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THE STUDY OF THE HOMOLOGY OF KUGA VARIETIES

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ABSTRACT. The homology of Kuga varieties is studied. A nondegenerate pairing is constructed between certain homology spaces and modular forms.

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This article continues the proof, begun in [7], of a series of results announced in [6] on periodic cusp forms on Kuga varieties. The author thanks Professor Ju. I. Manin, during the course of whose seminar this work was completed.

§0. Main results

Let $\Gamma \subset \text{SL}(2, \mathbf{Z})$ be a subgroup of finite index. We denote by (Γ, w) a pair such that either the integer w is even or the following condition on Γ holds:

$$-E \notin \Gamma \quad (*)$$

(see $(*)$ of §4 of [5] and §0 of [7]). This article continues [7] and uses its notation. In particular Δ_Γ and B_Γ are the modular curve and elliptic modular surface for Γ (see §5 of [7]). The corresponding canonical projection is $\Phi_\Gamma : B_\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta_\Gamma$. In the sequel we will sometimes omit the index Γ for simplicity.

0.1. Let $S_{w+2}(\Gamma)$ be the space of Γ -cusp forms of weight $w + 2$ (see §2.1 of [3]).

The main goal of this article is to define a canonical pairing

$$(\cdot, \cdot) : H_1(\Delta_\Gamma, \Sigma, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w) \times S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \oplus \overline{S_{w+2}(\Gamma)} \rightarrow \mathbf{C},$$

where $\Sigma \subset \Delta_\Gamma$ is any finite subset.

0.2. THEOREM. *The canonical pairing (\cdot, \cdot) is nondegenerate on*

$$H_1(\Delta_\Gamma, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w) \times S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \oplus \overline{S_{w+2}(\Gamma)}.$$

The proof of this theorem is given in §6.

0.3. The construction of the pairing (\cdot, \cdot) is based on the existence of (i) a canonical isomorphism

$$H^0(B_\Gamma^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \overline{\Omega}^{w+1}) \simeq S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \oplus \overline{S_{w+2}(\Gamma)},$$

the proof and construction of which are given in [7]; (ii) a canonical homomorphism

$$GR_{1,w} : H_1(\Delta_\Gamma, \Sigma, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w) \rightarrow H_{1+w}(B_\Gamma^w, B_\Gamma^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}),$$

where Σ is a finite set of points of Δ_Γ containing the points of singular type (see §1 of [7]), the construction of which is given in §3; and (iii) a canonical pairing

$$H_{w+1}(B_\Gamma^w, B_\Gamma^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \times H^0(B_\Gamma^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \bar{\Omega}^{w+1}) \mapsto \mathbf{C},$$

$$(\text{homology class } \sigma, \omega) \rightarrow \int_\sigma \omega.$$

0.4. In §3 we carry out the construction of the “geometrical realization” homomorphisms $GR_{i,j}$ ($0 < i < 2, 0 < j < 2w$). Theorem 1 of [6] corresponds to 3.2, and this result may easily be proved over \mathbf{Z} by the same methods. We make the change to \mathbf{Q} for consistency, since in the sequel symmetrization will frequently occur, where division by w is needed! Theorem 2 of [6] is a simple corollary of Theorem 1 of [6].

Theorem 3 of [6] corresponds to Theorem 4.2 in this article, and Theorem 4 of [6] is a slight variation of Theorem 2.5. Finally, Theorem 6 of [6] corresponds to the special case of Corollary 6.1 with $K = \mathbf{R}$.

§1. Neighborhood retracts

Let X be an analytic variety, $D \subset \mathbf{C}$ the disk with center at 0, $D^* = D - \{0\}$, and $\Phi : X \rightarrow D$ a proper morphism. In addition we assume that the fiber $\Phi^{-1}(0)$ has *normal type*. This means that for any point $x \in \Phi^{-1}(0)$ there exist a neighborhood $U \subset X$ and coordinates X_1, \dots, X_n ($n = \dim X$) in this neighborhood in which the canonical projection takes monomial form, i.e. $\Phi|_U = X_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot X_n^{m_n}$ for some positive integers m_i ($1 < i \leq n$). Then by Thom’s isotopy theorem $X' = \Phi^{-1}(E_1^*)$ is a topological fiber space over $E_1^* = E_1 - \{0\}$, where $E_1 = \{z \in \mathbf{C} \mid |z| < \varepsilon\} \subset D$ for suitable $0 < \varepsilon$.

1.1. LEMMA. *For any sufficiently small ε there exists a deformation retract (see [1], p. 28) of $\Phi^{-1}(E_1)$ onto $\Phi^{-1}(0)$.*

Corollary 1.2 is obtained from this lemma. Let B^w be Kuga’s variety corresponding to the elliptic surface B . Consider a pair of topological subvarieties $\Delta \supset F \supset F'$ with smooth boundary. Then the mapping of pairs $(\Delta, F') \hookrightarrow (\Delta, F)$ there corresponds the homomorphism in homology

$$H_i(B^w, B^w|_{F'}, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_i(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{1.1}$$

In particular, those F consisting of small closed disks around points of the set Σ give rise to a projective system of vector spaces $H_i(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q})$ with morphisms (1.1).

1.2. COROLLARY. *There is a canonical isomorphism*

$$H_i(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \varprojlim H_i(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}).$$

PROOF. If $N \subset M$ and N is a deformation retract of M , then $H_i(M, N, \mathbf{Q}) = 0$. Therefore, by Lemma 1.1 and 3.4 of [7], $H_i(B^w|_F, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) = 0$ for F consisting of sufficiently small disks. Then from the exact sequence

$$\rightarrow H_i(B^w|_F, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_i(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_i(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{\partial}$$

of the triple $(B^w, B^w|_F, B^w|_\Sigma)$ it follows that (1.1) is an isomorphism for sufficiently small F and $F' = \Sigma$. ■

PROOF OF LEMMA 1.1. The only condition on $\varepsilon + 0$ is the condition preceding Lemma 1.1, i.e. the local triviality of $X' = \Phi^{-1}(E_1^*)$ over E_1^* . Indeed, one can easily show,

because of the normality of the fiber $\Phi^{-1}(0)$, that it is a neighborhood deformation retract, i.e. there exists a neighborhood $X' \supset U \supset \Phi^{-1}(0)$ which admits a deformation retract onto $\Phi^{-1}(0)$. On the other hand, clearly there exists $0 < \epsilon' < \epsilon$ such that $V = \Phi^{-1}(\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < \epsilon'\}) \subset U$. Also it is easy to construct a deformation retract of X' onto V . Combining the latter deformation with the restriction to V of the first deformation, we obtain the desired one. ■

§2. Homology with coefficients in the sheaf $R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbb{Q}$

2.1. The sheaf $R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbb{Q}$ is obtained by extending from $\Delta' = \Delta - \Sigma$ (see §1 of [7]) over Δ the sheaf of local coefficients $\bigcup_{v \in \Delta'} H_j(B_v^w, \mathbb{Q})$ in the following way: for a small disk E around $v \in \Sigma$ and $E' = E - v$

$$\Gamma(E, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbb{Q}) = \Gamma(E', R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbb{Q}).$$

For example, $R_1\Phi_*^1\mathbb{Q} = R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q} = G \otimes \mathbb{Q}$, where G is the homological invariant of the elliptic surface B .

2.2. Fix a basis in the lattice $G|_{u_0} \subset R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q}|_{u_0}$. Then a representation of the group $SL(2, \mathbb{Q})$ in $R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q}|_{u_0}$ is determined. For any integer $w > 0$ the representation of $SL(2, \mathbb{Q})$ in the tensor power $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$ decomposes into a direct sum of irreducible representations of $SL(2, \mathbb{Q})$. Each irreducible representation of $SL(2, \mathbb{Q})$ is a representation in a symmetric power $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^m|_{u_0}$; the positive integer m usually is called the order of the irreducible representation. The identification of the subspace which is the sum of all irreducible representations of order m in $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$ does not depend on the choice of basis in the lattice $G|_{u_0}$. The dimension r_m^w of this subspace also is independent of the choice of the point $u_0 \in \Delta'$. The group A_w of permutations of w elements acts naturally on the space $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$:

$$a : x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_w \mapsto x_{a(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes x_{a(w)},$$

where $x_i \in R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q}|_{u_0}$ and $a \in A_w$. The space $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^w|_{u_0}$ admits a canonical embedding into $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$:

$$x_1 \cdots x_w \mapsto \frac{1}{w!} \sum_{a \in A_w} a(x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_w).$$

In the sequel $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^w|_{u_0}$ will be identified with its canonical image in $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$. $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^w|_{u_0}$ is an invariant subspace of the representation of $SL(2, \mathbb{Q})$.

2.3. PROPOSITION. a. $r_m^w = 0$ if $m \not\equiv w \pmod{2}$.

b. $r_w^w = 1$.

c. There is the following direct sum decomposition into subspaces invariant for $SL(2, \mathbb{Q})$:

$$(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0} = (R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^w|_{u_0} \oplus \left(\sum_{a \in A_w} a((e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) \otimes (R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w-2}|_{u_0}) \right)$$

(Σ is not a direct sum).

d. The space of invariant vectors of $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbb{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$, i.e. the sum of irreducible subspaces of order 0, is generated by the vectors

$$a((e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)^{\otimes \frac{w}{2}}),$$

where $a \in A_w$ (by a, w is even in this case); e_1, e_2 are a basis of the lattice $G|_{u_0}$.

2.4. By the Künneth formula, since $B_{u_0}^w = B_{u_0} \times \cdots \times B_{u_0}$ (w terms), we have

$$R_j \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0} = \bigoplus_{j_1 + \dots + j_w = j} \bigotimes_{m=1}^w R_{j_m} \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0}, \quad (2.1)$$

where $0 < j_m \leq 2$. The representation S ([7], 1.4) and the trivial representation $\pi_1(\Delta')$ in $R_0 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0}$ and $R_2 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0}$ give a representation of the fundamental group $\pi_1(\Delta)$ in $R_j \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q}$. This representation, which will also be denoted by S , is uniquely defined by the sheaf $R_j \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q}$. Since $\dim R_0 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0} = \dim R_2 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0} = 1$, there is a noncanonical isomorphism

$$\bigotimes_{m=1}^w R_{j_m} \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0} \simeq (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w'} |_{u_0}, \quad (2.2)$$

where w' is the number of $j_m = 1$, $w' \equiv j_1 + \cdots + j_w \equiv j \pmod{2}$. We have that $S(\pi_1(\Delta')) \subset \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{Q})$, so we may consider the representations of $\pi_1(\Delta')$ on the subspace $(R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w'} |_{u_0}$ invariant with respect to $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{Q})$. Below (see Lemma 2.7) we will prove their irreducibility with respect to $\pi_1(\Delta')$. The decomposition of the space $(R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w'} |_{u_0}$ into irreducible subspaces corresponds to a decomposition of the sheaf $(R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w'}$ into a direct sum of symmetric sheaves $(R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^m$, which we will also denote by S_m . We obtain from (2.1), (2.2), and 2.2 a canonical decomposition into a direct sum

$$R_j \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q} = \bigoplus_m S_m^{j_m}, \quad (2.3)$$

where $r_{j,m}^w$ is the number of irreducible representations of order m in $R_j \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q} |_{u_0}$, this number not depending on the choice of $u_0 \in \Delta'$. The decomposition of $S_m^{j_m}$ into a sum of sheaves S_m is not canonical.

2.5. THEOREM. a. $H_i(\Delta, R_j \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q}) = \bigoplus_m H_j(\Delta, S_m)^{r_{j,m}^w}$.

b. $\dim H_0(\Delta, S_m) = \dim H_2(\Delta, S_m) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } m > 1, \\ 1 & \text{for } m = 0. \end{cases}$

c. For even $m > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \dim H_1(\Delta, S_m) &= 2(g-1)(m+1) + \sum_{b>1} m(\nu(I_b) + \nu(I_b^*)) \\ &\quad + 2 \left[\frac{m+2}{3} \right] (\nu(\mathrm{II}) + \nu(\mathrm{II}^*) + \nu(\mathrm{IV}) + \nu(\mathrm{IV}^*)) \\ &\quad + 2 \left[\frac{m+2}{4} \right] (\nu(\mathrm{III}) + \nu(\mathrm{III}^*)). \end{aligned}$$

For odd $m > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \dim H_1(\Delta, S_m) &= 2(g-1)(m+1) + \sum_{b>1} m\nu(I_b) \\ &\quad + (m+1) \sum_{b>0} (\nu(I_b^*) + \nu(\mathrm{II}^*) + \nu(\mathrm{II}) + \nu(\mathrm{III}) + \nu(\mathrm{III}^*)) \\ &\quad + 2 \left[\frac{m+2}{3} \right] (\nu(\mathrm{IV}) + \nu(\mathrm{IV}^*)). \end{aligned}$$

For $m = 0$

$$\dim H_1(\Delta, S_m) = 2g.$$

(¹) In this article V^m denotes a direct power, and $(V)^m$ the tensor symmetric power over \mathbf{Q} .

Here $v(\star)$ is the number of fibers of type \star of the elliptic surface B , and $[]$ as usual denotes the integer part.

d. $r_{j,m}^w = 0$ for $j \not\equiv m \pmod{2}$.

2.6. COROLLARY. $H_0(\Delta, R_j\Phi_\star^w\mathbf{Q}) = H_2(\Delta, R_j\Phi_\star^w\mathbf{Q}) = 0$ for odd j . ■

2.7. LEMMA. The representation S of the fundamental group $\pi_1(\Delta')$ in $(R_1\Phi_\star\mathbf{Q})^w|_{u_0}$ is irreducible also with respect to this representation:

a. $((R_1\Phi_\star\mathbf{Q})^w|_{u_0})^{\text{inv}} = 0$.

b. $((R_1\Phi_\star\mathbf{Q})^w|_{u_0})^{\text{coinv}} = 0$ for $w > 1$.

c. The following table shows the dimension of the space of sections of the sheaf S_m over the point v depending on the type of point.

type of point v	I_0	I_0^\bullet	$I_b, b \geq 1$	$I_b^\bullet, b \geq 1$	II, II*	III, III*	IV, IV*
$m > 0$ even		$m+1$		1	$\frac{m+1}{-2} - \left\lfloor \frac{m+2}{3} \right\rfloor$	$\frac{m+1}{-2} - \left\lfloor \frac{m+2}{4} \right\rfloor$	
$m > 0$ odd	$m+1$	0	1	0	0	0	$\frac{m+1}{-2} - \left\lfloor \frac{m+2}{3} \right\rfloor$

2.8. Following Shioda [5], we construct a complex M which allows us to compute the dimension of the homology spaces $H_i(\Delta, S_m)$ (we remark that these spaces are isomorphic to the cohomology spaces $H^{2-i}(\Delta, S_m)$; see for example §7 of [5]). Fix a point $u_0 \in \Delta'$. Let $\Sigma = \{v_1, \dots, v_t\}$. As in the proof of Lemma 1.5 of [7], we choose the following system of generators α_k, β_k ($1 < k < g$, where g is the genus of the curve Δ) and γ_l ($1 \leq l \leq t$) of the fundamental group $\pi_1(\Delta') = \pi_1(u_0, \Delta')$ with the single relation

$$\alpha_1\beta_1\alpha_1^{-1}\beta_1^{-1} \cdots \alpha_g\beta_g\alpha_g^{-1}\beta_g^{-1}\gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_t = 1. \tag{2.4}$$

We consider a small positively oriented disk E_l around each point $v_l \in \Sigma$. Set $\gamma'_l = -\partial E_l$. In each oriented circle γ'_l we fix a point u_l , and then we choose a path δ_l from u_0 to u_l such that $\delta_l\gamma'_l\delta_l^{-1}$ is homotopic to γ_l . We consider the following complex Δ : the 0-cells are u_l ($0 \leq l \leq t$), the 1-cells are α_k, β_k ($1 \leq k < g$), δ_l and γ'_l ($1 \leq l \leq t$), and the 2-cells are E_l ($1 \leq l \leq t$) and $\Delta_0 = \Delta - \cup E_l$.

The i -chains σ_i with coefficients in the sheaf $(R_1\Phi_\star\mathbf{Q})^m = S_m$ have the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_0 &= \sum_{l=0}^t m_l u_l, \\ \sigma_1 &= \sum_{k=1}^g (a_k \alpha_k + b_k \beta_k) + \sum_{l=1}^t (c_l \gamma'_l + d_l \delta_l), \\ \sigma_2 &= e \Delta_0 + \sum_{l=1}^t e_l E_l, \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

where the coefficients $m_l, a_k, \dots, e \in (R_1\Phi_\star\mathbf{Q})^m|_{u_0}$, and $e_l \in ((R_1\Phi_\star\mathbf{Q})^m|_{u_0})^{S_{\gamma'_l}}$, i.e. $e_l = e_l S_{\gamma'_l}$. Let $\mathcal{A}_k = S_{\alpha_k}, \mathcal{B}_k = S_{\beta_k}, \mathcal{C}_k = S_{\gamma_k}$, and $\mathcal{L}_k = \mathcal{A}_k \mathcal{B}_k \mathcal{A}_k^{-1} \mathcal{B}_k^{-1}, \mathcal{L}^{(k)} = \mathcal{L}_1 \cdots \mathcal{L}_k$ and

$\mathcal{C}^{(l)} = \mathcal{C}_1 \cdots \mathcal{C}_l$ ($\mathcal{C}^{(0)} = \mathcal{C}^{(g)} = 1$, $\mathcal{L}^{(g)} = \mathcal{L}$). The boundary operator is then rewritten in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial(a_k \alpha_k) &= a_k(\mathcal{Q}_k - 1)u_0, & \partial(b_k \beta_k) &= b_k(\mathcal{B}_k - 1)u_0, \\ \partial(c_l \gamma_l) &= c_l(\mathcal{C}_l - 1)u_l, & \partial(d_l \delta_l) &= d_l u_l - d_l u_0, \\ \partial(e \Delta_0) &= \sum_{k=1}^g e \mathcal{L}^{(k-1)}((1 - \mathcal{Q}_k \mathcal{B}_k \mathcal{Q}_k^{-1})\alpha_k + (\mathcal{Q}_k - \mathcal{L}_k)\beta_k) \\ &+ \sum_{l=1}^t e \mathcal{L}^{(l-1)}((\mathcal{C}^{(l-1)} - \mathcal{C}^{(l)})\delta_l + \mathcal{C}^{(l-1)}\gamma_l), & \partial(e_l E_l) &= -e_l \gamma_l'. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Therefore a complex M of vector spaces over \mathbf{Q}

$$M_0 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} M_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_2} M_2, \quad (2.7)$$

is determined, where

$$M_0 = S_m|_{u_0} \oplus \bigoplus_{l=1}^t S_m|_{v_l}, \quad M_1 = S_m^{2g+t}|_{u_0}, \quad M_2 = S_m|_{u_0},$$

and $\partial_1(e, e_1, \dots, e_t) = (a_k, b_k, c_l)$ for

$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= e \mathcal{L}^{(k-1)}(1 - \mathcal{Q}_k \mathcal{B}_k \mathcal{Q}_k^{-1}), \\ b_k &= e \mathcal{L}^{(k-1)}(\mathcal{Q}_k - \mathcal{L}_k), \\ c_l &= e \mathcal{L}^{(l-1)} - e_l, \end{aligned}$$

and ∂_2 is given by

$$\partial_2(a_k, b_k, c_l) = \sum_{k=1}^g (a_k(\mathcal{Q}_k - 1) + b_k(\mathcal{B}_k - 1)) + \sum_{l=1}^t c_l(\mathcal{C}_l - 1).$$

From (2.5)–(2.7) it is easy to obtain an isomorphism of the homology spaces $H_i(\Delta, S_m)$ with the cohomology spaces $H^{2-i}(M)$ of the complex (2.7).

PROOF OF THEOREM 2.5. Part a is an obvious corollary of (2.3).

b. The case $m = 0$ is obtained from the fact that $S_0 = \mathbf{Q}$, the constant sheaf of vector spaces of dimension 1, i.e. there is a canonical isomorphism $H_i(\Delta, S_m) \simeq H_i(\Delta, \mathbf{Q})$. The case $m = 0$ of part c follows obviously from this isomorphism.

By 2.8 there are isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} H_0(\Delta, S_m) &\simeq H^2(M) = \text{Coker } \partial_2 = ((R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^m|_{u_0})^{\text{coinv}}, \\ H_2(\Delta, S_m) &\simeq H^0(M) = \text{Ker } \partial_1 = ((R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^m|_{u_0})^{\text{inv}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then by Lemma 2.7 a and b we obtain the proof of part b for $m > 1$.

c. Let $m > 1$. By the previous part there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M_0 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} M_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_2} M_2 \rightarrow 0.$$

Then the direct calculation

$$\dim H_1(\Delta, S_m) = \dim H^1(M) = \dim M_1 - \dim M_0 - \dim M_2$$

(see 2.8), using the dimension of the space $S_m|_{v_l}$ given in the table of Lemma 2.7, proves part c.

Part d follows from part a of the theorem, (2.2), and part a of Proposition 2.3. ■

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 2.3. Part a is proved by induction on w using Theorem 2 in §18.2 of [8]. Similarly we obtain b.

c. The action of $SL(2, \mathbf{Q})$ commutes with the action of A_w . Moreover,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) = (ad - bc) (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) = e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1,$$

where $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbf{Q})$. Therefore the spaces in the decomposition are invariant for the action of $SL(2, \mathbf{Q})$. The exactness of the sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \sum_{a \in A_w} a \left((e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) \otimes (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w-2} \Big|_{u_0} \right) \\ \rightarrow (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w} \Big|_{u_0} \rightarrow (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w \Big|_{u_0} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

is obvious, which proves part c.

Part d is proved by induction for even w ; the case of odd w is trivial by a. The case $w = 0$ follows because $(R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes 0} = \mathbf{Q}$ and $a((e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)^0) = 1$. Further inductive steps are obtained from part c and Lemma 2.7a. ■

PROOF OF LEMMA 2.7. c. Consider a point $u_0 \in \Delta'$ sufficiently close to v , and a small positive circuit $\beta \subset \Delta'$ around v beginning and ending at u_0 . In the lattice $G|_{u_0} = H_1(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Z})$ choose a basis e_1, e_2 in which the monodromy s_β ([7], (1.3)) has the normal form (see §1 of [7]) \mathcal{Q}_v . Then

$$S_m|_v = (S_m|_{u_0})^{s_\beta} \simeq ((\mathbf{Q}e_1 \oplus \mathbf{Q}e_2)^m)^{\mathcal{Q}_v}. \tag{2.8}$$

From Table 1 of [7] we obtain the following form of the monodromy in the basis $\epsilon_\alpha = e_1^\alpha e_2^{m-\alpha}$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq m$, of the space $(\mathbf{Q}e_1 \oplus \mathbf{Q}e_2)^m$ for points v of type I_b or I_b^* ($b > 0$):

$$\epsilon_\alpha \mapsto (\pm 1)^m (e_1 + be_2)^\alpha e_2^{m-\alpha} = (\pm 1)^m \left(\epsilon_\alpha + \alpha b \epsilon_{\alpha-1} + \sum_{i \leq \alpha-2} * \cdot \epsilon_i \right).$$

Therefore the monodromy matrix is $(\pm 1)^m$ for $b = 0$ and

$$(\pm 1)^m \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ b & \cdot & \\ 2b & \cdot & \\ * & \cdot & \\ & & mb & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{2.9}$$

for $b > 1$, the action being on the right, with the + sign corresponding to I_b and the - sign corresponding to I_b^* . Then by (2.8) we obtain the first four columns of our table.

To compute our table at points with finite monodromy we use the relation

$$\dim_{\mathbf{Q}}((\mathbf{Q}e_1 \oplus \mathbf{Q}e_2)^m)^{\mathcal{Q}_v} = \dim_{\mathbf{C}}((\mathbf{C}e_1 \oplus \mathbf{C}e_2)^m)^{\mathcal{Q}_v}.$$

For a given point in $\mathbf{C}e_1 \oplus \mathbf{C}e_2$ there exists a new basis in which \mathcal{Q}_v is diagonal. Depending on the type II, II*; III, III*; IV, IV* of the point in Table 1 of [7], we obtain a corresponding diagonal matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{6}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{6}} \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 \\ 0 & \eta^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \eta = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}.$$

Therefore in some basis for the space $Ce_1 \oplus Ce_2$ the monodromy \mathcal{Q}_v has the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_\kappa^0 & e_\kappa^{-m} & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & e_\kappa^\alpha & e_\kappa^{-(m-\alpha)} & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & e_\kappa^m \cdot e_\kappa^0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where κ corresponds to the type of the point v in Table 2 of [7]. Consequently we obtain by (2.8) that

$$\dim_{\mathbf{Q}} S_m|_v = \# \{0 \leq \alpha \leq m \mid e_\kappa^{2\alpha} = e_\kappa^m\},$$

from which the last three columns of our table follow by an easy computation.

a. The irreducibility of the representation S is obvious for $w = 0$. Suppose $w > 1$. Then to prove part a it suffices to establish the irreducibility of the representation S of the fundamental group $\pi_1(\Delta')$ in $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w|_{u_0}$. Recall that the matrix of the representation S acts on the right. Since the functional invariant $J \not\equiv \text{const}$, there exists a point $v \in \Sigma$ of type I_b or I_b^* ($b > 1$) (see the values of $J(v)$ in Table 2 of [7]). Choose a point $u_0 \in \Delta'$ and a basis e_1, e_2 of the lattice $G|_{u_0}$, as was done in part c. Then in the basis $\varepsilon_0, \dots, \varepsilon_w$ (see c) there is a matrix of the representation S of form (2.9). The invariant subspaces for the group generated by the matrix (2.9) have the form $\bigoplus_0^m \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha$, $0 < m < w$. Suppose the representation S is reducible. In this case the subspace $\bigoplus_0^m \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha$ is invariant for $\pi_1(\Delta')$ for some $0 < m < w$. Consider the matrix $S_\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbf{Z})$ for any arbitrary $\gamma \in \pi_1(\Delta')$. By the invariance we have

$$\varepsilon_0 \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = (ce_1 + de_2)^w = c^w \varepsilon_w + \sum_{0 \leq \alpha < w} * \cdot \varepsilon_\alpha \in \bigoplus_{\alpha=0}^m \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha,$$

i.e. $c = 0$. It follows that all points of Δ have either type I_b or type I_b^* , and

$$S_{\gamma_l} = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b_l \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -b_l \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b_l \geq 0$$

(see 2.8). The relation (2.4) then leads to a contradiction, since $\sum_l b_l > 0$ for $J \not\equiv \text{const}$.

b. We use the notation and concepts of the preceding part. Since the coinvariant space for the group generated by the matrix (2.9) is

$$\bigoplus_{\alpha=0}^w \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha / \bigoplus_{\alpha=0}^{w-1} \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha \tag{2.10}$$

or 0, if b were false then (2.10) would be the coinvariant space of the representation S . Suppose that this were so. Then for the matrix

$$S_\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbf{Z})$$

for an arbitrary $\gamma \in \pi_1(\Delta')$ we would have

$$\varepsilon_w \left(\text{mod } \bigoplus_{\alpha=0}^{w-1} \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha \right) \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = a^w \varepsilon_w \left(\text{mod } \bigoplus_{\alpha=0}^{w-1} \mathbf{Q}\varepsilon_\alpha \right),$$

i.e. $a = \pm 1$. Iterating the matrix \mathcal{Q}_b if necessary, we may assume that the representation S determines some matrix $\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ with $b > 2$. Let

$$S_\tau = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

be any other matrix of the representation S . Then, since the matrix

$$\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix} = \pm \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + bc_1 & * \\ * & * \end{pmatrix}$$

is also determined by the representation, we have $a_1 + bc_1 = \pm 1$. Consequently $c_1 = 0$ and $d_1 = a_1 = \pm 1$. As in the proof of part a, this leads to a contradiction. ■

§3. Geometric realizations

3.1. Let \mathcal{F} be a locally constant sheaf of vector spaces over Δ' . As in 2.1, this sheaf extends to a sheaf \mathcal{F} over Δ . In this section Π denotes an arbitrary subset of Σ . Let F and F' be topological subvarieties of Δ with smooth boundary such that $\Delta \supset F \supset F'$ and $(\dot{F} \cup \dot{F}') \cap \Sigma = \emptyset$. Then the mapping of pairs $(\Delta, F') \hookrightarrow (\Delta, F)$ induces a homomorphism

$$H_i(\Delta, F', \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H_i(\Delta, F, \mathcal{F}) \tag{3.1}$$

in homology. In particular consider $F = \bigcup_{p \in \Pi} E_p$ consisting of small closed disks E_p around the points $p \in \Pi \subset \Delta$. Then a projective system of spaces $H_i(\Delta, F, \mathcal{F})$ with morphisms (3.1) is determined. We set

$$H_i(\Delta, \Pi, \mathcal{F}) = \varprojlim H_i(\Delta, F, \mathcal{F}).$$

For sufficiently small E_p this projective limit stabilizes and we have the isomorphism

$$H_i(\Delta, \Pi, \mathcal{F}) \simeq H_i(\Delta, F, \mathcal{F}). \tag{3.2}$$

Let $\Pi \supset \Pi'$. Then the exact sequence of the triple $\Delta \supset F \supset F'$ induces in the limit the following exact sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow H_1(\Delta, \Pi', \mathcal{F}) &\rightarrow H_1(\Delta, \Pi, \mathcal{F}) \\ \xrightarrow{\partial} H_0(\Pi, \Pi', \mathcal{F}|_{\Pi}) &\rightarrow H_0(\Delta, \Pi', \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H_0(\Delta, \Pi, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

since $H_1(F, F', \mathcal{F}|_F) = 0$ (in the future the restriction $\mathcal{F}|_F$ of the coefficients for the homology of a subvariety will not be indicated). We identify $H_1(\Delta, \Pi, \mathcal{F})$ with its image in $H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, \mathcal{F})$ under the embedding of 1-dimensional homology from the exact sequence (3.3) for the pair $\Pi \subset \Sigma$. Then by the functoriality of homology we have the inclusion $H_1(\Delta, \Pi', \mathcal{F}) \subset H_1(\Delta, \Pi, \mathcal{F})$ for $\Pi' \subset \Pi$. In the following considerations the role of the sheaf \mathcal{F} will be played by a subsheaf of $R_j\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}$. In contrast to §1 of [7], we will require (unless the contrary is stated) only one Σ , namely the finite set consisting of all singular points of Δ .

We denote by $\overline{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$ the image of the homology space $H_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$ in $H_j(B^w, B^w|_{\Sigma}, \mathbf{Q})$ under the natural homomorphism of the pair $(B^w, B^w|_{\Sigma})$. The aim of

this section is to define natural homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} GR_{0,j}: H_0(\Sigma, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) &\rightarrow H_j(B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}), \\ GR_{1,j}: H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) &\rightarrow H_{1+j}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}), \\ GR_{2,j}: H_2(\Delta, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) &\rightarrow H_{2+j}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \end{aligned}$$

and to apply them to describe the spaces $\bar{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$. These homomorphisms will be called *geometric realizations*. Their definition is given in 3.5, 3.4 and 3.10, and a discussion of the "geometry" in 3.6, 3.7 and 3.10.

From the decomposition into a direct sum of subsheaves $R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q} = \mathcal{F} \oplus \mathcal{F}'$ we have a decomposition of homology spaces $H_i(\cdot, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = H_i(\cdot, \mathcal{F}) \oplus H_i(\cdot, \mathcal{F}')$. In such a situation we will in what follows identify $H_i(\cdot, \mathcal{F})$ with the corresponding subspace of $H_i(\cdot, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q})$.

3.2. THEOREM. a. $GR_{0,j}$, $GR_{1,j}$ and $GR_{2,j}$ are monomorphisms.

b. The following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_0(\Sigma, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \\ \downarrow GR_{1,j} & & \downarrow GR_{0,j} \\ H_{1+j}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_j(B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \end{array}$$

c.

$$GR_{1,j-1}(H_1(\Delta, R_{j-1}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q})) \subset \bar{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q}), \quad GR_{2,j-2}(H_2(\Delta, R_{j-2}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q})) \subset \bar{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$$

and

$$\bar{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) = GR_{1,j-1}(H_1(\Delta, R_{j-1}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q})) \oplus GR_{2,j-2}(H_2(\Delta, R_{j-2}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q})).$$

d. $\bar{H}_{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) = GR_{1,w}(H_1(\Delta, (R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w)) \oplus H'$, where each homology class of the subspace H' decomposes into a sum of classes having some representation as a cyclic proper subvariety of B^w .

Part c of the theorem and Corollary 2.6 imply

3.3. COROLLARY. For odd j there is an isomorphism

$$\bar{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_1(\Delta, R_{j-1}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}). \quad \blacksquare$$

3.4. Let $F = \cup_1^l E_i$ and $\Delta_0 = \Delta - \text{Int } F$, where the E_i are sufficiently small disks around the points $v_i \in \Sigma$. Δ_0 and $B^w(2) = B^w|_{\Delta_0}$ are compact real varieties with smooth boundary. $B^w(2)$ is a fiber space over Δ_0 with fibers homeomorphic to the product of $2w$ circles. Consider a cell decomposition of the pair $(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0)$. To each decomposition corresponds a filtration of cell complexes over the base Δ_0 :

$$(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0), \quad (\Delta_0(1), \partial\Delta_0), \quad (\Delta_0(0), \partial\Delta_0(0)),$$

and this means also a filtration of complexes of the bundle $B^w(2)$:

$$(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2)), \quad (B^w(1), \partial B^w(1)), \quad (B^w(0), \partial B^w(0)).$$

Let $E'_{i,j}$ ($r > 0$) be the corresponding spectral sequence (see Chapter 9 of [9]). This sequence reduces to the term $E'_{1,j}$ for $r > 2$, since $E'_{1-r,j+r-1} = 0$ and $E'_{1+r,j-r+1} = 0$ for such r . From the assumption $J \cong \text{const}$ (see the proof of Lemma 2.7a) it follows that $\Sigma \neq \emptyset$, and this means $\partial\Delta_0 \neq \emptyset$. Therefore

$$\text{Im}(H_{1+j}(B^w(0), \partial B^w(0), \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_{1+j}(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q})) = 0.$$

Then we obtain the isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} H_1(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) &\simeq E_{1,j}^2 \simeq E_{1,j}^\infty \\ &\simeq \text{Im}(H_{1+j}(B^w(1), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_{1+j}(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q})). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, there is a natural homomorphic embedding

$$H_1(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \subset H_{1+j}(B^w|_{\Delta_0}, B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0}, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{3.4}$$

Moreover, there are isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} H_1(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) &\simeq H_1(\Delta, F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}), \\ H_{1+j}(B^w|_{\Delta_0}, B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0}, \mathbf{Q}) &\simeq H_{1+j}(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) \end{aligned}$$

by the excision theorem. Then the monomorphism (3.4) determines the canonical monomorphism

$$H_1(\Delta, F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \subset H_{1+j}(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{3.5}$$

Passing to the projective limit on both sides of (3.5), we obtain by Lemma 1.2 a canonical mapping $GR_{1,j}$. Obviously $GR_{1,j}$ is injective.

3.5. In analogy with 3.4, the spectral sequence of the filtration of the bundle $B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0}$, induced by the filtration of the skeletons of the base $\partial\Delta_0$, reduces to the term $E'_{0,j}$ for $r > 0$. Therefore there is a canonical monomorphism

$$H_0(\partial\Delta_0 = \partial F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \subset H_j(B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0 = \partial F}, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{3.6}$$

It is to establish the isomorphism $H_0(\partial F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_0(F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q})$ for the natural mapping of the pair $(F, \partial F)$. For the proof it suffices to consider a simple cell decomposition of the pair $(F = \cup'_1 E_l, \partial F = \cup'_1 \partial E_l)$; for example, 0-cells u_l ($1 < l < t$), 1-cells γ'_l ($1 < l < t$) and 2-cells E_l ($1 < l < t$) (see (2.8)). The composition of this isomorphism, the mapping (3.6), and the natural homomorphism $H_j(B^w|_{\partial F}, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_j(B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q})$ of the pair $(B^w|_F, B^w|_{\partial F})$ determines the canonical homomorphism

$$H_0(F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_j(B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{3.7}$$

Passing to the projective limit, we obtain the homomorphism $GR_{0,j}$, since

$$\lim_{\leftarrow} H_j(B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) = H_j(B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}).$$

Indeed, $H_j(B^w|_F, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) = 0$ for sufficiently small F (see the proof of Corollary 1.2). Then from the exact sequence of the pair $(B^w|_F, B^w|_\Sigma)$ we get the isomorphism

$$H_j(B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_j(B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}),$$

i.e.

$$\lim_{\leftarrow} H_j(B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) = H_j(B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{3.8}$$

3.6. We will give an explicit geometric description of the mapping $GR_{0,j}$. First we describe (3.7). Fix a cell decomposition of ∂F . The 2-cells E_l augment this complex to a decomposition of F . Let u_i be the 0-cells of the given complex. Then a 0-cycle with coefficients in $R_j\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}$ has the following form:

$$\sigma_0 = \sum m_i u_i,$$

where $m_i \in R_j\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{u_i} = H_j(B_{u_i}^w, \mathbf{Q})$. Consider an arbitrary representative $[m_i]$ of the homology class m_i in the fiber $B_{u_i}^w$. Then the homology class $\Sigma [m_i]$ in $B^w|_F$ is the image of the homology class of the 0-cycle σ_0 under the mapping (3.7). Further, for sufficiently small F the retraction of the cycle $\Sigma [m_i]$ in the fiber $B^w|_\Sigma$ and the isomorphism (3.8) describe the mapping $GR_{0,j}$.

3.7. Consider a cell decomposition of the pair (Δ, F) for sufficiently small F . We require that the intersection of this complex with F provide F with a cell decomposition of the type described in 3.6. Let $\Delta_0(1)$ be the 1-skeleton of the cell complex of (Δ, F) . We denote one-dimensional cells by γ . We construct a cell decomposition of the bundle $B^w|_{\Delta_0(1)}$ over the cell complex $\Delta_0(1)$. To do this, fix in each one-dimensional cell an arbitrary point u_0 and a basis e_1, e_2 in the lattice $G|_{u_0} = H_1(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Z})$, as in §1 of [7]. Then canonical periods z and 1 , $z \in H$, are determined, and $B_{u_0} \simeq \mathbf{C}/z\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}$. The lattice $z\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}$ determines a cell decomposition of the elliptic curve B_{u_0} : the 0-cell e is the image of 0 , the 1-cells e_1 and e_2 are the images of $z \times [0, 1]$ and $[0, 1]$ respectively, and the 2-cell ε is the image of $z \times [0, 1] \oplus [0, 1]$. We will call the dimension of the cells e, e_i and ε their *degree*. Then the concept of degree is defined in the free tensor algebra over \mathbf{Q} for these cells. The cell complex e, e_i, ε induces a cell decomposition of $B_{u_0}^w$, since $u_0 \in \Delta'$, and consequently

$$B_{u_0}^w = \underbrace{B_{u_0} \times \cdots \times B_{u_0}}_w.$$

We will call this cell decomposition of $B_{u_0}^w$ the *cell decomposition corresponding to the choice of basis in the lattice $G|_{u_0}$* (note that the basis must be chosen with negative orientation). The cells of this decomposition will be written as w -fold free tensor products of the cells e, e_i and ε . The dimension of the cell coincides with the degree of the corresponding tensor product. To each homology class $m \in H_j(B_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q})$ there corresponds a unique representation $[mu_0]$, a cycle in the cell decomposition corresponding to the choice of basis in $G|_{u_0}$. In the future by the representative $[m_i]$ in 3.6 we will mean the cycle described in this form. Continuation of the cell decomposition of $B_{u_0}^w$ along γ in both directions by the linear connection gives a cell decomposition of $B^w|_\gamma$ over γ , and continuation of the representative $[mu_0]$ gives the representative $[c\gamma]$ of the chain $c\gamma$, $c \in R_j\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{\text{Int } \gamma} \simeq H_j(B_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q})$. "Sections" of the cell decomposition over each point $u'_0 \in \gamma$ are also cell decompositions corresponding to a choice of basis in $G|_{u'_0}$. Each cell lies either over γ or over one of the ends $\partial\gamma$. A complete cell decomposition of $B^w|_{\Delta_0(1)}$ is obtained by taking the union of the cell complexes formed over γ by 1-cells and the intersection of terminal cell decompositions over each 0-cell of $\Delta_0(1)$. For an arbitrary 1-chain $\sigma_1 = \Sigma c\gamma$ with coefficients in $R_j\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}$ we set $[\sigma_1] = \Sigma [c\gamma]$. The geometric realization $[c\gamma]$ is a relative cycle of the pair $(B^w|_\gamma, B^w|_{\partial\gamma})$. Therefore $[\sigma_1]$ is a relative cycle of the pair $(B^w|_{\Delta_0(1)}, B^w|_{\Delta_0(0)})$. If σ_1 is a cycle of the pair (Δ, F) , then the boundary of the chain $[\sigma_1]$ is homologous to 0 over the interior 0-cells of $\Delta_0 = \Delta - F$. Therefore in

this case the chain $[\sigma_j]$ may be completed to a relative cycle (σ_j) of the pair $(B^w|_{\Delta_0(1)}, B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0})$ over the interior 0-cells of Δ_0 . The mapping (σ_j) induces the mapping (3.5). From this description of the mapping (3.5) and the description 3.6 of the mapping (3.7) we obtain the commutativity of the diagram

$$\begin{CD} H_1(\Delta, F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) @>\partial>> H_0(F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \\ @V(3.5)VV @VV(3.7)V \\ H_{1+j}(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) @>\partial>> H_j(B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}). \end{CD} \tag{3.9}$$

The boundaries of (σ_j) are situated over F . Retracting the boundaries of (σ_j) to $B^w|_\Sigma$, we obtain a description of the mapping $GR_{1,j}$, thanks to the isomorphism (3.2) for $\Pi = \Sigma$.

The isogeny of multiplication of the fiber $B_{u_0}^w$, $u_0 \in \Delta'$, by any integer n induces an analytic mapping of the pair $B^w|_{\Delta_0}, B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0}$. The corresponding mapping in homology we denote by n_* . We easily get the following result from the explicit description of the mapping (3.5), which of course applies also to (3.4).

3.8. LEMMA. $n_*|_{\text{Im}(3.4)} = n^j$.

For the proof it suffices to take a cell decomposition of the pair (Δ, F) such that all the 0-cells lie in F . ■

Fix a point $u_0 \in \Delta'$ and a basis e_1, e_2 in the lattice $G|_{u_0}$. Then $B_{u_0}^2$ has a cell decomposition corresponding to the choice of a negative basis. We denote by D the homology class of the diagonal of $B_{u_0}^2$ with the natural analytic orientation.

3.9. LEMMA. $D = \varepsilon \otimes e + e \otimes \varepsilon - (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)$.

3.10. Consider an F such that $u_0 \in \Delta_0$. Then by Theorem 2.5b

$$H_2(\Delta, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = H_2(\Delta, S_0^{r_j,0}) \simeq (R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0})^{\text{inv}},$$

where the invariant subspace is taken relative to the representation of $\text{SL}(2, \mathbf{Q})$ analogous to the representation (2.4) of the fundamental group $\pi_1(\Delta')$ (the action of the matrix is on the left in this case). This representation is defined by a componentwise Künneth decomposition (2.1) in the following way: it is induced by the choice of basis $G|_{u_0}$ for $R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0}$ (see (2.2)) and it is trivial for $R_0\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0}$ and $R_2\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0}$. Fix generators e and ε in the spaces $R_0\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0}$ and $R_2\Phi_*\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0}$ respectively. Let $a \in A_w$ be a permutation. It determines the analytic mapping $a : B^w|_{\Delta_0} \rightarrow B^w|_{\Delta_0}$ which permutes the components of the fiber, the i th component mapping to the $a(i)$ th. We denote by a_* the corresponding mapping in homology. We denote the corresponding action on the sheaf $R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}$ the same way. This mapping is connected as follows with the mapping a defined in 2.2 of the space of sections of $(R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w}|_{u_0}$: $a = \text{sign}(a)a_*$. Then from the decomposition (2.1), the isomorphism (2.2), and Lemma 2.3d we find that the space $(R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}|_{u_0})^{\text{inv}}$ has the following generators: the vectors

$$a_*(e^{\otimes k} \otimes \varepsilon^{\otimes l} \otimes (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)^{\otimes m})$$

of degree j , where $a \in A_w$, k, l and m are positive integers, and $k + l + 2m = w$, $l + m = j/2$. We put in correspondence with the vector

$$e^{\otimes k} \otimes \varepsilon^{\otimes l} \otimes (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)^{\otimes m}$$

of degree j the relative algebraic cycle $D_{k,l,m}$ of dimension $j + 2$ for the pair $(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma)$.

This cycle is uniquely determined by the following property:

$$D_{k,l,m} \Big|_{u \in \Delta'} = \underbrace{e \times \cdots \times e}_k \times \underbrace{e \times B_{u_0} \times \cdots \times B_{u_0}}_l \\ \times \underbrace{(B_{u_0} \times e + e \times B_{u_0} - D) \times \cdots \times (B_{u_0} \times e + e \times B_{u_0} - D)}_m.$$

It is easy to verify, using the symmetric compactification of B^w , that the mapping a extends to a regular morphism $a : B^w \rightarrow B^w$ (for the sequel its birationality and regularity over Δ' suffice, and they are obvious). We obtain the mapping $GR_{2,j}$ by putting the relative cycle $a_*(D_{k,l,m})$ in correspondence with the vector

$$a_*(e^{\otimes k} \otimes \varepsilon^{\otimes l} \otimes (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)^{\otimes m}).$$

We show that it is well defined. For odd j , the mapping $GR_{2,j}$ is trivial by Corollary 2.6. Therefore we assume that j is even, unless the contrary is stated. Consider the spectral sequence of (3.4). This sequence reduces to the term $E_{2,j}^r$ for $r > 2$. For $r > 3$ this is obvious. For $r = 2$ we have

$$E_{2,j}^3 = \text{Ker } d_{2,j}^2 / \text{Im } d_{0,j+1}^2 = \text{Ker } d_{2,j}^2 = E_{2,j}^2.$$

Since $H_0(\Delta, R_{j+1}\Phi_*^w) = 0$ by 2.6, we have

$$E_{0,j+1}^2 = H_0(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_{j+1}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_0(\Delta, F, R_{j+1}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_0(\Delta, R_{j+1}\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = 0.$$

Since the spectral sequence reduces to the term $E_{2,j}^2$, by the excision theorem we obtain the isomorphisms

$$H_2(\Delta, F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_2(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq E_{2,j}^2 \simeq E_{2,j}^\infty \\ \simeq H_{2+j}(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q}) / \text{Im } (H_{2+j}(B^w(1), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q}) \\ \rightarrow H_{2+j}(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q})) \simeq H_{2+j}(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) / \text{Im } (3.5).$$

Consequently there is a natural isomorphism

$$H_2(\Delta, F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_{2+j}(B^w, B^w|_F, \mathbf{Q}) / \text{Im } (3.5). \quad (3.10)$$

Passing to the projective limit on both sides of (3.10), we obtain the natural isomorphism

$$H_2(\Delta, \Sigma, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_{2+j}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) / \text{Im } GR_{1,j+1}. \quad (3.11)$$

By Lemma 3.9 and the geometric description of the mapping $GR_{2,j}$ given above we obtain the congruence (3.11) $\equiv GR_{2,j} \pmod{\text{Im } GR_{1,j+1}}$. Therefore to prove that $GR_{2,j}$ is well defined it suffices to establish the triviality of the intersection $H'' \cap \text{Im } GR_{1,j+1} = 0$, where H'' is the subspace of $H_{2+j}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q})$ generated by the algebraic cycles $a_*(D_{k,l,m})$ of dimension $j + 2$. Using the stability of the projective limits and the excision theorem, this problem may be reduced to proving the triviality of the intersection $H''|_{\Delta_0} \cap (3.4) = 0$ for sufficiently small F , where the subspace $H''|_{\Delta_0} \subset H_{2+j}(B^w|_{\Delta_0}, B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0}, \mathbf{Q})$ is generated by the restrictions of the algebraic cycles $a_*(D_{k,l,m})$ of dimension $j + 2$. The last is obvious from the relation $n_*|_{H''|_{\Delta_0}} = n^j$, and, by Lemma 3.8, $n_*|_{\text{Im}(3.4)} = n^{j+1}$. The operator n_* on the homology space $H_{2+j}(B^w|_{\Delta_0}, B^w|_{\partial\Delta_0}, \mathbf{Q})$ is induced by the fiberwise isogeny of multiplication by n .

Now we assume j arbitrary, not just even.

3.11. LEMMA. a. $GR_{1,j}$ and $GR_{2,j}$ are monomorphisms.

b. $H_{2+j}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) = \text{Im } GR_{2,j} \oplus \text{Im } GR_{1,j+1}$.

PROOF. The injectivity of $GR_{1,j}$ comes from the process of defining the homomorphism in 3.4. For even j the injectivity of $GR_{2,j}$ and the decomposition b are immediate corollaries of (3.11), since the intersection

$$\text{Im } GR_{2,j} \cap \text{Im } GR_{1,j+1} = H'' \cap \text{Im } GR_{1,j+1} = 0$$

is trivial, and the mapping (3.11) is induced by $GR_{2,j}$. Suppose j is odd. In this case the injectivity is obvious because of the triviality of $GR_{2,j}$ (see 2.6). Since $H_2(\Delta, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = 0$ and $H_1(F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = 0$ for sufficiently small F , we get the triviality of $H_2(\Delta, F, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = 0$ from the exact sequence of the pair (Δ, F) . Then $H_2(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = 0$ by the excision theorem. Consequently the spectral sequence of (3.4) reduces to the term $E_{2,j}^r$ for $r \geq 2$, and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= H_2(\Delta_0, \partial\Delta_0, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) = E_{2,j}^2 \simeq E_{2,j}^\infty \\ &\simeq H_{2+j}(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q}) / \text{Im}(H_{2+j}(B^w(1), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q}) \\ &\quad \rightarrow H_{2+j}(B^w(2), \partial B^w(2), \mathbf{Q})). \end{aligned}$$

This proves the surjectivity of (3.4) for $j + 1$, and similarly the surjectivity of (3.5). Therefore $GR_{1,j+1}$ is an isomorphism for odd j , which together with the triviality of $GR_{2,j}$ proves b . ■

Consider an arbitrary point $v \in \Delta$. Let $u_0 \in \Delta'$ be a point sufficiently close to v , i.e. $u_0 \in E_1$, a small closed disk around v satisfying Lemma 1.1. Then the composition of the embedding $B_{u_0}^w \hookrightarrow B^w|_{E_1} = B_1^w$ and the retraction $B_1^w \rightarrow B(1) = B^w|_v$ determines the following homomorphism:

$$H_j(B^w|_{u_0}, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_j(B^w|_v, \mathbf{Q}). \tag{3.12}$$

We denote by β a single positive circuit around the point v , $\beta \subset \Delta'$, with origin at the point u_0 . To this circuit there corresponds an endomorphism s_β of the space $H_j(B_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q})$ defined as in (1.3) of [7] by the natural connection on $B^w|_{\Delta'}$. Then (3.12) determines the specialization homomorphism

$$\text{Sp} : (H_j(B_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q}))^{\text{coinv}} \rightarrow H_j(B^w|_v, \mathbf{Q}),$$

where the space of coinvariant vectors is taken with respect to the endomorphism s_β .

3.12. PROPOSITION. *Sp is a monomorphism.*

PROOF OF THEOREM 3.2. a. The injectivity of $GR_{1,j}$ and $GR_{2,j}$ was proved in Lemma 3.11a. We prove injectivity for $GR_{0,j}$. Because of the stability of the projective limit it suffices to prove this for (3.7) for sufficiently small F . In this case $F = \cup_1^l E_l$ decomposes into the connected components E_l . Consequently, (3.7) also decomposes into a direct sum of natural homomorphisms

$$H_0(E_l, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_j(B^w|_{E_l}, \mathbf{Q}) \tag{3.13}$$

and it suffices to establish their injectivity for small E_l . Consider one of the disks, say E_1 , and assume it is so small that Lemma 1.1 holds. Let v be the center of the disk E_1 . Then we get a natural isomorphism $H_j(B_1^w, \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_j(B^w|_v, \mathbf{Q})$ as in the proof of the isomorphism (3.8). Proving the injectivity of $GR_{0,j}$ reduces to checking the injectivity of the composition

$$H_0(E_1, R_j\Phi_*^w\mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_j(B^w|_v, \mathbf{Q}) \tag{3.14}$$

of this isomorphism and the mapping (3.13) for $l = 1$. Consider the point $u_0 \in \partial E_1$ in the boundary of E_1 . This last choice determines a cell decomposition of E_1 : 0-cell u_0 , 1-cell ∂E_1 and 2-cell E_1 . It follows immediately from 3.6 that for this cell decomposition the mapping (3.14) assumes the form Sp. Therefore the injectivity of (3.14) follows from Proposition 3.12.

Part b follows from the commutative diagram (3.9) by passing to the projective limit.

c. From the construction 3.10 of the mapping $GR_{2,j-2}$ we have the inclusion $\text{Im } GR_{2,j-2} \subset \overline{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$. Therefore this part of the theorem is an immediate corollary of 3.4 and 3.2a,b, since

$$\text{Ker}(H_j(B^w, B^w|_{\Sigma}, \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{\partial} H_{j-1}(B^w|_{\Sigma}, \mathbf{Q})) = \overline{H}_j(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$$

from the exact sequence of the pair $(B^w, B^w|_{\Sigma})$.

d. By the construction of the mapping $GR_{2,w-1}$ we have $\text{Im } GR_{2,w-1} \subset H'$. Therefore by 3.2c it suffices to establish the analogous decomposition for $GR_{1,w}(H_1(\Delta, R_w \Phi_* \mathbf{Q}))$. The Künneth formula (2.1) for $j = w$ reduces this problem to the decomposition of $GR_{1,w}(H_1(\Delta, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w}))$. If even one $j_m \neq 1$, then by the description 3.7 of the mapping $GR_{1,w}$ we have

$$GR_{1,w} \left(H_1 \left(\Delta, \bigotimes_{m=1}^w R_{j_m} \Phi_* \mathbf{Q} \right) \right) \subset H'$$

The decomposition

$$GR_{1,w}(H_1(\Delta, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes w})) = GR_{1,w}(H_1(\Delta, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w)) \oplus H'_1,$$

where $H_1 \subset H'$, is an immediate corollary of 2.3c, 3.9 and 3.7. ■

PROOF OF LEMMA 3.9. We have

$$D = (e_2 \otimes e + e \otimes e_2) \otimes (e_1 \otimes e + e \otimes e_1) = \varepsilon \otimes e - e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1 + e \otimes e. \quad \blacksquare$$

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 3.12. a. We denote by

$$\overline{\text{Sp}}: H_j(B_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}} \rightarrow H_j(\overline{B}^w|_v, \mathbf{Q})$$

the composition of Sp with the natural homomorphism in homology induced by the projection $B^w|_v \rightarrow \overline{B}^w|_v$. We note that $B_{u_0}^w = \overline{B}_{u_0}^w$, since $u_0 \in \Delta'$. We will show below that $\overline{\text{Sp}}$ is a monomorphism, from which the injectivity of Sp follows immediately. The projection Ψ^w (see §3 of [7]) of the deformation of Lemma 1.1 determines a deformation retract of $\overline{B}_1^w = \overline{B}^w|_{E_1}$ onto $\overline{B}^w|_v$. Therefore we have the canonical isomorphism

$$H_j(\overline{B}_1^w, \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_j(\overline{B}^w|_v, \mathbf{Q}).$$

This isomorphism shows the equivalence of the injectivity of $\overline{\text{Sp}}$ and

$$H_j(\overline{B}_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}} \subset H_j(\overline{B}_1^w, \mathbf{Q}), \quad (3.15)$$

where the last homomorphism is induced by the natural mapping of the pair $(\overline{B}_1^w, \overline{B}_{u_0}^w)$.

b. *Reduction to the case I_b ($b > 1$).* We know that $\overline{B}_1^w \simeq C \setminus F^w$, where C is a finite cyclic group of order κ , with action compatible with the projection of σ on the base D (see [7], 2.2). In the case under consideration $D = \{|\sigma|^\kappa < \varepsilon\}$ is a closed disk. In the base

D the generator $e_\kappa = e^{2mi/\kappa}$ of the group C acts by multiplication. Therefore there is an isomorphism

$$(H_j(F_{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}^w, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}(D)})^{\text{coinv}(C)} = H_j(B_{u_0}^w, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}(E_1)},$$

where $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ is the arithmetic root, and $\text{coinv}(D)$ and $\text{coinv}(E_1)$ denote the coinvariants of the circuits around the boundaries ∂D and ∂E_1 ; $\text{coinv}(C)$ the coinvariants of the group C ; and $\tau(u_0) = \sigma^\kappa(u_0) = \varepsilon$. On the other hand,

$$H_j(\overline{B}_1^w, \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_j(F^w, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{inv}} \simeq H_j(F^w, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}}.$$

The last isomorphism follows from the semisimplicity of the representation of the finite cyclic group C of automorphisms in the homology space $H_j(F^w, \mathbf{Q})$. Consequently, to prove the injectivity of (3.15) it suffices to show the injectivity of

$$H_j(F_d^w, \mathbf{Q}) \subset H_j(F^w, \mathbf{Q})$$

for the natural mapping of the pair (F^w, F_d^w) , where $d \in \partial D$. Then from 2.2 of [7] and Chapter 8 of [10] it follows that F_0^w is the only singular fiber of F^w of type I_b ($b > 0$). This concludes the reduction to the case I_b .

c. If v has type I_0 , then $s_\beta = \text{id}$ and Sp is an isomorphism, since the bundle B_1^w is topologically trivial for sufficiently small E_1 .

d. Suppose the point v has type I_b ($b > 1$). It is easy to check that

$$H_0(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Q}) \simeq H_0(B_v, \mathbf{Q}), \quad H_1(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}} \simeq H_1(B_v, \mathbf{Q}), \\ H_2(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Q}) \subset H_2(B_v, \mathbf{Q}),$$

where in the first and last cases $s_\beta = \text{id}$. Hence by 2.2(ii) of [7] and by the Künneth decomposition (2.1) at the points u_0 and v , we obtain the injectivity of $\overline{\text{Sp}}$, since by (2.10)

$$(H_1(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Q})^{\otimes m})^{\text{coinv}} \simeq (H_1(B_{u_0}, \mathbf{Q})^{\text{coinv}})^{\otimes m}. \quad \blacksquare$$

§4. Nondegeneracy conditions of the canonical pairing

4.1. If $\omega \in H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1})$ is a first order differential form on Kuga's variety B^w , then its integrals are trivial along every chain of fibers over points of the base. Therefore a pairing

$$(\cdot, \cdot) : H_{w+1}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q}) \times H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \overline{\Omega}^{w+1}) \rightarrow \mathbf{C},$$

(homology class $\sigma, \omega) = \int_\sigma \omega$, is defined, where σ represents a homology class of the space $H_{w+1}(B^w, B^w|_\Sigma, \mathbf{Q})$ for some cell decomposition, and $\omega \in H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \overline{\Omega}^{w+1})$. The pairing (\cdot, \cdot) and the monomorphism $GR_{1,w}$ determine the pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, R_w \Phi_*^w \mathbf{Q}) \times H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \overline{\Omega}^{w+1}), \\ \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = (GR_{1,w}, \cdot).$$

The pairing $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is always nondegenerate on the right.

4.2. THEOREM. $H_1(\Delta, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w)^\perp = 0$, i.e. $\langle H_1(\Delta, (R_1 \Phi_* \mathbf{Q})^w), \omega \rangle = 0$ implies $\omega = 0$ for any $\omega \in H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \overline{\Omega}^{w+1})$.

The proof follows immediately from de Rham's theorem, Theorem 3.2d, and the triviality of the pairing of $H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \overline{\Omega}^{w+1})$ with H^1 . \blacksquare

4.3. COROLLARY. *If*

$$\dim H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1}) = (g-1)(w+1) + \sum_{b \geq 1} \frac{w}{2} (v(I_b) + v(I_b^*)) \\ + \left[\frac{w+2}{3} \right] (v(II) + v(II^*) + v(IV) + v(IV^*)) + \left[\frac{w+2}{4} \right] (v(III) + v(III^*))$$

for even $w > 0$,

$$\dim H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1}) = (g-1)(w+1) + \sum_{b \geq 1} \frac{w}{2} v(I_b) + \left(\frac{w+1}{2} \right) \left(\sum_{b \geq 0} v(I_b^*) \right. \\ \left. + v(II^*) + v(II) + v(III) + v(III^*) \right) + \left[\frac{w+2}{3} \right] (v(IV) + v(IV^*))$$

for odd $w > 0$, or

$$\dim H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1}) = g$$

for $w = 0$, then the pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle | H_1(\Delta, (R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w) \times H^0(B^w, \Omega^{w+1} \oplus \bar{\Omega}^{w+1})$$

is nondegenerate.

The proof follows directly from Theorems 3.2a, 2.5c, and 4.2. ■

§5. Application. The Shimura torus

Consider the Hodge decomposition of the $(w+1)$ -cohomology of B^w :

$$H^{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) \otimes \mathbf{C} = H^{w+1,0}(B^w) \oplus \dots \oplus H^{p,q}(B^w) \oplus \dots \oplus H^{0,w+1}(B^w).$$

We project $H^{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$ onto $H^{0,w+1}(B^w)$ and denote the resulting \mathbf{Q} -subspace by Q . On the other hand, we have

$$H_{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{D} H^{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_{0,w+1}} H^{0,w+1}(B^w), \quad (5.1)$$

where the mapping D comes from Poincaré duality. The mapping (5.1) may be realized as follows. An element $c \in H_{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q})$ determines on $H^{w+1,0}(B^w)$ the \mathbf{C} -functional $f_c \omega$, $\omega \in H^{w+1,0}(B^w)$, $(H^{w+1,0}(B^w))^* = H^{0,w+1}(B^w)$. Hence an element corresponding to f_c is determined in $H^{0,w+1}(B^w)$. This element is the image of c under the homomorphism (5.1). Since $f_c \omega = 0$ for any ω of type $(w+1, 0)$ and

$$c \in \text{Im}(H_{w+1}(B^w|_{\Sigma}, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H_{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q})),$$

(5.1) determines the mapping

$$\bar{H}_{w+1}(B^w, \mathbf{Q}) \rightarrow H^{0,w+1}(B^w). \quad (5.2)$$

By 3.2c, we may compose the mapping (5.2) and $GR_{1,w}$ to obtain a mapping

$$H_1(\Delta, (R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w) \rightarrow H^{0,w+1}(B^w). \quad (5.3)$$

5.1. PROPOSITION. $\text{Im}(5.3) = Q$.

The proof follows directly from 3.2d and the fact that D in (5.1) is an isomorphism. ■

5.2. DEFINITION. If $\dim_{\mathbf{Q}} Q = \dim_{\mathbf{R}} H^{0,w+1}(B^w)$, then the torus

$$T(B^w) = H^{0,w+1}(B^w)/Z$$

is determined up to isogeny, where $Z \subset \mathbf{Q} \subset H^{0,w+1}(B^w)$ is some lattice. $T(B^w)$ is called the *Shimura torus*. A Kuga variety for which this condition in the definition of the Shimura torus is satisfied will be called a *special Kuga variety*.

5.3. THEOREM. *If w is even and B^w is a special Kuga variety, then $T(B^w)$ is an abelian variety.*

This theorem is a generalization of Theorem 2 of [4] (see Theorem 7 of [6]).

PROOF. We interpret cohomology in terms of harmonic forms. Then $(\alpha, \beta)_{B^w} = \int_{B^w} \alpha \wedge \beta$. Consider the hermitian form

$$H(\omega_1, \omega_2) = 2i \int_{B^w} \omega_1 \wedge \bar{\omega}_2$$

on $H^{0,w+1}(B^w)$. The form H is real, hermitian, positive definite for $w + 2 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and negative definite for $w + 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Therefore by the Riemann-Frobenius condition (see §6 of [2]) it remains to verify the rationality of $\text{Im } H$ in \mathbf{Q} . If $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{Q}$, then

$$A = \alpha + \bar{\alpha}, \quad B = \beta + \bar{\beta}$$

are rational cohomology classes. Hence

$$A \wedge B = 2\text{Re}(\alpha \wedge \bar{\beta})$$

and therefore

$$\text{Im } H(\alpha, \beta) = \text{Im } 2i \int_{B^w} \alpha \wedge \bar{\beta} = (A, B)_{B^w} \in \mathbf{Q}. \quad \blacksquare$$

5.4. REMARKS. 1. The Jacobi variety $\Theta_{w/2}(B^w)$ ([2], §6) admits a canonical projection onto $T(B^w)$ in the category of complex tori up to isogeny.

2. Corollary 4.3 gives a sufficient condition for B^w to be a special Kuga variety.

§6. Application. The modular case

PROOF OF THEOREM 0.2. This assertion is a direct corollary of the definition from (0.1) of the pairing $(,)$:

$$(\sigma, (\varphi, \bar{\psi})) = \langle \sigma, \omega_\varphi + \bar{\omega}_\psi \rangle,$$

where $\sigma \in H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, (R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w)$, $\varphi, \psi \in S_{w+2}(\Gamma)$, and $w_\varphi, w_\psi \in H^0(B_\Gamma^w, \Omega^{w+1})$ are the corresponding regular differentials of Theorem 0.3 of [7], and also Corollary 4.3 of this paper and Corollary 5.3 and Theorem 0.3 of [7]. \blacksquare

Let $\mathbf{C} \supset K \supset \mathbf{Q}$ be an arbitrary field. Then we may define a canonical pairing

$$(,) : H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, (R_1\Phi_*K)^w) \times S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \oplus \overline{S_{w+2}(\Gamma)} \rightarrow \mathbf{C},$$

since

$$H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, (R_1\Phi_*K)^w) \simeq H_1(\Delta, \Sigma, (R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} K.$$

6.1. COROLLARY. *The pairing $(,)$ on*

$$H_1(\Delta, (R_1\Phi_*K)^w) \times S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \oplus \overline{S_{w+2}(\Gamma)}$$

is nondegenerate. \blacksquare

Moreover, we have

- 6.2. COROLLARY.** i) B_{Γ}^w is a special Kuga variety.
 ii) $T(B_{\Gamma}^w)$ is an abelian variety for even w .

PROOF. ii) follows from i) and 5.3. The proof of i) follows from the fact that

$$\dim_{\mathbf{Q}} Q = \dim_{\mathbf{R}} H^{0,w+1}(B_{\Gamma}^w),$$

since (5.3) is an embedding: by the nondegeneracy of $(,)$ and the relation $(, \bar{\omega}) = \overline{(, \omega)}$, and also from the equations

$$\begin{aligned} \dim_{\mathbf{Q}} H_1(\Delta, (R_1\Phi_*\mathbf{Q})^w) &= 2 \dim_{\mathbf{C}} H^{0,w+1}(B_{\Gamma}^w) \\ &= 2 \dim_{\mathbf{C}} H^0(B_{\Gamma}^w, \Omega^{\omega+1}) = 2 \dim_{\mathbf{C}} S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \end{aligned}$$

(see Theorem 0.3 and Corollary 5.3 of [7], and Theorem 2.5c of this paper). ■

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