# CUSPIDAL REPRESENTATIONS IN THE COHOMOLOGY OF DELIGNE–LUSZTIG VARIETIES FOR GL(2) OVER FINITE RINGS

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#### ABSTRACT

We define closed subvarieties of some Deligne–Lusztig varieties for GL(2) over finite rings and study their étale cohomology. As a result, we show that cuspidal representations appear in it. Such closed varieties are studied in [Lus2] in a special case. We can do the same things for a Deligne–Lusztig variety associated to a quaternion division algebra over a non-archimedean local field. A product of such varieties can be regarded as an affine bundle over a curve. The base curve appears as an open subscheme of a union of irreducible components of the stable reduction of the Lubin–Tate curve in a special case. Finally, we state some conjecture on a part of the stable reduction of Lubin–Tate curves via Deligne–Lusztig varieties.

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#### 1. Introduction

Let K be a non-archimedean local field and  $\mathfrak{o}$  the ring of integers in K. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  denote the maximal ideal of  $\mathfrak{o}$ . Let p be the characteristic of  $k = \mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $k^{\mathrm{ac}}$  be an algebraic closure of k. Assume that the characteristic of K equals p. Let G be a reductive group over k. In [Lus] and [Lus2], for each  $n \geq 1$ , Lusztig constructs a variety over  $k^{\mathrm{ac}}$  whose étale cohomology realizes certain irreducible representations of  $G(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^n)$ . These representations are attached to a "maximal" torus in G and its characters in general position. We call such a variety a Deligne-Lusztig variety for  $G(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^n)$ . For n = 1, this theory is the Deligne-Lusztig theory for G(k) in [DL]. We call the theory in [Lus] and [Lus2] the **Deligne-Lusztig theory over finite rings**.

In [Lus2, §3], the Deligne–Lusztig variety for  $SL_2(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^2)$  is explicitly studied. In [Lus], a construction in the division algebra case is studied. It seems complicated to study the cohomology of a Deligne–Lusztig variety directly in general, because the cohomology of this variety contains many irreducible representations with lower conductor (cf. [Lus2, §3]).

Let D be the quaternion division algebra over K. Let  $\mathcal{O}_D$  be the maximal order in D, and  $\mathfrak{p}_D$  the two-sided maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_D$ . In this paper, for  $n \geq 1$ , we study certain closed subvarieties  $\mathbf{X}_n$  and  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$  in Deligne-Lusztig varieties for  $G_n^F = \operatorname{GL}_2(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^n)$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} = (\mathcal{O}_D/\mathfrak{p}_D^{2n-1})^{\times}$  respectively, and study their étale cohomology. An idea to consider such subvarieties is seen in the case  $SL_2(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^2)$  in [Lus2, §§3.3–3.4]. For each n, the cohomology of  $\mathbf{X}_n$  realizes cuspidal representations not factoring through the canonical map  $G_n^F \twoheadrightarrow G_m^F$ for any integer m < n. All irreducible representations of  $G_n^F$  are constructed in [Onn] and [Sta]. In [Onn], more generally, all irreducible representations of an automorphism group of a finite  $\mathfrak{o}$ -module of rank two are classified. For general  $r \geq 2$  and  $n \geq 1$ , strongly cuspidal representations of  $\operatorname{GL}_r(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^n)$  are constructed in [AOPS]. In particular, all cuspidal representations of  $G_n^F$  are constructed in [AOPS], [Onn] and [Sta]. Let q = |k|. Then  $\mathbf{X}_1$  is the curve defined by  $(x^q y - x y^q)^{q-1} = 1$ , and  $\mathbf{X}_1^D$  is a disjoint union of finitely many closed points. The curve is called the Deligne–Lusztig curve for  $GL_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , which we denote by  $Z_{DL}$ . For  $n \geq 2$ , the varieties  $\mathbf{X}_n$  and  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$  are affine bundles over a disjoint union of some copies of one point or the curve  $Z_0$  defined by the equation  $X^{q^2} - X = Y^{q(q+1)} - Y^{q+1}$  over  $k^{ac}$  depending on the parity of n. Furthermore, the product  $\mathbf{X}_n \times \mathbf{X}_n^D$  is an affine bundle of relative dimension n-1

over a disjoint union of copies of the curve  $Z_0$ . We can understand their étale cohomology explicitly in Propositions 3.18 and 4.12. Let  $K_2$  be the quadratic unramified extension over K. The cuspidal representations are attached to certain characters of

$$T_n^F = (\mathcal{O}_{K_2}/\mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n)^{\times}.$$

The varieties  $\mathbf{X}_n$  and  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$  admit actions of  $T_n^F$ . Let

$$\Delta \colon T_n^F \hookrightarrow T_n^F \times T_n^F; \quad t \mapsto (t,t^{-1}).$$

By taking the quotient of the product  $\mathbf{X}_n \times \mathbf{X}_n^D$  by the subgroup  $\Delta(T_n^F)$ , we obtain a variety  $\mathbb{X}_n$ , which admits the action of

$$\mathfrak{G}_n = G_n^F \times \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$$

This variety is an affine bundle over a curve  $Y_n$  with  $\mathfrak{G}_n$ -action. This curve  $Y_n$  is isomorphic to the curve  $Z_{\text{DL}}$  if n = 1, and a disjoint union of some copies of  $Z_0$  if n > 1. The curve  $Y_n$  is introduced in §5.1 and its middle cohomology is studied in Theorem 5.1. To describe the group action on  $\mathfrak{G}_n$  on  $\mathbb{X}_n$ , it is natural to use a notion of linking order given in [W2]. Hence, we recall this notion in §2.2.

The above analysis was motivated by the geometry of the Lubin-Tate curve  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$  with Drinfeld level  $\mathbf{p}^n$ -structures. Let  $\mathbf{C}$  be the completion of an algebraic closure of K. Let  $I_K$  denote the inertia subgroup of K. Let  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  denote the base change of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$  to  $\mathbf{C}$ . As irreducible components in the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$ , it is known that copies of the smooth compactification of  $Z_0$  appear (cf. [T2] and [W3]). We call these components unramified components. See the beginning of §5 for the reason why we call them unramified. The base change  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  admits an action of  $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbf{o}) \times \mathcal{O}_D^{\times} \times I_K$  (cf. [Ca]). By local class field theory over  $K_2$ , we have a surjective map  $I_{K_2} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{K_2}^{\times}$ . By composing with the canonical isomorphism  $I_K \stackrel{\sim}{\leftarrow} I_{K_2}$ , we obtain the surjective homomorphism  $I_K \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{K_2}^{\times}$ . Then, we have the surjective homomorphism

$$\mathfrak{G} = \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathfrak{o}) \times \mathcal{O}_D^{\times} \times I_K \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{G}_n.$$

For an affinoid  $\mathbf{X}$ , let  $\overline{\mathbf{X}}$  denote its canonical reduction. For a positive integer  $n \geq 1$ , we conjecture that there exists a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -stable affinoid subdomain  $\mathbf{Y}_n \subset \mathbf{X}(\mathfrak{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  such that

- the  $\mathfrak{G}$ -action on  $\mathbf{Y}_n$  factors through the map  $\mathfrak{G} \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{G}_n$ , and
- there exists a  $\mathfrak{G}_n$ -equivariant isomorphism  $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_n \simeq Y_n$

(cf. Conjecture 5.2). By definition, the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  is a stable curve. In general, a stable curve consists of several irreducible components which intersect at ordinary double points. By this conjecture, we can understand an open subscheme of a union of irreducible components in the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  (cf. Remark 5.3 (2)). In [W1], Weinstein constructs a concrete stable curve which is a candidate of the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$ . In the unramified case, the curve  $Y_n$  is very similar to the stable curve constructed in [W1] (cf. (5.2)). Originally, our motivation of this work was to give some Deligne–Lusztig interpretation of the curve. Furthermore, the Weinstein conjecture is justified through the works [W3] and [T2] in some sense. In the case where n = 1 and  $\operatorname{GL}(r)$  ( $r \geq 2$ ), such things are studied in [Y]. We learned that the inertia action can be interpreted as the action of a maximal torus from [Y].

In the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  in the case where  $p \neq 2$ , another type of curve appears as an irreducible component. This is the smooth compactification of the Artin–Schreier curve defined by  $a^q - a = s^2$  (cf. [T2] and [W3]). The middle cohomology of these components is related to some characters of  $\mathcal{O}_L^{\times}$ , where L is a tamely ramified quadratic extension of K. We do not know whether a Deligne–Lusztig type interpretation via these components exists as in this paper. See [Sta2] for a generalization of a Deligne–Lusztig variety in this direction. A Lubin–Tate curve can be regarded as a local model of a modular curve. A modular curve is a special case of Shimura varieties. There are many works which relate bad reduction of Shimura varieties to Deligne–Lusztig varieties (cf. [Ra]). The above conjecture is regarded as an attempt to describe bad reduction of Lubin–Tate curves via Deligne–Lusztig theory.

On the division algebra side, a certain Deligne–Lusztig variety is studied in [Ch] in a quite general setting. In the general linear group case, coverings of Deligne–Lusztig varieties are studied in [Iv]. For arbitrary reductive groups, in [CS], they prove that certain representations appear in the cohomology of Deligne–Lusztig varieties.

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### 2. Preliminaries

In §2.1, we introduce some notation used in this paper. Throughout the rest of the paper, we fix a non-archimedean local field K and always assume that the characteristic of K is p. In §2.2, we introduce a notion of linking order which will be used in §5. We introduce isomorphisms (2.13) and (2.14) which will be used to describe group action on subvarieties of Deligne-Lusztig varieties in §3.2 and §4.2 respectively.

2.1. NOTATION. For a non-archimedean local field L, let  $\mathfrak{p}_L$  denote the maximal ideal of the ring of integers of L. For an integer  $i \geq 1$ , we set  $U_L^i = 1 + \mathfrak{p}_L^i$ . As before, we denote by  $\mathfrak{o}$  and  $\mathfrak{p}$  the ring of integers in K and its maximal ideal respectively. Let  $k = \mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}$  and q = |k|. Let  $K^{\mathrm{ur}}$  be the maximal unramified extension of K in an algebraic closure  $K^{\mathrm{ac}}$  of K and  $\tilde{K}$  the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic completion of  $K^{\mathrm{ur}}$ . We write  $\tilde{\mathfrak{o}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{p}}$  for the ring of integers of  $\tilde{K}$  and its maximal ideal, respectively. Let  $k_2$  be the quadratic extension of k in  $k^{\mathrm{ac}} = \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}/\tilde{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Let  $K_2$  be the unramified quadratic extension of K in  $K^{\mathrm{ac}}$ , and  $\mathfrak{O}$  the ring of integers of  $K_2$ . For a positive integer  $i \geq 1$ , we set

$$\mathfrak{o}_i = \mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^i, \quad \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_i = \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}/\widetilde{\mathfrak{p}}^i, \quad \mathfrak{O}_i = \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^i.$$

2.2. LINKING ORDER. We recall the linking order defined in [W2, §4.3]. In this paper, we treat only the unramified case.

Let D be the quaternion division algebra over K and let  $\mathcal{O}_D$  be the maximal order of D. Let  $\mathfrak{p}_D$  be the maximal two-sided ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_D$ . For a positive integer i, we set  $U_D^i = 1 + \mathfrak{p}_D^i \subset \mathcal{O}_D^{\times}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_i = \mathcal{O}_D/\mathfrak{p}_D^i$ . By taking a uniformizer  $\varpi \in K$ , we fix an isomorphism  $K \simeq k((\varpi))$ . We choose an element  $\varphi \in \mathfrak{p}_D$ such that  $\varphi^2 = \varpi$ . We have isomorphisms  $D \simeq K_2 \oplus \varphi K_2$  and  $\mathcal{O}_D \simeq \mathfrak{O} \oplus \varphi \mathfrak{O}$ . We regard  $K_2$  as a K-subalgebra of D in this way. We set

$$\begin{split} A_1 &= \mathcal{M}_2(K), \quad A_2 = D, \\ \mathfrak{A}_1 &= \mathcal{M}_2(\mathfrak{o}), \quad \mathfrak{A}_2 = \mathcal{O}_D, \quad \mathfrak{A} = \mathfrak{A}_1 \times \mathfrak{A}_2. \end{split}$$

For  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ , we consider the K-embedding

(2.1) 
$$\iota_{\zeta} \colon K_2 \hookrightarrow A_1; \quad a + b\zeta \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a + b(\zeta^q + \zeta) & b \\ -b\zeta^{q+1} & a \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $a, b \in K$ . This is the regular embedding with respect to the ordered basis  $\{\zeta, 1\}$  of  $K_2$  over K. Note that  $\operatorname{tr} \iota_{\zeta}(\zeta) = \operatorname{Tr}_{K_2/K}(\zeta) = \zeta^q + \zeta$  and

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det  $\iota_{\zeta}(\zeta) = \operatorname{Nr}_{K_2/K}(\zeta) = \zeta^{q+1}$ . Some readers may think it unnatural to consider the ordered basis  $\{\zeta, 1\}$  not  $\{1, \zeta\}$ . However, the action of this subgroup  $\iota_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}^{\times})$ on a Deligne-Lusztig variety will be related to a torus action on it in Lemma 3.8 (1) later. Hence, we consider the basis here.

We fix  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . Let  $\Delta_{\zeta} \colon K_2 \hookrightarrow A_1 \times A_2$  be the diagonal map. For i = 1, 2, let  $C_i$  be the orthogonal complement of  $K_2$  in  $A_i$  with respect to the standard trace pairing. We set  $\mathfrak{C}_i = C_i \cap \mathfrak{A}_i$  (cf. [W2, §4.1]). Then,  $\mathfrak{C}_i$  is a left and right  $\mathfrak{O}$ -module of rank one. We have

(2.2) 
$$\mathfrak{A}_i \simeq \mathfrak{O} \oplus \mathfrak{C}_i$$

for i = 1, 2. Let  $\operatorname{Gal}(K_2/K)$  be the Galois group of the extension  $K_2/K$ . Let  $\sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(K_2/K)$  be the non-trivial element. We have  $xv = vx^{\sigma}$  for  $x \in \mathfrak{O}$  and  $v \in \mathfrak{C}_i$ . We easily check that

(2.3) 
$$\mathfrak{C}_1 = \left\{ h(a,b) = \begin{pmatrix} -a & b \\ a(\zeta^q + \zeta) + b\zeta^{q+1} & a \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{A}_1 \mid a, b \in \mathfrak{o} \right\},$$
  
(2.4) 
$$\mathfrak{C}_2 = \varphi \mathfrak{O}.$$

Let  $n \ge 0$  be a non-negative integer. We set l = [(n+1)/2] and l' = [n/2]. We put

$$V_1^n = \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^l \mathfrak{C}_1 \subset \mathfrak{A}_1, \quad V_2^n = \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^{l'} \mathfrak{C}_2 \subset \mathfrak{A}_2.$$

We have  $V_i^n V_i^n \subset \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n$  for i = 1, 2. We set  $\mathbf{V}^n = V_1^n \times V_2^n \subset \mathfrak{A}$  and

$$\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n} = \Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}) + \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n \times \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n + \mathbf{V}^n \subset \mathfrak{A},$$

which is called the **linking order**. This is actually an order of  $\mathfrak{A}$  by

$$\mathbf{V}^n \mathbf{V}^n \subset \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n imes \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n.$$

Any element  $g \in \mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n}$  can be written as

$$g = (x + \varpi^n y + \varpi^l z_1, x + \varpi^{l'} z_2)$$
 with  $x, y \in \mathfrak{O}$  and  $z_i \in \mathfrak{C}_i$   $(i = 1, 2)$ .

We consider the two-sided ideal

$$\mathcal{L}^{0}_{\zeta,n} = \Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}) + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{n+1} \times \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{n+1} + \mathbf{V}^{n+1} \subset \mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n}.$$

In the following, we consider the quotient  $\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}/\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}^0$  for a positive integer  $n \geq 1$ . First, we treat the case n = 1. The restriction of the natural projection  $\mathfrak{A} \to M_2(k) \times k_2$  to the subring  $\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,0}$  induces an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,0}/\mathcal{L}^0_{\zeta,0} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{M}_2(k) \times k_2,$$

which does not depend on the choice of  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . This induces

(2.5) 
$$\left(\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,0}/\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,0}^{0}\right)^{\times} \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{GL}_{2}(k) \times k_{2}^{\times}.$$

Let

(2.6) 
$$Q = \left\{ g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ & \alpha^q & \beta^q \\ & & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \in \operatorname{GL}_3(k_2) \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in k_2 \right\},$$
$$Q_0 = \{ g(1, \beta, \gamma) \in Q \}.$$

Note that we have

$$|Q| = q^4(q^2 - 1).$$

The center  $Z(Q_0)$  of  $Q_0$  equals  $\{g(1,0,\gamma) \mid \gamma \in k_2\}$ , and the quotient  $Q_0/Z(Q_0)$  is an abelian group of order  $q^2$ . Hence, the group  $Q_0$  is a finite Heisenberg group. Assume that  $n \geq 2$ . For each  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ , we have an isomorphism

$$(\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}/\mathcal{L}^0_{\zeta,n-1})^{\times} \simeq Q,$$

which is given in [W2, Proposition 4.3.4 (5)]. We will now show how this isomorphism is defined for n odd and give a similar isomorphism for  $Q_0$ . Assume that n is odd. Then we have n = 2l' + 1 and l = l' + 1. We set

$$v_0 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0\\ \zeta^q + \zeta & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in A_1^{\times}$$
 and  $V_{1,n} = V_1^{n-1} / V_1^n$ .

Note that  $v_0^2 = 1$  and  $v_0(a + b\zeta) = (a + b\zeta^q)v_0$  for  $a, b \in \mathfrak{o}$ . We consider the isomorphism

$$\phi_{\zeta} \colon V_{1,n} \xrightarrow{\sim} k_2; \quad h(a,b) \varpi^{l'} = (a+b\zeta) \varpi^{l'} v_0 \mapsto a+b\zeta$$

with  $a, b \in k$ . For  $v, w \in V_{1,n}$ , we have  $vw \in \mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^{n-1}/\mathfrak{p}_{K_2}^n$  by  $\mathfrak{C}_1\mathfrak{C}_1 \subset \mathfrak{O}$ . Then we have

(2.7) 
$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{\zeta}(xv) &= x\phi_{\zeta}(v), \quad \phi_{\zeta}(vx) = \phi_{\zeta}(v)x^{q} \quad \text{for } x \in k_{2} \text{ and } v \in V_{1,n}, \\ \varpi^{-(n-1)}vw &= \phi_{\zeta}(v)\phi_{\zeta}(w)^{q} \qquad \text{for } v, w \in V_{1,n}. \end{aligned}$$

For an element  $x \in \mathfrak{O}$ , let  $\bar{x}$  denote the image of x by the reduction map  $\mathfrak{O} \to k_2$ . We have the isomorphism

(2.8) 
$$(\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}/\mathcal{L}^0_{\zeta,n-1})^{\times} \xrightarrow{\sim} Q; \quad (x + \varpi^{n-1}y + v, x) \mapsto g(\bar{x}, \phi_{\zeta}(v), \bar{y}),$$

where  $x, y \in \mathfrak{O}$  and  $v \in V_1^{n-1}$ .

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Assume that n is even. Then we have n = 2l' and l = l'. We set  $V_{2,n} = V_2^{n-1}/V_2^n$ . We consider the isomorphism

$$\phi \colon V_{2,n} \xrightarrow{\sim} k_2; \quad \varpi^{l-1} \varphi b \mapsto \overline{b}^q$$

with  $b \in \mathfrak{O}$ . Similarly as (2.7), we have

$$\phi(xv) = x\phi(v), \quad \phi(vx) = \phi(v)x^q \quad \text{for } x \in k_2 \text{ and } v \in V_{2,n}.$$
$$\varpi^{-(n-1)}vw = \phi(v)\phi(w)^q \quad \text{for } v, w \in V_{2,n}.$$

Similarly as (2.8), we have the isomorphism

(2.9) 
$$(\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}/\mathcal{L}^0_{\zeta,n-1})^{\times} \xrightarrow{\sim} Q; \quad (x,x+\varpi^{n-1}y+v) \mapsto g(\bar{x},\phi(v),\bar{y}),$$

where  $x, y \in \mathfrak{O}$  and  $v \in V_2^{n-1}$ .

Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer. We write  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}$  and  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{0}$  for the images of  $\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}$ and  $\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}^{0}$  by the canonical homomorphism  $\mathfrak{A} \twoheadrightarrow M_{2}(\mathfrak{o}_{n}) \times \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}$  respectively. We can easily check that the kernel of  $\mathfrak{A} \to M_{2}(\mathfrak{o}_{n}) \times \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}$  is contained in  $\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}^{0}$ . Hence we have an isomorphism

(2.10) 
$$(\mathcal{L}_{\zeta,n-1}/\mathcal{L}^0_{\zeta,n-1})^{\times} \xrightarrow{\sim} (\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}/\overline{\mathcal{L}}^0_{\zeta,n-1})^{\times}.$$

In the following, we simply write  $G_n^F$  for  $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathfrak{o}_n)$ . By (2.5), (2.8), (2.9) and (2.10), we obtain a homomorphism

(2.11) 
$$\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times} \to \left(\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}/\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{0}\right)^{\times} \simeq \begin{cases} G_{1}^{F} \times k_{2}^{\times} & \text{if } n = 1, \\ Q & \text{if } n \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

Now we assume that  $n \geq 2$ . We can check that

(2.12)  $|\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}| = q^{4n}(q^2 - 1), \quad [G_n^F \times \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} : \overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}] = q^{4n-7}(q-1)(q^2 - 1).$ 

We set

$$H_{1,\zeta,n} = \overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1} \cap (G_n^F \times \{1\}) \subset G_n^F,$$
  
$$H_{2,n} = \overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1} \cap (\{1\} \times \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}) \subset \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}.$$

We consider the composites

$$f_1 \colon H_{1,\zeta,n} \subset \overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{can.}} (\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}/\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^0)^{\times},$$
$$f_2 \colon H_{2,n} \subset \overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{can.}} (\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}/\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^0)^{\times}.$$

We set  $H_{1,\zeta,n}^0 = \ker f_1$  and  $H_{2,n}^0 = \ker f_2$ . Assume that *n* is odd and  $n \ge 3$ . By identifying the target of  $f_1$  with *Q* through (2.9) and (2.10), we can check that the image of  $f_1$  equals the subgroup  $Q_0$ . Hence, we obtain the isomorphism

(2.13) 
$$\phi_{1,\zeta} \colon H_{1,\zeta,n} / H^0_{1,\zeta,n} \simeq Q_0.$$

Assume that n is even. Similarly as above, we obtain the isomorphism

(2.14) 
$$\phi_2 \colon H_{2,n} / H_{2,n}^0 \simeq Q_0.$$

## 3. Deligne–Lusztig variety for $G_n^F$

In this section, we define a subvariety of the Deligne–Lusztig variety for  $G_n^F$  and analyze its cohomology. As a result we obtain Proposition 3.18.

3.1. SUBVARIETY OF THE DELIGNE–LUSZTIG VARIETY FOR  $G_n^F$ . Let n be a positive integer. Let

(3.1) 
$$F: \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n \to \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n; \quad \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \varpi^i \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i^q \varpi^i \text{ with } x_i \in k^{\mathrm{ac}}.$$

We regard  $G_n = \operatorname{GL}_2(\tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n)$  as a variety over  $k^{\operatorname{ac}}$ . Let  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  be the canonical basis of  $V_n = \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n^{\oplus 2}$ . The map F induces the maps

 $F: V_n \to V_n, \quad F: G_n \to G_n.$ 

We have F(vg) = F(v)F(g) for  $v \in V_n$  and  $g \in G_n$ . We set

$$T_n^F = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} F(t) & 0\\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix} \in G_n \mid t \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \right\}.$$

We fix the isomorphism

(3.2) 
$$\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \simeq T_n^F; \quad t \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} F(t) & 0\\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix}$$

Let

$$U_n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G_n \mid c \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n \right\}, \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in G_n^F.$$

We consider the closed subvariety of  $G_n$ 

$$X_n = \{ g \in G_n \mid F(g)g^{-1} \in U_n v \},\$$

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which we call the **Deligne–Lusztig variety** for  $G_n^F$  (cf. [Lus2]). Let  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  act on  $X_n$  by  $g \mapsto t^{-1}gg'$  for  $x \in X_n$  and  $(g', t) \in G_n^F \times T_n^F$ .

LEMMA 3.1: (1) We have

$$X_n = \left\{ g = \begin{pmatrix} -F(x) & -F(y) \\ x & y \end{pmatrix} \in G_n \mid \det(g) \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} \right\}$$
$$\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{S}_n = \{ v = xe_1 + ye_2 \in V_n \mid v \wedge F(v) \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}(e_1 \wedge e_2) \}; \quad g \mapsto e_2g.$$

(2) For  $v \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ , we put

$$v = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_i \varpi^i$$

with  $v_i \in (k^{\mathrm{ac}})^{\oplus 2}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  is defined by

$$v_0 \wedge F(v_0) \in k^{\times}(e_1 \wedge e_2), \quad \sum_{j=0}^{i} v_{i-j} \wedge F(v_j) \in k(e_1 \wedge e_2)$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ .

*Proof.* The second assertion follows from the first one. The first one is directly checked. We omit the details.

Remark 3.2: The above lemma is similar to Lusztig's computation for  $SL_2(\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}^2)$  in [Lus2, §3.3].

Note that we have dim  $X_n = n$ . Recall that we set  $l' = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ .

Definition 3.3: (1) We set

$$Y_n = \{ v \in \mathfrak{S}_n \mid v \wedge F^2(v) = 0 \} \subset \mathfrak{S}_n \simeq X_n$$

and  $X_0 = Y_0 = \operatorname{Spec} k^{\operatorname{ac}}$ .

(2) Let  $p_n \colon X_n \to X_{l'}$  be the canonical projection induced by  $G_n \to G_{l'}$ . We set

$$\mathbf{X}_n = p_n^{-1}(Y_{l'}).$$

This variety  $\mathbf{X}_n$  is our main object in this paper. For an integer  $n \geq 1$ , the subvariety  $Y_n$  is stable under the action of  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{X}_n$  is stable under the action of  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ , because  $p_n$  is compatible with the canonical homomorphism  $G_n^F \times T_n^F \twoheadrightarrow G_{l'}^F \times T_{l'}^F$ .

Let  $(x, y) \in Y_n$ . By  $(x, y) \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ , we have  $y \neq 0$ . Since we have  $F^2(x/y) = x/y$ , we obtain  $x/y \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . We set t = y/x. By  $F(x)y - xF(y) \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}$ , we have

(3.3) 
$$(t^{-1} - F(t^{-1}))xF(x) = (F(t) - t)yF(y) \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}$$
$$F^2(x) = -x, \quad F^2(y) = -y.$$

Conversely, if  $(x, y) \in \mathfrak{S}_n$  satisfies the condition on the second line in (3.3), we have  $F^2(x/y) = x/y$ . Hence we have  $(x, y) \in Y_n$ . Therefore we have

(3.4) 
$$Y_n = \{(x, y) \in \mathfrak{S}_n \mid F^2(x, y) = -(x, y)\}.$$

By this,  $Y_n$  is zero-dimensional. Note that  $Y_n$  is regarded as a generalization of  $\mathfrak{S}_{00}$  in the notation of [Lus2, §3.3]. In Definition 3.3, this scheme plays a crucial role to define  $\mathbf{X}_n$ .

For an integer  $i \geq 1$ , let  $U_{K_2,n}^i \subset T_n^F$  denote the image of  $U_{K_2}^i \subset \mathfrak{O}^{\times}$  by the composite  $\mathfrak{O}^{\times} \to \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \simeq T_n^F$ . Since we have  $F(t) - t \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  by (3.3), we have  $t \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \setminus \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} U_{K_2,n}^1$ . We set

$$B_n = \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \setminus \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} U^1_{K_2, n}$$

By (3.3), we obtain the map

$$\nu_n \colon Y_n \to B_n; \quad (x, y) \mapsto x/y.$$

Let  $G_n^F$  act on  $B_n$  by

(3.5) 
$$g: B_n \to B_n; \quad t \mapsto \frac{at+c}{bt+d}$$

for  $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_n^F$ . Let  $T_n^F$  act on  $B_n$  trivially. Then  $\nu_n$  is  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -equivariant. For  $t \in B_n$ , we set  $Y_n^t = \nu_n^{-1}(t)$ . Then  $Y_n^t$  is stable under the action of  $T_n^F$ . Note that

$$|T_n^F| = q^{2(n-1)}(q^2 - 1), \quad |B_n| = q^{2n-1}(q-1).$$

For  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ , we consider the homomorphism

(3.6) 
$$\Delta_{\zeta} \colon \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \hookrightarrow G_n^F \times T_n^F; \quad x \mapsto (\iota_{\zeta}(x), x),$$

where  $\iota_{\zeta}$  is in (2.1).

LEMMA 3.4: (1) The map  $\nu_n$  is surjective.

- (2) For each  $t \in B_n$ , the action of  $T_n^F$  on  $Y_n^t$  is simply transitive.
- (3) The variety  $Y_n$  consists of  $|G_n^F| = q^{4n-3}(q-1)(q^2-1)$  closed points. The action of  $G_n^F$  on  $Y_n$  is simply transitive.
- (4) Let  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . Then,  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})$  acts on  $Y_n^{\zeta}$  trivially.

Proof. Let  $t \in B_n$ . We take an element  $y \in \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n$  such that  $F^2(y) = -y$  and set x = ty. By (3.4) we have  $(x, y) \in Y_n$ , because

$$F^{2}(x) = -x, \quad F(F(x)y - xF(y)) = F(x)y - xF(y).$$

By  $\nu_n(x, y) = t$ , the map  $\nu_n$  is surjective.

Let  $t \in B_n$ . By the first assertion we can take an element  $(x_0, y_0) \in Y_n^t$ . Let  $(x, y) \in Y_n^t$ . By (3.4) we have

$$x/y = x_0/y_0 = t$$
,  $F^2(x/x_0) = x/x_0$ ,  $F^2(y/y_0) = y/y_0$ .

Hence there exists a unique element  $\xi \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  such that  $(x, y) = (\xi x_0, \xi y_0)$ . Therefore the action of  $T_n^F$  on  $Y_n^t$  is simply transitive.

By the first and the second assertions we have

(3.7) 
$$|Y_n| = |T_n^F| |B_n| = |G_n^F|.$$

Assume that  $g \in G_n^F$  fixes  $x \in Y_n \subset \mathfrak{S}_n$ . It fixes also  $F(x) \in Y_n$ . Since  $\{x, F(x)\}$  forms a basis of  $V_n$ , we have g = 1. Thus the  $G_n^F$ -action on  $Y_n$  is free. By (3.7), the  $G_n^F$ -action on  $Y_n$  is simply transitive. Hence the third assertion follows.

Let  $\xi \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . We easily check that  $\iota_{\zeta}(\xi)$  fixes  $\zeta \in B_n$  by (3.5). Hence  $\iota_{\zeta}(\xi)$  stabilizes  $Y_n^{\zeta}$ . Recall that  $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_n^F$  acts on  $Y_n$  by  $(x, y) \mapsto (ax + cy, bx + dy)$  for  $(x, y) \in Y_n$ . Hence  $\iota_{\zeta}(\xi)$  acts on  $Y_n^{\zeta}$  by  $(x, y) \mapsto (\xi x, \xi y)$ , because  $x = \zeta y$ . By definition,  $\xi \in T_n^F$  acts on  $Y_n$  by  $(x, y) \mapsto (\xi^{-1}x, \xi^{-1}y)$ . Hence the fourth assertion follows.

In the sequel, we introduce coordinates and several functions on  $\mathbf{X}_n$  to understand this as in Lemma 3.5. For  $v = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_i \overline{\omega}^i \in V_n$  we set  $v_i = (x_i, y_i) \in (k^{\mathrm{ac}})^2$ . We define  $t_{i,j}$  by

$$v_{i-j} \wedge F(v_j) = t_{i,j}e_1 \wedge e_2$$

for  $1 \le i \le n-1$  and  $0 \le j \le i$ . Explicitly, we have

$$t_{i,j} = x_{i-j}y_j^q - y_{i-j}x_j^q.$$

We have

$$v \wedge F(v) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{i} v_{i-j} \wedge F(v_j) \varpi^i = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{i} t_{i,j} \varpi^i.$$

Hence, by Lemma 3.1 (2), the variety  $\mathbf{X}_n$  is defined by

(3.8) 
$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{l'-1} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{l'-1} y_i \varpi^i\right) \in Y_{l'},$$

(3.9) 
$$t_{0,0} \in k^{\times}, \quad \sum_{j=0}^{i} t_{i,j} \in k \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n-1$$

By (3.4) and (3.8), we have

(3.10) 
$$t_{i,j} \in k_2 \quad \text{for } 0 \le i - j, j \le l' - 1, \quad t_{2i,i} \in k \quad \text{for } 0 \le i \le l' - 1, \\ t_{i,j}^q = t_{i,i-j} \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le n - 1 \text{ and } 0 \le j \le l' - 1.$$

We set

(3.11) 
$$s_i = \sum_{j=0}^{[(i-1)/2]} t_{i,j}$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq 2l' - 1$ . By the equality on the second line in (3.10) we have

$$s_{i}^{q} + s_{i} = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^{i} t_{i,j} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd,} \\ \sum_{j=0}^{i} t_{i,j} - t_{i,i/2} & \text{if } i \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq 2l' - 1$ . Hence by (3.9) and the first line in (3.10) we have

(3.12) 
$$s_i \in k_2 \text{ for } 1 \le i \le 2l' - 1.$$

By the first assertion in (3.10) we have  $t_{l',i} \in k_2$  for  $1 \le i \le [(l'-1)/2]$ . We set  $\zeta = x_0/y_0$ . By (3.12) and the definition of  $t_{l',0}$  we have

(3.13) 
$$t_{l',0} = s_{l'} - \sum_{i=1}^{[(l'-1)/2]} t_{l',i} \in k_2,$$

(3.14) 
$$y_{l'} = \zeta^{-q} x_{l'} - x_0^{-q} t_{l',0},$$

respectively. We set

$$(3.15) \qquad \qquad \Delta_{1,n} = Y_{l'} \times k_2^{l'}.$$

By (3.12), we obtain the map

 $\mathbf{p}_n \colon \mathbf{X}_n \to \Delta_{1,n}; \quad x \mapsto (p_n(x), (s_{l'}(x), \dots, s_{2l'-1}(x))),$ 

where  $p_n$  is in Definition 3.3 (2). It is not difficult to check  $\mathbf{p}_n$  is surjective. We set

$$Z_{P,s} = \mathbf{p}_n^{-1}(P,s) \quad \text{for } (P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}.$$

Let  $Z_{\text{DL}}$  be the affine curve defined by  $(x^q y - xy^q)^{q-1} = 1$ . This curve is called the Deligne-Lusztig curve for  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ . Note that the affine curve defined by  $x^q y - xy^q = 1$  is called the Drinfeld curve (cf. [DL, p. 117]). Let  $Z_0$  be the affine curve defined by  $X^{q^2} - X = Y^{q(q+1)} - Y^{q+1}$  over  $k^{\text{ac}}$ . Note that  $Z_0$ has q connected components. For a non-negative integer i, let  $\mathbb{A}^i$  denote an i-dimensional affine space over  $k^{\text{ac}}$ .

We can completely understand  $\mathbf{X}_n$  in the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.5: We have

$$\mathbf{X}_n = \coprod_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{1,n}} Z_{P,s}$$

and an isomorphism

$$Z_{P,s} \simeq \begin{cases} Z_{\mathrm{DL}} & \text{if } n = 1, \\ \mathbb{A}^{l'} \times Z_0 & \text{if } n > 1 \text{ is odd}, \\ \mathbb{A}^{l'} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

over  $k^{\mathrm{ac}}$ .

Proof. The first equality is clear. Hence we show the latter isomorphism. The required assertion in the case where n = 1 is clear. We assume that  $n \ge 2$ . We show only the case where n is odd, because the other case is proved similarly. Let  $(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} y_i \varpi^i\right) \in \mathbb{Z}_{P,s}$ . We put

(3.16) 
$$s_{2l'} = -\sum_{i=0}^{l'-1} t_{2l',i} - \frac{x_{l'}}{x_0} t_{l',0}^q.$$

We set  $\zeta = x_0/y_0 \in k_2 \setminus k$ . We show

(3.17) 
$$s_{2l'}^q + s_{2l'} + (\zeta^{-q} - \zeta^{-1}) x_{l'}^{q+1} \in k.$$

By  $t_{l',0} \in k_2$  in (3.13) and the second line in (3.10) we have

(3.18) 
$$s_{2l'}^q + s_{2l'} = -\sum_{i=0}^{2l'} t_{2l',i} + t_{2l',l'} - \frac{x_{l'}^q}{x_0^q} t_{l',0} - \frac{x_{l'}}{x_0} t_{l',0}^q.$$

By (3.14) we have

(3.19) 
$$t_{2l',l'} = (\zeta^{-1} - \zeta^{-q})x_{l'}^{q+1} + \frac{x_{l'}^q}{x_0^q}t_{l',0} + \frac{x_{l'}}{x_0}t_{l',0}^q.$$

By the second equation in (3.9) for i = 2l', we have  $\sum_{i=0}^{2l'} t_{2l',i} \in k$ . Hence by (3.18) and (3.19) we obtain (3.17).

Note that  $\zeta^q - \zeta \neq 0$ . We set

(3.20) 
$$X = \frac{s_{2l'}}{(\zeta^q - \zeta)y_0^{q+1}}, \quad Y = \frac{x_{l'}}{\zeta^q y_0}.$$

Thus by (3.17) and  $(\zeta^q - \zeta)y_0^{q+1} \in k^{\times}$ , we obtain  $X^q + X - Y^{q+1} \in k$ . This implies that

$$X^{q^2} - X = Y^{q(q+1)} - Y^{q+1}.$$

By (3.11) and (3.20), there exists an upper triangular matrix  $A_{P,s} \in \operatorname{GL}_{l'}(k^{\operatorname{ac}})$ and a vector  $\mathbf{a}_{P,s} \in (k^{\operatorname{ac}})^{l'}$  such that

(3.21) 
$$(y_{l'}, \ldots, y_{2l'-1}) = (Y, x_{l'+1}, \ldots, x_{2l'-1})A_{P,s} + \mathbf{a}_{P,s}.$$

Hence by (3.20), there exists a vector  $(a_{l'+1}, \ldots, a_{2l'}, b_1, b_2, c) \in (k^{\mathrm{ac}})^{l'+3}$  such that

(3.22) 
$$y_{2l'} = \sum_{i=l'+1}^{2l'} a_i x_i + b_1 X + b_2 Y + c.$$

By using (3.20), (3.21) and (3.22), we know that the morphism

$$Z_{P,s} \to \mathbb{A}^{l'} \times Z_0; \quad (x,y) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{2l'} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{2l'} y_i \varpi^i\right) \mapsto \left((x_i)_{l'+1 \le i \le 2l'}, (X,Y)\right)$$

is an isomorphism.

Assume that  $n \geq 2$ . Let  $v, v' \in \mathbf{X}_n$  and  $(g, t) \in G_n^F \times T_n^F$ . We can check that

$$\mathbf{p}_n(v) = \mathbf{p}_n(v') \Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_n(t^{-1}vg) = \mathbf{p}_n(t^{-1}v'g)$$

Hence  $\Delta_{1,n}$  has the action of  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_n$  is  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -equivariant. Let  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  act on  $Y_{l'}$  through the homomorphism  $G_n^F \times T_n^F \twoheadrightarrow G_{l'}^F \times T_{l'}^F$ . The

(3.23) 
$$X_{P,s} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{Spec} k^{\operatorname{ac}} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ Z_0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$
$$X(\Delta_{1,n}) = \coprod_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{1,n}} X_{P,s}.$$

By Lemma 3.5 we have the projections

(3.24) 
$$Z_{P,s} \to X_{P,s},$$
$$\pi_n \colon \mathbf{X}_n \to X(\Delta_{1,n}).$$

Let  $v, v' \in \mathbf{X}_n$  and  $(g, t) \in G_n^F \times T_n^F$ . We can check that

$$\pi_n(v) = \pi_n(v') \Rightarrow \pi_n(t^{-1}vg) = \pi_n(t^{-1}v'g).$$

Hence  $X(\Delta_{1,n})$  admits the action of  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  such that  $\pi_n$  is  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -equivariant.

We choose a prime number  $\ell \neq p$  and fix an algebraic closure  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}$  of  $\mathbb{Q}_{\ell}$ . For a variety X over  $k^{\mathrm{ac}}$  and  $i \geq 0$ , we write  $H^i_{\mathrm{c}}(X)$  for the *i*-th étale cohomology group with compact support  $H^i_{\mathrm{c}}(X, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell})$ . We put  $d_1 = \dim X(\Delta_{1,n})$ . Since (3.24) is an affine bundle of relative dimension l' we have

(3.25) 
$$H^n_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{X}_n) \simeq H^{d_1}_{\mathbf{c}}(X(\Delta_{1,n}))$$

as  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -representations. For a positive integer i, let  $U_{\mathfrak{A}_1}^i = 1 + \mathfrak{p}^i \mathfrak{A}_1 \subset \mathfrak{A}_1^{\times}$ . We write  $N_i$  for the image of  $U_{\mathfrak{A}_1}^i$  by the canonical map  $\mathfrak{A}_1^{\times} \to G_n^F$ . Note that  $N_i$  equals the kernel of the natural homomorphism  $G_n^F \to G_i^F$ . For  $t \in B_{l'}$ , we set

$$\begin{split} \Delta_{1,n}^t &= Y_{l'}^t \times k_2^{l'} \subset \Delta_{1,n}, \\ \mathbf{X}_n^t &= \mathbf{p}_n^{-1}(\Delta_{1,n}^t) \subset \mathbf{X}_n. \end{split}$$

3.2. GROUP ACTION ON  $\mathbf{X}_n$ . To understand the cohomology of  $\mathbf{X}_n$  as  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -representations, we need to explicitly understand some group action on it.

In the following, when we consider an element  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ , we always regard  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  as a subgroup of  $G_n^F$  by  $\iota_{\zeta}$ . Assume that  $n \geq 2$ . Let  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  act on  $B_{l'}$  through the canonical homomorphism  $G_n^F \times T_n^F \to G_{l'}^F \times T_{l'}^F$ .

Lemma 3.6:

- (1) The action of  $G_n^F$  on  $B_{l'}$  is transitive. For any  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k \subset B_{l'}$ , the stabilizer of  $\zeta$  in  $G_n^F$  equals  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$ .
- (2) Let  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k \subset B_{l'}$ . The stabilizer of  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  in  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  equals  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'} \times T_n^F$ .

Proof. We show the first assertion. By Lemma 3.4 (1)–(3), the map  $\nu_{l'}$  is a  $G_{l'}^F$ -equivariant surjective map, and  $G_{l'}^F$  acts on  $Y_{l'}$  transitively. Therefore, the action of  $G_n^F$  on  $B_{l'}$  is transitive. By (3.5), we know that the subgroup  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$  fixes  $\zeta$ . Since we have

$$|G_n^F/\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}N_{l'}| = |G_{l'}^F/\mathfrak{O}_{l'}^{\times}| = |B_{l'}|$$

by (3.7), the last assertion follows.

We show the second assertion. Let  $\nu' \colon \Delta_{1,n} \to B_{l'}$  be the composite

$$\Delta_{1,n} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{pr}_1} Y_{l'} \xrightarrow{\nu_{l'}} B_{l'}.$$

Since  $\nu'$  is  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -equivariant, the stabilizer of  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  in  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  equals the stabilizer of  $\zeta \in B_{l'}$  in it. Recall that  $T_n^F$  acts on  $B_{l'}$  trivially. Hence the second assertion follows from the first one.

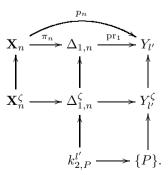
We fix an element  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . In the following, we study actions of subgroups of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'} \times T_n^F$  on  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ .

LEMMA 3.7: The action of  $T_n^F$  on  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  is transitive. Let  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ . The stabilizer of (P,s) in  $T_n^F$  equals  $U_{K_2,n}^{2l'}$ .

Proof. First, we show that, for each  $P \in Y_{l'}^{\zeta}$ , the subgroup  $U_{K_2,n}^{l'}$  acts on the subset  $k_{2,P}^{l'} = \{P\} \times k_2^{l'}$  of  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  transitively. Let  $P \in Y_{l'}^{\zeta}$  and  $t \in U_{K_2,n}^{l'}$ . We set

$$t^{-1} = 1 + \sum_{i=l'}^{n-1} a_i \varpi^i$$
 with  $a_i \in k_2$ ,  $a = (a_{l'}, \dots, a_{2l'-1}) \in k_2^{l'}$ .

We consider the cartesian diagram



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We take  $(x, y) = (\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \overline{\omega}^i, \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} y_i \overline{\omega}^i) \in \mathbf{X}_n^{\zeta}$  such that  $\pi_n(x, y) = (P, s)$ . By definition we have

(3.26) 
$$t^* x_{l'+i} = x_{l'+i} + \sum_{j=0}^{i} a_{l'+i-j} x_j, \quad t^* y_{l'+i} = y_{l'+i} + \sum_{j=0}^{i} a_{l'+i-j} y_j$$

for  $0 \leq i \leq n - l' - 1$ . By using (3.11) and (3.26), we can directly check that there exists an upper triangular matrix  $A_P = (a_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq l'} \in \operatorname{GL}_{l'}(k_2)$  such that the action of t on  $k_{2,P}^{l'}$  is given by

(3.27) 
$$t: k_{2,P}^{l'} \to k_{2,P}^{l'}; \quad (P,s) \mapsto (P, s + aA_P).$$

Hence  $U_{K_2,n}^{l'}$  acts on  $k_{2,P}^{l'}$  transitively. By Lemma 3.4 (2), the group  $T_{l'}^F$  acts on  $Y_{l'}^{\zeta}$  transitively. Let  $(P_0, s_0)$  and (P, s) be elements in  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ . We take  $t \in T_{l'}^F$  such that  $P = P_0 t$ . We take a lifting  $\tilde{t} \in T_n^F$  of t. We set

$$(P,s') = (P_0,s_0)\tilde{t}.$$

We take  $u \in U_{K_2,n}^{l'}$  such that s' = su. We have  $(P_0, s_0)\tilde{t}u = (P, s)$ . Hence we obtain the first assertion.

Assume that  $t \in T_n^F$  stabilizes (P, s). Since P is stabilized by t, we have  $t \in U_{K_2,n}^{l'}$  by Lemma 3.4 (2). By (3.27) and the assumption we have a = 0. Hence we obtain the claim.

We follow the notation in (2.6). Let Q act on  $Z_0$  by

$$g(\alpha,\beta,\gamma)\colon Z_0 \to Z_0; \quad (X,Y) \mapsto \left(X + \frac{\beta^q}{\alpha}Y + \frac{\gamma}{\alpha}, \ \alpha^{q-1}\left(Y + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^q}\right)\right)$$

for  $g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in Q$ . We consider the subgroup

$$k^{\times} \simeq \{g(\alpha, 0, 0) \in Q \mid \alpha \in k^{\times}\} \subset Q.$$

Then  $k^{\times}$  acts on  $Z_0$  trivially. For  $\gamma_0 \in k_2$ , we have the homomorphism

(3.28) 
$$f_{\gamma_0} \colon k_2^{\times} \to Q; \quad \alpha \mapsto g(\alpha, (\alpha - \alpha^q)\gamma_0, (\alpha - \alpha^q)\gamma_0^{q+1}).$$

For  $\alpha \in k^{\times}$  we have

(3.29) 
$$f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha) = g(\alpha, 0, 0) \in k^{\times}$$

Let  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ . Let  $\Delta_{\zeta}$  be as in (3.6). In the following lemma, we show that  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})$  stabilizes  $Z_{P,s}$ , and describe the action of it on  $Z_{P,s}$  with respect to  $f_{\gamma_0}$ . In particular, we know that  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})$  acts on  $Z_{P,s}$  factoring through  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}) \to \Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}/\mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}U_{K_{2,n}}^1)$ . This lemma will be used in (3.56).

LEMMA 3.8: (1) The subgroup  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})$  acts on  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  trivially.

- (2) Assume that n is odd. Let  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  and  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ . There exists an element  $\gamma_0(P,s) \in k_2$  such that
  - we have the following commutative diagram:

for any 
$$\alpha \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$$
, and  
 $-\gamma_0(P,s) = 0$  if  $t_{l',0}(P,s) = 0$ .  
If  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} U^1_{K_2,n}$ , we have  $f_{\gamma_0(P,s)}(\bar{\alpha}) \in k^{\times}$ .

Proof. Let  $(x, y) = (\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \overline{\omega}^i, \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} y_i \overline{\omega}^i) \in \mathbf{X}_n^{\zeta}$ . We have

(3.30) 
$$\begin{aligned} x_i &= \zeta y_i & \text{for } 1 \le i \le l' - 1, \\ y_{l'} &= \zeta^{-q} x_{l'} - x_0^{-q} t_{l',0} & \text{with } t_{l',0} \in k_2, \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality is (3.14). Let  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . We set  $\alpha = a + b\zeta$  with  $a, b \in \mathfrak{o}_n$ . On  $\mathbf{X}_n^{\zeta}$  we have

(3.31) 
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^* x &= ((a+b(\zeta^q+\zeta))x - b\zeta^{q+1}y)/\alpha, \\ \Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^* y &= (bx+ay)/\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

(3.32) 
$$\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^*(x-\zeta^q y) = x-\zeta^q y.$$

By Lemma 3.4 (4),  $y_j$  is fixed by  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)$  for  $1 \leq j \leq l' - 1$ . By this and (3.32), for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $0 \leq j \leq [(i-1)/2]$ , the function

$$t_{i,j} = x_{i-j}y_j^q - y_{i-j}x_j^q = y_j^q(x_{i-j} - \zeta^q y_{i-j})$$

is fixed by the action of  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)$ . Therefore, for  $l' \leq i \leq 2l' - 1$ , each  $s_i \in k_2$  in (3.11) is fixed by  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)$ . The first assertion follows from this and Lemma 3.4 (4).

We prove the second assertion. For  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} U^1_{K_2,n}$  we have  $\bar{\alpha} \in k^{\times}$ . Hence the latter assertion follows from (3.29). We show the former assertion. By (3.30)

and (3.31) we have

$$\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^* x = \frac{(a+b(\zeta^q+\zeta))x - b\zeta^{q+1}y}{\alpha} = x + \frac{b\zeta^q}{\alpha}(x-\zeta y)$$
$$\equiv \sum_{i=0}^{l'-1} x_i \varpi^i + \left(\bar{\alpha}^{q-1}x_{l'} + \frac{\bar{b}\zeta^{q+1}t_{l',0}}{\bar{\alpha}x_0^q}\right) \varpi^{l'} \mod \varpi^{l'+1}$$

Hence, by (3.31) and  $x_0 = \zeta y_0$ , we obtain

$$\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^* x_{l'} = \bar{\alpha}^{q-1} x_{l'} + \frac{b\zeta t_{l',0}}{\bar{\alpha} y_0^q}.$$

By the proof of the first assertion,  $t_{2l',i}$  for  $0 \le i \le l' - 1$  is fixed by  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)$ . By (3.16) and (3.20), we have

(3.33)  
$$\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^{*}Y = \bar{\alpha}^{q-1}Y + \frac{bt_{l',0}}{\bar{\alpha}\zeta^{q-1}y_{0}^{q+1}},$$
$$\Delta_{\zeta}(\alpha)^{*}X = X - \frac{\zeta^{q-1}\bar{b}t_{l',0}^{q}}{\bar{\alpha}y_{0}^{q+1}}Y - \frac{\bar{b}t_{l',0}^{q+1}}{\bar{\alpha}y_{0}^{2(q+1)}(\zeta^{q}-\zeta)}.$$

We set  $\gamma_0(P,s) = -t_{l',0}/(\zeta^{q-1}y_0^{q+1}(\zeta^q-\zeta))$ . By using  $\bar{\alpha} - \bar{\alpha}^q = \bar{b}(\zeta - \zeta^q)$  and  $y_0^{q^2} = -y_0$ , we can easily check that

$$(\bar{\alpha} - \bar{\alpha}^{q})\gamma_{0}(P, s) = \frac{\bar{b}t_{l',0}}{\zeta^{q-1}y_{0}^{q+1}}, \quad ((\bar{\alpha} - \bar{\alpha}^{q})\gamma_{0}(P, s))^{q} = -\frac{\zeta^{q-1}\bar{b}t_{l',0}^{q}}{y_{0}^{q+1}},$$
$$(\bar{\alpha} - \bar{\alpha}^{q})\gamma_{0}(P, s)^{q+1} = -\frac{\bar{b}t_{l',0}^{q+1}}{y_{0}^{2(q+1)}(\zeta^{q} - \zeta)}.$$

Hence we obtain the claim by (3.33).

For an integer  $i \geq 1$ , let  $\mathfrak{C}_{1,i}$  be the image of  $\mathfrak{C}_1$  by  $\mathfrak{A}_1 \to \mathrm{M}_2(\mathfrak{o}_i)$ . Let  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . The decomposition (2.2) induces  $\mathrm{M}_2(\mathfrak{o}_i) \simeq \mathfrak{O}_i \oplus \mathfrak{C}_{1,i}$ . Let  $s_{\zeta,i} \colon \mathrm{M}_2(\mathfrak{o}_i) \to \mathfrak{O}_i$  be the first projection. Explicitly, we have

(3.34) 
$$s_{\zeta,i} \colon \mathrm{M}_2(\mathfrak{o}_i) \to \mathfrak{O}_i; \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \frac{\zeta^q(b\zeta+d) - (a\zeta+c)}{\zeta^q - \zeta}$$

Let  $H_{1,\zeta,n}^0 \subset H_{1,\zeta,n}$  be as in §2.2. Explicitly, we have

(3.35) 
$$H_{1,\zeta,n}^{0} = 1 + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{l} \mathfrak{C}_{1,n-l} \subset H_{1,\zeta,n} = 1 + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{n-1} + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{l'} \mathfrak{C}_{1,n-l'} \subset N_{l'}.$$

In the following lemma, we determine the stabilizer of  $(P, s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  in  $G_n^F$  and describe its action on  $Z_{P,s}$ . The action of the stabilizer factors through the

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finite Heisenberg group  $Q_0$  in (2.6). The lemma plays an important role when we will show Lemma 3.12. The property (c) below is important when we relate  $\mathbf{X}_n$  to a curve on the right-hand side of (5.2) which admits an action of the multiplicative group of the linking order introduced in §2.2.

LEMMA 3.9: Let  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ .

(1) The stabilizer of (P, s) in  $G_n^F$  equals

$$\begin{cases} H^0_{1,\zeta,n} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ H_{1,\zeta,n} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

(2) Assume that n is odd. Then  $H_{1,\zeta,n}$  acts on  $Z_{P,s}$  factoring through  $H_{1,\zeta,n} \to H_{1,\zeta,n}/H^0_{1,\zeta,n}$ . Furthermore, there exists an isomorphism

$$\phi_{1,\zeta,P,s} \colon H_{1,\zeta,n} / H_{1,\zeta,n}^0 \simeq Q_0$$

such that

(a) for  $g \in H_{1,\zeta,n}/H^0_{1,\zeta,n}$  we have the commutative diagram

- (b)  $\phi_{1,\zeta,P,s}(g) = g(1,0,s_{\zeta,1}(g_0))$  for  $g = 1 + \varpi^{n-1}g_0 \in N_{n-1}$  with  $g_0 \in M_2(k)$ , and
- (c)  $\phi_{1,\zeta,P,s}$  corresponds to  $\phi_{1,\zeta}$  in (2.13) for any  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  which satisfies

$$(3.36) t_{l',0}(P,s) = 0.$$

*Proof.* We prove the first assertion. Let

$$g = 1 + \varpi^{l'} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in N_{l'}, \quad (x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} y_i \varpi^i\right) \in \mathbf{X}_n^{\zeta}.$$

We have

(3.37) 
$$g^*x = x + \varpi^{l'}(ax + cy), \quad g^*y = y + \varpi^{l'}(bx + dy).$$

Recall that

$$t_{i,j} = y_j^q (x_{i-j} - \zeta^q y_{i-j})$$
 for  $1 \le i \le n-1$  and  $0 \le j \le [(i-1)/2]$ .

We have

$$\varpi^{l'}(x-\zeta y) \equiv 0 \mod \varpi^{2l'}.$$

Let  $s_{\zeta,l'}$  be as in (3.34) and  $g_0 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . By (3.37) we have

Let  $g \in G_n^F$  be an element such that (P, s)g = (P, s). By P = Pg and Lemma 3.4 (3) we have  $g \in N_{l'}$ . By the assumption g stabilizes each  $s_i$  for  $l' \leq i \leq 2l'-1$ . Let  $1 \leq i \leq [(l'-1)/2]$  be an integer. Since  $t_{l',i}$  is a function of  $x_j$  and  $y_j$  for  $0 \leq j \leq l'-1$ , the function  $t_{l',i}$  is fixed by g. Since  $s_{l'}$  is so,  $t_{l',0}$  is so by (3.11). Repeating similar arguments, we can check that the function  $t_{i,0} = y_0^q(x_i - \zeta^q y_i)$  for any  $l' \leq i \leq 2l'-1$  is also stabilized by g. Hence  $x_i - \zeta^q y_i$  is so for  $l' \leq i \leq 2l'-1$ . Therefore we have  $g^*(x - \zeta^q y) \equiv x - \zeta^q y \mod \varpi^{2l'}$ . Hence, we must have

$$s_{\zeta,l'}(g_0) \equiv 0 \mod \varpi^{l'}$$

by (3.38). Hence the first assertion follows.

We prove the second assertion. Assume that n is odd. Let h(a, b) be as in (2.3). Let  $\gamma_0(P, s)$  be as in Lemma 3.8. For

$$g = 1 + \sum_{i=l'}^{n-1} \varpi^i h(a_i, b_i) + \varpi^{n-1} \xi \in H_{1,\zeta,n}$$
 with  $a_i, b_i \in k$  and  $\xi \in k_2$ ,

we set

$$\begin{split} \eta(P,s,g) &= (a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta)\gamma_0(P,s)^q - (a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta)^q\gamma_0(P,s) \in k_2, \\ \phi_{1,\zeta,P,s} \colon H_{1,\zeta,n}/H^0_{1,\zeta,n} \simeq Q_0; \quad g \mapsto g(1,a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta,\eta(P,s,g) + \xi). \end{split}$$

We check that this satisfies (b) and (c). First, we consider (b). Let  $g = 1 + \varpi^{n-1}g_0$ be as in (b). We have  $g = 1 + \varpi^{n-1}h(a_{n-1}, b_{n-1}) + \varpi^{n-1}s_{\zeta,1}(g_0)$  with some  $a_{n-1}, b_{n-1} \in k$ . Hence we have the claim. Secondly, we consider (c). Let  $(P, s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  be an element such that  $t_{l',0}(P, s) = 0$ . We have  $\gamma_0(P, s) = 0$  by Lemma 3.8 (2). Hence we have the claim.

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In the sequel we show the commutativity in (a). Let  $(x, y) \in Z_{P,s}$ . We have

$$g^* x_{l'} = x_{l'} + (a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta)\zeta^q y_0,$$
  

$$g^* (x_i - \zeta^q y_i) = x_i - \zeta^q y_i \quad \text{for } 0 \le i \le 2l' - 1,$$
  

$$g^* (x_{2l'} - \zeta^q y_{2l'}) = x_{2l'} - \zeta^q y_{2l'} - (a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta)^q (x_{l'} - \zeta y_{l'}) - y_0(\zeta^q - \zeta)\xi,$$

where we use (3.37) at the first equality, the second one is proved in the proof of the first assertion, and the third one follows from (3.38). Hence we obtain  $g^*t_{2l',i} = t_{2l',i}$  for  $1 \le i \le l'-1$ . Hence by (3.16), (3.20) and the second equality in (3.30) we have

$$g^*Y = Y + a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta,$$
  
$$g^*X = X + (a_{l'} + b_{l'}\zeta)^q Y + \eta(P, s, g) + \xi.$$

Hence the claim follows.

The following fact will be used in  $\S5$ .

COROLLARY 3.10: The action of  $G_n^F$  on  $\Delta_{1,n}$  is transitive.

*Proof.* We take  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$  and  $\delta_1 = (P, s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ . Assume that n is odd. By Lemma 3.9 (1), we have the injective map

(3.39) 
$$H_{1,\zeta,n} \backslash G_n^F \hookrightarrow \Delta_{1,n}; \quad H_{1,\zeta,n}g \mapsto \delta_1 g.$$

By

$$\begin{split} |H_{1,\zeta,n} \backslash G_n^F| = & |G_{l'}^F| |N_{l'}/H_{1,\zeta,n}| \\ = & |G_{l'}^F| |M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'})/\mathfrak{C}_{1,l'}| \\ = & q^{3(n-2)}(q-1)(q^2-1) = |\Delta_{1,n}| \end{split}$$

the map (3.39) is surjective. Hence we obtain the claim.

Assume that n is even. By Lemma 3.9 (1) and

$$|H^0_{1,\zeta,n} \setminus G^F_n| = |\Delta_{1,n}| = q^{3(n-1)}(q-1)(q^2-1)$$

the group  $G_n^F$  acts on  $\Delta_{1,n}$  transitively.

Finally, we write down the group action of  $G_1^F \times T_1^F$  on  $\mathbf{X}_1 = X_1 \simeq Z_{\text{DL}}$ . Let  $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_1^F$  and  $t \in T_1^F$ . Then (g, t) acts on  $\mathbf{X}_1$  by

(3.40) 
$$(g,t): \mathbf{X}_1 \to \mathbf{X}_1; \quad (x,y) \mapsto (t^{-1}(ax+cy), t^{-1}(bx+dy)).$$

3.3. PRELIMINARIES. We collect some well-known facts on the first cohomology of the curve  $Z_0$ . We fix an isomorphism  $k_2 \xrightarrow{\sim} Z(Q_0)$ ;  $\gamma \mapsto g(1,0,\gamma)$ . For a finite abelian group A, we write  $A^{\vee}$  for  $\operatorname{Hom}(A, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times})$ . We regard  $k^{\vee}$  as a subset of  $k_2^{\vee}$ by the dual of the trace map  $\operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k} : k_2 \twoheadrightarrow k$ . For each character  $\psi' \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}$ , which is regarded as a character of  $Z(Q_0)$ , there exists a unique q-dimensional irreducible representation  $\tau_{\psi'}$  of Q such that

• 
$$\tau_{\psi'}|_{Z(Q_0)} \simeq \psi'^{\oplus q}$$
, and

• Tr 
$$\tau_{\psi'}(g(\alpha, 0, 0)) = -1$$
 for  $\alpha \in k_2 \setminus k$ 

(cf. [BH, Lemma in §22.2] and [T2, Lemma 4.14]). We regard  $k^{\times}$  as a subgroup of Q by  $k^{\times} \hookrightarrow Q$ ;  $\alpha \mapsto g(\alpha, 0, 0)$ . As  $k^{\times}$ -representations we have

(3.41) 
$$\tau_{\psi'}|_{k^{\times}} \simeq \mathbf{1}^{\oplus q},$$

where **1** is the trivial character of  $k^{\times}$ . We have an isomorphism

(3.42) 
$$H^1_{\rm c}(Z_0) \simeq \bigoplus_{\psi' \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}} \tau_{\psi'}$$

as *Q*-representations (cf. [T2, Lemma 4.16.1]). Let  $\gamma_0 \in k_2$ . We consider the map (3.28). To understand the restriction  $\tau_{\psi'}|_{f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times})}$  as in (3.45), we need the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.11: Let  $\psi' \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}$ . We have

$$\operatorname{Tr} \tau_{\psi'}(f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha)) = -1$$

for all  $\alpha \in k_2 \setminus k$ .

*Proof.* For  $\xi \in k$ , let  $Z_{0,\xi}$  be the affine smooth connected curve defined by  $X^q + X = Y^{q+1} + \xi$  over  $k^{\text{ac}}$ . Recall that  $Z_0 = \coprod_{\xi \in k} Z_{0,\xi}$ . We consider the projective smooth curve

$$\overline{Z}_{\xi} = \{ (S:T:U) \in \mathbb{P}^2_{k^{\mathrm{ac}}} \mid S^q U + SU^q = T^{q+1} + \xi U^{q+1} \}.$$

We have the open immersion  $Z_{0,\xi} \hookrightarrow \overline{Z}_{\xi}$ ;  $(X,Y) \mapsto (X : Y : 1)$ . We set  $\overline{Z} = \coprod_{\xi \in k} \overline{Z}_{\xi}$ , which contains  $Z_0$  as an open subscheme. Let  $\eta \in k_2$  and  $\alpha \in k_2 \setminus k$ , and set  $\zeta = \alpha^{q-1} \neq 1$ . The action of  $g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha)$  on  $Z_0$  is given by

$$(X,Y) \mapsto (X + (\zeta - 1)\gamma_0^q (Y - \gamma_0) + \eta, \zeta Y + (1 - \zeta)\gamma_0).$$

This action naturally extends to the one on  $\overline{Z}$ . One can check that the multiplicity of any fixed point of  $g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha)$  on  $\overline{Z}$  is one. The set of fixed points of  $g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha)$  on  $Z_0$  equals

$$\begin{cases} \prod_{\xi \in k} \{ (X, \gamma_0) \in \mathbb{A}^2_{k^{\mathrm{ac}}} \mid X^q + X = \gamma_0^{q+1} + \xi \} & \text{if } \eta = 0, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Hence, by [Del, Corollaire 5.4 in Rapport], we have

(3.43) 
$$\operatorname{Tr}(g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha); H^*_{\mathrm{c}}(Z_0)) = \begin{cases} q^2 & \text{if } \eta = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We set

$$M = \ker \operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k}$$
.

Let  $\pi_0(Z_0)$  be the set of connected components of  $Z_0$ . As above, we have  $\pi_0(Z_0) \simeq k$ . Hence we have  $H^2_c(Z_0) \simeq \bigoplus_{\chi \in k^{\vee}} \chi$  as k-representations. We can easily check that  $f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha)$  acts on  $\pi_0(Z_0)$  trivially, and  $g(1,0,\eta)$  acts on it as multiplication by  $\operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k}(\eta)$ . Hence we have

(3.44) 
$$\operatorname{Tr}(g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha); H^2_c(Z_0)) = \sum_{\chi \in k^{\vee}} \chi(\operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k}(\eta)) = \begin{cases} q & \text{if } \eta \in M, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that  $H_c^0(Z_0) = 0$ . By (3.43) and (3.44) we obtain

$$\operatorname{Tr}(g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha); H^1_c(Z_0)) = \begin{cases} -q(q-1) & \text{if } \eta = 0, \\ q & \text{if } \eta \in M \setminus \{0\}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We have  $\psi'|_M \neq 1$  by the assumption  $\psi' \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}$ . Let  $H^1_c(Z_0)[\psi']$  be the  $\psi'$ -isotypic part of  $H^1_c(Z_0)$ . By (3.42) we have  $H^1_c(Z_0)[\psi'] \simeq \tau_{\psi'}$ . Therefore we have

$$\operatorname{Tr} \tau_{\psi'}(f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha)) = \operatorname{Tr}(f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha); H^1_{\operatorname{c}}(Z_0)[\psi']) = \frac{1}{q^2} \sum_{\eta \in k_2} \psi'^{-1}(\eta) \operatorname{Tr}(g(1,0,\eta)f_{\gamma_0}(\alpha); H^1_{\operatorname{c}}(Z_0)) = \frac{1}{q^2} \left( -q(q-1) + q \sum_{\eta \in M \setminus \{0\}} \psi'^{-1}(\eta) \right) = -1.$$

Hence the assertion follows.

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We write  $\mu_{q+1}$  for the abelian group  $\{x \in k_2^{\times} \mid x^{q+1} = 1\}$ . We regard  $\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee}$  as a character of  $f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times})$  via the homomorphism

$$\pi \colon f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times}) \to \mu_{q+1}; \quad f_{\gamma_0}(x) \mapsto x^{q-1}$$

The kernel of  $\pi$  equals the subgroup  $k^{\times} \subset Q$ . The image of  $f_{\gamma_0}(k_2 \setminus k)$  by  $\pi$  equals  $\mu_{q+1} \setminus \{1\}$ . By (3.41), the action of  $f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times})$  on  $\tau_{\psi'}|_{f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times})}$  factors through  $\pi$ . Hence for each  $\gamma_0 \in k_2$ , we have

(3.45) 
$$\tau_{\psi'}|_{f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times})} \simeq \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}} \chi$$

as  $f_{\gamma_0}(k_2^{\times})$ -representations, because both sides have the same trace by Lemma 3.11.

In the sequel, we consider the subgroup  $N_l \subset G_n^F$  and describe characters of it. Note that  $N_l$  is abelian. We take a *K*-embedding  $K_2 \hookrightarrow M_2(K)$ . We have the isomorphism  $N_l \simeq M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'})$ ;  $1 + \varpi^l x \mapsto x \mod \mathfrak{p}^{l'}$ . For a character  $\chi \colon \mathfrak{o} \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}$ , the conductor exponent of  $\chi$  means the least integer  $r \ge 0$  such that  $\chi|_{\mathfrak{p}^r} = 1$ . Let  $\psi \colon \mathfrak{o} \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}$  be a character of conductor exponent *n*. For an element  $\beta \in M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'})$  we consider the character

$$\psi_{\beta} \colon N_l \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}; \quad g \mapsto \psi(\operatorname{Tr}(\beta(g-1))).$$

We have the isomorphism

$$\kappa \colon \mathrm{M}_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Hom}(N_l, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}); \quad \beta \mapsto \psi_{\beta}$$

The group  $G_n^F$  acts on  $M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'})$  by conjugation. By the above isomorphism,  $G_n^F$  acts on  $\operatorname{Hom}(N_l, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times})$  by  $\psi_{\beta} \mapsto \psi_{\beta}^g$  with  $\psi_{\beta}^g(x) = \psi_{\beta}(g^{-1}xg)$ . We have the commutative diagram

where the right vertical arrow is induced by the inclusion  $U_{K_{2,n}}^{l} \hookrightarrow N_{l}$ .

Let  $\omega \in (T_n^F)^{\vee}$ . We take an element  $\beta \in \mathfrak{O}_{l'}$  such that  $\psi_{\beta}|_{U_{K_2,n}^l} = \omega|_{U_{K_2,n}^l}$ . We define a character  $\sigma_{\omega}$  of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_l$  by

(3.46) 
$$\sigma_{\omega}(xu) = \omega(x)\psi_{\beta}(u)$$

for  $x \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  and  $u \in N_l$ .

Now we assume that  $n \ge 2$ . Let  $t \in B_{l'}$ . Recall that  $\mathbf{X}_n^t$  is open and closed in  $\mathbf{X}_n$ . We set

$$W_t = H^n_{\rm c}(\mathbf{X}^t_n) \subset H^n_{\rm c}(\mathbf{X}_n).$$

Let  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . We put

$$\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta} = \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'} \times T_n^F \subset G_n^F \times T_n^F,$$

where  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  is regarded as a subgroup of  $G_n^F$  by  $\iota_{\zeta}$  as before. We regard  $\zeta$  as an element of  $B_{l'}$ . Recall that  $\mathbf{p}_n$  is  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -equivariant. Then  $\mathbf{X}_n^{\zeta}$  admits the action of  $\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}$  by Lemma 3.6 (2). Hence we can regard  $W_{\zeta}$  as a representation of  $\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}$ .

Assume that n is even. By n = 2l', the action of  $T_n^F$  on  $\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  is simply transitive by Lemma 3.7. By Lemma 3.8 (1), we have

(3.47) 
$$W_{\zeta}|_{\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \times T_n^F} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)^{\vee}} \omega \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations. We regard

 $\operatorname{Hom}_{T_n^F}(\omega^{-1}, W_{\zeta})$ 

as a representation of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$ . This is a character of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$  which is an extension of  $\omega$  by (3.47). Hence this is isomorphic to  $\sigma_{\omega}$ . Therefore we have

(3.48) 
$$W_{\zeta} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)^{\vee}} \sigma_{\omega} \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}$ -representations. By Lemma 3.6 (2), the stabilizer of  $W_{\zeta}$  in  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ equals  $\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}$ . The subspaces  $\{W_t\}_{t \in B_{l'}}$  are permuted transitively by  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ . Hence, by [Se, Proposition 19 in §7.2], we have isomorphisms

(3.49)  
$$H^{n}_{c}(\mathbf{X}_{n}) \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_{n}^{F})^{\vee}} \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}}^{G_{n}^{F} \times T_{n}^{F}} (\sigma_{\omega} \otimes \omega^{-1})$$
$$\simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_{n}^{F})^{\vee}} (\operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{S}_{n}^{X} N_{l'}}^{G_{n}^{F}} \sigma_{\omega}) \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $G_n^F \times T_n^F\text{-}\mathrm{representations}.$ 

We assume that n is odd until (3.59). By (3.25), we have

(3.50) 
$$W_{\zeta} \simeq \bigoplus_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}} H^1_{c}(X_{P,s}) \subset H^n_{c}(\mathbf{X}_n) \simeq \bigoplus_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{1,n}} H^1_{c}(X_{P,s})$$

For an element  $\beta \in M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'})$ , we write  $\overline{\beta} \in M_2(k)$  for the image of it by the canonical map  $M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'}) \twoheadrightarrow M_2(k)$ . In the following lemma, we understand characters of  $N_{l'+1}$  appearing in  $W_{\zeta}$ .

LEMMA 3.12: Let  $\beta \in M_2(\mathfrak{o}_{l'})$ . Assume that the character  $\psi_\beta$  of  $N_{l'+1}$  appears in  $W_\zeta$ .

(1) We have  $\beta \in \mathfrak{O}_{l'}^{\times}$  and  $\overline{\beta} \in k_2 \setminus k$ . The reduction  $\overline{\beta}$  is conjugate to the matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1\\ -\operatorname{Nr}_{k_2/k}(\bar{\beta}) & \operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k}(\bar{\beta}) \end{pmatrix} \in \operatorname{M}_2(k).$$

(2) The stabilizer  $\{g \in G_n^F \mid \psi_\beta^g = \psi_\beta\}$  equals  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$ .

Proof. Since n is odd, we have l = l' + 1 and n = 2l' + 1. We set  $\beta = \beta_0 + \beta_1$ with  $\beta_0 \in \mathfrak{O}_{l'}$  and  $\beta_1 \in \mathfrak{C}_{1,l'}$ . By the former assertion in Lemma 3.9 (2), the subgroup  $H^0_{1,\zeta,n}$  acts on  $W_{\zeta}$  trivially. By the assumption and (3.35), we have  $\psi_{\beta}(1 + \varpi^{l'+1}h) = 1$  for any  $h \in \mathfrak{C}_{1,l'}$ . By  $\operatorname{tr}(\beta_0 h) = 0$ , we have

(3.51) 
$$\psi(\varpi^{l'+1}\operatorname{tr}(\beta_1 h)) = \psi(\operatorname{tr}(\varpi^{l'+1}\beta h)) = \psi_\beta(1 + \varpi^{l'+1}h) = 1$$

for any  $h \in \mathfrak{C}_{1,l'}$ . We put  $\beta_1 = h(a, b)$  with  $a, b \in \mathfrak{o}_{l'}$  in the notation of (2.3). Assume that  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ . By  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ , we can check that the image of the map

$$\mathfrak{C}_{1,l'} \to \mathfrak{o}_{l'}; \quad h \mapsto \operatorname{tr}(\beta_1 h)$$

equals the ideal (a, b), and this ideal contains  $\mathfrak{p}^{l'-1}/\mathfrak{p}^{l'}$  by  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ . Hence, by (3.51), we have  $\psi(\mathfrak{p}^{n-1}) = 1$ . Since  $\psi$  has conductor exponent n, this is a contradiction. Hence we have  $\beta_1 = 0$ . Therefore we have  $\beta = \beta_0 \in \mathfrak{O}_{l'}$ . By (3.42), we have an isomorphism

(3.52) 
$$H^1_{\rm c}(Z_0) \simeq \bigoplus_{\chi \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}} \chi^{\oplus q}$$

as  $Z(Q) \simeq k_2$ -representations. By (3.52), there exists  $\chi \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}$  such that

$$\psi_{\beta}(1 + \varpi^{2l'}g_0) = \chi(s_{\zeta,1}(g_0))$$

for  $g_0 \in M_2(k)$  by Lemma 3.9 (2). By  $s_{\zeta,1}(x_0) = x_0$  for  $x_0 \in k_2$ , we have

(3.53) 
$$\psi_{\beta}(1 + \varpi^{2l'} x_0) = \chi(x_0)$$

for  $x_0 \in k_2$ . We identify  $\mathfrak{p}^{n-1}/\mathfrak{p}^n$  with k by  $\varpi^{n-1}x \mapsto x$  for  $x \in k$ . We set

$$\psi_0 = \psi|_{\mathfrak{p}^{n-1}/\mathfrak{p}^n \simeq k} \in k^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}.$$

The left-hand side of (3.53) equals  $\psi_0 \circ \operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k}(\bar{\beta}x_0)$ . Hence, by (3.53) and  $\chi \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}$ , we have  $\bar{\beta} \in k_2 \setminus k$ . We set  $\bar{\beta} = a + b\zeta$  with  $a, b \in k$ . By  $\bar{\beta} \in k_2 \setminus k$  we have  $b \in k^{\times}$ . Let  $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ a+b(\zeta+\zeta^q) \end{pmatrix} \in G_1^F$ . Then,  $M\bar{\beta}M^{-1}$  equals B. Therefore the first assertion follows.

The second assertion follows from the first one and  $[Sta, \S2.1]$ .

The following lemma is a well-known result on representation theory of a finite Heisenberg group.

LEMMA 3.13 ([BF, (8.3.3) Proposition]): Let G be a finite group and N a normal subgroup such that G/N is an elementary abelian p-group. Let  $\chi$  be a character of N, which is stabilized by G. Define an alternating bilinear form

$$h_{\chi} \colon G/N \times G/N \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}; \quad (g_1, g_2) \mapsto \chi([g_1, g_2]) = \chi(g_1 g_2 g_1^{-1} g_2^{-1}).$$

Assume that  $h_{\chi}$  is non-degenerate. Then there exists a unique up to isomorphism irreducible representation  $\rho_{\chi}$  such that  $\rho_{\chi}|_N$  contains  $\chi$ . The representation  $\rho_{\chi}$  has degree  $[G:N]^{1/2}$  and the restriction  $\rho_{\chi}|_N$  is a multiple of  $\chi$ .

COROLLARY 3.14 ([Sta, §4.2]): Let  $\psi_{\beta}$  be a character of  $N_l$  appearing in  $W_{\zeta}$ . Let  $\tilde{\psi}_{\beta}$  be a character of  $U^1_{K_{2,n}}N_l$  which is an extension of  $\psi_{\beta}$ . Then there exists a unique irreducible representation  $\rho_{\tilde{\psi}_{\beta}}$  of  $U^1_{K_{2,n}}N_{l'}$  of degree q containing  $\tilde{\psi}_{\beta}$ . We have

$$\rho_{\widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}}|_{U^{1}_{K_{2},n}N_{l}}\simeq\widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}^{\oplus q}$$

Moreover, every irreducible representation of  $U^1_{K_2,n}N_{l'}$  containing  $\psi_{\beta}$  has this form.

Proof. We set  $G = U_{K_2,n}^1 N_{l'}$ ,  $N = U_{K_2,n}^1 N_l$  and  $\chi = \tilde{\psi}_{\beta}$ . By applying Lemma 3.13 as in [Sta, §4.2] we obtain the assertions.

Definition 3.15: We identify  $U_{K_{2,n}}^{n-1}$  with  $k_2$  by  $1 + \varpi^{n-1}x \mapsto x$  for  $x \in k_2$ . For a character  $\omega \in (\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})^{\vee}$ , we say that  $\omega$  is **strongly primitive** if the restriction  $\omega|_{U_{K_{2,n}}^{n-1}}$  does not factor through the trace map  $\operatorname{Tr}_{k_2/k} \colon k_2 \to k$ . In this definition, we follow [AOPS, Definition 5.2]. Note that this definition does not depend on the choice of the uniformizer  $\varpi$ . We write  $(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})_{\text{stp}}^{\vee}$  for the set of all strongly primitive characters of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . Note that

$$|(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}| = q^{2n-3}(q-1)(q^2-1).$$

For a strongly primitive character  $\omega$ , we consider the restriction

$$\sigma_{\omega}|_{U^1_{K_2,n}N_l} \colon U^1_{K_2,n}N_l \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}$$

of  $\sigma_{\omega}$  in (3.46). We obtain the representation  $\rho_{\sigma_{\omega}|_{U_{K_2,n}^1 N_l}}$  of  $U_{K_2,n}^1 N_{l'}$  by Corollary 3.14, for which we simply write  $\rho_{\omega}$ . Note that the isomorphism class of  $\rho_{\omega}$  depends only on  $\omega|_{U_{K_2,n}^1}$ .

Let  $\Delta_{\zeta} \colon \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \to \mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}^{\zeta}$  be the diagonal map in (3.6). We consider (3.50). For each  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ , the subspace  $H_c^1(X_{P,s})$  of  $W_{\zeta}$  is stable under the action of  $\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} U_{K_{2,n}}^1)$  by Lemma 3.8 (1). Recall that  $k^{\times} \subset Q$  acts on  $X_{P,s}$  trivially. By the latter assertion in Lemma 3.8 (2), the restriction  $W_{\zeta}|_{\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} U_{K_{2,n}}^1)}$  is trivial. We fix the isomorphism

$$\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}/\mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}U^1_{K_2,n}\xrightarrow{\sim}\mu_{q+1};\quad \alpha\mapsto\bar{\alpha}^{q-1}.$$

By this, the restriction  $W_{\zeta}|_{\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})}$  can be regarded as a  $\mu_{q+1}$ -representation. Recall that

$$W_{\zeta} \simeq \bigoplus_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}} H^1_{\mathrm{c}}(X_{P,s}).$$

By Lemma 3.4 (2) we have  $|\Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}| = q^{2(n-2)}(q^2 - 1)$ . Hence have

$$|k_2^\vee \setminus k^\vee||\Delta_{1,n}^\zeta| = |(T_n^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^\vee|.$$

By Lemma 3.8 (2), (3.42) and (3.45), the representation  $W_{\zeta}|_{\Delta_{\zeta}(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})}$  is isomorphic to

(3.54) 
$$\bigoplus_{\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}} \chi^{|(T_n^F)_{\text{stp}}^{\vee}|}$$

as  $\mu_{q+1}$ -representations. We identify  $U_{K_2,n}^{n-1}$  with  $k_2$  by  $1 + \varpi^{n-1}x \mapsto x$  for  $x \in k_2$ . Let  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$ . By the latter assertion in Lemma 3.7, we can regard  $H_c^1(X_{P,s})$  as a representation of  $\{1\} \times U_{K_2,n}^{n-1}$ . Note that  $W_{\zeta}|_{\Delta_{\zeta}(U_{K_2,n}^{n-1})}$  is trivial by (3.54). By the property (b) in Lemma 3.9 (2) and (3.52), we have

$$H^1_{\mathbf{c}}(X_{P,s}) \simeq \bigoplus_{\psi' \in k_2^{\vee} \setminus k^{\vee}} \psi'^q$$

(3.55) 
$$W_{\zeta}|_{\{1\}\times T_n^F} \simeq \operatorname{Ind}_{U_{K_2,n}^{n-1}}^{T_n^F} H^1_{c}(X_{P,s}) \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} \omega^{\oplus q}$$

as  $T_n^F$ -representations. By (3.54) and (3.55), we have an isomorphism

(3.56) 
$$W_{\zeta}|_{\mathfrak{O}_{n}^{\times} \times T_{n}^{F}} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_{n}^{F})_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}} \omega \chi \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations, where  $\chi$  is considered as a character of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  through  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \to \mu_{q+1}$ ;  $\alpha \mapsto \bar{\alpha}^{q-1}$ . For a strongly primitive character  $\omega$  we put

$$\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega} = \operatorname{Hom}_{T_n^F}(\omega^{-1}, W_{\zeta}),$$

which is regarded as a representation of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$ . Since  $W_{\zeta}$  contains only strongly primitive characters by (3.56), we have an isomorphism

(3.57) 
$$W_{\zeta} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega} \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}$ -representations.

LEMMA 3.16: The  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} N_{l'}$ -representation  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}$  is irreducible and satisfies

• 
$$\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{U^{1}_{K_{2},n}N_{l'}} \simeq \rho_{\omega}$$
 and  
•  $\operatorname{Tr} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}(\zeta') = -\omega(\zeta')$  for  $\zeta' \in k_{2} \setminus k$ 

Proof. Let  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \subset G_n^F$ . By (3.56), we have an isomorphism

(3.58) 
$$\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{\mathfrak{O}_{n}^{\times}} \simeq \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}} w\chi.$$

Let  $\zeta' \in k_2 \setminus k$ . We have  $\sum_{\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}} \chi(\zeta'^{q-1}) = -1$  by  $\zeta'^{q-1} \neq 1$ . By (3.58) we have  $\operatorname{Tr} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}(\zeta') = -\omega(\zeta')$ . Since  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}$  is contained in  $W_{\zeta}$ , there exists  $\beta \in \mathfrak{O}_{l'}^{\vee} \setminus \mathfrak{o}_{l'}^{\times}$  such that  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}$  contains the character  $\psi_{\beta}$  of  $N_l$  by Lemma 3.12. By dim  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega} = q$  and Corollary 3.14, there exists a character  $\widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}$  of  $U_{K_{2,n}}^1 N_l$  which is an extension of  $\psi_{\beta}$  such that  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{U_{K_{2,n}}^1 N_{l'}} \simeq \rho_{\widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}}$ . The irreducibility of  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}$  follows from the irreducibility of  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{U_{K_{2,n}}^1 N_{l'}} \simeq \rho_{\widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}}$  in Corollary 3.14. We have

$$\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{U^1_{K_2,n}N_l} \simeq \rho_{\widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}}|_{U^1_{K_2,n}N_l} \simeq \widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}^{\oplus q}.$$

By (3.58), we have  $\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{U^{1}_{K_{2},n}} = \omega|_{U^{1}_{K_{2},n}}^{\oplus q}$ . Hence we have  $\omega|_{U^{1}_{K_{2},n}} = \widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}|_{U^{1}_{K_{2},n}}$ . Therefore, for  $x \in U^{1}_{K_{2},n}$  and  $y \in N_{l}$ , we have

$$\sigma_{\omega}(xy) = \omega(x)\psi_{\beta}(y) = \widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}(x)\psi_{\beta}(y) = \widetilde{\psi}_{\beta}(xy).$$

Hence we obtain  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\omega}|_{U^{1}_{K_{2,n}}N_{l'}} \simeq \rho_{\omega}$  by the uniqueness in Corollary 3.14. *Remark 3.17:* See [AOPS, Lemma 5.6], [BH, Proposition in §19.4] and [Sta,

Remark 3.17: See [AOPS, Lemma 5.6], [BH, Proposition in §19.4] and [§4.2] for more details on  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\omega}$ .

By the former assertion in Lemma 3.6 (1), we know that the subspaces  $\{W_t\}_{t\in B_{l'}}$  are permuted transitively by  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$  and the stabilizer of  $W_{\zeta}$  equals  $\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}$ . Hence, by (3.57), we have isomorphisms

(3.59) 
$$H^n_{\rm c}(\mathbf{X}_n) \simeq \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}_{n,\zeta}}^{G_n^F \times T_n^F} W_{\zeta} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\rm stp}^{\vee}} (\operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{S}_n^{\times} N_{l'}}^{G_n^F} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}) \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -representations.

For each  $\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\text{stp}}^{\vee}$  we set

(3.60) 
$$\pi_{\omega} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{S}_{n}^{\times}N_{l'}}^{G_{n}^{F}} \sigma_{\omega} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{S}_{n}^{\times}N_{l'}}^{G_{n}^{F}} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Note that we have dim  $\pi_{\omega} = q^{n-1}(q-1)$ . The isomorphism class of  $\pi_{\omega}$  does not depend on the embedding  $\iota_{\zeta} \colon \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \hookrightarrow G_n^F$ . The representation  $\pi_{\omega}$  is called a **strongly cuspidal** representation of  $G_n^F$  in [AOPS, §5]. In the case GL(2), strongly cuspidal is equivalent to cuspidal by [AOPS, Theorem A]. Hence, in Introduction, we simply call  $\pi_{\omega}$  cuspidal. This representation is irreducible. This class of representations is described also in [Onn, §6.2] and [Sta, §4.2]. Let  $H_c^n(\mathbf{X}_n)_{\rm stp}$  be the maximal subspace of  $H_c^n(\mathbf{X}_n)$  consisting of strongly primitive characters of  $T_n^F$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.18:** Let  $n \ge 2$  be a positive integer. Then we have an isomorphism

$$H^n_{\rm c}(\mathbf{X}_n)_{\rm stp} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T^F_n)^{\vee}_{\rm stp}} \pi_{\omega} \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $G_n^F \times T_n^F$ -representations.

*Proof.* The required assertion follows from (3.49) and (3.59).

Remark 3.19: (1) If n is odd, as in (3.59), we have  $H_c^n(\mathbf{X}_n)_{stp} = H_c^n(\mathbf{X}_n)$ . On the other hand, if n is even, this does not hold as in (3.49).

- (2) The above proposition is regarded as a geometric realization of the correspondence in [AOPS, Theorem 5.10] for GL(2) and o of characteristic p. The correspondence is a generalization of the Green correspondence ω ↔ π<sub>ω</sub> in Lemma 3.20 in the case GL(2). See also [AOPS, Introduction].
- (3) Let  $\sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(K_2/K)$  be the non-trivial character. Then we have  $\pi_{\omega} \simeq \pi_{\omega^{\sigma}}$ .

Recall the cohomology of  $\mathbf{X}_1 = Z_{\mathrm{DL}}$ . We regard  $(k^{\times})^{\vee}$  as a subgroup of  $(k_2^{\times})^{\vee}$ by the dual of the norm map  $k_2^{\times} \to k^{\times}$ . We write  $H_c^1(Z_{\mathrm{DL}})_{\mathrm{stp}}$  for the maximal subspace on which  $k_2^{\times}$  acts not factoring through the norm map  $k_2^{\times} \to k^{\times}$ . For any  $\omega \in (k_2^{\times})^{\vee} \setminus (k^{\times})^{\vee}$ , there exists an irreducible cuspidal representation  $\pi_{\omega}$ (cf. [BH, §6.4]). We identify  $k_2^{\times} \simeq T_1^F$  as before. We set

$$(T_1^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee} = (k_2^{\times})^{\vee} \setminus (k^{\times})^{\vee}.$$

The following is well-known as the Deligne–Lusztig theory for  $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , which gives a geometric realization of the Green correspondence in this case.

LEMMA 3.20: We have an isomorphism

$$H^1_{\rm c}(\mathbf{X}_1)_{\rm stp} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_1^F)_{\rm stp}^{\vee}} \pi_{\omega} \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $G_1^F \times T_1^F$ -representations.

*Proof.* This is a special case of the Deligne–Lusztig theory in [DL] (cf. (3.40), [T2, §4.3] and [Y]).

Remark 3.21: (1) As in Remark 3.19 (2), we have  $\pi_{\omega} \simeq \pi_{\omega^{\sigma}}$  for  $\omega \in (T_1^F)_{\text{stp}}^{\vee}$ . (2) See [BH, §6.4] for more details on cuspidal representations of  $G_1^F$ .

## 4. Deligne–Lusztig variety for $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$

We use the same notation for the quaternion algebra D at the beginning of §2.2. In this section, we define a closed subvariety of the Deligne–Lusztig variety for  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  and compute its cohomology. Analysis in this section is very analogous to the one in §3. Our main result in this section is Proposition 4.12. 4.1. DELIGNE-LUSZTIG VARIETY FOR  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  AND ITS SUBVARIETY. Let n be a positive integer. Let  $G'_n$  be the group consisting of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ such that  $c \in \varpi \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_{n-1}$  and  $a, d \in \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n^{\times}$  and  $b \in \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_{n-1}$ . We regard this as an affine variety over  $k^{\mathrm{ac}}$ . By  $\varpi \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_{n-1} \subset \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n$  we have a determinant map

$$\det\colon G'_n\to \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n^\times$$

Let

$$V_n = \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n \oplus \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_{n-1}, \quad V'_n = \varpi \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_{n-1} \oplus \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n, \quad V''_n = \widetilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n^{\oplus 2}.$$

These  $V_n$  and  $V'_n$  admit actions of  $G'_n$  by right multiplication. We have the canonical surjective map  $V''_n \twoheadrightarrow V_n$  and the injective map  $V''_n \hookrightarrow V''_n$ . Let  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  be the canonical basis of  $V''_n$ . Let F be as in (3.1). We define morphisms

$$F': V_n \to V'_n; \quad xe_1 + ye_2 \mapsto \varpi F(y)e_1 + F(x)e_2,$$
  
$$F': G'_n \to G'_n; \ g \mapsto \varphi' F(g){\varphi'}^{-1},$$

where  $\varphi' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \varpi & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Explicitly, we have

$$F'(g) = \begin{pmatrix} F(d) & F(c)\varpi^{-1} \\ \varpi F(b) & F(a) \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G'_n.$$

Note that we have

$$\det F'(g) = F(\det g) \quad \text{for } g \in G'_n,$$
  

$$F'(vg) = F'(v)F'(g) \quad \text{in } V'_n \text{ for } v \in V_n \text{ and } g \in G'_n.$$

On the other hand, for elements  $v \in V_n$  and  $w \in V'_n$ , we define an element  $v \wedge w$  in  $\bigwedge^2 V''_n \simeq \tilde{\mathfrak{o}}_n(e_1 \wedge e_2)$  by  $\tilde{v} \wedge w$  for any lifting  $\tilde{v} \in V''_n$  of v. This is well-defined. In the same manner, for elements  $v \in V_n$  and  $w \in \varpi V_n$ , by considering  $\varpi V_n \subset V''_n$ , we can define  $v \wedge w \in \bigwedge^2 V''_n$ .

We set

$$T_n^F = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t & 0\\ 0 & F(t) \end{pmatrix} \in G'_n \mid t \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \right\}$$

and fix an isomorphism

(4.1) 
$$\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \simeq T_n^F; \quad t \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} t & 0\\ 0 & F(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

This group  $T_n^F$  equals the one defined before and is denoted by the same letter. Let  $U'_n$  be the group of upper triangular matrices in  $G'_n$  with 1's on the diagonal.

Then we set

$$X_n^D = \{ g \in G'_n \mid F'(g)g^{-1} \in U'_n \},\$$

which we call the **Deligne–Lusztig variety** for  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  (cf. [Lus, §2]). Let  $G_n'^{F'}$  denote the set of F'-fixed points in  $G'_n$ . Then we have

$$G_n^{\prime F'} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a, b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & F(b) \\ \varpi b & F(a) \end{pmatrix} \in G_n^{\prime} \mid a \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}, \ b \in \mathfrak{O}_{n-1} \right\}.$$

Recall that  $a\varphi = \varphi F(a)$  for  $a \in \mathfrak{O}_n$ . We fix an isomorphism

$$G_n^{\prime F'} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}; \quad [a,b] \mapsto a + \varphi b.$$

Let  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$  act on  $X_n^D$  by  $x \mapsto txd$  for  $x \in X_n^D$  and  $(d,t) \in \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ . The reduced norm map  $\operatorname{Nrd}_{D/K} : D^{\times} \to K^{\times}$  induces

$$\operatorname{Nrd}_{D/K} \colon \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \to \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}.$$

LEMMA 4.1: (1) We have

$$\begin{aligned} X_n^D &= \left\{ g = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ \varpi F(y) & F(x) \end{pmatrix} \in G'_n \mid \det g \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times} \right\} \\ &\simeq \mathfrak{S}_n^D = \{ v = (x, y) = xe_1 + ye_2 \in V_n \mid v \wedge F'(v) \in \mathfrak{o}_n^{\times}(e_1 \wedge e_2) \}; \\ g \mapsto e_1 g. \end{aligned}$$

(2) Let  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$  act on  $\mathfrak{S}_n^D$  through the isomorphism in 1. For  $t \in T_n^F$ ,  $v \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$  and  $d \in \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$ , we have

$$vd \wedge {F'}^2(vd) = \operatorname{Nrd}_{D/K}(d)(v \wedge {F'}^2(v)),$$
$$tv \wedge {F'}^2(tv) = t^2(v \wedge {F'}^2(v)).$$

*Proof.* The claims follow from direct computations. We omit the details.

Note that we have dim  $X_n^D = n$ . As before, we set l = [(n + 1)/2] and l' = [n/2].

Definition 4.2: (1) We set

$$Y_n^D = \{ v \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D \mid v \wedge {F'}^2(v) = 0 \} \subset \mathfrak{S}_n^D \simeq X_n^D.$$

(2) Let  $p_n^D \colon X_n^D \to X_l^D$  be the canonical projection. Then we put

$$\mathbf{X}_n^D = (p_n^D)^{-1} (Y_l^D).$$

Let

$$(x,y) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} y_{i+1} \varpi^i\right) \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D.$$

Explicitly,  $Y_n^D$  is defined by

$$x_0 \in k_2^{\times}, \quad x_i, y_i \in k_2 \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le n-1$$

Hence, this variety is 0-dimensional and consists of  $q^{4(n-1)}(q^2-1)$  closed points. By Lemma 4.1 (2), the variety  $Y_n^D$  is stable under the action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ . It equals the image of  ${G'}_n^{F'} \subset X_n^D$  by the isomorphism  $X_n^D \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ . Hence, the  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$ -action on it is simply transitive. We consider the surjective map

$$\nu_n^D \colon Y_n^D \to B_n^D = \mathfrak{O}_{n-1}; \quad (x,y) \mapsto y/x$$

Let  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  act on  $B_n^D$  by

(4.2) 
$$a + b\varphi \colon B_n^D \to B_n^D; \quad t \mapsto \frac{F(a)t + F(b)}{\varpi bt + a}$$

for  $a + \varphi b \in \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$ , where *a* is regarded as an element of  $\mathfrak{O}_{n-1}$  by the canonical map  $\mathfrak{O}_n \to \mathfrak{O}_{n-1}$ . Let  $T_n^F$  act on  $B_n^D$  trivially. Then  $\nu_n^D$  is  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -equivariant. For  $t \in B_n^D$  we set

$$Y_{n,t}^D = (\nu_n^D)^{-1}(t) \subset Y_n^D.$$

The scheme  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$  admits an action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ , because  $p_n^D$  is compatible with the canonical homomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{2l-1}^{\times} \times T_l^F$  and  $Y_l^D$  is stable under the action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2l-1}^{\times} \times T_l^F$ . Let

$$(x,y) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} y_{i+1} \varpi^i\right) \in V_n.$$

The variety  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$  is defined by

(4.3) 
$$\sum_{j=0}^{i} x_{j}^{q} x_{i-j} - \sum_{j=1}^{i} y_{j}^{q} y_{i+1-j} \in k \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le n-1,$$
$$x_{0} \in k_{2}^{\times}, \quad x_{i}, y_{i} \in k_{2} \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le l-1.$$

We put

(4.4) 
$$s_{i} = \sum_{j=0}^{[(i-1)/2]} x_{j}^{q} x_{i-j} - \sum_{j=1}^{[i/2]} y_{j}^{q} y_{i+1-j} \text{ for } l' \le i \le n-1.$$

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Let

$$I = \{ i \in \mathbb{Z} \mid l \le i \le 2(l-1) \}.$$

By (4.3), for  $l' \leq i \leq n-1$ , we can check that

$$(4.5) s_i^q + s_i = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^i x_j^q x_{i-j} - \sum_{j=1}^i y_j^q y_{i+1-j} - x_{i/2}^{q+1} & \text{if } i \text{ is even,} \\ \sum_{j=0}^i x_j^q x_{i-j} - \sum_{j=1}^i y_j^q y_{i+1-j} + y_{(i+1)/2}^{q+1} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have  $s_i \in k_2$  for all  $i \in I$  by (4.3). We set

(4.6) 
$$\Delta_{2,n} = Y_l^D \times k_2^I$$

We obtain the surjective map

$$\mathbf{p}_n^D \colon \mathbf{X}_n^D \to \Delta_{2,n}; \quad x \mapsto (p_n^D(x), (s_i(x))_{i \in I}).$$

We can check that  $\Delta_{2,n}$  admits the action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_n^D$  is  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -equivariant. We set

$$Z_{P,s}^D = (\mathbf{p}_n^D)^{-1}(P,s) \quad \text{for } (P,s) \in \Delta_{2,n}.$$

LEMMA 4.3: We have

$$\mathbf{X}_n^D = \coprod_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{2,n}} Z_{P,s}^D$$

and an isomorphism

$$Z^{D}_{P,s} \simeq \begin{cases} \mathbb{A}^{l-1} \times Z_0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \mathbb{A}^{l-1} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* We prove only the case where n is even. We have l = l' and n = 2l. By (4.5) we have

$$s_{2l-1}^q + s_{2l-1} - y_l^{q+1} \in k.$$

By setting

(4.7) 
$$X = \frac{s_{2l-1}}{x_0^{q+1}}, \quad Y = \frac{y_l}{x_0},$$

we have  $X^q + X - Y^{q+1} \in k$ . By (4.4) and (4.7), there exists an upper matrix  $A_{P,s} \in \mathcal{M}_{l-1}(k_2)$  and  $\mathbf{a}_{P,s} \in k_2^{l-1}$  such that

(4.8) 
$$(x_l, \ldots, x_{2l-2}) = (Y, y_{l+1}, \ldots, y_{2l-2})A_{P,s} + \mathbf{a}_{P,s}.$$

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By (4.7) and (4.8) there exists a vector  $(a_{l+1}, \ldots, a_{2l-2}, b_1, b_2, c) \in k_2^{l+1}$  such that

(4.9) 
$$x_{2l-1} = \sum_{i=l+1}^{2l-2} a_i y_i + b_1 X + b_2 Y + c.$$

By (4.7), (4.8) and (4.9), we know that the morphism

$$Z_{P,s} \to \mathbb{A}^{l-1} \times Z_0; \quad \left(\sum_{i=0}^{2l-1} x_i \varpi^i, \sum_{i=0}^{2l-2} y_{i+1} \varpi^i\right) \mapsto ((y_i)_{l+1 \le i \le 2l-1}, (X, Y))$$

is an isomorphism. Hence the required assertion follows.

Remark 4.4: Compare Lemma 4.3 with Lemma 3.5. For varieties X and Y over  $k^{\mathrm{ac}}$ , we write  $X \sim Y$  if  $X \simeq Y \times \mathbb{A}^i$  with some non-negative integer *i*. Let n > 1 be an integer. By the lemmas we have

$$Z_{P,s} \sim \begin{cases} Z_0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \\ \text{Spec } k^{\text{ac}} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \end{cases} \quad \text{for } (P,s) \in \Delta_{1,n},$$
$$Z_{P,s}^D \sim \begin{cases} Z_0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \text{Spec } k^{\text{ac}} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \end{cases} \quad \text{for } (P,s) \in \Delta_{2,n}.$$

This is asymmetric with respect to the parity of n. This causes the asymmetry mentioned in [BH, §54.8].

For  $t \in B_n^D$ , we put

$$\begin{split} \Delta_{2,n}^t &= Y_{l,t}^D \times k_2^{l-1} \subset \Delta_{2,n}, \\ \mathbf{X}_n^{D,t} &= (\mathbf{p}_n^D)^{-1} (\Delta_{2,n}^t) \subset \mathbf{X}_n^D \end{split}$$

Let

(4.10)  
$$X_{P,s}^{D} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{Spec} k^{\operatorname{ac}} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \\ Z_{0} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$
$$X(\Delta_{2,n}) = \coprod_{\delta_{2} \in \Delta_{2,n}} X_{P,s}^{D}.$$

By Lemma 4.3 we have the projections

(4.11) 
$$Z^{D}_{P,s} \to X^{D}_{P,s},$$
$$\mathbf{X}^{D}_{n} \to X(\Delta_{2,n}).$$

We can check that  $X(\Delta_{2,n})$  admits the action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$  such that (4.11) is  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -equivariant. We set  $d_2 = \dim X(\Delta_{2,n})$ . Since (4.11) is an affine bundle of relative dimension l-1, we have an isomorphism

$$H^{n-1}_{\mathrm{c}}(\mathbf{X}^{D}_{n}) \simeq H^{d_2}_{\mathrm{c}}(X(\Delta_{2,n}))$$

as  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations.

4.2. GROUP ACTION ON  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$ . We study group action on  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$  similarly as in §3.2. Let  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$  act on  $Y_l^D$  and  $B_l^D$  through the canonical homomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F \to \mathcal{O}_{2l-1}^{\times} \times T_l^F$ .

LEMMA 4.5: The action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  on  $B_l^D$  is transitive. The stabilizer of  $0 \in B_l^D$ in  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  equals  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} U_D^{2l-1}$ .

Proof. The group  $\mathcal{O}_{2l-1}^{\times}$  acts on  $Y_l^D$  transitively. Since  $\nu_l^D$  is an  $\mathcal{O}_{2l-1}^{\times}$ -equivariant surjective map,  $\mathcal{O}_{2l-1}^{\times}$  acts on  $B_l^D$  transitively. By (4.2), we can know the stabilizer of 0.

Since  $T_n^F$  acts on  $B_l^D$  trivially, the stabilizer of  $\Delta_{2,n}^0$  in  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$  equals  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} U_D^{2l-1} \times T_n^F$ .

LEMMA 4.6: The action of  $T_n^F$  on  $\Delta_{2,n}^0$  is transitive. For  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{2,n}^0$ , its stabilizer in  $T_n^F$  equals  $U_{K_2,n}^{2l-1}$ .

Proof. The group  $T_l^F$  acts on  $Y_{l,0}^D$  transitively. Hence, to prove the first assertion, it suffices to show that, for each  $P \in Y_{l,0}^D$ , the subgroup  $U_{K_2,n}^l \subset T_n^F$  acts on the subset  $k_{2,P}^I = \{P\} \times k_2^I \subset \Delta_{2,n}^0$  transitively (cf. the proof of Lemma 3.7). Let  $P \in Y_{l,0}^D$  and  $t \in U_{K_2,n}^l$ . We put

$$t = 1 + \sum_{i=l}^{n-1} a_i \varpi^i \quad \text{with } a_i \in k_2,$$
$$s = (s_i)_{i \in I}, \quad a = (a_i)_{i \in I} \in k_2^I.$$

We can check that there exists an upper triangular matrix  $B_P \in \operatorname{GL}_{l-1}(k_2)$ such that t acts on  $k_{2,P}^I$  by

(4.12) 
$$k_{2,P}^{I} \to k_{2,P}^{I}; \quad (P,s) \mapsto (P,s+aB_{P}).$$

Hence  $U_{K_{2,n}}^{l}$  acts on  $k_{2,P}^{I}$  transitively. Therefore the first assertion follows. If t stabilizes  $(P, s) \in \Delta_{2,n}^{0}$ , we have a = 0 by (4.12). Hence the latter assertion follows.

(4.13) 
$$y_i = 0 \text{ for } 1 \le i \le l-1$$

on  $\mathbf{X}_{n}^{D,0}$ .

- LEMMA 4.7: (1) The action of the subgroup  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  in  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  on  $\Delta_{2,n}^0$  equals the one of  $T_n^F$ .
  - (2) Assume that n is even. For  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  and  $(P,s) \in \Delta_{2,n}^0$  we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{c} Z^{D}_{P,s} & \xrightarrow{(\alpha, \alpha^{-1})} & Z^{D}_{P,s} \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X^{D}_{P,s} & \xrightarrow{g(\bar{\alpha}, 0, 0)} & X^{D}_{P,s} \end{array}$$

Proof. We simply write  $\alpha'$  for  $(\alpha, \alpha^{-1}) \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \times T_n^F$ . We have

(4.14)  $\alpha'^* x = x, \quad \alpha'^* y = (F(\alpha)/\alpha)y.$ 

By this, yF(y) is fixed by the action of  $\alpha'$ . Hence  $s_i$  for  $i \in I$  is so. Hence the first assertion follows.

We prove the second assertion. We assume that n is even. By the above argument  $s_{2l-1}$  is also fixed by  $\alpha'$ . By (4.13) and (4.14) we have  $\alpha'^* y_l = \bar{\alpha}^{q-1} y_l$ , and hence

$$\alpha'^* X = X, \quad \alpha'^* Y = \bar{\alpha}^{q-1} Y$$

by (4.7). Hence the required assertion follows.

Let  $H_{2,n}^0 \subset H_{2,n}$  be as in §2.2. Explicitly, we have

$$H_{2,n}^{0} = 1 + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{n} + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{l'} \mathfrak{C}_{2} \subset H_{2,n} = 1 + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{n-1} + \mathfrak{p}_{K_{2}}^{l-1} \mathfrak{C}_{2} \subset U_{D}^{2l-1}.$$

LEMMA 4.8: Let  $(P,s) \in \Delta^0_{2,n}$ .

(1) The stabilizer of (P, s) in  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  equals

$$\begin{cases} H_{2,n}^0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \\ H_{2,n} & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

(2) Assume that n is even. The group  $H_{2,n}$  acts on  $Z_{P,s}^D$  factoring through  $H_{2,n} \to H_{2,n}/H_{2,n}^0$ . Let  $H_{2,n}/H_{2,n}^0$  act on  $X_{P,s}^D = Z_0$  through the

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isomorphism  $\phi_2: H_{2,n}/H_{2,n}^0 \simeq Q_0$  in (2.14). For each  $d \in H_{2,n}/H_{2,n}^0$ , we have the commutative diagram

Proof. Let  $(x, y) \in X_{P,s}^D$  and

$$d = 1 + \varpi^{l} a + \varphi^{2l-1} b \in U_D^{2l-1} \quad \text{with } a, b \in \mathfrak{O}.$$

We have

(4.15) 
$$d^*x = x + \varpi^l(ax + by), \quad d^*y = y + \varpi^{l-1}(F(b)x + \varpi F(a)y).$$

For  $i \in I$ , by (4.13), we have  $s_i = \sum_{j=0}^{[(i-1)/2]} x_j^q x_{i-j}$ . We set

$$a = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \varpi^i \in \mathfrak{O}, \quad \mathbf{s} = (s_i)_{i \in I}, \quad \mathbf{a} = (a_i)_{i \in I} \in k_2^I.$$

Then, by (4.13) and (4.15), there exists an upper triangular matrix  $A_P \in \operatorname{GL}_{l-1}(k_2)$  such that the action of d on  $k_{2,P}^I$  is given by

(4.16) 
$$k_{2,P}^{I} \to k_{2,P}^{I}; \quad (P, \mathbf{s}) \mapsto (P, \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{a}A_{P}).$$

Assume that  $d \in \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  stabilizes (P, s). Since d stabilizes P we have  $d \in U_D^{2l-1}$ . By (4.16), we must have  $\mathbf{a} = 0$ . Hence, we obtain the first assertion.

We prove the second assertion. Assume that n is even. Let

$$d = 1 + \varpi^{2l-1}a + \varphi^{2l-1}b \in H_{2,n} \quad \text{with } a = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \varpi^i, \quad b = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i \varpi^i \in \mathfrak{O}$$

and  $(x, y) \in Z_{P,s}^D$ . By (4.15), we have

$$d^*x_i = x_i \quad \text{for } l \le i \le 2l - 2,$$
  
$$d^*x_{2l-1} = x_{2l-1} + b_0 y_l + a_0 x_0, \quad d^*y_l = y_l + b_0^q x_0$$

Note that  $s_{n-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} x_i^q x_{2l-1-i}$ . Therefore, by (4.7), we have

$$d^*X = X + b_0Y + a_0, \quad d^*Y = Y + b_0^q.$$

Hence the required assertion follows.

COROLLARY 4.9: The action of  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  on  $\Delta_{2,n}$  is transitive.

*Proof.* We take an element  $\delta_2 \in \Delta^0_{2,n}$ . Assume that n is even. By Lemma 4.8 (1) we have the injective map

(4.17) 
$$H_{2,n} \setminus \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \hookrightarrow \Delta_{2,n}; \quad H_{2,n}d \mapsto \delta_2 d.$$

By

$$\begin{aligned} |H_{2,n} \setminus \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}| &= |\mathcal{O}_{2l'-1}^{\times}| |U_D^{2l'-1}/H_{2,n}| \\ &= |\mathcal{O}_{2l'-1}^{\times}| |\mathfrak{O}_{l'-1}| \\ &= q^{3(n-2)}(q^2 - 1) = |\Delta_{2,n}| \end{aligned}$$

the map (4.17) is surjective. Hence we obtain the claim.

Assume that n is odd. By Lemma 4.8 (1) and

$$|H_{2,n}^0 \setminus \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}| = |\Delta_{2,n}| = q^{3(n-1)}(q^2 - 1)$$

we obtain the claim in the same way as above.

4.3. COHOMOLOGY OF  $\mathbf{X}_n^D$ . In the sequel, we describe characters of the abelian subgroup  $U_D^n \subset \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$  similarly as in the end of §3.3. We fix an isomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_D^n$ ;  $x \mapsto 1 + \varphi^n x$ . Fix a non-trivial additive character  $\psi : \mathfrak{o} \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}$ of conductor exponent *n*. Let  $\operatorname{Trd}_{D/K} : D \to K$  be the reduced trace map. For any  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{n-1}$ , let

$$\psi_{\beta}^{D}: U_{D}^{n} \to \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}; \quad x \mapsto \psi(\operatorname{Trd}_{D/K}(\beta(x-1))).$$

We have the isomorphism  $\kappa \colon \mathcal{O}_{n-1} \simeq \operatorname{Hom}(U_D^n, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}); \ \beta \mapsto \psi_{\beta}^D$ . Then we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}_{n-1} & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & \operatorname{Hom}(U_D^n, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}) \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ \mathcal{O}_{l'} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \operatorname{Hom}(U_{K_2}^l, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}^{\times}), \end{array}$$

where the right vertical arrow is induced by the inclusion  $U_{K_2}^l \hookrightarrow U_D^n$ . Let  $\omega \in (T_n^F)^{\vee}$ . We write  $\psi_{\beta}$  with some  $\beta \in \mathfrak{O}_{l'}$  for the restriction  $\omega|_{U_{K_2}^l}$ . Then we obtain a character  $\psi_{\beta}^D$  of  $U_D^n$ . We define a character  $\omega$  of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} U_D^n$  by

(4.18) 
$$\sigma^D_\omega(xu) = \omega(x)\psi^D_\beta(u)$$

for  $x \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  and  $u \in U_D^n$ . See also [BF, (6.5.2)].

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For each  $t \in B_n^D$  we set

$$W_t^D = H_c^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_n^{D,t}) \subset H_c^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_n^D).$$

First, we consider the case where n is odd. In the same way as (3.48), by using Lemma 4.6 and Lemma 4.7 (1), we have an isomorphism

$$W_0^D|_{\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}U_D^n \times T_n^F} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)^{\vee}} \sigma_{\omega}^D \otimes \omega$$

as  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} U_D^n \times T_n^F$ -representations, where  $\omega$  is the character of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} U_D^n$  in (4.18). In the same way as (3.49), by Lemma 4.5, we obtain an isomorphism

(4.19) 
$$H^{n-1}_{c}(\mathbf{X}_{n}^{D}) \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_{n}^{F})^{\vee}} (\operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{O}_{n}^{\times} U_{D}^{n}}^{\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\vee}} \sigma_{\omega}^{D}) \otimes \omega$$

as  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations.

Secondly, we consider the case where n is even. In the sequel we analyze the cohomology  $H_c^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_n^D)$ . We have an isomorphism

$$H^{n-1}_{\mathrm{c}}(\mathbf{X}^{D}_{n}) \simeq \bigoplus_{(P,s)\in\Delta_{2,n}} H^{1}_{\mathrm{c}}(X^{D}_{P,s}).$$

We have dim  $H_{c}^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_{n}^{D}) = q^{3n-4}(q-1)(q^{2}-1).$ 

By Lemmas 4.6 and 4.8 (2) we have an isomorphism

$$W_0^D|_{\{1\}\times T_n^F} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} \omega^{\oplus q}.$$

Hence, by Lemma 4.7, we obtain

$$W_0^D|_{\mathfrak{S}_n^{\times} \times T_n^F} \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee} \setminus \{1\}} \chi \omega \otimes \omega$$

as  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations. Here,  $\chi \in \mu_{q+1}^{\vee}$  is regarded as a character of  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  by  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \to \mu_{q+1}$ ;  $a \mapsto \bar{a}^{q-1}$ .

For a strongly primitive character  $\omega$  we set

$$\widetilde{\sigma}^D_{\omega} = \operatorname{Hom}_{T_n^F}(\omega, W_0^D).$$

LEMMA 4.10: The representation  $\tilde{\sigma}^{D}_{\omega}$  is irreducible and satisfies

- $\widetilde{\sigma}^D_{\omega}|_{U^1_{K_2,n}U^n_D}$  is a q-multiple of the character  $\sigma^D_{\omega}|_{U^1_{K_2,n}U^n_D}$  and
- Tr  $\widetilde{\sigma}^{D}_{\omega}(\zeta) = -\omega(\zeta)$  for  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ .

*Proof.* The required assertion is proved in the same way as Lemma 3.16.

Remark 4.11: See [BF, §9] or [BH, Lemma 2 in §54.6 and §54.8] on  $\tilde{\sigma}^D_{\omega}$ .

We have

$$W_0^D \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_n^F)_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^D \otimes \omega$$

as  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} U_D^{n-1} \times T_n^F$ -representations. By Lemma 4.5, we obtain

(4.20)  
$$H_{c}^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_{n}^{D}) \simeq \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{S}_{n}^{\times}U_{D}^{n-1}\times T_{n}^{F}}^{\mathcal{O}_{2}^{\times}}W_{0}^{D}$$
$$\simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (T_{n}^{F})_{\operatorname{stp}}^{\vee}} (\operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{S}_{n}^{\times}U_{D}^{n-1}}^{\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}}\widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^{D}) \otimes \omega$$

as  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations. We set

(4.21) 
$$\rho_{\omega}^{D} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{D}_{n}^{\times}U_{D}^{D-1}}^{\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}} \widetilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^{D} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathfrak{D}_{n}^{\times}U_{D}^{D}}^{\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}} \sigma_{\omega}^{D} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

We have dim  $\rho_{\omega}^D = q^{n-1}$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.12:** Let  $n \ge 1$  be a positive integer. We have an isomorphism

$$H^{n-1}_{\rm c}(\mathbf{X}^D_n)_{\rm stp} \simeq \bigoplus_{w \in (T^F_n)_{\rm stp}^{\vee}} \rho^D_{\omega} \otimes \omega$$

as  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representations.

*Proof.* The required assertion follows from (4.19) and (4.20). 

Remark 4.13: Similarly as in Remark 3.19, we note that

$$H_{\rm c}^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_n^D)_{\rm stp} = H_{\rm c}^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_n^D)$$

when n is even.

In the lemma below, we check that  $\rho_{\omega}^{D}$  is irreducible by formal arguments on the basis of known results. As a result, we know that the isomorphism in Proposition 4.12 gives an irreducible decomposition of  $H_{\rm c}^{n-1}(\mathbf{X}_n^D)_{\rm stp}$  as an  $\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \times T_n^F$ -representation.

LEMMA 4.14: The representation  $\rho_{\omega}^{D}$  is irreducible.

*Proof.* We have the surjective homomorphism

$$g \colon K_2^{\times} \mathcal{O}_D^{\times} = K^{\times} \mathcal{O}_D^{\times} \to \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}; \quad \varpi^m x \mapsto \bar{x} \quad \text{with } x \in \mathcal{O}_D^{\times},$$

where  $\bar{x}$  denotes the image of x by  $\mathcal{O}_D^{\times} \to \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$ . We consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K_{2}^{\times}\mathcal{O}_{D}^{\times} & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times} \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ K_{2}^{\times}U_{D}^{n} & \xrightarrow{g'} & \mathcal{O}_{n}^{\times}U_{D}^{n}, \end{array}$$

where g' is the restriction of g to  $K_2^{\times} U_D^n$ . Assume that n is even. Let  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^{\prime D}$  be the inflation of  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^D$  by g'. It is known that  $\operatorname{Ind}_{K_2^{\times} U_D^n}^{D^{\times}} \tilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^{\prime D}$  is irreducible by [BH, Proposition (1) in §54.4]. We set  $\tilde{\rho}' = \operatorname{Ind}_{K_2^{\times} U_D^n}^{K_2^{\times} \mathcal{O}_D^{\times}} \tilde{\sigma}_{\omega}^{\prime D}$ . Since  $\tilde{\rho}'$  is semisimple, this is irreducible. Let  $\tilde{\rho}_{\omega}^D$  be the inflation of  $\rho_{\omega}^D$  by g. By the Frobenius reciprocity, we have

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{K_{2}^{\times}\mathcal{O}_{D}^{\times}}(\widetilde{\rho}',\widetilde{\rho}_{\omega}^{D})\simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}}(\rho_{\omega}^{D},\rho_{\omega}^{D})\neq 0.$$

Since  $\tilde{\rho}'$  is irreducible, we have an injective  $K_2^{\times} \mathcal{O}_D^{\times}$ -equivariant homomorphism  $\tilde{\rho}' \to \tilde{\rho}_{\omega}^D$ . Since both sides have the same dimension, this is an isomorphism. Hence  $\tilde{\rho}_{\omega}^D$  is irreducible and  $\rho_{\omega}^D$  is so. Also in the case where *n* is odd, we can show that  $\rho_{\omega}^D$  is irreducible in the same manner.

## 5. Conjecture on stable reduction of Lubin-Tate curve

Let  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$  be the Lubin-Tate curve with Drinfeld level  $\mathbf{p}^n$ -structures. In this section, we state a conjecture on "unramified components" in the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$ . See Introduction for these components. The cohomology of these components is related to cupspidal representations of  $\mathrm{GL}_2(K)$  which are constructed from admissible pairs  $(K_2/K, \xi)$ , where  $\xi$  is some smooth character of  $K_2^{\times}$ , in the sense of [BH, Theorem in §20.2]. These cuspidal representations are called unramified in [BH, §20.1]; which we recall the definition in §5.2. In this sense, we call these irreducible components unramified. To state a conjecture, we construct a curve based on  $X(\Delta_{1,n})$  and  $X(\Delta_{2,n})$  in §5.1. The curve is very similar to a stable curve considered in [W1]. 5.1. CONSTRUCTION OF CURVE. Let  $n \ge 1$  be a positive integer. We set l = [(n+1)/2] and l' = [n/2] as before. Recall that we set

$$\Delta_{1,n} = Y_{l'} \times k_2^{l'}, \quad \Delta_{2,n} = Y_l^D \times k_2^{l-1}$$

in (3.15) and (4.6) respectively. We set

$$\mathbf{G}_n = G_n^F \times \mathcal{O}_{2n-1}^{\times}$$

Let  $X(\Delta_{1,n})$  and  $X(\Delta_{2,n})$  be as in (3.23) and (4.10) respectively. We write  $T_{1,n}^F$ (resp.  $T_{2,n}^F$ ) for  $T_n^F$  acting on  $X(\Delta_{1,n})$  in §3 (resp.  $X(\Delta_{2,n})$  in §4). Note that  $T_{1,n}^F$  and  $T_{2,n}^F$  are the same group (cf. (3.2) and (4.1)).

We consider the product  $X(\Delta_{1,n}) \times X(\Delta_{2,n})$  having the action of

$$\mathbf{G}_n \times T_{1,n}^F \times T_{2,n}^F.$$

Let  $\Delta: \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times} \hookrightarrow T_{1,n}^F \times T_{2,n}^F$  be the anti-diagonal map defined by  $t \mapsto (t, t^{-1})$  for  $t \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . Let

$$Y_n = (X(\Delta_{1,n}) \times X(\Delta_{2,n})) / \Delta(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}).$$

Let  $\mathbb{X}_n = (\mathbf{X}_n \times \mathbf{X}_n^D) / \Delta(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})$  be as in Introduction. Then, as mentioned there, the projection  $\mathbb{X}_n \to Y_n$  is an affine bundle. Let  $\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$  act on  $Y_n$  as  $(t,1) \in T_{1,n}^F \times T_{2,n}^F$  for  $t \in \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . Then the curve  $Y_n$  admits the action of  $\mathbf{G}_n \times \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}$ . We consider the quotient

$$\boldsymbol{\Delta}_n = (\Delta_{1,n} \times \Delta_{2,n}) / \Delta(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}).$$

The action of  $\Delta(\mathfrak{O}_n^{\times})$  on  $\Delta_{1,n} \times \Delta_{2,n}$  is free by Lemmas 3.7 and 4.6, because of  $\max\{2l', 2l-1\} \ge n$ . Hence we have

(5.1) 
$$|\mathbf{\Delta}_n| = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1, \\ q^{4n-7}(q-1)(q^2-1) & \text{if } n \ge 2. \end{cases}$$

Specifically,  $Y_n$  is a disjoint union of  $|\Delta_n|$  copies of the curve

$$Z_n = \begin{cases} Z_{\rm DL} & \text{if } n = 1, \\ Z_0 & \text{if } n \ge 2. \end{cases}$$

The action of  $\mathbf{G}_n$  on  $\boldsymbol{\Delta}_n$  is transitive by Corollaries 3.10 and 4.9. We take an element  $\zeta \in k_2 \setminus k$ . Let

•  $\delta_1 = (P, s) \in \Delta_{1,n}^{\zeta}$  such that  $t_{l',0}(P, s) = 0$ ; see (3.36), and •  $\delta_2 \in \Delta_{2,n}^0$ . Vol. 226, 2018

We write  $\delta$  for the image of  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in \Delta_{1,n} \times \Delta_{2,n}$  under the canonical map  $\Delta_{1,n} \times \Delta_{2,n} \to \mathbf{\Delta}_n$ . By Lemmas 3.9 (1) and 4.8 (1), the group  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}$  stabilizes  $\delta$ . Hence we have the surjective map

$$\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times} \backslash \mathbf{G}_n \to \mathbf{\Delta}_n; \quad \overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times} g \mapsto \delta g.$$

This map is bijective, because of  $|\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times} \setminus \mathbf{G}_n| = |\mathbf{\Delta}_n|$  by (2.12) and (5.1). Hence the stabilizer of  $(\delta_1, \delta_2)$  in  $\mathbf{G}_n$  equals  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}$ . Let  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}$  act on  $Z_n$  through the homomorphism (2.11). Let  $Z_{\delta_1,\delta_2}$  be the open and closed subscheme in  $Y_n$ labeled by  $(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . By the property (c) in Lemma 3.9 (2) and Lemma 4.8 (2), we have an  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}$ -equivariant isomorphism  $Z_n \simeq Z_{\delta_1,\delta_2}$ . Since the stabilizer of  $Z_{\delta_1,\delta_2}$  in  $\mathbf{G}_n$  is  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta,n-1}^{\times}$ , we have an isomorphism

(5.2) 
$$Y_n = \coprod_{(\delta'_1, \delta'_2) \in \mathbf{\Delta}_n} Z_{\delta'_1, \delta'_2} \simeq Z_n \times_{\overline{\mathcal{L}}_{\zeta, n-1}} \mathbf{G}_n.$$

The right hand side of this is similar to Ind  $\mathfrak{X}$  when E/F is an unramified quadratic extension in the notation of [W1, §5.1].

For a non-archimedean local field L, let  $W_L$  be the Weil group of L. Let  $I_L \subset W_L$  be the inertia subgroup of L. Let  $\mathbf{a}_L \colon W_L^{\mathrm{ab}} \xrightarrow{\sim} L^{\times}$  be the the Artin reciprocity map normalized such that a geometric Frobenius is sent to a prime element. Composing this with the canonical map  $I_L^{\mathrm{ab}} \to W_L^{\mathrm{ab}}$  induces the surjective map  $\mathbf{a}_L^0 \colon I_L^{\mathrm{ab}} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{O}_L^{\times}$ . For each  $n \geq 1$  we consider the composite

$$\mathbf{a}_{K_2,n}^0 \colon I_K \simeq I_{K_2} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{can.}} I_{K_2}^{\operatorname{ab}} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}_{K_2}^0} \mathfrak{O}^{\times} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{can.}} \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}.$$

We regard  $Y_n$  as a variety with  $\mathbf{G}_n \times I_K$ -action via the map

$$1 \times \mathbf{a}_{K_2,n}^0 \colon \mathbf{G}_n \times I_K \to \mathbf{G}_n \times \mathfrak{O}_n^{\times}.$$

THEOREM 5.1: Let  $n \ge 1$  be a positive integer. Let the notation be as in (3.60) and (4.21).

(1) We have an isomorphism

$$H^{1}_{c}(Y_{n}) \simeq \bigoplus_{\omega \in (\mathfrak{O}_{n}^{\times})_{\mathrm{stp}}^{\vee}} (\pi_{\omega} \otimes \rho_{\omega^{-1}}^{D}) \otimes \omega^{-1}$$

as  $\mathbf{G}_n \times I_K$ -representations.

(2) We have an isomorphism

$$H^1_{\mathrm{c}}(Y_n) \simeq \mathrm{Ind}_{\mathcal{L}^{\times}_{\zeta,n-1}} H^1_{\mathrm{c}}(Z_0)$$

as  $\mathbf{G}_n$ -representations.

*Proof.* We show the first assertion. By Remarks 3.19 (1) and Remark 4.13, we have  $H_c^1(Y_n)_{stp} = H_c^1(Y_n)$ . The claim follows from Proposition 3.18, Lemma 3.20 and Proposition 4.12.

The second assertion follows from (5.2).

5.2. CONJECTURE. Let  $\pi$  be an irreducible cuspidal representation of  $\operatorname{GL}_2(K)$ . We say that  $\pi$  is unramified if there exists a non-trivial unramified smooth character  $\phi$  of  $K^{\times}$  such that  $\pi \otimes (\phi \circ \det) \simeq \pi$  (cf. [BH, §20.1]).

Let  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$  be the Lubin-Tate curve with Drinfeld level  $\mathbf{p}^n$ -structures (cf. [Ca]). This is a rigid analytic curve over  $\widetilde{K}$ . Then,  $\{\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  makes a projective limit. The wide open curve  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$  has a stable covering (cf. [CMc, Theorem 2.40]). We state a conjecture on unramified components in the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$ , whose cohomology realizes the local Langlands correspondence and the local Jacquet-Langlands correspondence for unramified cuspidal representations of  $\mathrm{GL}_2(K)$ . For  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , let  $p_{n,i} \colon \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n) \to \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^i)$  be the projection. A morphism of affinoid rigid analytic varieties  $f \colon \mathbf{X} \to \mathbf{Y}$  induces the morphism of affine schemes  $\overline{f} \colon \overline{\mathbf{X}} \to \overline{\mathbf{Y}}$ . Let  $\mathbf{C}$  be as in Introduction. For a rigid analytic variety  $\mathbf{X}$  over  $\widetilde{F}$ , let  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{C}}$  denote the base change of it to  $\mathbf{C}$ .

CONJECTURE 5.2: For integers  $n \ge 1$  and  $1 \le i \le n$ , there exist  $\mathbf{G}_n$ -stable affinoid subdomains  $\mathbf{Y}_{n,i}$  in  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}^n)$  such that

- $\mathbf{Y}_{n,i} \cap \mathbf{Y}_{n,j} = \emptyset$  if  $i \neq j$ ,
- there exists a  $\mathbf{G}_n \times I_K$ -equivariant isomorphism  $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,n,\mathbf{C}} \simeq Y_n$ ,
- $p_{n,i}(\mathbf{Y}_{n,i}) = \mathbf{Y}_{i,i}$ , and
- the map  $\overline{p}_{n,i}: \overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,i,\mathbf{C}} \to \overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{i,i,\mathbf{C}}$  is a purely inseparable map compatible with  $\mathbf{G}_n \times I_K \to \mathbf{G}_i \times I_K$ .

Remark 5.3: (1) If the conjecture is true, an isomorphism

$$H^1_{\mathrm{c}}(\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,i,\mathbf{C}}) \simeq H^1_{\mathrm{c}}(Y_i)$$

as  $\mathbf{G}_i \times I_K$ -representations holds.

(2) If this conjecture is true, the curve Y<sub>n</sub> actually appears as an open subscheme of a disjoint union of irreducible components of the stable reduction of X(p<sup>n</sup>)<sub>C</sub> by [IT, Proposition 7.11]. (3) In a representation theoretic viewpoint,  $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,i}$  (i < n) is less interesting than  $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,n}$ . However, these components  $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,i}$  actually appear in the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathfrak{p}^n)_{\mathbf{C}}$  (cf. the stable reduction of  $\mathbf{X}(\mathfrak{p}^2)_{\mathbf{C}}$  in [T1]). To give a more precise description of the stable reduction, we consider these  $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}_{n,i}$  (i < n) above.

Remark 5.4: For n = 1, this is a special case of [Y]. For general n, a family of affinoids is studied in [T2].

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