

A Combinatorial Anabelian Result for Stable Log Curves over Log Points

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§1: Semi-graphs of Anabelioids of PSC-type

$\Sigma$ : a nonempty set of prime numbers

Definition

$k$ : an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $\notin \Sigma$   
 $X^{\log}$ : a stable log curve/an fs log scheme  $S^{\log}$  w/  $S = \text{Spec}(k)$

Write:

$(X, D)$ : the pointed stable curve/ $k$  associated to  $X^{\log}$

$U_X \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} X^{\text{sm}} \cap (X \setminus D) \subseteq X$

$\mathbb{G}$ : the dual semi-graph of  $X^{\log}$

$v$ : a vertex of  $\mathbb{G}$

$C_v$ : the irreducible component of  $X$  corresponding to  $v$

$X_v \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C_v \cap U_X$

$e$ : an open edge of  $\mathbb{G}$  w/ the branch  $b$  that abuts to  $v$

$C_e$ : the completion of  $X$  at the point corresponding to  $e$  ( $\cong \text{Spec}(k[[t]])$ )

$X_e \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C_e \setminus \{e\}$  ( $\cong \text{Spec}(k[[t]][1/t])$ )

$\iota_b: X_e \rightarrow X_v$ : the natural morphism corresponding to  $b$

$e$ : a closed edge of  $\mathbb{G}$  w/ the two distinct branches  $b_1, b_2$

that abut to  $v_1, v_2$ , respectively (possibly  $v_1 = v_2$ )

$C_e$ : the completion of  $X$  at the node corresponding to  $e$  ( $\cong \text{Spec}(k[[t_1, t_2]]/(t_1 t_2))$ )

Fix an isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X_{v_1} \xleftarrow{\text{“}b_1\text{”}} \text{“Spec}(k[[t_1]][1/t_1])\text{”} & \overset{\sim}{\dashrightarrow} & \text{“Spec}(k[[t_2]][1/t_2])\text{”} \xrightarrow{\text{“}b_2\text{”}} X_{v_2} \\
 & \searrow \text{immersion} & \swarrow \text{immersion} \\
 & C_e & 
 \end{array}$$

$X_e \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{“Spec}(k[[t_1]][1/t_1]) \overset{\text{fixed}}{\cong} \text{Spec}(k[[t_2]][1/t_2])\text{”}$

$\iota_{b_i}: X_e \hookrightarrow X_{v_i}$ : the natural morphism corresponding to  $b_i$

Definition, continued

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$$X_e \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{“Spec}(k[[t_1]][1/t_1]) \stackrel{\text{fixed}}{\cong} \text{Spec}(k[[t_2]][1/t_2])\text{”}$$

$\iota_{b_i}: X_e \hookrightarrow X_{v_i}$ : the closed immersion corresponding to  $b_i$

Define a semi-graph  $\mathcal{G}_{X^{\text{log}}}^{\Sigma}$  of anabelioids as follows:

- the underlying semi-graph  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{G}$
- the anabelioid  $\mathcal{G}_v$  corresponding to a vertex  $v \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Sigma\text{-Fét}(X_v)$
- the anabelioid  $\mathcal{G}_e$  corresponding to an edge  $e \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Sigma\text{-Fét}(X_e)$
- the morphism  $b_*: \mathcal{G}_e \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_v$  that corr'g to the branch  $b$  of  $e$  abutting to  $v$   
 $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{G}_e \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_v$  obtained by pulling back by  $\iota_b$ , i.e.,  $\iota_b^*: \Sigma\text{-Fét}(X_v) \rightarrow \Sigma\text{-Fét}(X_e)$

Definition

$\mathcal{G}$ : a connected semi-graph of anabelioids

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{G})$ : the connected anabelioid of  $(S_v, \phi_e)_v$ : a vertex,  $e$ : a closed edge, where

- $S_v$ : an object of the connected anabelioid  $\mathcal{G}_v$
- $\phi_e: b_1^* S_{v_1} \xrightarrow{\sim} b_2^* S_{v_2}$ : an isomorphism in the connected anabelioid  $\mathcal{G}_e$   
 $(b_1, b_2$  are the two distinct branches of  $e$  that abut to  $v_1, v_2$ , respectively)

Proposition 1.1

In the above situation:

- $\exists$  a natural continuous isomorphism  $\pi_1(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{G}_{X^{\log}}^\Sigma))^\Sigma \xrightarrow{\sim} \pi_1^{\text{adm}}(X, D)^\Sigma$
- $\exists$  a natural  $\pi_1(X^{\log})$ -conjugacy class of continuous isomorphisms  
 $\pi_1(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{G}_{X^{\log}}^\Sigma))^\Sigma \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ker}(\pi_1(X^{\log})^\Sigma \twoheadrightarrow \pi_1(S^{\log})^\Sigma) \cong \text{Ker}(\pi_1(X^{\log}) \twoheadrightarrow \pi_1(S^{\log}))^\Sigma$

Definition

$\mathcal{G}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids

$\mathcal{G}$ : of (pro- $\Sigma$ ) PSC-type  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \exists(k, X^{\log})$  as above s.t.  $\mathcal{G} \cong \mathcal{G}_{X^{\log}}^\Sigma$

Remark

graph of groups (cf., e.g., “Trees” by Serre)

semi-graph of anabelioids ass’d to  $X^{\log} \stackrel{??}{\Leftrightarrow}$  semi-graph of profinite groups ass’d to  $X^{\log}$

In order to define and study the notion of the semi-graph of prof. gps ass’d to  $X^{\log}$ , one has to fix basepoints of all the components of  $X^{\log}$  simultaneously.

On the other hand, there is no natural/consistent choice of such basepoints in general.

$\Rightarrow$  The notion of a semi-graph of profinite groups is quite unnatural/unsuitable from the point of view of combinatorial anabelian geometry.

In the remainder of the present §1:

$\mathcal{G}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = \{\mathcal{G}^i \rightarrow \mathcal{G}\}_{i \in I}$ : a universal pro- $\Sigma$  covering,

i.e., a some cofinal, i.e., in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{G})$ , collection of connected fét  $\Sigma$ -Galois coverings

Definition

$\Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varprojlim_{\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^{\text{fin. Gal.}}_{\mathcal{G}}} \text{Aut}(\mathcal{H}/\mathcal{G})$ : the PSC-fundamental group of  $\mathcal{G}$  (w.r.t.  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ )

Proposition 1.2 [CbGC, Remark 1.1.3]

$\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ : a nonabelian pro- $\Sigma$  surface group  
(follows from Prp 1.1)

Definition

a (Galois)  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$  a finite intermediate (Galois) covering of  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$

Remark

$\forall \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering has a natural structure of semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type.

Definition

$\text{Vert}(\mathcal{G})$ : the set of vertices of (the underlying semi-graph of)  $\mathcal{G}$   
 $\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G})$ : the set of open edges of (the underlying semi-graph of)  $\mathcal{G}$   
 $\text{Node}(\mathcal{G})$ : the set of closed edges of (the underlying semi-graph of)  $\mathcal{G}$   
 $\text{Edge}(\mathcal{G}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) \cup \text{Node}(\mathcal{G})$   
 $\text{VCN}(\mathcal{G}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Vert}(\mathcal{G}) \cup \text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) \cup \text{Node}(\mathcal{G})$

$$\square \in \{\text{Vert}, \text{Cusp}, \text{Node}, \text{Edge}, \text{VCN}\} \Rightarrow \square(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varprojlim_{\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^{\text{fin. Gal. } \mathcal{G}}} \square(\mathcal{H})$$

Definition

$\tilde{z} \in \text{VCN}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \Rightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{z}} \subseteq \Pi_{\tilde{\mathcal{G}}}$ : the stablizer of  $\tilde{z}$  w.r.t.  $\Pi_{\tilde{\mathcal{G}}} \curvearrowright \square(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ ,  
VCN-subgroup associated to  $\tilde{z}$

a verticial (resp. a cuspidal; a nodal; an edge-like) subgroup  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$   
a VCN-subgroup associated to  $\in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$  (resp.  $\text{Cusp}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ ;  $\text{Node}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ ;  $\text{Edge}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ )

Observe:  $z \in \text{VCN}(\mathcal{G})$  determines a  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -conjugacy class of VCN-subgroup, i.e.,  
by considering the  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -conjugacy class of  $\Pi_{\tilde{z}}$  for some  $\text{VCN}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \ni \tilde{z} \mapsto z$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  the notion of “a VCN-subgp ass’d to  $\in \text{VCN}(\mathcal{G})$ , well-defined up to conjugation”

Definition

$\square \in \{\text{Vert}, \text{Cusp}, \text{Node}, \text{Edge}\}$   
 $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-}\square} \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}}$ : the subgp top’y gen’d by the images of the VCN-subgps ass’d to  $\in \square(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$   
 $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}/\square} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}} / \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-}\square}$   
 $\Rightarrow$ 

- $0 \rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-}\square} \rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}} \rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}/\square} \rightarrow 0$
- $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Cusp}}, \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Node}} \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Edge}} = \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Cusp}} + \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Node}} \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Vert}} \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}}$
- $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab/Cusp}}, \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab/Node}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab/Edge}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab/Vert}}$

Definition

$\mathcal{G}'$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type  
 $\alpha: \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}'}$ : a continuous (outer) isomorphism

- $\alpha$ : graphic  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$   
 $\exists \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{G}'$  that induces the (outer isomorphism det'd by the) isomorphism  $\alpha$
- $\square \in \{\text{verticial, cuspidal, nodal, edge-like}\}$   
 $\alpha$ : group-theoretically  $\square \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$   
 $\alpha(\square \text{ subgp of } \Pi_{\mathcal{G}})$  is  $\square$  in  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}'}$ ,  $\alpha^{-1}(\square \text{ subgp of } \Pi_{\mathcal{G}'})$  is  $\square$  in  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$

Proposition 1.3 [CbGC, Proposition 1.5, (ii)]

$\alpha: \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}'}$ : a continuous outer isomorphism  
 $\alpha$ : graphic  $\Leftrightarrow$   
 $\alpha$ : gp-theoretically verticial, gp-theoretically cuspidal, gp-theoretically nodal  $\Leftrightarrow$   
 $\alpha$ : gp-theoretically verticial, gp-theoretically edge-like  
 In this situation, an isomorphism  $\mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{G}'$  that induces  $\alpha$  is unique.  
 (follows essentially from Prp 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 below)

By Prp 1.3, the natural homomorphism  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})$  is injective.  
 Let us regard  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{G})$  as a subgroup of  $\text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})$ .

Observe:  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ : topologically finitely generated (cf. Prp 1.2)  
 $\Rightarrow \bigcap_{N \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}: \text{open, characteristic}} N = \{1\}$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})$  has a natural structure of profinite group,  
 i.e.,  $\text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}) = \varprojlim_{N \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}: \text{open, characteristic}} \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}/N)$ ,  
 w.r.t. which  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})$  is a closed subgroup.

§2: Foundations of VCN-subgroups

$\Sigma$ : a nonempty set of prime numbers

$\mathcal{G}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ : a universal pro- $\Sigma$  covering

Proposition 2.1 [CbGC, Remark 1.1.3]

- (1)  $\tilde{e} \in \text{Edge}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \Rightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{e}} (\overleftarrow{\sim} \text{“}\pi_1(X_e)^\Sigma\text{”}) \cong \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma$
- (2)  $\tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \Rightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{v}} (\overleftarrow{\sim} \text{“}\pi_1(X_v)^\Sigma\text{”})$ : a nonabelian pro- $\Sigma$  surface group

Proposition 2.2 [CbGC, Proposition 1.2, (ii)]

- $\tilde{z} \in \text{VCN}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \Rightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{z}}$ : commensurably terminal in  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ ,
- i.e.,  $\Pi_{\tilde{z}} = C_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(\Pi_{\tilde{z}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \gamma \in \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \mid [\Pi_{\tilde{z}} : \Pi_{\tilde{z}} \cap \gamma \Pi_{\tilde{z}} \gamma^{-1} \cap \gamma^{-1} \Pi_{\tilde{z}} \gamma] < \infty \}$

More strongly:

Proposition 2.3 [NodNon, Lemma 1.5]

- $\tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_2 \in \text{Edge}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$
- $\tilde{e}_1 = \tilde{e}_2 \Leftrightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{e}_1} = \Pi_{\tilde{e}_2} \Leftrightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{e}_1} \cap \Pi_{\tilde{e}_2} \neq \{1\}$

Proposition 2.4 [NodNon, Lemma 1.7]

- $\tilde{e} \in \text{Edge}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}), \tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$
- $\tilde{e}$  abuts to  $\tilde{v} \Leftrightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{e}} \subseteq \Pi_{\tilde{v}} \Leftrightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{e}} \cap \Pi_{\tilde{v}} \neq \{1\}$

Proposition 2.5 [NodNon, Lemma 1.9]

- $\tilde{v}_1, \tilde{v}_2 \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$
- (1)  $\tilde{v}_1 = \tilde{v}_2 \Leftrightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{v}_1} = \Pi_{\tilde{v}_2}$
- (2)  $\tilde{v}_1 \neq \tilde{v}_2$  but  $\exists \tilde{e} \in \text{Node}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$  s.t.  $\tilde{e}$  abuts both to  $\tilde{v}_1$  and to  $\tilde{v}_2$
- $\Leftrightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{v}_1} \neq \Pi_{\tilde{v}_2}, \Pi_{\tilde{v}_1} \cap \Pi_{\tilde{v}_2} \neq \{1\}$
- In this situation,  $\Pi_{\tilde{v}_1} \cap \Pi_{\tilde{v}_2} = \Pi_{\tilde{e}}$ .



Proposition 2.6 [CbTpII, Propositions 1.4, 1.5]

$H \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ : a closed subgroup,  $\square \in \{\text{Vert}, \text{Cusp}, \text{Node}\}$

(a)  $\exists \tilde{z} \in \square(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$  s.t.  $H \subseteq \Pi_{\tilde{z}} \iff$  (b) for  $\forall \gamma \in H$ ,  $\exists \tilde{z}_\gamma \in \square(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$  s.t.  $\gamma \in \Pi_{\tilde{z}_\gamma}$   
 $\iff$  (c) for  $\forall \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering  $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ ,  $\text{Im}(H \cap \Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{ab}/\square}) = \{0\}$

Proof

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (c): immediate

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): omit

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) in the case where  $\Sigma = \{l\}$ :

First, we may assume:  $H \cong \mathbb{Z}_l$  (by replacing  $H$  by " $\overline{\langle \gamma \rangle}$ ").

Claim

$\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ : a Galois  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering

$\underline{\mathcal{H}}$ : the  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering corresponding to the open subgroup  $\Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \cdot H \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$

$\Rightarrow \exists z \in \square(\underline{\mathcal{H}})$  s.t.  $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \underline{\mathcal{H}}$  is totally ramified at  $z$

Proof of Claim

$H \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \cdot H = \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}} \twoheadrightarrow (\Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \cdot H)/\Pi_{\mathcal{H}} = \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}}/\Pi_{\mathcal{H}} = \text{Aut}(\mathcal{H}/\underline{\mathcal{H}})$ : surjective

Thus, since  $H \cong \mathbb{Z}_l$ ,

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{H}/\underline{\mathcal{H}}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/l^n\mathbb{Z} \text{ for some } n \geq 0 \quad (*_1)$$

Thus, since  $\text{Im}(H \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}}^{\text{ab}}) \subseteq \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}}^{\text{ab}/\square}$  by (c),

$$\left( \bigoplus_{z \in \square(\underline{\mathcal{H}})} \text{Im}(\Pi_z \text{ in } \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}}^{\text{ab}}) \twoheadrightarrow \right) \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}}^{\text{ab}/\square} \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}}^{\text{ab}} \xrightarrow{(*_1)} \text{Aut}(\mathcal{H}/\underline{\mathcal{H}}) \text{ is surjective} \quad (*_2)$$

$(*_1), (*_2) \Rightarrow \exists z \in \square(\underline{\mathcal{H}})$  s.t.  $\Pi_z \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\underline{\mathcal{H}}} \twoheadrightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{H}/\underline{\mathcal{H}})$ : surjective

By Claim,  $\square(\mathcal{H})^H \neq \emptyset$  for  $\forall$  Galois  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering  $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$

Thus, since  $\square(\mathcal{H})^H$  is finite,  $\lim_{\leftarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^{\text{fn. Gal. } \mathcal{G}}} \square(\mathcal{H})^H \neq \emptyset$ .

Then it is immediate:  $H \subseteq \Pi_{\tilde{z}}$  for  $\forall \tilde{z} \in$  this nonempty limit

Corollary 2.7

$\square \in \{\circ, \bullet\}$

$\Delta \in \{\text{Vert}, \text{Cusp}, \text{Node}\}$

$\mathcal{G}_\square$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$\alpha: \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_\square} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_\bullet}$ : a continuous isomorphism s.t.

for  $\forall \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_\square}$ -covering  $\mathcal{H}_\square \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_\square$ ,

if one writes  $\mathcal{H}_\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_\bullet$  for the corresponding  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_\bullet}$ -covering, then

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_\square} & \longleftarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{H}_\square} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{H}_\square}^{\text{ab}} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{H}_\square}^{\text{ab}/\Delta} \\ \alpha \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr \\ \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_\bullet} & \longleftarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{H}_\bullet} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{H}_\bullet}^{\text{ab}} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{H}_\bullet}^{\text{ab}/\Delta} \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ : gp-theretically vertical (resp. cuspidal; nodal) if  $\Delta = \text{Vert}$  (resp. Cusp; Node)  
(follows from Prp 2.6)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \{\text{vertical subgps}\} & \xleftrightarrow{\text{Prp 2.5}} & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \{\text{vertical subgps}\} + \{\text{nodal subgps}\} \\ \updownarrow \text{Prp 2.6} & & \updownarrow \text{Prp 2.6} \\ \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \{\Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{ab}/\text{Vert}}\}_{\mathcal{H}} & & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \{\Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{ab}/\text{Node}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{ab}/\text{Vert}}\}_{\mathcal{H}} \end{array}$$

Proposition 2.8 [CbGC, Theorem 1.6, (i)], also [IUTchI, Remark 1.2.2]

$$\begin{array}{l} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \left( \{\text{open subgps of } \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}\} \ni H \mapsto \#\text{Cusp}(\text{the } \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}\text{-covering corr'g to } H) \right) \\ \Rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \{\text{cuspidal subgps}\} \end{array}$$

§3: Cyclotomes Associated to Semi-graphs of Anabelioids of PSC-type

$\Sigma$ : a nonempty set of prime numbers

$\mathcal{G}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ : a universal pro- $\Sigma$  covering

Definition

$\mathcal{G}$ : sturdy  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall \text{vertex of } \mathcal{G} \text{ is "of genus } \geq 2"$

(i.e.,  $\forall \tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ , the fin. free  $\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma$ -module  $\text{Im}(\Pi_{\tilde{v}} \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab/Cusp}})$  is of rank  $\geq 4$ )

In the remainder of the present §3, for simplicity (cf. Rmk \* below), suppose:  $\mathcal{G}$  is sturdy

$\mathcal{G}^+$ : the semi-graph of anabelioids obtained by removing the open edges form  $\mathcal{G}$

$\mathcal{G} \stackrel{\text{sturdy}}{\Rightarrow} \mathcal{G}^+$ : of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

Moreover, we have a surjective continuous homomorphism  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \twoheadrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}$

whose kernel is topologically normally generated by the cuspidal subgroups,

which thus induces an isomorphism  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab/Cusp}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab}}$ .

Definition

$\Lambda_{\mathcal{G}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(H^2(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma), \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma)$ : the cyclotome associated to  $\mathcal{G}$

Proposition 3.1

$\Lambda_{\mathcal{G}} \cong \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma$

(follows from Prp 1.1)

Definition

$\chi_{\mathcal{G}}: \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}) \stackrel{\text{Prp 3.1}}{=} (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma)^\times$ : the (pro- $\Sigma$ ) cyclotomic character ass'd to  $\mathcal{G}$

Proposition 3.2 [CbGC, Proposition 1.3]

A natural identification  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab}} = \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(H^1(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma), \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma)$  (cf. Prp 1.1) and the pairing  $H^1(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma) \times H^1(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma) \rightarrow H^2(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma)$  determines a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab}} & \longleftarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab-Vert}} & \longleftarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab-Node}} \\
 \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr \\
 \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab}}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}) & \longleftarrow & \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab/Node}}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}) & \longleftarrow & \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab/Vert}}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}), \\
 \\ 
 \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab}} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab/Node}} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab/Vert}} \\
 \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr \\
 \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab}}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab/Vert}}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\Sigma}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}^{\text{ab/Node}}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}).
 \end{array}$$

(follows from Prp 1.1)

Synchronization of Cyclotomes for Cusps

$\tilde{e} \in \text{Cusp}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$

$Q_{\tilde{e}}$ : the quotient of  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$  by the normal closed subgp topologically normally gen'd by the commutator  $[\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}, \Pi_{\tilde{e}}]$  and the  $\Pi_f$ 's w/  $f \in \text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G})$  over which  $\tilde{e}$  does not lie

$J_{\tilde{e}} \subseteq Q_{\tilde{e}}$ : the image of  $\Pi_{\tilde{e}}$

$\xRightarrow{\text{Prp 1.1}}$  • The natural surjective cont. hom.  $(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma} \cong) \Pi_{\tilde{e}} \rightarrow J_{\tilde{e}}$  is an isomorphism.

•  $1 \rightarrow J_{\tilde{e}} \rightarrow Q_{\tilde{e}} \rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+} \rightarrow 1$

Moreover, by Prp 1.1, the image of  $\text{id}_{J_{\tilde{e}}} \in \text{End}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}}(J_{\tilde{e}})$  by the fourth arrow of

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & H^1(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, J_{\tilde{e}}) & \longrightarrow & H^1(Q_{\tilde{e}}, J_{\tilde{e}}) & \longrightarrow & H^1(J_{\tilde{e}}, J_{\tilde{e}})^{Q_{\tilde{e}}} & \longrightarrow & H^2(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}^+}, J_{\tilde{e}}) \\
 & & & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 & & & & [\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}, \Pi_{\tilde{e}}] \subseteq \text{Ker}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow Q_{\tilde{e}}) & & & & \\
 & & & & \text{End}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}}(J_{\tilde{e}}) & & & & \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}}(\Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}, J_{\tilde{e}})
 \end{array}$$

is an isomorphism  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{G}} \xrightarrow{\sim} J_{\tilde{e}}$ .

$\text{shn}_{\tilde{e}}: \Pi_{\tilde{e}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Lambda_{\mathcal{G}}$ :

the composite of the natural isom.  $\Pi_{\tilde{e}} \xrightarrow{\sim} J_{\tilde{e}}$  and the converse of the resulting isom.

Corollary 3.3

$\tilde{e} \in \text{Cusp}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$

$\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) (\subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}))$

$\tilde{\alpha} \in \text{Aut}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})$ : a lifting of  $\alpha$

Suppose:  $\tilde{\alpha}(\Pi_{\tilde{e}}) = \Pi_{\tilde{e}}$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\alpha}|_{\Pi_{\tilde{e}}} \in \text{Aut}(\Pi_{\tilde{e}}) \stackrel{\text{Prp 2.1, (1)}}{=} (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma})^{\times} \text{ is } = \chi_{\mathcal{G}}(\alpha)$

(follows from Synchronization of Cyclotomes for Cusps)

Lemma 3.4

$I$ : a profinite group

$\rho: I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) (\subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}))$ : a continuous homomorphism

Suppose:  $\exists l \in \Sigma$  s.t.  $\text{Im}(I \xrightarrow{\rho} \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\chi_{\mathcal{G}}} (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma})^{\times} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_l^{\times}) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_l^{\times}$ : open

$\Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + (\rho: I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \hookrightarrow \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})) \Rightarrow \#\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G})$

Proof of “ $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + (\chi: I \xrightarrow{\rho} \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\chi_{\mathcal{G}}} (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma})^{\times} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_l^{\times}) \Rightarrow \#\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G})$ ”

First, by Prp 1.1:  $\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ : free pro- $\Sigma \Leftrightarrow \#\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) > 0$

$\Rightarrow$  We may assume:  $\#\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) > 0$

$V$ : a finite dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}_l$ -vector space equipped w/ a continuous action of  $I$

$\Rightarrow$  •  $\tau(I, V)$ : the sum of the dimensions of the subquot.s  $V_i/V_{i+1}$  w/ triv. act. of  $I$   
w.r.t. a “ $\mathbb{Q}_l[I]$ -composition series”  $\{0\} = V_n \subseteq \dots \subseteq V_0 = V$

•  $\tau(V) = \max_{J \subseteq I: \text{open subgp}} \tau(J, V)$

$\square \in \{\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{G}^+\} \Rightarrow V_{\square} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Pi_{\square}^{\text{ab}} \otimes_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}} \mathbb{Q}_l(\chi^{-1}), W_{\square} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}}(\Pi_{\square}^{\text{ab}}, \mathbb{Q}_l)$

$\Rightarrow$  •  $\#\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) - 1 \stackrel{\text{Prp 1.1}}{=} \dim_{\mathbb{Q}_l}(V_{\mathcal{G}}) - \dim_{\mathbb{Q}_l}(V_{\mathcal{G}^+}) \stackrel{\text{Cor 3.3}}{=} \tau(V_{\mathcal{G}}) - \tau(V_{\mathcal{G}^+})$

•  $\tau(V_{\mathcal{G}^+}) \stackrel{\text{Prp 3.2}}{=} \tau(W_{\mathcal{G}^+})$

•  $\tau(W_{\mathcal{G}}) \stackrel{\text{Prp 1.1, 3.2}}{=} \tau(W_{\mathcal{G}^+})$

$\Rightarrow \#\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) = 1 + \tau(V_{\mathcal{G}}) - \tau(W_{\mathcal{G}})$

Corollary 3.5 [AbTpI, Lemma 4.5]

$I$ : a profinite group

$\rho: I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) (\subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}))$ : a continuous homomorphism

Suppose:  $\exists l \in \Sigma$  s.t.  $\text{Im}(I \xrightarrow{\rho} \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\chi_{\mathcal{G}}} (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma})^{\times} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_l^{\times}) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_l^{\times}$ : open

$\Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + (\rho: I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \hookrightarrow \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}})) \Rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} + \{\text{cuspidal subgps}\}$

(follows essentially from Prp 2.8, Cor 3.3, and Lmm 3.4)

Corollary 3.6

$\square \in \{\circ, \bullet\}$

$\mathcal{G}_{\square}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$I_{\square}$ : a profinite group

$\rho_{\square}: I_{\square} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}_{\square}) (\subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\square}}))$ : a continuous homomorphism

Suppose:  $\exists l_{\square} \in \Sigma_{\square}$  s.t.  $\text{Im}(I_{\square} \xrightarrow{\rho_{\square}} \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}_{\square}) \xrightarrow{\chi_{\mathcal{G}_{\square}}} (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma})^{\times} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{l_{\square}}^{\times}) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{l_{\square}}^{\times}$ : open

$\alpha: \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\circ}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\bullet}}$ : a continuous isomorphism w/ a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I_{\circ} & \xrightarrow{\rho_{\circ}} & \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\circ}}) \\ \exists \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{Out}(\alpha) \\ I_{\bullet} & \xrightarrow{\rho_{\bullet}} & \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\bullet}}) \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ : group-theretically cuspidal

(follows essentially from Cor 3.5)

Remark \*

One may define/establish

- the cyclotome,
- the cyclotomic character, and
- synchronization of cyclotomes for cusps

for a general (i.e., not necessarily sturdy) semi-graph of anabelioids of PSC-type (cf. [CbGC, §2], [CbTpI, §3]).

## §4: A Combinatorial Anabelian Result for Stable Log Curves over Log Points

$\Sigma$ : a nonempty set of prime numbers

$\mathcal{G}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ : a universal pro- $\Sigma$  covering

$I$ : a profinite group

$\rho: I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) (\subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}))$ : a continuous homomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_I & \longrightarrow & I \longrightarrow 1 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho \\ 1 & \xrightarrow{\text{Prp 1.2}} & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} & \longrightarrow & \text{Aut}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}) & \longrightarrow & \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}) \longrightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

Definition

$\tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\mathcal{G}) \Rightarrow I_{\tilde{v}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Z_{\Pi_I}(\Pi_{\tilde{z}}) \subseteq D_{\tilde{v}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} N_{\Pi_I}(\Pi_{\tilde{z}}) \subseteq \Pi_I$ :  
the inertia/decomposition subgroups of  $\Pi_I$  associated to  $\tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\mathcal{G})$

Lemma 4.1

$\tilde{z} \in \text{VCN}(\mathcal{G}) \Rightarrow D_{\tilde{z}} \cap \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} = \Pi_{\tilde{z}}$   
(follows from Prp 2.2)

Definition

(1)  $\rho$ : of IPSC-type  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$

- $\exists k$ : an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $\notin \Sigma$
- $\exists X^{\log}$ : a stable log curve/the standard log point  $\text{Spec}(k)^{\log} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} “(\text{Spec}(k), \mathbb{N})”$
- $\exists \alpha: \mathcal{G}_{X^{\log}}^{\Sigma} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{G}$  s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \exists 1 & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{X^{\log}}^{\Sigma}} & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(X^{\log})^{\Sigma} & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(\text{Spec}(k)^{\log})^{\Sigma} \longrightarrow 1 \\ & & \Pi_{\alpha} \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr & & \downarrow \wr \\ 1 & \longrightarrow & \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} & \longrightarrow & \Pi_I & \longrightarrow & I \longrightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

(2)  $\rho$ : of PIPSC-type  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} I \cong \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}$ ,  $\rho|_{\exists \text{an open subgroup of } I}$  is of IPSC-type

One most important property of a cont. homomorphism of PIPSC-type is as follows:

Lemma 4.2 [CbGC, Proposition 2.6]

Suppose:  $\rho$  is of PIPSC-type

$M \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}}$ : a sub- $\widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\Sigma}$ -module

$M \subseteq \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab-Vert}} \Leftrightarrow \exists \text{an open subgrp } J \subseteq I \text{ s.t. } J \curvearrowright \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}^{\text{ab}}$  induces the trivial action on  $M$   
(follows essentially from weight-monodromy conj. for Jacobian varieties of curves)

Lemma 4.3 [AbTpII, Proposition 1.3, (iii), (iv)]

Suppose:  $\rho$  is of IPSC-type

(1)  $\tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}) \Rightarrow I_{\tilde{v}} \hookrightarrow \Pi_I \twoheadrightarrow I$ : an isomorphism

(2)  $\tilde{v}, \tilde{w} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$

$\tilde{v} = \tilde{w} \Leftrightarrow I_{\tilde{v}} = I_{\tilde{w}}$

(follows from some considerations on the log structures involved)

Lemma 4.4

$\tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$

Suppose:  $\rho$  is of IPSC-type

(1)  $D_{\tilde{v}} = I_{\tilde{v}} \times \Pi_{\tilde{v}}$

(2)  $N_{\Pi_I}(I_{\tilde{v}}) = D_{\tilde{v}} \xrightarrow{(1); \text{Lmm 4.3, (1)}} N_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(I_{\tilde{v}}) = \Pi_{\tilde{v}}$

(3)  $Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(I_{\tilde{v}})) = \{1\}$

Proof

(1):

$I_v \cdot \Pi_v \subseteq D_v$  by definition

$\xrightarrow{\text{Lmm 4.1; 4.3, (1)}} I_v \cdot \Pi_v = D_v$  (cf.  $1 \rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \Pi_I \rightarrow I \rightarrow 1$ )

Thus, since  $Z(\Pi_v) = \{1\}$  (cf. Prp 2.1, (2)),  $I_v \times \Pi_v = D_v$ .

(2):

$N_{\Pi_I}(I_{\tilde{v}}) \supseteq D_{\tilde{v}}$ : by (1)

$N_{\Pi_I}(I_{\tilde{v}}) \subseteq D_{\tilde{v}}$ :

$\gamma \in N_{\Pi_I}(I_{\tilde{v}})$

$\Rightarrow I_{\tilde{v}} = \gamma I_{\tilde{v}} \gamma^{-1} = \gamma Z_{\Pi_I}(\Pi_{\tilde{v}}) \gamma^{-1} = Z_{\Pi_I}(\gamma \Pi_{\tilde{v}} \gamma^{-1}) = Z_{\Pi_I}(\Pi_{\tilde{v}^\gamma}) = I_{\tilde{v}^\gamma}$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Lmm 4.3, (2)}} \tilde{v} = \tilde{v}^\gamma \Rightarrow \Pi_{\tilde{v}} = \Pi_{\tilde{v}^\gamma} = \gamma \Pi_{\tilde{v}} \gamma^{-1} \Rightarrow \gamma \in N_{\Pi_I}(\Pi_{\tilde{v}}) = D_{\tilde{v}}$

(3):

$\Pi_{\tilde{v}} \subseteq Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(I_{\tilde{v}}) \subseteq N_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(I_{\tilde{v}}) \stackrel{(2)}{=} \Pi_{\tilde{v}}$

$\Rightarrow Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(I_{\tilde{v}}) = \Pi_{\tilde{v}}$

$\Rightarrow Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(I_{\tilde{v}})) = Z_{\Pi_{\mathcal{G}}}(\Pi_{\tilde{v}}) \stackrel{\text{Prp 2.2}}{=} Z(\Pi_{\tilde{v}}) \stackrel{\text{Prp 2.1, (2)}}{=} \{1\}$



Main Lemma of §4 [CbTpII, Theorem 1.6, (iv)]

Suppose:  $\rho$  is of IPSC-type

$s$ : a splitting of  $\Pi_I \rightarrow I$  s.t.  $Z_{\Pi_G}(Z_{\Pi_G}(\text{Im}(s))) = \{1\}$

$\Rightarrow \exists \tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$  s.t.  $\text{Im}(s) = I_{\tilde{v}}$  ( $\stackrel{\text{Lmm 4.4, (2)}}{\Rightarrow} N_{\Pi_G}(\text{Im}(s))$ : vertical)

Proof

$H \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Z_{\Pi_G}(\text{Im}(s))$

$\stackrel{\text{Lmm 4.2}}{\Rightarrow}$  for  $\forall \Pi_{\mathcal{G}}$ -covering  $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ ,  $\text{Im}(H \cap \Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \hookrightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}} \rightarrow \Pi_{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{ab/Vert}}) = \{0\}$

$\stackrel{\text{Prp 2.6}}{\Rightarrow} \exists \tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$  s.t.  $H \subseteq \Pi_{\tilde{v}} \Rightarrow$

$$Z_{\Pi_I}(H) \supseteq Z_{\Pi_I}(\Pi_{\tilde{v}}) = I_{\tilde{v}} \quad (*_1)$$

$\{1\} = Z_{\Pi_G}(Z_{\Pi_G}(\text{Im}(s))) = Z_{\Pi_I}(H) \cap \Pi_G \Rightarrow Z_{\Pi_I}(H) \hookrightarrow \Pi_I \rightarrow I$  is injective

Thus, since  $\text{Im}(s) \subseteq Z_{\Pi_I}(H)$  by definition,

$$Z_{\Pi_I}(H) = \text{Im}(s) \quad (*_2)$$

$(*_1), (*_2) \Rightarrow I_{\tilde{v}} \subseteq \text{Im}(s) \stackrel{\text{Lmm 4.3, (1)}}{\Rightarrow} I_{\tilde{v}} = \text{Im}(s)$

Main Theorem of §4

Suppose:  $\rho$  is of PIPSC-type

$\Pi_G + (\rho: I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}) \hookrightarrow \text{Out}(\Pi_G)) \Rightarrow \Pi_G + \{\text{vertical subgps}\}$

$\stackrel{\text{Prp 2.5}}{\Rightarrow} \Pi_G + \{\text{vertical subgps}\} + \{\text{nodal subgps}\}$

(follows essentially from Lmm 4.4, (3), and Main Lmm of §4)

Main Corollary of §4 [CbTpII, Theorem 1.9, (ii)]

$\square \in \{\circ, \bullet\}$

$\mathcal{G}_{\square}$ : a semi-graph of anabelioids of pro- $\Sigma$  PSC-type

$I_{\square}$ : a profinite group

$\rho_{\square}: I_{\square} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G}_{\square}) (\subseteq \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\square}}))$ : a continuous homomorphism of PIPSC-type

$\alpha: \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\circ}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\bullet}}$ : a continuous isomorphism w/ a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I_{\circ} & \xrightarrow{\rho_{\circ}} & \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\circ}}) \\ \downarrow \exists & & \downarrow \text{Out}(\alpha) \\ I_{\bullet} & \xrightarrow{\rho_{\bullet}} & \text{Out}(\Pi_{\mathcal{G}_{\bullet}}) \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ : group-theretically vertical and group-theretically nodal

(follows from Main Thm of §4)

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