RIGOROUS EXPANSIONS OF MODULAR FORMS AT CM POINTS, I: DENOMINATORS

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ABSTRACT. We describe an algorithm to rigorously compute the power series expansion at a CM point of a weight 2 cusp form of level coprime to 6. Our algorithm works by bounding the denominators that appear due to ramification, and without recourse to computing an explicit model of the corresponding modular curve. Our result is the first in a series of papers toward an eventual implementation of equationless Chabauty.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let X_H be a modular curve of some level $H \leq \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$, let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ be a CM point in the upper-half plane, and let $\omega := f(q) dq$ be a 1-form that corresponds to the weight 2 cusp form qf(q). We will describe how to compute a power series expansion for f(q) dq at the point τ .

Such a computation can be done analytically without too much difficulty: see [VW12] and [CKL]. But if ω is defined over \mathbf{Z} , and we choose an algebraic uniformizer t, then the coefficients of the resulting power series g(t) dt will actually lie in a number field F. This article is the first part of a two-paper series on how to *rigorously* pin down the coefficients as elements of F. As far as we know, none of the literature has ever detailed such an algorithm.

We will implement the algorithm outlined in this paper when the second part, [HRX], is released. Eventually we hope to use it for Chabauty computations on modular curves.

1.1. Future work. This paper started off as a collaboration with Yongyuan Huang and Isabel Rendell for a larger project. Namely, we wanted to develop a general-purpose Chabauty algorithm for modular curves. During the collaboration, it became clear that in order to make further headway, we needed to find a way to systematically compute power series of cusp forms at possibly non-cuspidal points. The paper here provides my ideas on how to approach some (but not all) aspects of the computation. In a joint work in progress (cf. [HRX]), we will detail the rest of the algorithm; more precisely, we will explain how to perform a rigorous precision analysis and how to compute cusp forms that correspond to differentials defined over \mathbf{Z} .

1.2. Leitfaden. This article is split up into the following parts. Section 2 sets up the notation surrounding the basepoint τ . Section 3 recalls how to analytically compute the power series coefficients. Section 4 describes a strategy to bound the denominators appearing in the power series coefficients in terms of the ramification experienced at τ . Section 5 and Section 6 give algorithms for computing the necessary denominator bounds. Section 7 briefly describes the changes needed to the algorithm if $j(\tau) \in \{0, 1728\}$. Finally, Appendix A details how to recover an algebraic integer in a prescribed number field, given approximations to its conjugates.

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2. NOTATION AND SETUP

2.1. Modular curves. Let $H \leq \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$. For a scheme S, let $Y_{H,S}/S$ denote the coarse moduli scheme of elliptic curves E/S that are endowed with an H-level structure $[\iota]_H$. Denote $X_{H,S}$ as $Y_{H,S}$ plus cusps. Let $\pi \colon X_{H,S} \to \mathbb{P}^1_S$ denote the map to $X(1)_S \cong \mathbb{P}^1_S$ that forgets the level structure. Fix a Drinfeld basis $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2 \to E(S)$ of E, possibly after passing to an fppf cover. Under this basis we may identify $[\iota]_H$ with a double coset HgA_E of $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$; here A_E denotes the group $\operatorname{Aut}_E(S)$ of fppf local automorphisms. For every elliptic curve we encounter with an H-level structure, assume we have chosen such a basis so that we are free to use the double coset characterization as we please. If we specify a particular basis, we will always use that basis when talking about double cosets. (See e.g. [RSZB22, 2.3] for a precise definition of H-level structures.)

Assume always that $-I \in H$ and that det: $H \to (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$ is surjective. Write $Y_{H,\mathbb{Z}}$ as just Y_H . Finally, assume that gcd(6, N) = 1. This last condition is justified by the following statement which we will use implicitly in our analysis of denominators:

Proposition 2.1 ([Čes17, Prop. 6.4]). For any $\mathbb{Z}[1/\gcd(6, N)]$ -scheme S, the canonical "coarse base change" map $Y_{H,S} \to Y_H \times S$ is an isomorphism.

Remark 2.2. By [Ryd13, Thm 6.12], $Y_{H,S} \to Y_H \times S$ is a universal homeomorphism for any scheme S. Hence the failure of coarse base change is rather mild at worst.

2.2. **Basepoint.** Choose a CM point $b_{\infty} := (E, [\iota]_H) \in Y_H(\mathbf{C})$. The corresponding elliptic curve E has complex multiplication by an order $R := \mathbf{Z}[\tau]$, where τ is an imaginary quadratic integer. Let $P(T) := T^2 + rT + s$ denote the characteristic polynomial of τ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that $E_{\mathbf{C}} \cong \mathbf{C}/R$, as all other choices of E will be Galois conjugates. Let $j_E \in \mathbf{C}$ denote the *j*-invariant of E, and fix the basis $[\tau/N, 1/N]$ for $E[N](\mathbf{C})$.

By CM theory, E may be defined over the ring class field F_R of R. Denote $F_{R,N} := F_R(E[N])$ the field obtained by adjoining all N-torsion points of E to F_R . Choose an embedding $F_{R,N} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$ and regard $F_{R,N}$ as a subfield of \mathbf{C} this way. Assume that τ has positive imaginary part under this embedding. For each prime p, fix an embedding $F_{R,N} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p$, denote $F_{R,N,p}$ the completion of its image, and denote \mathfrak{p}_N the prime of $\mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N}}$ above p that corresponds to this embedding. Define $\mathfrak{p} := \mathfrak{p}_1$, define $F_{R,p} := F_{R,1,p}$, and let $\pi_{R,p}$ be a uniformizer of $\mathcal{O}_{F_{R,p}}$. Refer to the Zariski closure of b_{∞} in X_H as just b. Refer to the mod \mathfrak{p}_N reduction of b as b_p .

2.3. Good reduction models of E at each prime. Form the model of E given by

$$E_0: y^2 + xy = x^3 - \frac{36}{j_E - 1728}x - \frac{1}{j_E - 1728}$$

Since $\Delta(E_0) = j_E^3/(j_E - 1728)^3$, E_0 has bad reduction at precisely the primes dividing $j_E(j_E - 1728)$. But E_0 still has everywhere potentially good reduction because it is CM.

Identify the periods of $E_0(\mathbf{C})$ with the lattice $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbf{C}$ with respect to the Néron differential dx/(2y+x); do this while looping over possible embeddings $F_R \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$, until Λ can be

identified with $\mathbf{Z}\tau + \mathbf{Z}$ after some scaling. The end result is a complex analytic isomorphism $\mathbf{C}/(\mathbf{Z}\tau + \mathbf{Z}) \xrightarrow{\sim} E_0(\mathbf{C})$. Keep the embedding $F_R \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$ we just found.

For each rational prime p such that $\mathfrak{p}|j_E(j_E - 1728)$, the elliptic curve E_0 attains good reduction after passing to the degree e_p tamely ramified extension $F_{R,p,(e_p)} := F_{R,p}\left(\pi_{R,p}^{1/e_p}\right)$ for some e_p . By [DD12], we may determine e_p by the Kodaira symbol of E_0 at \mathfrak{p} as follows:

Denote $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$ a good reduction model of E_0 defined over $\mathcal{O}_{F_{R,p,(e_p)}}$, and choose an isomorphism $\iota_p: E_0 \cong E_{\mathcal{O},p}$ over $F_{R,p,(e_p)}$. Let $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}$ denote the special fiber of $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$. Let $F_{R,N,p,(e_p)}$ denote a compositum $F_{R,N,p}F_{R,p,(e_p)}$.

If rational prime p is such that \mathfrak{p} does not divide $j_E(j_E - 1728)$, then denote $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$ simply by the base change $(E_0)_{\mathcal{O}_{F_{R,p}}}$, and denote ι_p accordingly.

2.4. Level structure. Let $\iota: (\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})^2 \to E[N](\mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N}})$ represent the *H*-level structure on *E* corresponding to *b*. If $N = \prod_i p_i^{m_i}$ denotes the prime factorization of *N*, let us make the identification $Y(N)(\mathbf{C})^{an} \cong \operatorname{GL}_2(N) \times_{\operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})} \mathcal{H}$ so that the tuple $(g, \tau) \in X(N)(\mathbf{C})^{an}$ will correspond to the level structure (E_{τ}, ι) , where $E_{\tau} = \mathbf{C}/(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}\tau)$ and $\iota: (\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})^2 \to E[N](\mathbf{C})$ is given by $\iota(a, b) = g \cdot ((a\tau + b)/N)$. Denote this ι as $g \cdot [\tau, 1]$ for short. Denote $q_b := q(b) := \exp(2\pi i \tau) \in \mathbf{C}$.

3. Computation of power series coefficients

Let us first recall our setting (c.f. [CKL, Algorithm 3.5 Step 1]), which provides a recursive method to compute analytically the coefficients in the power series expansion of a cusp form at a given point on a modular curve. Fix a differential $\omega \in H^0(X_H, \Omega^1)$ with q-expansion $f(q) dq \in \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_N][[q]] dq$. (That is, we presume ω is defined over Z.) The differential ω corresponds to the weight 2 cusp form qf(q). Denoting $j := j(q) \in q^{-1}\mathbb{Z}[[q]]$ as the jinvariant, we would now like to express f(q) dq in terms of the parameter $t := j - j_E$. That is, we must solve for the coefficients $\mathbf{c} := [c_0, \ldots, c_n]^T$ in the equation $f(q) dq = \sum_{\ell \ge 0}^{\infty} c_\ell t^\ell dt =:$ g(t) dt for arbitrarily high $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

First, express both f(q) dq and t as power series with respect to the parameter $q - q_b$: that is, let $a_\ell = \frac{j^{(\ell)}(q_b)}{\ell!}$ and $b_\ell = \frac{f^{(\ell)}(q_b)}{\ell!}$, so that we have expansions

$$f(q) dq = \sum_{\ell \ge 0}^{\infty} b_{\ell} (q - q_b)^{\ell} dq$$
 and $t = \sum_{\ell \ge 1}^{\infty} a_{\ell} (q - q_b)^{\ell}$.

We obtain the equality $\sum_{\ell\geq 0}^{\infty} b_{\ell}(q-q_b)^{\ell} dq = \sum_{\ell\geq 0}^{\infty} c_{\ell} t^{\ell}$. Substituting our expression for t into the right hand side of this equality and then comparing coefficients on both sides, we arrive at the following characterization of **c**:

Proposition 3.1. Let **b** denote the column vector $[b_0, \ldots, b_n]^T$. We have $\mathbf{c} = M^{-1}\mathbf{b}$, where M is the 0-indexed lower triangular matrix whose entries satisfy the recurrence relation

$$M_{\ell,j} = \begin{cases} (\ell+1)a_{\ell+1} & j = 0\\ a_1 M_{\ell-1,j-1} + a_2 M_{\ell-2,j-1} + \dots + a_{\ell-j+1} M_{j-1,j-1} & 1 \le j \le \ell \end{cases}$$

for all $0 \leq \ell \leq n$. Moreover, the coefficients c_{ℓ} all lie in $F_{R,N}$.

4. RAMIFICATION AS THE SOURCE OF DENOMINATORS

Since f(q) corresponds to a differential defined over \mathbf{Z} , one would a priori expect the coefficients c_{ℓ} of g(t) to lie in $\mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N}}$. Unfortunately, this does not take into account the fact that the map $\pi: Y_H \to \mathbf{A}^1$ may be ramified below various reductions b_p of our point b. In the next few sections, we explain how to construct a product of rational exponent prime powers $C := \prod_i p_i^{r_i} \in \overline{\mathbf{Z}}$ such that the substitution u := t/C guarantees $g(t) dt =: \tilde{g}(u) du \in \overline{\mathbf{Z}}[[u]] du$. If we denote $C^{[n]}$ by $C^{[n]} := \prod_i p_i^{[n \cdot r_i]}$ for each $n \geq 1$, we will in fact have $c_{\ell} \in \frac{1}{C^{[\ell+1]}} \mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N}}$.

Let $\{\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_d\}$ denote the elements of $\operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/K)$. Repeating the computations in Section 3 for all points $\sigma_j(\tau_b) \in \mathcal{H}$, we get for each ℓ a list

$$\mathbf{c}_{\ell} := [c_{\ell} C^{[\ell+1]}, \sigma_2(c_{\ell}) C^{[\ell+1]}, \dots, \sigma_d(c_{\ell}) C^{[\ell+1]}].$$

Applying Appendix A to each \mathbf{c}_{ℓ} allows us to rigorously pin down $c_{\ell}C^{[\ell+1]}$ as an algebraic integer in $F_{R,N}$ and ergo determine $c_{\ell} \in F_{R,N}$. But to do this, we will need to first compute C.

Remark 4.1. Because we are working with an *H*-level structure and not full level *N* structure, the point b_{∞} will actually be defined over the smaller subfield $F_{R,N}^{\operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/K)\cap H}$. So we do not have as many points $\sigma_{i}(\tau_{b})$ that we need to repeat the Section 3 computations for.

4.1. Ramification scenarios. Let us first explicate how ramification over the *j*-line occurs. Recall that the ramification points of $Y_{H,\mathbf{C}}$ are precisely the tuples $(E, [\iota]_H)$ such that $j(E) \in \{0, 1728\}$, and such that $[\iota]_H =: HgA_E$ satisfies $A_E \nsubseteq g^{-1}Hg$. Passing to integral models, we find the following two scenarios:

- Ramification on a horizontal divisor: If b_{∞} lies in the same mod \mathfrak{p}_N residue disk as a ramification point of $X_{H,\mathbf{C}}$, then the reduction b_p is ramified over the *j*-line. For this to occur, it is necessary, but not sufficient, to have $\mathfrak{p}|j_E(j_E 1728)$.
- Ramification on a vertical divisor: If b_{∞} shares the same mod \mathfrak{p}_N residue disk as another point $b' \in X_{H,\mathbf{C}}$ such that $j(b_{\infty}) = j(b')$, then b_p is ramified over the *j*-line. For this to occur, it is necessary, but not sufficient, to have p|N.

As a result of this discussion, we have the following:

Proposition 4.2. Suppose that $\pi: Y_H \to \mathbf{A}^1$ is ramified at $b_p \in Y_H(\mathbf{F}_p)$. Then \mathfrak{p} divides $Nj_E(j_E - 1728)$.

Remark 4.3. Note that the two scenarios above are not mutually exclusive. In particular, a CM point will tend to have many small prime divisors (cf. [Gro84]). So it will be common for N to share a factor with j_E or $j_E - 1728$, and therefore it is probable for both horizontal and vertical ramification to occur.

We will work one prime at a time to eliminate any ramification we encounter. Thus, from now on, fix a rational prime p such that either p|N and/or $\mathfrak{p}|j_E(j_E - 1728)$.

4.2. Eliminating ramification: the smooth case. Let us further explicate on the nature of ramification on the map $\pi: Y_H \to \mathbf{A}^1$. Denote $K := F_{R,N,p}$ for short. Let $\nu(\cdot)$ and $|\cdot|$ denote the valuation and absolute value functions, normalized so $\nu(p) = 1$. Denote $\widehat{Y}_{H,b}$ (resp. $\widehat{\mathbf{A}}_t^1$) the formal completions of $Y_H \otimes \mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N,p}}$ (resp. $\mathbf{A}^1 \otimes \mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N,p}}$) with respect to the

divisors b (resp. t = 0). In this part let us assume that the special fiber $Y_{H,\mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{P}_N}}$ is smooth at b_p ; in the next subsection we will explain the modifications needed to make our arguments here work for the general case.

Remark 4.4. The arguments here may be thought of as an effective version of the "reduced fiber theorem" (cf. [Bos95]) in the simplest case.

Fix a formal parameter x on $\widehat{Y}_{H,b}$ such that x(b) = 0. By the smoothness assumption, $\pi: \widehat{Y}_{H,b} \to \widehat{\mathbf{A}}_t^1$ may be described as the vanishing locus of some $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[[t]][x]$ as x and t are allowed to vary in an open unit disk, i.e.

$$f(t,x) := x^{N} + c_{N-1}(t)x^{N-1} + \dots + c_{1}(t)x + c_{0}(t) = 0 \quad (|x| < 1, \ |t| < 1).$$

In particular, on rigid analytic generic fibers, the map π is just a map of open unit disks $\mathbf{D}(1, x) \to \mathbf{D}(1, t)$.

Let $D_{vert} \subset \mathbf{D}(1, x)$ denote the (possibly empty) locus $\pi^{-1}(\pi(b)) \setminus \{b\}$, and let $D_{horiz} \subset \mathbf{D}(1, t)$ denote the branch locus of π on the target; concretely, D_{horiz} is the t' for which f(t', x) has a multiple root. Let $e := 1 + \#D_{vert}$. Denote the quantities

$$v_{horiz} := \max_{t' \in D_{horiz}} \nu(t'), \quad v_{vert} := \max_{x' \in D_{vert}} \nu(x')$$

By convention let $v_{horiz} = 0$ if D_{horiz} is empty.

We can now immediately eliminate the horizontal ramification when we shrink the target to a small enough radius. The following is clear from the definitions:

Proposition 4.5. Above the open subdisk $\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{horiz}}|,t) \subset \mathbf{D}(1,t)$, the map $\pi: \widehat{Y}_{H,b} \to \widehat{\mathbf{A}}_t^1$ does not observe any ramification coming from a horizontal divisor of Y_H .

Eliminating the vertical ramification is harder. We first observe another immediate consequence of the definitions.

Proposition 4.6. The disk $\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, x)$ does not intersect D_{vert} .

Now we claim the following.

Proposition 4.7. For each $t' \in \mathbf{D}(|p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|, t)$, there is exactly one point $x' \in \mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, x)$ that maps to t' under π .

Proof. For $t_0 \in \mathbf{C}_p$, let N_{f,t_0} denote the Newton polygon of $f(t_0, x) \in \mathbf{C}_p[x]$. Because $D_{vert} \cup \{b\}$ describes precisely the points above t = 0 and has cardinality e, we find that (e, 0) must necessarily be a vertex of $N_{f,0}$, and that all vertices before (e, 0) must lie above the horizontal axis. We also note that v_{vert} describes the largest finite slope of $N_{f,0}$. Combining the above two observations together, we find that the first vertex of $N_{f,0}$ is $(1, v_1)$ where crucially we have $v_1 \leq (e-1) \cdot v_{vert}$.

We have now established that all vertices of $N_{f,0}$ have y-coordinate at most $(e-1) \cdot v_{vert}$. Now consider t such that $|t| < |p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|$. We find two things:

- The Newton polygon $N_{f,t}$ is the exact same as $N_{f,0}$ from $(1, v_1)$ to (e, 0). In particular, all y-coordinates of $N_{f,0}$ are below $e \cdot v_{vert}$, so replacing t = 0 with a t satisfying $|t| < |p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|$ does not change the coefficient valuations of $c_i(t)$, for the *i* that correspond to vertices of $N_{f,0}$.
- The Newton polygon $N_{f,t}$ has an extra coordinate of the form $(0, e \cdot v_{vert} + \epsilon)$ for some $\epsilon > 0$.

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We thus find that the first edge of $N_{f,t}$, corresponding to the segment between $(0, e \cdot v_{vert} + \epsilon)$ and $(1, v_1)$, has slope strictly greater than v. On the other hand, all subsequent edges have slope at most v.

We conclude that for $t' \in \mathbf{D}(|p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|, t)$, the polynomial f(t', x) = 0 has precisely one root x of slope greater than v. The lemma follows.

Corollary 4.8. Above the open subdisk $\mathbf{D}(|p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|, t) \subset \mathbf{D}(1, t)$, the map $\pi : \widehat{Y}_{H,b} \to \widehat{\mathbf{A}}_t^1$ does not observe any ramification coming from a vertical divisor of Y_H .

Corollary 4.9. Let $v_{opt} := \max(v_{horiz}, e \cdot v_{vert})$. Above the open subdisk $\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{opt}}|, t) \subset \mathbf{D}(1, t)$, the map $\pi : \hat{Y}_{H,b} \to \hat{\mathbf{A}}_t^1$ does not observe any ramification. Namely, we have an isomorphism

$$\pi^{-1}\left(\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{opt}}|,t)\right) \cap \mathbf{D}(1,x) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{opt}}|,t).$$

4.3. Eliminating ramification: the singular case. Assume the special fiber $Y_{H,\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{P}_N}}$ is not smooth at b_p . The generic fiber of $\widehat{Y}_{H,b}$ will no longer be a unit disk, but we can still embed it into an open unit polydisk, with formal parameters $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$. The statements involving D_{horiz} , v_{horiz} , D_{vert} and v_{vert} still go through *mutatis mutandis*.

To finish off, let us use the following trick. First, note that the adapted statements give us an open polydisk $\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, \mathbf{x}) := \prod_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, x_i)$ disjoint from D_{vert} . Next, we may choose a conformal isomorphism $z : \mathbf{D}(1, \mathbf{x}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{D}(1, \mathbf{y})$ of *n*-dimensional open unit polydisks such that:

- The isomorphism maps $\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, \mathbf{x})$ onto $\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, \mathbf{y})$.
- For each projection $\pi_j \colon \mathbf{D}(1, \mathbf{y}) \to \mathbf{D}(1, y_j)$, the images $(\pi_j \circ z)(\mathbf{D}(|p^{v_{vert}}|, \mathbf{x}))$ and $(\pi_j \circ z)(D_{vert})$ are disjoint from each other.

From the above, we obtain n polynomials $f_j(t, y_j) \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}_p}[[t]][y_j]$ satisfying exactly the conditions as in the proof of Proposition 4.7. So we may again restrict the target of our map π to $\mathbf{D}(|p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|, t)$ and get the same result as before: the map π is unramified above $\mathbf{D}(|p^{e \cdot v_{vert}}|, t)$. The ensuing corollaries follow immediately.

4.4. Effects of eliminating ramification on our power series. Let v_{den} denote the smallest rational number such that the substitution $u := t/p^{v_{den}}$ guarantees that $g(t) dt =: \tilde{g}(u) du$ is *p*-integral. Because we chose our differential ω to be defined over \mathbf{Z} , we have a somewhat stronger than expected condition for *p*-integrality:

Proposition 4.10. We have $v_{den} = \max\{v_{opt}(\sigma(b)): \sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)\}$, the maximum of v_{opt} for points $\sigma(b)$, as $\sigma(b)$ ranges across Galois conjugates of b over F_R .

The key point behind Proposition 4.10 is that the action of $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$ on the coefficients of g(t) dt preserves the *p*-adic valuations of the c_{ℓ} , and so ramification at any one of the conjugates means denominators for all conjugates.

In light of Proposition 4.10, define the quantities

$$v_{d,horiz} := \max\{v_{horiz}(\sigma(b)) : \sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)\}$$
$$v_{d,vert} := \max\{v_{vert}(\sigma(b)) : \sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)\}$$
$$e_{den} := \max\{e(\sigma(b)) : \sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)\}.$$

In the next two sections, we will analyze each ramification scenario, and for each relevant prime $\mathfrak{p}|p$ provide an algorithm to compute v_{den} . Taking the product of the prime powers $p^{v_{den}}$ for each prime p encountered will then give us C.

5. Denominators coming from vertical ramification

Suppose that p|N, but that \mathfrak{p} does not divide $j_E(j_E - 1728)$. Let $e, v_{horiz}, v_{vert}, v_{den}, e_{den}, e_{d,horiz}$ and $e_{d,vert}$ be as in Section 4; note that we necessarily have $v_{horiz} = 0$, so $v_{opt} = e \cdot v_{vert}$.

5.1. The Newton polygon attached to the formal group law. On $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$, fix a parameter T at the zero section to obtain a formal group law \hat{E} . For $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ let $[n](T) = nT + O(T^2)$ denote the power series induced by the multiplication by n map. Recall that the formal group law has height $h := \operatorname{ht}(\hat{E})$ precisely when $[p](T) \equiv T^{p^h} \operatorname{mod}(\pi, T^{p^{h+1}})$.

Write N as $N_0 p^m$, where N_0 is coprime to p. For an ideal $I \leq \mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N,p}}$, let $E_{\mathcal{O},p,I} := E_{\mathcal{O},p} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{F_{R,N,p}}/I$. The Newton polygon of $[p^m](T)$ is then an important invariant controlling the group schemes $E_{\mathcal{O},p,I}[N]$; in particular, as I shrinks, the connected part of $E_{\mathcal{O},p,I}[N]$ continually cedes rank to the étale part. When I is small enough, there is no more connected part, and there, any two H-level structures on $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$ can be distinguished from each other on $E_{\mathcal{O},p,I}$. Our algorithm below finds the largest possible I such that $E_{\mathcal{O},p,I}[N]$ has no connected part.

5.2. Computation of v_{vert} . Recall that $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$ has ordinary reduction precisely when $\operatorname{ht}(\hat{E}) = 1$, and supersingular reduction otherwise (in which case $\operatorname{ht}(\hat{E}) = 2$). Let us first handle the ordinary case.

Proposition 5.1. If $E_{\mathcal{O},p}$ has ordinary reduction, then $v_{vert} \leq 1/(p-1)$.

Proof. We claim that the highest finite slope of $[p^m](T)$ is 1/(p-1). Induct on m. In the base case, note that the Newton polygon of [p](T) has vertices (1, 1) and (p, 0); in particular, note that there are necessarily no vertices in between (1, 1) and (p, 0) because there are no proper subgroups of $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$.

For the inductive step, assume we have shown the above for m-1. We are thus concerning ourselves with roots of $[p^m](T)/[p^{m-1}](T)$. It is equivalent to look at the roots of $[p](T) = \alpha$, where α is a root of $[p^{m-1}](T)/[p^{m-2}](T)$. By the inductive hypothesis, $\nu_p(\alpha) \leq 1/(p-1)$. It follows immediately that since the Newton polygon of $[p](T) = \alpha$ has vertices $(0, \nu_p(\alpha)), (p, 0)$, the slopes are bounded above by 1/p(p-1) < 1/(p-1). \Box

Let us next tackle the case when $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}$ is supersingular. In this case, the Newton polygon of [p](T) will necessarily have vertices at $(1, 1), (p^2 - p + 1, r), (p^2, 0)$ for some $r \in \mathbf{Q} \cap [0, 1]$. The reason is because now there is one proper subgroup of $(\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z})^2$, namely $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$, so there is a chance that an additional vertex may appear. Nevertheless, we may apply the same induction process in the proof of the previous proposition, and we find that the highest slope comes from the edge with vertices $(1, 1), (p^2 - p + 1, r)$. From this, we obtain the bound $v_{vert} \leq (1 - r)/(p^2 - p)$.

Summarizing, we have found the bounds

$$v_{vert} \le \begin{cases} \frac{1}{p-1} & E_{\mathcal{O},p} \text{ has ordinary reduction} \\ \frac{1-r}{p^2-p} & E_{\mathcal{O},p} \text{ has supersingular reduction} \end{cases}$$

and where r denotes the y-coordinate of the Newton polygon of [p](T) at the x-coordinate $p^2 - p + 1$. Note that both results are independent of embeddings of $F_{R,N}$, and so v_{vert} will be the same for all $\text{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$ -conjugates of b, i.e. $v_{d,vert} = v_{vert}$.

5.3. Description of *e*. Recall that *e* denotes the ramification index of b_p above the *j*-line. Letting $N =: N_0 p^m$ as above, note that mod \mathfrak{p} reduction of level structures induces a map $\operatorname{pr}: H \hookrightarrow \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}) \to G_0$, where

$$G_0 := \begin{cases} \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbf{Z}/N_0\mathbf{Z}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{surj}}((\mathbf{Z}/p^m\mathbf{Z})^2, \mathbf{Z}/p^m\mathbf{Z}) & E_{\mathbf{F}_p} \text{ ordinary} \\ \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbf{Z}/N_0\mathbf{Z}) & E_{\mathbf{F}_p} \text{ supersingular.} \end{cases}$$

While G_0 may not necessarily be a group, it is still a left *H*-set and a right $A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}}$ -set; in particular *H* still acts by elements of $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$ while $A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}}$ acts by automorphisms of $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}[N]$. Refer to e.g. $\operatorname{pr}(H)$ as \overline{H} for short, and refer similarly for elements of $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$.

The map pr then induces a map on level structures $\operatorname{pr}_* \colon H \setminus G/A_{E_{\mathcal{O},p}} \to H \setminus G_0/A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}}$, given by $Hg_0A_{E_{\mathcal{O},p}} \mapsto \overline{H}\overline{g}_0A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}}$. Recall that our level structure for b is $[\iota]_H := HgA_E$. We may thus characterize e as the cardinality of the inverse image under pr_* of the double coset $\overline{H}\overline{g}A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}}$, that is:

Proposition 5.2. We have $e = \# pr_*^{-1}(\bar{H}\bar{g}A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_n}})$.

Note that this formula for e is valid even when $\mathfrak{p}|j_E(j_E - 1728)$.

Example 5.3. If $\mathfrak{p}|j_E$, but $j_E \neq 0, 1728$, and $p \nmid N$, then the double coset HgA_E is just Hg (remember that we are supposing $-I \in H$), but modulo \mathfrak{p} it maps to the double coset $HgA_{E_{\mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{p}}}}$, which is three times as large as Hg. In particular, the cosets that reduce to $HgA_{E_{\mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{p}}}}$ are precisely $\{Hg, Hg\alpha, Hg\alpha^2\}$ for a certain order 3 element α .

5.4. Computation of e_{den} . We will now describe how to compute e_{den} . If $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}$ is supersingular, then the computation of e can be done by simply looping over all possible double cosets; since this is independent of embeddings, we will have $e = e_{den}$ in this case.

If $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}$ is ordinary, then e is now dependent on the positioning of the mod \mathfrak{p} kernel $\ker(E_{\mathcal{O},p}[N] \to E_{\mathbf{F}_p}[N])$ relative to the basis $[\tau/N, 1/N]$ of E. However, note that such positioning is dependent on our embeddings of $F_{R,N}$ into \mathbf{C} and \mathbf{C}_p , and to compute e_{den} we need only find the maximum across all embeddings. In particular, it is highly likely that the action of $\operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$ will send $\ker(E_{\mathcal{O},p}[N] \to E_{\mathbf{F}_p}[N])$ to every possible order p^m cyclic subgroup of E[N]. So to get an upper bound for e_{den} , we can compute $\#\mathrm{pr}_*^{-1}(\bar{H}\bar{g}A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}})$ for all order p^m cyclic subgroups of E[N], and then take the maximum.

6. Denominators coming from horizontal ramification

Suppose that $\mathfrak{p}|j_E(j_E - 1728)$, and leave open the possibility that p|N. Let us fix j_0 to be either 0 or 1728 so that $\mathfrak{p}|j_E - j_0$. As before, let $e, v_{horiz}, v_{vert}, v_{den}, e_{den}, e_{d,horiz}$ and $e_{d,vert}$ be as in Section 4. Let $v_a := \nu_p(j_E - j_0)$.

Remark 6.1. The prime \mathfrak{p} divides both j_E and $j_E - 1728$ if and only if p < 5. If we encounter this scenario, then we simply perform the algorithm below for both values of j_0 , and then take v_{horiz} to be the maximum of the values found.

Let u_{j_0} denote a nontrivial automorphism of the elliptic curve over **C** with *j*-invariant j_0 ; choose the automorphism so that u_{j_0} has order n_{j_0} and characteristic polynomial $f_{j_0}(T)$, where

$$n_{j_0} := \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } j_0 = 0\\ 4 & \text{if } j_0 = 1728, \end{cases} \qquad f_{j_0}(T) := \begin{cases} T^2 + T + 1 & \text{if } j_0 = 0\\ T^2 + 1 & \text{if } j_0 = 1728. \end{cases}$$

6.1. Description of $v_{d,horiz}$. We have $v_{horiz} = v_a$ if b_p is horizontally ramified, and $v_{horiz} = 0$ otherwise. Similarly, we have $v_{d,horiz} = v_a$ if at least one $\operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$ -conjugate of b_p is horizontally ramified, and $v_{d,horiz} = 0$ otherwise. So let us first compute $e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert}$ as in Section 5. (Note that $v_{d,vert} = 0$ if $p \nmid N$.) If we find that $e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert} \geq v_a$, then we immediately have $v_{den} = e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert}$. So for the rest of this section, suppose $e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert} < v_a$. Our goal is to determine $v_{d,horiz}$.

6.2. Computation of $v_{d,horiz}$. Checking that $v_{horiz} = 0$ amounts to showing $A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}} \subseteq g^{-1}Hg$; therefore, by Proposition 4.10, checking that $v_{d,horiz} = 0$ amounts to showing $\sigma A_{E_{\mathbf{F}_p}} \sigma^{-1} \subseteq g^{-1}Hg$ for all $\sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$. More concretely, we must check that for all σ , for each applicable j_0 as per Remark 6.1, and for all order n_{j_0} automorphisms u_{j_0} of $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}$, we have

$$\sigma u_{j_0} \sigma^{-1} \subseteq g^{-1} H g.$$

Let j_0 be as before. To work with u_{j_0} , we must determine its action on the *N*-torsion with respect to the basis $[\tau/N, 1/N]$ for E[N]. Since we defined the characteristic polynomial of τ to be $T^2 + rT + s$, we end up with a ring homomorphism $\mathbf{Z}[\tau] \to M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$ taking τ to the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} -r & 1 \\ -s & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. We would like to see how τ interacts with u_{j_0} , so we must work with End $(E_{\mathbf{F}_n})$.

If $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p})$ has rank 2 over \mathbf{Z} , then τ commutes with u_{j_0} , and thus there is essentially a unique choice for the matrix corresponding to u_{j_0} (up to at most $\pm I$). Then $\operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$ centralizes u_{j_0} , and so to show that $v_{d,horiz} = 0$ we need only check that $u_{j_0} \in g^{-1}Hg$.

Now assume $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p})$ has rank 4 over \mathbf{Z} . To wit, let $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\infty}$ be the quaternion algebra over \mathbf{Q} ramified at p and ∞ , and inside $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\infty}$ fix a maximal order $\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$ (such a choice is unique up to conjugation). By the work of $[\operatorname{EHL}^+20]$, we may compute an identification $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$. In this way we can identify τ as an element of $\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$.

Because p might divide N, there is not necessarily a map $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p}) \to M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$. However, we have the following statement, which is a consequence of [Gro84, Prop. 2.7]:

Proposition 6.2. The endomorphisms u_{j_0} and τ in $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p})$ lift uniquely to endomorphisms in $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathcal{O},p,\mathfrak{m}^{v_a}})$. In particular, the natural map $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathcal{O},p,\mathfrak{m}^{v_a}}) \to \operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p})$ is an injection.

Moreover, because we supposed $e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert} < v_a$, the N-torsion subgroup $E_{\mathcal{O},p,\mathfrak{m}^{v_a}}[N]$ has no connected part. As a result, we have:

Proposition 6.3. There is a natural map $\operatorname{End}(E_{\mathcal{O},p,(\pi^{v_a})}) \to M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z}).$

Here is our strategy. We can first solve the equation $f_{j_0}(T) = 0$ in $\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$. Call the resulting solution set $\mathcal{S}_{j_0} \subseteq \mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$. Next, for each $u \in \mathcal{S}_{j_0}$, compute a relation between τ and u inside of $\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$, say

$$\alpha_0 \tau u = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \tau + \alpha_3 u + \alpha_4 u \tau$$

for $\alpha_0, \ldots, \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{Z}$. Finally, use the above relation, as well as $f_{j_0}(u) = 0$, to determine the possible matrices that u can take on inside of $M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$. In other words, we can plug $\tau = \begin{bmatrix} -r & 1 \\ -s & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ into the relation and then use the method of undetermined coefficients to determine all matrices that might correspond to u; call this set of matrices M_u .

To summarize the last few paragraphs: letting \mathscr{O} denote the $\mathbf{Z}[\tau]$ -algebra

$$\mathscr{O} := rac{\mathbf{Z}[au] \langle u
angle}{(lpha_1 + lpha_2 au + lpha_3 u + lpha_4 u au - lpha_0 au u, f_{j_0}(u))},$$

we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
\mathscr{O} & \longleftarrow & \operatorname{End}(E_{\mathcal{O},p,(\pi^{v_a})}) & \longrightarrow & M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z}) \\
& & & \downarrow & & \\
\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty} & \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} & \operatorname{End}(E_{\mathbf{F}_p}).
\end{array}$$

Denote M_{i_0} the union of all M_u as u ranges across M_{i_0} . That is, define

$$M_{j_0} := \bigcup_{u \in \mathcal{S}_{j_0}} M_u \subseteq M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$$

the set of all possibilities for u_{j_0} . We now claim that our computation of M_{j_0} is enough to determine $v_{d,horiz}$:

Proposition 6.4. The set M_{j_0} is invariant under conjugation by $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R)$.

Proof. We will in fact show that M_u is invariant under conjugation, for each $u \in S_{j_0}$. By CM theory, the image of $\operatorname{Gal}(F_{R,N}/F_R) \to \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$ lies inside of the centralizer subgroup $\operatorname{Cent}_{M_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})}(\tau)$. So if we have $u' \in M_u$, then the Galois action takes it to some $u'' = \sigma u' \sigma^{-1}$. But by the centralizer condition, we also have $\tau = \sigma \tau \sigma^{-1}$, meaning that u'' and τ satisfy the exact same relations that u' and τ did. Hence, $u'' \in M_u$, which completes the proof. \Box

Corollary 6.5. To show that $v_{d,horiz} = 0$, it is enough to show that the set M_{j_0} is contained inside of $g^{-1}Hg$.

6.3. Summary of the algorithm. Based on the discussion above, here is the algorithm to compute v_{den} if \mathfrak{p} divides $j_E(j_E - 1728)$.

- If p|N, compute $e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert}$ as in Section 5. If $e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert} \ge v_a := \max\{\nu_p(j_E), \nu_p(j_E 1728)\}$, output $v_{den} = e_{den} \cdot v_{d,vert}$.
- Let $j_0 \in \{0, 1728\}$ be such that $\mathfrak{p}|j_E j_0$. If both $j_0 = 0$ and $j_0 = 1728$ satisfy this divisibility, then repeat the steps below for both these values.
- Using [BMSS06], compute the endomorphism of E_0 associated to τ , and using the map $E_0 \to E_{\mathcal{O},p}$, identify τ as an endomorphism of $E_{\mathbf{F}_p}$.
- Using [EHL⁺20], identify the endomorphism τ as an element of $\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$.
- Compute $S_{j_0} \subset \mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$, the solutions in $\mathbf{Z}_{p,\infty}$ to the characteristic polynomial $f_{j_0}(T) = 0$.
- For each $u \in S_{j_0}$, find a relation $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \tau + \alpha_3 u + \alpha_4 u \tau \alpha_0 \tau u = 0$.
- Letting $T^2 + rT + s$ denote the characteristic polynomial of τ , substitute $\tau = \begin{bmatrix} -r & 1 \\ -s & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ into the relation, and then use the method of undetermined coefficients to solve for the possible solutions $M_u \subset M_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$.
- Compute $M_{j_0} = \bigcup_{u \in S_{j_0}} M_u$.
- If $M_{j_0} \subset g^{-1}Hg$, then output $v_{den} = 0$. Else, output $v_{den} = v_a$.

7. The cases
$$j_E \in \{0, 1728\}$$

If we have chosen b_{∞} such that $j_E \in \{0, 1728\}$, then as long as b_{∞} is not ramified over $\pi: Y_H \to \mathbf{A}^1$, we can still run the above algorithms. If b_{∞} is ramified, however, then we will have to pass to a larger cover. Here is how to do so. First, let $\hat{H} \leq \mathrm{GL}_2(\hat{\mathbf{Z}})$ denote the inverse image of H under the surjection $\mathrm{GL}_2(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}) \to \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})$, and let $\Gamma(3) \leq \mathrm{GL}_2(\hat{\mathbf{Z}})$ denote the

full level 3 subgroup. Then, instead of π , we may look at the map $\pi' \colon Y_{\widehat{H} \cap \Gamma(3)} \to Y_{\Gamma(3)} \cong \mathbf{A}^1$. Any modular curve containing a full level 3 structure is representable, so coarse base change will hold (even though the level is now divisible by 3). The *j*-invariant will now be replaced with $j^{1/3}$, a cube root of *j*. The analysis will proceed the exact same as detailed in this article, and in fact some things will get easier: since $\Gamma(3)$ is representable, all automorphism groups A_E that appear will simply be trivial. Representability also implies that we need only worry about vertical ramification.

APPENDIX A. RIGOROUS DETERMINATION OF AN ALGEBRAIC INTEGER

In this section we detail an algorithm to determine an algebraic integer in a prescribed number field given numerical approximations to its Galois conjugates. We also give a speedup involving a discrete Fourier transform if we know the Galois group is abelian. Let L/K be a degree d Galois extension of number fields. Let $\{\sigma_0, \ldots, \sigma_{d-1}\}$ denote an ordering of the elements of Gal(L/K); for convention we suppose σ_0 is the trivial element. Let $\iota: L \hookrightarrow L_v$ denote an embedding of L into its completion at a fixed place $v \leq \infty$, and let $K_w \subseteq L_v$ denote the corresponding completion of K. We will make the following assumption:

It is efficient to recover an algebraic integer γ in \mathcal{O}_K relative to the accuracy of an approximation $\tilde{\gamma}$ inside of $K_w \subseteq L_v$.

In fact, our primary use case will be when K is an imaginary quadratic field. So we will always have efficient approximations.

A.1. The algorithm. Suppose we have determined a vector $\mathbf{w} := [\gamma_0, \ldots, \gamma_{d-1}]^T \in \mathcal{O}_{L_v}^{\oplus d}$ to enough precision, and we know that the γ_j are approximations to conjugates of some element $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_L$. Namely, suppose we have $\sigma_j(\gamma_1) \approx \gamma_j$ for each $0 \leq j < d$. Our goal is to find γ .

First, construct a normal basis $\{\sigma_0(\alpha), \sigma_1(\alpha), \ldots, \sigma_{d-1}(\alpha)\}$ of L/K such that their \mathcal{O}_K span contains \mathcal{O}_L . Form the $d \times d$ matrix $\mathbf{A} := [A_{ij}]_{0 \leq i,j < d}$ such that the entry A_{ij} equals $\iota(\sigma_{i-j}(\alpha)) \in L_v$. Next, observe that if we had $\mathbf{w}_0 = [\gamma, \sigma_1(\gamma), \ldots, \sigma_{d-1}(\gamma)]^T$ on the nose, then a solution $\mathbf{v}_0 := [v_0, \ldots, v_{d-1}]^T \in \mathcal{O}_K^{\oplus d}$ to $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{w}_0$ would express γ as a \mathcal{O}_K -linear combination $v_0\alpha + v_1\sigma_1(\alpha) + \cdots + v_{d-1}\sigma_{d-1}(\alpha)$ of our normal basis. So let us compute $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{w}$. We end up with $\mathbf{v}_0 := [\tilde{v}_0, \ldots, \tilde{v}_{d-1}]^T \in L_v^{\oplus d}$, and now by our efficiency assumption, we can recover an algebraic integer $v_j \in \mathcal{O}_K$ from \tilde{v}_j , for each $0 \leq j < d$.

We output $\gamma = v_0 \alpha + v_1 \sigma_1(\alpha) + \cdots + v_{d-1} \sigma_{d-1}(\alpha) \in \mathcal{O}_L.$

A.2. Speedup for abelian extensions. If we know $G := \operatorname{Gal}(L/K)$ is abelian, then we may make the following speedup. First, write G in Smith normal form i.e. $G = \mathbf{Z}/d_1\mathbf{Z} \oplus$ $\mathbf{Z}/d_2\mathbf{Z} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbf{Z}/d_k\mathbf{Z}$, where we have the chain of divisor relations $d_1|d_2|\cdots|d_k$. For each $1 \leq i \leq k$, let g_i be a generator for the direct summand $\mathbf{Z}/d_i\mathbf{Z}$. So we may form k-dimensional arrays with dimensions $d_1 \times d_2 \times \cdots \times d_k$. Concretely, let \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{w}_1 denote arrays with those dimensions such that $\mathbf{a}[i_1,\ldots,i_k]$ equals $(\iota \circ (i_1g_1+\cdots+i_kg_k))(\alpha)$, and such that $\mathbf{w}_1[i_1,\ldots,i_k]$ equals the computed "approximation" of $(i_1g_1+\cdots+i_kg_k))(\gamma)$. Consequently, we may rewrite the equation $\mathbf{Av}_0 = \mathbf{w}_0$ as $\mathbf{a} * \mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{w}_1$, where the * denotes convolution:

$$(\mathbf{x} * \mathbf{y})[m_1, \dots, m_k] := \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_1-1} \cdots \sum_{i_k=0}^{d_k-1} \mathbf{x}[i_1, \dots, i_k] \cdot \mathbf{y}[m_1 - i_1, \dots, m_k - i_k].$$

Fix a d_k -th root of unity $\mu_{d_k} \in \overline{L}_v$, and let $L_v(\zeta)$ denote the field extension obtained by adjoining μ_{d_k} to L_v . For $k' \leq k$, let $\mu_{d_{k'}} := \mu_{d_k}^{d_k/d_{k'}}$. Let $\mathcal{F}_G \colon L_v(\zeta)^{\oplus (d_1 \times \cdots \times d_k)} \to L_v(\zeta)^{\oplus (d_1 \times \cdots \times d_k)}$ denote the multidimensional discrete Fourier transform, given by

$$\mathcal{F}_G(\mathbf{x})[m_1,\ldots,m_k] := \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_1-1} \cdots \sum_{i_k=0}^{d_k-1} \mathbf{x}[i_1,\ldots,i_k] \mu_{d_1}^{-i_1m_1} \cdots \mu_{d_k}^{-i_km_k}.$$

Of course, this map has an inverse:

$$\mathcal{F}_{G}^{-1}(\mathbf{X})[m_{1},\ldots,m_{k}] := \frac{1}{\#G} \sum_{i_{1}=0}^{d_{1}-1} \cdots \sum_{i_{k}=0}^{d_{k}-1} \mathbf{X}[i_{1},\ldots,i_{k}] \mu_{d_{1}}^{i_{1}m_{1}} \cdots \mu_{d_{k}}^{i_{k}m_{k}}.$$

Because \mathcal{F}_G turns convolution into pointwise multiplication, the equation $\mathbf{a} * \mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{w}_1$ turns into $\mathcal{F}_G(\mathbf{a})\mathcal{F}_G(\mathbf{v}_0) = \mathcal{F}_G(\mathbf{w}_1)$. Thus, we have $\mathbf{v}_0 := \mathcal{F}_G^{-1}(\mathcal{F}_G(\mathbf{w}_1)/\mathcal{F}_G(\mathbf{a}))$ where the division is done pointwise. We may recover an algebraic integer $v(m_1, \ldots, m_k) \in \mathcal{O}_K$ from each entry $\mathbf{v}_0[m_1, \ldots, m_k]$.

We output
$$\gamma = \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_1-1} \cdots \sum_{i_k=0}^{d_k-1} v(i_1,\ldots,i_k) \cdot (i_1g_1 + \cdots + i_kg_k)(\alpha) \in \mathcal{O}_L$$

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