

of the Shafarevich–Tate group of the other curve. Tate group of the first curve, so rational points on one curve explain elements common $H^1(\mathbb{Q}, E[p])$. They show [CM2] that these lie in the Shafarevich–rank. The rational points on the second elliptic curve produce classes in the p -torsion is Galois-isomorphic to that of the first one, and which has positive cases they find another elliptic curve, often of the same conductor, whose Shafarevich–Tate group has predicted elements of prime order p . In most according to the Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture). Suppose that the \mathbb{Q} of conductor $N \leq 5500$, at those with nontrivial Shafarevich–Tate group (according to the Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture).

Cremona and Mazur [CM1] look, among all strong Weil elliptic curves over

Shafarevich–Tate group of E .

Taylor expansion in terms of various quantities, including the order of the rational points, and also gives an interpretation of the leading term in the order of vanishing of $L(E, s)$ at $s = 1$ is the rank of the group $E(\mathbb{Q})$ of function. The conjecture of Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer [BS-D] predicts that

Let E be an elliptic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} and $L(E, s)$ the associated L -

1 Introduction

the context of motives rather than abelian varieties.

build upon the idea of visibility due to Cremona and Mazur, but in

groups of modular motives of low level and weight ≤ 12 . Our methods

trial conjectural lower bounds on the orders of the Shafarevich–Tate

symbols and observations about Tamagawa numbers to compute non-

true would imply the existence of such elements. We also use modular

give 16 examples in which a strong form of the Brill-Noether conjecture

existence of nontrivial elements of these Shafarevich–Tate groups, and

ular forms on $I^0(N)$ of weight > 2 . We deduce a criterion for the

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Abstract

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Constructing elements in Shafarevich–Tate groups of modular motives
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The Block–Kato conjecture [BK] is the generalisation to arbitrary motives of the leading term part of the Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture. The Beilinson–Bloch conjecture [B, Be] generalises the part about the order of vanishing at the central point, identifying it with the rank of a certain Chow group.

This paper is a partial generalisation of [CM1] and [AS] from abelian varieties over \mathbb{Q} associated to modular forms of weight 2 to the motives attached to modular forms of higher weight. It also does for congruences between modular forms of equal weight what [Du2] did for congruences between modular forms of different weights.

We consider the situation where two newforms f and g , both of even weight $k > 2$ and level N , are congruent modulo a maximal ideal \mathfrak{q} of odd weight ℓ using recent work of Vatsal [V]. The point is, the congruence of $L(g, k/2)$ using results of Vatsal [V]. In fact, we show how this divisibility may be deduced from the vanishing of $L(f, k/2)$ at $s = \ell/2$. In slightly more detail, a multi-variable vol^∞ is a certain canonical period, where vol^∞ is a divisor of $L(f, k/2)/\text{vol}^\infty$ implies that $L(f, k/2)/\text{vol}^\infty$ must be divisible by \mathfrak{q} .

In fact, we show how this divisibility may be deduced from the vanishing of $L(g, k/2)$ at $s = \ell/2$. The point is, the congruence between f and g leads to a congruence between suitable “algebraic parts” of $L(f, k/2)$ and $L(g, k/2)$. In slightly more detail, a multiplication leads to a congruence of certain associated cohomology classes. These are then identified with the modular symbols which give rise to the algebraic parts of special values. If $L(g, k/2)$ vanishes then the congruence implies that the Beilinson–Bloch conjecture for one motive with the Galois group for g to a Selmer group for f . One might say that algebraic cycles for Tate group III attached to f has non-zero \mathfrak{q} -torsion. Under certain hypotheses and assumptions, the most substantial of which is the Beilinson–Bloch conjecture for the other.

We also compute data which, assuming the Birch–Kato conjecture, provides lower bounds for the orders of numerous Shafarevich–Tate groups (see Section 7.3). We thank the referee for many constructive comments.

$$0 \rightarrow T^*(j) \rightarrow V^*(j) \xrightarrow{\pi} A^*(j) \rightarrow 0.$$

There is a natural exact sequence

tions lie in $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}_p, V^*(j))$ for all primes p .
 $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, V^*(j))$ be the subspace of elements of $H_1(\mathbb{Q}, V^*(j))$ whose local restriction (see [BK], Section 1 for definitions of Fontaine's rings B_{crys} and B_{dR}). Let

$$H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^\ell, V^*(j)) = \ker(H_1(D^\ell, V^*(j)) \rightarrow H_1(D^\ell, V^*(j)) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}^\ell} B_{\text{crys}})$$

The subscript ℓ stands for “finite part”; D^ℓ is a decomposition subgroup at a prime above p , I^ℓ is the inertia subgroup, and the cohomology is for continuous cocycles and coboundaries. For $p = \ell$, let

$$H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^\ell, V^*(j)) = \ker(H_1(D^\ell, V^*(j)) \rightarrow H_1(I^\ell, V^*(j)))$$

Following [BK], Section 3, for $p \neq \ell$ (including $p = \infty$), we let

amounts to multiplying the action of Frob_p by p_j .
The χ -torsion in A_χ . There is the Tate twist $V_\chi(j)$ (for any integer j), which stable O_χ -module T_χ inside each V_χ . Define $A_\chi = V_\chi/T_\chi$. Let $A[\chi]$ denote there is a natural isomorphism $V_B \otimes E_\chi \cong V_\chi$. We may choose a $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$ -cohomology, while V_χ comes from étale ℓ -adic cohomology. For each prime χ , $\dots = F_{k-1} \subset F_k = \{0\}$. The Betti realization V_B comes from singular see [SC]. The de Rham realization has a Hodge filtration $V_{\text{dR}} = F_0 \subset F_1 = \dots = F_{k-1} \subset F_k = \{0\}$. The Betti realization V_B comes from the construction of Grothendieck motive M_f . There are also Betti and de Rham realizations V_B and V_{dR} , both 2-dimensional E -vector spaces. For details of the construction Following Scholl [SC], we can construct V_χ as the χ -adic realization of a Grothendieck motive M_f .

2. if Frob_p is an arithmetic Frobenius element at such a p then the characteristic polynomial of $\text{Frob}_{p^{-1}}$ acting on V_χ is $x^2 - a^p x + p^{k-1}$.

1. p_χ is unramified at p for all primes p not dividing ℓN , and

such that

$$p_\chi : \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(V_\chi),$$

This section and the next provide definitions of some of the quantities appearing later in the Bloch–Kato conjecture. Let $f = \sum a_n q^n$ be a newform of weight $k \geq 2$ for $\Gamma_0(N)$, with coefficients in an algebraic number field E , which necessarily totally real. Let χ be any finite prime of E , and let ℓ denote its residue characteristic. A theorem of Deligne [Del] implies the existence of a two-dimensional vector space V_χ over E_χ , and a continuous representation

2 Motives and Galois representations

For any finite prime λ of O_E , define the O_λ -module T_λ inside V_λ to be the image of $T_B \otimes O_\lambda$ under the natural isomorphism $V_B \otimes E_\lambda \simeq V_\lambda$. Then the O_λ -module T_λ is $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ -stable.

From now on, we assume for convenience that $N \geq 3$. We need to choose a convenient O_E -lattice T_B and T_{DR} in the Betti and de Rham realizations V_B and V_{DR} of M_f . We do this in such a way that T_B and $T_{\text{DR}} \otimes_{O_E} O_E[1/N_f]$ agree respectively with the O_E -lattice $\mathcal{M}_{f,B}$ and the $O_E[1/N_f]$ -lattice $\mathcal{M}_{f,\text{DR}}$ defined in [DFG1] using cohomology, with nonconstant coefficients, of modular curves. (See especially [DFG1], Sections 2.2 and 5.4, and the paragraph preceding Lemma 2.3.)

3 Canonical periods

This is analogous to the group of rational torsion points on an elliptic curve. Define an ideal $\#T^\lambda$ of O_E , in which the exponent of any prime ideal λ is the length of the λ -component of T^λ .

$$T^\lambda = \bigoplus^\lambda H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A_\lambda(k/2)).$$

Define the group of global torsion points

point in $B(\mathbb{Q}_p)$, so that it maps to zero in $H_1(\mathbb{Q}_p, A_\ell)$.

group, we can represent every class in $B(\mathbb{Q}_p)/\ell B(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ by an ℓ -power torsion [BK], 3.11 for $\ell = p$. For $\ell \neq p$, $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}_p, V_\ell) = 0$. Considering the formal take the quotient by its maximal divisible subgroup). To see this one uses Shafarevich–Tate group of B (here we assume finiteness of the latter, or just Tate modules, then what we have defined above coincides with the usual contains the full ring of integers O_E . If one takes all the $T_\lambda(\ell)$ to be λ -adic choose an abelian variety B in the isogeny class whose endomorphism ring abelian varieties over \mathbb{Q} , with endomorphism algebra containing E . We can In the case $k = 2$ the motive comes from a (self-dual) isogeny class of

T_λ is unique up to scaling and the λ -part of Π is independent of choices. Define an ideal $\#\Pi(\lambda)$ of O_E , in which the exponent of any prime ideal λ is the length of the λ -component of $\Pi(\lambda)$. We shall only concern ourselves with the case $\lambda = k/2$, and write Π for $\Pi(k/2)$. It depends on the choice of $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ -stable O_λ -module T_λ inside V_λ . But if $A[\lambda]$ is irreducible then $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ -stable O_λ -module T_λ inside each V_λ . Note that the condition at strictions lie in $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}_p, A_\lambda(j))$ for all primes p . Note that the condition at $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))$ as the subgroup of elements of $H_1(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))$ whose local re-

$$\Pi(\lambda) = \bigoplus^\lambda H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))/\pi^* H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, V_\lambda(j)).$$

$p = \infty$ is superfluous unless $\ell = 2$. Define the Shafarevich–Tate group $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))$ as the subgroup of elements of $H_1(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))$ whose local restrictions lie in $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}_p, A_\lambda(j))$ for all primes p . Note that the condition at $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))$ as the subgroup of elements of $H_1(\mathbb{Q}, A_\lambda(j))$ whose local re-

The quantity vol^∞ is equal to $(2\pi i)^{k/2}$ multiplied by the determinant of the isomorphism $V_f^B \otimes \mathbb{C} \cong (V_{\text{dR}}/F_{k/2}) \otimes \mathbb{C}$, calculated with respect to the lattices here, and from this point onwards, \pm represents the parity of $(k/2) - 1$.

$$\frac{\text{vol}^\infty}{L(f, k/2)} = \left(\prod_{n=1}^d c_p(k/2) \right)^{\# I_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(k/2)}.$$

Let $L(f, s)$ be the L -function attached to f . For $\Re(s) > \frac{k}{2+1}$ it is defined by the Dirichlet series with Euler product $\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n n^{-s} = \prod_{n=1}^d (P_p(p^{-s}))^{-1}$, but there is an analytic continuation given by an integral, as described in the next section. Suppose that $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$. The Bloch–Kato conjecture for the motive $M_f(k/2)$ predicts the following equality of fractional ideals of E :

In this section we extract from the Shafarevich–Tate group, by analysing the prediction about the order of the Bloch–Kato conjecture for $L(f, k/2)$ a other terms in the formula.

4 The Bloch–Kato conjecture

Under the de Rham isomorphism between $V_{\text{dR}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ and $V^B \otimes \mathbb{C}$, $e(f)$ maps to some element w_f . There is a natural action of complex conjugation on V^B , breaking it up into one-dimensional E -vector spaces V_f^B and V_{-f}^B . Let w_f be the projections of w_f to $V_f^B \otimes \mathbb{C}$ and $V_{-f}^B \otimes \mathbb{C}$ respectively. Let w_f be the element w_f . Define complex numbers U_f^\pm by $w_f^\pm = U_f^\pm e_f$.

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Proof As on [F12], p. 30, for odd $l \neq p$, $\text{ord}_\chi(c^p(j))$ is the length of the finite O_χ -module $H_0(\mathbb{Q}^p, H_1(I^p, T_\chi(j))_{\text{tors}})$, where I^p is an inertial group at p . But $T_\chi(j)$ is a trivial I^p -module, so $H_1(I^p, T_\chi(j))$ is torsion free. \square

Lemma 4.3 Let $p \nmid N$ be a prime and j an integer. Then the fractional ideal $c^p(j)$ is supported at most on divisors of p .

Remark 4.2 Note that the “quantities” $\mathfrak{a}_\pm \mathcal{U}^\mp$ and $\text{vol}^\infty/\mathfrak{a}_\pm$ are independent of the choice of \mathfrak{d}_f .

Lemma 4.1 $\text{vol}^\infty/\mathfrak{a}_\pm = c(2\pi i)^{k/2} \mathfrak{a}_\pm \mathcal{U}^\mp$, with $c \in E$ and $\text{ord}_\chi(c) = 0$ for period map from $F_{k/2} V_{\text{DR}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ to $V_\pm^B \otimes \mathbb{C}$, with respect to lattices dual to those we used above in the definition of vol^∞ (cf. [D2], last paragraph of 1.7). Here we are using natural pairings. Meanwhile, \mathcal{U}^\mp is the determinant of the same map with respect to the lattices $F_{k/2} T_{\text{DR}}$ and $O_{E, f}^{E, f}$. Recall that the index of $O_{E, f}^{E, f}$ in T_\pm^B is the index of \mathfrak{a}_\pm , the index of T_{DR} in its dual is equal to the index of T_\pm^B in its dual, both being equal to the ideal denoted η in [DFG2]. \square

Proof We note that vol^∞ is equal to $(2\pi i)^{k/2}$ times the determinant of the

\mathcal{U}^\mp .

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originial conjecture from theirs, in the case $E = \mathbb{Q}$.

really the point of their work. [Fo2], Section 11 sketches how to deduce the by Fontaine and Perrin-Riou, who work with general E , though that is not (5.15.1). The Bloch–Kato conjecture has been reformulated and generalised have taken here the obvious generalisation of a slight rearrangement of [BK], strictly speaking, the conjecture in [BK] is only given for $E = \mathbb{Q}$. We [Fa], Theorem 5.6).

assume Fontaine’s de Rham conjecture ([Fo1], Appendix A6), and depends on the choices of T_{DR} and T_\pm^B , locally at χ . (We shall mainly be concerned with the q -part of the Bloch–Kato conjecture, where q is a prime of good reduction. For such primes, the de Rham conjecture follows from Faltings reduction.

We omit the definition of $\text{ord}_\chi(c^p(j))$ for $\chi \mid p$, which requires one to

$$\cdot \left(\left({}_{I^p}(j) / {}_{I^p}(j) \right)_0 H_0(\mathbb{Q}^p, A^p(j)) / \left({}_{I^p}(j) / {}_{I^p}(j) \right)_0 \right) = \text{length} \left(H_0(\mathbb{Q}^p, A^p(j)) / \left({}_{I^p}(j) / {}_{I^p}(j) \right)_0 \right)$$

$$= \text{length} \left(H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^p, T_\chi(j))_{\text{tors}} - \text{ord}_\chi(P^p(j)) \right)$$

$O_{E, f}^{E, f}$ and the image of T_{DR} . For $l \neq p$, $\text{ord}_\chi(c^p(j))$ is defined to be

Lemma 4.6 If $\mathfrak{a} \mid q$ is a prime of E such that $q \nmid Nk!$, then $\text{ord}_{\mathfrak{a}}(c^q) = 0$.

Remark 4.5 For an example of what can be done when f is congruent to a form of lower level, see the first example in Section 7.4 below.

Since Condition (c) is clearly also satisfied, we are in a situation covered by Proposition 1.1.)

Since Condition (c) is congruent to g modulo \mathfrak{a} , for Fourier coefficients of index coprime to N/p , congruence of a newform of weight k , trivial character and level dividing N/\mathfrak{a} . This contradicts our hypotheses. \square

the existence of a newform of weight k , trivial character and level dividing N/\mathfrak{a} . But then [JL], Theorem 1 (which uses the condition $q < k$) implies $V^{\mathfrak{a}}[\text{Gal}]$). Using Carayol's result that N is the prime-to- q part of the conductor of $V^{\mathfrak{a}}$ [Cai]). Here we are using Case 3 is excluded, so $A[\mathfrak{a}](j)$ is unramified at p and $\text{ord}_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) = 1$. (Here we one of the three cases in [L], Proposition 2.3. Since $p \not\equiv -1 \pmod{q}$ if $p \nmid N$,

Proposition 2.3 would imply the existence of an impossible twist, as in the previous paragraph. (Here we are also using [L], it not, there is nothing to prove). If Condition (a) of [L], Proposition 2.3 were not satisfied then [L], Proposition 2.2 would imply the existence of an

$$\dim_{O^{\mathfrak{a}/\mathfrak{b}}} H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, A[\mathfrak{a}](j)) < \dim_{E^{\mathfrak{a}}} H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, V^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)).$$

Suppose now that hypotheses.

Suppose that Condition (b) of [L], Proposition 2.3 is not satisfied. Then p and must have trivial character. Then the existence of f^{χ} contradicts our order, $p \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$, so by hypothesis $p \nmid N$. Hence f^{χ} has level coprime to p and character of f^{χ} has conductor at worst p . Since χ has conductor p and q -power f^{χ} denotes the newform, of level dividing N/p , associated with $V^{\mathfrak{a}} \otimes \chi$. Let $O^{\mathfrak{a}}$ denote the q -part of the conductor of $V^{\mathfrak{a}} \otimes \chi$ is strictly smaller than that of $V^{\mathfrak{a}}$. Let there exists a character χ : $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow O^{\mathfrak{a}}$ of q -power order such that the p -part of the conductor of $V^{\mathfrak{a}} \otimes \chi$ is strictly smaller than that of $V^{\mathfrak{a}}$. Let

Suppose that Condition (b) of [L], Proposition 2.3 is not satisfied. Then since this ensures that $H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, A[\mathfrak{a}](j)) = H_0(O^{\mathfrak{a}}, V^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)/T^{\mathfrak{a}}(j))$. Since this ensures that $H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, A[\mathfrak{a}](j)) = V^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)_{I^{\mathfrak{a}}}/T^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)_{I^{\mathfrak{a}}}$, and therefore that

$$\dim_{O^{\mathfrak{a}/\mathfrak{b}}} H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, A[\mathfrak{a}](j)) = \dim_{E^{\mathfrak{a}}} H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, V^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)).$$

To prove the lemma it suffices to show that

$$\dim_{O^{\mathfrak{a}/\mathfrak{b}}} H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, A[\mathfrak{a}](j)) \geq \dim_{E^{\mathfrak{a}}} H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, V^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)).$$

Proof There is a natural injective map from $V^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)_{I^{\mathfrak{a}}}/T^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)_{I^{\mathfrak{a}}}$ to $H_0(I^{\mathfrak{a}}, A[\mathfrak{a}](j))$ (i.e., $A^{\mathfrak{a}}(j)_{I^{\mathfrak{a}}}$). Consideration of \mathfrak{a} -torsion shows that

for all integers j .

of weight k , trivial character, and level dividing N/p . Then $\text{ord}_{\mathfrak{a}}(c^q(j)) = 0$ modulo \mathfrak{a} (for Fourier coefficients of index coprime to N/\mathfrak{a}) to any newform if $p^2 \mid N$ suppose that $p \not\equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$. Suppose also that f is not congruent irreducible representation of $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$, where $\mathfrak{a} \mid q$. Let $p \mid N$ be a prime, and Lemma 4.4 Let $\mathfrak{a} \nmid N$ be a prime satisfying $q < k$. Suppose that $A[\mathfrak{a}]$ is an

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 f(iy) dy = (2\pi)^{-s} L(f, s).$$

Proof This is based on some of the ideas used in [V], Section 1. Note ably refer to “Condition 2”. Since $\text{ord}^b(\mathfrak{a}_\pm) = 0$, we just need to show that the apparent typographical error in [V], Theorem 1.13 which should presumably easy to prove, that $\text{ord}^b(L(f, k/2)/((2\pi)^k/2\mathcal{Q}^\pm)) < 0$, where $\pm 1 = (-1)^{(k/2)-1}$. It is well known,

Proposition 5.1 *With assumptions as above, $\text{ord}^b(L(f, k/2)/\text{vol}^\infty) < 0$.*

$$L(f, k/2) \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad L(g, k/2) = 0.$$

assumptions:

way that $\text{ord}^b(\mathfrak{a}_\pm) = 0$, i.e., \mathfrak{g}_f generates T_f^B locally at \mathfrak{q} . Make two further sentation of $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$ and that $q \nmid N\mathfrak{p}(N)\mathfrak{k}$. Choose $\mathfrak{g}_f \in T_f^B$ in such a i.e. $a^n \equiv b^n \pmod{\mathfrak{q}}$ for all n . Assume that $A[\mathfrak{q}]$ is an irreducible representation of E such that $f \equiv g \pmod{\mathfrak{q}}$, a^n and b^n . Suppose that $\mathfrak{q} \mid q$ is a prime of E such that $f \equiv g \pmod{\mathfrak{q}}$, $T(N)$. Let E be a number field large enough to contain all the coefficients of $L(f, k/2) = \sum a^n b^n$ and $g = \sum b^n a^n$ be newforms of equal weight $k \geq 2$ for

5 Congruences of special values

$$\text{ord}^b(\# \Pi) = \text{ord}^b(L(f, k/2)\mathfrak{a}_\pm / \text{vol}^\infty).$$

Proposition 4.8 *Let $q \nmid N$ be a prime satisfying $q < k$ and suppose that $A[\mathfrak{q}]$ is an irreducible representation of $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$, where $\mathfrak{q} \mid q$. Assume the same hypotheses as in Lemma 4.4 for all $p \mid N$. Choose T_p^B and T_f^B which locally at \mathfrak{q} are as in the previous section. If $L(f, k/2)\mathfrak{a}_\pm / \text{vol}^\infty \neq 0$ then the Bloch–Kato conjecture predicts that*

Putting together the above lemmas we arrive at the following:

Proof This follows trivially from the definition. \square

$$\text{ord}^b(\# \Gamma) = 0.$$

Lemma 4.7 *If $A[\mathfrak{q}]$ is an irreducible representation of $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$, then*

Proof It follows from [DFG1], Lemma 5.7 (whose proof relies on an application, at the end of Section 2.2, of the results of [Fa]) that T_q^q is the $O^q[\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^q/\mathbb{Q}^q)]$ -module associated to the filtered module $T_p^B \otimes O^q$ by the functor they call \mathbb{V} . (This property is part of the definition of an S -integral motivic structure given in [DFG1], Section 1.2.) Given this, the lemma follows from [BK], Theorem 4.1 from [Fa], first paragraph of 2(h). \square

The coefficient of $X_{(k/2)-1}Y_{(k/2)-1}$ in this is 0, since $L(g, k/2) = 0$. Therefore it would suffice to show that, for some $u \in O_E^E$, the element $\Delta_{\mp}^f - u\Delta_{\mp}^g$ is divisible by \mathfrak{b} in $S_{\mathrm{L}^1(N)}(k, O_E^E, \mathfrak{b})$. It suffices to show that, for some $u \in O_E^E$, the element $\Delta_{\mp}^f - u\Delta_{\mp}^g$ is divisible by \mathfrak{b} in $S_{\mathrm{L}^1(N)}(k, O_E^E, \mathfrak{b})$.

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{j \equiv (k/2)-1 \pmod{2}} r^{\ell} X_{\ell} X_{k-2-\ell} = ([0] - [\infty])_{\mp}^{\delta} \Phi$$

The coefficient of $X_{(k/2)-1}Y_{(k/2)-1}$ is what we would like to show is divisible by \mathfrak{b} . Similarly

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{j \equiv (k/2)-1 \pmod{2}} r^{\ell} X_{\ell} X_{k-2-\ell} = ([0] - [\infty])_{\mp}^f \nabla$$

Since $\omega_{\mp}^f = \mathcal{D}_{\mp}^f \delta_{\mp}^f$, we see that

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{j \equiv (k/2)-1 \pmod{2}} r^{\ell} X_{\ell} X_{k-2-\ell} = ([0] - [\infty])_{\mp}^f \Phi$$

up to some small factorials which do not matter locally at \mathfrak{b} , we insist that $d \nmid \phi(N)$. It follows from the last line of [St], Section 4.2 that, now dealing with cohomology over $X^1(N)$ rather than $M(N)$, which is why $S_{\mathrm{L}^1(N)}(k, \mathbb{C})$, and δ_{\mp}^f corresponds to an element $\Delta_{\mp}^f \in S_{\mathrm{L}^1(N)}(k, O_E^E, \mathfrak{b})$. We are of [V], 1.7, the cohomology class ω_{\mp}^f corresponds to a modular symbol $\Phi_{\mp}^f \in$ Via the isomorphism (8) of [V], Section 1.5 combined with the argument weight k modular symbols for $\mathrm{T}^1(N)$.

Let $S_{\mathrm{L}^1(N)}(k, R) := \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{T}^1(N)}(\mathcal{D}_0, P_{k-2}(R))$ be the R -module of polynomials of degree r in $R[X, Y]$. Both these groups have a natural action algebra R and integer $r \geq 0$, let $P_r(R)$ be the additive group of homogeneous elements of degree r in $R[X, Y]$. For a \mathbb{Z} -

Thus we are reduced to showing that $\mathrm{ord}_{\mathfrak{b}}(r^{(k/2)-1}(f)/\mathcal{D}^{\mp}) < 0$.

$$r^{\ell}(f) = \mathcal{J}_{\ell}(-2\pi i)^{-\ell} T_{\ell}(f) + 1.$$

where the integral is taken along the positive imaginary axis, then

$$\int_{\infty}^0 z p_{\ell} z(z) f = (f)_{\ell}$$

Hence, if for $0 \leq j \leq k-2$ we define the j th period

on the motive M^g . (This generalises the part of the Birch–Swinnerton-Dyer equivalence classes of null-homologous, algebraic cycles of codimension $k/2$ at $s = k/2$ is the rank of the group $\mathrm{CH}_{k/2}^0(M^g)(\mathbb{Q})$ of \mathbb{Q} -rational ratios to the Beilinson–Bloch conjecture [B, Be], the order of vanishing of $L(g, s)$ at $s = k/2$ is at least 2. According mark 5.2), the order of vanishing of $L(g, s)$ at $s = k/2$ is at least 2. According final equation for $L(g, s)$ is positive (this follows from $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$, see Remark that $L(g, k/2) = 0$ and $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$. Since the sign in the function isomorphic as $\mathrm{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ -modules.

From the Chebotarev Density Theorem that $A[\mathfrak{q}]$ and $A[\mathfrak{q}]^\perp$, if irreducible, are responding objects for g . Since a_p is the trace of Frobenius on V_λ , it follows

For f we have defined V_λ , T_λ and A_λ . Let V_λ^\vee , T_λ^\vee and A_λ^\vee be the cor-

the Shafarevich–Tate group.

Galois representations, provides a direct link between algebraic cycles and Galois representations of the Shafarevich–Tate group (for M^f , as we saw in §4). In this section we show how the congruence, interpreted in terms of certain elements of the Shafarevich–Tate group (for M^g), while the latter is associated with the existence of algebraic cycles (for M^g) to the former is associated with the existence of certain $L(f, k/2)$. Conjecturally the former is divisible by \mathfrak{q} of an “algebraic part” of the vanishing of $L(g, k/2)$ to the divisibility by \mathfrak{q} of an “algebraic part” of previous section we showed how the congruence between f and g relates to the vanishing of $L(g, k/2)$ to the congruence between f and g of the previous section. In the

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This is analogous to [CM1], remark at the end of Section 3, which shows that if \mathfrak{q} has odd residue characteristic and $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$ but $L(g, k/2) = 0$ then $L(g, s)$ must vanish to order at least two at $s = k/2$. Note that Mazur’s conjecture implies that there are no examples of g of level one with positive sign in their functional equation such that $L(g, k/2) = 0$ (see [CF]).

Remark 5.2 The signs in the functional equations of $L(f, s)$ and $L(g, s)$ are the common eigenvalue of W_N acting on f and g . They are determined by the eigenvalue of A_N and b_N modulo \mathfrak{q} , because A_N and b_N are each $N_{k/2-1}$ times this sign and \mathfrak{q} has residue characteristic coprime to $2N$. The common sign in the functional equation is $(-1)^{k/2}w_N$, where w_N is equal. They are determined by the eigenvalue of the Atkin–Lehner involution W_N , which is determined by a_N and b_N modulo \mathfrak{q} , because a_N and b_N are each $N_{k/2-1}$ times this sign and \mathfrak{q} has residue characteristic coprime to $2N$. The common eigenvalue of W_N acting on f and g .

If \mathfrak{q}_f^\pm and \mathfrak{q}_g^\pm generate the same one-dimensional subspace upon reduction modulo \mathfrak{q} . But this is a consequence of [Fj], Theorem 2.1(I) (for which we need the irreducibility of $A[\mathfrak{q}]$). \square

cohomology of $X^1(N)$ with nonconstant coefficients. This would be the case if \mathfrak{q}_f^\pm and \mathfrak{q}_g^\pm generate the same one-dimensional subspace upon reduction modulo \mathfrak{q} .

Since $q \nmid N$ is a prime of good reduction for the motive M^g , V^g is a crystalline representation of $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g/\mathbb{Q}^g)$, which means that $D_{\text{cris}}(V^g)$ and V^g have the same dimension, where $D_{\text{cris}}(V^g) := H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g, V^g \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g} B_{\text{cris}})$. (This is a consequence of [Fa], Theorem 5.6.) As already noted in the proof of Lemma 4.6, we have $H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g, A^g(k/2)) = H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g, V^g \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g} B_{\text{cris}})$.

Case 3, $p = q$:

Since the Euler factor at p of $L(f, s)$ is the same as the Euler factor at p of $L(g, s)$, By [AL, Theorems 3(iii) and 5], the common dimension of $H_0(I^p, V^g)$ is $(1 - ap_{-s})^{-1}$, where Frob_{-1} acts as multiplication by a on the one-dimensional space $H_0(I^p, V^g)$. It follows from [Ca1], Theorem A that this is the case where this common dimension is 1. The (motivic) Euler factor at p for the level N is the conductor of $V^g(k/2)$, so $p \mid N$ implies that $V^g(k/2)$ is ramified at p , hence $\dim H_0(I^p, V^g(k/2)) = 0$ or 1. As above, we see that the level N is the conductor of $V^g(k/2)$. By the work of Carayol [Ca1], is [W], Lemma 1), which we claim is trivial. By the work of Carayol [Ca1], of this group is the same as the order of the group $H_0(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^g, A^g(k/2))$ (this comes from $H_1(D^p/I^p, H_0(I^p, A^g(k/2)))$, by inflation-restriction). The order of the image of $c \in H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$ in $H_1(I^p, A^g(k/2))$ is zero. Then $\text{res}_p(c)$ is also zero. By [FlI], line 3 of p. 125, $H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$ is equal to (not just contained in) the kernel of the map from $H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$ to $H_1(I^p, A^g(k/2))$, so we have shown that $\text{res}_p(c) \in H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$.

We first show that $H_0(I^p, A^g(k/2))$ is q -divisible. It suffices to show that since then the natural map from $H_0(I^p, V^g(k/2))$ to $H_0(I^p, A^g(k/2))$ is surjective; this may be done as in the proof of Lemma 4.4. It follows as above that the image of $c \in H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$ in $H_1(I^p, A^g(k/2))$ is zero. Then $\text{res}_p(c)$ is also zero. Hence the restriction of c to $H_1(I^p, A^g(k/2))$ is zero, hence that the restriction of c is zero, hence that the image in $H_1(I^p, A^g(k/2))$ of the restriction of c is zero. By [FlII], line 3 of p. 125, $H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$ is equal to (not just contained in) the kernel of the map from $H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$ to $H_1(I^p, A^g(k/2))$, so we have shown that $\text{res}_p(c) \in H_1(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}, A^g(k/2))$.

Case 2, $p \mid N$:

(the analogue for g of the above).

The vertical arrows are all inclusions, and we know the image of $h_1(D^*(k/2))$ is surjective since $h_2(D^*(k/2)) = 0$. In $H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(k/2))$ is exactly $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(k/2))$. The top right horizontal map in the exact sequence in [BK], middle of p. 366, gives a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(k/2)) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(k/2)) & \longrightarrow & H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, A^b[k/2]). \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ h_1(D^*(k/2)) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & h_1(D^*(k/2)) & \longrightarrow & h_1(D^*(k/2)/\mathfrak{b}D^*(k/2)) \end{array}$$

The exact sequence in [BK], middle of p. 366, gives a commutative diagram

$$h_1(D^*(k/2)) \simeq H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(k/2)) \text{ and } h_1(D^*(k/2)) \simeq H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(k/2)).$$

We have $(k-1)/2$. Similarly $H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b(j)) = H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b(j))$, since $j \neq 1, 2, 4(\text{ii})$, and the Weil conjectures, $H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b(j)) = H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b(j))$, since $j \neq 1, 2, 4(\text{ii})$, and the Frobenius operator on crystalline cohomology. By Scholl [Sc], where f is the Frobenius operator on crystalline cohomology. By [BK], Corollary 3.8.4,

$$H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b(j))/H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b(j)) \simeq (D(j) \otimes {}^{b\mathbb{Z}})(1 - f(D(j))) / (1 - f(D(j)) \otimes {}^{b\mathbb{Z}}),$$

(provided that $k-p+1 < j < k-1$, so that $D(j)$ satisfies the hypotheses of [BK], Lemma 4.5). By [BK], Corollary 3.8.4,

$$h_1(D(j)) \simeq H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b(j))$$

Then

For an integer j , let $D(j)$ be D with the Hodge filtration shifted by j . etc. simply as \mathbb{Z}^b -modules, forgetting the O^b -structure.

Likewise $h_1(D) \simeq H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b)$. When applying results of [BK] we view D, T^b

$$H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b) = \ker(H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b) \rightarrow H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, B_{f=1}^{\text{cris}} \otimes {}^{b\mathbb{Q}} V^b)),$$

and

$$({}^{b\mathbb{Q}} V^b)_1 H_1^e(\mathbb{Q}^b, V^b) = \ker(H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, T^b) \rightarrow H_1(\mathbb{Q}^b, L^b))$$

where

$$h_1(D) \simeq (D \otimes {}^{b\mathbb{Q}} T^b),$$

Now let $D = T^b \otimes O^b$ and $D^* = T^b \otimes O^b$. By [BK], Lemma 4.5(c),

is the “unit” filtered Dieudonné module.

Fonataine–Lafaille category of filtered Dieudonné modules over \mathbb{Z}^b . $h_i(D) = 0$ for all $i \geq 2$ and all D , and $h_i(D) = \text{Ext}_i(L^b, D)$ for all i and D , where L^b is the “unit” filtered Dieudonné module.

In [BK], Lemma 4.4, a cohomological functor $\{h_i\}_{i \geq 0}$ is constructed on the

we give some details.

Since also $q < k$, we may now prove, in the same manner as [Du1], Proposition 9.2, that $\text{res}^b(j) \in H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^b, A^b(k/2))$. For the convenience of the reader,

This section contains tables and numerical examples illustrating the main themes of this paper. In Section 7.1, we explain Table 1, which contains 16 examples of pairs f, g such that the strong Beilinson–Bloch conjecture and Theorem 6.1 together imply the existence of nontrivial elements of the Shafarevich–Tate group of the motive attached to f . Section 7.2 outlines the higher-weight modular symbol computations used in making Table 1. Section 7.3 discusses modular syzygies of Tate groups of low level and motivic conjectures of Shafarevich–Tate, which summarizes the results of an extensive computation of conjectural orders of Tate groups for modular motives of low level and weight. Section 7.4 gives specific examples in which various hypotheses fail.

7 Examples and Experiments

If our only interest was in testing the Bloch–Kato conjecture at q , we could have made these problems cancel out, as in [DFG1], Lemma 8.11, by weakening the local conditions. However, we have chosen not to do so, since we are also interested in the Shafarevich–Tate group, and since the hypotheses we had to assume are not particularly strong. Note that, since $A[\mathfrak{q}]$ is irreducible, the \mathfrak{q} -part of Π does not depend on the choice of $T^{\mathfrak{q}}$.

2. proving local conditions at primes $p \mid N$, for an element of \mathfrak{q} -torsion.

1. dealing with the \mathfrak{q} -part of C_p for $p \mid N$:

with in quite similar ways:

In this paper we have encountered two technical problems which we dealt that $A[\mathfrak{q}]$ is unramified at l).
 parameterisation shows that if $q \mid CA_l$, i.e., if $q \mid \text{ord}_l(j(A))$, then it is possible to theirs forbidding q from dividing Tamagawa factors CA_l and CB_l . (In the outlawing congruences modulo \mathfrak{q} with cusp forms of lower level is analogous theorem also applies to abelian varieties over number fields.) Our restriction $k = 2$, where f and g are associated with abelian varieties A and B . (Their [AS], Theorem 2.7 is concerned with verifying local conditions in the case

It follows that the class $\text{res}^{\mathfrak{q}}(c) \in H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^{\mathfrak{q}}, A[\mathfrak{q}]/k)$ is in the image of that $\text{res}^{\mathfrak{q}}(\gamma) \in H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}^{\mathfrak{q}}, A^{\mathfrak{q}}(k/2))$, as desired. \square

Theorem 4.3), $D(k/2)/\mathfrak{q}D(k/2)$ is isomorphic to $D(k/2)/\mathfrak{q}D(k/2)$.
 the fullness and exactness of the Fontaine–Laffaille functor [FL] (see [BK], by construction, and therefore is in the image of $h_1(D(k/2)/\mathfrak{q}D(k/2))$. By

This label determines a newform $g = \sum a_n q^n$ up to Galois conjugacy. For example, **127k4C** denotes a newform in the third Galois orbit of newforms in $\text{Level}[k][\text{Weight}][\text{GaloisOrbit}]$.

following notation: the first column contains a label whose structure is $(\text{mod } q)$. In each case, $\text{ord}_{q^2} L(g, k/2) \geq 2$ while $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$. It uses the along with at least one prime q such that there is a prime $q \mid q$ with $f \equiv g$ (mod q). In each case, $\text{ord}_{q^2} L(g, k/2) \geq 2$ while $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$. It uses the

Table I: Visible III

g	$\deg g$	f	$\deg f$	possible q	possible q	$\deg f$	$\deg g$	g
127k4A	1	127k4C	17	43				
159k4B	1	159k4E	16	5, 23				
365k4A	1	365k4E	18	29				
369k4B	1	369k4I	9	13				
453k4A	1	453k4E	23	17				
465k4B	1	465k4I	7	11				
477k4B	1	477k4L	12	73				
567k4B	1	567k4H	8	23				
581k4A	1	581k4E	34	19 ²				
657k4A	1	657k4C	7	5				
657k4A	1	657k4G	12	5				
681k4A	1	681k4D	30	59				
684k4C	1	684k4K	4	7 ²				
95k6A	1	95k6D	9	31, 59				
122k6A	1	122k6D	6	73				
260k6A	1	260k6E	4	17				

Table I lists sixteen pairs of newforms f and g (of equal weights and levels).

7.1 Table I: visible III

Note that in §7 “modular symbol” has a different meaning from in §5, being related to homology rather than cohomology. For precise definitions see [SV].

ought to be trivial in $\mathrm{CH}_{k/2}^0(M_g) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$.
 $L(g, k/2) = 0$, Heegner cycles have height zero (see [Z], Corollary 0.3.2), so predicted by the Belinson–Bloch conjecture in the above examples. Since true. It would be nice if likewise one could explicitly produce algebraic cycles down rational points predicted by the Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture. For particular examples of elliptic curves one can often find and write

constructed the \mathfrak{d} -torsion in H^1 predicted by the Birch–Kato conjecture.
 $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$, we expect that the \mathfrak{d} -torsion subgroup of $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A^{\mathfrak{d}}(k/2))$ is equal to the \mathfrak{d} -torsion subgroup of H^1 . Admitting these assumptions, we have

Recall that since $\mathrm{ord}_{\mathfrak{d}} L(g, s) \geq 2$, we expect that $r \geq 2$. Then, since

the \mathfrak{d} -torsion subgroup of $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A^{\mathfrak{d}}(k/2))$ has $\mathbb{F}_{\mathfrak{d}}$ -rank at least r .
hypotheses of Theorem 6.1, so if r is the dimension of $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, V_{\mathfrak{d}}(k/2))$ then does not arise from a level 1 form of weight 4. Thus we have checked the of f , so $p_{f, \mathfrak{d}} \approx p_{g, \mathfrak{d}}$ is irreducible. Since 127 is prime and $S^4(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})) = 0$, f coefficients of index n , with $(n, 127) = 1$, are congruent modulo 43 to those

There is no form in the Eisenstein subspaces of $M_4(\Gamma^0(127))$ whose Fourier

$$f = q + 42q^2 + 35q^3 + 36q^4 + 28q^5 + 8q^6 + 18q^7 + \cdots \in \mathbb{F}[q].$$

equal to
of K of residue characteristic 43. The mod \mathfrak{d} reductions of f and g are both that $L(f, 2) \neq 0$. The newforms f and g are congruent modulo a prime \mathfrak{d} image of the modular symbol $XY\{0, \infty\}$ under the period mapping, we find coefficients generate a number field K of degree 17, and by computing the so $L'(g, 2) = 0$ as well. We also find a newform $f \in S_4(\Gamma^0(127))$ whose Fourier with $L(g, 2) = 0$. Because $W^{127}(g) = g$, the functional equation has sign +1,

$$g = q - 8q^2 - 7q^3 - 15q^4 - 8q^5 + 25q^6 - 25q^7 + \cdots \in S_4(\Gamma^0(127))$$

Using modular symbols, we find that there is a newform further details on how the computations were performed.
We describe the first line of Table 1 in more detail. The next section gives

$S^4(\Gamma^0(N), \mathbb{Z})/(W + W_{\perp})$ defined at the end of 7.3 below.
appears in the q -column, which means that q^2 divides the order of the group For the two examples **581KA** and **684AK**, the square of a prime a and \mathfrak{d} .

$\pmod{\mathfrak{d}}$, and such that the hypotheses of Theorem 6.1 are satisfied for f , g , contains at least one prime \mathfrak{d} such that there is a prime $\mathfrak{d} \mid \mathfrak{d}$ with $f \equiv g$ and fourth columns contains f and its degree, respectively. The fifth column The second column contains the degree of the field $\mathbb{Q}(\cdots, a_n, \cdots)$. The third level, with positive trace being first in the event that the two absolute values are equal, and the first Galois orbit is denoted **A**, the second **B**, and so on. then by the sequence of absolute values $|\mathrm{Tr}(a^p(g))|$ for p not dividing the $S_4(\Gamma^0(127))$. Galois orbits are ordered first by the degree of $\mathbb{Q}(\cdots, a_n, \cdots)$,

where \mathcal{L} is the lattice defined by integrating integral cuspidal modular symbols the $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ -conjugates of f . Let T be the complex torus $\mathbb{C}^d / (2\pi i)^k \mathcal{L}$, For any newform f , let $L(M_f/\mathbb{Q}, s) = \prod_{i=1}^d L(f^{(i)}, s)$ where $f^{(i)}$ runs over

examples of nontrivial visible \mathcal{L} .

when $k < 6$ we find many examples of conjecturally nontrivial \mathcal{L} but no level N (compare with the observations of [CM1] and [AS]). For example, is usually “not visible at level N ”, that is, not explained by congruences at motivic. The results of this section suggest that \mathcal{L} of a modular motive bounds on conjectural orders of Shafarevich–Tate groups of many modular motives. In this section we apply some of the results of Section 4 to compute lower

7.3 Conjecturally nontrivial \mathcal{L}

examples of weights ≥ 8 .

zero at $k/2$ that is not forced by the functional equation. We found no such because it includes examples of modular forms of even weight > 2 with a equation, implies that $L(g, k/2) = 0$. Table 1 is of independent interest Next, we checked that $W^N(g) = (-1)^{k/2}g$ which, because of the functional implies that $L(g, k/2) = 0$. In a similar way, we verified that $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$. the modular symbol e to a nonzero multiple of $L(g, \frac{k}{2})$, so that e maps to 0 period mapping, and found that the image was 0. The period mapping sends symbol $e = X_{\frac{k}{2}-1}Y_{\frac{k}{2}-1}\{0, \infty\}$ under a map with the same kernel as the To verify that $L(g, k/2) = 0$, we computed the image of the modular

disregard the Fourier coefficients of index not coprime to N . listing a basis of such h and finding the possible congruences, where again we congruent to any form h of level N/p for any p that exactly divides N by coefficients of index n with $(n, N) = 1$. Similarly, we checked that g is not dividing N , where by congruence, we mean a congruence for all Fourier characteristics of congruences between g and any Eisenstein series of level that $p^{g,4}$ is irreducible by computing a set that contains all possible residue the existence of a congruence on the level of Fourier expansions. We showed spaces of modular symbols satisfy an appropriate congruence, which forces To prove there is a congruence, we showed that the corresponding integral

ducible and does not arise from any $S^h(\Gamma_0(N/p))$, as follows: Let g, f , and q be some data from a line of Table 1 and let N denote the level of g . We verified the existence of a congruence modulo q , that $L(g, k/2) = L(f, k/2) = 0$ and $L(f, k/2) \neq 0$, and that $p_{f,4} = p_{g,4}$ is irre-

ducible part of MAGMA (see [BCP]). We give a brief summary of how the computation was performed. The algoritms we used were implemented by the second author, and most are a standard part of MAGMA.

7.2 How the computation was performed

Let S be the set of newforms with level N and weight k satisfying either $k = 4$ and $N \leq 72$, or $k = 12$ and $N \leq 49$. Given $f \in S$, let B be defined as follows:

otherwise.

Remark 7.2 The newform $f = 3194C$ is congruent to one of its Galois conjugates modulo 17 and 17 divides $L(M_f/\mathbb{Q}, k/2)/\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}$, so the lemma and our computations say nothing about whether 17 divides $\text{Norm}\left(\frac{\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}}{L(f, k/2)}\mathfrak{a}_f^\pm\right)$

Galois conjugated when one replaces f by some $f^{(i)}$. \square

interpretation in terms of integral modular symbols, as in §5, and just gets hand side, to the extent claimed by the lemma. Note that $\frac{\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}}{L(f, k/2)}\mathfrak{a}_f^\pm$ has an a factorisation of the left hand side which shows it to be equal to the right $\mathfrak{a}_f^\pm Q_f^{(i)}$, up to divisors of $Nk!$. Now we may apply Lemma 4.1. We then have E). Bearing in mind the last line of §3, we see that these quantities are the a kind of tensor product of \mathbb{C}^* over E , with the group of fractional ideals of obtained by pairing $\Phi_f^{(i)}$ with I_i , for $1 \leq i \leq d$. (These quantities inhabit Up to these primes, $\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}/(2^{it})_{(k/2)-1}^d$ is then a product of the d quantities divisible only by primes of congruence between f and its Galois conjugates. divisible by $\Phi_f^{(i)}$ with I_i , for $1 \leq i \leq d$. The finite index of $I \otimes O_E$ in $\bigoplus_{i=1}^d I_i$ is of I into $I \otimes E$ corresponding to $f^{(i)}$. The lattice \mathcal{L} of $I \otimes O_E$ in $\bigoplus_{i=1}^d I_i$ is of weight k for $\Gamma_0(N)$ which are not Galois conjugate to f .

The lattice \mathcal{L} defined before the lemma is obtained (up to divisors of $Nk!$) by pairing the cohomology modular symbols $\Phi_f^{(i)}$ (as in §5) with the homology map $H \hookrightarrow I$, the lattice \mathcal{L} is obtained by pairing with the elements of I . For modular symbols in H , equivalently, since the pairing factors through the residue characteristics of any primes of congruence between f and cuspidal forms contained in H , but it is contained in $H \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\frac{m}{l}]$ where m is divisible by the corresponding to f and its Galois conjugates. Note that I is not necessarily contained in H , but it is contained in $H \otimes \mathbb{Q}$. Let I be the image of H under projection into the submodule of $H \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ $\Gamma_0(N)$. For I be the image of all integral cuspidal modular symbols for

are equal, where vol^∞ is as in Section 4.

$$\left(\frac{\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}}{L(M_f/\mathbb{Q}, k/2)} \mathfrak{a}_f^\pm \right)^{\text{Norm}} \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}}{L(f, k/2)} \mathfrak{a}_f^\pm \right)^{\text{Norm}}$$

Lemma 7.1 Suppose that $p \nmid Nk!$ is such that f is not congruent to any of its Galois conjugates modulo a prime dividing p . Then the p -parts of

conjugation on T .

the $(-1)^{(k/2)-1}$ eigenspace $T_\pm = \{z \in T : \bar{z} = (-1)^{(k/2)-1}z\}$ for complex conjugation against the conjugates of f . Let $\mathcal{V}M_f/\mathbb{Q}$ denote the volume of

The newforms for which $B > 1$ are given in Table 2 on pp. 112–115. The Fourier coefficients of f , the third contains B . Let W be the intersection second column of the table records the degree of the field generated by the Fourier coefficients of f . The fourth contains B . Let W_\perp be the intersection orthogonal complement of W in $S^k(T^0(N), \mathbb{Z})$. The fourth column contains the span of all conjugates of f with $S^k(T^0(N), \mathbb{Z})$ and W_\perp the Petersson polynomial congruence between f and \tilde{f} with $\#(S^k(T^0(N), \mathbb{Z})/(W + W_\perp))$, which are exactly the odd prime divisors of $\#(S^k(T^0(N), \mathbb{Z})/(W + W_\perp))$.

159kAB and **159k4E** is not Eisenstein.

For simplicity, we discuss residue characteristics instead of rings. For integers, so our definition of B is very conservative. For example, 5 occurs some prime above 5 , but the prime of congruences of characteristic 5 between in row 2 of Table 1 but not in Table 2, because **159k4E** is Eisenstein at 5 but not at 2 . That is, $B = 1$ is at worst a scalar multiple of its dual, $A[\lambda]$ is irreducible then the lattice T_λ is at worst irreducible. Note that it is a perfect square, which, away from congruence primes, is as predicted by the existence of Flach's generalised Cassels–Tate pairing [Fl].

That our computed value of B should be a square is not *a priori* obvious. So the pairing shows that the order of the λ -part of Π , if finite, is a square.) In Section 4, see Section 7.4 for more details. Also note that in every example B is a form of level 13; in this case we must have $19 \mid c_3(2)$, where $c_3(2)$ is as in Example, **39k4C** has $L^3 = 19$, but $B = 1$ because of a 19-congruence with which L^3 is large, but B is not, and this is because of Tamagawa factors. For We computed B for every newform in S . There are many examples in the Birch–Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture, $\text{ord}^p(\#\Pi) = \text{ord}^p(B) < 0$.

Proposition 4.8 and Lemma 7.1 imply that if $\text{ord}^p(B) < 0$ then, according to the Birch–Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture, $\text{ord}^p(\#\Pi) = \text{ord}^p(B) < 0$.

6. Let B be the part of L_5 coprime to the residue characteristic of any prime of congruence between f and any one of its Galois conjugates.

5. Let L_5 be the part of L_4 coprime to the residue characteristic of any primitives of congruence between f and an Eisenstein series. (This eliminates residue characteristics of reducible representations.)

4. Let L_4 be the part of L_3 coprime to the residue characteristic of any prime of congruence between f and a form of weight k , trivial character and lower level. (By congruence here, we mean a congruence for coefficients a_n with n coprime to the level of f .)

3. Let L_3 be the part of L_2 that is coprime to $p \neq 1$ for every prime p such that $p^2 \mid N$.

2. Let L_2 be the part of L_1 that is coprime to $N\mathbb{A}_f$.

1. Let L_1 be the numerator of the rational number $L(M_f/\mathbb{Q}, k/2)/\mathbb{U}^{M_f/\mathbb{Q}}$. If $L_1 = 0$ let $B = 1$ and terminate.

Finally, there are two examples where we have a form g with even functional equation such that $L(g, k/2) = 0$, and a congruent form f which has

and N , are the distinct levels.

does not apply, since there is no reason to suppose that $u_N = u_{N'}$, where N modular symbols. Despite these congruences of modular symbols, Remark 5.2 the congruences of modular forms were found by producing congruences of to make the proof of Proposition 5.1 go through. Indeed, as noted above, however, we still have the congruences of integral modular symbols required When the levels are different we are no longer able to apply [FJ], Theorem 2.1. conjecture). In particular, these elements of Π are *invisible* at level 61. elements of Π for **61k6B** (assuming all along the strong Beilinson–Bloch of $H_1^f(\mathbb{Q}, A^{\mathfrak{b}}(2))$ having $\mathbb{F}^{\mathfrak{b}}$ -rank at least 1 (assuming $r \geq 2$), and thus get its kernel is at most one dimensional, so we still get the \mathfrak{b} -torsion subgroup map from $H_1(I_2, A[\mathfrak{b}](3))$ to $H_1(I_2, A^{\mathfrak{b}}(3))$ is not necessarily, but of Theorem 6.1, there is a problem with the local condition at $p = 2$. The both L -functions have even functional equation, and $L(g, 3) = 0$. In the proof way round. There is a \mathcal{T} -congruence between $g = \mathbf{122k6A}$ and $f = \mathbf{61k6B}$, In the following example, the divisibility between the levels is the other

$\text{ord}^{\mathfrak{b}}(L(f, k/2)/\text{vol}^\infty) \geq 3$, which computation shows not to be the case. This is just as well, since had it worked we would have expected work. This is nontrivial when $u^p = -1$, so (2) of the proof of Theorem 6.1 does not which is the case in our example here with $p = 3$. Likewise $H_0(\mathbb{Q}^p, A[\mathfrak{a}](k/2))$ by the image of $H_0(I^p, V^{\mathfrak{a}}(k/2))$. Hence $\text{ord}^{\mathfrak{b}}(C^p(k/2)) > 0$ when $u^p = -1$, by $k/2$, we see that Frob_{-1}^p acts as $-u^p$ on the quotient of $H_0(I^p, A[\mathfrak{a}](k/2))$ $W^p f = u^p f$. The other must be $\beta = -u^p d_{k/2}$, so that $a/\beta = d_{k-1}$. Twisting of Frob_{-1}^p acting on this two-dimensional space is $a = -u^{p-1} d_{(k/2)-1}$, where dimension. As in (2) of the proof of Theorem 6.1, one of the eigenvalues is unramified at $p = 3$, $H_0(I^p, A[\mathfrak{a}])$ (the same as $H_0(I^p, A[\mathfrak{b}])$) is two- $\text{ord}^{\mathfrak{b}}(C^3(2)) > 0$. In fact this does happen. Because $V^{\mathfrak{b}}$ (attached to g of level being congruent to a form of lower level, so in Lemma 4.4 it is possible that $L(g, s)$ has odd functional equation. Here f fails the condition about not coefficients of index coprime to 39. Here $L(f, 2) \neq 0$, while $L(g, 2) = 0$ since 19-congruence between the newforms $g = \mathbf{13k4A}$ and $f = \mathbf{39k4C}$ of Fourier does not apply, so that one of the forms could have an odd functional equation, and the other could have an even functional equation. For instance, we have a (for Fourier coefficients of index coprime to the levels). However, Remark 5.2 We have some other examples where forms of different levels are congruent

7.4 Examples in which hypotheses fail

also occur in Table 1. same weight and level. We place a * next to the four entries of Table 2 that

We also found some examples for which the conditions of Theorem 6.1 do not apply. We have a 7-congruence between **260k6A** and **260k6E** — here $w_3 = 1$ so that $13 \equiv -w_3 \pmod{7}$. According to Propositions 5.1 and 4.8, Bloch–Kato predicts that the \mathfrak{q} -part of III is nontrivial in these examples. Finally, there is a 5-congruence between **116k6A** and **116k6D**, but here the prime 5 is less than the weight 6 so Propositions 5.1 and 4.8 (and even Lemma 7.1) still predict that the \mathfrak{q} -part of III is nontrivial in these examples.

For example, we have a 7-congruence between **639k4B** and **639k4H**, but $w_7 = -1$, so that $71 \equiv -w_7 \pmod{7}$. There is a similar problem with a 7-congruence between **260k6A** and **260k6E** — here $w_3 = 1$ so that $13 \equiv -w_3 \pmod{7}$. According to Propositions 5.1 and 4.8, Bloch–Kato predicts that the \mathfrak{q} -part of III is nontrivial in these examples. Finally, there is a 5-congruence between **116k6A** and **116k6D**, but here the prime 5 is less than the weight 6 so Propositions 5.1 and 4.8 (and even Lemma 7.1) still predict that the \mathfrak{q} -part of III is nontrivial in these examples.

Let $L^{\mathfrak{q}}(f, s)$ and $L^{\mathfrak{q}}(g, s)$ be the \mathfrak{q} -adic L functions associated with f and g by the construction of Mazur, Tate and Teitelbaum [MTT], each divided by a suitable cameralical period. We may show that $\mathfrak{q} \mid L^{\mathfrak{q}}(f, k/2)$, though it is not quite clear what to make of this. This divisibility may be proved as follows. The measures $d\mu_{L^{\mathfrak{q}}(f, s)}$ and $(a \mathfrak{q}\text{-adic unit times}) d\mu_{L^{\mathfrak{q}}(g, s)}$ in [MTT] (again, suitably normalised) are congruent mod \mathfrak{q} , as a result of the congruence between the modular symbols out of which they are constructed. Integrating suitably normalised) are congruent mod \mathfrak{q} , as a result of the congruence between the functional equations. (According to the proposition in [MTT], Section 18, the signs in the functional equations of $L(g, s)$ and $L^{\mathfrak{q}}(g, s)$ are the same, positive in this instance.)

f	$\deg f$	B (bound for III)	all odd congruence primes
95k6D*	9	$31^2 \cdot 59^2$	$3, 5, 17, 19, 31, 59, 113, 26701$
321k4C	16	13^2	$3, 5, 107, 157, 12782373452377$
299k4C	20	29^2	$13, 23, 103, 20063, 21961$
295k4C	16	7^2	$3, 5, 11, 59, 101, 659, 70791023$
281k4B	40	29^2	281
271k4B	39	29^2	271
269k4C	39	23^2	269
263k4B	39	41^2	263
159k4E*	8	23^2	$3, 5, 11, 23, 53, 13605689$
127k4C*	17	43^2	$43, 127$
263k4B	39	41^2	263
269k4C	39	23^2	269
271k4B	39	29^2	271
281k4B	40	29^2	281
295k4C	16	7^2	$3, 5, 11, 59, 101, 659, 70791023$
299k4C	20	29^2	$13, 23, 103, 20063, 21961$
321k4C	16	13^2	$3, 5, 107, 157, 12782373452377$
95k6D*	9	$31^2 \cdot 59^2$	$3, 5, 17, 19, 31, 59, 113, 26701$
111k6C	9	11^2	$3, 37, 2796169609$
122k6D*	6	73^2	$3, 5, 61, 73, 1303196179$
153k6G	5	7^2	$3, 17, 61, 227$
157k6B	34	251^2	157
167k6B	40	41^2	167
172k6B	9	7^2	$3, 11, 43, 787$
173k6B	39	71^2	173
181k6B	40	107^2	181
191k6B	46	85091^2	191
193k6B	41	31^2	193
199k6B	46	200329^2	199

f	$\deg f$	B (bound for III)	all odd congruence primes
47k8B	16	19 ₂	47
59k8B	20	29 ₂	59
67k8B	20	29 ₂	67
71k8B	24	379 ₂	71
73k8B	22	197 ₂	73
74k8C	6	23 ₂	37, 127, 821, 8327168869
79k8B	25	307 ₂	79
83k8B	27	1019 ₂	83
87k8C	9	112	3, 5, 7, 29, 31, 59, 947, 22877,
89k8B	29	44491 ₂	89
97k8B	29	112·277 ₂	97
101k8B	33	192·11503 ₂	101
103k8B	32	75367 ₂	103
107k8B	34	172·491 ₂	107
109k8B	33	23 ₂ ·229 ₂	109
111k8C	12	127 ₂	3, 7, 11, 13, 17, 23, 37, 6451,
113k8B	35	67 ₂ ·641 ₂	113
115k8B	12	37 ₂	3, 5, 19, 23, 572437,
117k8I	8	19 ₂	5168196102449
118k8C	8	37 ₂	5, 13, 17, 59, 163,
119k8C	16	1283 ₂	3923085859759909
121k8F	6	71 ₂	91528147213
121k8G	12	13 ₂	3, 11
121k8H	12	19 ₂	5, 11
125k8D	16	179 ₂	5
127k8B	39	59 ₂	127

f	$\deg f$	B (bound for III)	all odd congruence primes
128k8F	4	11^2	1
131k8B	43	$241^2 \cdot 817838201^2$	131
134k8C	11	61^2	11, 17, 41, 67, 71, 421,
137k8B	42	$71^2 \cdot 749093^2$	137
139k8B	43	$47^2 \cdot 89^2 \cdot 1021^2$	139
141k8C	14	13^2	3, 5, 7, 47, 4639, 43831013,
142k8B	10	11^2	3, 53, 71, 56377,
143k8C	19	307^2	1965431024315921873
143k8D	21	109^2	3, 7, 11, 13, 61, 79, 103, 173,
145k8C	17	29587^2	769, 36583
146k8C	12	3691^2	5, 11, 29, 107, 251623, 393577,
148k8B	11	19^2	518737, 9837145 699
149k8B	47	$11_4 \cdot 40996789^2$	11, 73, 269, 503, 1673540153,
43k10B	17	449^2	149
47k10B	20	2213^2	47
53k10B	21	673^2	53
55k10D	9	71^2	3, 5, 11, 251, 317, 61339,
59k10B	25	37^2	19869191
62k10E	7	23^2	59
64k10K	2	19^2	3
67k10B	26	$191^2 \cdot 617^2$	67
68k10B	7	83^2	3, 7, 17, 8311
71k10B	30	1103^2	71

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Table 2: Conjecturally nontrivial III (mostly invisible)

f	$\deg f$	B (bound for III)	all odd congruence primes
19k12B	9	67^2	5, 17, 19, 31, 571
31k12B	15	$67^2 \cdot 71^2$	31, 13488901
35k12C	6	17^2	5, 7, 23, 29, 107, 8609, 1307051
39k12C	6	73^2	3, 13, 1491079, 3719832979693
41k12B	20	54347^2	7, 41, 3271, 6277
43k12B	20	212969^2	43, 1669, 483167
47k12B	23	24469^2	17, 47, 59, 2789
49k12H	12	271^2	7

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