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ABSTRACT. The aim of these notes is to generalize Laumon’s construction [18] of automorphic sheaves corresponding to local systems on a smooth, projective curve C to the case of local systems with indecomposable unipotent ramification at a finite set of points. To this end we need an extension of the notion of parabolic structure on vector bundles to coherent sheaves. Once we have defined this, a lot of arguments from the article “On the geometric Langlands conjecture” by Frenkel, Gaitsgory and Vilonen [10] carry over to our situation. We show that our sheaves descend to the moduli space of parabolic bundles if the rank is ≤ 3 and that the general case can be deduced from a generalization of the vanishing conjecture of [10].

*“Je dirais même plus.”
Dupond*

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INTRODUCTION

Before explaining the main result (Theorem 2.5) of this article in more detail, I would like to recall the setting of the geometric Langlands correspondence as in [21].

Let C be a smooth projective curve over a finite field \mathbb{F}_q . (As pointed out in [10] and [21], a lot of the arguments carry over to the case when C is defined over the complex numbers.)

In this situation the Langlands correspondence — as proven by Lafforgue [16] — provides a bijection between irreducible ℓ -adic local systems defined on some open subset $U \subset C$ and certain irreducible representations of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ contained in the space $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))$ called the space of automorphic functions. Here we denote by $\mathbb{A} := \prod'_{x \in C} K_x$ the ring of adèles of the function field $k(C)$ of C , and by $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))$ the space of functions (with values in $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell$) that are right invariant under some compact open subgroup of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ (for notations see Section 0). More precisely it is known (see e.g. [20]) that for any representation $\pi_{\mathbf{E}}$ corresponding to some local system \mathbf{E} there is a compact open subgroup \mathbf{K} such that $\pi_{\mathbf{E}}$ contains a (up to scalar) unique \mathbf{K} -invariant function $A_{\mathbf{E}}$. Further, this compact subgroup is determined by the ramification of \mathbf{E} . Finally, note that the group $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ does not act on the \mathbf{K} -invariant functions, but the algebra of \mathbf{K} -bi-invariant functions acts on these by convolution. This is the action of the \mathbf{K} -Hecke algebra. The function $A_{\mathbf{E}}$ is an eigenvector for this action, and it is determined by this condition.

Drinfeld noted [7] that this correspondence might have a geometric interpretation. First consider the case $\mathbf{K} = \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O})$. Weil explained that the double quotient $\mathrm{GL}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) / \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O})$ can be identified with the set of isomorphism classes of vector bundles on C (choose a trivialisation at all local rings of C and at the generic point of C , the transition functions give an adèle):

$$\mathrm{Bun}_n(\mathbb{F}_q) = \mathrm{GL}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) / \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}).$$

Furthermore, Grothendieck explained that any complex \mathbf{A} of ℓ -adic sheaves on a scheme $X_{/\mathbb{F}_q}$ gives rise to a function on the set of its points by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{trace} : \mathbb{D}^b(X) &\rightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathrm{Funct}(X(\mathbb{F}_{q^n})) \\ \mathbf{A} &\mapsto \mathrm{tr}_{\mathbf{A}}(x) := \mathrm{trace}(\mathrm{Frob}_{\mathbb{F}_{q^n}}, \mathbf{A}|_x) \end{aligned}$$

and an irreducible perverse complex is determined by this function ([19]).

Thus, Drinfeld expected that the above A_E should be of the form tr_{A_E} for some irreducible perverse sheaf A_E on the moduli space of vector bundles on C . He proved this for unramified local systems of rank 2. Later Laumon ([18]) gave a conjectural construction of A_E for local systems of arbitrary rank, and recently Frenkel, Gaitsgory and Vilonen ([10],[12]) proved that by Laumon's construction one indeed obtains a sheaf A_E .

Moreover, the action of the Hecke algebra also has a geometric interpretation in this case. Consider for example the characteristic function of the double coset $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \pi_x \end{pmatrix} \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)$, where π_x is a local parameter at some point $x \in C$. For a vector bundle \mathcal{E} the multiplication of the corresponding adèle by an element of this set produces a subbundle $\mathcal{E}' \subset \mathcal{E}$ such that the cokernel is $k(x)$. Further, every such subbundle can be obtained in this way. Drinfeld therefore considered the stack Hecke^1 classifying pairs of bundles $\mathcal{E}' \subset \mathcal{E}$ such that the cokernel has length 1, i.e. $\mathrm{deg}(\mathcal{E}') = \mathrm{deg}(\mathcal{E}) - 1 =: d - 1$. This has forgetful maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathrm{Hecke}^1 & \\ \swarrow \scriptstyle pr_{\mathrm{big}} & & \searrow \scriptstyle pr_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot} \\ \mathrm{Bun}^d & & \mathrm{Bun}^{d-1} \times C \end{array}$$

With this definition the sheaf A_E has the additional property that

$$\mathbf{R}(pr_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot})_! pr_{\mathrm{big}}^* A_E \cong A_E \boxtimes E-n+1,$$

and a similar definition works for more general Hecke stacks. One says that A_E is a *Hecke eigensheaf*.

Drinfeld also proved an analogous result for local systems of rank 2 with unipotent ramification at a finite set of points $S \subset C(\mathbb{F}_q)$ (see [8]), this time producing a complex A_E on the moduli space of vector bundles of rank 2 with parabolic structure at S . The purpose of this article is to generalize this result.

We will start with an irreducible local system E with unipotent ramification at a finite set of points $S \subset C(\mathbb{F}_q)$, and we further have to assume that the ramification group at these points acts indecomposably, i.e. that the sheaf $j_* E$ (where $j : C - S \rightarrow C$) has one-dimensional stalks at all points $p \in S$. This additional condition is the reason why for the moment we can only prove our main theorem for local systems of rank ≤ 3 .

In this case the corresponding automorphic function should be defined on the space $\mathrm{GL}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) / K_S$, where $K_S = \prod_{x \in C-S} \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x) \times \prod_{x \in S} \mathrm{Iw}_x$ and $\mathrm{Iw}_x \subset \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)$ is the subgroup of matrices which are upper triangular mod x . As before we can interpret this set as vector bundles with the additional structure of a complete flag of subspaces of the stalks at all points in S :

$$\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}(T) := \langle (\mathcal{E}, (V_{i,p})_{\substack{i=1,\dots,n \\ p \in S}}) \mid \mathcal{E} \in \mathrm{Bun}_n; 0 \subset V_{1,p} \subset \dots \subset V_{n,p} = \mathcal{E} \otimes k(p) \rangle$$

This is usually called the stack of vector bundles with (quasi-)parabolic structure. Note that this can also be described as:

$$\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}(T) := \langle (\mathcal{E}, (\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)})_{\substack{i=1,\dots,n \\ p \in S}}) \mid \mathcal{E} \in \mathrm{Bun}_n; \mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{E}^{(1,p)} \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{E}^{(n,p)} = \mathcal{E}(p) \rangle$$

which has a simple generalization to coherent sheaves: one only has to replace “ \subset ” by arbitrary maps “ \rightarrow ” and to add the condition that the induced maps $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}(p)$ are the natural ones. This reformulation made our construction possible.

The first step of our construction is to recall that in principle a candidate for the automorphic function A_E is known, but we do not know of an explicit calculation of this function. Therefore, we have to prove an explicit formula (Proposition 1.2).

This motivates a generalization of Laumon’s construction, and — as a by-product of the notion of parabolic torsion sheaf — we get a geometric interpretation of some Hecke operators for the group K , i.e. of the Iwahori–Hecke algebra. Our main result is then the following:

Theorem 2.5. *For any irreducible local system E of rank $n \leq 3$ on $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at S there is an irreducible perverse sheaf A_E on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$ which is an eigensheaf for the Iwahori–Hecke algebra.*

The strategy of the proof is the same as in [10], using parabolic sheaves instead of coherent sheaves, but some additional problems arise from the ramification of E . We reduce the theorem to an analogue (Proposition 7.1) of the vanishing conjecture of loc. cit. In particular, we show that the above theorem would follow for local systems of general rank if this analogue held in general.

The structure of the article is as follows. We start with the calculation of the Whittaker function for the Steinberg representation given in first section. This is an elementary calculation which served as motivation for our construction.

In the second section we introduce the notion of a coherent sheaf with parabolic structure and prove the results needed to give an analogue of Laumon’s “fundamental diagram” and of Laumon’s Whittaker sheaf \mathcal{L}_E^d . As in the unramified situation we then define two candidates for an automorphic sheaf. At the end of this section we define the geometric Hecke operators corresponding to operators of the Iwahori–Hecke algebra which are needed to give a precise formulation of our main Theorem 2.5.

After this short exposition of our results we try to clarify the notion of parabolic sheaves in Section 3. We explain the general structure of parabolic torsion sheaves. Further, we give an explicit description of the corresponding moduli stack, and finally we note some semicontinuity results. We then use these basic results to prove some properties of the Whittaker sheaf \mathcal{L}_E^d (Section 4). Here we give a substitute for the Springer resolution in the case of parabolic sheaves which can be used to calculate this sheaf, and we prove a Hecke property of \mathcal{L}_E^d . The problem arising in the proof of these results is that in our situation the above resolution is not small and the ramification of E also generates additional cohomology. By simultaneously proving the Hecke property and the fact that \mathcal{L}_E^d can be calculated via the resolution we see that the two effects cancel out.

In the fifth section we then compare the geometric construction of Section 2 with the calculation of the Whittaker function. The key idea here is to define an analogue of Drinfeld’s compactification as given in [10]. However, we can not copy the proofs of loc. cit., which use results on the affine Grassmannian for which we do not know the corresponding statements for the affine flag manifold. Instead, we give an elementary proof of a much weaker result, sufficient for our purpose.

With these results available we can follow the strategy of [10] again and apply Lafforgue’s result to deduce the existence of a Hecke eigensheaf on the moduli space of parabolic vector bundles whenever we know that the two candidates constructed coincide. This is the content of Section 6.

In the last two sections we then prove a generalization of the vanishing theorem of [10] for local systems of rank ≤ 3 and deduce the assumption needed to prove our theorem in Section 6. This is again very similar to the arguments in loc.cit., however we have to take care of the Iwahori–Hecke operators, for example we have to prove that some of them are central elements of the algebra (see Lemma 7.6).

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0. NOTATIONS AND PRELIMINARY REMARKS

We want to fix some notations used throughout this article.

0.1. The curve and its rings. We fix a smooth projective curve C defined over a finite field $k = \mathbb{F}_q$ and denote by:

- $k(C)$ the field of rational functions on C .
- \mathcal{O}_p (resp. $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p$) the local ring (resp. the complete local ring) at a point $p \in C$.
- $K_p := \text{Quot}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p)$.
- $\mathbb{A} := \prod'_{p \in C} K_p$ the ring of adèles of $k(C)$.
- $\mathcal{O} := \prod_{p \in C} \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p$.
- $\Omega := \Omega_{C/k}$ the sheaf of differentials on C .

0.2. Groups.

- We note by GL_n the algebraic group of invertible $n \times n$ matrices.
- $\text{B}_n \subset \text{GL}_n$ the group of upper-triangular matrices.
- $\text{N}_n \subset \text{B}_n$ the group of unipotent upper triangular matrices.
- $\text{P}_1 \subset \text{GL}_n$ the subgroup fixing the subspace spanned by the first $n-1$ base vectors and acting trivially on the quotient by this subspace, i.e. $\text{P}_1(R) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid A \in \text{GL}_{n-1}(R), v \in R^{n-1} \right\}$.
- $\text{lw} \subset \text{GL}_n(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p)$ the group of matrices which are upper triangular mod p .

We will further fix a non-trivial additive character $\psi : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l^*$. Choosing a meromorphic differential form ω this defines

$$\Psi : \text{N}_n(k(C)) \backslash \text{N}_n(\mathbb{A}) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l^*$$

$$\Psi((U_p)_{p \in C}) := \prod_{p \in C} \psi \left(\text{trace}_{k(p)/\mathbb{F}_q} \left(\text{Res}_p \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_{p,i,i+1} \omega \right) \right) \right),$$

where $u_{p,i,i+1}$ is the i -th entry of the first upper diagonal of the matrix U_p .

To avoid the choice of a meromorphic differential form we will (as in [9]) often replace the group $\text{GL}_n \times C/C$ by the group $\text{GL}_n^\Omega := \text{Aut}(\oplus_{i=1}^n \Omega^{\otimes n-i})$. More precisely, $\text{GL}_n \times C = \text{Aut}(\mathcal{O}^{\oplus n})$ is the automorphism group of the trivial vector bundle over C , since for any ring R the automorphisms of the trivial rank n -bundle over $\text{Spec}(R)$ are the same as elements of $\text{GL}_n(R)$. In the same way points of GL_n^Ω are invertible matrices in which the (i, j) -th entry is a section of $\text{Hom}(\Omega^{i-1}, \Omega^{j-1}) \cong \Omega^{j-i}$. In particular, the choice of a meromorphic differential ω induces a group isomorphism $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{GL}_n^\Omega(\mathbb{A})$.

Denote by $\text{N}_n^\Omega \subset \text{GL}_n^\Omega$ the upper triangular matrices, with diagonal entries $1 \in \text{Hom}(\Omega^i, \Omega^i)$, then Ψ is given by the composition $\text{N}_n(\mathbb{A}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{N}_n^\Omega(\mathbb{A}) \xrightarrow{\sum \text{Res}} \mathbb{F}_q \xrightarrow{\psi} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l^*$, where the first map is the restriction of the above isomorphism to unipotent matrices and $\sum \text{Res}$ is the sum of the residues of the upper diagonal entries.

0.3. Fourier transform. For the additive character $\psi : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l^*$ chosen above we denote by \mathbb{L}_ψ the Artin-Schreier sheaf on \mathbb{A}^1 : Let $AS : \mathbb{A}^1 \xrightarrow{x \mapsto x^q - x} \mathbb{A}^1$ be the Artin-Schreier covering with structure group \mathbb{F}_q , then \mathbb{L}_ψ is the ψ -isotypic component of $AS_* \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l$. This is additive in the sense that for the addition map $+ : \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ we have $+^* \mathbb{L}_\psi \cong \mathbb{L}_\psi \boxtimes \mathbb{L}_\psi$.

For a vector bundle $E \xrightarrow{p} X$ of rank n on a scheme (or algebraic stack) denote by $E^\vee \xrightarrow{p^\vee} X$ the dual bundle and by $\langle, \rangle : E \times_X E^\vee \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ the contraction. The Fourier transform defined in [19] is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\text{our}} : D^b(E) &\rightarrow D^b(E^\vee) \\ \mathbb{K} &\mapsto \mathbf{R}p_{E^\vee,!}(p_E^* \mathbb{K} \otimes \langle, \rangle^* \mathbb{L}_\psi)[n]. \end{aligned}$$

0.4. The trace function of a complex. For a complex \mathbb{K} of $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell$ -adic sheaves on a scheme (or algebraic stack) X we denote by $\text{tr}_\mathbb{K}$ the function:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}_\mathbb{K} : \prod_{n>0} X(\mathbb{F}_{q^n}) &\rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \\ x &\mapsto \text{tr}_\mathbb{K}(x) := \text{trace}(\text{Frob}_x, \mathbb{K}|_x). \end{aligned}$$

0.5. Algebraic stacks. For the general theory of algebraic stacks we refer to the book of Laumon and Moret-Bailly [22]. In particular, an algebraic stack will be a stack that admits a smooth representable covering by a scheme.

We will view stacks as sheaves of categories for the fppf-topology. Thus to define a stack \mathcal{M} we usually give the category of T -valued points of \mathcal{M} and denote this as:

$$\mathcal{M}(T) := \langle \text{objects} \rangle,$$

where we use the brackets $\langle \quad \rangle$ instead of $\{ \quad \}$ to denote the category of *objects* in which the only morphisms are isomorphisms of the *objects*.

Sometimes it is easier to give the T -valued points of a stack only for affine schemes T over the given base, which is equivalent to the data for all schemes by the descent condition for stacks. This point of view is used as definition in loc. cit.

To use the usual operations on constructible sheaves and the corresponding derived categories given in loc. cit. we need that our stacks satisfy the Bernstein–Lunts condition, i. e. for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we can find n -acyclic presentations for these stacks.

In our case we will often know that our stacks have a presentation as quotients $[X/G]$, where G is a reductive algebraic group acting on a scheme X . Stacks of this form satisfy the Bernstein Lunts condition (see [22] 18.7.5). For the moduli stack of vector bundles over a curve this is not true, but we have an ascending open covering $U_1 \subset U_2 \subset \dots \subset \text{Bun}_n^d$ in which each of the $U_i \cong [X_i/G_i]$ is a Bernstein–Lunts stack. For us this will be sufficient, since our sheaves will be supported in such a subset.

0.6. Some remarks on generalized vector bundles. Recall that for a flat algebraic group G acting on a scheme X there is a quotient stack $[X/G]$ classifying principal G -bundles together with a G -equivariant morphism to X . In this section we will be concerned with the particular case of a homomorphism of vector bundles $E_0 \xrightarrow{\phi} E_1$ and take $G := E_0$ acting additively on $X := E_1$:

Definition 0.1. ([2]) *Let $E_0 \xrightarrow{\phi} E_1$ be a homomorphism of vector bundles on a scheme (or an algebraic stack) X . Then the quotient stack $[E_1/E_0]$ is called a generalized vector bundle over X .*

Lemma 0.1. *Let $E_0 \xrightarrow{\phi} E_1$ be a homomorphism of vector bundles on some scheme (or algebraic stack) X . The stack $[E_1/E_0]$ can be described as follows:*

For any affine scheme $T = \text{Spec}(A) \xrightarrow{f} X$ over X :

$$[E_1/E_0](T) = \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \text{objects} = \{s \in H^0(T, f^*E_1)\} \text{ and for } s, t \in H^0(T, f^*E_1) \\ \text{Hom}(s, t) = \{h \in H^0(T, f^*E_0) \mid s + \phi(h) = t\} \end{array} \right\rangle$$

Moreover, any quasi-isomorphism of such complexes gives rise to an equivalence of the corresponding stacks, thus the stack $[E_1/E_0]$ depends only on the class of the complex $E_0 \rightarrow E_1$ in the derived category of coherent sheaves on X .

Example: Let $C \xrightarrow{p} X$ be a smooth projective curve over some noetherian base scheme X , and let $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2$ be coherent sheaves on C , flat over X . By [EGAIII] the complex $\mathbf{R}p_*(\mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2))$ can be represented by a homomorphism of vector bundles $\mathcal{E}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_1$ on X . By abuse of notation we denote by $\underline{\text{Ext}}(\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2)$ the corresponding generalized vector bundle on X .

Note that this is well defined by the above lemma. The description of the categories of sections given in the lemma tells us that this stack classifies extensions $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1 \rightarrow 0$, i.e. for any $T \xrightarrow{f} X$:

$$\underline{\text{Ext}}(\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2)(T) = \langle 0 \rightarrow f^*\mathcal{F}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow f^*\mathcal{F}_1 \rightarrow 0 \rangle.$$

Proof (of Lemma 0.1): First note that the claimed description of $[E_1/E_0]$ defines a stack:

1. We can glue morphisms, because sections of E_0 form a sheaf.

2. Any descent datum of objects is effective (i.e. we can glue objects): Let U_i be an affine covering of the affine scheme T . A descent datum for this covering is a collection of objects $s_i \in \Gamma(U_i, E_1)$ together with morphisms $h_{ij} \in \Gamma(U_{ij}, E_0)$ such that $s_i|_{U_{ij}} + \phi(h_{ij}) = s_j|_{U_{ij}}$ and $h_{ik}|_{U_{ijk}} = h_{jk}|_{U_{ijk}} + h_{ij}|_{U_{ijk}}$.

This implies that h_{ij} is a 1-cocycle, and since T is affine it must be a coboundary, i.e. we can find $h_i \in H^0(U_i, E_0)$ with $h_i - h_j = h_{ij}$ on U_{ij} . Therefore we may define $s'_i := s_i - h_i$, and this collection of sections glues to give $s \in H^0(T, E_1)$ with $s|_{U_i} = s'_i$.

Thus we may define a morphism of stacks

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{l} \text{objects} = \{s \in H^0(T, E_1|_T)\} \text{ and for } s, t \in H^0(T, E_1) \\ \text{Hom}(s, t) = \{h \in H^0(T, E_0) \mid s + \phi(h) = t\} \end{array} \right\rangle \rightarrow [E_1/E_0](T)$$

mapping a section $T \rightarrow E_1$ to the composition $T \rightarrow E_1 \rightarrow [E_1/E_0]$.

Since $H^1(T, E_0) = 0$ for an affine T any $s \in [E_1/E_0](T)$ is isomorphic to some $s' \in H^0(T, E_1)$ and by definition any morphism between two elements s, t in the image of this functor is given by a section of $H^0(T, E_0)$. Thus the morphism is an equivalence of stacks.

The above description of the stack $[E_1/E_0]$ also shows that a quasi-isomorphism of complexes induces an equivalence of the categories of points of the corresponding stacks. □_{Lemma}

Lemma 0.2. *Let*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & E'_0 & \xrightarrow{i_0} & E_0 & \xrightarrow{p_0} & E''_0 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \phi' & & \downarrow \phi & & \downarrow \phi'' \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & E'_1 & \xrightarrow{i_1} & E_1 & \xrightarrow{p_1} & E''_1 \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

(2 term-)complexes of vector bundles on some (quasi-separated) scheme X . Denote by $[E'_1/E'_0] \xrightarrow{i} [E_1/E_0] \xrightarrow{p} [E''_1/E''_0]$ the induced morphisms of the generalized bundles, and let $s'' : X \rightarrow [E''_1/E''_0]$ be a section.

Then locally over X the stack $p^{-1}(s'') = [E_1/E_0] \times_{[E''_1/E''_0]} X$ is isomorphic to $[E'_1/E'_0]$. More precisely such an isomorphism exists over any $U \rightarrow X$ such that there is a lift $s_1 \in \Gamma(U, E_1)$ with $p(s_1) \cong s''$.

Remark: We might state the above as “ $p^{-1}(s'')$ is a principal homogeneous space for $[E'_1/E'_0]$ ”. More generally, we will call a morphism of stacks a *generalized affine space bundle* if it can be factored into a sequence of maps each of them locally (over the target space) isomorphic to a generalized vector bundle.

Proof: We may assume that $X = U$, such that there exists $s_1 \in H^0(U, E_1)$ with $p(s_1) = s''$ (e.g. we can take U affine).

Using the previous lemma, we find that $p^{-1}(s'')(T)$ is the category with:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{objects} &= \{(s, h'') \in \Gamma(T, E_1) \times \Gamma(T, E''_0) \mid p_1(s) + \phi''(h) = s_1\} \\ \text{Hom}((s, h''), (t, g'')) &= \{h \in \Gamma(T, E_0) \mid s + \phi(h) = t \text{ and } p_0(h_0) = h'' - g''\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we define:

$$\begin{aligned} [E'_1/E'_0] &\rightarrow p_1^{-1}(s_1) \\ H^0(T, E'_1) \ni s' &\mapsto (i_1(s') + s_1, 0) \\ H^0(T, E'_0) \ni h' &\mapsto i_0(h'). \end{aligned}$$

This is essentially surjective, since for affine T and any $h'' \in H^0(T, E''_0)$ there is an $h \in H^0(T, E_0)$ with $p_0(h) = h''$, and therefore any $(s, h'') \cong (s - \phi(h), 0)$. Morphisms of two objects in the image of the above map are given by $H^0(T, E'_0) = \text{Ker}(H^0(T, E_0) \rightarrow H^0(T, E''_0))$, therefore this is an equivalence of categories. \square_{Lemma}

Application: We will apply this lemma in the following situation: Consider the morphism of stacks classifying diagrams (with exact lines and columns) of torsion sheaves on a curve C :

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{T}'_1 & & \\ \downarrow & & \\ \mathcal{T}_1 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}_2 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{T}_3'' & & \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \parallel \\ \mathcal{T}''_1 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}''_2 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{T}_3'' & & \end{array} \right\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{forget}_{\mathcal{T}_2}} \left\langle \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{T}'_1 & & \\ \downarrow & & \\ \mathcal{T}_1 & & \\ \downarrow & & \\ \mathcal{T}''_1 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}''_2 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{T}_3'' & & \end{array} \right\rangle,$$

where the degree of each torsion sheaf is fixed.

On the right hand stack the exact triangle of complexes

$$\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}(\mathcal{T}_3'', \mathcal{T}'_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}(\mathcal{T}_3'', \mathcal{T}_1) \xrightarrow{p} \mathbf{R}\text{Hom}(\mathcal{T}_3'', \mathcal{T}''_1)$$

can be represented by an exact sequence of 2-term complexes of vector bundles. There is a canonical s'' of $\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}(\mathcal{T}_3'', \mathcal{T}'_1)$ given by the extension in the lower line, and the projection map from $p^{-1}(s'')$ to the base stack is the map $\text{forget}_{\mathcal{T}_2}$.

Thus, by the above lemma, we see that the fibres of this morphism are isomorphic to the stack $\underline{\text{Ext}}(\mathcal{T}_3'', \mathcal{T}'_1)$. These stacks are generalized affine spaces, in particular the étale cohomology of the fibres is one-dimensional.

0.7. A lemma used more than once... The following general lemma is stated in [10], a similar calculation is done in [5]. I would like to thank Sergey Lysenko for explanations about this:

Lemma 0.3. *Let $\mathcal{E} \xrightarrow{p} X$ be a (generalized) vector bundle, and denote by $s_0 : X \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ the zero-section of \mathcal{E} . Let further $\mathbf{K} \in D_{\text{ét}}^b(\mathcal{E})$ be a complex of étale sheaves on \mathcal{E} such that the restriction of \mathbf{K} to the complement of the zero-section descends to the projective bundle $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ (e.g. a \mathbb{G}_m -invariant complex of sheaves on \mathcal{E}). Then*

$$\mathbf{R}p_*\mathbf{K} = s_0^*\mathbf{K}.$$

Proof: We may assume that \mathcal{E} is a vector bundle, since for a generalized vector bundle $[\mathcal{E}_1/\mathcal{E}_0]$ the functor $\mathbf{R}p_*$ is defined via an acyclic representable covering of the bundle, i.e. by definition we may replace $[\mathcal{E}_1/\mathcal{E}_0]$ by \mathcal{E}_1 .

Let $j : \mathcal{E}^\circ := \mathcal{E} - s_0(X) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}$ be the inclusion. Then we have an exact triangle

$$\rightarrow j_! j^* \mathbf{K} \rightarrow \mathbf{K} \rightarrow s_{0,*} s_0^* \mathbf{K} \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

For the first term $j_! j^* \mathbf{K}$ we have to prove that $\mathbf{R}p_* j_! j^* \mathbf{K} = 0$. If we can show this we are done, since the lemma is true for the last term, and the right hand map then gives the claimed isomorphism.

Write $\mathbf{K}^\circ := j^* \mathbf{K}$. Then by assumption $\mathbf{K}^\circ \cong \text{proj}^*(\bar{\mathbf{K}})$, where $\text{proj} : \mathcal{E}^\circ \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ is the projection to the projectivized bundle and $\bar{\mathbf{K}}$ is a sheaf on $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$. To get a relation between \mathcal{E} and $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$, blow up the zero-section of \mathcal{E} , and denote the blow up by $\text{Bl}_{s_0}(\mathcal{E})$:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Bl}_{s_0}(\mathcal{E}) & & & & \\ \downarrow \text{bl} & \swarrow \tilde{j} & \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}} & & \\ \mathcal{E} & \xleftarrow{j} & \mathcal{E}^\circ & \xrightarrow{\text{proj}} & \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}) \\ \downarrow p & & & \swarrow \bar{p} & \\ X & & & & \end{array}$$

Note that $\text{Bl}_{s_0}(\mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}} \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ is the line bundle $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ over $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$. Let $s_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})} : \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \text{Bl}_{s_0}(\mathcal{E})$ be the zero-section (i.e. the inclusion of the special fibre of the blow-up).

Since

$$j_! \text{proj}^*(\bar{\mathbf{K}}) = \mathbf{R}bl_! \tilde{j}_! \text{proj}^*(\bar{\mathbf{K}}) \underset{\text{bl projective}}{=} \mathbf{R}bl_* \tilde{j}_! \text{proj}^*(\bar{\mathbf{K}}),$$

we need to show that $\mathbf{R}(p \circ \text{bl})_* (\tilde{j}_! \text{proj}^*(\bar{\mathbf{K}})) = 0$. But this is easy, since — as before — there is an exact triangle on $\text{Bl}(\mathcal{E})$

$$\rightarrow \tilde{j}_! \text{proj}^* \bar{\mathbf{K}} \rightarrow \text{pr}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}^* \bar{\mathbf{K}} \rightarrow s_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}),*} \bar{\mathbf{K}} \rightarrow,$$

and the natural map induces

$$\mathbf{R}pr_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}),*} \text{pr}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}^* \bar{\mathbf{K}} \underset{\text{proj. formula}}{\cong} \bar{\mathbf{K}} \cong \mathbf{R}pr_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}),*} s_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}),*} \bar{\mathbf{K}}.$$

Thus $\mathbf{R}pr_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}),*} \tilde{j}_! \text{proj}^* \bar{\mathbf{K}} = 0$, and therefore $\mathbf{R}(p \circ \text{bl})_* \tilde{j}_! \text{proj}^* \bar{\mathbf{K}} = 0$, since $p \circ \text{bl}$ factors through $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$. \square

1. THE WHITTAKER FUNCTION FOR THE STEINBERG REPRESENTATION

As indicated in the introduction, for any local system \mathbf{E} of rank n on $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at points in S there is a particular function $f_{\mathbf{E}}$ on $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ which one expects to span the automorphic representation corresponding to \mathbf{E} .

In this section we will give a formula for this function, more precisely we will give an explicit formula for a function $W_{\mathbf{E}}$ from which $f_{\mathbf{E}}$ may be obtained by some explicit transformation. This formula served as motivation for our construction, whereas it is not needed to define the geometric construction. The reader might want to skip the simple, but lengthy calculation.

1.1. The Whittaker space. We will denote by $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))$ the space of functions f on $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ with values in $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l$ such that there exists a compact open subgroup $\mathbf{K} \subset \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ (depending on f) such that $f(xk) = f(x)$ for all $x \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}), k \in \mathbf{K}$. The same notation will be used for other locally compact groups.

The space of functions

$$\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))^{\mathrm{N}_n(\mathbb{A}), \Psi} := \left\{ f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})) \left| \begin{array}{l} f(ug) = \Psi(u)f(g) \\ \forall u \in \mathrm{N}_n(\mathbb{A}), g \in \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

is called *Whittaker representation* of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$. A subrepresentation π of this representation of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$ is called a *Whittaker model* for the isomorphism class of π .

Similarly let $\mathcal{C}_{\mathrm{cusp}}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))^{\mathrm{P}_1(k(C))}$ be the space of functions which are $\mathrm{P}_1(k(C))$ -invariant and cuspidal¹ (see [9]). Recall the theorem of Shalika ([23], 5.9) as stated in loc.cit.:

Theorem 1.1. (*Shalika*) *There is an isomorphism of representations of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$*

$$\Phi : \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))^{\mathrm{N}_n(\mathbb{A}), \Psi} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{\mathrm{cusp}}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}))^{\mathrm{P}_1(k(C))}$$

$$\text{given by } f \mapsto \Phi(f)(g) := \sum_{y \in \mathrm{N}_{n-1}(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_{n-1}(k(C))} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g\right).$$

Since the character Ψ is a product of characters of the groups $\mathrm{N}_n(K_p)$, we may construct functions in the Whittaker representation as products of functions on $\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)$ which satisfy the analogous transformation condition for elements of $\mathrm{N}_n(K_p)$. Thus, using Shalika's theorem, the strategy to construct automorphic functions has been to construct functions in the Whittaker model, then to apply Φ and try to prove that the resulting function is not only invariant under the action of $\mathrm{P}_1(k(C))$ but really invariant under the action of $\mathrm{GL}_n(k(C))$.

In this chapter we will only be concerned with the local question, i.e. with representations of $\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)$ for one fixed prime p . The global Whittaker function

$$W_{\mathbb{E}}(g) := \prod_{p \in C} W_{\mathbb{E}, p}(g_p)$$

corresponding to our local system will be given as the product of the local functions $W_{\mathbb{E}, p}$. These are given by the formula of Shintani and Casselman, Shalika (see [9]) for all $p \in C - S$. Whereas for $p \in S$ the local factor is the Whittaker function of the Steinberg representation (twisted by the eigenvalue λ_p of Frob_p on the one-dimensional stalk $(j_*\mathbb{E})_p$) which is calculated below.

1.2. The Steinberg representation. Fix a point $p \in S \subset C$ and choose a local parameter π at p . Let

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\lambda : (K_p^*/\mathcal{O}_p^*)^n &\rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l^* \\ (\pi^{d_i}) &\mapsto \lambda^{\sum_i d_i} \prod_{i < j} q^{-(d_i - d_j)}. \end{aligned}$$

This may be viewed as a character of $\mathrm{B}_n(K_p)$, by applying δ_λ to the diagonal entries of an element of $\mathrm{B}_n(K_p)$. In this interpretation δ_λ is the modulus character multiplied by $\lambda^{\mathrm{valuation}(\det)}$.

The (twisted) Steinberg representation St_λ of $\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)$ is the unique irreducible subrepresentation of the induced representation

$$\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathrm{B}_n(K_p)}^{\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)} \delta_\lambda := \left\{ f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)) \left| \begin{array}{l} f(bg) = \delta_\lambda(b)f(g) \\ \forall b \in \mathrm{B}_n(K_p), g \in \mathrm{GL}_n(K_p) \end{array} \right. \right\}.$$

Here again $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p))$ denotes the $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l$ -valued functions which are invariant under some compact open subgroup. For this representation there is a unique (up to scalar) nontrivial Iw -invariant vector, which is an eigenvector of the Iwahori-Hecke

¹A reader unfamiliar with this notion may ignore it for the moment, it will be explained again.

algebra [4]. We denote this vector by $f_{\mathfrak{w}}$. Furthermore we know that this representation has a Whittaker model, and we denote the \mathfrak{w} -invariant vector in the Whittaker model by W_λ and normalize it by the condition that $W_\lambda(1) = 1$.

1.3. The Whittaker function – statement of the formula. For any $\underline{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ denote by $\text{diag}(\underline{d}) := \begin{pmatrix} \pi^{d_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \pi^{d_n} \end{pmatrix}$ the diagonal matrix and by σ the permutation matrix corresponding to the permutation $\sigma(e_i) = e_{\sigma(i)}$.

Proposition 1.2. *The unique \mathfrak{w} -invariant function W_λ in the Whittaker model of St_λ , normalized by $W_\lambda(1) = 1$, is given by:*

$$W_\lambda(\text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \sigma) = \begin{cases} \frac{\text{sign}(\sigma) \lambda^{\sum d_i}}{q^{\sum_{i < j} d_i - d_j} \text{vol}(\mathfrak{w}\sigma\mathfrak{w})} & d_i \geq d_{i+1} - \delta_{\sigma^{-1}(i) > \sigma^{-1}(i+1)} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Here } \delta_{\sigma^{-1}(i) > \sigma^{-1}(i+1)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sigma^{-1}(i) > \sigma^{-1}(i+1) \text{ i.e. the entry in line } i \text{ of } \sigma \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases} \text{ is right of the entry below,}$$

and the volume is normalized by $\text{vol}(\mathfrak{w}) = 1$.

Remark: Since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GL}_n(K_p) &= \text{B}_n(K_p) \text{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_p) \\ &= \cup_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{B}_n(K_p) \mathfrak{w}\sigma\mathfrak{w} = \cup_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{B}_n(K_p) \text{N}_n(\mathcal{O}_p) \sigma \mathfrak{w} \\ &= \cup_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{B}_n(K_p) \sigma \mathfrak{w} \end{aligned}$$

the proposition is sufficient to calculate W_λ .

Example: For GL_2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} W_\lambda\left(\begin{pmatrix} \pi^{d_1} & \\ & \pi^{d_2} \end{pmatrix}\right) &= \begin{cases} q^{d_2 - d_1} \lambda^{d_1 + d_2} & \text{if } d_1 \geq d_2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ W_\lambda\left(\begin{pmatrix} & \pi^{d_1} \\ \pi^{d_2} & \end{pmatrix}\right) &= \begin{cases} q^{d_2 - d_1 - 1} \lambda^{d_1 + d_2} & \text{if } d_1 \geq d_2 - 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This is the formula used in Drinfeld's article [8].

1.4. Eigenvalues of some Hecke operators on the Steinberg representation. To calculate W_λ , we need first to compute the eigenvalues of the Hecke operators on the \mathfrak{w} -invariant vector in St_λ . To this end we use the function $f_{\mathfrak{w}}$. For an element $g \in \text{GL}_n(K_p)$ we denote by T_g the Hecke operator given by convolution with the characteristic function of the double coset $\mathfrak{w}g\mathfrak{w}$, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} T_g : \mathcal{C}(\text{GL}_n(K_p)/\mathfrak{w}) &\rightarrow \mathcal{C}(\text{GL}_n(K_p)/\mathfrak{w}) \\ f &\mapsto (T_g f)(x) := \sum_{h \in \mathfrak{w}g\mathfrak{w}/\mathfrak{w}} f(x \cdot h). \end{aligned}$$

The Hecke operators given by the following particular matrices $t_{\leq i}$ will be very useful²:

$$t_{\leq i}(e_j) = \begin{cases} \pi \cdot e_i & \text{if } j = 1 \\ e_{j-1} & \text{if } 1 < j \leq i \\ e_j & \text{if } j > i \end{cases} \text{ i.e. } t_{\leq i} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ \hline \pi & & & \\ \hline & & & \mathbf{1}_{n-i} \end{array} \right)$$

The following — presumably well known — lemma gives the eigenvalues of some of the operators T_g on $f_{\mathfrak{w}}$:

²In case $i = n$ the corresponding operation on parabolic bundles is the upper modification.

Lemma 1.3. (1) $T_{(\text{diag}(\pi^{d_1}, \dots, \pi^{d_n}))} f_{\mathfrak{lw}} = \lambda^{\sum d_i} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}$ for all $d_1 \geq \dots \geq d_n$.
(2) $T_\sigma f_{\mathfrak{lw}} = \text{sign}(\sigma) f_{\mathfrak{lw}}$ for all $\sigma \in S_n$.
(3) $T_{t_{\leq i}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}} = (-1)^{i-1} \lambda f_{\mathfrak{lw}}$.

Unfortunately, most of the results on Hecke algebras in the literature are formulated only for semi-simple groups. However, the Iwahori-Hecke algebra for GL_n differs from the one for SL_n only by the additional element $T_{t_{\leq n}}$.

Proof: First we note that Borel shows in [4] that the eigenvalue of T_σ is

$$(T_\sigma) f_{\mathfrak{lw}} = \text{sign}(\sigma) f_{\mathfrak{lw}} \text{ for } \sigma \in S_n.$$

Further, we may assume $f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1) = 1$, since $f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1) = 0$ would imply that $f_{\mathfrak{lw}}$ is identically 0 (see the calculations below), thus

$$f_{\mathfrak{lw}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \pi^{d_1} & & * \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \pi^{d_n} \end{pmatrix} \right) = \lambda^{\sum d_i} q^{-\sum_{i < j} d_i - d_j} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1).$$

We apply this in the case $d_1 \geq \dots \geq d_n$ to calculate

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\text{diag}(\underline{d})} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1) &= \sum_{g \in \mathfrak{lw} \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(g) \\ &= \sum_{g \in \mathbf{N}_n(\mathcal{O}) \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(g) \\ &= \text{vol}(\mathbf{N}_n(\mathcal{O}) \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \mathfrak{lw}) \delta(\text{diag}(\underline{d})) f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1) \\ &= q^{\sum_{i < j} d_i - d_j} \delta(\text{diag}(\underline{d})) f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1) \\ &= \lambda^{\sum d_i} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1). \end{aligned}$$

Here we used that an element of \mathfrak{lw} is a product of an element in $\mathbf{N}_n(\mathcal{O})$ and a lower diagonal matrix contained in \mathfrak{lw} , and that for $d_1 \geq \dots \geq d_n$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ \mathfrak{p} & \ddots & \\ \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{p} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d}) = \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ \pi^{d_1 - d_2} \mathfrak{p} & \ddots & \\ \pi^{d_1 - d_n} \mathfrak{p} & \pi^{d_2 - d_n} \mathfrak{p} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \mathfrak{lw}.$$

Finally, to compute the eigenvalue of the operator $T_{t_{\leq i}}$ we first note that by (2):

$$\text{sign}(\sigma) = T_\sigma f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(1) = \sum_{g \in \mathfrak{lw} \sigma \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(g) = \text{vol}(\mathfrak{lw} \sigma \mathfrak{lw}) f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(\sigma).$$

Further we need a description of the corresponding double coset $\mathfrak{lw} \cdot t_{\leq i} \cdot \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}$. Take an element $k \in \mathfrak{lw}$ and look at $k \cdot t_{\leq i}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{lw}_i & \mathcal{O} \\ \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{lw}_{n-i} \end{pmatrix} \cdot t_{\leq i} &= \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathfrak{lw}_i \cdot t & \mathcal{O} \\ \hline \underbrace{\pi \cdot \mathfrak{p}}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ column}} & \mathfrak{p} \mathfrak{lw}_{n-i} \end{array} \right) \\ &= t_{\leq i} \cdot \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathfrak{lw}_i & \pi^{-1} \mathcal{O} \}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ line}} \\ \hline \underbrace{\pi \cdot \mathfrak{p}}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ column}} & \mathfrak{p} \mathfrak{lw}_{n-i} \end{array} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the matrices of the form $t_{\leq i} \left(\begin{array}{c|c} 1_i & \{\pi^{-1}v_1 \dots \pi^{-1}v_{n-i}\}_{1^{st} \text{ line}} \\ \hline & 0 \\ & \mathbf{1}_{n-i} \end{array} \right)$, $v_i \in \mathbb{F}_q$

form a set of representatives for $\mathfrak{lw}_{t_{\leq i}}/\mathfrak{lw}$. Set $\sigma_{\leq i}^{-1} := \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & & & 1 \\ 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & & & \mathbf{1}_{n-i} \end{array} \right)$,

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_{t_{\leq i}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(\sigma_{\leq i}^{-1}) &= \sum_{v \in \mathbb{F}_q^{n-i}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}}(\sigma_{\leq i}^{-1} t_{\leq i} \left(\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & \pi^{-1}v_1 \dots \pi^{-1}v_{n-i} \\ \hline & 1 \\ & \mathbf{1}_{n-i} \end{array} \right)) \\ &= \sum_{v \in \mathbb{F}_q^{n-i}} f_{\mathfrak{lw}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \pi & & & v_1 \dots v_{n-i} \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \\ \hline & & & \mathbf{1}_{n-i} \end{array} \right) \\ &= q^{n-i} \lambda q^{-(n-1)} = q^{-i+1} \lambda. \quad \square \text{Lemma} \end{aligned}$$

1.5. The Whittaker function – proof of the formula. First we show the vanishing assertion. We know that $W_\lambda(u \cdot g \cdot \gamma) = \psi(u)W_\lambda(g)$ for $\gamma \in \mathfrak{lw}$ and $u \in \mathbf{N}_n(K)$. We therefore compute

$$\underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & u_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & u_{n-1} \\ & & & 1 \end{array} \right)}_{=: u} \text{diag}(\underline{d})\sigma = \text{diag}(\underline{d})\sigma \underbrace{\sigma^{-1} \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & \frac{\pi^{d_2}}{\pi^{d_1}} u_1 & & \\ & 1 & \frac{\pi^{d_3}}{\pi^{d_2}} u_2 & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & 1 & \frac{\pi^{d_n}}{\pi^{d_{n-1}}} u_{n-1} \\ & & & & 1 \end{array} \right)}_{=: u_\sigma \in \mathfrak{lw}?\sigma}.$$

If $u_\sigma \in \mathfrak{lw}$, we must have either $\psi(u) = 1$ or $W_\lambda(u \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \sigma) = 0$, i.e. for $\sigma^{-1}(i) > \sigma^{-1}(i+1)$ our function W_λ can be non-zero only if

$$(\pi^{d_{i+1}-d_i})u_i \in \mathfrak{p} \Rightarrow \text{Res}(u_i) = 0,$$

that is $d_i \geq d_{i+1} - 1$ and if $\sigma^{-1}(i) < \sigma^{-1}(i+1)$, we need $d_i \geq d_{i+1}$. This gives the necessary condition for $W_\lambda \neq 0$ claimed in the lemma.

Next, we note that our formula holds for diagonal matrices with $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_n$, because

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^{\sum d_i} \cdot W(1) &= T_{\text{diag}(\underline{d})} W(1) = \sum_{g \in \mathfrak{lw} \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}} W(g) = \sum_{g \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{O}) \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}} W(g) \\ &= W(\text{diag}(\underline{d})) \cdot \text{vol}(\mathfrak{lw} \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \mathfrak{lw}) = W(\text{diag}(\underline{d})) \cdot q^{\sum_{i < j} d_i - d_j}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we proceed by descending induction on the number i such that $\sigma(j) = j$ for all $j < i$: Assume that $\sigma(j) = j$ for all $j > i$ and $\sigma^{-1}(i) < i$.

We apply the Hecke operator $T_{t_{\leq i}}$ to express the value of $W(\text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot \sigma)$ for elements σ with $\sigma(i) = i-k$ in terms of the value of W at points with $\sigma(i) = i-k+1$, which we know by induction:

Since W_λ is an eigenfunction for $T_{t_{\leq i}}$, with eigenvalue $(-1)^{i-1} \lambda$, we get

$$(-1)^{i-1} \lambda \cdot W(\sigma \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d})) = (T_{t_{\leq i}} W)(\sigma \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d})) = \sum_{k \in \mathfrak{lw}_{t_{\leq i}} \mathfrak{lw} / \mathfrak{lw}} W(\sigma \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d}) \cdot k).$$

Put $r := \sigma(i)$ and write $\sigma \cdot \text{diag}(\underline{d}) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & D_1 & & & & \\ & & D_r & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ & & & D_i & & \\ \hline & & & & D_{i+1} & \\ & & & & & \ddots \end{array} \right)$, then the

above is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{v \in \mathbb{F}_q^{n-i}} W \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \pi D_r & & D_1 & & & \\ & & \vdots & & & \\ & & & D_i & & \\ \hline & & & & D_{i+1} & \\ & & & & & \ddots \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1_{i \times i} & & \pi^{-1} v_1 & \dots & \pi^{-1} v_{n-i} & \\ \hline & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & \ddots \end{array} \right) \\ &= \sum W \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \pi D_r & & D_1 & & D_r v_1 & \dots & D_r v_{n-i} \\ & & \vdots & & & & \\ & & & D_i & & & \\ \hline & & & & D_{i+1} & & \\ & & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & & D_n \end{array} \right) \\ &= q^{n-i} W_\lambda(\text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_r + 1, \dots, d_n) \sigma \circ \sigma_{\leq i}^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Here $\sigma_{\leq i}^{-1}$ is the cyclic permutation $(i, i-1, \dots, 1)$ as in the proof of Lemma 1.3. Note that this gives the sufficient condition for W_λ to be non-zero, because we know by induction that we must have $d_{\sigma(i)-1} \geq d_{\sigma(i)} \geq d_{\sigma(i)+1} - 1$, or equivalently $d_{\sigma(i)-1} + 1 \leq d_{\sigma(i)} + 1 \leq d_{\sigma(i)+1}$. To conclude we have to check that we get the right power of q in the induction step:

(1) $\text{vol}(\sigma \circ (i, i-1, \dots, 1) =: \sigma') = q^{\#\{k < j | \sigma'(k) > \sigma'(j)\}}$ and we have

$$\#\{k < j | \sigma'(k) > \sigma'(j)\} = \text{vol}(\sigma) - (i - \sigma(i)) + (\sigma(i) - 1) = \text{vol}(\sigma) - i + 2\sigma(i) - 1.$$

(2) Write $d'_{\sigma(i)} := d_{\sigma(i)} + 1$ and $d'_j := d_j$ for $j \neq \sigma(i)$. Then

$$q^{\sum_{k < j} d'_k - d'_j} = q^{(\sum_{k < j} d_k - d_j) + (n - \sigma(i) - (\sigma(i) - 1))}.$$

So these terms differ by a factor q^{n-i} , which is what we needed to show. \square

2. AN ANALOGUE OF LAUMON'S CONSTRUCTION

We fix an irreducible local system \mathbf{E} of rank n on our curve $C - S$, ramified at a finite set of points $S \subset C$, such that the ramification group at any point $p \in S$ acts unipotently and indecomposably. We will state this condition as “ \mathbf{E} has indecomposable unipotent ramification at S ”.

We want to give a geometric construction for an irreducible perverse sheaf corresponding to the Fourier transform $\Phi(W_{\mathbf{E}})$ of the Whittaker function $W_{\mathbf{E}}$, computed in the previous section. We will follow Laumon's construction closely, the only new ingredient needed for the construction being the notion of a coherent sheaf with parabolic structure. We will also need to prove generalizations of some results on vector bundles to the case of quasi-parabolic vector bundles.

2.1. Parabolic vector bundles. Denote by $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d$ the moduli space (algebraic stack) of vector bundles of rank n and degree d on C with a full flag at the points of S , i.e.:

$$\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^d(T) := \left\langle (\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)})_{\substack{i=1,\dots,n-1 \\ p \in S}} \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \text{ vector bundles on } C \times T \\ \mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{E}^{(1,p)} \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{E}^{(n-1,p)} \subset \mathcal{E}(p) \\ \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}/\mathcal{E} \text{ flat over } T \\ \mathrm{rank} \mathcal{E} = n, \mathrm{deg}(\mathcal{E}) = d, \mathrm{deg}(\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}) = d + i \end{array} \right. \right\rangle$$

Remark: Usually one defines a vector bundle with full (quasi-)parabolic structure to be a vector bundle \mathcal{E} together with a full flag $V_{1,p} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq V_{n,p} = \mathcal{E} \otimes k(p)$ of subspaces of the stalk of \mathcal{E} at p .

This is equivalent to the above definition — set

$$\mathcal{E}^{i,p} := \left(\mathrm{Ker}(\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \otimes k(p)/V_{i,p}) \right)(p),$$

and conversely

$$V_{i,p} := \mathrm{Ker}(\mathcal{E} \otimes k(p) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \otimes k(p)).$$

From this reformulation we get a description of the points of $\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^d$: Denote as before $\mathbb{K} := \prod_{p \in (C-S)} \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_p) \times \prod_{p \in S} \mathrm{Iw}_p$, then³

$$\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^d(\mathbb{F}_q) = \mathrm{GL}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})^{\mathrm{norm}(\det)=d} / \mathbb{K}.$$

And the double quotient $\mathrm{P}_1(F) \backslash \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) / \mathbb{K}$ contains the points of the bundle $\mathrm{Hom}^{\mathrm{inj}}(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^d$.

Notations:

- (1) We will write $\mathcal{E}^\bullet := (\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)})_{i=1,\dots,n-1; p \in S}$.
- (2) Since $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \subset \mathcal{E}(p)$ we also get $\mathcal{E}(p) \subset \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}(p)$, thus a parabolic bundle is a chain of vector bundles

$$\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \subset \mathcal{E}^{(i+1,p)} \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{E}^{(n-1,p)} \subset \mathcal{E}(p) \subset \mathcal{E}^{(1,p)}(p) \subset \dots,$$

where the cokernel of every inclusion is of length 1. For any integer $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ we denote by $\mathcal{E}^{(k \cdot n + i, p)} := \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}(k \cdot p)$.

Note furthermore that since the map $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(p)$ is an isomorphism on $C - \{p\}$, for two distinct points $p, q \in S$ the vector bundle $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} + \mathcal{E}^{(j,q)} \subset \mathcal{E}(p+q)$ is a vector bundle of degree $d+i+j$. We denote it by $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)+(j,q)}$. Analogously we define $\mathcal{E}^{(i,S)} := \mathcal{E}^{\sum_{p \in S} (i,p)}$.

Thus we can shift the whole complex to obtain parabolic structures on the vector bundle $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}$ for all i . This is called the i -th *upper modification* of \mathcal{E} .

- (3) $\mathcal{E}(\frac{i}{n}p) := (\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}, \mathcal{E}^{(j,q)+(i,p)})_{j=1,\dots,n-1, q \in S}$. This notation might be justified, because $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}$ is of degree $d+i = d+n(\frac{i}{n})$ and for $i = n$ we get the canonical parabolic structure on the vector bundle $\mathcal{E}(p)$.

We now want to mimic Laumon's construction of automorphic sheaves for unramified local systems. Consider for example the case of bundles of rank 2. We will view $\Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ as a function on vector bundles together with a meromorphic section of Ω . At a point $\Omega \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}$ such that $\Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ and $\Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{(1,S)}$ are both maximal embeddings $\Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ is defined as the sum over all sections of \mathcal{E}^0/Ω with at most simple poles at S . But the line bundle $(\mathcal{E}/\Omega)(S) \cong \mathcal{E}^{(1,S)}/\Omega$, thus we might equivalently sum over all holomorphic sections of $\mathcal{E}^{(1,S)}/\Omega$.

To apply a similar consideration to bundles of larger rank, our calculation of $W_{\mathbb{E}}$ suggests that we need to consider quotients of \mathcal{E}^\bullet by subsheaves which are not maximal. We therefore look for a notion of coherent sheaves with parabolic

³Recall that given a vector bundle \mathcal{E} one can choose a trivialisation of \mathcal{E} at the generic point and at all complete local rings of C . The transition functions then give an element of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{A})$, the double quotient is obtained by forgetting the trivialisations, keeping the flags at S .

structure⁴ which allows the operation $\mathcal{F}^\bullet \mapsto \mathcal{F}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}S)$. This is easy with the above definition of parabolic structure:

2.2. Parabolic coherent sheaves.

Definition 2.1. A coherent sheaf on C with n -step parabolic structure at S – also called parabolic sheaf for short – is a collection of coherent sheaves $\mathcal{F}^\bullet := (\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}^{(0,p)}, \mathcal{F}^{(i,p)})_{i=1, \dots, n-1; p \in S}$ together with morphisms $\phi^{(i,p)} : \mathcal{F}^{(i,p)} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^{(i+1,p)}$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $p \in S$ (where $\mathcal{F}^{(n,p)} := \mathcal{F}(p)$) such that in the resulting sequence

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\phi^{(n,p)}(-p)} \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\phi^{(1,p)}} \mathcal{F}^{(1,p)} \xrightarrow{\phi^{(2,p)}} \dots \xrightarrow{\phi^{(n-1,p)}} \mathcal{F}^{(n-1,p)} \xrightarrow{\phi^{(n,p)}} \mathcal{F}(p) \xrightarrow{\phi^{(1,p)}(p)} \mathcal{F}^{(1,p)}(p) \dots$$

the composition of n maps $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)} \xrightarrow{\phi^{(i-1,p)}(p) \circ \dots \circ \phi^{(i,p)}(-p)} \mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}(p)$ is the natural morphism.

Note:

- (1) If the sheaf $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}$ is not torsion free at p for some i , then the natural map $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}(p)$ is not injective, so at least one of the ϕ^\bullet 's is not injective (see the examples below).
- (2) The *degree* of \mathcal{F}^\bullet is defined as the collection $\deg(\mathcal{F}^\bullet) := (\deg(\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}))_{\substack{0 \leq i < n \\ p \in S}}$.
- (3) Denote the *algebraic stack of coherent sheaves of rank r on C with n -step parabolic structure at S and (multi-)degree $\underline{d} = (d^{(i,p)})_{0 \leq i < n, p \in S}$* by $\text{Coh}_{r,C,S}^{\underline{d}}$. Since we usually fix the curve C , we will omit it and write $\text{Coh}_{r,S}^{\underline{d}}$ to shorten this lengthy notation.
- (4) We denote by $\text{Bun}_{r,S}^{\underline{d}} \subset \text{Coh}_{r,S}^{\underline{d}}$ the substack of torsion free sheaves, i.e. the substack where all $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}$ are vector bundles. Note that these stacks include the stacks of vector bundles with partial parabolic structure at S , in particular for constant degree $\underline{d} = (d, \dots, d)$ this substack is the moduli stack of vector bundles without additional structure. Usually we will consider $\text{Bun}_{r,S}^{\underline{d}}$ only in the case where $\underline{d}^{(i,p)} = d + i$ and $r = n$, the other stacks will only arise in connection with Hecke operators.
- (5) As in the case of vector bundles we define $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)+(j,q)} := (\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)} \oplus \mathcal{F}^{(j,q)})/\mathcal{F}$ (for the diagonal embedding of \mathcal{F}). Note that this quotient is the sheaf isomorphic to $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}$ on $C - q$ and isomorphic to $\mathcal{F}^{(j,q)}$ on $C - p$. These sheaves glue, since both are canonically isomorphic to \mathcal{F} on $C - \{p, q\}$. Analogously we define $\mathcal{F}^{(i,S)}$.
- (6) Again we define upper modifications as $\mathcal{F}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p) := (\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}, \mathcal{F}^{(j,q)+(i,p)})_{\substack{0 \leq j < n \\ q \in S}}$.

Example: In our case, given a morphism $\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$, we get an induced parabolic structure on the quotient $\mathcal{E}/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)}$. We only use that $\mathcal{E}(p)/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)}(p) = (\mathcal{E}/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)})(p)$ to get

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} \Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} & \xrightarrow{Id} & \Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} & \xrightarrow{Id} & \dots & \longrightarrow & \Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} & \longrightarrow & \Omega^{\otimes(n-1)}(p) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\phi^{(1,p)}} & \mathcal{E}^{(1,p)} & \xrightarrow{\phi^{(2,p)}} & \dots & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}^{(n-1,p)} & \xrightarrow{\phi^{(n,p)}} & \mathcal{E}(p) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E}/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}^{(1,p)}/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}^{(n-1,p)}/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)} & \longrightarrow & (\mathcal{E}/\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)})(p). \end{array}$$

⁴While I was thinking about this, Norbert Hoffmann explained to me that one can formally adjoin quotients of vector bundles with parabolic structure to the category of such bundles to obtain an abelian category. The definition below may be viewed as a geometric interpretation of these quotients. I would like to thank him for the helpful discussion.

Note that we can view $\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)}$ (or any coherent sheaf) as parabolic sheaf by defining $\Omega^{\otimes(n-1)(i,p)} := \Omega^{\otimes(n-1)}$ for $i = 0, \dots, n-1$. With this definition the above diagram is an extension of parabolic sheaves.

From this example we see that:

Lemma/Definition 2.1. *The category of (quasi-)coherent sheaves with n -step parabolic structure is abelian.*

We denote homomorphisms of parabolic sheaves by $\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(_, _)$, and the same for $\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1$, etc.

The category of quasi-coherent sheaves has enough injectives.

Proof: The kernel and cokernel of a morphism can be defined componentwise. All compatibilities thus follow from the corresponding ones for coherent sheaves.

Furthermore the above example shows that:

Remark 2.2. *The stack $\text{Coh}_{k,C}^d$ classifying coherent sheaves of rank k and degree d on C can be embedded into the stack of parabolic sheaves:*

$$\begin{aligned} j : \text{Coh}_{k,C}^d &\hookrightarrow \text{Coh}_{k,S}^{(d,\dots,d)} \\ \mathcal{F} &\mapsto \mathcal{F}^\bullet := (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}^{(i,p)} := \mathcal{F}) \end{aligned}$$

For a coherent sheaf \mathcal{F} on C we will write $(\mathcal{F})^\bullet$ for its image $j(\mathcal{F})$. The functors $(_)^\bullet$ and $(_)^{(0,S)}$ are adjoint functors:

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}((\mathcal{F})^\bullet, \mathcal{G}^\bullet) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_C}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}^{(0,S)})$$

and

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{G}^\bullet, (\mathcal{F})^\bullet) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_C}(\mathcal{G}^{(n-1,S)}, \mathcal{F}).$$

For an injective sheaf \mathcal{I} the adjunction property yields

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet, (\mathcal{I})^\bullet) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_C}(\mathcal{F}^{(n-1,S)}, \mathcal{I}).$$

Since the functor $(_)^{(n-1,S)}$ is exact we conclude that $\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(_, (\mathcal{I})^\bullet)$ is exact. Thus choosing embeddings $\mathcal{G}^{i,p} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{I}_{i,p}$ into injective sheaves $\mathcal{I}_{i,p}$ we get an embedding $\mathcal{G}^\bullet \hookrightarrow \bigoplus (\mathcal{I}_{i,p})^\bullet (\frac{n-1}{n}S + \frac{n-i-1}{n}p)$ of \mathcal{G} into an injective parabolic sheaf.

□_{Lemma}

By the above we also have:

Lemma 2.3. *The extensions of a parabolic sheaf \mathcal{F}^\bullet by a line bundle \mathcal{L} are classified by $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_C}^1(\mathcal{F}^{(n-1,S)}, \mathcal{L})$, i.e.*

$$\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{F}^\bullet, (\mathcal{L})^\bullet) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_C}^1(\mathcal{F}^{(n-1,S)}, \mathcal{L}).$$

Proof: By the above remark any injective resolution of \mathcal{L} defines an injective resolution of $(\mathcal{L})^\bullet$, and to such a resolution we may apply the adjunction formula.

□_{Lemma}

Note that we could give another proof of this lemma, calculating the Yoneda-Ext groups directly via the diagram (2.1). The only thing one has to check is that in this diagram we have $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \cong \mathcal{E}^{(n-1,p)} \times_{(\mathcal{E}^{(n-1,p)}/\Omega^{\otimes n-1})} (\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}/\Omega^{\otimes n-1})$.

Corollary 2.4. *Let \mathcal{F}^\bullet be a parabolic sheaf and let \mathcal{L} be a line bundle on C . Then we have by Serre duality:*

$$\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{F}^\bullet, (\mathcal{L})^\bullet) = (\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}((\mathcal{L} \otimes \Omega^{-1})^\bullet, (-\frac{n-1}{n}S, \mathcal{F}^\bullet)^\vee))^\vee.$$

Proof: This is just an application of the adjunction isomorphism to

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_C}^1(\mathcal{F}^{(n-1,S)}, \mathcal{L}) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_C}(\mathcal{L} \otimes \Omega^{-1}, \mathcal{F}^{(n-1,S)}).$$

□

The above version of Serre duality (Corollary 2.4) suggests to denote $\mathcal{O}^\bullet := (\mathcal{O})^\bullet$, $\Omega^\bullet := (\Omega)^\bullet(k\frac{n-1}{n}S)$ and analogously $\Omega^{\bullet,k} := (\Omega^{\otimes k})^\bullet(k\frac{n-1}{n}S)$. Then we can put $\mathcal{L} := \Omega^{\otimes k}$ to deduce from the corollary that:

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{para}}^1(\mathcal{F}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet,k}) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{para}}(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{F}^\bullet)^\vee.$$

2.3. The fundamental diagram. Reformulating the preceding calculations for families of parabolic sheaves allows us to construct a variant of Laumon's "fundamental diagram" as follows: Denote by $\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{univ}}^\bullet$ (resp. $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{univ}}^\bullet$) the universal parabolic sheaf on $\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^d \times C$ (resp. on $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d \times C$ where d is defined as $d^{(i,p)} = d + i$ for $0 \leq i < n, p \in S$) and let p_i be the projection to the i -th factor.

We can view the sheaf $p_{1,*}(\mathcal{H}om(p_2^*\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}, \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{univ}}^\bullet))$ as the classifying stack for parabolic vector bundles \mathcal{E}^\bullet together with a homomorphism $\Omega^{\bullet,n-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet$. Denote this stack by:

$$\mathrm{Hom}_n(T) := \langle (\mathcal{F}^\bullet, pr_C^*\Omega^{\bullet,n-1} \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{F}^\bullet) \mid \mathcal{F}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d(T) \rangle.$$

Write $\mathrm{Hom}_n^{\mathrm{inj}}$ for the open substack of Hom_n where ϕ is injective.

Similarly write Ext_n^1 for the stack classifying extensions of parabolic sheaves by $\Omega^{\bullet,n}$: 1

$$\mathrm{Ext}_n^1(T) := \langle 0 \rightarrow pr_C^*\Omega^{\bullet,n} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{n+1}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow 0 \mid \mathcal{F}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d(T) \rangle.$$

Note that there are open substacks $\mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^{d,\mathrm{good}} \subset \mathrm{Bun}_{n,S}^d$ and $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^{d,\mathrm{good}} \subset \mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d$ defined below such that the restrictions of Hom_n and Ext_n^1 to these substacks are vector bundles. More precisely we will call a coherent parabolic sheaf \mathcal{F}^\bullet *good* if

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{para}}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet,n-i+1}) = 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

By Serre duality this condition guarantees that

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{para}}^1(\Omega^{\bullet,n-i}, \mathcal{F}^\bullet) = \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_C}^1(\Omega^{n-i}, \mathcal{F}^{(-(n-i)(n-1),S)}) = 0,$$

and moreover the same will be true for any quotient of \mathcal{F}^\bullet .

We define $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^{d,\mathrm{good}}$ to be the stack of good parabolic bundles. Over these stacks the semi-continuity theorem tells us that the sheaves $p_*\mathcal{H}om_{\mathrm{para}}(p_2^*\Omega^{\bullet,n-i}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{univ}}^\bullet)$ and $\mathbf{R}^1p_{1,*}(\mathcal{H}om_{\mathrm{para}}(p_2^*\Omega^{\bullet,n}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{univ}}^\bullet))$ are indeed vector bundles over $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^{d,\mathrm{good}}$. Furthermore we have:

$$\mathrm{Ext}_n^1 = \mathbf{R}^1p_{1,*}(\mathcal{H}om_{\mathrm{para}}(p_2^*\Omega^{\bullet,n}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{univ}}^\bullet))$$

since the corresponding $\mathbf{R}^0p_{1,*}$ vanishes for good sheaves. *From now on we will always consider the stacks Ext_n^1 and Hom_n as stacks over $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^{\mathrm{good}}$.*

As in Laumon's construction we have:

- (1) To give a short exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \Omega^{\bullet,n-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow 0$ it is sufficient to define the datum $0 \rightarrow \Omega^{\bullet,n-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n^\bullet$. To restrict this remark to good parabolic sheaves we denote by $\mathrm{Ext}_n^{1,\mathrm{good}} \subset \mathrm{Ext}_n^1$ the substack consisting of extensions in which the middle term is a good parabolic sheaf (therefore the right term is good as well). We then have an isomorphism

$$I_n : \mathrm{Hom}_n^{\mathrm{inj}} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathrm{Ext}_{n-1}^{1,\mathrm{good}}.$$

- (2) Over $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d$ the bundles Hom_n and Ext_n^1 are dual vector bundles.

Therefore we can define a fundamental diagram (which we split into several diagrams):

$$\begin{array}{c}
\begin{array}{c}
\text{Hom}_n \xleftarrow{j_{\text{Hom}}} \text{Hom}_n^{\text{inj}} \xrightarrow[\cong]{I_n} \text{Ext}_{n-1}^{1,\text{good}} \xleftarrow{j_{\text{Ext}}} \text{Ext}_{n-1}^1 \\
\downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \searrow \\
\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d,\text{good}} \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{Coh}_{n-1,S}^{d_{n-1},\text{good}} \qquad \dots
\end{array} \\
(2.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc}
& \text{dual bundles} & \\
& \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} & \\
\text{Ext}_{n-1}^1 & \text{---} & \text{Hom}_{n-1} \\
& \searrow \quad \swarrow & \\
& \text{Coh}_{n-1,S}^{d_{n-1},\text{good}} &
\end{array} \\
\dots \quad \begin{array}{c}
\text{Hom}_{n-1} \xleftarrow{j_{\text{Hom}}} \text{Hom}_{n-1}^{\text{inj}} \xrightarrow[\cong]{I_{n-1}} \text{Ext}_{n-2}^{1,\text{good}} \xleftarrow{j_{\text{Ext}}} \text{Ext}_{n-2}^1 \\
\swarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \searrow \\
\text{Coh}_{n-1,S}^{d,\text{good}} \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{Coh}_{n-2,S}^{d_{n-2},\text{good}} \qquad \dots
\end{array}
\end{array}$$

Here the last line is the same as the first one with n replaced by $n-1$. Thus we can continue this to end up with $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{d_0}$ (we drop the superscript “good”, since all torsion sheaves are good). We have to keep track of the degrees of the parabolic sheaves:

$$\begin{aligned}
\underline{d}_{n-i}^{(*,p)} &= (d_{n-i} - (n-i-1), d_{n-i} - (n-i-2), \dots, \underbrace{d_{n-i}, \dots, d_{n-i}}_{i+1\text{-times}}) \\
&\text{with } d_{n-i} := d - \sum_{j=1}^i ((n-j)(2g-2) + (n-j+1)).
\end{aligned}$$

In particular, continuing the above diagram to the right, the last term will be $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{(d_0, \dots, d_0)}$.

Laumon’s construction started with a sheaf on $\text{Coh}_0^{d_0}$ which corresponds to the Whittaker function for unramified local systems. This sheaf is pulled back to $\text{Ext}_0^{1,\text{good}}$, then one applies $j_{\text{Hom},!} I_1^*$ to the resulting sheaf, after that one applies the Fourier transform for the bundles in (2.2) and then continues with pull backs and intermediate extensions for the maps j_{Hom} and j_{Ext} in the upper line of the diagram until one ends up with a sheaf on Hom_n .

Thus, in our situation we need to find a sheaf on $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{d_0}$ that corresponds to the Whittaker function as calculated in Section 1.

2.4. The Whittaker sheaf $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d$. As noted in Section 2.2, there is an open embedding of torsion sheaves of degree d_0 on $C-S$ to parabolic torsion sheaves:

$$\begin{aligned}
j : \text{Coh}_{0,C-S}^{d_0} &\hookrightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{d_0} \\
\mathcal{T} &\mapsto \mathcal{T}^\bullet = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}^{(i,p)} := \mathcal{T}).
\end{aligned}$$

The map j is open, since the condition that $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}^{(0,S)}) \subset C-S$ is open.

Furthermore we have Laumon’s Whittaker sheaf $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}|_{C-S}}^{d_0}$ on $\text{Coh}_{0,C-S}^{d_0}$. Recall the definition of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}|_{C-S}}^{d_0}$: Let $\mathbb{E}|_{C-S}^{(d_0)}$ be the symmetric product of \mathbb{E} restricted to the symmetric product $(C-S)^{(d_0)}$ of the curve $C-S$. Denote j_{C-S} :

$(C - S)^{(d_0)} \xrightarrow{D \mapsto \mathcal{O}/\mathcal{O}(-D)} \text{Coh}_{0, C-S}^{d_0}$, which is almost an embedding (see [18]). Then $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}|_{C-S}}^{d_0} := j_{C-S,!} \mathbb{E}|_{C-S}^{(d_0)}$.

Definition 2.2. We define the Whittaker sheaf corresponding to \mathbb{E} to be

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d := j_{!*} \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}|_{C-S}}^d = (j \circ j_{C-S})_{!*} (\mathbb{E}|_{C-S})^{(d)}.$$

We will prove some properties of the Whittaker sheaf justifying its name in Section 4.

2.5. Putting everything together: The Fourier transform of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d$. Now let $quot : \text{Ext}_0^1 \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{d_0}$, $(\mathcal{O}^\bullet \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}_1^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet) \mapsto \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ be the quotient map and denote the Fourier transform (recalled in 0.3) by $\mathcal{F}our : D^b(\text{Hom}_k) \rightarrow D^b(\text{Ext}_k^1)$. Following the fundamental diagram (2.2) from right to left we define:

Definition 2.3. We inductively define the sheaves $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k$ and $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}!}^k$ on Hom_k^{inj} as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^1 &:= I_1^* j_{\text{Ext}}^* \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^{d_0}[d_0] =: \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^1, \\ \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^{k+1} &:= I_{k+1}^* j_{\text{Ext}}^* \mathcal{F}our(j_{\text{Hom},!*} \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k), \\ \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^{k+1} &:= I_{k+1}^* j_{\text{Ext}}^* \mathcal{F}our(j_{\text{Hom},!} \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^k). \end{aligned}$$

Note that to keep track of the parabolic degrees we formulated the construction of $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k$ on Hom_k^{inj} above a fixed connected component $\text{Coh}_{k,S}^{d_k, \text{good}} \subset \text{Coh}_{k,S}^{\text{good}}$, but we will often consider $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}$ and Hom_k^{inj} as defined above all the connected components together.

The restriction of the sheaf $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ to the stack of vector bundles with a section of $\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}$ will be our candidate to descend to an automorphic sheaf on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$. By construction this is an irreducible perverse sheaf (because this property is preserved by $\mathcal{F}our$, $j_{\text{Hom},!*}$ and j_{Ext}^*).

As in [17] we also define the sheaves $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^k$, because it will be easy to prove that these have a Hecke eigensheaf property, and finally (in Section 8) we will show that they are isomorphic to $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k$ for $k \leq n \leq 3$.

To end this section we want to state our main theorem. To do this we need to define geometric Hecke operators for parabolic sheaves. We first give an example indicating the relation between parabolic torsion sheaves and the Iwahori-Hecke algebra:

2.6. Parabolic torsion sheaves and Hecke operators. Assume for the moment that $n = 2$, $S = \{p\}$, and consider the stack $\text{Coh}_{0,p}^{1,1}$. Take any $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0,p}^{1,1}$. If $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}) = q \neq p$, then $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \cong (k(q))$, but if $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}) = p$, then \mathcal{T}^\bullet is isomorphic to exactly one of the following sheaves:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \mathcal{T}_0 &= k_p \xrightarrow{id} \mathcal{T}_1 = k_p \xrightarrow{0} \mathcal{T}_0(p) = k_p \xrightarrow{id} \dots \\ (2) \quad \mathcal{T}_0 &= k_p \xrightarrow{0} \mathcal{T}_1 = k_p \xrightarrow{id} \mathcal{T}_0(p) = k_p \xrightarrow{0} \dots \\ (3) \quad \mathcal{T}_0 &= k_p \xrightarrow{0} \mathcal{T}_1 = k_p \xrightarrow{0} \mathcal{T}_0(p) = k_p \xrightarrow{0} \dots \end{aligned}$$

We want to relate these sheaves to some Hecke operators of the Iwahori-Hecke algebra at p , acting on parabolic vector bundles of rank 2. To do this, we consider torsion free extensions of a vector bundle \mathcal{E}^\bullet by the first complex:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}'(0,p) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}'(1,p) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}'(0,p)(p) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}'(1,p)(p) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \nearrow \phi^2 & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}(0,p) & \xrightarrow{\phi^1} & \mathcal{E}(1,p) & \xrightarrow{\phi^2} & \mathcal{E}(0,p)(p) & \xrightarrow{\phi^1(p)} & \mathcal{E}(1,p)(p) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ \longrightarrow & k_p & \xrightarrow{id} & k_p & \xrightarrow{0} & k_p & \xrightarrow{id} & k_p & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

The middle map in the lower sequence is 0, therefore ϕ^2 factors through $\mathcal{E}^{(1,p)} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'^{(0,p)}(p)$. Since all the bundles $\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}$ are locally free this map is injective, and since the two bundles have the same degree it is an isomorphism.

The same argument shows that ϕ^1 does not factor through $\mathcal{E}^{(1,p)}$, so the upper line is given by a parabolic structure on the vector bundle $\mathcal{E}^{(1,p)}$, different from the canonical structure $(\mathcal{E}^{(1,p)})^\bullet$. Thus extensions of this type are the set indexing the summation of the Hecke-Operator $T_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \pi & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)} \circ T_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \pi & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)}$. According to Lemma 1.3 this operator should act with eigenvalue $\text{trace}(\text{Frob}_p, \mathbb{E}_p)$ on the Whittaker sheaf. Analogously we find that summing over extensions of parabolic bundles by the second torsion sheaf calculates $T_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \pi & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)} \circ T_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \pi & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)}$. Finally the third torsion sheaf gives the Hecke operator $T_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \pi & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)}$ which acts with eigenvalue $-\text{trace}(\text{Frob}_p, \mathbb{E}_p)$ on the Whittaker function. Note that this torsion sheaf is a point of codimension 2 in $\text{Coh}_{0,p}^{1,1}$, and thus the perverse sheaf \mathcal{L}_E will have some H^1 at this point. The minus sign of the eigenvalue will come from taking the trace of Frob on this cohomology group of odd degree (see Section 4). Therefore we define *generalized Hecke operators* as follows:

Fix non negative degrees $\underline{d} = \underline{d}_1 + \underline{d}_2$, and let $\text{Hecke}_n^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2}$ be the stack classifying extensions of parabolic sheaves of degree \underline{d}_2 by torsion sheaves of degree \underline{d}_1 , i.e.

$$\text{Hecke}_n^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} := \langle (0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rightarrow 0) \mid \mathcal{F}'^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}_2}, \mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}_1} \rangle.$$

The forgetful maps give rise to a correspondence

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{Hecke}_n^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} & \\ \text{\scriptsize } pr_{\text{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \text{\scriptsize } pr_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot} \\ \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}_1 + \underline{d}_2} & & \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}_2} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}_1}. \end{array}$$

Definition 2.4. The generalized Hecke operator $H_n^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2}$ is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} H_n^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} : D^b(\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}) &\rightarrow D^b(\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}_2} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}_1}) \\ \mathcal{K} &\mapsto H_n^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} \mathcal{K} := \mathbf{R}(pr_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})! \circ pr_{\text{big}}^* \mathcal{K}. \end{aligned}$$

To define operators on parabolic vector bundles which correspond to the action of the Iwahori-Hecke algebra we have to introduce for every $(0, \dots, 0) < \underline{\epsilon} \leq (1, \dots, 1)$ the stack

$$\overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}} := \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}} / \text{diagonal } \mathbb{G}_m\text{-automorphisms.}$$

This stack can also be defined as follows: Choose (i_0, p_0) with $\epsilon_{i_0, p_0} = 1$ then $\overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}}(T) = \langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet, \phi : \mathcal{O}_T \xrightarrow{\cong} pr_{T,*} \mathcal{T}^{(i_0, p_0)} \mid \mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}} \rangle$. The morphism $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}} \rightarrow \overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}}$ is given by $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \mapsto (\mathcal{T}^\bullet \otimes pr_{T,*}^{-1}(pr_{T,*} \mathcal{T}^{(i_0, p_0)})^{-1}, \phi : \mathcal{O}_T \xrightarrow{\cong} pr_{T,*}(\mathcal{T}^{(i_0, p_0)}) \otimes pr_{T,*}(\mathcal{T}^{(i_0, p_0)})^{-1})$. For different choices of (i_0, p_0) the resulting stacks are canonically isomorphic (tensor with $pr_{T,*}^{-1}(pr_{T,*} \mathcal{T}^{(i_1, p_1)})^{-1}$).

We define more Hecke correspondences:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \left\langle \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \mid \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}} \\ \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}-\underline{\epsilon}} \end{array} \right\rangle & \\ \text{\scriptsize } pr_{\text{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \text{\scriptsize } pr_{\text{small}} \times pr_C \\ \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}} & & \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}-\underline{\epsilon}} \times \overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{\epsilon}} \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}-\underline{\epsilon}} \times C. \end{array}$$

Here $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-\epsilon}$ denotes the moduli space of torsion free parabolic sheaves of degree $d^{i,p} = d + i - \epsilon^{i,p}$, i.e. the moduli space of vector bundles with partial parabolic structure at S .

Definition 2.5. *The Hecke operator H^ϵ is defined by:*

$$\begin{aligned} H^\epsilon : D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d) &\rightarrow D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-\epsilon} \times \overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^\epsilon) \\ \mathbf{K} &\mapsto H^\epsilon \mathbf{K} := \mathbf{R}(pr_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})_! \circ pr_{\text{big}}^* \mathbf{K}. \end{aligned}$$

For $\underline{\epsilon} = (1, \dots, 1)$ we set:

$$\begin{aligned} H_C^1 : D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d) &\rightarrow D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-1} \times C) \\ \mathbf{K} &\mapsto H_C^1 \mathbf{K} := \mathbf{R}(pr_{\text{small}} \times pr_C)_! \circ pr_{\text{big}}^* \mathbf{K}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally note that the sheaf \mathcal{L}_E^1 descends to a sheaf $\overline{\mathcal{L}}_E^1$ on $\overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^1$. Denote by $j_C : C - S \hookrightarrow C$ the inclusion. We will prove the following:

Theorem 2.5. *Let E be an irreducible local system on the curve $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at S and assume $n = \text{rank}(E) \leq 3$. Then*

- (1) $F_E^n \cong F_{E,1}^n$.
- (2) F_E^n descends to a nonzero perverse sheaf A_E^{good} on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\text{good}}$.
- (3) A_E^{good} extends to a Hecke eigensheaf A_E on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$, i.e. there is a unique extension A_E of A_E^{good} to $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$ such that:

$$\begin{aligned} H^1 A_E &\cong A_E \boxtimes \overline{\mathcal{L}}_E^1-n+1 \\ H^\epsilon A_E &= 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < \epsilon < 1 \\ H_C^1 A_E &\cong A_E \boxtimes j_{C,*} E-n+1 \end{aligned}$$

and the isomorphism

$$H_C^1 \circ H_C^1 A_E \cong A_E \boxtimes j_{C,*} E \boxtimes j_{C,*} E-2n+2$$

is S_2 -equivariant.

Furthermore, we will show that this implies that the function tr_{A_E} is an eigenfunction for the action of the Iwahori-Hecke algebra. Indeed, by the example given above we have already seen that the points of $\overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^1$ give a set of generators for the Iwahori-Hecke algebra (the invertible element corresponding to $\otimes \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{n}p)$ and the operators corresponding to the transpositions in S_n generate the algebra). Finally note that by Lafforgue's theorem we can always assume that the local system E is pure.

3. SOME PROPERTIES OF PARABOLIC SHEAVES

This section is an attempt to clarify the notion of parabolic sheaves. First we give a description of the isomorphism classes of parabolic torsion sheaves, then we prove some lemmata concerning homological algebra of parabolic sheaves. At the end of this section we give an explicit description of the moduli space of torsion sheaves on \mathbb{A}^1 with parabolic structure at 0. All these results are simple, but for completeness they are collected in this paragraph.

3.1. The structure of parabolic torsion sheaves. The structure theorem for modules over principal ideal domains shows that any torsion sheaf on a curve C/k is a direct sum of sheaves of the form $\mathcal{O}/(\mathfrak{p}^d) =: \mathcal{O}_{d,\mathfrak{p}}$ for some prime ideals \mathfrak{p} . We will prove a similar result for parabolic torsion sheaves. The constituents of a sheaf T^\bullet supported in $p \in S$ will be of the form (we only give the sheaves in degree $(*, p)$)

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^d \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^d \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^{(d-1)} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^{(d-1)} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^d \rightarrow \dots;$$

more precisely these are isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}_{\frac{k}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p) := \mathcal{O}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p)/\mathcal{O}^\bullet(\frac{i-k}{n}p)$ for some $0 \leq k < i \in \mathbb{N}$, and in the sequence above $d = \lceil \frac{k}{n} \rceil$ is the smallest integer bigger than $\frac{k}{n}$. The key step is to prove:

Lemma 3.1. *Let \mathcal{T}^\bullet be a parabolic torsion sheaf supported in $p \in S$, and let further $\mathcal{O}_{\frac{k}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p) \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ be an inclusion such that the sum of the degrees of the torsion sheaves occurring in $\mathcal{O}_{\frac{k}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p)$ is maximal. Then there is a splitting of ψ .*

Proof: Since \mathcal{T}^\bullet is supported at p , we may assume that $S = \{p\}$. We choose a local parameter π at p . Shifting our sequences we may further assume that $i = 0$.

Note that any inclusion $\mathcal{O}_{d'p} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}^{(m,p)}$ gives rise to an inclusion of some $\mathcal{O}_{\frac{k'}{n}}^\bullet(\frac{m}{n}) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ with $d' = \lceil \frac{k'}{n} \rceil$. Thus for a maximal embedding ψ we know that $d = \lceil \frac{k}{n} \rceil$ is the maximal length of the torsion sheaves occurring in \mathcal{T}^\bullet . In particular, any inclusion $\mathcal{O}_{dp} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}^{(m,p)}$ splits. Thus we have

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \mathcal{O}_{(d-1)p} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathcal{O}_{(d-1)p} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{dp} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathcal{O}_{dp} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{(d-1)p} \\ \downarrow \psi_0 & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi_r & & \downarrow \psi_{n-1} & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{T}^0 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}^{r-1} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}^r & \xrightarrow{\phi_{n-1}} & \mathcal{T}^{n-1}(p) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}^0(p) \end{array}$$

(where the number of submodules of the form $\mathcal{O}_{(d-1)p}$ might be zero). We know that there is a splitting for ψ_{n-1} , and this induces compatible splittings for ψ_l for $r \leq l < n-1$. In particular, if $\frac{k}{n} \in \mathbb{N}$ (i.e. in the upper line of the diagram all terms are of the form \mathcal{O}_{dp}), then any splitting of ψ_{n-1} induces a compatible splitting for ψ . We may therefore assume that $\psi_0 : \mathcal{O}_{(d-1)p} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}^0$ and that $d-1 \neq 0$.

Claim: There is a splitting of ψ_{r-1} .

Otherwise $\psi_{r-1}(1) = \pi \cdot e_{r-1}$ for some $e_{r-1} \in \mathcal{T}^{r-1}$ with $\pi^{d-1}e_{r-1} \neq 0$. Then $\pi^{d-1}\phi_{n-1}(e_{r-1}) = \pi^{d-2}(\phi_{n-1}(\pi e_{r-1})) = \pi^{n-1}\psi_{n-1}(1) \neq 0$ contradicting the maximality of $\frac{k}{n}$.

Thus we only need to find a compatible splitting of ψ_{r-1} and ψ_{n-1} . To do this, we may replace \mathcal{T}^{r-1} by its image in \mathcal{T}^{n-1} , since the above argument still works for this replacement. We then have $\mathcal{T}^{r-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}^{n-1}$, and the cokernel of ϕ_n is of length 1. In this case any splitting of ψ_{r-1} can be extended to one of ψ_{n-1} . (Choose a decomposition $\mathcal{T}^{r-1} \cong \mathcal{O}_{(d-1)p}\psi_{r-1}(1) \oplus \bigoplus_i \mathcal{O}_{d_i p}e_i$. Then either $\phi_{n-1}(e_i)$ generates a direct summand of \mathcal{T}^{n-1} , or $\phi_{n-1}(e_i) = \pi e'_i$, and e'_i generates a direct summand. Completing this to a decomposition of \mathcal{T}^{n-1} into indecomposable sheaves we can define an extension of ψ_{r-1} .) \square

From this lemma we get:

Proposition 3.2. *(Structure of parabolic torsion sheaves)*

- (1) *Any parabolic torsion sheaf is a direct sum of sheaves of the form*

$$\mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p)^\bullet = \mathcal{O}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p)/\mathcal{O}^\bullet(\frac{i-j}{n}p), \quad i, j \in \mathbb{N}, \quad p \in S$$

and sheaves supported outside S .

- (2) *Any parabolic torsion sheaf \mathcal{T}^\bullet has a filtration $\mathcal{T}_j^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}_{j+1}^\bullet \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ such that the filtration quotients $\mathcal{T}_{j+1}^\bullet/\mathcal{T}_j^\bullet$ are isomorphic to one of the following:*
- (a) $\mathcal{T}_{j+1}^\bullet/\mathcal{T}_j^\bullet \cong (k(q))^\bullet$ and $q \notin S$
 - (b) *There is a $p_0 \in S$ and $0 \leq i_0 < n$ such that*

$$\mathcal{T}_{j+1}^{(i,p)}/\mathcal{T}_j^{(i,p)} = \begin{cases} k(p_0) & i = i_0, p = p_0 \in S \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

- (3) *Any parabolic torsion sheaf \mathcal{T}^\bullet of constant degree $\deg \mathcal{T}^\bullet = (d, \dots, d)$ has a filtration $\mathcal{T}_1^\bullet \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{T}_i^\bullet \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ such that $\deg(\mathcal{T}_i^\bullet) = (i, \dots, i)$.*

Proof: Since for any torsion sheaf \mathcal{T} we have a canonical decomposition $\mathcal{T} = \bigoplus_{q \in \text{supp}(\mathcal{T})} \mathcal{T} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{C,p}$, we may assume that \mathcal{T}^\bullet is a parabolic torsion sheaf concentrated in a single point q , i.e. $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}^{(i,p)}) = q$ for any (i,p) .

If $q \notin S$, we know that all the $\mathcal{T}^{(i,p)}$ are isomorphic because the functor $\otimes_{\mathcal{O}_C}(S)$ is the identity functor on sheaves supported in $C - S$. Hence $\mathcal{T}^\bullet = (\mathcal{T}^{(0,p)})^\bullet$ and for torsion sheaves without extra structure the lemma holds.

For torsion sheaves supported in S the previous lemma implies (1) and the sheaves $\mathcal{O}_{\frac{k}{n}p}(\frac{j}{n}p)$ have a filtration satisfying (2) Counting degrees we also get (3). \square

Finally note that for an arbitrary parabolic sheaf the torsion subsheaves are always a direct summand:

Remark 3.3. *Let \mathcal{F}^\bullet be a parabolic sheaf on C/k . Then $\mathcal{F}^\bullet = \mathcal{E}^\bullet \oplus \mathcal{T}^\bullet$, where \mathcal{T}^\bullet is a parabolic torsion sheaf and all $\mathcal{E}^{i,p}$ are torsion free.*

Proof: We know that $\mathcal{T}^\bullet := \text{torsion}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet) \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet$ is a parabolic torsion sheaf and $\mathcal{F}^{(0,S)} \cong \mathcal{T}^{(0,S)} \oplus \mathcal{E}^{(0,S)}$. And since the $\phi^{(i,p)}$ are isomorphisms over the generic fibre of C the images $\phi_{i,p}(\mathcal{E}^{(0,p)})$ can be used to define maximal torsion free subsheaves of $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}$, these define the desired decomposition. \square

3.2. Homological algebra of parabolic sheaves.

Lemma 3.4. *For coherent parabolic sheaves on C/k the functors $\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^i$ vanish for $i > 1$.*

Proof: Let \mathcal{F}^\bullet be a parabolic sheaf. We prove that $\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^i(\cdot, \mathcal{F}^\bullet) = 0$ for $i > 1$ by descending induction on the rank and degree of \mathcal{F}^\bullet .

For a line bundle \mathcal{L} on C the functor $\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\cdot, (\mathcal{L})^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}S))$ coincides with a Hom-functor on coherent sheaves, and for $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_C}^i$ the lemma holds. By induction, we may therefore assume that \mathcal{F}^\bullet is a parabolic torsion sheaf. By Lemma 3.2 giving the structure of parabolic torsion sheaves, we may further assume that \mathcal{F}^\bullet is a quotient of two line bundles of arbitrarily high degree, which establishes the claim. \square_{Lemma}

Lemma 3.5. *Let \mathcal{T}^\bullet be a parabolic torsion sheaf and \mathcal{E}^\bullet a parabolic vector bundle. Then:*

(1) $\dim(\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet))$ and $\dim(\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \mathcal{T}^\bullet))$ only depend on $\text{rank}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet)$, $\deg(\mathcal{E}^\bullet)$ and $\deg(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)$.

(2) More precisely, for $\mathcal{T}^{(i,p)} = \begin{cases} k(p_0) & i = i_0, p = p_0 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$ we have

$$\dim(\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)) = \deg(\mathcal{E}^{(i+1,p)}) - \deg(\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}).$$

$$\dim(\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \mathcal{T}^\bullet)) = \deg(\mathcal{E}^{(i,p)}) - \deg(\mathcal{E}^{(i-1,p)}).$$

(3) If $\deg(\mathcal{T}^\bullet) = (d)$ is constant, we get

$$\dim(\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)) = d \cdot \text{rank}(\mathcal{E}) = \dim(\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \mathcal{T}^\bullet)).$$

Proof: We give a proof of the statements on $\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1$, the case of homomorphisms is even simpler. Since \mathcal{E}^\bullet is torsion free, $\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet) = 0$. Thus for any exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}''^\bullet$ the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}'^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}''^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact as well.

To prove the lemma, apply this remark to the filtration $\mathcal{T}_i^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ constructed in Lemma 3.2 (1) and reduce to the case $\mathcal{T}^{(i,p)} = \begin{cases} k(p_0) & i = i_0, p = p_0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. We may

shift $\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ and assume that $i_0 = 0$. Write $\mathcal{T} = (\mathcal{L}^\bullet)/(\mathcal{L}^\bullet(-\frac{1}{n}p_0))$ for some line bundle \mathcal{L} and for simplicity choose $\deg(\mathcal{L}) \ll 0$ such that $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_C}^1(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}^{i,p}) = 0$ for all $p \in S, -1 \leq i \leq n$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)) &= \chi(\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{L}^\bullet(-\frac{1}{n}p_0), \mathcal{E}^\bullet)) - \chi(\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{L}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)) \\ &= \chi(\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_C}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}^{(1,p_0)})) - \chi(\mathbf{R}\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_C}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}^{(0,p_0)})) \\ &= \dim(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}^{(1,p_0)})) - \dim(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}^{(0,p_0)})) \\ &= \deg(\mathcal{E}^{(1,p_0)}) - \deg(\mathcal{E}^{(0,p_0)}) \end{aligned}$$

□_{Lemma}

3.3. The moduli stack of parabolic torsion sheaves. First let us consider the moduli stack of torsion sheaves on \mathbb{A}^1 with parabolic structure at $p = 0$ as an example:

This stack classifies sequences of torsion sheaves⁵:

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^0 \xrightarrow{\phi_1} \mathcal{T}^1 \xrightarrow{\phi_2} \mathcal{T}^2 \xrightarrow{\phi_3} \dots \xrightarrow{\phi_{n-1}} \mathcal{T}^{n-1} \xrightarrow{\phi_n} \mathcal{T}^0(p) \xrightarrow{\phi_1(p)} \dots$$

with the property that the induced maps $\mathcal{T}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_i(p)$ are the natural ones.

Recall that a single torsion sheaf \mathcal{T} on \mathbb{A}^1 can be described by giving its vector space of global sections $H^0(\mathbb{A}^1, \mathcal{T})$ together with the endomorphism given by multiplication by the coordinate t of $\mathbb{A}^1 = \text{Spec}(k[t])$. Hence we get a presentation of the moduli space of torsion sheaves of degree d on \mathbb{A}^1 :

$$\text{Coh}_{0, \mathbb{A}^1}^d \cong [\text{Mat}_{d,d}/\text{GL}_d],$$

where GL_d acts on $\text{Mat}_{d,d}$ by conjugation. (Under this identification the support of a sheaf is given by the eigenvalues of the corresponding matrix, and the length of the indecomposable summands is given by the Jordan decomposition.)

For torsion sheaves with parabolic structure we can define a similar presentation as follows:

Note that the natural map $\mathcal{T}^i \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^i(p)$ is given by the multiplication by the coordinate t . Thus for any collection $(\phi_i : k^{\oplus d_{i-1}} \rightarrow k^{\oplus d_i})_{i=1}^n$ we may define \mathcal{T}_j by $(k^{\oplus d_j}, \phi_j \circ \phi_{j-1} \cdots \phi_1 \circ \phi_n \circ \cdots \circ \phi_{j+1})$ and with this definition the ϕ_i automatically define homomorphisms $\mathcal{T}_{i-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_i$ of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1}$ -modules. This proves:

Lemma 3.6.

$$\text{Coh}_{0, \{p\}}^{d_0, \dots, d_{n-1}} \cong [\text{Mat}_{d_1, d_0} \times \text{Mat}_{d_2, d_1} \times \cdots \times \text{Mat}_{d_n, d_{n-1}} / (\text{GL}_{d_0} \times \cdots \times \text{GL}_{d_{n-1}})],$$

where an element $(g_0, \dots, g_{n-1}) \in \text{GL}_{d_0} \times \cdots \times \text{GL}_{d_{n-1}}$ operates on $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \text{Mat}_{d_1, d_0} \times \text{Mat}_{d_2, d_1} \times \cdots \times \text{Mat}_{d_n, d_{n-1}}$ as

$$(g_0, \dots, g_{n-1}) \cdot (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) := (g_1 \phi_1 g_0^{-1}, g_2 \phi_2 g_1^{-1}, \dots, g_n \phi_n g_{n-1}^{-1}).$$

□_{Lemma}

Corollary 3.7. For any smooth curve C and any finite set $S \subset C(k)$ the stack $\text{Coh}_{0, S}^{\underline{d}}$ is smooth. In case \underline{d} is constant it is of dimension 0.

Proof: To show the lifting property for smoothness at a point $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0, S}^{\underline{d}}$, we only need to consider sheaves on $\text{Spec}(\prod_{q \in \text{supp}(\mathcal{T})} \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{C, q})$. But for a smooth curve we know that $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{C, q} \cong k[[t]] \cong \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathbb{A}^1, 0}$, and therefore it is sufficient to prove the corollary in case $C = \mathbb{A}^1$ and $S = \{0\}$, which is proven in the previous lemma. □_{Corollary}

⁵I suppress the upper index p since we have assumed that $S = \{p\} = \{0\}$

In case one does not want to consider deformations of parabolic sheaves one could use the above lemma and the fundamental diagram to get smooth presentations of the stacks $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d$:

Corollary 3.8. *For any smooth curve C and any finite set $S \subset C(k)$ the stacks $\mathrm{Coh}_{n,S}^d$ are smooth algebraic stacks.*

4. PROPERTIES OF THE WHITTAKER SHEAF \mathcal{L}_E^d

Our main goal in this section is to prove a Hecke property of the sheaf \mathcal{L}_E^d defined in 2.2 (Proposition 4.8). In the case of unramified local systems Laumon proved this in two steps: First he introduced a small resolution of the stack of torsion sheaves, defined as the stack classifying torsion sheaves, together with a full flag of subsheaves. Thereby he obtained a geometric description of the Whittaker sheaf, which he then used to prove the Hecke property.

Translating this into our situation we encounter two problems. The first one is that \mathcal{L}_E^1 is already a complex of sheaves. The second problem is that the analogue of Laumon's resolution is not small in the case of parabolic torsion sheaves.

Since \mathcal{L}_E^d is a perverse sheaf on the moduli stack of parabolic torsion sheaves and most of the questions are local in the étale topology we will often be able to reduce to the case that our curve is \mathbb{A}^1 and our local system is ramified only at the point 0. Our first aim is therefore to calculate \mathcal{L}_E^1 in this case. After translating these results into the general situation we then proceed with Laumon's strategy as described above. Here we simultaneously prove that the Hecke property of \mathcal{L}_E^d holds and that we can give a geometric description of \mathcal{L}_E^d .

4.1. Calculation of the sheaf $j_{!*}E$ on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{A}^1,0}^1$. Consider the case $C = \mathbb{A}^1$ and $S = \{0\}$. Let E_n be the n -dimensional local system on \mathbb{G}_m , ramified at 0, such that the ramification group acts unipotently and indecomposably — i.e. the invariants under the ramification group are 1-dimensional — constructed as follows: We have $\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathbb{G}_m}^1(\mathbb{Q}_\ell(-1), \mathbb{Q}_\ell) = H^1(\mathbb{G}_m, \mathbb{Q}_\ell(1)) = H^1(\mathbb{G}_m, \mathbb{Q}_\ell)(1) = \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ and therefore there is a unique nontrivial extension E_2 of the sheaf $\mathbb{Q}_\ell(-1)$ by the constant sheaf \mathbb{Q}_ℓ . The long exact cohomology sequence corresponding to this extension gives $H^1(\mathbb{G}_m, E_2) = \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-2)$, thus we can repeat this argument to define E_n , filtered by $\mathbb{Q}_\ell = E_1 \subset E_2 \subset \dots \subset E_{n-1} \subset E_n$ with subquotients $E_i/E_{i-1} \cong \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-i+1)$. Alternatively we could describe this as $\mathrm{Sym}^{n-1}(E_2)$.

Since $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{G}_m}^1$ — the stack of torsion sheaves of length 1 on \mathbb{G}_m — is isomorphic to $[\mathbb{G}_m/\mathbb{G}_m]$ for the trivial action of \mathbb{G}_m on \mathbb{G}_m , the sheaf E_n descends to a sheaf on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{G}_m}^1$ which we denote again by E_n .

We want to calculate the middle extension $j_{!*}E_n$ with respect to the inclusion $j : \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{G}_m}^1 \rightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{A}^1,\{0\}}^{1,\dots,1}$ (where $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{A}^1,\{0\}}^{1,\dots,1}$ is the stack of torsion sheaves with k -step parabolic structure — in this section we allow $n \neq k$). Because of the theorem on smooth base change it is sufficient to do this on a smooth representation of these stacks, for example:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{G}_m^k & \xrightarrow{j} & \mathbb{A}^k \\
 \swarrow m & & \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{G}_m & & \square \\
 \searrow / \mathbb{G}_m\text{-trivial} & & \downarrow \\
 \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{G}_m}^1 & \xrightarrow{j} & \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{A}^1,0}^{1,\dots,1}
 \end{array}$$

So we are left calculating $j_{!*}m^*\mathbf{E}_n$ on \mathbb{A}^k .

Denote $D_i := \{x_i = 0\} \subset \mathbb{A}^k$ and for a subset $I \subset \{1, \dots, k\}$ define $D_I := \bigcap_{i \in I} D_i$. This stratification of the complement of \mathbb{G}_m^k gives rise to open immersions j_i :

$$\mathbb{G}_m^k = \mathbb{A}^k - \cup D_i \xrightarrow{j_1} \mathbb{A}^k - \cup D_{ij} \xrightarrow{j_2} \dots \xrightarrow{j_{k-1}} \mathbb{A}^k - (0, \dots, 0) \xrightarrow{j_k} \mathbb{A}^k$$

And $j_{!*}m^*\mathbf{E}_n = \tau^{<k}\mathbf{R}j_{k,*}\tau^{<k-1}\mathbf{R}j_{k-1,*}\dots\tau^{<1}\mathbf{R}j_{1,*}m^*\mathbf{E}_n$ (this is a definition in Intersection Homology II [13] and a proposition (2.1.11) in Faisceaux Pervers [3]).

To simplify notation, let $U_i := \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{\#I=i} D_I$ and denote $\mathbf{E}_n := m^*\mathbf{E}_n$.

$$\text{For } k=1 \text{ we have } R^p j_* \mathbf{E}_n|_0 = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q}_\ell & p=0 \\ \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-n) & p=1 \end{cases} \text{ on } \mathbb{A}^1.$$

Therefore on \mathbb{A}^k we get that the stalk at 0 is: $R^p j_* \mathbf{E}_n|_0 \stackrel{(*)}{\cong} H^p(\mathbb{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}^k, \mathbf{R}j_* \mathbf{E}_n) = H^p(\mathbb{G}_{m, \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}^k, \mathbf{E}_n)$ and this isomorphism is compatible with the action of the Galois group. The equality $(*)$ holds, because \mathbf{E}_n is an extension of constant sheaves, for which the two cohomology groups are canonically isomorphic.

To calculate the latter cohomology group, we can factor m into an isomorphism $\mathbb{G}_m^k \xrightarrow{(a_i) \mapsto (\Pi a_i, a_2, \dots, a_n)} \mathbb{G}_m^k$ followed by the projection onto the first factor, to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^k, m^*\mathbf{E}_n) &\cong H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^k, p_1^*\mathbf{E}_n) \cong H^*(\mathbb{G}_m, \mathbf{E}_n) \otimes H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^{k-1}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell) \\ &= \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q}_\ell & * = 0 \\ \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-1)^{\oplus k-1} \oplus \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-n) & * = 1 \\ \text{etc.} & \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Analogously we get a formula for the stalk of $R^p j_* \mathbf{E}_n$ at a point lying on exactly r of the divisors:

$$R^* j_* \mathbf{E}_n|_{D_{(i_1, \dots, i_r)} - \cup_{j \notin I} D_{(i_1, \dots, i_r, j)}} \cong H^*(\mathbb{G}_m, \mathbf{E}_n) \otimes H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^{r-1} \times \mathbb{A}^{k-r}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell).$$

If the terms of weight $\geq 2n$ did not appear, then the truncation functors $\tau^{<i}$ used in the definition of $j_{!*} \mathbf{E}_n$ would be trivial and $\mathbf{R}j_* \mathbf{E}_n$ would “be an irreducible perverse sheaf”. But these terms do disappear if we pass to the inductive limit of all the $\mathbf{E}_n \hookrightarrow \mathbf{E}_{n+1} \hookrightarrow \dots$. Therefore define $\mathbf{E}_\infty := \varinjlim \mathbf{E}_n$. We have the following proposition:

Proposition 4.1. *For $n \geq k$ there is an exact triangle of complexes on \mathbb{A}^k :*

$$\rightarrow j_{!*} \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}j_* \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow j_! \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \xrightarrow{[1]}$$

Proof: (inductively calculating $\tau^{<i}\mathbf{R}j_{i,*}$) Use the shorthand $j_{i\dots 1} := j_i \circ \dots \circ j_1$.

We start with the exact sequence of sheaves on \mathbb{G}_m^k :

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \rightarrow 0.$$

Applying $j_{1,!} = \tau^{<1}\mathbf{R}j_{1,*} = j_{1,*}$ we get

$$0 \rightarrow j_{1,*} \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow j_{1,*} \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow j_{1,!} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \rightarrow 0.$$

Using the previous calculation, that $j_{1,*} \mathbf{E}_\infty = \mathbf{R}j_{1,*} \mathbf{E}_\infty$ we get an exact triangle of complexes on U_2

$$\rightarrow j_{1,!} \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}j_{1,*} \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow j_{1,!} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

Because $j_{i\dots 1,!} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n)$ is an extension of $j_{i\dots 1,!} \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-n-r)$ with $r \geq 0$, we will need to calculate $\mathbf{R}j_{i+1,*} j_{i\dots 1,!} \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ via the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow j_{i\dots 1,!} \mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{\cup_{j=1}^k D_j} \rightarrow 0,$$

Where $\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{\cup_{j=1}^k D_j}$ is the constant sheaf on the union of the divisors. (We will often use this shorthand: For a closed subscheme $Z \xrightarrow{i} X$ and a sheaf \mathbf{K} on X we write $\mathbf{K}|_Z := i_* i^* \mathbf{K}$.)

For the last term — viewed as a sheaf on the whole of \mathbb{A}^k — we have a resolution

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{\cup_{j=1}^k D_j} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^k \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_j} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq k} \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_{i_1, i_2}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_{1, \dots, k}} \rightarrow 0.$$

Restricting this resolution to $U_i = \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{1 \leq k_1 < \dots < k_i \leq k} D_{k_1 \dots k_i}$ all terms $\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I}$ with $|I| \geq i$ disappear and thus on U_{i+1} we have a resolution

$$0 \rightarrow j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^k \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_j} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{I \subset \{1, \dots, k\} \\ |I|=i}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I} \rightarrow 0.$$

Lemma 4.2. *For any $m > i \geq 0$ the complex $j_{m \dots i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ is quasi-isomorphic to*

$$j_{m \dots i+1, *} (0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^k \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_j} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{I \subset \{1, \dots, k\} \\ |I|=i}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I} \rightarrow 0).$$

Proof: For $i = 0$ there is nothing to prove, so we may assume $i > 0$. Note that for $|I| = c$ we have

$$\mathbf{R}^p j_{i+1, *} (\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I} & p = 0 \\ \bigoplus_{I' \supset I; |I'|=k+1} \mathbb{Q}_\ell(k-i-1)|_{D_{I'}} & p = 2(i+1-c) - 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

because j_{i+1} adds a smooth boundary of codimension $i+1-c$ to D_I . Therefore looking at the spectral sequence calculating $\mathbf{R} j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ via our resolution of $j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ we see that the only terms appearing in cohomological dimension $< i+1$ are as claimed. This proves the lemma for $m = i+1$. Inductively we may apply the same argument for m to see that in our spectral sequence the cohomology in degrees p with $i+1 \leq p < 2(m-i) - 1 + i = 2m - (i+1)$ vanishes. \square_{Lemma}

We will use the last statement of the above proof again:

Lemma 4.3. *For $m > i+1$ we have*

$$j_{m, !} (j_{m-1 \dots i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell) \cong \tau^{< 2m-(i+1)} \mathbf{R} j_{m, *} (j_{m-1 \dots i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell)$$

\square

To finish the proof of Proposition 4.1, we still have to calculate

$$\tau^{< i+1} \mathbf{R} j_{i+1, *} \left(\rightarrow j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{R} j_{i \dots 1, *} \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \xrightarrow{[1]} \right).$$

By our calculation (Lemma 4.2) of $j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell = \tau^{< i+1} \mathbf{R} j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ we know that

$$\mathbf{R}^p j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) = \begin{cases} j_{i+1 \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) & p = 0 \\ 0 & 0 < p < i \\ \text{of weight } \geq 2n & p = i \end{cases}.$$

Considering the long exact cohomology sequence for

$$\mathbf{R} j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{R} j_{i+1 \dots 1, *} \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow \mathbf{R} j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \rightarrow$$

this calculation implies that the map

$$R^i j_{i+1 \dots 1, *} \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow R^i j_{i+1, *} j_{i \dots 1, !} \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n)$$

must be zero because the weights of the two sheaves are distinct. Thus we have proven the proposition. $\square_{\text{Proposition 4.1}}$

Later we will need the following description of $(j_{i, *} \mathbf{E}_\infty)|_{D_I}$, which is implicit in the above:

Lemma 4.4. *The morphism $j_{1,*}\mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow i_{D_1,*}i_{D_1}^*j_{1,*}\mathbf{E}_\infty = i_{D_1,*}(\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_1 \cap U_2})$ on $U_2 = \mathbb{A}^k - (\cup_{i \neq j} D_{ij})$ induces an isomorphism*

$$(\mathbf{R}j_*\mathbf{E}_\infty)|_{D_1} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbf{R}j_{k \dots 2,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_1 \cap U_2},$$

therefore if $n \geq k$ we have

$$(j_!*\mathbf{E}_n)|_{D_1} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbf{R}j_{k \dots 2,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_1 \cap U_2},$$

and more generally

$$(j_!*\mathbf{E}_n)|_{D_{1 \dots l}} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbf{R}j_{k \dots l,*}((\mathbf{R}j_{l-1 \dots 2,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_1 \cap U_2})|_{D_{1 \dots l-1}}).$$

Proof: For the first statement consider $j_{D_1} : U_1 = \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_i D_i \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{i > 1} D_i$ and $j'_1 : \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{i > 1} D_i \hookrightarrow U_2 = \mathbb{A}^k - (\cup_{i \neq j} D_{ij})$. This induces an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow j_{D_1,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow j_{D_1,*}\mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow i_{D_1,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_1} \rightarrow 0.$$

We therefore have to show that $(\mathbf{R}(j_{k \dots 2} \circ j'_1)_*j_{D_1,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty)|_{D_1} = 0$. Again we first show that the stalk at 0 vanishes. We know that $R^p(j_{k \dots 2} \circ j'_1)_*j_{D_1,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty|_0 = H^p(\mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{i > 1} D_i, j_{D_1,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty)$, because this is true for the other two sheaves in the sequence above (for the middle term we proved this to calculate $\mathbf{R}j_*\mathbf{E}_\infty$).

The cartesian diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{G}_m^k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{G}_m^{k-1} & & \\ \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong \\ \mathbb{G}_m^k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{G}_m^{k-1} & & \\ \downarrow pr_1 & & \downarrow pr_1 \\ \mathbb{G}_m \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1 & & \end{array}$$

$(a_i) \mapsto (\Pi a_i, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ $(a_i) \mapsto (\Pi a_i, a_2, \dots, a_k)$

shows that

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(\mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{G}_m^{k-1}, j_{D_1,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty) &= H^*(\mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{G}_m^{k-1}, pr_1^*j_{\mathbb{G}_m,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty) \\ &= H^*(\mathbb{A}^1, j_{\mathbb{G}_m,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty) \otimes H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^{k-1}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

because $H^*(\mathbb{A}^1, j_{\mathbb{G}_m,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty) = 0$ (we know that $H^*(\mathbb{A}^1, j_{\mathbb{G}_m,!}\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell) = 0$ and that \mathbf{E}_∞ is an extension of constant sheaves).

Analogously we get that the fibre of the above complex at a point lying on D_1 and exactly c other divisors is isomorphic to $H^*(\mathbb{A}^1, j_{\mathbb{G}_m,!}\mathbf{E}_\infty) \otimes H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^{k-c-1}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell) = 0$. So we have proven, the first part of the lemma.

This can be used to give an analogous description of $(\mathbf{R}j_*\mathbf{E}_\infty)|_{D_I}$, because $D_1 \cong \mathbb{A}^{k-1}$ and so we can apply the same reasoning again. Consider the divisor $D'_1 \subset \mathbb{A}^{k-1} \cong D_1$ and $j_{D'_1} : \mathbb{G}_m^{k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{G}_m^{k-2}$. Look at

$$\rightarrow j_{D'_1,!}\mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \mathbf{R}j_{D'_1,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}j_{D'_1,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell)|_{D'_1} \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

Again $H^*(\mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{G}_m^{k-1}, j_{D'_1,!}\mathbb{Q}_\ell) = 0$, such that inductively

$$(\mathbf{R}j_*\mathbb{Q}_\ell)|_{D_{1 \dots l}} \cong \mathbf{R}j_{l \dots k,*}((\mathbf{R}j_{1 \dots l-1,*}\mathbb{Q}_\ell)|_{D_{1 \dots l-1}}).$$

□

Corollary 4.5. *For an arbitrary curve C , let \mathbf{E} be a rank n local system with indecomposable unipotent ramification at a finite set of points $S \subset C$. Let $I \subset \{1, \dots, k\}$ and let $\overline{D}_{I,p} \subset \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ be the substack defined by $(\phi^{i,p} = 0)_{i \in I}$ (i.e. for $C = \mathbb{A}^1$ this is the substack defined by $D_I \subset \mathbb{A}^k$) and denote by $D_{I,p}^\circ$ the substack*

defined by $\phi^{(j,p)} \neq 0$ for $j \notin I$. Finally let $pr : \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}^\bullet \mapsto \mathcal{T}^{(0,S)}} \mathrm{Coh}_0^1$ be the projection. Then the following holds:

- (1) For $0 < |I| < k$ we have $\mathbf{R}pr_!(j_*\mathbf{E}|_{\overline{D}_I}) = 0$.
- (2) There is a canonical isomorphism $\mathbf{R}pr_!j_*\mathbf{E} \cong \overline{j}_*\mathbf{E}$, where $\overline{j} : C - S \rightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_0^1$ is the inclusion.
- (3) $\mathbf{R}pr_!(j_*\mathbf{E}|_{D_{I,p}^\circ}) \cong \mathbf{E}_{pr(D_{I,p})}[|I| - 1]$ for any I and again the isomorphism is canonical.

Proof: In the special case $(C, S) = (\mathbb{A}^1, \{0\})$ the corollary follows from Lemma 4.4 which shows:

$$(4.1) \quad j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{D_{1,\dots,l}^\circ} \cong \mathbf{E}_p \otimes H^*(\mathbb{G}_m^{\times l-1}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell) \quad \text{is constant and}$$

$$(4.2) \quad j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{\overline{D}_{1,\dots,l}} = \mathbf{R}j_{D \hookrightarrow \overline{D},*}j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{D_{1,\dots,l}}.$$

Combining these formulas, the first assertion of the corollary now essentially follows from the Künneth formula and the fact that for $j : \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ we have $H_c^*(\mathbb{A}^1, \mathbf{R}j_*\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell) = 0$. Namely the above shows that on $D_I \subset \mathbb{A}^k$ the cohomology $H_c^*(D_I, (j_*\mathbf{E}_n)|_{D_I}) = 0$ for $0 < |I| < k$. Now we can base change the map pr by the map $\mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{A}^1}^1$ and restrict this to the fibre above 0:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & D_I \\ & & \downarrow \\ \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\{0\},\mathbb{A}^1}^1 & \xleftarrow{\pi_0} & [D_I/(\mathbb{G}_m^{k-1})] \\ \downarrow pr & & \downarrow pr' \\ \mathrm{Coh}_{0,\mathbb{A}^1}^1 & \xleftarrow{0} & \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_q). \end{array}$$

We have to show that $H_c^*([D_I/(\mathbb{G}_m^{k-1})], \pi_0^*j_*\mathbf{E}_n) = 0$. Since $H_c^*(D_I, (j_*\mathbf{E}_n)|_{D_I}) = 0$ the spectral sequence calculating the cohomology of a stack from the cohomology of a presentation gives this result.

The second assertion follows because by (1) the cohomology of $j_*\mathbf{E}_n$ restricted to the complement of the section $\mathcal{T} \mapsto \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ vanishes. This follows because there is a resolution:

$$\mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{\bigcup_{i=2}^k \overline{D}_i} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{2 \leq i,j \leq k \\ i \neq j}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{\overline{D}_{ij}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{\overline{D}_{2\dots k}} \rightarrow 0$$

and we just saw that $\mathbf{R}pr_!(j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{\overline{D}_I}) = 0$ for all D_I occurring in this resolution.

Moreover this proves (still assuming $C = \mathbb{A}^1$) that the canonical morphism $\mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}pr_!j_*\mathbf{E}_n$ given by the section $\mathrm{Coh}_0^1 \rightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ is an isomorphism.

To prove (3) we note that $H^*(\mathbb{G}_m, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell) \cong H_c^*(\mathbb{G}_m, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell)[1]$ and compare (4.1) with the Leray spectral sequence for

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [pt/\mathbb{G}_m] & \xrightarrow{\pi} & [pt/\mathbb{G}_m^l] \cong D_{I,p}^\circ \\ & \searrow id & \downarrow pr|_{D_{I,p}^\circ} \\ & & [pt/\mathbb{G}_m] = pr(D_{I,p}^\circ). \end{array}$$

Thus $j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{D_{I,p}^\circ} \cong (\mathbf{R}\pi_!\mathbb{Q}_\ell) \otimes \mathbf{E}_{n,p}[I - 1]$ and therefore

$$\mathbf{R}pr_!(j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{D_{I,p}^\circ}) \cong \mathbf{R}pr_!\mathbf{R}\pi_!\mathbf{E}_{n,p}[|I| - 1] = \mathbf{E}_{n,p}[|I| - 1].$$

Again this isomorphism is induced from the canonical morphism $\mathbf{R}pr_!(j_*\mathbf{E}_n|_{D_{I,p}}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}pr_!(j_*\mathbf{E}|_{D_{I,p}^\circ})$ restricted to the $-(|I| - 1)$ -th cohomology.

The general case follows from these calculations, because the statements are local in the étale topology on $\text{Coh}_{0,C}^1 (= [C/\mathbb{G}_m])$. Therefore it is a problem which is local in the étale topology on C , thus to check that the morphisms given above are isomorphisms we may assume that $C = C_p^{sh}$ is strictly henselian and $S = \{p\}$, i.e. $(C, p) \cong (\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^{1,h}, 0)$. In this case any irreducibly ramified sheaf on $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^{1,h}$ is isomorphic to our sheaf \mathbf{E}_n . \square Corollary

Remark: This corollary implies that for any parabolic torsion sheaf \mathcal{T}^\bullet of degree one $\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}, j_{!*}\mathbf{E})$ is the eigenvalue of the Hecke operator corresponding to \mathcal{T}^\bullet applied to the Whittaker function $W_{\mathbf{E}}$, i.e. $(-1)^{\text{codim}(p)} \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_p, j_*E_p)$.

To end this section we will prove two more corollaries to the above calculations. First we take up the situation of Proposition 4.1, i.e. $(C, S) = (\mathbb{A}^1, \{0\})$, and we keep the notations $j_i : \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{|I|=i} D_I \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{|I|=i+1} D_I$ and $j_{k\dots i} := j_k \circ \dots \circ j_{i+1} \circ j_i$.

We have the following description of $j_{!*}\mathbf{E}_m$ for $m \leq k$:

Corollary 4.6. *For any $0 < m \leq k$ we have:*

(1) *There is a distinguished triangle of complexes on $\mathbb{A}^k - \cup_{\substack{I \subset \{1, \dots, k\} \\ |I|=m+1}} D_I$:*

$$\rightarrow j_{m\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_m \rightarrow j_{m\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_k \rightarrow j_{m\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_{k-m}(-m) \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

(2) *For all $m+r \leq k$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} j_{m+r\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_m &\cong \tau^{<m}\mathbf{R}j_{m+r,*}j_{m+r-1\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_m \\ &\cong \tau^{\leq m+2r-1}\mathbf{R}j_{m+r,*}j_{m+r-1\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_m. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, there is an exact triangle

$$\rightarrow j_{!*}\mathbf{E}_{m-1} \rightarrow j_{!*}\mathbf{E}_m \rightarrow j_{k\dots m,!*}j_{m-1\dots 1,!}\mathbb{Q}_l \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

Proof: The first part of the corollary has been proven above. We may also recover it by comparing the triangle from Proposition 4.1 for \mathbf{E}_k with the one for \mathbf{E}_m .

To prove the second part, note that by Lemma 4.3 $j_{m+r+1\dots m+1,!*}j_{m\dots 1,!}\mathbb{Q}_l \cong \tau^{\leq m+2r+1}\mathbf{R}j_{m+r+1,*}j_{m+r\dots m+1,!*}j_{m\dots 1,!}\mathbb{Q}_l$. Combined with Lemma 4.2 this implies that this complex has no cohomology in degrees $m+1, \dots, m+2r+1$.

Therefore we can use induction on m to finish the proof: For $m=1$ the sheaf \mathbf{E}_1 is constant, thus the claim is true. By (1.) we have an exact triangle

$$\rightarrow j_{m\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_m \rightarrow j_{m\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_{m+1} \rightarrow j_{m\dots 1,!}\mathbb{Q}_l(-m) \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

Apply $\mathbf{R}j_{m+1,*}$ to this complex. Then by induction we know that the left hand term has no cohomology in degrees $m, m+1$, thus – since $j_{m+1,!*} = \tau^{<m+1}\mathbf{R}j_{m+1,*}$ – we get that

$$\rightarrow j_{m+1\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_m \rightarrow j_{m+1\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_{m+1} \rightarrow j_{m+1,!*}j_{m\dots 1,!}\mathbb{Q}_l \xrightarrow{[1]}$$

is still exact. Therefore $j_{m+1\dots 1,!*}\mathbf{E}_{m+1}$ has a filtration as claimed. Furthermore the functors $\tau^{<m+1}\mathbf{R}j_{m+2,*}$, $\tau^{\leq m+2}\mathbf{R}j_{m+2,*}$ and $j_{m+2,!*}$ give the the same result if we apply them to the left or right hand term of the triangle, thus the same is true for the middle term and again by induction we are done. \square

Finally we note that there is a – perhaps surprising – analogue of Corollary 4.5 for the tensor product $j_{!*}\mathbf{E}_n \otimes j_{!*}\mathbf{E}_{n+k}$ which will be needed later on:

Corollary 4.7. *Let (C, S) be a curve together with a finite set of points, and let E_m, E_{k+n} be local systems of rank $m \leq k$ and $k+n$ on $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at all points in S .*

Let $pr : \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \rightarrow \text{Coh}_0^1$ be the map forgetting the k -step parabolic structure of the torsion sheaves, and denote by $\bar{j} : \text{Coh}_{0,C-S}^1 \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,C}^1$ the inclusion.

Then

$$\mathbf{R}pr_!(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}_m}^1 \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}_{k+n}}^1) = \bar{j}_*(\mathbf{E}_m \otimes \mathbf{E}_{k+n}).$$

Proof: To prove the corollary we have to show that $\mathbf{R}pr_!(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}_m}^1 \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}_{k+n}}^1)$ is the (middle) extension of its restriction to $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-S}^1$. This is a local problem on C , thus we may assume as before that $(C, S) = (\mathbb{A}^1, \{0\})$ and that \mathbf{E}_m and \mathbf{E}_{k+n} are the unipotently ramified sheaves on \mathbb{G}_m defined at the beginning of this section.⁶

We use the filtration

$$j_! \mathbf{E}_{m-1} \rightarrow j_! \mathbf{E}_m \rightarrow j_{k\dots m, !*} j_{m-1\dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-m+1)$$

given by the previous corollary. We tensor this with $j_! \mathbf{E}_{n+k}$ and apply $\mathbf{R}pr_!$ to prove the corollary by induction on m .

For the right hand term we use Lemma 4.2 to replace $j_{k\dots m, !*} j_{m-1\dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-m+1)$ by the complex

$$(\mathbb{Q}_\ell \rightarrow \oplus \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_i} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \oplus_{|I|=m-1} \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I})(-m+1).$$

By Corollary 4.5 we know $\mathbf{R}pr_!((j_! \mathbf{E}_{n+k}) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell|_{D_I}) = 0$ for $0 < |I| < m \leq k$.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}pr_!(j_! \mathbf{E}_{n+k} \otimes j_{k\dots m, !*} j_{m-1\dots 1, !} \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-m+1)) &= \mathbf{R}pr_!(j_! \mathbf{E}_{n+k} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell(-m+1)) \\ &= \bar{j}_* \mathbf{E}_{n+k}(-m+1). \end{aligned}$$

Now we apply the induction hypothesis to the right hand term of the filtration of $j_! \mathbf{E}_m$ to get an exact triangle

$$\rightarrow \bar{j}_*(\mathbf{E}_{m-1} \otimes \mathbf{E}_{n+k}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}pr_!(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}_m}^1 \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}_{n+k}}^1) \rightarrow \bar{j}_* \mathbf{E}_{n+k}(-m+1) \xrightarrow{[1]}.$$

This proves that the middle term is a sheaf and that its dual is a sheaf as well, thus it is a perverse sheaf which is the middle extension of its restriction to $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-S}^1$. \square

4.2. A Hecke property on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d$. Consider as before $S \subset C$ and a rank n local system \mathbf{E} on $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at S . To reduce the number of constants we will assume that we are looking at n -step parabolic sheaves (it would be sufficient to assume that $\mathrm{rank}(\mathbf{E}) \geq \text{length of structure}$).

Using the Definition 2.4 of the generalized *Hecke operators* the aim of this section is to prove:

Proposition 4.8. $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^d$ is a Hecke eigensheaf on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{d,\dots,d}$, i.e. for non-negative degrees $\underline{d} = \underline{d}' + \underline{d}''$ we have

$$H_0^{d'', \underline{d}'} \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^d = \begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^{d_1} \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^{d_2} & \text{if } \underline{d}', \underline{d}'' \text{ are constant} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

To prove this, we need an analogue of Laumon's description of the Whittaker sheaf $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^d$. To shorten notations fix $\underline{d} := (d, \dots, d)$.

Let $\widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}$ be the stack classifying parabolic torsion sheaves on (C, S) together with a complete flag of subsheaves:

$$\widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}(T) := \langle \mathcal{T}_d^\bullet \supset \mathcal{T}_{d-1}^\bullet \supset \cdots \supset \mathcal{T}_1^\bullet | \mathcal{T}_i^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{(i,\dots,i)}(T) \rangle$$

⁶In this case note that

$$\bar{j}_*(\mathbf{E}_m \otimes \mathbf{E}_{k+n}) \cong \oplus_{i=0}^{m-1} \bar{j}_* \mathbf{E}_{m+k+n-2i}(-i).$$

This is just the Jordan decomposition for a tensor product (see for example [11], Exercise 11.11).

We use the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^d & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{gr}} & \prod_{i=1}^d \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \\ \mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{flag}} \downarrow & & \\ \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d & & \end{array}$$

to define the sheaf $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d := \mathbf{R}\mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{flag},*} \mathrm{gr}^*(\mathcal{L}_E^1)^{\boxtimes d}$ on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d$. Note that the map $\mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{flag}}$ is projective but not small (nor semi-small) in general.

Proposition 4.9. *For any decomposition $\underline{d} = \underline{d}' + \underline{d}''$ we have*

$$H_0^{\underline{d}'', \underline{d}'} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^{\underline{d}} = \begin{cases} \oplus_{S_d/(S_{d'} \times S_{d''})} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^{\underline{d}'} \boxtimes \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^{\underline{d}''} & \text{if } \underline{d}' = (d', \dots, d') \text{ is constant} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proof: Extend the diagram used to define the Hecke-operators as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{Ext}} & & \\ & & \curvearrowright & & \\ & \mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{flag}} & \mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}} & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{Ext}}} & \mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \pi_{\mathrm{big}} & \searrow \pi_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot} & \\ (\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1)^d \leftarrow \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}} & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{flag}}} & \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}} & & \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}'} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}''} \end{array}$$

Using the base change theorem for the proper map $\mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{flag}}$, we see that

$$H_0^{\underline{d}'', \underline{d}'} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^{\underline{d}} = \mathbf{R}\mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{Ext},!} \mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{flag}}^* \mathcal{L}_E^{1, \boxtimes \underline{d}}.$$

The fibre product $\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}$ classifies

$$\langle \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}''^\bullet, \mathcal{T}_1^\bullet \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{T}_{d-1}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle.$$

For every such collection of torsion sheaves we can pull back the filtration of \mathcal{T}^\bullet to \mathcal{T}'^\bullet , and by fixing the degrees \underline{d}'_i of the resulting torsion sheaves we obtain a stratification of the above stack

$$\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}} = \cup_{\underline{d}'_i} (\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}})^{\underline{d}'_i},$$

where the substacks of $\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}$ are defined as

$$(\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}})^{\underline{d}'_i} := \left\langle \left(\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}''^\bullet \\ \mathcal{T}_i^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet \end{array} \right) \mid \deg(\mathcal{T}'^\bullet \cap \mathcal{T}_i^\bullet) = \underline{d}'_i \right\rangle.$$

1st case: $\underline{d}'_i = (d'_i, \dots, d'_i)$ is constant for all i . In this case we have a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}})^{\underline{d}'_i} & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{Ext}}} & \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}'} \times \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}''} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \mathrm{forget}'_{\mathrm{flag}} \times \mathrm{forget}''_{\mathrm{flag}} \\ (\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1)^{\times d} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & (\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1)^{\times d'} \times (\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1)^{\times d''} \rightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}'} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}''}. \end{array}$$

By Lemma 0.2 the map $\mathrm{forget}_{\mathrm{Ext}}$ is smooth, the fibres being generalized affine spaces. These are of dimension 0, since both stacks are smooth of dimension 0, thus

$$\mathbf{R}\mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{Ext},!} (\mathrm{gr}_{\mathrm{flag}}^* (\mathcal{L}_E^1)^{\boxtimes d})|_{(\mathrm{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}})^{\underline{d}'_i}} = \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^{\underline{d}'} \boxtimes \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^{\underline{d}''}.$$

2^{nd} case: \underline{d}'_i not a constant sequence for some i .

Let $\text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}'_i)}$ be the stack, classifying torsion sheaves with a flag of subsheaves of degree (\underline{d}'_i) . Then we can still factor the restriction of $\widetilde{\text{gr}}_{\text{Ext}}$ to the corresponding stratum into

$$(\text{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}})^{\underline{d}'_i} \xrightarrow{\widetilde{\text{forget}}_{\text{Ext}}} \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}'_i)} \times \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}''_i)} \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}'} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}''}$$

Claim: $\mathbf{R}forget_{\text{Ext}, !\widetilde{\text{gr}}_{\text{flag}}^*} \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^{1, \boxtimes \underline{d}} = 0$.

As in the first case the map $\widetilde{\text{forget}}_{\text{Ext}}$ is smooth, and the fibres are generalized affine spaces: For a fixed point $(\mathcal{T}^{\underline{d}'_i}, \mathcal{T}^{\underline{d}''_i}) \in \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}'_i)} \times \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}''_i)}$ the fibre of $\widetilde{\text{forget}}_{\text{Ext}}$ over this point consists of extensions

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{T}'_{1\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \dots & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{T}'_{d-1\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{T}'_{\bullet} \\ \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{T}_{1\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \dots & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_{d-1\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_{\bullet} \\ \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{T}''_{1\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \dots & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{T}''_{d-1\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{T}''_{\bullet} \end{array}$$

Let $\text{gr}_i \mathcal{T}'_{\bullet} := \mathcal{T}'_{i\bullet} / \mathcal{T}'_{i-1\bullet}$. Then we may factor $\widetilde{\text{forget}}_{\text{Ext}}$ into

$$(\text{Hecke}^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \times_{\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}}} \widetilde{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}})^{\underline{d}'_i} \xrightarrow{\text{gr}_{\text{Ext}}} \prod_{i=1}^d \text{Ext}(\text{gr}_i \mathcal{T}''_{\bullet}, \text{gr}_i \mathcal{T}'_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}'_i)} \times \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}''_i)},$$

where $\text{Ext}(\text{gr}_i \mathcal{T}''_{\bullet}, \text{gr}_i \mathcal{T}'_{\bullet})$ is the generalized vector bundle over $\text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}'_i)} \times \text{Flag}^{(\underline{d}''_i)}$ classifying extensions of the filtration quotients. Furthermore Lemma 0.2 shows that gr_{Ext} is a generalized affine space bundle, which can be factored into maps with fibres $\text{Ext}(\text{gr}_i \mathcal{T}''_{\bullet}, \mathcal{T}'_{i-1\bullet})$.

Since $\widetilde{\text{gr}}_{\text{flag}}$ also factors through gr_{Ext} , the sheaf $\widetilde{\text{gr}}_{\text{flag}}^* \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}}$ is constant on the fibres of gr_{Ext} and thus by the Künneth formula it is sufficient to prove that for $d = 1$ and any non-trivial decomposition

$$\underline{d} = (1, \dots, 1) = \underbrace{(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)}_{=: \underline{d}'} + \underbrace{(1 - \epsilon_1, \dots, 1 - \epsilon_n)}_{=: \underline{d}''}$$

we have $H_0^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^1 = 0$. But here we can apply the calculation of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^1|_{D_I}$ given in Corollary 4.4 to establish the claim.

Now we have shown that $H_0^{\underline{d}', \underline{d}''} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}}$ has a filtration such that the subquotients are isomorphic to the sheaves $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}'} \boxtimes \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}''}$. Furthermore we know that over the substack where $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}'_{\bullet}) \cup \text{supp}(\mathcal{T}''_{\bullet})$ consists of d distinct points, this extension splits. The proof of the following lemma will only use this fact to show that all these sheaves are perverse sheaves which are the middle extension of their restrictions to any open subset. Therefore the filtration splits globally. \square

Lemma 4.10. *The complex $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}} = \mathbf{R}forget_{!} \text{gr}^*((\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^1)^{\boxtimes \underline{d}})$ is a perverse sheaf which is the intermediate extension of its restriction to $\text{Coh}_{0,C-S}^{\underline{d}}$:*

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}} = \mathbf{R}forget_{!} \text{gr}^*((\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^1)^{\boxtimes \underline{d}}) = j_{!*} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}}|_{\text{Coh}_{0,C-S}^{\underline{d}}}.$$

In particular, it carries a natural action of the symmetric group S_d and

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}} = (\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\mathbb{E}}^{\underline{d}})^{S_d}.$$

Again we denote by $j : \mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-S}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ the inclusion.

Proof of Lemma 4.10: By Laumon's results [17] we know that the restriction of $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E$ to $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-S}^d$ is indeed a perverse sheaf which is the middle extension of its restriction to every open subset.

Since the question is local on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d$ we may assume that our local system E is pure. Then \mathcal{L}_E^1 is pure (it is irreducible and perverse) and thus, by Deligne's theorem ([6], 6.2.6) $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d$ is also pure. Therefore we may apply the Decomposition Theorem ([3], 5.4.6) to decompose $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d = j_{!*} j^* \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d \oplus \mathrm{rest}^d$.

We prove the lemma by induction on d . Assume that $\mathrm{rest}^k = 0$ for all $k < d$. (By definition of \mathcal{L}_E^1 the statement is true for $d = 1$.)

By the induction hypothesis and the fact that the restriction of $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d$ to $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-S}$ is perverse we furthermore know that $\mathrm{supp}(\mathrm{rest}^d) \subset \langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \mid \mathrm{supp}(\mathcal{T}) = p \in S \rangle$. The preceding proposition shows a Hecke property of $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d$ and this implies in particular that $H_0^{i,(d)-i} \mathrm{rest}^d = 0$ for all $i > 0$.

Choose $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \mathrm{supp}(\mathrm{rest}^d)$ such that the degree of a maximal indecomposable summand of \mathcal{T}^\bullet is maximal. And write $\mathcal{T}^\bullet = \mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p) \oplus \mathcal{T}'^\bullet$, such that $\mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p)$ is a direct summand of maximal degree (this is possible by Lemma 3.1). Note that $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \not\cong \mathcal{O}_{dp}^\bullet$ since the latter sheaf has a unique filtration. Now define $d' := \deg(\mathcal{T}'^\bullet)$ and look at the fibre F of the Hecke-correspondence $\mathrm{Hecke}_0^{d',(d)-d'}$ over the point $(\mathcal{T}'^\bullet, \mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{n}p}^\bullet(\frac{i}{n}p)) \in \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{d'} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{d-d'}$. Then \mathcal{T}^\bullet is the only sheaf contained in $\mathrm{supp}(\mathrm{rest}^d) \cap F$, because every non-trivial extension of the two sheaves contradicts our maximality assumption (again by Lemma 3.1).

Therefore if $\mathrm{rest}^d|_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet} \neq 0$ then $H_0^{i,d-i} \mathrm{rest}^d \neq 0$, contradicting our assumption that all the $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^k$ are irreducible perverse sheaves for $k < d$. \square

Proof of Proposition 4.8: This now follows from the above lemma by taking S_d -invariants in the Hecke property of $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_E^d$. $\square_{\text{Proposition}}$

5. THE SHEAF $F_{E,!}^n$ CORRESPONDS TO THE FUNCTION $\Phi(W_E)$

The aim of this section is to explain the relation between the function $\mathrm{tr}_{F_{E,!}^n}$ and Shalika's definition of $\Phi(W_E)$. As in the case of unramified local systems, the problem to compare the two functions stems from the fact that the interpretation of Laumon's diagram in terms of adèles does not immediately correspond to the definition of Φ . The main ingredient needed to solve this problem is an analogue of Drinfeld's compactification as defined in [10]. This moduli space is on the one hand related to the fundamental diagram and on the other hand its points have a simple adelic description. All this follows easily from [10].

However, to prove that the function $\mathrm{tr}_{F_{E,!}^n}$ is indeed a non-zero multiple of the function $\Phi(W_E)$, we cannot copy the proof of [9], since this argument uses results on the affine Grassmannian for which we do not know analogous statements for the affine flag manifold. We will use an elementary approach instead. This yields an inductive argument to calculate the function $\mathrm{tr}_{F_{E,!}^n}$ on a subset which is sufficiently big to conclude the proof of our main theorem once we have calculated this function for $n - 1$. We will then give a calculation for $n \leq 2$.

5.1. An analogue of Drinfeld's compactification. First we rewrite the inductive definition of $F_{E,!}^n$ as in the appendix of [17] and [10]:

Denote by $\langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle$ the stack classifying

$$\langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle(T) := \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\text{d,good}}(T), \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{i,S}(T) \\ \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet \subset \mathcal{J}_2^\bullet \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{J}_n^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E} \\ \alpha_i : \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, n-i} \text{ a fixed isomorphism} \end{array} \right\rangle$$

We may define maps

$$\begin{aligned} \text{quot} : \langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle &\rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\text{d}} \\ (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet)_{i=1,\dots,n}) &\mapsto \mathcal{E}^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_n^\bullet \\ \text{ext} : \langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle &\rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\Omega^{\bullet, n-1-i}, \Omega^{\bullet, n-i}) \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\text{Res}}} \mathbb{A}^1 \\ (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet)_{i=1,\dots,n}) &\mapsto \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (\Omega^{\bullet, n-i} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{i+1}^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \twoheadrightarrow \Omega^{\bullet, n-i-1}) \\ \text{forget} : \langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle &\rightarrow \text{Hom}_n^{\text{inj}} \\ (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet)_{i=1,\dots,n}) &\mapsto (\Omega^{\bullet, n-1} \cong \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet). \end{aligned}$$

Then by definition of $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^n$ we have

$$(5.1) \quad \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^n = \mathbf{R}\text{forget}_!(\text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}} \otimes \text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi)[c],$$

where c is the dimension of the fibres of forget .

Remark: We have an adelic description of the points of the stack $\langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle$:

$$\langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle(\mathbb{F}_q) \subset \mathbf{N}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathbf{N}_n(\mathbb{A}) \times_{\mathbf{N}(\mathcal{O})} \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) / (\mathbf{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_{C-S}) \times \mathbf{Iw}_S)$$

We will not need this (it is the same as in [9], Section 3), but note that this is not the set which is used in the definition of the function $\Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$.

To define a moduli space whose points will be a subset of

$$\mathbf{N}_n(k(C)) \backslash \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathbb{A}) / \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_{C-S} \times \mathbf{Iw}_S)$$

we argue as in [10] and define a moduli space classifying parabolic vector bundles together with a full flag of subspaces of the generic fibre of the bundle, satisfying some regularity condition:

For a parabolic vector bundle \mathcal{E}^\bullet we denote by $\bigwedge^k \mathcal{E}^\bullet$ its k -th exterior power, which is defined as the collection of the sequences of vector bundles

$$\dots \rightarrow \bigwedge^k \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} \rightarrow \bigwedge^k \mathcal{E}^{(i+1,p)} \rightarrow \dots \text{ for all } p \in S.$$

Analogously, denote for parabolic bundles $\mathcal{E}_1^\bullet \otimes \mathcal{E}_2^\bullet$ the tensor product taken componentwise, together with the natural maps.

Definition 5.1. (*Drinfeld's compactification*) *The stack Ω -Plücker classifies:*

$$\Omega\text{-Plücker}(T) := \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\text{d}}(T), \\ s_1 : \Omega^{\bullet, n-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet, \dots, \\ s_i : \Omega^{\bullet, n-1} \otimes \dots \otimes \Omega^{\bullet, n-i} \hookrightarrow \wedge^i \mathcal{E}^\bullet, \dots, \\ s_n : \Omega^{\bullet, n-1} \otimes \dots \otimes \Omega^\bullet \otimes \mathcal{O}^\bullet \hookrightarrow \wedge^n \mathcal{E}^\bullet \\ \text{s. th. the } s_i \text{ satisfy the Plücker relations} \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

Recall that the Plücker relations are given by the condition that over the generic point of C the maps s_i define a full flag of subspaces of one (or equivalently all) $\mathcal{E}^{(j,p)}$. In particular we have a map

$$\begin{aligned} \text{forget}_{T^{\text{or}}} : \langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle &\rightarrow \Omega\text{-Plücker} \\ (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet, \alpha_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}) &\mapsto (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, s_i : \otimes_{j=1}^i \Omega^{\bullet, n-j} \xrightarrow[\cong]{\otimes_{j=1}^i \alpha_j} \wedge^i \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet \hookrightarrow \wedge^i \mathcal{E}^\bullet) \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore if all the s_i are maximal embeddings (i.e. if the cokernel of s_i is torsion free in every degree (j, p)), then the s_i define a full flag of \mathcal{E}^\bullet at every point of the curve, i.e. the s_i define a full flag of subbundles of \mathcal{E}^\bullet .

Therefore the points of this stack have a simple description in terms of the zero divisors of the maps s_i : We call a formal sum $D = \sum_{p \in C-S} n_p p + \sum_{p \in S} \frac{i_p}{n} p$ (only finitely many $n_p \neq 0$) a *parabolic divisor*, i.e. it is a divisor, but the coefficients of points in S are allowed to lie in $\frac{1}{n}\mathbb{Z}$. For a parabolic divisor D we call $\deg(\mathcal{O}^\bullet(D))$ its degree. In the same way as usual divisors, parabolic divisors of a fixed degree \underline{d} form a sheaf $Div_{C,S}^{\underline{d}}$, and the subsheaf of effective parabolic divisors is represented by a symmetric product of the curve.

Lemma/Definition 5.1. *The stack Ω -Plücker has a stratification by locally closed substacks indexed by degrees of parabolic divisors $\underline{d}_1, \dots, \underline{d}_n$. The strata are given by:*

$$(\Omega\text{-Plücker})_{(\underline{d}_1, \dots, \underline{d}_n)}(T) := \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in Bun_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}(T), D_i \in Div_{C,S}^{\underline{d}_i}, \\ s_1 : \Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet, \\ s_i : \Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \Omega^{\bullet, n-i}(D_{n-i}) \hookrightarrow \wedge^i \mathcal{E}^\bullet, \\ s_n : \Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{O}^\bullet(D_n) \hookrightarrow \wedge^n \mathcal{E}^\bullet \\ \text{such that the } s_i \text{ are maximal embeddings} \\ \text{and satisfy the Plücker relations,} \\ \text{and } \sum_{i=1}^k D_i \text{ is effective for all } 1 \leq k \leq n. \end{array} \right\rangle$$

$$\cong \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in Bun_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}, \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet \in Bun_{i,S}, D_i \in Div_{C,S}^{\underline{d}_i} \\ \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet \subset \mathcal{J}_2^\bullet \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{J}_n^\bullet = \mathcal{E}^\bullet \\ \alpha_i : \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} (\Omega^{n-i})^\bullet(D_i) \\ \sum_{i=1}^k D_i \text{ is effective for all } 1 \leq k \leq n. \end{array} \right\rangle$$

For fixed parabolic divisors D_1, \dots, D_n denote by $\Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ the corresponding substack of the above stack. \square

Note that the above description of the strata of Ω -Plücker can also be used to describe the map $forget_{Tor}$. Namely, for a point $(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet)_{i=1, \dots, n}) \in \langle \Omega - \text{Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle$ its image under $forget_{Tor}$ is $(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^{\bullet, \max})_{i=1, \dots, n})$ where $\mathcal{J}_i^{\bullet, \max} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet$ is the subbundle defined by \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet . But this is only a pointwise description.

Remark 5.2. *The points of the stack Ω -Plücker can be described as a subset:*

$$\Omega\text{-Plücker}(\mathbb{F}_q) \subset \mathcal{N}_n(k(C)) \backslash GL_n^\Omega(\mathbb{A}) / (GL_n^\Omega(\mathcal{O}_{C-S}) \times \mathfrak{I}_S).$$

Proof of Remark 5.2: This is the same as Weil's description of vector bundles (see also [9]). However to compare the function W_E with a sheaf on Ω -Plücker we will need a precise form of the inclusion, therefore we will recall the construction of the map.

Given a point $(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, s_i, D_i) \in \Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ we define an element of $GL_n^\Omega(\mathbb{A})$ as follows: Let $N := -(n-1)^2$ be the shift in the definition of $\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}$. (Note that if all $D_i = 0$ then the bundle $\mathcal{E}^{(N, S)}$ is equipped with a filtration with subquotients $\Omega^{\otimes n-i}(-(i-1)S)$.)

Recall that in 0.2 we have chosen an identification of $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$ with $GL_n^\Omega(\mathbb{A})$, i.e. we decided to use $\oplus_{i=0}^{n-1} \Omega^i$ as standard bundle instead of the trivial one.

Denote by η the generic point of C and choose an isomorphism $f_\eta : \oplus_{i=0}^{n-1} \Omega_\eta^i \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{E}_\eta^{(n-1, S)}$ such that the image of $\oplus_{i=n-j}^{n-1} \Omega_\eta^i$ is the subspace defined by $(s_i)_{i \leq j}$.

Further, for $p \in C - S$ choose a trivialization $f_p : \oplus_{i=0}^{n-1} \Omega^i \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{E}^{N, S} \otimes \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p$ again compatible with the filtration induced by the s_i . Then $f_p^{-1} \circ f_\eta \in GL_n^\Omega(K_p)$ will be an element of the form $N_p \cdot \text{diag}(d_{n,p}, \dots, d_{1,p})$, where N_p is a unipotent upper

triangular matrix and the second term is a diagonal matrix such that the valuations of the entries are given by the p -part of the divisors D_i .

For $p \in S$ we have to choose an isomorphism $f_p : \bigoplus_{i=0}^{n-1} \Omega^{\otimes i} \otimes \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{E}^{(N,S)} \otimes \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p$ compatible with the filtration of the stalk $\mathcal{E}^{(N,S)} \otimes k(p)$. Thus we have to choose f_p such that the induced map $\bigoplus_{i=0}^j \Omega^{\otimes i} \otimes k(p) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{(N,S)} \otimes k(p)$ factors through $\ker(\mathcal{E}^{(N,S)} \otimes k(p) \rightarrow (\mathcal{E}^{(N+j,S)} \otimes k(p)))$.

Again define $f_p^{-1} \circ f_\eta \in \mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)$. To describe this element, let $D_i = (d_i + \frac{k_i}{n})p + D'_i$ with $p \notin \mathrm{supp}(D'_i)$ and $0 \leq k_i < n$, and choose a local parameter π_p at p . Then $f_p^{-1} \circ f_\eta(\Omega^{\otimes n-1})$ is contained in the $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_p$ -submodule $\pi_p^{d_1+1}(\bigoplus_{j=0}^{k_1-1} \Omega^{\otimes j}) \oplus \pi_p^{d_1}(\bigoplus_{j=k_1}^{n-1} \Omega^{\otimes j})$. Analogously the image of $f_p^{-1} \circ f_\eta(\Omega^{\otimes n-2})$ is contained in the subspace generated by $\pi_p^{d_2}(\bigoplus_{j=0}^{k_2} \Omega^{\otimes j}) \oplus \pi_p^{-1+d_2}(\bigoplus_{j=k_2+1}^{n-1} \Omega^{\otimes j})$, etc. (We will only need this for $n = 2$.)

Note that in this way we get an element of $\mathrm{GL}_n(K_p)$ for which we have calculated the value of the Whittaker function in Proposition 1.2. In particular the shift in the definition of $\Omega^{i,\bullet}$ assures that the support of the Whittaker function is the subset of Ω -Plücker where $D_1 \leq D_2 \leq \dots \leq D_{n-1}$. $\square_{\text{Remark 5.2}}$

Note that the map *forget* factors through Ω -Plücker:

$$\text{forget} : \langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{forget}_{\text{Tor}}} \Omega\text{-Plücker} \xrightarrow{\text{forget}'} \mathrm{Hom}_n^{\mathrm{inj}}.$$

By Proposition 1.2 the intersection of the support of the Whittaker function W_E with the points where $D_1 \geq 0$ lies in Ω -Plücker(\mathbb{F}_q), and therefore the summation in the definition of $\Phi(W_E)$ is the same as the summation over the points in the fibres of *forget*'. Thus, to prove that $\mathrm{tr}_{\mathbb{F}_{q^1}^2}$ equals $\Phi(W_E)$ up to a scalar, it is sufficient to prove that $\mathrm{tr}_{\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\mathrm{Tor},!}(\mathrm{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E \otimes \mathrm{ext}^* \mathcal{L}_\psi)} = W_E$ (up to a scalar). Our first aim is to show that the left hand side of the last equation defines an element of the space of Whittaker functions (Proposition 5.3).

We denote by $\Omega\text{-Ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ the preimage $\text{forget}_{\mathrm{Tor}}^{-1}(\Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1, \dots, D_n})$.

Note that whenever we have $0 \leq D_1 \leq D_2 \leq \dots \leq D_n$, we can define a sheaf Ψ_{D_1, \dots, D_n} on Ω -Plücker $_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ via

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n} : \Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1, \dots, D_n} &\rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{para}}^1(\Omega^{\bullet, n-i-1}(D_{i+1}), \Omega^{\bullet, n-i}(D_i)) \\ &\rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{para}}^1(\Omega^{\bullet, n-i-1}, \Omega^{\bullet, n-i}) \xrightarrow{\Sigma \mathrm{Res}} \mathbb{A}^1 \\ \Psi_{D_1, \dots, D_n} &:= \mathrm{ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}^* \mathcal{L}_\psi. \end{aligned}$$

Let $[D_j]$ be the biggest divisor smaller than the parabolic divisor D_j and denote by d_j its degree. Then we also have a map

$$\mathrm{div} : \Omega\text{-Plücker}_{\underline{d}_1, \dots, \underline{d}_n} \rightarrow C^{(d_1)} \times C^{(d_2-d_1)} \times \dots \times C^{(d_n-d_{n-1})},$$

sending (D_1, \dots, D_n) to $([D_1], [D_2] - [D_1], \dots, [D_n] - [D_{n-1}])$. To simplify notations we will denote the restriction of *div* to Ω -Plücker $_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ by the same symbol.

The aim of this section is to prove:

Proposition 5.3. *Let D_1, \dots, D_n be parabolic divisors and assume $0 \leq D_1$. Then:*

- (1) *If $D_i \not\leq D_{i+1}$ for some i , then*

$$\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\mathrm{Tor},!}(\mathrm{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \mathrm{ext}^* \mathcal{L}_\psi)|_{\Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}} = 0.$$

- (2) *If $0 \leq D_1 \leq D_2 \leq \dots \leq D_n$, then there is a sheaf W_E on $C^{(d_1)} \times \dots \times C^{(d_n-d_1)}$ and a constant c such that*

$$\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\mathrm{Tor},!}(\mathrm{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \mathrm{ext}^* \mathcal{L}_\psi)|_{\Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}} = \Psi_{D_1, \dots, D_n} \otimes \mathrm{div}^* W_E[-2c](-c).$$

The sheaf W_E and the constant c depend on the parabolic degrees of the $(D_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}$ and will be defined explicitly in the proof.

Note that the first assertion is the geometric reformulation of the support condition for the Whittaker function given in 1.2.

Proof: We may assume that all D_i 's are effective, since otherwise the fibres of $forget_{\text{Tor}}$ above $\Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1,\dots,D_n}$ are empty.

To study the fibres of the map $forget_{\text{Tor}}$, we note that this map factors through the stack $\Omega_{D_1,\dots,D_k} \text{Ext}_{D_{k+1},\dots,D_n}$, which we define as the stack classifying

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{J}_n^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \\ \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet,n-i}(D_i) \text{ for } i \leq k \\ \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet,n-i} \text{ for } i > k \\ \text{such that } \mathcal{J}_k^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \text{ is a maximal embedding} \\ \text{and } \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \text{ lies above } \Omega\text{-Plücker}_{D_1,\dots,D_n} \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

Consider the case $k = 1$ and denote by

$$forget_{D_1} : \Omega\text{-Ext}_{D_1,\dots,D_n} \rightarrow \Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2,\dots,D_n}$$

the forgetful map, which maps $(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet)_{i=1,\dots,n}) \mapsto (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, (\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet + \mathcal{J}_1^{\bullet,max})_{i=1,\dots,n})$, $\mathcal{J}_1^{\bullet,max} = \Omega^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1)$ being the subbundle defined by \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet .

A point in the latter stack can alternatively be described as a maximal embedding $\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet$ together with a filtration $\overline{\mathcal{J}}_2^\bullet \subset \dots \subset \overline{\mathcal{J}}_n^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet / (\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1))$ and identifications $\overline{\mathcal{J}}_i^\bullet / \overline{\mathcal{J}}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet,n-i}$. In this description the fibres of $forget_{D_1}$ consist of the liftings of the inclusion:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \overline{\mathcal{J}}_n^\bullet \\ & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E}^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet,n-1} & \xrightarrow{k} & \mathcal{E}^\bullet / (\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1)). \end{array}$$

And $\mathcal{E}^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet,n-1} \cong \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1) \oplus \mathcal{E}^\bullet / (\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1))$, thus $forget_{D_1}$ is a torsor for the group $\text{Hom}(\overline{\mathcal{J}}_n^\bullet, \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1))$.

To describe such liftings we first lift the inclusion $\Omega^{\bullet,n-2} \cong \overline{\mathcal{J}}_2^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet / (\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1))$ to $\Omega^{\bullet,n-2} \xrightarrow{\tilde{j}} \mathcal{E}^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet,n-1}$ and then lift $\overline{\mathcal{J}}_n^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet,n-2}$ to the cokernel of \tilde{j} . Note that for a point in a fixed fibre of $forget_{D_1}$, its image under the map $ext : \langle \Omega\text{-Ext} \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ depends only on the choice of \tilde{j} but not on the lift of $\overline{\mathcal{J}}_n^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet,n-2}$, i. e. ext factors through the stack classifying points of $\Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2,\dots,D_n}$ together with a lift \tilde{j} . This is because the extension of $\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}$ by $\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}$ is given by the connecting homomorphism:

$$\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}, \mathcal{E}^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet,n-1}) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}, \Omega^{\bullet,n-2}).$$

Assume that $D_1 \not\leq D_2$. We claim that in this case

$$(5.2) \quad \mathbf{R}forget_{D_1,1}(\text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi) = 0.$$

Write D for the effective part of $D_1 - D_2$. Then the group $\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet,n-1}(D)) \subset \text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}, \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1))$ acts on the choices of \tilde{j} . Note that this action changes the image under the map ext by the residue of the element in $\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet,n-1}(D))$. However the cokernel of \tilde{j} is not affected by this action. This is because by construction we have a surjective map

$$\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}(D_2), \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet,n-1}(D_1)) \twoheadrightarrow \text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet,n-1}(D))$$

and thus given \tilde{j} and $s \in \text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet, n-1}(D))$ we can find an isomorphism:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \Omega^{\bullet, n-2} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{j}} & \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/(\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)) \oplus \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_{n-2}^{\bullet} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \text{id} \downarrow = & & \downarrow \cong & & & & \\ \Omega^{\bullet, n-2} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{j}+s} & \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/(\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)) \oplus \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}'_{n-2} & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

simply by choosing a splitting of $\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}(D_2) \xrightarrow{\text{maximal}} \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/(\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1))$ locally at D .

To see that this implies Formula (5.2), fix a lifting \tilde{j} , denote by $\mathcal{F}_{n-2}^{\bullet}$ the cokernel of \tilde{j} and let $\text{Lift}_{/n-2}$ be the space of liftings of $\overline{\mathcal{J}}_n^{\bullet}/\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}$ to $\mathcal{F}_{n-2}^{\bullet}$.

Consider the preimage of the $\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet, n-1}(D))$ -orbit of \tilde{j} in $\Omega\text{-Ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$. Then the above tells us that this preimage is isomorphic to the product

$$\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet, n-1}(D)) \times \text{Lift}_{/n-2},$$

and furthermore the restriction of $\text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi$ to this space is an exterior product, i.e. ext factors through the projection to the first factor and quot factors through the projection to $\text{Lift}_{/n-2}$. But $\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi$ is nontrivial on the factor $\text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}, \Omega_D^{\bullet, n-1}(D))$, and therefore its cohomology is trivial. Thereby we get that $\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{D_1, !}(\text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi) = 0$ as well.

Assume now that $D_1 \leq D_2$. In this case we can define a map

$$\text{ext}_{D_1} : \Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2, \dots, D_n} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$$

given as the composition:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2, \dots, D_n} &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}(D_2), \Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)) \times \prod_{i=2}^{n-1} \text{Ext}^1(\Omega^{\bullet, n-i-1}, \Omega^{\bullet, n-i}) \\ &\rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \text{Ext}^1(\Omega^{\bullet, n-i-1}, \Omega^{\bullet, n-i}) \xrightarrow{\Sigma \text{Res}} \mathbb{A}^1. \end{aligned}$$

We will use this map to write the restriction of $\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi$ to $\Omega\text{-Ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ as a product of two local systems. To this end note that – because $D_1 \leq D_2$ – for any point in $\Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2, \dots, D_n}$ there is a canonical lifting $\tilde{j} : \Omega^{\bullet, n-2} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}$ (choose any lifting $\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}(D_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}$ and restrict this to $\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}$ – this is independent of the choice since $D_1 \leq D_2$). Moreover, for any point in $\Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2, \dots, D_n}$ its image under ext_{D_1} is the same as ext applied to this canonical lifting.

Note further that for any point of this space the torsion sheaf $\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/\mathcal{J}_n^{\bullet}$ is equipped with a filtration induced by the \mathcal{J}_i^{\bullet} 's with subquotients isomorphic to $\Omega_{D_i}^{\bullet, n-i}(D_i)$. Denote by $\text{Ext}(D_n, \dots, D_1)$ the stack of parabolic torsion sheaves together with such a filtration.

Since $D_1 \leq D_2$ we can define a residue map for sheaves in $\text{Ext}(D_2, D_1)$, because we have an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}(D_2), \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)) &\xrightarrow{0} \text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}, \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\Omega_{D_2}^{\bullet, n-2}(D_2), \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)), \end{aligned}$$

and therefore the usual residue map $\text{Res} : \text{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-2}, \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)) \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ factors through $\text{Ext}(D_2, D_1)$. Let Ψ_{12} be the pull-back of \mathbf{L}_ψ via the composition

$$\text{Ext}(D_n, \dots, D_1) \rightarrow \text{Ext}(D_2, D_1) \xrightarrow{\text{Res}} \mathbb{A}^1.$$

Then we have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
\Omega\text{-Ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n} & & & & \\
\downarrow \text{pr}_{\text{Fib}} & \searrow \text{qext} & & \searrow \text{quot} & \\
\text{Fib} & \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_2} & \text{Ext}(D_n, \dots, D_1) & \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_{\text{big}}} & \text{Coh}_{0, S}^d \\
\downarrow \text{pr}_1 & & \downarrow \text{gr}_{D_1} & & \\
\Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2, \dots, D_n} & \xrightarrow{\text{qext}_{n-2}} & C^{(d_1)} \times \text{Ext}(D_n, \dots, D_2) & &
\end{array}$$

*forget*_{D₁} is indicated by a curved arrow from $\Omega\text{-Ext}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}$ to $\Omega_{D_1} \text{Ext}_{D_2, \dots, D_n}$.

Here Fib is the fibre product making the lower square cartesian, and the maps are the natural projections. The additivity of \mathbf{L}_ψ implies that

$$\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \cong \text{forget}_{D_1}^* (\text{ext}_{D_1}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi) \otimes \text{qext}^* \Psi_{12}.$$

Furthermore the map pr_{Fib} is a $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1), \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1))$ -bundle (because the fibres of pr_{Fib} consist of the different choices of the dotted arrow in:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\Omega^{\bullet, n-1} & & \mathcal{J}_n^\bullet \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{E}^\bullet / \Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) \\
\downarrow & \vdots & \downarrow \\
\Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{T}''^\bullet
\end{array}$$

Therefore the projection formula and base-change imply that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{D_1, !} (\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d) \\
& \cong \mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{D_1, !} (\text{forget}_{D_1}^* \text{ext}_{D_1}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \otimes \text{qext}^* \Psi_{12} \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d) \\
& \cong \text{ext}_{D_1}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \otimes \text{qext}_{n-2}^* (\mathbf{R}\text{gr}_{D_1, !} (\text{pr}_{\text{big}}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \Psi_{12}))[-2c_1](-c_1),
\end{aligned}$$

where $c_1 = \dim(\text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet / (\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}(D_1)), \Omega_{D_1}^{\bullet, n-1}))$.

Now we can inductively apply the same considerations to the maps $\text{forget}_{D_i} : \Omega_{D_1, \dots, D_{i-1}} \text{Ext}_{D_i, \dots, D_n} \rightarrow \Omega_{D_1, \dots, D_i} \text{Ext}_{D_{i+1}, \dots, D_n}$ to prove:

- (1) $\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\text{Tor}, !} (\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d) = 0$ unless $0 \leq D_1 \cdots \leq D_n$.
- (2) If we have $0 \leq D_1 \leq \cdots \leq D_n$, then we may define a sheaf Ψ_{Tor} on the stack $\text{Ext}(D_n, D_{n-1}, \dots, D_1)$ as the tensor product of the sheaves $\Psi_{i, i+1}$ defined as the pull back of \mathbf{L}_ψ via the map:

$$\text{Ext}(D_n, \dots, D_1) \rightarrow \text{Ext}(D_{i+1}, D_i) \xrightarrow{\text{Res}} \mathbb{A}^1.$$

- (3) Denote by gr the natural map

$$\text{gr} : \text{Ext}(D_n, D_{n-1}, \dots, D_1) \rightarrow C^{(d_1)} \times \cdots \times C^{(d_n - d_{n-1})}$$

and define $\mathbf{W}_E := \mathbf{R}\text{gr}_!(\text{pr}_{\text{big}}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d \otimes \Psi_{\text{Tor}})$. Then

$$\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\text{Tor}, !} (\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d) \cong \Psi_{D_1, \dots, D_n} \otimes \text{div}^* \mathbf{W}_E[-2c](-c),$$

where $c = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} c_i$ and $c_i = \dim \text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet, \Omega_{D_i}^{\bullet, n-i})$.

□_{Proposition}

To compare the trace function of $\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\text{Tor}, !} (\text{ext}^* \mathbf{L}_\psi \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^d)$ and \mathbf{W}_E we therefore only need to calculate the trace function of \mathbf{W}_E . Denote the trace of \mathbf{W}_E at the set of divisors $D_1 \leq \cdots \leq D_n$ by $\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}, \mathbf{W}_E)$. By construction it is sufficient to calculate this in the case that all D_i 's are supported at a single point

p , because we can write $D_i = \sum_{p \in \text{supp}(D_i)} D_{i,p}$ with divisors $D_{i,p}$ supported at p and then

$$\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{D_1, \dots, D_n}, \mathbf{W}_E) = \prod_{p \in \text{supp}(D_n)} \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{D_{1,p}, \dots, D_{n,p}}, \mathbf{W}_E).$$

We may also assume that $p \in S$, because for $p \notin S$ we can use the calculations for unramified local systems [10] (note however that a calculation similar to the one we do below (Lemma 5.4) could be applied for $p \notin S$ as well).

5.2. Calculation in the case rank = 2. We want to compute the trace function of the sheaf \mathbf{W}_E defined in the preceding paragraph in the case of a 2-step parabolic structure. We use the above reductions, i.e. we take $D_1 = kp \leq D_2 = (d-k)p$ parabolic divisors supported at $p \in S$ with $d \in \mathbb{N}$. And recall from the proof of the last proposition that for such parabolic divisors we have defined a residue map $\text{Res} : \text{Ext}(D_2, D_1) = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p), \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)) \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ and a sheaf $\Psi_{\text{Tor}} = \text{Res}^* \mathcal{L}_\psi$. Further, by abuse of notation, we denote the pull-back of \mathcal{L}_E^d to $\text{Ext}(D_2, D_1)$ by the same symbol. Finally we will replace the stack Ext by corresponding set Ext^1 to prove the following formula:

Lemma 5.4. *Consider sheaves with 2-step parabolic structure at $S = \{p\} \in C$. Denote by $\lambda_E := \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_p, j_* E)$. Then for any $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $k \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}$ with $0 \leq k \leq d-k$ we have*

$$\sum_{e \in \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p), \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp))} \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_e, \Psi_{\text{Tor}} \otimes \mathcal{L}_E^d) = \begin{cases} q^{2k} \lambda_E^d & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ -q^{2k} \lambda_E^d & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

Remark: As in the unramified situation we know that $\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{\mathcal{O}_{dp}^\bullet(dp)}, \mathcal{L}_E^d) = \lambda_E^d = \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{\Omega_{dp}^\bullet(dp)}, \mathcal{L}_E^d)$, because the parabolic torsion sheaves $\mathcal{O}_{dp}^\bullet(dp)$ and $\Omega_{dp}^\bullet(dp)$ are both contained in the image of an open embedding $\text{Coh}_{0,C}^d \hookrightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^d$. Therefore, the Hecke property of \mathcal{L}_E^d (Proposition 4.8) implies on the level of functions that

$$(5.3) \quad \sum_{e \in \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p), \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp))} \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_e, \mathcal{L}_E^d) = \begin{cases} q^k \lambda_E^d & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ 0 & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

(Note that the set Ext^1 used above differs from the stack $\underline{\text{Ext}}$ by some automorphisms, whereby we obtain the factor q^k in the above formula.) Recall that since $k \leq d-k$ we have an isomorphism

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)) \cong \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p), \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp))$$

given by mapping a homomorphism s to the push out of the extension $\mathcal{O}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^\bullet((d-k)p) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p)$ by s . Thus the middle term of the resulting extension of torsion sheaves is

$$\text{coker}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet \xrightarrow{(1,s)} \mathcal{O}^\bullet((d-k)p) \oplus \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)) =: \mathcal{T}_s^\bullet.$$

Further $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)) \cong \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}, \Omega_{kp}^{(0,p)}(kp))$, therefore we have a filtration of Ext^1 given by

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)) \supset \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{(k-1)p}^\bullet((k-1)p)) \supset \dots \supset 0$$

and for any element s of the subset

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{(k-i)p}^\bullet((k-i)p)) - \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{(k-i-1)p}^\bullet((k-i-1)p))$$

the corresponding parabolic torsion sheaf \mathcal{T}_s^\bullet is isomorphic to

$$\mathcal{T}_s^\bullet \cong \begin{cases} \Omega_{(d-i)p}^\bullet \oplus \mathcal{O}_{ip}^\bullet & \text{for } 0 \leq i < k \text{ and } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N} \\ \Omega_{(d-i-\frac{1}{2})p}^\bullet \oplus \mathcal{O}_{(i+\frac{1}{2})}^\bullet & \text{for } 0 \leq i < k \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_{>0} \\ \mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet \oplus \Omega_{kp}^\bullet & \text{if } s = 0. \end{cases}$$

It might be helpful to write this out in the simplest cases: For $k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}$ we have $\Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp) \cong (\Omega_{(k+\frac{1}{2})p} \rightarrow \Omega_{(k-\frac{1}{2})p} \rightarrow)$. Thus, if $i = 0$, i.e. $s : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \Omega_{kp}(kp)$ induces a surjective map $\mathcal{O}^\bullet \rightarrow \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)$, the above cokernel is isomorphic to $(\Omega_{dp} \rightarrow \Omega_{dp}(p) \rightarrow)$ and the second map is an isomorphism. In particular for $d = 1, k = \frac{1}{2}$ this extension is of the form $(\Omega_p \xrightarrow{0} \mathcal{O}_p \xrightarrow{\phi_1})$.

Similarly for $k \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$, $\Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp) \cong (\Omega_{kp}((k-1)p) \rightarrow \Omega_{kp}(kp) \rightarrow)$. And again if $s : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \Omega_{kp}$ is surjective we get that the corresponding torsion sheaf is of the form $(\Omega_{dp} \rightarrow \Omega_{(d-1)p} \oplus \mathcal{O}_p \rightarrow)$, because s induces a non-surjective map on the $(1, p)$ -component of $s^\bullet : \mathcal{O}^\bullet \rightarrow \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)$.

The general case is proven in the same way, the above considerations already give the isomorphism classes of the $\mathcal{T}_s^{(i,p)}$ and we also know on which summands the homomorphisms $\phi^{(i,p)}$ giving the parabolic structure of \mathcal{T}_s^\bullet are injective or surjective.

Therefore if we rewrite the summation in (5.3) according to the above filtration of Ext^1 we get a recursion relation for the value of the trace at the trivial extension

$$(5.4) \quad L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k) := \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{\mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p) \oplus \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp)}, \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d)$$

$$L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k) = \begin{cases} q^k \lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d - (q-1) \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} q^i L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ -(q-1) \sum_{i=0}^{k-\frac{1}{2}} q^i L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

(To shorten the formula we used that $L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k) = L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(d-k)$, since the corresponding torsion sheaves differ only by a shift.) Note further that this recursion relation does not depend on the rank of \mathbb{E} .

Proof of Lemma 5.4: By induction on k (for $k = 0$ there is nothing to show). Since $\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_e, \Psi_{\text{Tor}} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d) = \psi(\text{Res}(e)) \cdot \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_e, \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d)$, all the summands corresponding to elements of $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{(k-i+1)p}^\bullet((k-i+1)kp)) - \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^\bullet, \Omega_{(k-i)p}^\bullet((k-i)p))$ for $k-i \geq 1$ cancel out, because for these $\sum \psi(\text{Res}(e)) = 0$. Thus:

$$\sum_{e \in \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}_{(d-k)p}^\bullet((d-k)p), \Omega_{kp}^\bullet(kp))} \psi(\text{Res}(e)) L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(e) = L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k) - L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2})$$

Apply (5.4) to $L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k)$, then this equals:

$$= \begin{cases} q^k \lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d - q L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2}) - (q-1) \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} q^i L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ -q L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2}) - (q-1) \sum_{i=1}^{k-\frac{1}{2}} q^i L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \left(q^k \lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} q^{i+1} (L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) - L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k-1-i)) \right. \\ \left. - \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} q^{i+1} (L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k-1-i) - L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{3}{2} - i)) - q^k L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(0) \right) & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ - \sum_{i=0}^{k-\frac{1}{2}} q^{i+1} L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-\frac{3}{2}} q^{i+1} L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{3}{2} - i) & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

by induction $L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - \frac{1}{2} - i) - L_{\mathbb{E}}^d(k - 1 - i) = -q^{2(k-i-\frac{1}{2})}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$= \begin{cases} -\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} q^{i+1}(-q^{2(k-i)-1}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d) - \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} q^{i+1}(q^{2(k-1)-2}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d) & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ -\sum_{i=0}^{k-\frac{1}{2}} q^{i+1}(q^{2(k-i)-1}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d) - \sum_{i=0}^{k-\frac{3}{2}} q^{i+1}(-q^{2(k-i-1)}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d) & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} q^{2k}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d & \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ -q^{2k}\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^d & \text{for } k \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

□_{Lemma}

Corollary 5.5. *Let \mathbb{E} be a local system on $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at S and denote by $\lambda_{\mathbb{E}} := \prod_{p \in S} \text{tr}(\text{Frob}_p, j_*\mathbb{E})$.*

(1) *If \mathbb{E} is of rank 2, then for any point $x \in \Omega$ -Plücker we have*

$$\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_x, \mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\text{Tor},!}(\text{ext}^*\mathcal{L}_{\psi} \otimes \text{quot}^*\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d)) = \lambda_{\mathbb{E}} \cdot q^{|S|} \cdot W_{\mathbb{E}}(x).$$

In particular for any point $\bar{x} \in \text{Hom}_2^{\text{inj}}$ we have

$$\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{\bar{x}}, \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^2) = \lambda_{\mathbb{E}} \cdot q^{|S|} \cdot \Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})(\bar{x}).$$

(2) *If \mathbb{E} is of rank 3, then for any point $x \in \Omega$ -Plücker with $D_1 = 0$ we have*

$$\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_x, \mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\text{Tor},!}(\text{ext}^*\mathcal{L}_{\psi} \otimes \text{quot}^*\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d)) = \lambda_{\mathbb{E}}^3 q^{3|S|} W_{\mathbb{E}}(x).$$

In particular, for any point $\bar{x} \in \text{Hom}_3^{\text{inj}}$ corresponding to a maximal embedding $\Omega^{\bullet,2} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}$ we have

$$\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{\bar{x}}, \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^3) = \lambda_{\mathbb{E}} \cdot q^{3|S|} \cdot \Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})(\bar{x}).$$

Proof: Comparing the above lemma with the calculation of $W_{\mathbb{E}}$ we get the first assertion. Note that since the power of $\lambda_{\mathbb{E}}$ appearing on either side of the equation depends only on the degree, we just have to compare these for the trivial bundle. Similarly the power of q only depends on the difference $D_1 - D_2$.

For the second assertion note that for a maximal embedding, the quotient sheaf $\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/\Omega^{\bullet,n-1}$ may be viewed as a bundle with $(n-1)$ -step parabolic structure since the n -th morphism in the parabolic structure is an isomorphism. Thus for rank 3 bundles we may apply the calculation given above. □_{Corollary}

6. CONSTRUCTING $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{E}}$ UNDER THE ASSUMPTION $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^n = \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^n$

In this section we give a proof of the main Theorem 2.5 under the additional assumption that $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^n = \mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^n$. Here the proofs are almost identical to the ones in the case of unramified local systems: First we show that the Hecke property for $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^d$ implies that $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}$ is a Hecke eigensheaf as well. The second step is to deduce from Laffogues theorem and the calculation of the previous section, that the function $t_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}^n}$ descends to a function on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d$. Therefore we can argue as in [10] that the sheaf $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E}}$ also descends to the space of parabolic vector bundles. The resulting sheaf $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{E}}$ inherits the Hecke property from $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbb{E},!}$, and we show that this property implies the one stated in the theorem.

6.1. The Hecke operators on the “fundamental diagram”. We want to check that Laumon’s arguments in [17] carry over to our situation. We define operators analogous to the operators $H_k^{\frac{1}{2}}$ on the spaces occurring in the fundamental diagram (2.2).

We start with $\mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}}$ (recall that this is the stack classifying *good* coherent sheaves \mathcal{F}^\bullet of generic rank k together with an injection $\Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet$). We define a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \end{array} \right\rangle & \xleftrightarrow{\sim} & \langle \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rangle \\ \pi_{\mathrm{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot} \\ \mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} & & \mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i \end{array}$$

and the corresponding Hecke operator

$$\begin{aligned} H_{k, \mathrm{Hom}^{\mathrm{inj}}}^i : D^b(\mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}}) &\rightarrow D^b(\mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i) \\ \mathbf{K} &\mapsto \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot})_! \pi_{\mathrm{big}}^* \mathbf{K}. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously we define an operator

$$H_{k, \mathrm{Hom}}^i : D^b(\mathrm{Hom}_k) \rightarrow D^b(\mathrm{Hom}_k \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i).$$

We used a shorthand notation to describe the algebraic stacks occurring in the above diagram, e.g. $\left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \end{array} \right\rangle$ denotes the algebraic stack classifying objects $(\Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet) \in \mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}}$, together with a coherent parabolic subsheaf $\mathcal{F}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet$ such that the quotient $\mathcal{F}^\bullet / \mathcal{F}'^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i$ is a parabolic torsion sheaf of degree i . And the maps are the natural ones, e.g. π_{small} is the map forgetting everything but the smaller bundle \mathcal{F}'^\bullet and quot forgets everything but the quotient $\mathcal{F}^\bullet / \mathcal{F}'^\bullet$. To make this easier to read we use the following **conventions**:

- (1) \mathcal{F}^\bullet will always be a coherent parabolic sheaf. Oftentimes a subscript will be used to specify its generic rank.
- (2) \mathcal{E}^\bullet is a parabolic vector bundle, i.e. it is torsion free. Again \mathcal{E}_k^\bullet is a parabolic vector bundle of rank k .
- (3) By \mathcal{T}^\bullet we will always denote a parabolic torsion sheaf.
- (4) Three term sequences will always be short exact sequences.

We have the same on Ext_k^1 :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{F}'_k \subset \mathcal{F}_k \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{k+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_k \end{array} & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} & \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{F}'_k \subset \mathcal{F}_k \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'_{k+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'_k \end{array} \\ \pi_{\mathrm{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot} \\ \mathrm{Ext}_k^1 & & \mathrm{Ext}_k^1 \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{k, \mathrm{Ext}^1}^i : D^b(\mathrm{Ext}_k^1) &\rightarrow D^b(\mathrm{Ext}_k^1 \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i) \\ \mathbf{K} &\mapsto \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot})_! \mathbf{R}p_! \pi_{\mathrm{big}}^* \mathbf{K}. \end{aligned}$$

And finally on $\mathrm{Ext}_k^{1, \mathrm{good}}$ we have:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F}'_k \subset \mathcal{F}_k \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{k+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_k \\ \mathcal{F}'_k \times_{\mathcal{F}_k} \mathcal{F}_{k+1} \text{ good} \end{array} \right\rangle & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} & \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F}'_k \subset \mathcal{F}_k \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'_{k+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'_k \\ \mathcal{F}'_{k+1} \text{ good} \end{array} \right\rangle \\ \pi_{\mathrm{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_{\mathrm{small}} \times \mathrm{quot} \\ \mathrm{Ext}_k^{1, \mathrm{good}} & & \mathrm{Ext}_k^{1, \mathrm{good}} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^i \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{k, \text{Ext}^1, \text{good}}^i : D^b(\text{Ext}_k^{1, \text{good}}) &\rightarrow D^b(\text{Ext}_k^{1, \text{good}} \times \text{Coh}_{0, S}^i) \\ \mathbf{K} &\mapsto \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})! \mathbf{R}p! \pi_{\text{big}}^* \mathbf{K}. \end{aligned}$$

6.2. The Hecke property of $F_{E, !}^k$. We want to show that these Hecke operators commute with the functors used to construct $F_{E, !}^k$ (see 2.3). Let $i_{k, S} := \text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^{(k, S)})$ for any $\mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0, S}^i$. And denote by $pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^d} : \text{Ext}_0^1 \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0, S}^d$ the projection.

Proposition 6.1. *For any d, i as above we have:*

- (1) $H_{0, \text{Ext}^1}^i pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^d}^* \mathbf{K} = (pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^{d-i}}^* \times Id_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^i})^* H_0^{i, d-i} \mathbf{K}[-2i_{0, S}](-i_{0, S})$, for any $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Coh}_{0, S}^d)$.
- (2) $H_{k, \text{Ext}^1, \text{good}}^i j_{\text{Ext}}^* \mathbf{K} = j_{\text{Ext}}^* H_{k, \text{Ext}^1}^i \mathbf{K}$ for any $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Ext}_k^1)$.
- (3) $H_{k, \text{Hom}^{inj}}^i I^* \mathbf{K} = I^* H_{k-1, \text{Ext}^1, \text{good}}^i \mathbf{K}$ for any $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Ext}_k^{1, \text{good}})$.
- (4) $H_{k, \text{Hom}}^i j_{\text{Hom}, !} \mathbf{K} = j_{\text{Hom}, !} H_{k, \text{Hom}^{inj}}^i \mathbf{K}$ for any $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Hom}_k^{inj})$.
- (5) $H_{k, \text{Ext}^1}^i \circ \mathcal{F}\text{our} \mathbf{K} = \mathcal{F}\text{our} \circ H_{k, \text{Hom}}^i \mathbf{K}-i_{k(n-1), S}$ for any $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Hom}_k)$.

Proof:

- (1) Write down the definition of the correspondences:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet \\ \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \end{array} \right\rangle & \xrightarrow{p} & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet \\ \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'_1^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \end{array} \right\rangle & & \\ \pi_{\text{big}} \swarrow & & \downarrow pr_{\text{right}} & \searrow \pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot} & \\ \text{Ext}_1^1 & & \left\langle \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{T}^\bullet \right\rangle & & \text{Ext}_1^1 \times \text{Coh}_{0, S}^i \\ \downarrow pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^d} & \swarrow \text{forget} & \downarrow gr & \searrow pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^{d-i}} \times Id & \\ \text{Coh}_{0, S}^d & & & & \text{Coh}_{0, S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0, S}^i \end{array}$$

The left- and right-hand “squares” are cartesian and p is an affine space bundle (an $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet/\mathcal{T}'^\bullet, \mathcal{O}^\bullet)$ -torsor), therefore we get our claim:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{0, \text{Ext}^1}^i pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^d}^* \mathbf{K} &= \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})! \mathbf{R}p!(\pi_{\text{big}} \circ pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^d})^* \mathbf{K} \\ &= \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})! \mathbf{R}p!(\text{forget} \circ pr_{\text{right}} \circ p)^* \mathbf{K} \\ &= \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})!(\text{forget} \circ pr_{\text{right}})^* \mathbf{K}[-2i_{0, S}](-i_{0, S}) && \text{as } p \text{ is a bundle} \\ &= (pr_{\text{Coh}_{0, S}^{d-i}} \times Id)^*(\mathbf{R}gr_! \text{forget}^* \mathbf{K})[-2i_{0, S}](-i_{0, S}) && \text{by base-change} \end{aligned}$$

- (2) This holds, because extensions of good sheaves by torsion sheaves are good.
- (3) This is true, because there is an isomorphism of the diagrams defining the two Hecke functors given by:

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{F}'_{k-1} \subset \mathcal{F}_{k-1} \\ \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_k \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{k-1} \\ \mathcal{F}'_k := \mathcal{F}_k \times_{\mathcal{F}_{k-1}} \mathcal{F}'_{k-1} \text{ good} \end{array} \right) \mapsto (\Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}'_k \subset \mathcal{F}_k).$$

- (4) By definition.
- (5) Again Laumon’s proof can be copied word by word, the only thing used is the compatibility of the Fourier transform with bundle maps: $\mathcal{F}\text{our}(\iota^* \mathbf{K}) = \mathbf{R}p! \mathcal{F}\text{our} \mathbf{K}i_{k(n-1), S}$ (see [19] Thm 1.2.2.1 and 1.2.2.4). $\square_{\text{Proposition}}$

Corollary 6.2. *The sheaf $F_{E!}^k$ is a Hecke eigensheaf on Hom_k^{inj} , i.e.:*

$$H_{k, \text{Hom}^{inj}}^i F_{E!}^k = \begin{cases} F_{E!}^k \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_E^i-ki & \text{if } i \text{ is constant} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proof: By the above Proposition 6.1 this follows from the Hecke property of \mathcal{L}_E^i (Proposition 4.8). \square Corollary

6.3. Comparison of the Hecke operators and the generalized Hecke operators. In the same way as in [10], Proposition 8.4 we want to show that for some sheaves on $\text{Coh}_{n,S}$ the eigensheaf property with respect to $H_n^{d-i,i}$ implies that the restriction of the sheaf to $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$ has the eigensheaf property for H^ϵ and H_C^1 . To do this we need to note some general properties of the maps π_{small} and π_{big} used in the definition of the operators $H_n^{d-i,i}$.

Fix a degree $\underline{d} = (d^{(j,p)})$ of parabolic sheaves, and let \underline{i} some positive degree. We have defined a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{Hecke}_n^{d-i,i} & \\ \pi_{\text{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_{\text{small} \times \text{quot}} \\ \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}} & & \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i \end{array}$$

Denote further $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}, \leq \underline{i}} := \langle \mathcal{F}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}} \mid \text{length}(\text{torsion}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet)) \leq \underline{i} \rangle$. Then we have:

- Remark 6.3.** (1) *The map $\pi_{\text{small} \times \text{quot}}$ is a generalized vector bundle, in particular it is smooth.*
(2) *The map π_{small} is smooth.*
(3) *The map π_{big} is representable and projective.*
(4) *The restriction of π_{big} to the pre-image $(\pi_{\text{small} \times \text{quot}})^{-1}(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i)$ is smooth.*
(5) *2., 3. and the second part of 1. are true for the analogous maps defined by replacing $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}$ and $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d-i}$ by $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}$ and $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-i}$, respectively.*

Proof:

- (1) The map $\pi_{\text{small} \times \text{quot}}$ is the projection from the generalized vector bundle

$$\mathbb{V}(\mathbf{R}pr_{12,*} \text{Hom}(pr_{23}^* \mathcal{T}_{univ}^\bullet, pr_{13}^* \mathcal{F}_{univ}^\bullet)) \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i,$$

where pr_{jl} are the projections from $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i \times C$ on the j and l -th factors, and $\mathcal{T}_{univ}^\bullet$ and $\mathcal{F}_{univ}^\bullet$ are the universal bundles on $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^i \times C$ and $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d-i} \times C$ respectively.

- (2) By 1. we only need to note that $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^i$ is a smooth stack (Lemma 3.7).
(3) The fibres of π_{big} are closed subschemes in the scheme $\prod_{\substack{\text{rank } n \\ \text{deg } d^{(j,p)}}} \text{Quot}(\mathcal{F}^{(j,p)})$ which is projective (see [14]).
(4) This is as in [10]: The given pre-image is smooth, since it is a vector bundle over a smooth stack, and its image under π_{big} is $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}, \leq \underline{i}}$ which is smooth as well. Now π_{big} is representable, and therefore it is sufficient to prove that it induces a surjective map on all tangent spaces.

Thus we need to show that at every point in a fibre of π_{big} the kernel of the induced map is of the correct, constant dimension.

We claim that for any point $(\mathcal{E}^\bullet \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet := \mathcal{F}^\bullet / \mathcal{E}^\bullet)$ this kernel is isomorphic to $\text{Hom}_{\text{para}}(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \mathcal{T}^\bullet)$. In Lemma 3.5 we have shown that this

space is of constant dimension, and in case that \mathcal{F}^\bullet is torsion free the map is certainly smooth at this point, thus it is smooth on the whole subset.⁷

To prove the claim, take a point in the tangent space, i. e. a deformation to $k[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$, such that the deformation of the middle term is trivial:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{E}^\bullet & \xrightarrow{\psi} & \mathcal{F}_0^\bullet \otimes_k k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}^\bullet \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E}_0^\bullet & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{F}_0^\bullet & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_0^\bullet \end{array}$$

But then $\mathcal{E}^\bullet \cong \mathcal{E}_0^\bullet \times_{\mathcal{F}_0^\bullet} \mathcal{F}_0^\bullet \otimes_k k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2 \cong \mathcal{E}_0^\bullet \otimes k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2$. And therefore the choices of ψ are given by $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}_0^\bullet, \mathcal{T}_0^\bullet)$, as claimed.

- (5) Since $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d \subset \text{Coh}_{n,S}^d$ is open the maps are still smooth. The restriction of π_{big} is still projective because subsheaves of vector bundles on curves are automatically vector bundles.

□_{Remark}

Recall from Section 2 that $\overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^1 := \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 / (\text{diagonal } \mathbb{G}_m\text{-automorphisms})$. And the diagram defining the Hecke operators H^\perp is:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \langle \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rangle & \\ \pi_{\text{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \overline{\pi_{\text{small} \times \text{quot}}} \\ \text{Bun}_{n,S}^d & & \text{Bun}_{n,S}^d \times \overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^1 \end{array}$$

Again we say that a perverse sheaf A_E on $\text{Coh}_{n,S}$ is a (generalized) *Hecke eigensheaf* for E if

$$H^{d-\underline{i}, \underline{i}} A_E = \begin{cases} A_E \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_E^{\underline{i}}-(n-1)\underline{i} & \text{if } \underline{i} \text{ is constant} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that if the sheaf F_E^n descends to $\text{Coh}_{n,S}$, then this is the Hecke property of the descended sheaf (twisted by $\mathbb{Q}_\ell(d)$ on the component of degree $d = d^{(0,p)}$), the additional shift coming from the fact that the dimensions of the connected components of Hom_n are different.

Proposition 6.4. *Assume that A_E is a Hecke eigensheaf for E on $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^d$, such that $\mathbb{D}A_E$ is a Hecke eigensheaf for $\mathbb{D}E =: E^\vee$. Then $A_E|_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d}$ is an eigensheaf for H^\perp , i.e.*

$$\begin{aligned} H^\perp A_E|_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}} &= A_E|_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}} \boxtimes \overline{\mathcal{L}}_E^1-n+1 \\ \text{and } H^\epsilon A_E|_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}} &= 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < \epsilon < \underline{1}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Look at the generalized Hecke correspondence restricted to $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-\underline{1}}$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \langle \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle & \\ \pi_{\text{big}} \swarrow & & \searrow \overline{\pi_{\text{small} \times \text{quot}}} \\ \text{Coh}_{n,S}^{d, \leq \underline{1}} & & \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-\underline{1}} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \end{array}$$

⁷Alternatively one could use Lemma 3.5 to calculate the dimensions of the spaces involved, but one has to be careful in case \underline{i} is not constant

We know by Remark 6.3 (2.) that in this diagram the map π_{big} is smooth of relative dimension n . Therefore on $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}, \leq 1}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
A_E \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_E^1 &= (\mathbb{D}H^1 \mathbb{D}A_E)-n+1 && \mathbb{D}A_E \text{ eigensheaf} \\
&= (\mathbb{D}\mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})! \pi_{\text{big}}^* \mathbb{D}A_E)-n+1 \\
&= \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})_* \pi_{\text{big}}^! A_E-n+1 \\
&= \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})_* \pi_{\text{big}}^* A_E[-n+1+2n](1) && \pi_{\text{big}} \text{ smooth} \\
&= \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})_* \pi_{\text{big}}^* A_E[n+1](1)
\end{aligned}$$

In other words, for A_E we can replace $\mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})!$ by $\mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})_*$ in the definition of the Hecke operators. Note that the same consideration applies to the operators H^ϵ for any ϵ with entries $\epsilon^{(i,p)} \in \{0, 1\}$, such that not all $\epsilon^{(i,p)}$ are equal to 0 and not all $\epsilon^{(i,p)}$ are equal to 1.

In this case we even know that $H^\epsilon A_E = 0$, and this helps to prove:

Lemma 6.5. *Under the assumptions of 6.4. the restriction of the sheaf A_E to the stack $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}, \leq \epsilon} - \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}$ is zero.*

Proof: The map $\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot} : \langle \mathcal{E}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}-\epsilon} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^\epsilon$ is a vector bundle projection, let c be its relative dimension. Furthermore $\pi_{\text{big}}^* A_E$ is \mathbb{G}_m -equivariant, and thus we can apply Lemma 0.3 to get that

$$s_0^* \pi_{\text{big}}^* A_E = \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot})_* \pi_{\text{big}}^* A_E = H^\epsilon A_E[-2c](-c) = 0.$$

□_{Lemma}

Now we can apply Lemma 8.5. of [10] – which says that in the situation of Lemma 0.3, i.e. we have a vector bundle projection p and some \mathbb{G}_m -equivariant perverse sheaf K if both $\mathbf{R}p_* K[-1]$ and $\mathbf{R}p_! K[1]$ are perverse, then $\mathbf{R}p_! K \cong \mathbf{R}\bar{p}_! \bar{K}$ – to get that

$$\mathbf{R}(\overline{\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot}})! \overline{\pi_{\text{big}}^* A_E} = A_E \boxtimes \overline{\mathcal{L}_E^1}-n+1.$$

Now the fibres of the projectivized bundle $\overline{\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot}}$ are the projective spaces $\mathbb{P}(\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet))$ and by the above lemma we even know that the stalk of A_E is zero at sheaves \mathcal{F}^\bullet with $\underline{0} < \text{deg}(\text{torsion}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet)) < \underline{1}$, therefore in the above equation we may restrict $\overline{\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{quot}}$ to the space of torsion free extensions. But on this substack the base change to $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}-1} \times \overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^1$ gives the map used to define H^1 .

□_{Proposition}

Corollary 6.6. *Assume that A_E is a Hecke eigensheaf for E on $\text{Coh}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}$, such that $\mathbb{D}A_E$ is a Hecke eigensheaf for $\mathbb{D}E := E^\vee$. Then the corresponding function t_{A_E} on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\underline{d}}$ is an eigenfunction for the Iwahori-Hecke algebra.*

Proof: We just have proven the Hecke-property of the restriction of A_E to $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$. Therefore we only need to compare the result with the computation of $\overline{\mathcal{L}_E^1}$ on $\overline{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^1$ (Lemma 4.5) and note that the Iwahori-Hecke-algebra at S is generated by elements corresponding to the points of $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^1$. And for the Hecke operators supported in $C - S$ the situation is the same as in the unramified situation ([10]). □

6.4. Descent of the sheaf F_E^n .

Proposition 6.7. *Assume that we know that $F_E^n = F_{E,!}^n$, then Lafforgue's theorem implies that F_E^n descends to a Hecke eigensheaf on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\text{good}}$, and this sheaf can be extended to a non zero Hecke eigensheaf A_E on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$.*

Proof: By definition $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ is an irreducible perverse sheaf and by our assumption $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n = F_{\mathbb{E},!}^n$ is a Hecke eigensheaf (by Corollary 6.6).

We first want to explain why the function $\Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ does not depend on the section $\Omega^{\bullet, n-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}$, but only on the bundle \mathcal{E}^{\bullet} : On the one hand by Lafforgue's theorem [16] there is a (cuspidal) Hecke eigenfunction on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ with eigenvalues given by $\text{tr}_{\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}}$ (1.2). On the other hand by Shalika's result ([23] Theorem 5.9) every Hecke eigenfunction on $\text{Hom}_n^{\text{inj}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is in the image of Φ and there is a unique such function in the Whittaker space. Therefore the function $f_{\mathbb{E}} = \Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ is the pull back of a function on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Assume for the moment that $n \leq 3$. In this case we know that restricted to the maximal embeddings $\text{Hom}_n^{\text{max}} \subset \text{Hom}_n^{\text{inj}}$ the function $\text{tr}_{F_{\mathbb{E},!}^n} = \text{const} \cdot \Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ for some non-zero constant. In particular, this function is not identically zero on $\text{Hom}_n^{\text{max}}$ and descends to $\text{Bun}_{n,S}(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Thus to show that this implies the descent of $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$, we can apply a variant of the argument given in [10]: Since $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ is a \mathbb{G}_m -equivariant irreducible perverse sheaf it descends to the projective bundle $\mathbb{P}\text{Hom}^{\text{inj}}$ and there is a constructible subset $V \xrightarrow{j_V} \mathbb{P}\text{Hom}^{\text{max}}(\Omega^{\bullet, n-1}, \mathcal{E}^{\bullet})$ such that $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n|_V$ is an irreducible local system and $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n = j_{V,!}^*(F_{\mathbb{E}}^n|_V)$.

Further the restriction of $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ to V is constant on the fibres over $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$, because the trace of $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ is constant on the fibres (for any extension \mathbb{F}_{q^n} of the base field). And the two pull backs of $F_{\mathbb{E}}$ to $\mathbb{P}\text{Hom}^{\text{max}} \times_{\text{Bun}_{n,d}} \mathbb{P}\text{Hom}^{\text{max}}$ are irreducible ($\mathbb{P}\text{Hom}^{\text{max}}$ is an open subset of a projectivized bundle) and isomorphic, because the corresponding trace functions are the same. Since the two systems are irreducible, there is only one isomorphism of these sheaves which induces the identity on the points of the diagonal $V \subset V \times_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}} V$. Hence $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n|_V$ descends to a perverse sheaf $A_{\mathbb{E},V}$ on $pr_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}}(V)$. Further, since $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n = j_{V,!}^*(F_{\mathbb{E}}^n|_V)$, we also know that $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n = pr_{\text{Bun}_{n,S}}^* j_{pr(V),!}^* A_{\mathbb{E},V}$, i.e. $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ descends to a sheaf $A_{\mathbb{E}}^{\text{good}}$ on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{\text{good}}$.

Note that in particular we have shown that $\text{tr}_{F_{\mathbb{E},!}^n} = \text{const} \cdot \Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ on the whole of $\text{Hom}_n^{\text{inj}}$. Therefore we may apply Φ^{-1} to see that the trace function of the sheaf $\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\text{Tor},!}(\text{quot}^*(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{E}}^{d_0}) \otimes \text{ext}^* L_{\psi})$ on Ω -Plücker must be equal to $W_{\mathbb{E}}$. This allows us to drop the temporary assumption that $n \leq 3$, because we can apply the argument of Lemma 5.5 to show that the trace of $F_{\mathbb{E}}^n$ is equal to $\Phi(W_{\mathbb{E}})$ on the space of maximal embeddings for $n \leq 4$, and this gives an inductive argument for all n .

To finish the proof of the theorem we only need to extend the resulting sheaf $A_{\mathbb{E}}^{\text{good}}$ to the whole of $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$. Again this works as in [10](Section 7.8): For $q \in C - S$ (we might allow $q \in S$) the maps $\otimes \mathcal{O}(-rq) : \text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d+r,\text{good}} \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{n,S}^d$ are a covering of $\text{Bun}_{n,S}$. We define $A_{\mathbb{E}} := \varinjlim_r (\otimes \mathcal{O}(-rq))_* A_{\mathbb{E}}^{\text{good}} \otimes (\det(\mathbb{E})|_q)^{-\otimes r}$. The Hecke property of $A_{\mathbb{E}}^{\text{good}}$ (together with the S_2 -equivariance of the isomorphism $H^1 \circ H^1 A_{\mathbb{E}}^{\text{good}} \cong A_{\mathbb{E}}^{\text{good}} \boxtimes \mathbb{E} \boxtimes \mathbb{E}$) gives that this is a well-defined Hecke eigensheaf on $\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d$. □ Proposition 6.7

7. THE ANALOGUE OF THE VANISHING THEOREM FOR $n \leq 3$

The aim of the last two sections of this article is to prove that our assumption $F_{\mathbb{E}}^k = F_{\mathbb{E},!}^k$ holds for $k \leq 3$ with $k \leq n$ (Proposition 8.2). To do so we need an analogue of the vanishing theorem in [10] which is given below (Proposition 7.1):

For any $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ consider the *total Hecke- or averaging functor* $H_{\mathbb{E},\text{tot}}^{-i}$ defined as follows ($\underline{i} := (i, \dots, i)$):

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
& \langle \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \mid \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i}, \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \text{Bun}_{k,S}^d \rangle & \\
\pi_{\text{small}} \swarrow & \text{quot} \downarrow & \searrow \pi_{\text{big}} \\
\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} & \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i & \text{Bun}_{k,S}^d
\end{array}$$

We set

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} &: D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i}) \rightarrow D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S}^d) \\
\mathbf{K} &\mapsto H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K} := \mathbf{R}\pi_{\text{big},!}(\pi_{\text{small}}^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i).
\end{aligned}$$

Remark: This definition is used for any $\underline{d} = (d_{i,p})_{0 \leq i < n, p \in S}$, therefore it includes the case of bundles with not necessarily full parabolic structure. In particular for $\underline{d} = (d)_{\substack{0 \leq i < n \\ p \in S}}$ the stack $\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}} \cong \text{Bun}_k^d$ is the stack of vector bundles without extra structure.

Proposition 7.1. *Let \mathbf{E} be a (pure) irreducible rank n local system with indecomposable unipotent ramification at S . Then for any $k < \min(3, n)$ and any (mixed) complex $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S})$ we have*

$$H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K} = 0 \text{ for all } i > (2g - 2)nk + |S| \cdot k$$

Note that by Lafforgue's theorem we may assume that \mathbf{E} is pure, since every irreducible sheaf is pure up to a twist.

Proof: (almost the same as in [10]) We use that, by induction we already know the proposition for all $k' < k$.

Reductions: Without loss of generality, we may assume that \mathbf{K} is a pure complex, because any mixed complex has a filtration with pure filtration quotients.

For a pure complex \mathbf{K} the complex $H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}$ is pure as well, because $H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{R}\pi_{\text{big},!}(\pi_{\text{small}}^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i)$ and π_{small} is smooth (Lemma 6.3), therefore π_{small}^* preserves purity (i.e. smoothness implies $\pi_{\text{small}}^* = \pi_{\text{small}}^*[2d](d)$). The same is true for quot^* and finally π_{big} is proper (Lemma 6.3), therefore Deligne's theorem ([6], 6.2.6) implies that $\mathbf{R}\pi_{\text{big},*} = \mathbf{R}\pi_{\text{big},!}$ also preserves purity.

Furthermore, a pure complex $H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}$ is zero if and only if the associated function $\text{tr}_{H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}}$ on \mathbb{F}_q -points is zero for all l . Hence it is enough to prove that $h := \text{tr}_{H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}}$ is the zero-function.

Finally, to show that a function h on $\text{Bun}_{k,S}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is zero it is sufficient to show that (1) h is cuspidal and (2) for all cuspidal functions f on $\text{Bun}_{k,S}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ the scalar product $\langle h, f \rangle = 0$ — the product being defined since cuspidal functions have finite support on every connected component of $\text{Bun}_{k,S}$. In the proof of these statements we will reduce back to a statement for sheaves.

1st step: $H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}$ is a cuspidal complex, therefore $\text{tr}_{H_{\mathbf{E},\text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}}$ is a cuspidal function, i.e. for all $k_1 + k_2 = k$ and all $\underline{d}_1 + \underline{d}_2 = \underline{d}$ let $C_{k_1,k_2}^{\underline{d}_1,\underline{d}_2}$ be the functor defined as follows

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
& \langle \mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{E}_{k_2}^\bullet \rangle & \\
\text{forget} \swarrow & & \searrow (\mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet) \mapsto (\mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}_{k_2}^\bullet) \\
\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}} & & \text{Bun}_{k_1,S}^{\underline{d}_1} \times \text{Bun}_{k_2,S}^{\underline{d}_2} \\
C_{k_1,k_2}^{\underline{d}_1,\underline{d}_2} &: D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}}) \rightarrow D^b(\text{Bun}_{k_1,S}^{\underline{d}_1} \times \text{Bun}_{k_2,S}^{\underline{d}_2}) \\
\mathbf{K} &\mapsto C_{k_1,k_2}^{\underline{d}_1,\underline{d}_2} \mathbf{K} := \mathbf{R}\text{gr}_1 \text{forget}^* \mathbf{K}.
\end{array}$$

Definition 7.1. A complex $\mathbf{K} \in D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S})$ is called cuspidal if for all $\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2$ and any non trivial partition $k_1 + k_2 = k$ we have $C_{k_1, k_2}^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} \mathbf{K} = 0$.

Proposition 7.2. Let \mathbf{E} be a irreducible local system of arbitrary rank $n \geq k$ on $C - S$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at S . Then for all $\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2$ and any non trivial partition $k_1 + k_2 = k$ the complex $C_{k_1, k_2}^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} \circ H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}$ has a filtration with subquotients isomorphic to $(H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i_1} \times H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i_2}) \circ C_{k_1, k_2}^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} \mathbf{K}$ for some $i_1 + i_2 = i$.

Note that by induction on k we can assume that the vanishing theorem 7.1 holds for all $k_i < k$. Therefore we know that the filtration subquotients occurring in the above proposition are all zero, because $k_1, k_2 < k$ and either i_1 or i_2 is sufficiently big. Therefore the proposition proves that $H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i} \mathbf{K}$ is cuspidal if $i > (2g-2)nk + |S|k$. **Proof:**(of Proposition 7.2) We define a diagram using the conventions given in Section 6.1, all three term sequences occurring in the diagram are short exact sequences:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}} & \xleftarrow{\text{forget}} \langle \mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_k^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{k_2}^\bullet \rangle & \xrightarrow{\text{gr}} \text{Bun}_{k_1,S}^{\underline{d}_1} \times \text{Bun}_{k_2,S}^{\underline{d}_2} \\
\uparrow \pi_{\text{big}} & \square & \uparrow \pi'_{\text{big}} \\
\langle \mathcal{E}'_k \subset \mathcal{E}_k \rangle & \xleftarrow{\text{forget}'} \underbrace{\langle \langle \mathcal{E}'_k \subset \mathcal{E}_k, \mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_k^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{k_2}^\bullet \rangle \rangle}_{=: \text{Middle}} & \\
\downarrow \pi_{\text{small}} & & \\
\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}-i} & &
\end{array}$$

to compute

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{k_1, k_2}^{\underline{d}_1, \underline{d}_2} \circ H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-d} \mathbf{K} & \stackrel{\text{definition}}{=} \mathbf{R} \text{gr}_{!} \text{forget}^* \mathbf{R} \pi_{\text{big}, !} (\pi_{\text{small}}^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i) \\
& \stackrel{\text{base-change}}{=} \mathbf{R} (\text{gr} \circ \pi'_{\text{big}})_! \underbrace{(\text{forget}'^* \pi_{\text{small}}^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \text{forget}'^* \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i)}_{=: \mathbf{K}_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

The stack Middle is stratified by substacks indexed by $0 \leq \underline{i}_1 \leq \underline{i}$, given by the condition $\deg(\mathcal{E}'_k \cap \mathcal{E}_{k_1}^{(j,p)}) = d_1^{(j,p)} - i_1^{(j,p)}$:

$$\text{Middle}_{\underline{i}_1} := \left\langle \begin{array}{ccc|c} \mathcal{E}'_{k_1} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'_k \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'_{k_2} & & & \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \\ \mathcal{E}'_{k_1} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'_k \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'_{k_2} & & & \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \\ \mathcal{T}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_2 & & & \end{array} \mid \mathcal{E}'_{k_1} = \mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet \cap \mathcal{E}'_k \text{ and } \deg(\mathcal{E}'_{k_1}) = \underline{d}_1 - \underline{i}_1 \right\rangle.$$

This stratification will induce the filtration we are looking for.

Now $\text{gr} \circ \pi'_{\text{big}}$ restricted to $\text{Middle}_{\underline{i}_1}$ is the map forgetting everything but $\mathcal{E}_{k_1}^\bullet$ and \mathcal{E}'_{k_2} . We factor this as follows:

First consider the map $\text{forget}_{\mathcal{E}'_n}$ forgetting \mathcal{E}'_k : This is an affine fibration, the fibres being homogeneous spaces for $\text{Ext}_{\text{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}_2^\bullet, \mathcal{E}'_{k_1})$ (because of the exact square of Ext^1 groups we get from the extensions of the \mathcal{T}_i^\bullet by the \mathcal{E}'_{k_i}).

Furthermore, both the map $\pi_{\text{small}} \circ \text{forget}'$ and $\text{quot} \circ \text{forget}'$ factor through $\text{forget}_{\mathcal{E}'_n}$, i.e. $\mathbf{K}_1|_{\text{Middle}_{\underline{i}_1}} = \text{forget}_{\mathcal{E}'_n}^* \mathbf{K}_2$ for some complex \mathbf{K}_2 and thus $\mathbf{R} \text{forget}_{\mathcal{E}'_n}^* \mathbf{K}_1 = \mathbf{K}_2[2c](c)$ for some c .

Now we can compose the map $\text{forget}_{\mathcal{E}'_n}$ with the forgetful map $\text{forget}_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}$. This is just the pull back of the corresponding map in the Hecke correspondence of torsion sheaves, and still $\pi_{\text{small}} \circ \text{forget}'$ factors through this map. Therefore by the Hecke property of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}$ we get that $\mathbf{R} \text{forget}_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet, !} \mathbf{K}_2$ is zero if \underline{i}_1 is not constant.

But if $i_1 = (i_1)$ is constant, we get that

$$\mathbf{R}(gr \circ \pi'_{\text{big}})!(\mathbf{K}|_{\text{Middle}_{i_1}}) = H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i_1} \times H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-(i-i_1)} \circ C_{k_1, k_2}^{d_1, d_2}(\mathbf{K}).$$

Thus the stratification of the stack Middle induces a filtration as claimed.

□_{Proposition 7.2}

2nd step: For every cuspidal function f we have $\langle t_{H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i}} \mathbf{K}, f \rangle = 0$.

Using the same diagram as in the definition of $H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i}$ at the beginning of this section, we define $H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^i \mathbf{K} := \mathbf{R}\pi_{\text{small},!}(\pi_{\text{big}}^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i)$, and denote the analogous operator for functions on $\text{Bun}_{k,S}^d$ (i.e. the sheaf $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i$ is replaced by its trace function, pull-backs are considered as pull-backs of functions, the tensor product is replaced by the product of functions and $\mathbf{R}\pi_{\text{small},!}$ is replaced by summation over the fibres of π_{small}) by the same symbol. Then for any cuspidal function f

$$\langle \text{tr}_{H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^{-i}} \mathbf{K}, f \rangle = \langle \text{tr}_{\mathbf{K}}, H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^i f \rangle,$$

the brackets \langle, \rangle again denote scalar products.

We want to show that $H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^i f = 0$ for all cuspidal functions f . Using the Langlands correspondence for $k < n$, we know that the space of cuspidal functions on $\text{Bun}_{k,S}$ is spanned by cuspidal Hecke eigenfunctions $f_{\mathbf{E}'}$ corresponding to local systems \mathbf{E}' of dimension k with at most unipotent ramification at S and their images under the action of the Iwahori-Hecke algebra (note that for unramified local systems \mathbf{E}' on C these functions do not have an eigenfunction property for the Iwahori-Hecke algebra). Furthermore, since $k < n$, we know already that these $f_{\mathbf{E}'}$ are the traces of irreducible perverse sheaves $A_{\mathbf{E}'}$ on $\text{Bun}_{k,S'}$ for some $S' \subset S$. For this argument we need that $\mathbf{n} \leq \mathbf{3}$, because for $k \geq 3$ we have not given a construction for representations with reducible unipotent monodromy.

To prove the 2nd step it is therefore sufficient to show:

- (1) For all irreducible local systems \mathbf{E}' on $C - S'$ with indecomposable unipotent ramification at $S' \subset S$ we have

$$H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^i \text{pr}_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{\mathbf{E}'} = 0 \text{ for } i > (2g - 2)nk + |S|k,$$

where $\text{pr}_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}} : \text{Bun}_{k,S} \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{k,S'}$ is the map forgetting the parabolic structure at $S - S'$ and $A_{\mathbf{E}}$ is the automorphic Hecke-eigensheaf already constructed for $k < n$.

- (2) Any element of the Iwahori-Hecke algebra commutes with the operator $H_{\mathbf{E}, \text{tot}}^i$ on the level of functions.

We need another Hecke-operator $H_{\mathbf{E}, C}^i$. As before set $\underline{i} := (i)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \langle \mathcal{E}' \subset \mathcal{E} \mid \mathcal{E}' \in \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i}, \mathcal{E} \in \text{Bun}_{k,S}^d \rangle & & \\ \swarrow \pi_{\text{big}} & \text{quot} \downarrow & \searrow \pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{supp} \\ \text{Bun}_{k,S}^d & \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{i}} & \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times C^{(i)} \end{array}$$

Here $\text{supp}(\mathcal{E}' \subset \mathcal{E}) := \text{supp}(\mathcal{E}'/\mathcal{E}')$. We set

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\mathbf{E}, C}^i : D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S}^d) &\rightarrow D^b(\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times C^{(i)}) \\ \mathbf{K} &\mapsto H_{\mathbf{E}, C}^i \mathbf{K} := \mathbf{R}(\pi_{\text{small}} \times \text{supp})!(\pi_{\text{big}}^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{E}}^i). \end{aligned}$$

Note that in the above we may assume that we are concerned with k -step parabolic structures since the image of quot is contained in the image of (k -step parabolic sheaves) \subset (n -step parabolic sheaves). Thus to prove the first claim we have to show:

Proposition 7.3. *Let E' a local system of rank $k < n$, possibly with unipotent ramification at $S' \subset S$, and let $A_{E'}$ be a Hecke eigensheaf for E' on $\text{Bun}_{k,S'}$. Then*

$$H_{E,\text{tot}}^i pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{E'} = 0 \text{ for } i > (2g-2)nk + |S|k.$$

More precisely,

$$H_{E,C}^i pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{E'} = (j_*(E \otimes E'))^{(i)} \boxtimes pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{E'} \text{ for all } i.$$

Proof: The first statement follows from the second, as in the proof of Deligne's Lemma in [7]:

$H^0(C, j_*(E \otimes E')) = 0$, because E is irreducible and not isomorphic to any sub-quotient of E' . By Poincaré duality therefore $H^2(C, j_*(E \otimes E')) = 0$ and thus $\dim(H^1(C, j_*(E \otimes E'))) = -\chi(j_*(E \otimes E')) = kn(2g-2) + |S|k$ by the formula for the Euler characteristic of Grothendieck-Ogg-Shafarevich ([15] Exp. X, 7.1).

Furthermore we can apply the symmetric Künneth formula ([1] Exp. XVII, 5.5.21) and — because $h^0 = h^2 = 0$ — we get that

$$H^*(C, (j_*(E \otimes E'))^{(i)}) = \wedge^i H^1(C, j_*(E \otimes E')) = 0 \text{ for } i > kn(2g-2) + |S|k.$$

We are left with proving the second statement.

Reduction to the case that $i = 1$: Consider the resolution

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \\ \mathcal{T}_1^\bullet \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{T}_i^\bullet = \mathcal{E}^\bullet / \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \end{array} \right\rangle & \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\pi_{\text{small}} \times \widetilde{\text{supp}}} \\ \xrightarrow{\pi_{\text{small}} \times \widetilde{\text{quot}}} \end{array} & \begin{array}{l} \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times \widetilde{\text{Coh}}_{0,S}^i \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times C^i \\ \downarrow \text{flag} \quad \downarrow \text{sym} \\ \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times C^{(i)}. \end{array} \\ \downarrow \text{flag}' & & \\ \left\langle \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \right\rangle & \xrightarrow{\pi_{\text{small}} \times \widetilde{\text{quot}}} & \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^i \rightarrow \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-i} \times C^{(i)}. \\ \swarrow \pi_{\text{big}} & & \end{array}$$

Note that $(H_{E,C}^1)^{\circ i} \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{R}\pi \times \widetilde{\text{supp}}_!((\text{flag}' \circ \pi_{\text{big}})^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \widetilde{\text{quot}}^* gr^*(\mathcal{L}_E^1)^{\boxtimes i})$ for any complex \mathbf{K} on $\text{Bun}_{k,S}^d$. Further, by Lemma 4.10 the sheaf $\mathbf{R}\text{flag}'_!(\widetilde{\text{quot}}^* gr^*(\mathcal{L}_E^1)^{\boxtimes i})$ carries an S_i -action and

$$(\mathbf{R}\text{flag}'_!(\widetilde{\text{quot}}^* gr^*(\mathcal{L}_E^1)^{\boxtimes i}))^{S_i} = \text{quot}^* \mathcal{L}_E^i.$$

Therefore the projection formula implies that the complex

$$\mathbf{R}\text{flag}'_!((\pi_{\text{big}} \circ \text{flag}')^* \mathbf{K} \otimes \widetilde{\text{quot}}^* gr^*(\mathcal{L}_E^1)^{\boxtimes i}) = (H_{E,C}^1)^{\circ i} \mathbf{K}$$

carries an S_i action as well and that $((H_{E,C}^1)^{\circ i} \mathbf{K})^{S_i} = H_{E,C}^i \mathbf{K}$.

Thus putting $\mathbf{K} := pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{E'}$ we are reduced to prove:

Lemma 7.4. *With the notation of Proposition 7.3 we have*

$$H_{E,C}^1(pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{E'}) = pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}}^* A_{E'} \boxtimes j_*(E \otimes E').$$

Proof: In the proof we will denote sheaves with parabolic structure at S by $\mathcal{E}^{\bullet S}$, and sheaves with parabolic structure at S' will be denoted $\mathcal{E}^{\bullet S'}$ to distinguish the two sets of data. We have a morphism of the Hecke correspondences for S - and

S' -parabolic sheaves:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & \langle \mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S} \subset \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S} \rangle & & \\
& & \swarrow \pi_{big} & \searrow \pi_{small} \times pr_C & \\
& & \text{Bun}_{k,S}^d & \xrightarrow{\text{forget}_{\text{Hecke}}} & \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-1} \times C \\
& & \downarrow pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S}^d} & \downarrow \pi'_{big} & \downarrow \\
& & \text{Bun}_{k,S'}^d & \xrightarrow{\pi'_{big}} & \text{Bun}_{k,S'}^{d-1} \times C \\
& & & & \downarrow \\
& & & & \text{Bun}_{k,S'}^{d-1} \times C
\end{array}$$

The right hand square induces a map to the fibre product:

$$pr_{\text{Fib}} : \langle \mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S} \subset \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S'} \subset \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S'} \rangle \times_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}^{d-1} \times C} (\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-1} \times C) =: \text{Fib}.$$

Denote by pr_1, pr_2 the projections from this fibre product to its factors, and let $quot, quot'$ be the quotient maps from the Hecke correspondence to $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ and $\text{Coh}_{0,S'}^1$, respectively.

We can apply the projection formula to rewrite

$$H_{E,C}^1(pr_{\text{Bun}_{k,S'}^d}^* A_{E'}) = \mathbf{R}pr_{2,!}((\mathbf{R}pr_{\text{Fib},!}quot^* \mathcal{L}_E) \otimes (\pi'_{big} \circ pr_1)^* A_{E'}).$$

The calculation of $\mathbf{R}pr_{\text{Fib},!}quot^* \mathcal{L}_E^1$ can be reduced to a calculation for torsion sheaves as follows. We have a map:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Fib} & \xrightarrow{q} & \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{e}_k} \\
(\mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S}, \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S'}) & \mapsto & \mathcal{T}^{(i,p)} := \begin{cases} \mathcal{E}^{(i,p)} / \mathcal{E}'^{(i,p)} & \text{if } p \in S' \text{ or } i = 0 \\ \mathcal{E}^{(0,p)}(p) / \mathcal{E}'^{(i,p)} & \text{if } p \in S - S' \text{ and } i \neq 0, \end{cases}
\end{array}$$

where $\underline{e}_k^{*,p} = \begin{cases} (1, \dots, 1) & \text{if } p \in S' \\ (1, k, \dots, 2) & \text{if } p \in S - S' \end{cases}$. This gives rise to the cartesian diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
\langle \mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S} \subset \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S} \rangle & \xrightarrow{\tilde{q}} & \langle (\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet} \subset \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}) \mid \begin{smallmatrix} \mathcal{T}'^{\bullet} \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \\ \mathcal{T}^{\bullet} \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{e}_k} \end{smallmatrix} \rangle & \xrightarrow{pr_{\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}}} & \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \\
\downarrow pr_{\text{Fib}} & \square & \downarrow \text{forget}_{\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}} & & \\
\text{Fib} & \xrightarrow{q} & \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{e}_k} & \xrightarrow{\text{forget}_{S-S'}} & \text{Coh}_{0,S'}^1,
\end{array}$$

where $\tilde{q}(\langle \mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S} \subset \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S} \rangle) = \langle \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S} / \mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S} \subset q(pr_{\text{Fib}}(\mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S}, \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S})) \rangle$. By the base change formula it will be sufficient to calculate:

Lemma 7.5. $(\mathbf{R}\text{forget}_{\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet},!}pr_{\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1)|_{\text{Im}(q)} \cong (\text{forget}_{S-S'}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1)|_{\text{Im}(q)}$, where by abuse of notation we denoted by \mathcal{L}_E^1 the middle extensions of E on $C - S$ to $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ and $\text{Coh}_{0,S'}^1$.

Proof: First, we want to show that the image of q is the open substack of $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{e}_k}$ defined by the condition that the maps $\phi^{i,p}$ are surjective for $1 < i \leq k$ and $p \in S - S'$. By definition q maps into this substack and we can easily describe the torsion sheaves in the image of q . Given a point $(\mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S}, \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S'}) \in \text{Fib}$, let $\mathcal{T}^{\bullet} := q(\mathcal{E}'^{\bullet S}, \mathcal{E}^{\bullet S'})$. Locally at $p \in S - S'$ write $\mathcal{E}'^{\bullet} \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^{k-1} \mathcal{O}^{\bullet}(\frac{i}{k}p)$ and $\mathcal{E}^{(0,p)} = \mathcal{O}^{\oplus k-1} \oplus \mathcal{O}(p_1)$ such that the cokernel $\mathcal{E}^{(0,p)} / \mathcal{E}'^{(0,p)} \cong k_{p_1}$. If $p \neq p_1$ we see that

$$\mathcal{T}^{\bullet} \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^{k-1} \mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{k}p}^{\bullet}(\frac{k-1}{k}p) \oplus \mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}$$

where $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}) = p_1$. And if $p_1 = p$ there exists $0 \leq i_0 < k$ such that

$$\mathcal{T}^{\bullet} \cong \bigoplus_{i=0, i \neq i_0}^{k-1} \mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{k}p}^{\bullet}(\frac{k-1}{k}p) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\frac{k+i_0}{k}p}^{\bullet}(\frac{k-1}{k}p).$$

By the structure of torsion sheaves of degree \underline{e}_k (Lemma 3.2) this shows that the image of the map q exhausts the claimed substack. Denote by

$$j_{S-S'} : \mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-(S-S'),S'}^1 \rightarrow \mathrm{Im}(q)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1^\bullet \mapsto \mathcal{T}_1^\bullet \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^{k-1} \mathcal{O}_{\frac{i}{k}p}^\bullet \left(\frac{k-1}{k}p \right)$$

and note that by the above this is almost an open embedding (i.e. the image is an open substack isomorphic to the quotient of $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,C-(S-S'),S'}^1$ by a trivial group action).

Further, note that the map $pr_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}$ is smooth, since it can be factored into a generalized vector bundle over $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{e}_k-1} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ and the projection onto the second factor. Therefore $pr_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1$ is the middle extension of its restriction to the subset where $\mathrm{supp}(\mathcal{T}^{(0,p)}) \not\subseteq S$. The map $forget_{\mathcal{T}'}$ is projective because the fibres are closed in a product of projective spaces and therefore $\mathbf{R}forget_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet,*} = \mathbf{R}forget_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet,!}$.

Combining the two remarks above we get a canonical morphism

$$F : j_{S-S',*} \mathcal{L}_E^1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}forget_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet,*} pr_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1 = \mathbf{R}forget_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet,!} pr_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1,$$

and $j_{S-S',*} \mathcal{L}_E^1 \cong forget_{S-S'}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1$ (note that $j_{S-S',*}$ makes sense, because \mathcal{L}_E^1 is a sheaf (and not a complex) at points with support outside S).

We have to prove that F is an isomorphism over the image of q . First note that $forget_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}$ is an isomorphism over the open substack where $\mathrm{supp}(\mathcal{T}^{(0,p)}) \not\subseteq (S-S')$, so the above sheaves are isomorphic on this substack.

We are left to check that F is an isomorphism on the fibres over points \mathcal{T}^\bullet with $\mathcal{T}^{(0,p)} = k_p$ and $p \in S-S'$. Since this problem is local on $\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{e}_k}$ we may assume that $(C, S, S') = (\mathbb{A}^1, \{0\}, \emptyset)$ and $E = E_n$ (see Section 4.1).

We know that $k_p \cong \mathcal{T}'^{(i,p)} \subset \mathcal{T}^{(i,p)}$, and we may factorize $forget_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}$ into the maps forgetting the choice of the subspaces $\mathcal{T}'^{(i,p)} \subset \mathcal{T}^{(i,p)}$ for $i > k$. Consider for example the map forgetting the choice of $\mathcal{T}'^{(k-1,p)}$. Its fibre is either a single point, if $\phi^{k-1,p}(\mathcal{T}'^{(k-2,p)}) \neq 0$, or it is isomorphic to the projective space $\mathbb{P}(H^0(C, \mathcal{T}^{(k-1,p)}))$, where the kernel of $\phi^{(k,p)}$ defines a linear subspace of codimension 1. Thus we can apply the calculation of $\mathcal{L}_{E_n}^1$ (Lemma 4.4) to conclude that $pr_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1$ restricted to this projective space is the direct image ($\mathbf{R}j_*$) of its restriction to the complement of the kernel of $\phi^{(k,p)}$. Thus the cohomology of this fibre is isomorphic to the fibre of \mathcal{L}_E^1 at \mathcal{T}'^\bullet for any choice of \mathcal{T}'^\bullet not contained in the linear subspace. By induction we therefore get the claimed isomorphism. $\square_{\text{Lemma 7.5}}$

Continuing the proof of Lemma 7.4 we can factor pr_2 as

$$Fib \xrightarrow{\tilde{pr}_2} \mathrm{Bun}_{2,S}^{d-1} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S'}^1 \xrightarrow{id \times pr_C} \mathrm{Bun}_{2,S}^{d-1} \times C$$

and apply the projection formula again:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{E,C}^1(pr_{\mathrm{Bun}_{k,S'}^d}^* A_{E'}) &= \mathbf{R}pr_{2,!}(pr_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S'}^1}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1 \otimes pr_1^* \pi_{\mathrm{big}}^* A_{E'}) \\ &= \mathbf{R}(id \times pr_C)!(pr_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S'}^1}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1 \otimes \mathbf{R}\tilde{pr}_{2,!} pr_2^* \pi_{\mathrm{big}}^* A_{E'}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{base-change}}{=} \mathbf{R}(id \times pr_C)!(pr_{\mathrm{Coh}_{0,S'}^1}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1 \otimes (pr_{\mathrm{Bun}_{k,S'}^{d-1}}^* A_{E'} \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_{E'}^1)) \\ &\stackrel{\text{proj.fmla}}{=} pr_{\mathrm{Bun}_{k,S'}^{d-1}}^* A_{E'} \boxtimes (\mathbf{R}pr_{C,!}(\mathcal{L}_E^1 \otimes \mathcal{L}_{E'}^1)) \\ &\stackrel{\text{Corollary 4.7}}{=} pr_{\mathrm{Bun}_{k,S'}^{d-1}}^* A_{E'} \boxtimes (j_*(E \otimes E')). \end{aligned}$$

$\square_{\text{Lemma 7.4 and Proposition 7.3}}$

To finish the proof of the vanishing theorem 7.1 we have to show that the operator $H_{E,tot}^i$ commutes with all other Hecke operators (at least on the level of functions).

Fix a parabolic torsion sheaf \mathcal{T}^\bullet and define the Hecke operator $H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}}$ as the sum over all Hecke operators corresponding to torsion sheaves contained in the closure of \mathcal{T}^\bullet , i.e. let $\overline{\langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle} \subset \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)}$ be the closure of the substack classifying parabolic torsion sheaves which are locally isomorphic to \mathcal{T}^\bullet . And define the stack

$$\text{Hecke}_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}} := \langle \mathcal{E}'^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet | \mathcal{E}'^\bullet / \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \overline{\langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle} \subset \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)} \rangle.$$

As before this provides a Hecke operator

$$H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}} : D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d) \rightarrow D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)}).$$

By induction on the codimension of $\langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle \subset \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)}$ it is sufficient to prove that $H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}}^i$ commutes with $H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}}$ for all \mathcal{T}^\bullet .

We may apply the reduction of Proposition 7.3 to reduce ourselves to prove this for the operator $H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet},C}^1$.

Lemma 7.6. *For any $\mathcal{K} \in D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^d)$ we have*

$$H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet},C}^1 \circ H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}} \mathcal{K} \cong H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet}} \circ H_{\overline{\mathcal{T}^\bullet},C}^1 \mathcal{K}$$

in $D^b(\text{Bun}_{n,S}^{d-1-\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)} \times C)$.

Proof: We may assume that $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet) = p$ for a single point $p \in S$, since every torsion sheaf is the direct sum of sheaves supported at a single point and for $p \notin S$ the lemma is easy to prove (and we do not use it in this case).

As in the previous Lemma the claim is easily reduced to the following lemma formulated on the stack of parabolic torsion sheaves (apply the projection formula once more): Denote by

$$\text{Flag}_{1,\mathcal{T}^\bullet} := \left\langle (0 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}''^\bullet \rightarrow 0) \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{T}'^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \\ \mathcal{Q}^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{1+\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)} \\ \mathcal{T}''^\bullet \in \overline{\langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle} \end{array} \right. \right\rangle.$$

Further, denote by $pr_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}, pr_{\mathcal{Q}^\bullet}$ the projections and by pr_C the projection to the curve C defined by the support of \mathcal{T}'^\bullet .

Let $\text{Flag}_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet,1}$ be the stack defined as above with the roles of \mathcal{T}'^\bullet and \mathcal{T}''^\bullet interchanged, i.e. $\mathcal{T}''^\bullet \in \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1$ and $\mathcal{T}'^\bullet \in \overline{\langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle}$, and denote its projections by $rp_{\mathcal{Q}^\bullet}$ etc.

Lemma 7.7. *We have a canonical isomorphism of complexes*

$$\mathbf{R}(pr_{\mathcal{Q}^\bullet} \times pr_C)_! pr_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1 \cong \mathbf{R}(rp_{\mathcal{Q}^\bullet} \times rp_C)_! rp_{\mathcal{T}''^\bullet}^* \mathcal{L}_E^1$$

in $D^b(\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{1+\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)} \times C)$.

Proof: This is similar to the proof of Lemma 7.5: Over the open substack of $\text{Coh}_{0,S}^{1+\text{deg}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet)}$ where the support of the torsion sheaf is not equal to $\text{supp}(\mathcal{T}^\bullet) = p$ the stacks $\text{Flag}_{1,\mathcal{T}^\bullet}$ and $\text{Flag}_{\mathcal{T}^\bullet,1}$ are isomorphic, because there are no extensions between sheaves supported at different points. Therefore the claimed isomorphism exists over this subset. To extend it, we again reduce to the case $(C, S) = (\mathbb{A}^1, \{0\})$ and note that the maps $pr_{\mathcal{Q}^\bullet}, rp_{\mathcal{Q}^\bullet}$ are projective and the map $pr_{\mathcal{T}'^\bullet}$ (resp. $rp_{\mathcal{T}''^\bullet}$) can be factored as

$$\text{Flag}_{1,\mathcal{T}^\bullet} \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1 \times \overline{\langle \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle} \rightarrow \text{Coh}_{0,S}^1.$$

The first map is a generalized vector bundle, and the second one is the projection of a product, therefore both maps are locally acyclic. Hence we can use the exact triangle

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{L}_E^1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}j_* \mathbf{E}_\infty \rightarrow j_! \mathbf{E}_\infty(-n) \xrightarrow{[1]}$$

of Proposition 4.1 once more. If we replace \mathcal{L}_E^1 by $j_!E_\infty(-n)$, then the statement of the lemma is obvious. Further, if we replace \mathcal{L}_E^1 by $\mathbf{R}j_*E_\infty$, then the lemma follows from the Leray spectral sequence, because we just saw that $\mathbf{R}j_*$ commutes with $pr_{\mathcal{T}'}^*$ (and $rp_{\mathcal{T}'}^*$) and we may replace $\mathbf{R}pr_{\mathcal{Q}} \times pr_C$ by $\mathbf{R}pr_{\mathcal{Q}} \times pr_C$ because this map is projective. Therefore the lemma follows for \mathcal{L}_E^1 as well. \square

8. THE VANISHING THEOREM IMPLIES THAT $j_{\mathrm{Hom},!}F_E^k = j_{\mathrm{Hom},!*}F_E^k = \mathbf{R}j_{\mathrm{Hom},*}F_E^k$

With the notations of the fundamental diagram (2.2) of Section 2 we have

Proposition 8.1. *Assume that the vanishing theorem 7.1 holds for $k < n$. Then for $k < n$ and $d \gg 0$ we have $j_{\mathrm{Hom},!}F_E^k = j_{\mathrm{Hom},!*}F_E^k$ and thus for $k \leq n$ we have $F_{E,!}^k = F_E^k$.*

Since we have shown the vanishing theorem for local systems of rank ≤ 3 , we get in particular:

Corollary 8.2. *For $k \leq n \leq 3$ the sheaves $F_E^k \cong F_{E,!}^k$ are isomorphic.*

\square Corollary

Proof of Proposition 8.1: The Hecke-property of \mathcal{L}_E^d allows us to copy the proof in [10] with some minor changes. We use induction, and assume that the proposition is true for all $k' < k$ thus, in particular $F_E^{k'} \cong F_{E,!}^{k'}$.

1. *Step:* The claim is true over the substack of parabolic vector bundles.

Here every nontrivial homomorphism from Ω^\bullet into a vector bundle is injective, that is

$$\mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} = \mathrm{Hom}_k \text{ --(zero-section) over } \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{\mathrm{good}}.$$

Furthermore F_E^k is \mathbb{G}_m -invariant, since the Fourier transform preserves this property by [19], Proposition 1.2.3.4. Therefore we can apply Lemma 0.3 and get

$$j_{\mathrm{Hom},!}F_E^k = \mathbf{R}j_{\mathrm{Hom},*}F_E^k = j_{\mathrm{Hom},!*}F_E^k \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{R}\pi_!F_E^k = 0,$$

where $\pi : \mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{\mathrm{good}}$ is the projection.

Recall from Section 5 Formula (5.1), that we can calculate $F_E^k = F_{E,!}^k$ with the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{J}_k^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \\ \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, k-i} \end{array} \right\rangle & \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{ext}} \\ \xrightarrow{\mathrm{pr}_{\mathcal{J}_i^\bullet} \times \mathrm{quot}} \\ \xrightarrow{\mathrm{ext}} \end{array} & \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{J}_1^\bullet \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{J}_k^\bullet \\ \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet / \mathcal{J}_{i-1}^\bullet \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, k-i} \end{array} \right\rangle \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d \xrightarrow{\mathrm{ext}'} \mathbb{A}^1 \\ \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \mathrm{forget} \\ \mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} \\ \downarrow \pi \\ \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d_k, \mathrm{good}} \end{array} & \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \tilde{\pi} \\ \langle \mathcal{J}_k^\bullet \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rangle \\ \downarrow \\ \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d_k-d} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d \end{array} & \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \pi' \\ \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d_k-d} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^d \end{array} \end{array}$$

Where $d_k - d = \mathrm{deg}(\mathcal{J}_k^{(0,p)})$ and we know that $F_E^k = \mathbf{R}\mathrm{forget}_1(\mathrm{ext}^*L_\psi \otimes \mathrm{quot}^*L_E^d)$.

Therefore $(\mathbf{R}\pi_!F_E^k)|_{\mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{\mathrm{good}}} = \mathbf{R}\tilde{\pi}_! \mathrm{ext}^*L_\psi \otimes \mathrm{quot}^*L_E^d = H_{E,\mathrm{tot}}^{-d}(\mathbf{R}\pi'_! \mathrm{ext}^*L_\psi)$, and the vanishing theorem 7.1 implies that $H_{E,\mathrm{tot}}^{-d}(\mathbf{R}\pi'_! \mathrm{ext}^*L_\psi) = 0$ for $d \gg 0$.

2. *Step:* Induction on the length of the torsion of \mathcal{F}^\bullet :

Recall that in Section 6 we introduced for any $\underline{r} = (r_i, p)$

$$\mathrm{Coh}_{k,S}^{d; \leq \underline{r}} := \langle \mathcal{F}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{k,S}^d \mid \mathrm{length}(\mathrm{torsion}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet)) \leq \underline{r} \rangle$$

the stack of parabolic sheaves such that the length of the torsion of the coherent sheaves $\mathcal{F}^{(i,p)}$ is bounded by r_i, p . And by induction we need to compare $j_{\mathrm{Hom},!}F_E^k$

and $\mathbf{R}j_{\mathrm{Hom},*}\mathbf{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k$ above the points of this stack, where the parabolic sheaf is good and the length of the torsion is exactly \underline{r} . Furthermore, note that the torsion free part of a good sheaf is good as well.

It is sufficient to prove the proposition after a smooth base change. To get a map to torsion free parabolic sheaves (we want to apply the vanishing theorem again) we use the stack

$$\widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r} := \langle \mathcal{E}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet | \mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-r,\mathrm{good}}, \mathcal{F}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{k,S}^{d,\mathrm{good}}, \mathcal{T}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^r \rangle.$$

From Remark 6.3 we know that the forgetful map $\widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r} \rightarrow \mathrm{Coh}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r}$ is smooth. And the map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{gr} : \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r} &\rightarrow \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-r,\mathrm{good}} \times \mathrm{Coh}_{0,S}^r \\ (\mathcal{E}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet) &\mapsto (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \mathcal{F}^\bullet / \mathcal{E}^\bullet) \end{aligned}$$

is a vector bundle, since $\dim(\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathrm{para}}^1(\mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet))$ depends only on the degree of \mathcal{T}^\bullet and on the rank and the degree of \mathcal{E}^\bullet by Lemma (3.5).

Furthermore, over any point of $\widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r}$ we have $\mathrm{Ext}^1(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{E}^\bullet) = 0$ (by assumption $\mathcal{E}^\bullet \in \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-r,\mathrm{good}}$), therefore the dimension of $\mathrm{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)$ is constant, so $\mathrm{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)$ is a vector bundle over this stack.

Consider the base change $\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}_k$ of Hom_k to $\widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r}$, and analogously define

$$\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} := \mathrm{Hom}_k^{\mathrm{inj}} \times_{\mathrm{Coh}_{k,S}^d} \widetilde{\mathrm{Coh}}_{k,S}^{d,\leq r}.$$

By the above, the map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{gr}_{\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}} : \widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}_k &\rightarrow \mathrm{Bun}_{0,S}^{d-r,\mathrm{good}} \times \mathrm{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{T}^\bullet) \\ (\Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \xrightarrow{s} \mathcal{F}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \xrightarrow{p} \mathcal{T}^\bullet) &\mapsto (\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \xrightarrow{p \circ s} \mathcal{T}^\bullet) \end{aligned}$$

is also vector bundle, because it is the composition of the map induced by composing $p \circ s$, which has fibres $\mathrm{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{E}^\bullet)$, and *quot*. The zero section

$$(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \xrightarrow{s} \mathcal{T}^\bullet) \mapsto (\mathcal{T} \xrightarrow{(0,s)} \mathcal{E}^\bullet \oplus \mathcal{T}^\bullet, \mathcal{E}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{E}^\bullet \oplus \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet)$$

of this bundle is the substack ⁸

$$\left\langle \left(\begin{array}{c} \Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \xrightarrow{s} \mathcal{F}^\bullet \\ \mathcal{E}^\bullet \subset \mathcal{F}^\bullet \xrightarrow{p} \mathcal{T}^\bullet \end{array} \right) \mid \mathrm{length}(\mathrm{torsion}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet)) = \underline{r} \text{ and } \Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^\bullet \right\rangle$$

and this is by induction hypothesis the substack to which we have to extend $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k$.

Thus, denote $\mathrm{gr}_{\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}}^{\mathrm{inj}} := \mathrm{gr}_{\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}} |_{\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}^{\mathrm{inj}}}$ and again we have to show that

$$\mathbf{R} \mathrm{gr}_{\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}}^{\mathrm{inj}} ! pr_{\mathrm{Hom}^{\mathrm{inj}}}^* \mathbf{F}_{\mathbb{E}}^k = 0.$$

Since this can be checked fibre wise, we fix a point

$$(\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet) \in \mathrm{Bun}_{k,S}^{d-r,\mathrm{good}} \times \mathrm{Hom}(\Omega^{\bullet,k-1}, \mathcal{T}^\bullet)$$

and denote by $\mathrm{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet}$ the fibre of $\widetilde{\mathrm{Hom}}_k^{\mathrm{inj}}$ over this point.

Step 2.1 Reduction to the case that $\Omega^{\bullet,k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet$ is surjective.

⁸Note that, if there is a splitting of $\mathcal{F}^\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\bullet$, then there is a unique one, since $\mathrm{torsion}(\mathcal{F}^\bullet)$ is a subsheaf of \mathcal{F}^\bullet .

Factor $s : \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \text{Im}(s) =: \mathcal{T}'^{\bullet} \subset \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}$, denote $\mathcal{T}^{\bullet}/\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet} =: \mathcal{T}''^{\bullet}$ and set $\underline{r}'' := \text{deg}(\mathcal{T}''^{\bullet})$. Then for any $(\Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^{\bullet} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}) \in \text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \xrightarrow{s}, \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}}$ we get an extension $\mathcal{F}'^{\bullet} \subset \mathcal{F}^{\bullet} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}''^{\bullet}$. Consider the Hecke operator for

$$\text{Hecke}_{\text{Hom}^{\text{inj}}} := \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}'^{\bullet} \\ \mathcal{F}'^{\bullet} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^{\bullet} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}''^{\bullet} \end{array} \right\rangle$$

$$\swarrow \qquad \searrow$$

$$\text{Hom}_k^{\text{inj}} \qquad \qquad \text{Hom}_k^{\text{inj}} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{r}''}$$

We know by Proposition 6.2 that $F_{\mathbb{E}}^k$ is a Hecke eigensheaf and that

$$\text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \xrightarrow{s}, \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}} = \text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}} \times_{\text{Hom}_k^{\text{inj}} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{r}''}} \text{Hecke}_{\text{Hom}^{\text{inj}}}.$$

Thus, in case that \underline{r}'' is not constant, we can establish our claim that

$$H_c^*(\text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \xrightarrow{s}, \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}}, F_{\mathbb{E}}^k) = 0,$$

since the above Hecke operator is zero by 6.1.

If on the other hand \underline{r}'' is constant, we know that it is sufficient to prove the claim for $\text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}'^{\bullet}}$. This has already been done in the case that $\mathcal{T}'^{\bullet} \neq \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}$. Therefore we may assume that $\text{Im}(\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}) = \mathcal{T}'^{\bullet} = \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}$.

Step 2.2. Assume that $\Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}$ is surjective, i.e. $\mathcal{T}^{\bullet} \cong \Omega^{\bullet, k-1}/\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D)$ for some effective parabolic divisor D .

In this case, giving an element $(\Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{F}^{\bullet}) \in \text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}}$ is the same as to give a map $\Omega^{k-1}(-D) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}$, because we can define a map:

$$(\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}) \mapsto (\mathcal{E}^{\bullet} \subset (\mathcal{E}^{\bullet} \oplus \Omega^{\bullet, k-1})/\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D))$$

And indeed for any square

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D) & \hookrightarrow & \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{T}^{\bullet} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \\ \mathcal{E}^{\bullet} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{F}^{\bullet} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{T}^{\bullet} \end{array}$$

we automatically get that $\mathcal{F}^{\bullet} = \mathcal{E}^{\bullet} \oplus_{\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D)} \Omega^{\bullet, k-1}$.

Thus we get an isomorphism $\text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{\bullet}} \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}^{\text{inj}}(\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D), \mathcal{E}^{\bullet})$. Furthermore under this isomorphism $F_{\mathbb{E}}^k|_{\text{Fibre}}$ becomes the sheaf on $\text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}-\underline{r}, \text{good}}$ constructed in the same way as $F_{\mathbb{E}}^k$, by replacing $\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}$ by $\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D)$. More precisely, since

$$\mathcal{E}^{\bullet}/\Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D) \cong \mathcal{F}^{\bullet}/\Omega^{\bullet, k-1},$$

we have again:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{J}_1^{\bullet} \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{J}_k^{\bullet} \subset \mathcal{E}^{\bullet} \\ \mathcal{J}_1^{\bullet} \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D) \\ \mathcal{J}_{i+1}^{\bullet}/\mathcal{J}_i^{\bullet} \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, k-i+1} \end{array} \right\rangle & \xrightarrow{\text{ext}} & \mathbb{A}^1 \\ \downarrow \text{forget} & & \downarrow \text{ext}' \\ \text{Hom}^{\text{inj}}(\Omega^{\bullet}(-D), \mathcal{E}^{\bullet}) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{J}_1^{\bullet} \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{J}_k^{\bullet} \\ \mathcal{J}_1^{\bullet} \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D) \\ \mathcal{J}_{i+1}^{\bullet}/\mathcal{J}_i^{\bullet} \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{\bullet, k-i+1} \end{array} \right\rangle \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}} \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi' \\ \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{\underline{d}-\underline{r}, \text{good}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Bun}_{k,S}^{-\underline{r}} \times \text{Coh}_{0,S}^{\underline{d}} \end{array}$$

Here ext' is the composition

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \langle \mathcal{J}_i^\bullet, gr(\mathcal{J}_k^\bullet) \cong \Omega^{\bullet, k-1}(-D) \oplus \bigoplus_{j=0}^{k-2} \Omega^{\bullet, j} \rangle & \longrightarrow & H^1(C, \Omega^1(-D)) \oplus \bigoplus_{j=0}^{k-2} H^1(C, \Omega^1) \\
 & \searrow^{ext'} & \downarrow \\
 & & H^1(C, \Omega) \oplus \bigoplus_{j=0}^{k-2} H^1(C, \Omega) \\
 & & \downarrow \Sigma Res \\
 & & H^1(C, \Omega) \cong \mathbb{A}^1
 \end{array}$$

and therefore

$$F_E^k|_{\text{Fibre}_{\mathcal{E}^\bullet, \Omega^{\bullet, k-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}}} \cong (\mathbf{R}forget_!(quot^* \mathcal{L}_E \otimes ext^* \mathbf{L}_\psi))|_{\text{Fibre of } \pi \text{ over } \mathcal{E}^\bullet}.$$

But here we can apply the vanishing theorem again, because

$$\mathbf{R}(\pi \circ forget)_!(quot^* \mathcal{L}_E \otimes ext^* \mathbf{L}_\psi) = H_{E, tot}^{-d}(\mathbf{R}\pi_! ext^* \mathbf{L}_\psi) = 0.$$

□ Proposition 8.1

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