

Alex: Serre-Tate Local Moduli

References:

- Woods Hole conference proceedings (not easy to read, but first appeared here)
- Katz, LNM 868 §1,2 based on Drinfeld (appendix)
- Hida "Geometric Modular Forms & Elliptic Curves" 2nd Ed! "modern" v. of Katz
- Michigan Seminar

Motivation: Recall, trying to argue

$$(\underline{x}, T_m \underline{x}^\sigma) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \# \text{Hom}_{W/\mathbb{F}_p} (\underline{x}^\sigma, \underline{x})_{\deg n}$$

Last time: Lifted curves w/ an endo to CM curves.

This time: discuss the "Space" of all lifts of same E_0/F_q

1) We will work more generally w/ ab sch e.g. Elliptic curve, products, weil restrictions, Jacobians of higher genus curves, R a ring, $\text{AbSch}(R)$ is a category of Abelian schemes / R .

Reduction: A/\mathbb{Z}_p which reduce to A_0

↓

A_0/\mathbb{F}_p

need to remember
extra data abt A_0
to distinguish A/\mathbb{Z}_p

Fix W complete DVR residue field $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$, e.g. Witt vectors of $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ or the completion of the ring of integers of the maximal ur ext of \mathbb{Q}_p .

$$W = W_\infty = \varprojlim_n \underbrace{W/p^n}_{W_n}$$

Let R be a complete local W_{ur} -algebra. Given A/R an abelian sch, $A[p^\infty] = \bigcup_n A[p^n]$ is ^{the associated} p -divisible group scheme. (More generally, a

p -divisible group G/R of height h is an inductive system (G_v, i_v)

such that G_v are group schemes and ~~each~~ each G_v is order p^{vh}

and $0 \rightarrow G_v \xrightarrow{i_v} G_{v+1} \xrightarrow{p^v} G_{v+1}$ is exact.

[Do you also need flat?]

E.g. for constant gp sch, $G_v \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p^v)^h$, $\lim G_v = (\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)^h$.

Eg. $A[p^\infty]$ has height $2 \dim A$. [Why 2?]

2 Serre-Tate theorem

Given a map of rings $R \rightarrow R_0$ we define $\text{Def}(R, R_0) = \{(A_0, G, \epsilon)\}$

: A_0/R_0 abelian sch, G/R p -divisible gp, $\epsilon: G_0 \xrightarrow{\sim} A_0[p^\infty]\}$

If R is a ring with p nilpotent $I \subseteq R$ nilpotent ideal, $R_0 = R/I$
have a map $\text{AbSch}(R) \rightarrow \text{Def}(R, R_0)$

Functor $A \mapsto (A_0, A[p^\infty], \epsilon)$

$\overset{\text{"}}{A \otimes R_0}$

"id" the thing you get
for free

Theorem (Serre-Tate) This functor is an equivalence of categories.

i.e. deformations of a fixed R_0 are in correspondence to deformations of its p -divisible gp.

3 Drinfeld's Proof

Drinfeld extracts a key lemma about lifting functors that is applied many times.

Set-up: R local W_n -alg, $I^{v+1} = 0$, $R_0 = R/I$, $N = \text{power of } p$, $NI = 0$

given A a $\overset{\text{local}}{R}$ -algebra, consider $A/IA = A \otimes R_0$, A/m^v $\overset{\text{max'l}}{\text{ideal}}$

If we have a functor $G: R\text{-algebras} \rightarrow \underset{\text{con}}{\mathcal{C}}$

can define $G_I(A) = \ker(G(A) \rightarrow G(A/I))$ abelian category
(can take kernels)

$\hat{G}(A) = \ker(G(A) \rightarrow G(A/m_A))$

$G_I \subset \hat{G}$. G could be formal group

i.e. an (n -dim'l formal gp) is a collection of a power series in $R[[T_1, x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n]]$
~~formal gp~~ satisfying certain conditions.

Extended e.g.: The formal gp of an ell curve

we can write down explicit eqns for $x(t)$, $y(t)$,
 $F(x(t), y(t))$ with sage. [or use Newton iteration to solve
 $x(t), y(t)$ after knowing pole order, replace formula for gp law]

Given a complete local ring \mathcal{R} and comp. local \mathcal{R} -alg. A can
'eval' a formal gp at M_A^n to get a group structure on M_A^n .
gives functor

$$G: \text{complete local } \mathcal{R}\text{-alg} \rightarrow \text{Ab Groups}$$

$$G(A) \xrightarrow{\quad} (M_A^n, F)$$

Lemma Let G be a commutative formal group / \mathcal{R} , G_I , \tilde{G} subgroup functors. Then G_I is N^v torsion.

Pf ~~to show that any element $a \in G_I(A)$ is divisible by N for all N in I .~~
~~for any coordinate a_i of a , $[N]a_i = N a_i + \text{h.o.t.}$~~

$$\Rightarrow [N]a_i = a_i + \text{h.o.t.}$$

$$\underbrace{N(IA)}_0 \xrightarrow{F(IA)^2} \dots$$

$$\text{inductively... } [N^v]a_i \in IA^{2^v} = 0$$

Defn Have a covariant functor G

$$\begin{matrix} \text{complete local} \\ \mathcal{R}\text{-alg} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \text{Ab Grps} \quad \text{st for any } A \hookrightarrow C$$

faithfully flat finite type we have $G(A) \hookrightarrow G(C)$ &

"the sheaf condition on $A \hookrightarrow C$ "
is called an fppf abelian sheaf.

Eg. $G(A) = E(A)$ for E/\mathbb{R} elliptic curve. or an abelian sch is an fppf abelian sheaf.

$\mathcal{R}_0\text{-alg} \rightarrow \text{Ab Grps}$

Important Lemma Let G, H be fppf abelian sheaves. $G_0 = \boxed{\text{restriction}}$
 $H_0 = \boxed{\text{same}}$ such that (1) G is p -divisible, (2) \hat{H} is formal
(3) $H(\mathbb{A}) \rightarrow H(\mathbb{A}/J)$ surj for any nilpotent J "formal smoothness"

Then:

(A) $\text{Hom}(G, H)$ and $\text{Hom}(G_0, H_0)$ are p -torsion free

(B) $\text{Hom}(G, H) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}(G_0, H_0)$ is injective

(C) For $f_0 \in \text{Hom}(G_0, H_0)$, $\exists! \varphi \in \text{Hom}(G, H)$ with $\varphi \equiv N^v f_0 \pmod{I}$.

write $\varphi = \tilde{N}^v f_0 \in G \text{Hom}(G, H) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$

(D) We get $f = \frac{\tilde{N}^v f_0}{N} \in \text{Hom}(G, H) \iff \tilde{N}^v(G[N^v]) = 0$

(A)

Proof: Assume $Pf = 0$ ie $Pf(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in G$. ~~Then this implies~~ By p -divisibility
 $\exists y$ such that $Pf(y) = 0$

~~such that~~ $Py = x$, then $0 = f(Py) = f(x)$.

(B) use H is formal, use pvs lemma that mult by N^v kills everything

Proof of Serre Tate: Can apply Dinfeld's lemma with all the various functors, $A, A', A[p^\infty], A'[p^\infty], A_0[p^\infty], A'[p^\infty]$