

# A two-variable Iwasawa main conjecture over the eigencurve

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## 1 The setup

Fix an odd prime  $p$ , an algebraic closure  $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p$ , and an isomorphism  $\mathbf{C} \xrightarrow{\sim} \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p$ . Fix an integer  $N \geq 1$  prime to  $p$ , and let  $\mathbf{T}$  be the polynomial algebra over  $\mathbf{Z}$  generated by the operators  $T_\ell, \ell \nmid Np, U_p$  and  $\langle d \rangle, d \in (\mathbf{Z}/N\mathbf{Z})^\times$ . Set  $\mathfrak{W} = \mathrm{Spf}(\mathbf{Z}_p[[\mathbf{Z}_p^\times]])$ , and let  $\mathscr{W} = \mathfrak{W}^{\mathrm{rig}}$  be the rigid analytic space of characters of  $\mathbf{Z}_p^\times$  together with its universal character  $\chi_{\mathscr{W}} : \mathbf{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathscr{W})^\times$ ; we embed  $\mathbf{Z}$  in  $\mathscr{W}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p)$  by mapping  $k$  to the character  $t \mapsto t^{k-2}$ . For any  $\lambda \in \mathscr{W}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p)$  we (slightly abusively) write

$$M_\lambda^\dagger(\Gamma_1(N)) \subset \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p[[q]]$$

for the space of  $q$ -expansions of overconvergent modular forms of weight  $\lambda$  and tame level  $N$ . Let  $\mathcal{C}(N)$  be the tame level  $N$  eigencurve, with weight map  $w : \mathcal{C}(N) \rightarrow \mathscr{W}$  and universal Hecke algebra homomorphism  $\phi : \mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}(N))$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}_0^{M-\mathrm{new}}(N)$ , for  $M|N$ , be the Zariski closure of the points associated with classical cuspidal newforms of level  $\Gamma_1(M)$ ; this sits inside  $\mathcal{C}(N)$  as a union of irreducible components. Finally, let  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_N$  be the normalization of  $\mathcal{C}_0^{N-\mathrm{new}}(N)$ , with its natural morphism  $i : \mathcal{C}_N \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(N)$ . This is a disjoint union of smooth, reduced rigid analytic curves. We slightly abusively write  $w = w \circ i, \phi = i^* \phi$ , etc.

Let  $\mathcal{X} = \mathrm{Spf}(\mathbf{Z}_p[[\mathbf{Z}_p^\times]])^{\mathrm{rig}}$ . A point  $x \in \mathcal{X}(\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p)$  defines a continuous character  $\psi_x : \mathbf{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p^\times$ . This space will be our ‘‘cyclotomic variable’’. There is a partition  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{X}^+ \amalg \mathcal{X}^-$ , where  $x \in \mathcal{X}^\pm$  according to  $\psi_x(-1) = \pm 1$ . Set  $\mathcal{Y}_N = \mathcal{C}_N \times \mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}_N^\pm = \mathcal{C}_N \times \mathcal{X}^\pm \subset \mathcal{Y}_N$ . Let  $\mathrm{pr}$  and  $\mathrm{pr}_\pm$  denote the projections of  $\mathcal{Y}_N$  and  $\mathcal{Y}_N^\pm$  onto  $\mathcal{C}_N$ , respectively.

Our goal is to define the following objects:

- Torsion-free coherent sheaves  $\mathscr{V}^\pm(N)$  on  $\mathcal{C}(N)$ . In the notation introduced below, we have

$$H^0(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega, h}(N), \mathscr{V}^\pm(N)) \cong \mathrm{Symb}_{\Gamma_1(Np)}(\mathcal{D}_\Omega)_h^\pm.$$

On  $\mathcal{C}_0^{N-\mathrm{new}}(N)$  these sheaves have generic rank one.

- Torsion-free coherent sheaves

$$\mathcal{M}^\pm(N) = \mathcal{H}\text{om}_{w^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Y}}}(\mathcal{V}^\pm(N), w^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Y}})$$

on  $\mathcal{C}(N)$ . We need to be careful about the meaning of the right-hand side, since the morphism  $w$  isn't finite. Again, these sheaves have generic rank one on  $\mathcal{C}_0^{N-\text{new}}(N)$ . Set

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^\pm &= (i \circ \text{pr}_\pm)^* \mathcal{M}^\pm(N) \\ &= \text{pr}_\pm^*(i^* \mathcal{M}^\pm(N)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $i^* \mathcal{M}^\pm(N)$  is torsion-free of generic rank one on a smooth reduced curve, it is locally free of rank one. Therefore,  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^\pm$  is locally free of rank one (and in fact,  $H^0(\text{pr}_\pm^{-1}(U), \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^\pm)$  is free of rank one over  $\mathcal{O}(U \times \mathcal{X}^\pm)$  for suitable affinoids  $U \subset \mathcal{C}_N$ ).

- A canonical global section

$$\mathbf{L} \in H^0(\mathcal{Y}_N, \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N).$$

Here  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N$  denotes the natural line bundle on  $\mathcal{Y}_N$  which restricts to  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^\pm$  on  $\mathcal{Y}_N^\pm$ . The element  $\mathbf{L}$  is *the canonical two-variable p-adic L-function on  $\mathcal{C}_N \times \mathcal{X}$* , in a sense we will make precise.

Since  $\mathbf{L}$  is a section of a line bundle on a normal rigid analytic space, it generates a coherent ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{L}} \subset \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Y}}$  in the usual way. The general philosophy of Iwasawa theory requires that  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{L}}$  coincide with the characteristic ideal of a suitable sheaf of Selmer groups over  $\mathcal{Y}$ . We have a candidate for this sheaf.

## The eigencurve

We very briefly recall the ‘‘eigencurve of modular symbols.’’ The main references here are Bellaïche’s ‘‘Critical p-adic L-functions’’, Stevens’s ‘‘Rigid analytic modular symbols’’, and my eigenvarieties paper.

Let  $s$  be a nonnegative integer. Consider the ring of functions

$$\mathbf{A}^s = \{f : \mathbf{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_p \mid f \text{ analytic on each } p^s \mathbf{Z}_p - \text{coset}\}.$$

Recall that by a fundamental result of Amice, the functions  $e_j^s(x) = [p^{-s}j]! \binom{x}{j}$  define an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbf{A}^s$ . The ring  $\mathbf{A}^s$  is affinoid, and we set  $\mathbf{B}_s = \text{Sp}(\mathbf{A}^s)$ , so e.g.

$$\mathbf{B}_s(\mathbf{C}_p) = \left\{ x \in \mathbf{C}_p \mid \inf_{a \in \mathbf{Z}_p} |x - a| \leq p^{-s} \right\}.$$

Given an affinoid open  $\Omega \subset \mathscr{W}$  with associated character  $\chi_\Omega : \mathbf{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\Omega)^\times$ , define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_\Omega^s &= \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{B}^s \times \Omega) \\ &= \mathbf{A}^s \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\Omega). \end{aligned}$$

For suitably large  $s$ , we have the left action  $(\gamma \cdot f)(x) = \chi_\Omega(a + cx)f(\frac{b+dx}{a+cx})$  of  $\Gamma_0(p)$  on this module. Let  $\mathbf{D}_\Omega^s$  be the  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ -Banach dual of  $\mathbf{A}_\Omega^s$  with dual right action, and set

$$\begin{aligned} \mathscr{D}_\Omega &= \lim_{\infty \leftarrow s} \mathbf{D}_\Omega^s \\ &\cong \mathscr{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\Omega). \end{aligned}$$

The assignment  $\Omega \rightsquigarrow \mathscr{D}_\Omega$  is a ‘‘Frechet sheaf’’ on  $\mathscr{W}$ . Define

$$M_\Omega^\dagger(N) = \text{Symb}_{\Gamma_1(N) \cap \Gamma_0(p)}(\mathscr{D}_\Omega).$$

Here, for any neat  $\Gamma < \text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  and any right  $\Gamma$ -module  $Q$ ,

$$\text{Symb}_\Gamma(Q) := \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\text{Div}^0 \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q}), Q) \mid f(\gamma D) \cdot_Q \gamma = f(D) \forall \gamma \in \Gamma, D \in \text{Div}^0\}.$$

The algebra  $\mathbf{T}$  acts naturally on  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)$ . The matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  conjugates  $\Gamma_1(N) \cap \Gamma_0(p)$  to itself, and so induces an order two automorphism  $\iota$  of  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)$ . We write  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)^\pm = \frac{1 \pm \iota}{2} \circ M_\Omega^\dagger(N)$  for the two eigenspaces of  $\iota$ .

For  $h \in \mathbf{Q}$ , let  $\mathbf{B}[h] = \text{Sp}_{\mathbf{Q}_p} \langle p^h X \rangle$  be the closed rigid ball of radius  $p^h$ , and  $\mathbf{A}^1 = \cup_h \mathbf{B}[h]$ . Let  $F(T) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathscr{W})\{\{X\}\}$  be the Fredholm series such that

$$F|_\Omega = \det(1 - U_p X) | M_\Omega^\dagger(N)$$

for all  $\Omega$ . This cuts out a Fredholm hypersurface  $\mathscr{Z} \subset \mathscr{W} \times \mathbf{A}^1$ . Let  $w$  be the projection  $\mathscr{W} \times \mathbf{A}^1 \rightarrow \mathscr{W}$ . We say  $(\Omega, h)$  is a *slope datum* if  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)$  admits a slope- $\leq h$  direct summand  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h$ . This is a finite projective  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ -module, and is Hecke-stable. Note that  $(\Omega, h)$  is a slope datum if and only if  $\mathscr{Z}_{\Omega, h} := \mathscr{Z} \cap (\Omega \times \mathbf{B}[h])$  is *slope-adapted*, i.e. finite flat over  $\Omega$  and disconnected from its complement in  $\mathscr{Z}_\Omega := \mathscr{Z} \cap w^{-1}(\Omega)$ . The set of slope-adapted  $\mathscr{Z}_{\Omega, h}$ 's give an admissible covering of  $\mathscr{Z}$  (this last is a foundational result of Buzzard). The map ‘‘ $X \rightarrow U_p^{-1}$ ’’ makes  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h$  into a finite  $\mathcal{O}(\mathscr{Z}_{\Omega, h})$ -module.

Let  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega, h}$  denote the subalgebra of  $\text{End}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}(M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h)$  generated by the image of  $\mathbf{T} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ . This is finite over  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ , so affinoid, and the map  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_{\Omega, h}$  factors through  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathscr{Z}_{\Omega, h}) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_{\Omega, h}$ . The affinoids  $\mathcal{C}_{\Omega, h}(N) := \text{Sp} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega, h} \rightarrow \mathscr{Z}_{\Omega, h}$  glue over the covering of  $\mathscr{Z}$  by the  $\mathscr{Z}_{\Omega, h}$ 's into  $\mathcal{C}(N)$ . (And from now on we write  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega, h}$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega, h}(N))$  interchangeably.) Each  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm$  is a finite  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega, h}$ -module, and we define  $\mathscr{V}^\pm(N)$  to be the coherent sheaf on  $\mathcal{C}(N)$  obtained by gluing them up.

## The construction

**Proposition.** The  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}$ -modules  $\mathcal{M}_{\Omega,h}^{\pm}(N) := \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega)\right)$  glue into coherent sheaves  $\mathcal{M}^{\pm}(N)$  over  $\mathcal{C}(N)$ .

*Proof.* The key point is the following: suppose  $\mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h'} \subset \mathcal{Z}_{\Omega,h}$  is an inclusion of slope-adapted affinoids. We may assume  $\Omega' \subset \Omega$  and  $h' \leq h$ , so the inclusion  $\mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h'} \subset \mathcal{Z}_{\Omega,h}$  “factors” as  $\mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h'} \subset \mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h} \subset \mathcal{Z}_{\Omega,h}$  where  $\mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h} = \mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h'} \amalg \mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h}^{>h'}$  is slope-adapted with both pieces finite flat over  $\Omega$ . Then  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega') \cong \mathbf{T}_{\Omega',h}$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega)\right) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega',h} &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega)\right) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega') \\ &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega)\right) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega') \\ &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega')}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega'), \mathcal{O}(\Omega')\right) \\ &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega')}\left(M_{\Omega'}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega')\right) \end{aligned}$$

as  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega',h}$ -modules. The third line here follows from flatness of  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega')$  over  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ , and the fourth line from a basic property of slope decompositions. Now getting from  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega',h}$ -modules to  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega',h'}$ -modules is easy, because everything in sight has an idempotent decomposition coming from the previously described set-theoretic decomposition of  $\mathcal{Z}_{\Omega',h}$ . So  $\mathcal{M}_{\Omega,h}^{\pm}(N) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega',h'} \cong \mathcal{M}_{\Omega',h'}^{\pm}(N)$  as desired.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times})$  denote the ring of locally analytic  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ -valued distributions on  $\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}$ , and let  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times})^{\pm}$  denote the subspace of distributions for which

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} f(-x)\mu(x) = \pm \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} f(x)\mu(x).$$

Recall the Amice isomorphism  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}) \cong \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X})$ ; this is an isomorphism of Fréchet  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ -algebras, and induces isomorphisms  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times})^{\pm} \cong \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}^{\pm})$ .

**Proposition.** There is a natural isomorphism

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times})^{\pm}\right) \cong \mathcal{M}_{\Omega,h}^{\pm}(N) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega,h}(N))} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega,h}(N) \times \mathcal{X}^{\pm})$$

compatible with all structures.

*Proof.* By the Amice isomorphism, so we have

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times})^{\pm}\right) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}\left(M_{\Omega}^{\dagger}(N)_h^{\pm}, \mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathcal{X}^{\pm})\right).$$

Choose an increasing cover of  $\mathcal{X}^\pm$  by affinoids  $\mathcal{X}_1^\pm \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{X}_n^\pm \subset \dots$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \left( M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathcal{X}_n^\pm) \right) &= \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \left( M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \right) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathcal{X}_n^\pm) \\
&= \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \left( M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \right) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathcal{X}_n^\pm) \\
&= \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \left( M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \right) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}_n^\pm) \\
&= \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \left( M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \right) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}_n^\pm) \\
&= \mathcal{M}_{\Omega,h}^\pm(N) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega,h}(N))} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega,h}(N) \times \mathcal{X}_n^\pm).
\end{aligned}$$

The second, third, and fifth equalities here are trivial. The first equality follows from the identification  $\mathrm{Hom}_R(M, N) \otimes_R P \cong \mathrm{Hom}_R(M, N \otimes_R P)$  for  $M, N, P$  any  $R$ -modules with  $M$  finitely presented and  $P$  flat, together with the flatness of  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathcal{X}_n^\pm)$  over  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ .<sup>1</sup> The fourth equality evidently follows from the identity

$$\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}_n^\pm) \cong \mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}_n^\pm),$$

which is an easy consequence of the ONability of  $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}_n^\pm)$  and the module-finiteness of  $\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}$  over  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$  (or, more conceptually, use Propositions 3.7.3/6 and 2.1.7/7 of BGR). Passing to the inverse limit over  $n$ , we conclude.  $\square$

**Definition / Claim.** The sheaf

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^\pm(N) := \mathrm{pr}_\pm^* \mathcal{M}^\pm(N)$$

on  $\mathcal{C}(N) \times \mathcal{X}^\pm$  is characterized by the isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned}
H^0(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega,h}(N) \times \mathcal{X}^\pm, \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^\pm(N)) &\cong \mathcal{M}_{\Omega,h}^\pm(N) \otimes_{\mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h}} \mathbf{T}_{\Omega,h} \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^\times)^\pm \\
&= \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)}(M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^\times)^\pm).
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* This is an easy consequence of the previous proposition.  $\square$

**Definition.** The sheaf  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^\pm$  on  $\mathcal{Y}_N^\pm$  is the pullback of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^\pm(N)$  under  $i \times \mathrm{id} : \mathcal{C}_N \times \mathcal{X}^\pm \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(N) \times \mathcal{X}^\pm$ .

Given any  $\Omega$ , let  $\mathbf{L}_\Omega(N)$  denote the composite map

$$M_\Omega^\dagger(N) = \mathrm{Symb}_{\Gamma_1(N) \cap \Gamma_0(p)}(\mathcal{D}_\Omega) \xrightarrow{\Phi \mapsto \Phi((\infty)^-(0))} \mathcal{D}_\Omega \cong \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^\times) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{O}(\Omega).$$

<sup>1</sup>This flatness can be deduced by factoring the map as  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathbf{X}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\Omega \times \mathcal{X}_n)$  where  $\mathbf{X}$  is some finite disjoint union of  $\mathbf{B}[0]$ 's and  $\mathcal{X}_n \subset \mathbf{X}$  is an affinoid subdomain. The second arrow is then flat by the flatness of coordinate rings of affinoid subdomains, and the first arrow is flat because  $A \rightarrow A\langle X \rangle$  is flat for any Tate algebra  $A$ .

The final arrow here is induced by the map  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{Z}_p^\times)$  dual to the map  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{Z}_p^\times) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$  given by extending functions by zero. Since  $\mathbf{L}_\Omega(N)$  is  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ -linear and  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h$  is an  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ -module direct summand of  $M_\Omega^\dagger(N)$  (and likewise the  $\pm$ -subspaces), we may regard the restriction  $\mathbf{L}_{\Omega,h}^\pm(N) := \mathbf{L}_\Omega(N)|_{M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm}$  as an element of

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}(\Omega)} \left( M_\Omega^\dagger(N)_h^\pm, \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{D}^\pm(\mathbf{Z}_p^\times) \right) = H^0(\mathcal{C}_{\Omega,h}(N) \times \mathcal{X}^\pm, \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^\pm(N)).$$

These glue together into global sections  $\mathbf{L}^\pm(N)$  of the sheaf  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^\pm(N)$  on  $\mathcal{C}(N) \times \mathcal{X}^\pm$ . We finally define  $\mathbf{L}^\pm$  as the global sections of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^\pm$  given by pullback of  $\mathbf{L}^\pm(N)$  under  $i \times \mathrm{id}$ , and then define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L} &:= \mathbf{L}^+ + \mathbf{L}^- \in H^0(\mathcal{Y}_N, \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N) \\ &= H^0(\mathcal{Y}_N^+, \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^+) \oplus H^0(\mathcal{Y}_N^-, \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_N^-) \end{aligned}$$

(with the obvious meaning).