Computing overconvergent forms for small primes

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Abstract

We construct explicit bases for spaces of overconvergent p-adic modular forms when p = 2, 3 and study their interaction with the Atkin operator. This results in an extension of Lauder's algorithms for overconvergent modular forms. We illustrate these algorithms with computations of slope sequences of some 2-adic eigencurves and the construction of Chow–Heegner points on elliptic curves via special values of Rankin triple product L-functions.

Introduction

Overconvergent modular forms provide us with an important tool for understanding p-adic variation of modular forms and their associated Galois representations as a function of the weight. The theory was first systematically developed by Katz [13] and has since played a prominent role in number theory.

Many results in [13] require the existence of a lift of the Hasse invariant to \mathbf{Z}_p . In this note, we extend some of these results to situations where such a lift does not necessarily exist. This gives us a way to extend known algorithms and their applications to include the cases where p is 2 or 3. The outline is as follows. In §1, we construct an explicit basis for spaces of overconvergent forms. As a result, we obtain a \mathbf{Z}_p -lattice which we compare to the one considered in [13]. In §2, we present a number of applications of these results by removing the restriction $p \ge 5$ from both Wan's quadratic bound for the Gouvêa–Mazur conjecture [17] and Lauder's algorithms for computing characteristic series for U_p and constructing Chow–Heegner points on elliptic curves [14, 15].

1. Explicit bases and lattices

In this section, we will construct explicit bases for r-overconvergent forms for any prime p, removing the restriction $p \ge 5$ from [13, Proposition 2.6.2]. We then study how U_p interacts with the lattice corresponding to the natural supremum-norm on the given basis.

DEFINITIONS 1. Let p be a prime and K a finite extension of \mathbf{Q}_p with valuation v_p , normalised such that $v_p(p) = 1$, and valuation ring R. The pair (E, n) is defined to be $(E_{p-1}, 1)$ when $p \ge 5$, $(E_4, 4)$ when p = 2 and $(E_6, 3)$ when p = 3. Here E_k is the Eisenstein series of level 1 and weight k. Note that E is a lift to \mathbf{Z}_p of the *n*th power of the Hasse invariant; see Remark 2. Let $\mathcal{X} \to \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$ be the compactified modular curve of level $\Gamma = \Gamma_1(N)$ for $N \ge 5$ coprime to p, with generic fibre X. Let C be the closed subscheme of cusps on \mathcal{X} and $\pi : \mathcal{U} \to \mathcal{X}$ the universal generalised elliptic curve with Γ -level structure. On \mathcal{X} , define the invertible sheaf $\omega := \pi_* \Omega^1_{\mathcal{U}/\mathcal{X}}(\log \pi^{-1}C)$, so that E is a global section of $\omega^{\otimes n(p-1)}$. As in [5, §1], we can define a rigid subspace X_r of X^{rig} for every $r \in \mathbf{C}_p$ whose points are

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exactly those x such that $v_p(E_x) \leq v_p(r^n)$. We define the space of r-overconvergent modular forms of integer weight k on Γ to be $M_k^{\dagger,r} := \mathrm{H}^0(X_r, \omega^{\otimes k})$.

REMARK 1. We can make similar definitions for arbitrary congruence subgroups Γ . The computations in §2 are for $\Gamma_0(N)$. The justification lies in the fact that the arguments below continue to hold if one considers the coarse moduli scheme $\mathcal{X}_0(N)$ over \mathbf{Z}_p instead, working with the line bundles ω_k as in [16, Lemma II.4.5]. A very careful analysis is given in [3, Appendix].

REMARK 2. We chose a particular value for n for every prime, but everything continues to hold *mutatis mutandis* for n an arbitrary power of p. For computational purposes, one will want to choose the smallest possible n that ensures the existence of a level 1 lift, as we did above.

1.1. Explicit bases

We will now attempt to find an explicit basis for $M_k^{\dagger,r}$. As explained in [5, §1], we can obtain X_r as the Raynaud generic fibre of the completion along the special fibre of $\operatorname{Spec}_X(\operatorname{Sym}(\omega^{\otimes n(p-1)})/(E-r^n))$. By reducing to the case of the open modular curve, which is affine, the analysis of the Leray spectral sequence in [13, Theorem 2.5.1] shows that we can pull out the ideal and obtain

$$M_k^{\dagger,r} = \mathrm{H}^0(X, \omega^{\otimes k} \otimes \mathrm{Sym}(\omega^{\otimes n(p-1)}))/(E-r^n).$$
(1.1)

Having this concrete description in hand, we now attempt to eliminate the relation $E = r^n$ by investigating the map given by multiplication by E on modular forms as in [13, Lemma 2.6.1]. The proof is nearly identical.

LEMMA 1.1. Let $k \neq 1$; then the injection given by the multiplication by E-map

$$\mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{X},\omega^{\otimes k}) \xrightarrow{\times E} \mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{X},\omega^{\otimes k+n(p-1)})$$

splits as a map of \mathbf{Z}_p -modules.

Proof. The result is clear for $k \leq 0$. For $k \geq 2$, we have $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathcal{X}, \omega^{\otimes k}) = 0$ by computing the degree of ω as in [13, Theorem 1.7.1]. We obtain the short exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{X}, \omega^{\otimes k}) \xrightarrow{\times E} \mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{X}, \omega^{\otimes k+n(p-1)}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}) \to 0,$$

where \mathcal{F} is the quotient sheaf. This sequence remains exact after tensoring with \mathbf{F}_p . Indeed, \mathcal{F} is flat over \mathbf{Z}_p as E is not identically 0 in the special fibre and, since \mathcal{F} is a skyscraper sheaf over \mathbf{F}_p , it follows that $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathcal{X}_{\mathbf{F}_p}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{F}_p}) = 0$ and hence

$$\operatorname{Supp} \mathrm{R}^1 f_* \mathcal{F} = \emptyset,$$

where $f : \mathcal{X} \to \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$ is the defining morphism for \mathcal{X} . We conclude that $\operatorname{H}^0(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ is a free \mathbf{Z}_p -module, from which the conclusion follows.

For every $i \ge 0$, use the above lemma to choose generators $\{a_{i,j}\}_j$ for a complement of the submodule $E \cdot \mathrm{H}^0(\mathcal{X}, \omega^{\otimes k+(i-1)n(p-1)})$ inside $\mathrm{H}^0(\mathcal{X}, \omega^{\otimes k+in(p-1)})$. This choice is not canonical, but we will fix it once and for all in what follows. By running through the proof of [13, Proposition 2.6.2], one can check that the following theorem is a direct consequence of equation (1.1) and Lemma 1.1.

THEOREM A. The set $\{r^{ni}a_{i,j}E^{-i}\}_{i,j}$ is a basis for the *p*-adic Banach space $M_k^{\dagger,r}$.

REMARK 3. Note that we have avoided the case k = 1, as the standard base-change results are known to fail for many levels. However, in all our applications we can get the required result in weight 1 by a simple application of Frobenius linearity of U_p in the sense of [6, equation (3.3)], hence reducing the question to one in higher weight for which the results above hold. See also [14, § 2.2].

1.2. Comparing lattices

We now have two integral structures on $M_k^{\dagger,r}$. The first, which we will call $\mathcal{B}_H(r)$, is the one defined by Katz [13, §2.2] using the interpretation of modular forms as certain rules on test objects. It has the advantage of being well suited for analysing its interaction with various operators. It has the disadvantage of only being explicit (in the sense of Theorem A) when a lift of the Hasse invariant to \mathbf{Z}_p exists. The second, which we will call $\mathcal{B}_E(r)$, is simply the collection of forms that have integral coordinates with respect to the chosen basis from Theorem A. It has the advantage of being explicit and computational, but the disadvantage of being non-canonical and hence having a rather mysterious interaction with U_p . We will now attempt to compare \mathcal{B}_H and \mathcal{B}_E , in order to get the best of both worlds.

LEMMA 1.2. Assume that there exists a lift H of the Hasse invariant to \mathbf{Z}_p ; then we have

$$r^{n-1}\mathcal{B}_H(r) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_E(r).$$

Proof. Fix a choice of complementary subspaces for both E and H as above. Let $f \in \mathcal{B}_H(r)$; then by Theorem A we can write $f = \sum_{i \ge 0} r^i a_i H^{-i}$, where a_i is in the *i*th complementary subspace for H. We rewrite this as

$$f = \sum_{i \ge 1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} r^{ni-j} a_{ni-j} H^{-(ni-j)} = \sum_{i \ge 1} r^{ni} H^{-ni} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} r^{-j} a_{ni-j} H^j \right).$$
(1.2)

The inner sum in the above expression is guaranteed to be in $\mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{X}, \omega^{\otimes k+ni})$ when multiplied by r^{n-1} . We can decompose this multiple as $\sum_{m=0}^{i} b_m E^m$, where b_m is in the *m*th complementary subspace for *E*. Recall that *n* is a power of *p*, from which we get $E \equiv H^n \pmod{pn}$. If we substitute all this into (1.2), we obtain that $r^{n-1}f \in \mathcal{B}_E(r)$, as desired. \Box

With the aid of this lemma, we now investigate the interaction of our explicit lattice \mathcal{B}_E with the operators U_p and multiplication by $G := E/V_p E$, where V_p is the Frobenius operator defined in [5, § 2]. Both operators will play a crucial role in the applications.

THEOREM B. Let $v_p(r) < 1/(p+1)$; then we have

 $r^{n-1}pU_p(\mathcal{B}_E(r)) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_E(r^p)$ and $G \cdot \mathcal{B}_E(r) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_E(r)$.

Proof. Assume first that there exists a lift of the Hasse invariant to \mathbf{Z}_p . The first statement follows immediately from Lemma 1.2 and the inclusion

$$pU_p(\mathcal{B}_H(r)) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_H(r^p),$$

which is [11, Proposition II.3.6]. For the second statement, we will use that $G \equiv 1 \pmod{pr^{n-p-2}}$ when $v_p(r) < 1/(p+1)$. For $p \ge 5$, this is exactly [17, Lemma 2.1]. For $p \le 3$, we can check this directly from the formulae in [4, §3, p. 212]. It follows that

$$G \cdot \mathcal{B}_E \subseteq \mathcal{B}_E + r^{n-1} \mathcal{B}_H \subseteq \mathcal{B}_E.$$

If no lift of the Hasse invariant to \mathbb{Z}_p exists, add two additional level structures that both ensure existence and intersect trivially; see [5, § 6] and [6, § B2]. The result now follows from taking intersections on the level of Katz expansions.

2. Applications

We now sketch how Theorems A and B enable us to generalise previous work in the literature due to Wan [17], Lauder [14] and Darmon *et al.* [8]. We work with $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(N)$ for computational simplicity when appropriate; see Remark 1.

2.1. The Gouvêa–Mazur conjecture

An enormous amount of arithmetic information is encoded in the slopes of overconvergent modular forms, which are the valuations of their U_p -eigenvalues. One of the consequences of the theory of Coleman [6] is that for any $\alpha > 0$, there exists a smallest integer N_{α} with the following property: if $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ are such that $k_1 \equiv k_2 \mod p^{N_{\alpha}}(p-1)$, then the collection of slopes $\leq \alpha$ in weights k_1 and k_2 agree, with multiplicities. Gouvêa and Mazur [12, p. 797] conjectured that $N_{\alpha} \leq \lfloor \alpha \rfloor$, to which a counterexample was given in [2]. However, Wan [17] exhibited an explicit quadratic upper bound for N_{α} , depending on p and the level, provided $p \geq 5$. We will now remove this restriction on p.

Wan's analysis relies on a good knowledge of an explicit basis, along with an understanding of how U_p and G act on the integral lattice. This is exactly the content of Theorems A and B, making the proof a straightforward adaptation of the methods in [17]. We estimate the size of the coefficients of the characteristic series $P_k(t)$ of U_p on the space $M_k^{\dagger,r}$. This is done by analysing the entries of the matrix of U_p on the Katz basis. After twisting U_p by E, Theorem B enables us to do this uniformly with respect to variations of the weight.

Notation. Choose generators $a_{u,v}$ for the *u*th complementary subspace, giving rise to a Katz basis $e_{u,v} = r^{nu}a_{u,v}E^{-u}$. Multiplication by E^j defines an isomorphism $M_k^{\dagger,r} \to M_{k+jn(p-1)}^{\dagger,r}$, so we conclude by an application of Frobenius linearity of U_p [5, equation (3.3)] that $P_{k+jn(p-1)}(t)$ equals the characteristic series of $U_p \circ G^j$ on $M_k^{\dagger,r}$, where we recall that $G = E/V_p E$. We write

$$U \circ G^j(e_{u,v}) = \sum_{w,z} A^{w,z}_{u,v}(j) e_{w,z}$$

for some $A_{u,v}^{w,z} \in K$. The following lemma estimates the size of these numbers, independently of j.

LEMMA 2.1 (cf. [17, Lemma 3.1]). We have

$$v_p(A_{u,v}^{w,z}(j)) \ge wn(p-1)v_p(r) - 1 - v_p(r)(n-1).$$

Proof. It follows from Theorem B that

$$U \circ G^{j}(e_{u,v}) = \frac{1}{r^{n-1}p} \sum_{w} \frac{r^{npw}}{E^{w}} b_{w}(u,v,j) = \frac{1}{r^{n-1}p} \sum_{w} r^{n(p-1)w} \frac{r^{nw}}{E^{w}} b_{w}(u,v,j),$$

where $b_w(u, v, j)$ is in the *j*th complementary subspace, and hence an integral combination of the $a_{w,z}$. This gives us the desired bound on $A_{u,v}^{w,z}(j)$.

The key observation is that the above lower bound is independent of j. After taking determinants, we obtain a lower bound on the coefficients of $P_{k+jn(p-1)}(t)$, again independent of j. Wan now proceeded by proving a very general reciprocity lemma on Newton polygons, which allowed him to transform the lower bound for $P_k(t)$ into an upper bound for N_{α} . The analysis goes through without modifications and, using Wan's results, we deduce from Lemma 2.1 the following result.

THEOREM 2.2. There is an explicitly computable quadratic polynomial $P \in \mathbf{Q}[x]$, depending only on p and the level, such that $N_{\alpha} \leq P(\alpha)$.

2.2. Buzzard's slope conjectures

Using the explicit bases for $M_k^{\dagger,r}$ in [13] and the *p*-adic estimates in [17, Lemma 3.1], Lauder presented an algorithm to compute the characteristic series of U_p when $p \ge 5$ [14]. By an application of Coleman's trick [5, equation (3.3)], it is particularly useful when k becomes very large. Given the theory above, it is straightforward to remove the restriction on *p*. The code for our extension to small primes can be found on the author's web page. In what follows, we will explicitly compute some examples. All computations took no more than a few minutes on a standard laptop.

In [1], Buzzard made very precise conjectures on the sequence of slopes for $M_k^{\dagger,r}$ on $\Gamma_0(N)$, and gave a precise conjectural recipe when p is $\Gamma_0(N)$ -regular. This is a condition which essentially ensures that the slopes at small weights are as small as Hida theory allows them to be. For a precise definition and a reformulation in terms of Galois representations, see [1, § 1].

EXAMPLE 1. We compute that the first few slopes of U_3 acting on $M_{278}^{\dagger}(\Gamma_0(41))$ are

$$\mathbf{0}_{12}, \mathbf{1}_{14}, \mathbf{3}_{48}, \mathbf{6}_{14}, \mathbf{7}_{22}, \mathbf{8}_{6}, \mathbf{9}_{22}, \mathbf{10}_{14}, \mathbf{12}_{48}, \mathbf{14}_{14}, \mathbf{16}_{22}, \mathbf{17}_{6}, \mathbf{18}_{22}, \dots$$

where the subscripts denote multiplicities. We check that 3 is $\Gamma_0(41)$ -regular, and that the slopes agree with Buzzard's prediction. Note that this slope sequence equals the one in weight 8 for all the terms we display here, suggesting a very strong form of the Gouvêa–Mazur conjecture.

EXAMPLE 2. To illustrate a case where regularity fails in a striking way, we compute the first few slopes of U_2 acting on $M_{10}^{\dagger}(\Gamma_0(89))$, where as before the subscripts denote multiplicities:

$$\mathbf{0}_{16}, \mathbf{1}_{22}, \mathbf{2}_{22}, \mathbf{14/5}_5, \mathbf{3}_1, \mathbf{4}_{68}, \mathbf{9/2}_4, \mathbf{6}_1, \mathbf{31/5}_5, \mathbf{7}_{22}, \mathbf{8}_{22}, \mathbf{9}_{30}, \mathbf{10}_{22}, \mathbf{21/2}_{16}, \mathbf{12}_{52}, \dots$$

The appearance of denominators as large as 5 does not seem to have been recorded before. Note that by Coleman's classicality criterion [5, Theorem 6.1], the overconvergent forms giving rise to these denominators are in fact even classical.

EXAMPLE 3. A more systematic computation of 2-adic overconvergent forms of levels $\Gamma_0(53)$ and $\Gamma_0(61)$ suggests a remarkable relationship between the corresponding eigencurves, for which we have no explanation. The table below lists the first few entries of the 2-adic slope sequences in weights 14 and 16.

	k = 14
$\frac{\Gamma_0(53)}{\Gamma_0(61)}$	$\begin{array}{l} \boldsymbol{0}_{10}, \boldsymbol{1}_{13}, \boldsymbol{2}_{23}, \boldsymbol{4}_{13}, \boldsymbol{6}_{59}, \boldsymbol{9}_{13}, \boldsymbol{11}_{23}, \boldsymbol{12}_{13}, \boldsymbol{13}_{18}, \boldsymbol{14}_{13}, \boldsymbol{29/2}_{10}, \boldsymbol{16}_{18}, \boldsymbol{17}_{13}, \boldsymbol{18}_{23}, \boldsymbol{21}_{13}, \ldots \\ \boldsymbol{0}_{12}, \boldsymbol{1}_{15}, \boldsymbol{2}_{25}, \boldsymbol{4}_{15}, \boldsymbol{6}_{69}, \boldsymbol{9}_{15}, \boldsymbol{11}_{25}, \boldsymbol{12}_{15}, \boldsymbol{13}_{22}, \boldsymbol{14}_{15}, \boldsymbol{29/2}_{10}, \boldsymbol{16}_{22}, \boldsymbol{17}_{15}, \boldsymbol{18}_{25}, \boldsymbol{21}_{15}, \ldots \end{array}$
	k = 16
$\frac{\Gamma_0(53)}{\Gamma_0(61)}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0_{10}, 1_{13}, 3/2_{10}, 3_{31}, 17/3_{3}, 6_{1}, 7_{67}, 15/2_{2}, 9_{1}, 28/3_{3}, 12_{31}, 27/2_{10}, 14_{13}, 15_{18}, 16_{13}, \ldots \\ 0_{12}, 1_{15}, 3/2_{10}, 3_{37}, 17/3_{3}, 6_{1}, 7_{78}, 8_{1}, 9_{1}, 28/3_{3}, 12_{37}, 27/2_{10}, 14_{15}, 15_{22}, 16_{15}, \ldots \end{array}$

This computation was carried out to a large precision, and for a much larger range of weights. We chose to include the start of the sequence for k = 14, 16, as it illustrates the

general behaviour rather well. The set of slopes, without multiplicities, seems to agree for both levels in all weights, with the exception of a small deviation. This deviation, if it occurs, seems to come from the 2-stabilisations of the largest classical cuspidal slope of level N.

REMARK 4. Example 3 is akin to the examples given in [1, Consequence 4.6], where the 5-adic slopes in levels $\Gamma_0(6), \Gamma_0(8)$ and $\Gamma_0(30), \Gamma_0(40)$ are observed to coincide for all weights, even with multiplicities.

2.3. Chow–Heegner points on elliptic curves

We will now use our results to explicitly perform some Heegner-type point constructions on elliptic curves, following the theory in [9] and the algorithm of [15], which was conditional on $p \ge 5$.

Let p be a prime and E/\mathbf{Q} an elliptic curve of conductor N, associated to the p-ordinary form $f \in S_2^{\text{new}}(\Gamma_0(N))$, and let g be any other weight 2 newform which is p-ordinary. As explained in [15, §1], we can deduce from [9, Theorem 1.3] that there exists a point $P_g \in E(\mathbf{Q})$ such that

$$\log(P_g) = 2d_g \cdot \frac{\mathcal{E}_0(g)\mathcal{E}_1(g)}{\mathcal{E}(g, f, g)} \cdot \mathcal{L}_p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g})(2, 2, 2), \qquad (2.1)$$

where log denotes the formal *p*-adic logarithm on E, d_g is an integer described in [7, Remark 3.1.3], the \mathcal{E} -factors are computable quadratic numbers depending only on the *p*th coefficients of f and g described in [9, Theorem 1.3] and $\mathcal{L}_p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g})$ is the Rankin triple product *p*-adic L-function associated to the Hida families \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} through f, g, respectively.

The crux in computing the special value of the Rankin triple product *p*-adic L-function is the efficient computation of the U_p -operator on the space $M_k^{\dagger,r}$. The previous subsection removed the restriction $p \ge 5$ from the algorithm in [14] to compute this action, and it is now straightforward to compute the desired special value of the Rankin triple product *p*-adic L-function, as described in detail in [15]. We have implemented a version in Magma that works for all *p*, which is available on the author's web page. Let us turn to some numerical examples.

EXAMPLE 4. Let $E: y^2 + xy = x^3 - x^2 - x + 1$ be the rank 1 elliptic curve of conductor 58, with associated newform f, and let g be the unique newform on $\Gamma_0(58)$ different from f. Both f and g are 2-ordinary. Letting P = (0, 1) be a generator for $E(\mathbf{Q})$, we compute that

$$\mathcal{L}_2(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g})(2, 2, 2) \equiv 3 \log_E(P) \pmod{2^{200}},$$

as predicted by the theory in [9].

REMARK 5. When the Tate module of $E_{\mathbf{Q}}$ is wildly ramified at 2 or 3, we might wonder whether the Chow-Heegner point construction just described continues to work. The associated newform f will be of infinite slope, so we lack a notion of Hida or Coleman family passing through f. It is therefore not obvious whether the theoretical framework of [9] will generalise to such a setting. Nonetheless, we are often able to run our extension of Lauder's algorithms [14, 15], and recover a rational point on E, as the following examples show.

EXAMPLE 5. Let $E: y^2 + y = x^3 + 9x - 10$, which is an elliptic curve over **Q** of conductor $4617 = 3^5 \cdot 19$ and rank 1. Let f be the associated newform. Let $g = q - 2q^3 - 2q^4 + 3q^5 - q^7 + \ldots$ be the unique cuspidal newform of weight 2 on $\Gamma_0(19)$. Despite f being of infinite 3-adic slope, we can run the computation and find a numerical value for $\mathcal{L}_2(\mathbf{g}, f, \mathbf{g})(2, 2, 2)$.

We find that

 $\mathcal{L}_3(\mathbf{g}, f', \mathbf{g})(2, 2, 2) \equiv t \cdot \log_E(P) \pmod{3^{200}}, \text{ where } 2t^2 + 48t + 729 = 0,$

where P = (4,9) is a generator of $E(\mathbf{Q})$. The fact that both quantities are related by a quadratic number t of small height suggests that a more general analogue of the theory for ordinary forms in [9], and more specifically equation (2.1), might exist.

EXAMPLE 6. Let $E: y^2 = x^3 + x^2 - 62893x - 6091893$, which is an elliptic curve over **Q** of rank 1 and conductor $15104 = 2^8 \cdot 59$. Let f be its associated newform, and let $g = q - q^2 - q^3 + q^4 - 3q^5 + \ldots$ be the newform of level 118 associated to the elliptic curve with Cremona label **118.a1**. Note that g is 2-ordinary. We compute that

$$\mathcal{L}_2(\mathbf{g}, f', \mathbf{g})(2, 2, 2) \equiv 6 \log_E(P) \pmod{2^{100}},$$

where $P = (20\,821, 3\,004\,216)$ is a generator of $E(\mathbf{Q})$. As in the previous example, this suggests that an analogue of equation (2.1) holds for f of infinite slope. Note that this would work the other way: once we compute the value of $\mathcal{L}_2(\mathbf{g}, f', \mathbf{g})(2, 2, 2)$, we can use a formal exponentiation routine as in [15] to recover a point of infinite order, which is of considerable height in this example.

REMARK 6. Chow-Heegner points have a well-understood geometric origin and can also be constructed by complex analytic methods; see [7, 10]. For an application of triple product *p*-adic L-functions, and the methods in this paper, to the *p*-adic construction of points in more mysterious settings, we refer the reader to [8].

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