

# Several forms of Drinfeld's lemma

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*Lecture 4*

## Setup: a formal quotient by Frobenius

$X$  = a scheme over  $\mathbb{F}_p$

$k$  = an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$

$X_k = X \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} k \rightarrow X \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} k$

$\varphi_k$  = the pullback to  $X_k$  of the absolute Frobenius on  $\text{Spec } k$   $\neq \varphi_{X_k}$  "partial Frobenius"

We will consider " $X_k/\varphi_k$ " is a formal quotient: an object of some type over  $X_k/\varphi_k$  is an object of the same type over  $X_k$  equipped with an isomorphism with its  $\varphi_k$ -pullback.

# Coherent sheaves

Theorem (Drinfeld, Lau) *projective*

For  $X/\mathbb{F}_p$  of finite type, the base extension functor

(coherent sheaves on  $X$ )  $\rightarrow$  (coherent sheaves on  $X_k/\varphi_k$ )

is an equivalence of categories and preserves cohomology.

$p_k=3$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\vdots$

$K^{\otimes k} = \mathbb{F}_p$

Idea of proof: ~~reduce to projective~~ *trivialize*  $\varphi_k$ -action on  $H^0(X, \mathcal{E}(n))$ .

*finite-dim  $K$ -vector spaces  
 with isomorphism with  $\mathbb{F}_k$ -pullbacks  
 ||? Katz-Lang  
 finite-dim  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -vector spaces*

# Finite étale covers and profinite fundamental groups

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Warning: in general  $\pi_0(X_k) \neq \pi_0(X)$ . For example, if  $X = \text{Spec } \ell$  is a geometric point,  $\pi_0(X_k) \cong \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}$  indexed by identifications of the copies of  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$  in  $k$  and  $\ell$ ; but  $\varphi_k$  acts on  $\pi_0(X_k)$  by translation by  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

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# Products of two (or more) fundamental groups

Corollary *case where  $X_2 = \text{Spec } \mathbb{K}$  is previous version*

For  $X_1, X_2$  two connected qcqs  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -schemes, put  $X = X_1 \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} X_2$  and let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : X \rightarrow X$  be the partial Frobenius maps. Then  $X/\varphi_2$  is connected ~~qcqs~~ and for any geometric point  $\bar{x} \rightarrow X$ ,

$$\pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X/\varphi_2, \bar{x}) \cong \pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1, \bar{x}) \times \pi_2^{\text{prof}}(X_2, \bar{x}).$$

*contrast - if  $X_1, X_2 \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathbb{F}_p$  finite type connected*  

$$\pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1 \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} X_2, \bar{x}) \cong \pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1, \bar{x}) \times \pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_2, \bar{x})$$

$\pi_1(A'_{\mathbb{F}_p})$  is huge!

$$X_1 \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} X_2 \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} X_3 / \langle \varphi_2, \varphi_3 \rangle$$



# Open subschemes and étale sheaves

Corollary *relatively*

For any  $X$ , quasicompact open subschemes of  $X$  and  $X_k/\varphi_k$  are the same.

Corollary *of finite type*

For  $X$  any  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -scheme and  $\ell \neq p$  prime,

*still works if  $\ell = p$*   
 $(\text{lisse } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell\text{-sheaves on } X) \rightarrow (\text{lisse } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell\text{-sheaves on } X_k/\varphi_k)$

$(\text{constructible } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell\text{-sheaves on } X) \rightarrow (\text{constructible } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell\text{-sheaves on } X_k/\varphi_k)$

are equivalences of categories and preserve cohomology. (And so on.)

## Context: shtukas and excursion operators

These constructions are used to describe **excursion operators** on moduli stacks of shtukas, in order to describe the Langlands correspondence per V. Lafforgue. (See last week's seminar!)

Similarly, other forms of Drinfeld's lemma are needed to do likewise for local Langlands in mixed characteristic, or for  $p$ -adic coefficients in positive characteristic.

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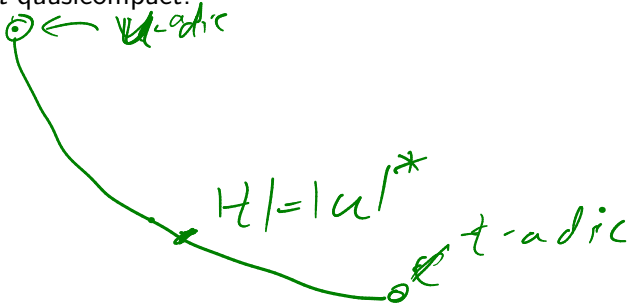
## Absolute products of perfectoid spaces

Let  $\mathbf{Pfd}$  be the category of perfectoid spaces in characteristic  $p$ . This category admits absolute products.

For example, if  $X_1 = \mathrm{Spa} \mathbb{F}_p((t^{p^{-\infty}}))$ ,  $X_2 = \mathrm{Spa} \mathbb{F}_p((u^{p^{-\infty}}))$ , then

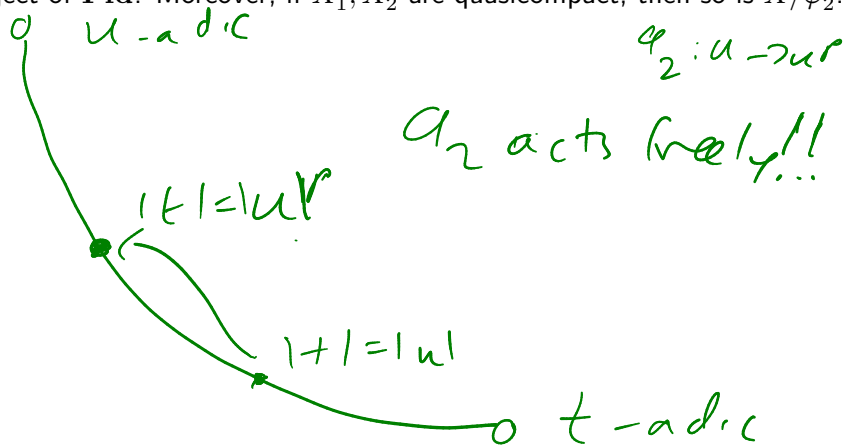
$$X_1 \times X_2 = \{v \in \mathrm{Spa} \mathbb{F}_p[[t, u]][t^{-p^\infty}, u^{p^{-\infty}}]_{(t,u)}[t^{-1}u^{-1}] : v(t), v(u) < 1\},$$

which is *not* quasicompact!



## Quotients by partial Frobenius

For  $X_1, X_2 \in \mathbf{Pfd}$ , put  $X = X_1 \times X_2$ . This space admits partial Frobenius operators  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$ . Unlike for schemes, however,  $X/\varphi_2$  is an object of  $\mathbf{Pfd}$ ! Moreover, if  $X_1, X_2$  are quasicompact, then so is  $X/\varphi_2$ .

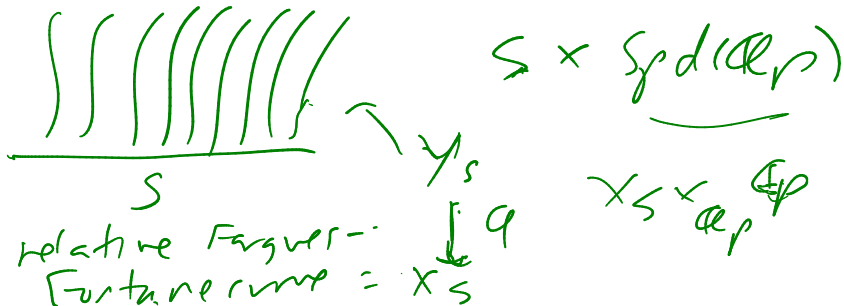


## Product with a geometric point

### Theorem

For  $X_2$  a geometric point,  $\mathbf{FEt}(X_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{FEt}(X/\varphi_2)$  is an equivalence.

This reduces to the case where  $X_1$  is itself a geometric point. When  $X_2 = \mathrm{Spa} \mathbb{C}_p^b$ , this can be proved by interpreting  $X/\varphi_2$  in terms of the Fargues-Fontaine curve for  $X_1$ .



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For general  $X_2 = \mathrm{Spa} K$ , we reduce from  $K$  to  $K'$  where  $K$  is a completion of  $K'(t)$ . A direct calculation rules out abelian covers; one then uses  $p$ -adic differential equations to construct a “ramification filtration” to reduce to the abelian case.



# Products of two (or more) fundamental groups

## Corollary

For  $X_1, X_2 \in \mathbf{Pfd}$  connected qcqs,  $X/\varphi_2$  is connected. For  $\bar{x} \rightarrow X$  a geometric point,

$$\pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X/\varphi_2, \bar{x}) \cong \pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1, \bar{x}) \times \pi_2^{\text{prof}}(X_2, \bar{x}).$$

A similar statement holds for diamonds. This can be used to describe  $p$ -adic representations of  $\pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1, \bar{x}) \times \pi_2^{\text{prof}}(X_2, \bar{x})$  in terms of multivariate  $(\varphi, \Gamma)$ -modules (see Carter–KSK–Zábrádi).

$$\text{Rep}_{\varphi_p}^{\text{mult}}(G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \times G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}) \cong \{(\varphi, \Gamma)\text{-modules}\}$$

$$G_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \times G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$$

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When  $X_1 = X_2$ , are  $p$ -adic representations of  $\pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1, \bar{x}) \times \pi_2^{\text{prof}}(X_2, \bar{x})$  related to vector bundles on the (relative) square of the relative Fargues–Fontaine curve? And how to classify the latter?

## More questions

Is there a version for constructible sheaves? (~~See Fargues-Scholze?~~)

Does this build towards an “ $\ell = p$ ” Langlands correspondence for  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ ?

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## Context: the Langlands correspondence again

Let  $X$  be a curve over a finite field of characteristic  $p$ . For a given reductive group  $G$ , the Langlands correspondence for  $G$  is supposed to involve not just  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell$ -sheaves for primes  $\ell \neq p$ , but also some “crystalline” replacement for  $\ell = p$ .

This happens in a “de Rham-style” Weil cohomology. The analogue of lisse sheaves are **overconvergent  $F$ -isocrystals**. (Today we'll talk about a simpler construction: **convergent  $F$ -isocrystals**.)

The analogue of constructive sheaves are **arithmetic  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules**. Using these, Abe handles the case  $G = \mathrm{GL}(n)$  after L. Lafforgue. (I won't define these today.)

We need a form of Drinfeld's lemma to follow the approach of V. Lafforgue for more general  $G$ . What we get today won't be enough (because it won't include arithmetic  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules), but it's progress...

## Convergent $F$ -isocrystals

$$= \text{Spf } W(k) \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

$$A_k^n \rightsquigarrow \widehat{A}_{W(k)}^n$$

Let  $X$  be a smooth affine scheme over a perfect field  $k$  of characteristic  $p$ .  
 Fix a formal scheme  $P$  smooth over  $W(k)$  with  $P_k \cong X$  and a lift  $\sigma$  of  $\varphi_X$   
 to  $P$ .

of  $k$

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A **convergent  $F$ -isocrystal** on  $X$  is a finite projective module over  $\Gamma(P, \mathcal{O})[p^{-1}]$  equipped with an integrable  $W(k)[p^{-1}]$ -linear connection and a horizontal isomorphism with its  $\sigma$ -pullback.

The resulting  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ -linear tensor category  $\mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(X)$  does not depend on  $P$  or  $\sigma$ , and extends by glueing to general smooth  $X$ . We refer to the  $\sigma$ -action also as the  $\varphi_X$ -action.

convergent  $F$ -isocrystal  $\simeq$  lisse  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ -sheaf on  $X$

convergent isocrystal  $\simeq \dots \dots X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}}$

# Newton polygons

For  $\mathcal{E} \in \mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(X)$  and  $\bar{x} \rightarrow X$  a geometric point, we may pull back  $\mathcal{E}$  to  $\mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(\bar{x})$  and apply the Dieudonné–Manin classification: that pullback decomposes as  $\bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Q}} \mathcal{E}_d$  where for  $d = \frac{r}{s} \in \mathbb{Q}$  in lowest terms,  $\mathcal{E}_d$  admits a basis killed by  $\varphi_X^d - p^r$ .

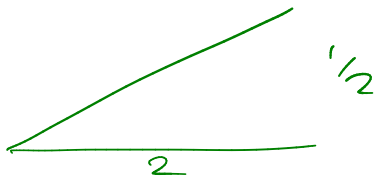
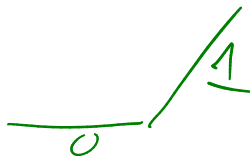
Theorem (Grothendieck–Katz)

*d occurs as a slope with multiplicity rank  $\mathcal{E}_d$*

The Newton polygon function on  $|X|$  is upper semicontinuous.

*ordinary*

*supersingular*





## Slope filtrations

### Theorem (Katz)

If the Newton polygon is constant, then  $\mathcal{E}$  admits a filtration

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_0 \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{E}_l = \mathcal{E}$$

in which  $\mathcal{E}_i/\mathcal{E}_{i-1}$  has all Newton slopes equal to  $\mu_i$ , and  $\mu_1 < \cdots < \mu_l$ .

### Theorem (Katz, Crew)

If  $\mathcal{E}$  has all Newton slopes equal to 0, then  $\mathcal{E}^{\varphi_X}$  is a lisse  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ -sheaf on  $X$ .

## Convergent $\Phi$ -isocrystals

For  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $X_i$  be a smooth affine scheme over a perfect field  $k_i$  of characteristic  $p$ . Fix a formal scheme  $P_i$  smooth over  $W(k_i)$  with  $(P_i)_{k_i} \cong X_i$  and a lift  $\sigma_i$  of  $\varphi_{X_i}$  to  $P_i$ .

A **convergent  $\Phi$ -isocrystal** on  $X = X_1 \times_{\mathbb{F}_p} X_2$  is a finite projective module over  $\Gamma(P_1 \times_{\mathbb{Z}_p} P_2, \mathcal{O})[p^{-1}]$  equipped with an integrable  $W(k_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} k_2)[p^{-1}]$ -linear connection and commuting horizontal isomorphisms with its  $\sigma_i$ -pullbacks. Let  $\Phi \text{ Isoc}(X)$  be the resulting category.

*(this is a belief!)*  
*use Drinfeld's lemma!*

$\rightarrow \text{Isoc}(X)$

# Total Newton polygons

We map  $\Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(X)$  to  $\mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(X)$  by keeping the action of  $\varphi = \varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2$ .

## Theorem

Suppose that  $X_2$  is a geometric point. For  $\mathcal{E} \in \Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(X)$ , the **total Newton polygon** of  $\mathcal{E}$  (i.e., the Newton polygon of the image object in  $\mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(X)$ ) factors through  $|X_1|$ .

Idea of proof: by Grothendieck–Katz, we may apply Drinfeld's lemma to the total Newton polygon stratification.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 |X_1| \times \dots \times |X_1| \\
 \downarrow \\
 |X_1| \times |X_2| \\
 \text{point} \\
 \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{Q}^n
 \end{array}$$

Handwritten notes:  $|X_1| \times \dots \times |X_1|$  (top right),  $\downarrow$  (middle right),  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  (bottom right),  $|X_1| \times |X_2|$  (middle left),  $\text{point}$  (bottom left).

## Relative Dieudonné–Manin

## Theorem

Suppose that  $X_2$  is a geometric point. Then any  $\mathcal{E} \in \Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(X)$  decomposes as  $\bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Q}} \mathcal{E}_d$  where for  $d = \frac{r}{s} \in \mathbb{Q}$  in lowest terms,  $\mathcal{E}_d^{\varphi_2^{-p^r}}$   $\in \mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(X_1)$ .

Idea of proof: first do the case where the total Newton polygon is constant. Then use:

## Theorem

For  $U_i \subseteq X_i$  open dense and  $U = U_1 \times U_2$ ,  $\Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(X) \rightarrow \Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(U)$  is fully faithful.

(de Jong, VSK)

$$\mathbf{F}\text{Isoc}(X_1) \xrightarrow{\quad} \Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(X)$$

## Products of two (or more) schemes

Theorem (not just a corollary!)

Any irreducible  $\mathcal{E} \in \Phi \mathbf{Isoc}(X)$  is a subobject of  $\mathcal{E}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{E}_2$  for some  $\mathcal{E}_i \in \mathbf{F}\text{-Isoc}(X_i)$ .

In general, we cannot write  $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{E}_2$ ; think of irreducible representations of product groups.

Again, we first do the case where the total Newton polygon is constant, then use the full faithfulness of restriction.

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{O} \\ \mathcal{O}(d_1) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}(d_2) \\ \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{2}) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{2}) \end{array}$$

## Footnotes

Similar statements (definitely!) apply to **overconvergent  $F$ -isocrystals**, and to **logarithmic convergent  $F$ -isocrystals**.

One can (probably!) relax the smoothness hypothesis on  $X_i$  by some descent arguments. This should even allow  $X_i$  to be an algebraic stack (crucial for moduli of shtukas).

One can (hopefully?) also consider constructible objects.

One can (maybe?) give an analogue of the isomorphism

$$\pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X/\varphi_2, \bar{x}) \cong \pi_1^{\text{prof}}(X_1, \bar{x}) \times \pi_2^{\text{prof}}(X_2, \bar{x})$$

in terms of Tannakian fundamental groups.

One can (???) consider isocrystals without Frobenius structure.

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