimes_A K)[[T]]$ is called a Quasi-Logarithm for F , if $g(0) = 0$ and $g'(T)$, as well as all of the power series appearing in δg (with $F' = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$, cf. Definition 2.5.16) have coefficients in R . We define the R -module

$$\text{QLog}(F) = \frac{\{g(T) \in (R \otimes_A K)[[T]] \mid g \text{ is a quasi-logarithm for } F\}}{\{g(T) \in R[[T]] \mid g(0) = 0\}}$$

Let $(\mathcal{E}, s) \in \text{RigExt}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ be a rigidified extension. The splitting s yields an isomorphism $\omega(\mathcal{E}) \cong \omega(\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \oplus \omega(\mathcal{F})$ on duals, giving an invariant differential $\omega_{\mathcal{E}} \in \omega(\mathcal{E})$ pulling back to dX on $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$. Conversely, any such invariant differential $\omega_{\mathcal{E}}$ yields a splitting, so the choice of s is equivalent to the choice of $\omega_{\mathcal{E}}$, and we will henceforth write $(\mathcal{E}, \omega_{\mathcal{E}}) \in \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$.

Theorem 2.5.19 (Classification of Rigidified Extensions in terms of Quasi-Logarithms). *There is a bijection*

$$\{\text{Quasi-logarithms for } F\} \xrightarrow{\sim} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Pairs } (E, \omega_E), \text{ where } E \text{ is an } A\text{-module law} \\ \text{fitting into an exact sequence} \\ 0 \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \xrightarrow{\alpha} E \xrightarrow{\beta} F \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{with } \alpha(X) = (X, 0) \text{ and } \beta(X, T) = T \text{ and } \omega_E \\ \text{is an invariant differential on } E \text{ with } \alpha^* \omega_E = dX. \end{array} \right\} \quad (2.9)$$

The map sends any quasi-logarithm $g(T) \in (R \otimes_A K)[[T]]$ to the pair $(E_{\delta g}, d(X + g(T))) \in \text{RigExt}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$. Here $E_{\delta g} \in \text{Ext}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ is the extension corresponding to $\delta g \in \text{SymCoc}^2(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$.

Furthermore, given two rigidified extensions $(E, \omega_E), (D, \omega_D)$ with associated quasi-logarithms $g(T)$ and $h(T)$, there is a (unique) isomorphism $(E, \omega_E) \rightarrow (D, \omega_D)$ if and only if $h(T) - g(T) =: f(T)$ has coefficients in $R[[T]]$. In this case, the isomorphism $i_f(X, T) \in \text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FML}^{\text{arb}}/R)}(E, D)$ is given by $i_f(X, T) = (X + f(T), T)$. In particular, there is a canonical bijection

$$\text{QLog}(F) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{RigExt}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a).$$

This bijection is an isomorphism of R -modules.

Proof. We construct an inverse of the map in (2.9). Let (E, ω_E) be an element of the set on the right and let $(\Delta, (\delta_a)_{a \in A}) \in \text{SymCoc}^2(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ be the symmetric 2-cochain corresponding to E . Following Proposition 2.3.3, the datum of $\omega_E \in \omega(E)$ is equivalent to a morphism

$$f_E \in \text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FML}/R \otimes_A K)}(E \otimes_R (R \otimes_A K), \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \quad \text{satisfying} \quad f_E(X, T) = X + g(T)$$

for some $g(T) \in (R \otimes_A K)[[T]]$. The fact that f_E is a homomorphism implies that

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 + X_2 + \Delta(T_1, T_2) + g(F(T_1, T_2)) &= f_E(E((X_1, T_1), (X_2, T_2))) = \\ &= f_E(X_1, T_1) + f_E(X_2, T_2) = X_1 + g(T_1) + X_2 + g(T_2), \end{aligned}$$

thereby $\Delta g = \Delta(T_1, T_2) \in R[[T_1, T_2]]$. Similarly, we find $\delta_a g = \delta_a \in R[[T]]$. Hence, $g(T)$ is a quasi-logarithm with $\delta g = (\Delta, (\delta_a)_a)$. This construction yields the desired inverse. The remaining statements are verified directly, also cf. [GH94, Section 8]. \square

Now, let A be a complete, discrete valuation ring with uniformizing parameter π and finite residue field k .

Proposition 2.5.20. *If \mathcal{F} comes from a one-dimensional formal A -module law over a flat A -algebra R and $\mathcal{F}' = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$, the short exact sequence of Proposition 2.5.15 fits into a commutative diagram with exact rows and vertical maps (canonical) isomorphisms*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) & \xrightarrow{d_F} & \omega(\mathcal{F}) & \longrightarrow & \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) & \twoheadrightarrow & \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \\ \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f \in TR[[T]] : \\ \delta f = 0 \end{array} \right\} & \hookrightarrow & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f \in (R \otimes_A K)[[T]] : \\ \delta f = 0, f(0) = 0 \\ \text{and } f'(T) \in R[[T]] \end{array} \right\} & \longrightarrow & \text{QLog}(F) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \frac{\text{SymCoc}^2(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)}{\{\delta g \mid g \in TR[[T]]\}} \end{array}$$

Proof. Injectivity of d_F is provided by Proposition 2.3.3, and related to the original exact sequence as $\text{Hom}_R(\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}), \text{Lie}(\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)) = \omega(\mathcal{F})$. Surjectivity of $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \rightarrow \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ comes from the fact that $\text{Lie}(\mathcal{F})$ is projective. The first vertical map is an equality, cf. Definitions 2.5.16 and 2.1.4. The vertical arrow describing $\omega(F)$ is obtained by identifying the preimage of $\omega(F) \subseteq \omega(F \otimes_R (R \otimes_A K))$ under the isomorphism

$$\{f \in T(R \otimes_A K)[[T]] \mid \delta f = 0\} = \text{Hom}_{(A\text{-FML}/R \otimes_A K)}(F \otimes (R \otimes_A K), \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \xrightarrow{d_F} \omega(F \otimes_R (R \otimes_A K)).$$

All squares commute by construction. \square

We admit the following facts from Section 9 of [GH94].

Proposition 2.5.21. *Let F be a formal A -module law of height h over a local, adic A -algebra R . Write \mathcal{F} for the formal A -module coming from F . Then $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ is a free R -module of rank $n - 1$, $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ is a free R -module of rank n .*

Proof. This is Proposition 9.8 in the beforementioned source. The authors make use of a description of $\text{Ext}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ in terms of deformation theory and combine it with a convenient normal form of formal A -modules, so called A -typical modules (we touch upon the theory in section 2.6), to construct an explicit basis for the corresponding modules. \square

As a corollary, the authors obtain

Lemma 2.5.22. *If $R \rightarrow R'$ is a homomorphism of local A -algebras, the induced maps of free R' -modules*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_R(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \otimes_R R' &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_{R'}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \\ \text{RigExt}_R(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \otimes_R R' &\rightarrow \text{RigExt}_{R'}(F, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \end{aligned}$$

are isomorphisms.

Proof. [GH94, Corollary 9.13]. \square

2.6 Hazewinkel's Functional Equation Lemma and the Standard Formal Module Law

If, A is an integral domain and R is a flat A -module, the structure of a formal A -module F over R is uniquely determined by its logarithm $\log_H \in R \otimes_A K[[T]]$. Indeed, we find

$$F(X, Y) = \exp_H(X + Y), \quad [a]_F(X) = \exp_H(aX).$$

It is therefore natural to wonder about conditions on power series $f \in (R \otimes_A K)[[T]]$ ensuring that f is the logarithm of some formal group law. Hazewinkel found such a condition in his functional equation lemma.

Proposition 2.6.1 (Hazewinkel's Functional Equation Lemma). *Let p be a prime and $q = p^e$. Given an inclusion of rings $B \subseteq L$, an ideal $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq B$ containing p , an endomorphism of rings $\sigma : L \rightarrow L$ and elements $s_1, s_2, \dots \in L$ subject to the conditions that*

$$\sigma(b) \equiv b^q \pmod{\mathfrak{a}} \text{ for all } b \in B \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^r(s_i)\mathfrak{a} \subset B \text{ for all } r, s \geq 1.$$

Suppose now that $f \in L[[T]]$ has $f'(0) \in L^\times$ and satisfies the functional equation condition

$$f(X) - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} s_i (\sigma_*^i f)(X^{q^i}) \in B[[X]].$$

Then we have

$$F(X, Y) = f^{-1}(f(X) + f(Y)) \in B[[X, Y]],$$

where f^{-1} is the inverse power series as in Lemma 2.1.9. Also, if $g(Z) \in L[[Z]]$ is another power series satisfying the same condition

$$g(Z) - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} s_i(\sigma_*^i f)(Z^{q^i}) \in B[[Z]],$$

then $f^{-1}(g(Z)) \in B[[Z]]$. Furthermore, if $\alpha(T) \in B[[T]]$ and $\beta(T) \in B[[T]]$, then

$$\alpha(T) \equiv \beta(T) \pmod{\mathfrak{a}^r} \iff f(\alpha(T)) \equiv f(\beta(T)) \pmod{\mathfrak{a}^r} \quad (2.10)$$

Proof. A more general statement can be found in [Haz79, Section 2]. Proofs can be found in [Haz78, Sections 2 and 10]. \square

Note that by construction, $F(X, Y)$ as defined above yields a (commutative) formal group law over B . Let B^σ denote the subring of elements in B fixed by σ . Then the second part of the Functional Equation Lemma implies that we even obtain formal B^σ -modules with $[b]_F(T) = f^{-1}(bf(T))$, as $bf(T)$ satisfies the same functional equation if $b \in B^\sigma$.

We now enter the situation where K is a local field with ring of integers \mathcal{O}_K and uniformizer π and use the Functional Equation Lemma to construct Lubin–Tate Formal Group Laws. A special role will play the power series

$$f(T) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{T^{q^i n}}{\pi^i} \in K[[T]].$$

It satisfies the functional equation

$$f(T) = T + \frac{1}{\pi} f(T^{q^n}),$$

which is a functional equation of the form above, with $B = \mathcal{O}_K$, $\mathfrak{a} = (\pi)$, $L = K$, $s_1 = \pi^{-1}$, $s_2 = s_3 = \dots = 0$, $\sigma = \text{id}_L$. Hence f arises as the logarithm of a formal \mathcal{O}_K -module law H over \mathcal{O}_K . The fact that $f^{-1}(X) = X - \frac{1}{\pi} X^{q^n} + \dots$ reveals $[\pi]_H(T) \equiv \pi T \pmod{(T^2)}$. Additionally, note that

$$f([\pi]_H(T)) = \pi f(T) = \pi T + f(T^{q^n}) \equiv f(T^{q^n}) \pmod{\pi}.$$

Hence, the equivalence in (2.10) implies that $[\pi]_H(T) \equiv T^{q^n} \pmod{\pi}$. So H is a Lubin–Tate formal \mathcal{O}_K -module law of height n , we call it the standard Lubin–Tate formal module law of height n .

Remark. The formal \mathcal{O}_K -module H is a member of the set of so called A -typical formal modules - formal A -modules F with logarithm of the form

$$\log_F(T) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i X^{q^i}$$

for elements $b_0, b_1, \dots \in R \otimes_A K$ (cf. [Haz78, Definition 21.5.5 and Criterion 21.5.9]). If R is flat over A , every formal A -module over R is isomorphic to an A -typical one (cf. [Haz78, p. 21.5.6]). The following discussion remains valid for \mathcal{O}_K -typical formal modules.

It will be convenient to make the terms in the exact sequence of Proposition 2.5.20 explicit for $\mathcal{F} = \text{FG}(H)$. As H is of height $n > 0$, there is no non-trivial map $H \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a$ and the sequence becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \omega(H) & \longrightarrow & \text{RigExt}(H, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}(H, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} g \in TK[[T]] : \delta g = 0 \\ \text{and } g'(T) \in \mathcal{O}_K[[T]] \end{array} \right\} & \longrightarrow & \text{QLog}(H) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \frac{\text{SymCoc}^2(H, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)}{\{\delta g | g \in T\mathcal{O}_K[[T]]\}} \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

We now have

Proposition 2.6.2. *The R -module $\omega(H)$ is free of rank 1, generated by $f(T) = \log_H(T)$. $\text{QLog}(H)$ is free of rank n , generated by the classes of $(f(T), \frac{1}{\pi}f(T^q), \dots, \frac{1}{\pi}f(T^{q^{n-1}}))$. Consequently, the short exact sequence above is given by*

$$0 \rightarrow \langle f(T) \rangle \rightarrow \left\langle f(T), \frac{1}{\pi}f(T^q), \dots, \frac{1}{\pi}f(T^{q^{n-1}}) \right\rangle \xrightarrow{\delta} \left\langle \delta \left(\frac{1}{\pi}f(T^q) \right), \dots, \delta \left(\frac{1}{\pi}f(T^{q^{n-1}}) \right) \right\rangle \rightarrow 0.$$

Proof. An easy calculation shows that $\frac{1}{\pi}f(T^{q^k})$ is a quasi-logarithm for $1 \leq k \leq n-1$. As $\delta f = 0$, we have $f(T) \in \text{QLog}(F)$ as well. The claim is [GH94, Proposition 13.8] which is a special case of [ibid., Proposition 9.8]. \square

2.7 The Universal Additive Extension

We follow [GH94, Section 11], and specialize to the situation where A is a complete discrete valuation ring with uniformizer π and finite residue field of characteristic p and R is a local admissible A -algebra with residue field $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$. test

Lemma 2.7.1. *Let M be a finite free module over R . Then there is a natural bijection, functorial in M and \mathcal{F}*

$$\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes M) \cong \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \otimes_R M.$$

Proof. After choosing coordinates on \mathcal{F} , this follows directly from the description of Ext in terms of symmetric 2-cocycles, cf. Propositions 2.5.5 and 2.5.17. \square

Let \mathcal{F} be a one-dimensional formal A -module over R . We put $M(\mathcal{F}) := \text{Hom}_R(\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a), R)$, which is free of rank $n-1$, and write $\mathcal{V} = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes M(\mathcal{F})$. Now, by the previous lemma,

$$\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{V}) = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes M(\mathcal{F})) = \text{End}_R(\text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)).$$

Let $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ be the extension corresponding to the identity on the right. This class is unique up to unique isomorphism. Indeed, as R is a local ring we may choose formal module laws F and V giving rise to \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{V} , and let E be the module law obtained from Lemma 2.5.3. If $0 \rightarrow V \rightarrow E' \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$ is another extension in this class, we have by

construction a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & V & \longrightarrow & E & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow i & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & V & \longrightarrow & E' & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & 0, \end{array}$$

and by Proposition 2.5.17 we see that any other isomorphism i' making the diagram above commute differs from i by an element in $\text{Hom}(F, V) = 0$.

Definition 2.7.2 (Universal Additive Extension). The extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$$

constructed above is called the universal additive extension of \mathcal{F} .

Proposition 2.7.3. *If N is a finite, free R -module, $\mathcal{G}' = \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes N$ and*

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}' \rightarrow \mathcal{E}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$$

is an extension of \mathcal{F} by \mathcal{G}' , there are unique homomorphisms $i : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'$ and $g' : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ making the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{V} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & g' \downarrow & & \downarrow i & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F} & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

commute. In particular, we have $\mathcal{E}' = g'_ \mathcal{E}$.*

Proof. As \mathcal{V} and \mathcal{G}' are additive, we have

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{G}') = \text{Hom}_R(M(\mathcal{F}), N) = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \otimes N = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}').$$

This yields g' . Again, i is unique as by observations similar to Proposition 2.5.17, the difference of two morphisms $i, i' : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'$ is given a morphism $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$, which has to be trivial. \square

Lemma 2.7.4. *There is a natural isomorphism $\text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}(\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a), R) = D(\mathcal{F})$.*

Proof. We show the equivalent statement $\omega(\mathcal{E}) = \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$. Let $(\mathcal{E}', \omega_{\mathcal{E}'}) \in \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$. Then by universality of \mathcal{E} , we obtain a unique homomorphism $i : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'$. This yields a homomorphism of R -modules $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \rightarrow \omega(\mathcal{E})$, sending a pair $(\mathcal{E}', \omega_{\mathcal{E}'})$ to $i^* \omega_{\mathcal{E}'}$. This morphism fits into the following commutative diagram, where the top row is the short exact sequence from Proposition 2.5.20 and the bottom row is the dual short exact sequence of $0 \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{V}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \omega(\mathcal{F}) & \longrightarrow & \text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \omega(\mathcal{F}) & \longrightarrow & \omega(\mathcal{E}) & \longrightarrow & \omega(\mathcal{V}) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Thereby, $\text{RigExt}(\mathcal{F}, \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a) \rightarrow \omega(\mathcal{E})$ is a natural isomorphism. \square

2.8 Tate Modules and the Universal Cover

2.8.1 Useful Calculations

Let p be a prime. Let R be a Noetherian local ring with maximal ideal I such that $p \in I$, R is complete with respect to the I -adic topology and $k_R := R/I$ is an algebraically closed field (necessarily of characteristic p). If q is a power of p , we write $\mathcal{F}_{R,q}$ for the set of power series $f \in R[[T]]$ satisfying

$$f(T) \equiv g(T^q) \pmod{I} \quad (2.11)$$

for some power series $g(T) = c_1T + c_2T^2 + \dots \in R[[T]]$ with $c_1 \in R^\times$. If $q' > q$ is another power of p , we have injections $\mathcal{F}_{R,q} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_{R,q'}$ given by sending $f(T)$ to its (q'/q) -fold self-composite $f^{q'/q}(T)$. Making use of these transition maps, we define

$$\mathcal{F}_R := \text{colim}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{F}_{R,p^n},$$

identifying any power series $f \in \mathcal{F}_{R,q}$ with its image in $\mathcal{F}_{R,q'}$ for higher p -powers q' . For any $f \in \mathcal{F}_{R,q}$, we define the functor

$$U_f : (R\text{-Adm}) \rightarrow (\text{Set}), \quad S \mapsto \left\{ (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \prod_{\mathbb{N}} S^\circ \mid f(x_{i+1}) = x_i \right\}.$$

This functor does, up to canonical isomorphism, only depend on the equivalence class of f in \mathcal{F}_R . We write $U_{0,f}$ for the base change of U_f to k_R , that is

$$U_{0,f} : (k_R\text{-Adm}) \rightarrow (\text{Set}), \quad S \mapsto \left\{ (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \prod_{\mathbb{N}} S^\circ \mid \bar{f}(x_{i+1}) = x_i \right\}.$$

Here, \bar{f} is the image of f under the reduction map $R[[T]] \rightarrow k_R[[T]]$.

In the sequel, we denote R -algebras by S and write J for an ideal of definition containing the image of I (provided, for example, by A.0.2). Given an element $f \in \mathcal{F}_R$, we do not distinguish between f and a choice of a representative $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{F}_{R,q}$ for some sufficiently large p -power.

The following observation lays the groundwork for many of the upcoming results.

Lemma 2.8.1. *Let f be any power series in \mathcal{F}_R . For any two elements $s_1, s_2 \in S$ with $s_1 \equiv s_2 \pmod{J}$ such that $f(s_1)$ and $f(s_2)$ exist (for example if f is a polynomial or $s_1, s_2 \in S^\circ$), we have*

$$f^k(s_1) \equiv f^k(s_2) \pmod{J^{k+1}}.$$

Here, f^k denotes k -fold composition of f .

Proof. We will show that if $s_1 \equiv s_2 \pmod{J^k}$, then $f(s_1) \equiv f(s_2) \pmod{J^{k+1}}$, which suffices to prove the claim. We may write $s_2 = s_1 + r$ for some $r \in J^k$. By the assumptions on f there exist power series $g, h \in R[[T]]$ such that h only has coefficients in I and $f(T) = g(T^q) + h(T)$.

As I is finitely generated, say by elements (r_1, \dots, r_l) , we obtain a representation

$$f(s_1) - f(s_2) \in g(s_1^q) - g(s_2^q) + \sum_{i=1}^l r_i (h_i(s_1) - h_i(s_2)).$$

As r divides $(h_i(s_1) - h_i(s_2))$, we find $r_i(h_i(s_1) - h_i(s_2)) \in (r_i r) \subseteq J^{k+1}$. Also note that for any $s \in S$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(s + r)^{nq} = s^{nq} + nqr s^{nq-1} r + \dots + r^{nq},$$

so after cancellation, all monomials of $g(s_1^q) - g(s_2^q)$ lie in (qr) or (r^2) . This implies

$$g(s_1^q) - g((s_1 + r)^q) \in (qr) + (r^2) \subseteq J^{k+1},$$

and we are done. □

Lemma 2.8.2. *The natural reduction map*

$$U_f(S) \rightarrow U_f(S/J) = U_{0,f}(S/J)$$

is bijective.

Proof. We first show surjectivity. Given a sequence $(x_0, x_1, \dots) \in U_f(S/J)$, we can choose a sequence of arbitrary lifts $(y_0, y_1, \dots) \in \prod_{\mathbb{N}} S^{\circ\circ}$ and set

$$z_i = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} f^r(y_{i+r}).$$

The limit exists, because if $s \geq r$ are two non-negative integers, we calculate

$$f^{s-r}(y_{i+s}) \equiv \bar{f}^{s-r}(x_{i+s}) = x_{i+r} \equiv y_{i+r} \pmod{J},$$

implying by Lemma 2.8.1 that

$$f^s(y_{i+s}) \equiv f^r(y_{i+r}) \pmod{J^r}.$$

This shows that $(f^r(y_{i+r}))_{r \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy-sequence for the J -adic topology on S , thereby convergent (cf. Lemma A.0.4). The sequence (z_0, z_1, \dots) now lies in $U_f(S)$ and lifts (x_0, x_1, \dots) . It remains to show that the lift is unique. Suppose that (z'_0, z'_1, \dots) is another lift. Then, for any $i, k \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $z_{i+k} \equiv z'_{i+k} \pmod{J}$, and another application of Lemma 2.8.1 shows that

$$z_i = f^k(z_{i+k}) \equiv f^k(z'_{i+k}) = z'_i \pmod{J^k}.$$

Thereby $(z_i - z'_i) \in \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} J^k = \{0\}$. Hence, the lift is unique. □

We write Nilp^b for the functor U_{T^q} . That is, $\text{Nilp}^b(S) = \lim_{x \mapsto x^q} S^{\circ\circ}$ is the set of q -power compatible sequences with values in $S^{\circ\circ}$.

Lemma 2.8.3. *For any $f \in \mathcal{F}_R$, there is a canonical bijection $U_{0,f}(S/J) \rightarrow \text{Nilp}^b(S/J)$. This bijection is functorial in S .*

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Proof. By assumption on f we have $f(T) = g(T^q) \in k_R[[T]]$ for some $g(T) = c_1T + c_2T^2 + \dots$ with $c_1 \neq 0$. For each coefficient c_i , let $d_i \in k_R$ be the unique element such that $d_i^q = c_i$. Let $h(T) \in k_R[[T]]$ be the power series given by $d_1T + d_2T^2 + \dots$. Now $(h(T))^q = f(T)$, and we find that

$$U_f(S/J) \rightarrow \text{Nilp}^b(S/J) : (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \mapsto (x_1, h(x_2), h(h(x_3)), \dots)$$

is a well-defined function, and (trivially) functorial in S . For the inverse, let $h^{-1}(T) \in k_R[[T]]$ be the the unique power series with $h^{-1}(h(T)) = h(h^{-1}(T)) = T$, see Lemma 2.1.9. The map

$$\text{Nilp}^b(S/J) \rightarrow U_f(S/J), (x_1, x_2, \dots) \mapsto (x_1, h^{-1}(x_2), h^{-1}(h^{-1}(x_3)), \dots)$$

is well-defined as

$$f(h^{-1}(T)) = g((h^{-1}(T))^q) = (h(h^{-1}(T)))^q = T^q,$$

and it is readily seen to be inverse to the map constructed above. \square

We collect results.

Proposition 2.8.4. *Given $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_R$, we have bijections, functorial in S ,*

$$U_f(S) \rightarrow U_f(S/J) \rightarrow \text{Nilp}^b(S/J) \rightarrow U_g(S/J) \rightarrow U_g(S). \quad (2.12)$$

Explicitely, the bijection $U_f(S) \rightarrow U_g(S)$ can be described as follows. Suppose that $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{R,q}$ for some sufficiently large q . Let $h_f(T)$ and $h_g(T)$ be power series with coefficients in A such that

$$h_f(T)^q \equiv f(T) \pmod{I} \quad \text{and} \quad h_g(T)^q \equiv g(T) \pmod{I}.$$

Write $h_g^{-1}(T)$ for the (formal) inverse power series of h_g . Now the isomorphism is given by the mapping

$$(x_0, x_1, \dots) \mapsto (y_0, y_1, \dots), \quad \text{where} \quad y_i = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} g^r(h_g^{-(r+i)}(h_f^{r+i}(x_{i+r}))).$$

Here, the exponents are to be interpreted as iterated composition.

Proof. The first part follows directly from repeated application of the previous two Lemmas. The second part follows by tracing through the previous lemmas. \square

2.8.2 The Universal Cover

Let A be an integral domain and R be an A -algebra. Given $H \in (A\text{-FM}/R)$ and $a \in A$, we define the functor

$$\widetilde{H}_a : (R\text{-Adm}) \rightarrow (A\text{-Mod}), \quad S \mapsto \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \prod_{\mathbb{N}} H(S) \mid [a]_H(x_{i+1}) = x_i \right\}.$$

Here, the A -module structure is given by $b.(x_1, x_2, \dots) = ([b]_H(x_1), [b]_H(x_2), \dots)$. Note that multiplication by a on $\widetilde{H}_a(S)$ is an automorphism (it sends (x_1, x_2, \dots) to $([a]_H x_1, x_1, x_2, \dots)$, which has inverse given by shifting to the left) so that $\widetilde{H}_a(S)$ is naturally an $A[\frac{1}{a}]$ -module.

From now on assume that A is a discrete valuation ring with uniformizer π , finite residue field k and field of fractions K . Write $q = \#k$. Let R be a local A -algebra with maximal ideal I and algebraically closed residue field $k_R = R/I$. Let H be a formal π -divisible A -module over R of height n .

Definition 2.8.5 (The Universal Cover and Tate Module). We write $\tilde{H} = \tilde{H}_\pi$. This functor takes values in the category of K -vector spaces. Up to natural isomorphism, \tilde{H} does not depend on the choice of π . We call this functor the universal cover of H .

The Tate-Module $T_\pi H$ is the subfunctor of \tilde{H} cut out by the condition that $[\pi]_H(x_1) = 0$. Note that $T_\pi H$ does no longer carry the structure of a K -vector space, it is an A -module. The Rational Tate Module $V_\pi H$ is the subfunctor of \tilde{H} cut out by the condition that x_1 has $[\pi]_H$ -torsion. Equivalently, we have

$$V_\pi H(S) = T_\pi H(S) \otimes_A K.$$

Lemma 2.8.6. *Let H be a π -divisible formal A -module over R and write $H_0 = H \otimes_R k_R$. Now the choice of a coordinate on H_0 gives rise to an isomorphism*

$$\tilde{H}_0 \cong \mathrm{Nilp}_{k_R}^b$$

of functors $(k_R\text{-Adm}) \rightarrow (\mathrm{Set})$

Proof. Note that given any coordinate on H , we have $[\pi]_H(T) \in \mathcal{F}_R$. Hence, the statement is an application of Lemma 2.8.3. \square

Lemma 2.8.7. *Suppose that S is an admissible R -algebra admitting an ideal of definition J such that $\pi \in J$. Then the natural reduction map*

$$\tilde{H}(S) \rightarrow \tilde{H}(S/J)$$

is an isomorphism.

Proof. After choosing a coordinate on H , we have $[\pi]_H \in \mathcal{F}_R$ and $\tilde{H}(S) \cong U_{[\pi]_H}$, and the statement is given by Lemma 2.8.2. \square

The following is analogous to Proposition 2.8.4.

Proposition 2.8.8. *Let S be an admissible R -algebra with ideal of definition J such that $\phi(I) \subseteq J$. Then there are canonical isomorphisms (of sets)*

$$\tilde{H}(S) \cong \tilde{H}(S/J) = \tilde{H}_0(S/J) \cong \mathrm{Nilp}^b(S/J) \cong \mathrm{Nilp}^b(S).$$

In particular, $\tilde{H}(S)$ is, as a functor to (Set) , representable by $\mathrm{Spf}(R[[T^{q^{-\infty}}]])$.

We write λ for the isomorphism $\tilde{H} \rightarrow \mathrm{Nilp}^b$, and $\lambda_i : \tilde{H} \rightarrow (-)^\infty$ for projection on the i -th component. Similarly, we write $\mu : \mathrm{Nilp}^b \rightarrow \tilde{H}$ for the inverse of λ and μ_i for the i -th component of μ .

By Proposition 2.8.8, we obtain an action of $\mathrm{End}(H \otimes_R k_R)$ on \tilde{H} .

Definition 2.8.9 (Frobenius on \widetilde{H}). Write $\Pi : \widetilde{H} \rightarrow \widetilde{H}$ for the automorphism of \widetilde{H} corresponding to the Frobenius automorphism (which sends T to T^q) of H_0 .

Note that $\lambda_i(\Pi x) = \lambda_i(x)^q$ for $x \in \widetilde{H}(S)$ and $i = 0, 1, \dots$.

Remark. In case where \mathcal{F} comes from a \mathcal{O}_K -module law F over \mathcal{O}_K with $[\pi]_F(T) \equiv T^{q^n} \pmod{(\pi)}$, the bijections

$$\widetilde{H}(S) \rightleftharpoons \text{Nilp}^b(S), \quad (x_0, x_1, \dots) \rightleftharpoons (y, y^{q^{-n}}, y^{q^{-2n}}, \dots)$$

are, in either direction, given by the equations

$$y^{1/q^{ni}} = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} x_{r+i}^{q^{nr}} \quad \text{and} \quad x_i = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} [\pi^s]_H(y^{q^{-n(i+s)}}).$$

This follows directly from the explicit description of the isomorphism in Proposition 2.8.4, as we may choose $h_{[\pi]_H}(T) = h_{T^{q^n}}(T) = T$.

We add calculations regarding the interplay of λ and \log_H which will prove useful later.

Lemma 2.8.10. *Let H be the standard formal \mathcal{O}_K -module of height n over $R = \mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}$. We have a commutative diagram (cf. [BW11, Lemma 2.6.1])*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \widetilde{H}(S) & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \text{Nil}^b(S) & \ni & (y, y^{1/q}, \dots) \\ \downarrow & & \searrow \log_H & & \downarrow \\ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{x_0^{q^{ni}}}{\pi^i} & & S \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_K} K & & \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y^{q^{ni}}}{\pi^i} \end{array}$$

With this terminology, we have $\log_H((\Pi^j x)_0) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y^{ni+j}}{\pi^i}$.

Proof. This follows directly from the remark above. Let $x \in \widetilde{H}(S)$ and write $(y, y^{1/q}, \dots)$ for $\lambda(x)$. We have $x_0 = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} [\pi^s]_H(y^{-ns})$, hence

$$\log_H(x_0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left(\pi^s \log_H(y^{1/q^{ns}}) \right) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^{q^{n(i-s)}}}{\pi^{i-s}} \right) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y^{q^{ni}}}{\pi^i}.$$

The second part is an immediate consequence. □

2.9 The Quasilogarithm Map

We keep the assumptions on A , R and S from the previous subsection. That is, A is a local ring with finite residue field and uniformizer π , R is a local A -algebra with maximal ideal I complete with respect to the I -adic topology and algebraically closed residue field k_R , and S denotes an admissible R -algebra (where $R \rightarrow S$ is continuous with the I -adic topology on R) with ideal of definition $J \subseteq S$ containing the image of I .

The aim of this subsection is to define, attached to any π -divisible formal A -module \mathcal{F} over R , a map

$$\text{qlog}_{\mathcal{F}} : \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(S) \rightarrow D(\mathcal{F}) \otimes_R (S \otimes_A K),$$

called the quasi-logarithm map. We give an explicit description of this map if $\mathcal{F} = H$ is the standard \mathcal{O}_K -module over $\mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}$.

We begin with a sequence $(x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(S)$. Let $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ be the universal additive extension of \mathcal{F} , and choose an arbitrary sequence $(y_1, y_2, \dots) \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}(S)$ such that y_i is a lift of x_i under the map $\mathcal{E}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(S)$. Let y be the limit $y = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} [\pi]_{\mathcal{E}}^i(y_i)$ and put

$$\text{qlog}_{\mathcal{F}}((x_1, x_2, \dots)) = \log_{\mathcal{E}}(y) \in D(\mathcal{F}) \otimes_R (S \otimes_A K).$$

Proposition 2.9.1. *This construction yields a well-defined map.*

Proof. We may assume that \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{V} come from a formal module laws F and V , which canonically leads to a module E for \mathcal{E} by Lemma 2.5.3. Now (x_1, x_2, \dots) is a sequence in $S^{\circ\circ}$ and (y_1, y_2, \dots) is a sequence of elements in $(S^{\circ\circ})^n$.

It suffices to show that $y = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} [\pi]_E^i(y_i)$ exists and that it is independent of the choice of lifts (y_1, y_2, \dots) . Both claims follow from additivity of \mathcal{V} , implying that $[\pi]_V(T) = \pi T$. The sequence $([\pi^i]_E(y_i))$ converges, as for positive integers $i \leq j$, we have

$$[\pi^i]_E(y_i) - [\pi^j]_E(y_j) = [\pi^i]_E([\pi^{i-j}]_E(y_j - y_i)) \in \psi(\pi^i(S^{\circ\circ})^{n-1}) \subseteq J^i(S^{\circ\circ})^n.$$

If (y'_1, y'_2, \dots) is another sequence of lifts, put $y' = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} [\pi^i]_E(y'_i) \in S^{\circ\circ}$. Now there exists some $z \in \mathcal{V}(S)$ such that $y - y' = \psi(z)$. But by construction $z \in \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \pi^i(S^{\circ\circ})^{n-1} = 0$. \square

Let us now consider the case where $\mathcal{F} = \text{FG}(H)$ comes from the standard formal \mathcal{O}_K -module of height n over $\mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}$. Then from Proposition 2.5.21 we have the distinguished basis elements of $\text{Ext}(H, \hat{\mathbb{G}}_a)$ corresponding to the symmetric 2-cocycles δf_i , $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ where $f_i(T) = \frac{1}{\pi} \log_H(T^{q^i})$. Also recall that, setting $f_0(T) = \log_H(T)$, the elements $(f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{n-1})$ freely generate $\text{QLog}(H)$. The universal additive extension now corresponds to the symmetric 2-cocycle $(\delta f_1, \dots, \delta f_{n-1}) \in \text{SymCoc}^2(H, V)$. We can make the quasi-logarithm map explicit.

Proposition 2.9.2. *Let $x = (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \tilde{H}(S)$. With respect to the basis $(\log_H(T), \log_H(T^q), \dots, \log_H(T^{q^{n-1}}))$ of $\text{QLog}(H) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_K} K$, the quasi-logarithm map is given by*

$$\text{qlog}_H(x) = (\log_H(x_0), \log_H((\Pi x)_0), \dots, \log_H((\Pi^{n-1} x)_0)) \in (S \otimes K)^n.$$

Here, $\Pi x = ((\Pi x)_0, (\Pi x)_1, \dots)$ is the image of x under Π , the endomorphism of $\tilde{H}(S)$ induced by the Frobenius automorphism on H_0 , cf. Definition 2.8.9.

We postpone the proof to state the following auxiliary result.

Lemma 2.9.3. *Let $x = (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \tilde{H}(S)$. For positive integers i and j we have*

$$\log_H((\Pi^j x)_i) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \pi^r \log_H(x_{r+i}^{q^j}).$$

Proof. Tracing through the commutative square (with λ and μ the isomorphisms from the

previous subsection)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{H}(S) & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \mathrm{Nilp}^b(S) \\ \downarrow \Pi & & \downarrow (y_i)_i \mapsto (y_i^q)_i \\ \widetilde{H}(S) & \xleftarrow{\mu} & \mathrm{Nilp}^b(S), \end{array}$$

we find

$$(\Pi^j x)_i = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} ([\pi]_H^s(x_{r+s+i}^{q^{nr+j}})). \quad (2.13)$$

The claim follows after applying \log_H and making repeated use of the functional equation $\log_H(T^{q^n}) = \pi \log_H(T) + \pi T$. \square

Proof of Proposition 2.9.2. Using the coordinates provided by $(\delta f_1, \dots, \delta f_{n-1})$, the universal additive extension of H is isomorphic to

$$0 \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a^{n-1} \rightarrow E \rightarrow H \rightarrow 0,$$

where E is a module law with

$$[\pi]_E(\mathbf{X}, T) = (\pi X_1 + (\delta_\pi f_1)(T), \dots, \pi X_{n-1} + (\delta_\pi f_{n-1})(T), [\pi]_H(T)).$$

Beginning with $x = (x_0, x_1, \dots) \in \widetilde{H}(S)$, lifting to $(y_0, y_1, \dots) \in E(S)^\mathbb{N}$ and writing $y = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} [\pi]_E^i(y_i)$, we find

$$y = \left(\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} (\delta_{\pi^r} f_1)(x_r), \dots, \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} (\delta_{\pi^r} f_{n-1})(x_r), x_0 \right) \in E(S).$$

Now, Lemma 2.9.3 provides the equality

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{\pi^r} f_i(x_r) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \pi^r \log_H(x_r^{q^{nr+i}}) - \frac{1}{\pi} \log_H(x_0^{q^i}) = \frac{1}{\pi} (\log_H((\Pi^i x)_0) - \log_H(x_0^{q^i})).$$

We need to calculate $\log_E(y)$, which calls for an explicit description of $\log_E : E \otimes (R \otimes_A K) \rightarrow (\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_a \otimes (R \otimes_A K))^n$. Tracing through the procedure provided in Subsection 2.3, we find

$$\log_E(\mathbf{X}, T) = \left(X_1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \log_H(T^q), \dots, X_{n-1} + \frac{1}{\pi} \log_H(T^{q^{n-1}}), \log_H(T) \right).$$

This representation is with respect to the basis $(f_1, \dots, f_{n-1}, f_0)$. The claim follows. \square

2.10 Determinants

Let H be the standard formal \mathcal{O}_K -module over $\mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}$ of height n . Write $\wedge H$ for the formal \mathcal{O}_K -module over $\mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}$ with logarithm

$$\log_{\wedge H}(T) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{(n-1)i} \frac{T^{q^i}}{\pi^i}.$$

We have $D(\wedge H) = \wedge^n D(H)$. We follow [BW11, Theorem 2.10.3] to describe a map $\delta : \widetilde{H}^n \rightarrow \widetilde{\wedge H}$ making the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{H}^n(S) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \widetilde{\wedge H}(S) \\ \text{qlong}_H \times \cdots \times \text{qlong}_H \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{qlong}_{\wedge H} \\ D(H)^n \otimes (S \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_K} K) & \xrightarrow{\det} & D(\wedge H) \otimes (S \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_K} K) \end{array} \quad (2.14)$$

commute.

Let $(s_1, \dots, s_n) \in \widetilde{H}(S)^n$, and write $x_i = \lambda(s_i) \in \text{Nilp}^b(S)$, which are elements in S^∞ with distinguished q -power roots. Here $\lambda : \widetilde{H} \rightarrow \text{Nilp}^b$ is the isomorphism from Section 2.8 with inverse $\mu = (\mu_0, \mu_1, \dots)$. We set

$$\delta_0(s_1, \dots, s_n) = \sum_{(a_1, \dots, a_n)} \varepsilon(a_1, \dots, a_n) \mu_0(x_1^{q^{a_1}} \cdots x_n^{q^{a_n}}) \in \wedge H(S),$$

where

- the sum ranges over n -tuples (a_1, \dots, a_n) of (possibly negative) integers satisfying $a_1 + \cdots + a_n = n(n-1)/2$, subject to the condition that each a_i occupies a distinct residue class modulo n .
- The expression $\varepsilon(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ denotes the sign of the permutation $i \mapsto a_{i+1} \pmod{n}$ of $(0, \dots, n-1)$.
- The sum takes place in $\wedge H(S)$.

Proposition 2.10.1. *The map δ_0 makes the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{H}^n(S) & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & \wedge H(S) \\ \text{qlong}_H^n \downarrow & & \downarrow \log_{\wedge H} \\ D(H)^n \otimes (S \otimes K) & \xrightarrow{\det} & D(\wedge H) \otimes (S \otimes K) \end{array}$$

commute. It is \mathcal{O}_K -multilinear and alternating.

Proof. This is part of the proof of [BW11, Theorem 2.10.3]. Commutativity follows from

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{\wedge H}(\delta_0(s_1, \dots, s_n)) &= \sum_{(a_1, \dots, a_n)} \varepsilon(\mathbf{a}) \log_{\wedge H} \mu_0(x_1^{q^{a_1}} \cdots x_n^{q^{a_n}}) \\ &= \sum_{(a_1, \dots, a_n)} \varepsilon(\mathbf{a}) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^{(n-1)m} \frac{x_1^{q^{a_1+m}} \cdots x_n^{q^{a_n+m}}}{\pi^m} = \det \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{x_i^{q^{mn+j-1}}}{\pi^m} \right)_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}, \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to $\det(\text{qlong}_H^n(s_1, \dots, s_n))$ by Proposition 2.9.2 and Lemma 2.8.10. The fact that δ_0 is multilinear and alternating ultimately follows from the corresponding properties of \det , the fact that $\text{Ker}(\log_H) = \wedge H[\pi^\infty]$ (cf. Lemma 2.3.6) and topological considerations in the induced diagram in the category of adic spaces over $(\check{K}, \mathcal{O}_{\check{K}})$. \square

This allows us to define the sought for morphism of functors $\delta : \widetilde{H}^n \rightarrow \widetilde{\wedge H}$.

Definition 2.10.2. Put $\delta_i(s_1, \dots, s_n) = \delta_0(\pi^{-i}s_1, \dots, s_n)$. Then $\delta = (\delta_0, \delta_1, \dots)$ yields a map $\widetilde{H}^n \rightarrow \widetilde{\wedge H}$. It is K -multilinear and alternating.

Using the canonical identifications $\widetilde{H}^n \cong (\text{Nilp}^b)^n$ and $\widetilde{\wedge H} \cong \text{Nilp}^b$, the morphism δ yields a map $(\text{Nilp}^b)^n \rightarrow \text{Nilp}^b$, which in turn is the same as a power series

$$\Delta(X_1, \dots, X_n) \in \mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}[[X_1^{q^{-\infty}}, \dots, X_n^{q^{-\infty}}]]$$

together with distinguished q -th power roots. We have the following approximation of Δ .

Lemma 2.10.3. We have $\Delta(X_1, \dots, X_n) \equiv \det(X_i^{q^{j-1}})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n, \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}, \text{ modulo } (X_1, \dots, X_n)^{q^n}.$

Proof. [TODO. This is [BW11, Lemma 2.10.4], but they don't explain the proof.] □

3 Local Class Field Theory following Lubin–Tate

Let K be a local field with residue field k , put $q = \#k$, and denote by $\nu_K : K \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ the valuation of K , normalized such that $\nu_K(\pi) = 1$ for a uniformizer π of K . The aim of this subsection is to describe the maximal abelian extension of a local field K .

The Local Kronecker-Weber theorem gives an explicit description of the abelianization of the absolute Galois group of K only in terms of K :

Theorem 3.0.1 (Local Kronecker-Weber). *There is an isomorphism (canonical up to choice of a uniformizer $\pi \in K$)*

$$\text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K)^{\text{ab}} \cong \text{Gal}(K^{\text{ab}}/K) \cong \mathcal{O}_K^\times \times \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

Here, K^{ab} denote the maximal abelian extension of K , which can (after choosing an algebraic closure of K) be described as $\overline{K}^{[G_K, G_K]}$.

The extension K^{ab} consists of two parts, we have $K^{\text{ab}} = K^{\text{rm}} \cdot K^{\text{nr}}$. The field K^{nr} , the maximal unramified extension of K , has relatively simple structure. Describing the field K^{rm} (or rather, it's completion) is the hard part and it is here where we apply the theory of formal modules.

The valuation ν_K extends uniquely to \overline{K} , yielding a π -adic norm on \overline{K} . Let C denote the completion with respect to this norm. An application of Krasner's Lemma implies that $\text{Gal}(C/K) \cong \text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K) =: G_K$. One readily checks that any $\sigma \in G_K$ yields a continuous automorphism $\mathcal{O}_C \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_C$, and we obtain a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I_K \rightarrow G_K \rightarrow \text{Gal}(\overline{k}/k) \rightarrow 0.$$

The subgroup $I_K \subset G_K$ is called the inertia subgroup of K , and we write \check{K} for the subfield of C fixed by I_K . In particular we have $\text{Gal}(\check{K}/K) \cong \text{Gal}(\overline{k}/k)$. One readily confirms that \check{K} is complete with respect to the norm induced by K .

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As the Galois group of any finite extension of k is cyclic, we find that $\text{Gal}(\check{K}/K)$ is abelian. In fact, it is isomorphic to $\widehat{\mathbb{Z}} = \varprojlim_n (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})$. Hence K_∞ decomposes as $\check{K} \cdot K_\pi$ for some abelian, complete extension K_π/K such that $K_\pi \cap \check{K} = K$. Now K_π is the completion of K^{rm} . Observe that

$$\text{Gal}(K_\infty/K) \cong \text{Gal}(K_\pi/K) \times \text{Gal}(\check{K}/K) \cong \text{Gal}(K_\pi/K) \times \widehat{\mathbb{Z}},$$

so Theorem 3.0.1, the local Kronecker-Weber Theorem, is equivalent to showing that the Galois group of K_π over K is isomorphic to \mathcal{O}_K^\times .

4 Non-Abelian Lubin-Tate Theory: An Overview

In the preceeding chapter we used formal \mathcal{O}_K -modules to understand the maximal abelian extension of a local field K . The hope of non-Abelian Lubin-Tate theory is to gain insight about the Abelian extensions of K by considering certain moduli spaces of formal \mathcal{O}_K -modules. More precisely, attached to a formal \mathcal{O}_K -module H_0 over $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$ (determined up to isomorphism by its height n), we attach a system of rigid spaces $\{M_K\}_{K \subset \text{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_K)}$, the so called Lubin-Tate Tower. For $l \neq p$, the system of l -adic compactly supported cohomology groups $\{H_c^i(M_K, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l)\}_K$ admits commuting actions by $\text{GL}_n(K)$, W_K and D^\times , where the latter denotes the units of the central division algebra $D = \text{End}_{(\mathcal{O}_K\text{-FM}/\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q)}(H_0) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$. This yields a correspondence of representations of the respective groups, and Harris and Taylor showed in [HT01] that the cohomology of middle degree induces (a version of) the Local Langlands Correspondence for GL_n . Our goal is an explicit description of this correspondence, and we obtain such descriptions by understanding the Lubin-Tate tower explicitly. As it turns out, the limit $\varprojlim_K M_K$ is representable by a perfectoid space which is easier to describe than its individual layers.

4.1 The Lubin-Tate Tower

4.1.1 Deformations of Formal Modules

We mostly follow [Str08, Chapter 2] for notation. Let \mathcal{C} denote the category of local, Noetherian \mathcal{O}_K -modules with distinguished isomorphisms $R/\mathfrak{m}_R \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$. Let H_0 be a formal \mathcal{O}_K -module over $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$.

Definition 4.1.1 (Deformation). Let $R \in \mathcal{C}$. A deformation of H_0 to R is a pair (H, ι) where H is a formal \mathcal{O}_K -module over R and ι is a quasi-isogeny

$$\iota : H_0 \dashrightarrow H \otimes_R \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q.$$

Two deformations (H, ι) and (H', ι') are isomorphic if there is an isomorphism $\tau : H \rightarrow H'$ with $\iota' \circ \tau = \iota$.

The Lubin-Tate space without level structure is the moduli space of such deformations. More

precisely, we define it as the functor

$$\mathcal{M}_0 : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow (\text{Set}), \quad R \mapsto \{\text{deformations } (H, \iota) \text{ of } H_0\} / \text{iso}.$$

Theorem 4.1.2 (Representability of \mathcal{M}_0). *The functor \mathcal{M}_0 is (non-canonically) representable, by the noetherian local ring*

$$A_0 \cong \mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}[[u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}]].$$

In particular, there is a universal deformation $(F^{\text{univ}}, \iota^{\text{univ}})$, with $F^{\text{univ}} \in (\mathcal{O}_{\check{K}}\text{-FM}/A_0)$.

4.1.2 Deformations of Formal Modules with Drinfeld Level Structure

Definition 4.1.3 (Drinfeld level \mathfrak{p}^m -structure). Let $R \in \mathcal{C}$ and $H \in (\mathcal{O}_K\text{-FM}/R)$. A Drinfeld level \mathfrak{p}^m -structure on H is a morphism of R -group schemes

$$(\mathfrak{p}^{-m}/\mathcal{O}_K)^{\oplus n} \rightarrow H(R)[\pi^m]$$

such that after choosing a coordinate $H \cong \text{Spf } R[[T]]$, the power series $[\pi]_H(T) \in R[[T]]$ satisfies the divisibility constraint

$$\prod_{x \in (\mathfrak{p}^{-1}/\mathcal{O}_K)} (T - \phi(x)) \mid [\pi]_H(T).$$

The following examples might shed some light on this definition.

Example. • $\hat{\mathbb{G}}_m$

- Things over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Drinfeld Level
- Moduli Problem + Representability
- The Lubin-Tate Tower

4.1.3 The Group actions on the Tower and its Cohomology

- Action By D^\times and GL_n
- Action by W_K via Weil descent Datum.

- 4.2 The Local Langlands Correspondence for the General Linear Group
- 4.3 The Lubin-Tate Perfectoid Space
- 5 Mieda's Approach to the Explicit Local Langlands Correspondence
- 6 The Explicit Local Langlands Correspondence for Depth Zero Supercuspidal Representations
 - 6.1 The Special Affinoid
 - 6.2 Deligne-Lusztig Theory for Depth Zero Representations
 - 6.3 Proof

A Topological Rings

To deal with the topological rings showing up, the notion of admissible rings will be convenient (taken from [Stacks, Tag 07E8]).

Definition A.0.1. Let A be a topological ring. We say that A is admissible if

- The element $0 \in A$ has a fundamental system of neighbourhoods consisting of ideals.
- There exists an ideal of definition, that is, an open ideal $I \subset A$ such that every open neighbourhood of 0 contains I^n for some n .
- It is complete, that is, the natural map

$$A \rightarrow \varprojlim_{J \subset A \text{ open ideal}} A/J$$

is an isomorphism.

We say that A is adic if it admits an ideal of definition I such that I^n is open for all n . Given a topological ring A , we denote the category of admissible and adic A -algebras (algebras S with continuous morphism $A \rightarrow S$) by $(A\text{-Adm})$ and $(A\text{-Adic})$, respectively.

[The following results might be not interesting enough to make it into the final draft]

Lemma A.0.2. *Let $\phi : R \rightarrow S$ be a morphism of admissible rings, and let $I \subset R$ be an admissible ideal. Then the ideal $J = \phi(I) \cdot S$ is an ideal of definition in S .*

Proof. Let U be an open ideal of S . By continuity of ϕ , it's preimage $U' = \phi^{-1}(U)$ is open in R . Hence there is some n with $I^n \subset U'$. But now

$$\phi(I)^n = \phi(I^n) \subseteq \phi(\phi^{-1}(U)) \subseteq U$$

and the claim follows. \square

Lemma A.0.3. *Let S be an admissible ring, and let (s_1, s_2, \dots) be a sequence with elements in S . Then $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} s_i$ converges if and only if $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} s_i = 0$. In this case, the product $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1+s_i)$ exists in S .*

Proof. If the sum converges, $(s_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has to be a null-sequence. The reverse implication and the convergence of the product follows after writing $S \cong \lim_J S/J$ for a system of open ideals $J \subset S$. \square

The topology on an admissible ring R with ideal of definition I is coarser than the I -adic topology on R

Lemma A.0.4. *Let R be an admissible ring with ideal of definition I . Let R' be the same ring, but equipped with the I -adic topology. Then the identity map $R' \rightarrow R$ is continuous. In particular, if a sequence converges with respect to the I -adic topology, it also converges in R' .*

Proof. It suffices to check that open ideals of R are open in R' . Let $J \subset R$ an open ideal. By assumption, there is some n with $I^n \subset J$. But now, for any $x \in J$, we have $x + I^n \subset J$. Hence, J is open in R' . \square

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