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#### Abstract

The celebrated Smith–Minkowski–Siegel mass formula expresses the mass of a quadratic lattice (L,Q) as a product of local factors, called the local densities of (L,Q). This mass formula is an essential tool for the classification of integral quadratic lattices. In this paper, we will describe the local density formula explicitly by observing the existence of a smooth affine group scheme  $\underline{G}$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  with generic fiber  $\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}_2}(L,Q)$ , which satisfies  $\underline{G}(\mathbb{Z}_2) = \operatorname{Aut}_{\mathbb{Z}_2}(L,Q)$ . Our method works for any unramified finite extension of  $\mathbb{Q}_2$ . Therefore, we give a long awaited proof for the local density formula of Conway and Sloane and discover its generalization to unramified finite extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}_2$ . As an example, we give the mass formula for the integral quadratic form  $Q_n(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2$  associated to a number field k which is totally real and such that the ideal (2) is unramified over k.

#### 1. Introduction

The problem of local densities has intrigued many great mathematicians, including Gauss and Eisenstein, Smith and Minkowski, and Siegel. If (L,Q) is a quadratic R-lattice, where R is the ring of integers of a number field, then the celebrated Smith-Minkowski-Siegel mass formula expresses the mass of a quadratic lattice (L,Q) as a product of local factors, called the local densities of (L,Q). The local density is defined as the limit of a certain sequence. Pall [Pal65] (for  $p \neq 2$ ) and Watson [Wat76] (for p=2) computed this limit for an arbitrary lattice over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , thereby deriving an explicit formula for its local density. For an expository sketch of their approach, see [Kit93]. There is another proof of Hironaka and Sato [SH00] computing the local density when  $p \neq 2$ . They treat an arbitrary pair of lattices, not just a single lattice, over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (for  $p \neq 2$ ). Conway and Sloane [CS88] further developed the formula for any p and gave a heuristic explanation for it. They mentioned in [CS88] regarding the local density formula for p=2 that 'Watson's formula seems to us to be essentially correct' and in the footnote that 'in fact we could not quite reconcile Watson's version with ours; they appear to differ by a factor of  $2^n$  for n-dimensional forms. This is almost certainly due to our misunderstanding of Watson's conventions, which differ considerably from ours.' In addition, they mentioned in the same paper that 'The reader may be confident that our version of the general mass formula is correct.... has enabled us to test the formula very stringently.' Their formula was computationally tested stringently and the proof of Conway-Sloane's local density formula, when p=2, has not been published in literature.

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On the other hand, there is a simpler formulation of the local density as the integral of a certain volume form  $\omega^{\rm ld}$  over some open compact subgroup of an orthogonal group, due to Kneser, Tamagawa, and Weil. As explained in the introduction of [GY00], known methods unfortunately do not explain this formulation and involve complicated recursions.

Meanwhile, the work [GY00] by Gan and Yu is based on the existence of a smooth affine group scheme  $\underline{G}$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  with generic fiber  $\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}(L,Q)$ , which satisfies  $\underline{G}(\mathbb{Z}_p) = \operatorname{Aut}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(L,Q)$ . By constructing  $\underline{G}$  explicitly and determining its special fiber, they computed the integral and therefore obtained the formula for the local density when  $p \neq 2$ .

The main contribution of this paper is to construct  $\underline{G}$  and investigate its special fiber in order to get an explicit formula for the local density when L is a quadratic A-lattice, where A is an unramified finite extension of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . Therefore, we give a long awaited proof for the local density formula of Conway and Sloane. Furthermore, we discover its generalization to unramified finite extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}_2$ . The special fiber of  $\underline{G}$  has a large component group of the form  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^N$ . That is, we discover a large number of independent homomorphisms from the special fiber of  $\underline{G}$  to the constant group  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . Consequently, when replacing  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  by an unramified finite extension with residue field  $F_q$ , where q is a power of 2, the 2-power factor  $2^M$  in the formula of Conway and Sloane has to be replaced by  $2^N \cdot q^{M-N}$ . This fact is far from obvious from Conway–Sloane's explanation.

In conclusion, this paper, combined with [GY00], allows the computation of the mass formula for a quadratic R-lattice (L, Q) when the ideal (2) is unramified over R.

This paper is organized as follows. We first state the structural theorem for integral quadratic forms in § 2. We then give an explicit construction of  $\underline{G}$  (in § 3) and its special fiber (in § 4). Finally, by comparing  $\omega^{\text{ld}}$  and the canonical volume form  $\omega^{\text{can}}$  of  $\underline{G}$ , we obtain an explicit formula for the local density in § 5. In § 6, as an example, we give the mass formula for the integral quadratic form  $Q_n(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2$  associated to a number field k which is totally real and such that the ideal (2) is unramified over k. This formula is explicitly described using the Dedekind zeta function of k and a certain Hecke L-series.

As in [GY00], the smooth group schemes constructed in this paper should be of independent interest.

#### 2. Structural theorem for quadratic lattices and notation

#### 2.1 Notation

The notation and definitions in this subsection are taken from [O'Me55, O'Me00]. Let F be an unramified finite extension of  $\mathbb{Q}_2$  with A its ring of integers and  $\kappa$  its residue field.

We consider an A-lattice L with a quadratic form  $q: L \to A$ . We denote by a pair (L, q) a quadratic lattice. Let  $\langle -, - \rangle_q$  be the symmetric bilinear form on L such that

$$\langle x, y \rangle_q = \frac{1}{2} (q(x+y) - q(x) - q(y)).$$

We assume that  $\langle x,y\rangle_q\in A$  and  $V=L\otimes_A F$  is nondegenerate with respect to  $\langle -,-\rangle_q$ .

For any  $\epsilon \in A$ , we denote by  $(\epsilon)$  the A-lattice of rank 1 equipped with the symmetric bilinear form having Gram matrix  $(\epsilon)$ . We use the symbol  $\epsilon \cdot A(\alpha, \beta)$  to denote the A-lattice  $A \cdot e_1 + A \cdot e_2$  with the symmetric bilinear form having Gram matrix  $\epsilon \cdot {\alpha \choose 1}$ .

A quadratic lattice L is the *orthogonal sum* of sublattices  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , written  $L = L_1 \oplus L_2$ , if  $L_1 \cap L_2 = 0$ ,  $L_1$  is orthogonal to  $L_2$  with respect to the symmetric bilinear form  $\langle -, - \rangle_q$ , and  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  together span L.

The fractional ideal generated by q(X) as X runs through L will be called the *norm* of L and written N(L).

By the scale S(L) of L, we mean the fractional ideal generated by the subset  $\langle L, L \rangle_q$  of F.

The discriminant of L, denoted by d(L), is defined as the determinant of a Gram matrix defining the symmetric bilinear form  $\langle -, - \rangle_q$ , up to multiplication by the square of a unit.

We say (L,q) is unimodular if the discriminant d(L) is a unit and a Gram matrix defining  $\langle -, - \rangle_q$  has integral entries.

Definition 2.1. For a given quadratic lattice L:

- (a) a unimodular lattice L is of parity type I if N(L) = A; otherwise it is of parity type II;
- (b) (L,q) is modular if  $(L,a^{-1}q)$  is unimodular for some  $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$ , where a is unique up to a unit, and in this case the parity type of (L,q) is defined to be the parity type of  $(L,a^{-1}q)$ ;
  - (c) the zero lattice is considered to be modular of parity type II.

DEFINITION 2.2. We define the dual lattice of L, denoted by  $L^{\perp}$ , as

$$L^{\perp} = \{ x \in L \otimes_A F : \langle x, L \rangle_q \subset A \}.$$

Remark 2.3. (a) The scale S(L) of a unimodular lattice L is always A. Based on the definition of a unimodular lattice, the discriminant d(L) is a unit and a Gram matrix defining  $\langle -, - \rangle_q$  has integral entries. Thus there is at least one unit entry of a Gram matrix and this implies our claim.

(b) [O'Me00, 93:15] It is well known that a lattice of parity type I is diagonalizable. In other words,

$$L = \bigoplus_{i} (u_i),$$

where the  $u_i$  are units.

(c) If a unimodular lattice L is of parity type II, then

$$L = \bigoplus_{i} A(a_i, b_i),$$

where  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are elements of the prime ideal (2) of A. Thus the rank of L is even.

#### 2.2 Structural theorem for quadratic lattices

We state the structural theorem for unimodular lattices as follows. Indeed, this theorem is a summary of some results from [O'Me00, § 93].

THEOREM 2.4. Assume that L is unimodular. If L is of parity type I, then there is an orthogonal decomposition

$$L \cong \bigoplus_{i} A_i(0,0) \oplus K \oplus K'.$$

Here,  $A_i(0,0) = A(0,0)$ , K is empty or  $A(2,\lambda)$  with  $\lambda \in (2)$ , and K' is  $(\epsilon)$  or  $A(1,2\gamma)$  where  $\epsilon \equiv 1 \mod (2)$  and  $\gamma \in A$ .

If L is of parity type II, then we have an orthogonal decomposition

$$L \cong \bigoplus_{i} A_i(0,0) \oplus A(a,b).$$

Here  $A_i(0,0) = A(0,0)$  and  $a, b \in (2)$ .

*Proof.* We use notation and terminology from [O'Me00]. It is easily seen that the set q(L) + 2(S(L)) is an additive subgroup of F. We let M(L) denote the largest fractional ideal contained

in the group q(L) + 2(S(L)). Then we define the weight by 2(M(L)) + 2(S(L)). We call the scalar **a** a norm generator of L if  $\mathbf{a} \in q(L) + 2(S(L))$  and  $\mathbf{a}A = N(L)$ . We call the scalar **b** a weight generator of L if  $\mathbf{b}A = 2(M(L)) + 2(S(L))$ . Let d be the discriminant of L. Regard d as an element of the unit group  $\mathbf{u}$  of A.

We first state the following seven facts proved in [O'Me00, Example 93:10 and § 93:18].

- (i) For every unit u in the unit group  $\mathbf{u}$ , there is a solution v in  $\mathbf{u}$  such that  $v^2 \equiv u \pmod{2}$  because the residue field  $\kappa$  is perfect and of characteristic 2. Thus an A-lattice (u) of rank 1 is isometric to an A-lattice  $(\epsilon)$  of rank 1, where  $\epsilon \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ .
  - (ii) If dim  $L \geq 5$ , then

$$L \cong A(0,0) \oplus \cdots$$
.

(iii) We assume that dim L=4 with  $\operatorname{ord}_2\mathbf{a}+\operatorname{ord}_2\mathbf{b}$  odd. Here,  $\operatorname{ord}_2\mathbf{a}$  (respectively  $\operatorname{ord}_2\mathbf{b}$ ) is the exponential order of  $\mathbf{a}$  (respectively  $\mathbf{b}$ ) at the prime ideal (2) in A. We suppose that d has been expressed in the form  $d=1+\alpha$  with  $\alpha\in\mathbf{ab}A$ . For a given  $\varrho\in A$  such that  $4\varrho\in\mathbf{ab}A$ , consider the lattices

$$J = A(\mathbf{b}, 0) \oplus A(\mathbf{a}, -\alpha \mathbf{a}^{-1}),$$
  
$$J'_{\rho} = A(\mathbf{b}, 4\rho \mathbf{b}^{-1}) \oplus A(\mathbf{a}, -(\alpha - 4\rho) \mathbf{a}^{-1}).$$

Then L is isomorphic to J or  $J'_{o}$ .

(iv) If dim L = 2 with  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} + \operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b}$  odd, we have the following:

$$L \cong A(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}\varrho)$$
 for some  $\varrho \in A$ .

(v) Let dim L = 3 with  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} + \operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b}$  odd. Then we have

$$L \cong A(\mathbf{b}, 0) \oplus (-d)$$

or

$$L \cong A(\mathbf{b}, 4\varrho \mathbf{b}^{-1}) \oplus (-d(1-4\varrho))$$
 for some  $\varrho \in A$  such that  $4\varrho \in \mathbf{b}A$ .

(vi) If dim L = 2 with  $ord_2\mathbf{a} + ord_2\mathbf{b}$  even, we have

$$L \cong A(0,0)$$
 or  $L \cong A(2,2\varrho)$  for some  $\varrho \in A$ .

(vii) If dim  $L \ge 3$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} + \operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b}$  even, then

$$L \cong A(0,0) \oplus \cdots$$
.

From (ii), we may and do assume that the rank of L is at most 4.

Assume that L is of parity type I so that N(L) = A. Thus we may assume that  $\mathbf{a} = 1$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} = 0$ . Since  $2(S(L)) \subseteq 2(M(L)) + 2(S(L)) \subseteq (2)$  and 2(S(L)) = (2), we have the following equality:

$$(\mathbf{b}) = 2(M(L)) + 2(S(L)) = (2).$$

Hence  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b} = 1$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} + \operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b}$  is odd. We choose  $\mathbf{b} = 2$ . If the rank of L is odd (respectively even), the theorem follows from (i) and (v) (respectively from (iii) and (iv)).

If L is of parity type II so that N(L) = (2),  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} = \operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b} = 1$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{a} + \operatorname{ord}_2 \mathbf{b}$  is even. Choose  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b} = 2$ . Then the theorem follows from (vi) and (vii).

For a general lattice L, we have a Jordan splitting, namely  $L = \bigoplus_i L_i$  such that  $L_i$  is modular and the sequence  $\{s(i)\}_i$  increases, where  $(2^{s(i)}) = S(L_i)$ . Unfortunately, a Jordan splitting of L

is not unique. Nevertheless, we will attach certain well-defined quantities to L at the end of this section. We recall the following theorem from [O'Me00].

Theorem 2.5 [O'Me00, § 91:9]. Let

$$L = L_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus L_t, \quad L = K_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus K_T$$

be two Jordan splittings of L with  $L_i, K_j$  non-zero for all i, j. Then t = T. Furthermore, for  $1 \le i \le t$ , the scale, rank and parity type of  $L_i$  are the same as those of  $K_i$ .

If we allow  $L_i$  to be the zero lattice, then we may assume  $S(L_i) = (2^i)$  without loss of generality. We can rephrase this theorem as follows. Let  $L = \bigoplus_i L_i$  be a Jordan splitting with s(i) = i for all  $i \ge 0$ . Then the scale, rank and parity type of  $L_i$  depend only on L. We will deal exclusively with a Jordan splitting satisfying s(i) = i from now on.

#### 2.3 Lattices

In this subsection, we will define several lattices and corresponding notation. Assume that a quadratic lattice (L, q) is given and  $S(L) = (2^l)$ . The following lattices will play a significant role in our construction of the smooth integral model:

- $(1) A_i = \{ x \in L \mid \langle x, L \rangle_q \in 2^i A \};$
- (2) X(L), the sublattice of L such that X(L)/2L is the kernel of the symmetric bilinear form  $(1/2^l)\langle -, -\rangle_q \mod 2$  on L/2L;
- (3) B(L), the sublattice of L such that B(L)/2L is the kernel of the linear form  $(1/2^l)q \mod 2$  on L/2L.

To define our integral structure a few more lattices will be needed, but we need some preparation to define them.

Assume  $B(L) \subsetneq L$ . Hence the bilinear form  $(1/2^l)\langle -, -\rangle_q \mod 2$  on the  $\kappa$ -vector space L/X(L) is nonsingular symmetric and non-alternating. It is well known [KMRT98, Exercise 16, ch. 6] that there is a unique vector  $e \in L/X(L)$  such that  $((1/2^l)\langle v, e\rangle_q)^2 = (1/2^l)\langle v, v\rangle_q \mod 2$  for every vector  $v \in L/X(L)$ . Let  $\langle e \rangle$  denote the 1-dimensional vector space spanned by the vector e and denote by  $e^{\perp}$  the 1-codimensional subspace of L/X(L) orthogonal to the vector e with respect to  $(1/2^l)\langle -, -\rangle_q \mod 2$ . Then

$$B(L)/X(L) = e^{\perp}.$$

If B(L) = L, then the bilinear form  $(1/2^l)\langle -, -\rangle_q \mod 2$  on the  $\kappa$ -vector space L/X(L) is nonsingular symmetric and alternating. In this case, we put  $e = 0 \in L/X(L)$  and note that it is characterized by the same identity.

The remaining lattices we need for our definition are:

- (4) W(L), the sublattice of L such that  $W(L)/X(L) = \langle e \rangle$ ;
- (5) Y(L), the sublattice of L such that Y(L)/2L is the kernel of the symmetric bilinear form  $(1/2^l)\langle -, -\rangle_q \mod 2$  on B(L)/2L;
- (6) Z(L), the sublattice of L such that Z(L)/2L is the kernel of the quadratic form  $(1/2^{l+1})q \mod 2$  on B(L)/2L.

Remark 2.6. (a) We can associate the five lattices above (X(L), B(L), W(L), Y(L), Z(L)) to  $(A_i, (1/2^i)q)$ . Denote the resulting lattices by  $X_i, B_i, W_i, Y_i, Z_i$ .

(b) As  $\kappa$ -vector spaces, the dimensions of  $A_i/B_i$ ,  $W_i/X_i$ ,  $Y_i/Z_i$  are at most 1.

Let  $L = \bigoplus_i L_i$  be a Jordan splitting. We assign a type to each  $L_i$  as follows:

$$\begin{cases} I & \text{if } L_i \text{ is of parity } type \ I, \\ I^o & \text{if } L_i \text{ is of parity } type \ I \text{ and the rank of } L_i \text{ is odd,} \\ I^e & \text{if } L_i \text{ is of parity } type \ I \text{ and the rank of } L_i \text{ is even,} \\ II & \text{if } L_i \text{ is of parity } type \ II. \end{cases}$$

In addition, we say that  $L_i$  is

$$\begin{cases} \text{bound} & \text{if at least one of } L_{i-1} \text{ or } L_{i+1} \text{ is of parity } type \ I, \\ \text{free} & \text{if both } L_{i-1} \text{ and } L_{i+1} \text{ are of parity } type \ II. \end{cases}$$

Assume that a lattice  $L_i$  is free of type  $I^e$ . We denote by  $\bar{V}_i$  the  $\kappa$ -vector space  $B_i/Z_i$ . Then we say that  $L_i$  is

$$\begin{cases} \text{of } type \ I_1^e & \text{if the dimension of } \bar{V}_i \text{ is odd, equivalently, } X_i = Z_i, \\ \text{of } type \ I_2^e & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We stress that we do not assign a type  $I_1^e$  or  $I_2^e$  to bound lattices. Notice that each type of  $L_i$  is independent of the choice of a Jordan splitting.

Example 2.7. When L is unimodular, we assign a type to L according to the shape of K' described in Theorem 2.4 as follows.

K'	Type of $L$
Ø	II
$(\epsilon)$	$I^o$
$A(1,2\gamma)$ with $\gamma$ unit	$I_1^e$
$A(1,2\gamma)$ with $\gamma \in (2)$	$I_2^e$

Remark 2.8. We describe all these six lattices explicitly. We use the following conventions:  $\mathcal{L}_i$  denotes  $\bigoplus_{j\neq i} 2^{\max\{0,i-j\}} L_j$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{M}_i$  the  $\bigoplus_i A_i(0,0) \oplus K$  of Theorem 2.4, for any i, when  $L_i$  is of type I. When  $L_i$  is of type I, let  $\mathcal{M}_i = L_i$ . Theorem 2.4 involves a basis for a lattice K', which we write as  $\{e_1^{(i)}\}$  or  $\{e_1^{(i)}, e_2^{(i)}\}$  if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  or of type  $I^e$ , respectively.

For all cases, we have  $A_i = \mathcal{L}_i \oplus L_i$  and  $X_i = \mathcal{L}_i \oplus 2L_i$ . If  $L_i$  is of type I, then the vector  $e \in A_i/X_i$  is  $(0, \ldots, 0, 1)$ . Based on this, the lattices  $B_i, W_i, Y_i$  are as follows.

Type	$B_i$	$W_i$	$Y_i$
$I^o$	$\mathcal{L}_i \oplus \mathcal{M}_i \oplus 2Ae_1^{(i)}$	$\mathcal{L}_i \oplus \cdot 2\mathcal{M}_i \oplus Ae_1^{(i)}$	$X_i$
$I^e$	$\mathcal{L}_i \oplus \mathcal{M}_i \oplus 2Ae_1^{(i)} \oplus Ae_2^{(i)}$	$\mathcal{L}_i \oplus 2\mathcal{M}_i \oplus 2Ae_1^{(i)} \oplus Ae_2^{(i)}$	$W_i$
II	$A_i$	$X_i$	$X_i$

The description of  $Z_i$  is a little complicated. Note that when  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$  or bound, the dimension of  $Y_i/Z_i$  as a  $\kappa$ -vector space is 1. We describe it case by case below. The main idea is to start from  $Y_i$  then to find a co-rank 1 sublattice as the kernel of the associated linear form  $(1/2^{i+1})q \mod 2$  on  $Y_i/2Y_i$ .

- (i) If  $L_i$  is free of type  $I^o$ ,  $I_2^e$ , or II, then  $Z_i = Y_i$ .
- (ii) If  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ , then  $Z_i = X_i$ .
- (iii) Let  $\mathcal{J} = \{j \in \{i-1, i+1\} \mid L_j \text{ is of type } I\}$ . Let  $L_i$  be bound of type  $I^e$  and  $\gamma_i$  be an element in A such that  $L_i = 2^i \cdot (\mathcal{M}_i \oplus A(1, 2\gamma_i))$ .

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If  $\gamma_i$  is a unit in A, then

$$Z_{i} = \bigoplus_{j \notin \{i, i \pm 1\}} 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} L_{j} \oplus 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} \left( \bigoplus_{j \in \{i \pm 1\}} \mathcal{M}_{j} \oplus Ae_{2}^{(j)} \right) \oplus \left(2\mathcal{M}_{i} \oplus 2Ae_{1}^{(i)}\right)$$

$$\oplus \left\{ \left( \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} \cdot a_{j}e_{1}^{(j)} \right) + \left(\sqrt{\gamma_{i}} \cdot a_{i}e_{2}^{(i)}\right) \mid \text{each } a_{j}, a_{i} \in A, \left(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} a_{j}\right) + \sqrt{\gamma_{i}} \cdot a_{i} \in (2) \right\},$$

where the  $e_2^{(j)}$  factor should be ignored for those  $j \in \{i \pm 1\}$  such that  $L_j$  is not of type  $I^e$ , and  $\sqrt{\gamma_i}$  is an element of A such that  $\sqrt{\gamma_i} \mod 2 = \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma_i}} (\in \kappa)$  where  $\sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma_i}}$  is as explained at the beginning of Appendix A. If  $\gamma_i$  is not a unit in A, then

$$Z_{i} = \bigoplus_{j \notin \{i, i \pm 1\}} 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} L_{j} \oplus 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} \left( \bigoplus_{j \in \{i \pm 1\}} \mathcal{M}_{j} \oplus Ae_{2}^{(j)} \right) \oplus (2\mathcal{M}_{i} \oplus 2Ae_{1}^{(i)} \oplus Ae_{2}^{(i)})$$

$$\oplus \left\{ \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} \cdot a_{j} e_{1}^{(j)} \mid \text{each } a_{j} \in A, \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} a_{j} \in (2) \right\},$$

where the  $e_2^{(j)}$  factor should be ignored for those  $j \in \{i \pm 1\}$  such that  $L_j$  is not of type  $I^e$ .

(iv) If  $L_i$  is bound of type  $I^o$  or II, then

$$Z_{i} = \bigoplus_{j \notin \{i, i \pm 1\}} 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} L_{j} \oplus 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} \left( \bigoplus_{j \in \{i \pm 1\}} \mathcal{M}_{j} \oplus Ae_{2}^{(j)} \right) \oplus (2\mathcal{M}_{i} \oplus 2Ae_{1}^{(i)})$$

$$\oplus \left\{ \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} 2^{\max\{0, i - j\}} \cdot a_{j} e_{1}^{(j)} \mid \text{each } a_{j} \in A, \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} a_{j} \in (2) \right\},$$

where the  $e_2^{(j)}$  factor should be ignored for those  $j \in \{i \pm 1\}$  such that  $L_j$  is not of type  $I^e$ , and  $e_1^{(i)}$  should be ignored if  $L_i$  is of type II.

Remark 2.9. These six lattices have the following containment:

- (i) when  $L_i$  is free of type  $I^o$ ,  $A_i \supseteq B_i \supseteq Y_i = X_i = Z_i$ ,  $A_i \supseteq W_i \supseteq Y_i$ ;
- (ii) when  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_2^e$ ,  $A_i \supseteq B_i \supseteq W_i = Y_i = Z_i \supseteq X_i$ ;
- (iii) when  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ ,  $A_i \supseteq B_i \supseteq W_i = Y_i \supseteq X_i = Z_i$ ;
- (iv) when  $L_i$  is free of type II,  $A_i = B_i \supseteq W_i = Y_i = X_i = Z_i$ ;
- (v) when  $L_i$  is bound of type  $I^o$ ,  $A_i \supseteq B_i \supseteq Y_i = X_i \supseteq Z_i$ ,  $A_i \supseteq W_i \supseteq Y_i$ ;
- (vi) when  $L_i$  is bound of type  $I^e$ ,  $A_i \supseteq B_i \supseteq W_i = Y_i \supseteq X_i$ ,  $Y_i \supseteq Z_i$ ;
- (vii) when  $L_i$  is bound of type II,  $A_i = B_i \supseteq W_i = Y_i = X_i \supseteq Z_i$ .

From now on, the pair (L,q) is fixed throughout this paper and  $\langle -,-\rangle$  denotes  $\langle -,-\rangle_q$ .

#### 3. The smooth integral model G

Let  $\underline{G}'$  be a naive integral model of the orthogonal group O(V,q), where  $V=L\otimes_A F$ , such that for any commutative A-algebra R,

$$\underline{G}'(R) = \operatorname{Aut}_R(L \otimes_A R, q \otimes_A R).$$

Let G be the smooth group scheme model of O(V,q) such that

$$\underline{G}(R) = \underline{G}'(R)$$

for any étale A-algebra R. Notice that  $\underline{G}$  is uniquely determined with these properties by [GY00, Proposition 3.7]. For a detailed exposition of the relation between the local density of (L, q) and G, see [GY00, § 3].

In this section, we give an explicit construction of the smooth integral model  $\underline{G}$ . The construction of  $\underline{G}$  is based on that of [GY00, §5]. Let  $K = \operatorname{Aut}_A(L,q) \subset \operatorname{GL}_F(V)$ , and  $\overline{K} = \operatorname{Aut}_{A^{\operatorname{sh}}}(L \otimes_A A^{\operatorname{sh}}, q \otimes_A A^{\operatorname{sh}})$ , where  $A^{\operatorname{sh}}$  is the strict henselization of A. To ease the notation, we say  $q \in \overline{K}$  stabilizes a lattice  $M \subseteq V$  if  $q(M \otimes_A A^{\operatorname{sh}}) = M \otimes_A A^{\operatorname{sh}}$ .

#### 3.1 Main construction

In this subsection, we observe properties of elements of  $\bar{K}$  and their matrix interpretation. We choose a Jordan splitting  $L = \bigoplus_i L_i$  and, for each i, fix a basis of  $L_i$  according to Theorem 2.4. Let g be an element of  $\bar{K}$ .

(1) First of all, as explained in [GY00, § 5.1], g stabilizes the dual lattice  $L^{\perp}$  of L. It is equivalent to saying that g stabilizes  $A_i$  for every integer i. We interpret this fact in terms of matrices.

Let  $n_i = \operatorname{rank}_A L_i$ , and  $n = \operatorname{rank}_A L = \sum n_i$ . Assume that  $n_i = 0$  unless  $0 \le i < N$ . We always divide a matrix g of size  $n \times n$  into  $N^2$  blocks such that the block in position (i,j) is of size  $n_i \times n_j$ . For simplicity, the row and column numbering starts at 0 rather than 1. The fact that g stabilizes  $L^{\perp}$  means that the (i,j)-block has entries in  $2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}A^{\operatorname{sh}}$ .

From now on, we write

$$g = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}g_{i,j}).$$

- (2) An element g of  $\bar{K}$  stabilizes  $A_i, B_i, W_i, X_i$  and induces the identity on  $A_i/B_i$  and  $W_i/X_i$ . We also interpret these facts in terms of matrices as described below:
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the diagonal (i, i)-block  $g_{i,i}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & 2y_i \\ 2v_i & 1+2z_i \end{pmatrix} \in GL_{n_i}(A^{\operatorname{sh}}),$$

where  $s_i$  is an  $(n_i - 1) \times (n_i - 1)$ -matrix, etc;

(b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the diagonal (i, i)-block  $g_{i,i}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & r_i & 2t_i \\ 2y_i & 1 + 2x_i & 2z_i \\ v_i & u_i & 1 + 2w_i \end{pmatrix} \in GL_{n_i}(A^{\operatorname{sh}}),$$

where  $s_i$  is an  $(n_i - 2) \times (n_i - 2)$ -matrix, etc.

(3) An element g of  $\bar{K}$  stabilizes  $Z_i$  and induces the identity on  $W_i/(X_i \cap Z_i)$ . To prove the latter, we choose an element w in  $W_i$ . It suffices to show that  $gw - w \in X_i \cap Z_i$ . By (2), it suffices to show that  $gw - w \in Z_i$ . This follows from the computation

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{2} \cdot (1/2^i) q(gw - w) &= \frac{1}{2} (2 \cdot (1/2^i) q(w) - 2 \cdot (1/2^i) \langle gw, w \rangle) \\ &= (1/2^i) (q(w) - \langle w + x, w \rangle) = (1/2^i) \langle x, w \rangle \\ &= 0 \bmod 2. \end{split}$$

where gw = w + x for some  $x \in X_i$ .

In terms of matrices, we have the following:

(a) if  $L_i$  is of type II or free, there is no new constraint. Thus we assume that  $L_i$  is bound of type I;

- (b) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II, then the  $(n_{i-1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i-1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (c) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II, then the  $(n_{i-1}-1, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i-1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (d) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type II and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^o$ , then the  $(n_{i+1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i+1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (e) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type II and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^e$ , then the  $(n_{i+1}-1, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i+1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (f) if  $L_{i-1}$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type  $I^o$ , then the sum of the  $(n_{i-1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i-1,i}$  and the  $(n_{i+1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i+1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (g) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^e$ , then the sum of the  $(n_{i-1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i-1,i}$  and the  $(n_{i+1} 1, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i+1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (h) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^o$ , then the sum of the  $(n_{i-1}-1, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i-1,i}$  and the  $(n_{i+1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i+1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (i) if  $L_{i-1}$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type  $I^e$ , then the sum of the  $(n_{i-1}-1, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i-1,i}$  and the  $(n_{i+1}-1, n_i)$ th-entry of  $g_{i+1,i}$  lies in the prime ideal (2).
- (4) The fact that g induces the identity on  $W_i/(X_i \cap Z_i)$  for all i is equivalent to the fact that g induces the identity on  $(X_i \cap Z_i)^{\perp}/W_i^{\perp}$  for all i.

We give another description of this condition. Since the space V has a nondegenerate bilinear form  $\langle -, - \rangle$ , V can be identified with its own dual. We define the adjoint  $g^*$  characterized by  $\langle gv, w \rangle = \langle v, g^*w \rangle$ . Then the fact that g induces the identity on  $(X_i \cap Z_i)^{\perp}/W_i^{\perp}$  is the same as the fact that  $g^*$  induces the identity on  $W_i/(X_i \cap Z_i)$ .

To interpret the above in terms of matrices, we notice that  $g^*$  is an element of  $\bar{K}$  as well. Thus if we apply (3) to  $g^*$ , we have the following:

- (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II or free, then there is no new constraint. Thus we assume that  $L_i$  is bound of type I;
- (b) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type I,  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II, then the  $(n_i, n_{i-1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i-1}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (c) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type I,  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II, then the  $(n_i 1, n_{i-1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i-1}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (d) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type II,  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type I, then the  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (e) if  $L_{i-1}$  is of type II,  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type I, then the  $(n_i 1, n_{i+1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (f) if  $L_{i-1}$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type I and  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , then the sum of the  $(n_i, n_{i-1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i-1}$  and the  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (g) if  $L_{i-1}$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type I and  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , then the sum of the  $(n_i-1, n_{i-1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i-1}$  and the  $(n_i-1, n_{i+1})$ th-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  lies in the prime ideal (2).
- (5) By combining (3) and (4), we obtain the following:
- (a) if  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type  $I^o$ , the  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$ th- (respectively  $(n_{i+1}, n_i)$ th)-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  (respectively  $g_{i+1,i}$ ) lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (b) if  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type  $I^e$ , the  $(n_i 1, n_{i+1})$ th- (respectively  $(n_{i+1} 1, n_i)$ th)-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  (respectively  $g_{i+1,i}$ ) lies in the prime ideal (2);

- (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^e$ , the  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$ th- (respectively  $(n_{i+1} 1, n_i)$ th)-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  (respectively  $g_{i+1,i}$ ) lies in the prime ideal (2);
- (d) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^o$ , the  $(n_i 1, n_{i+1})$ th- (respectively  $(n_{i+1}, n_i)$ th)-entry of  $g_{i,i+1}$  (respectively  $g_{i+1,i}$ ) lies in the prime ideal (2).
- (6) Consequently, we have the following matrix form for g:

$$g = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}g_{i,j}),$$

where  $g_{i,i}$  is as described in (2), and  $g_{i,i+1}$  and  $g_{i+1,i}$  are as described in (5).

### 3.2 Construction of $M^*$

We first state the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.1. Let V be an F-vector space. Let  $\{\phi_i\} \subset \operatorname{Hom}_F(V, F)$  be a finite set F-spanning  $\operatorname{Hom}_F(V, F)$ . Define a functor from the category of commutative flat A-algebras to the category of sets as follows:

$$X: R \mapsto \{x \in V \otimes_A R \mid (\phi_i \otimes_A R)(x) \in R \text{ for all } i\}.$$

Then X is representable by the affine space  $\mathbf{A}^{\dim_F V}$  over A of dimension  $\dim_F V$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{\psi_1, \ldots, \psi_m\}$  be a basis of an A-span of  $\{\phi_i\}$ . Let  $v_1, \ldots, v_m$  be the dual basis. Then we have the following:

$$X(R) = \bigoplus_{i} Rv_{i}.$$

This completes the proof.

We define a functor from the category of commutative flat A-algebras to the category of monoids as follows. For any commutative flat A-algebra R, set

$$m \in \underline{M}(R)$$
 if and only if  $m \in \operatorname{End}_R(L \otimes_A R)$ 

with the following conditions:

- (1) m stabilizes  $A_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $B_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $W_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $X_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $Y_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $Z_i \otimes_A R$  for all i;
- (2) m induces the identity on  $A_i \otimes_A R/B_i \otimes_A R, W_i \otimes_A R/(X_i \cap Z_i) \otimes_A R, (X_i \cap Z_i)^{\perp} \otimes_A R/W_i^{\perp} \otimes_A R$  for all i.

Then by the above lemma, the functor  $\underline{M}$  is representable by a unique flat A-algebra  $A(\underline{M})$  which is a polynomial ring over A in  $n^2$  variables. Moreover, it is easy to see that  $\underline{M}$  has the structure of a scheme in monoids by showing that M(R) is closed under multiplication.

We stress that the above description of  $\underline{M}(R)$ , the set of R-points on the scheme  $\underline{M}$ , is no longer true when R is a  $\kappa$ -algebra. Now suppose that R is a  $\kappa$ -algebra. By choosing a basis for L as in § 3.1, we describe each element of  $\underline{M}(R)$  formally as a matrix  $(2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j})$ , where  $m_{i,j}$  is an  $(n_i \times n_j)$ -matrix with entries in R as described in § 3.1. To multiply  $(m_{i,j})$  and  $(m'_{i,j})$ , we refer to the description of  $[GY00, \S 5.3]$ .

Let d be the determinant of the matrix  $(2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j})$ . Then  $\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)$  is an open subscheme of M.

We define a functor from the category of commutative A-algebras to the category of groups as follows. For  $m \in \underline{M}(R)$  with R a commutative A-algebra, set

$$\underline{M}^*(R) = \{ m \in \underline{M}(R) : \text{there exists } m^{-1} \in \underline{M}(R) \text{ such that } m \cdot m^{-1} = m^{-1} \cdot m = 1 \}.$$

We claim that  $\underline{M}^*$  is representable by  $\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)$ . Notice that  $\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)(R)$ , the set of R-points of  $\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)$  for a flat A-algebra R, is characterized by

$$\{m \in \underline{M}(R) : \text{there exists } \widetilde{m}^{-1} \in \operatorname{End}_R(L \otimes_A R) \text{ such that } m \cdot \widetilde{m}^{-1} = \widetilde{m}^{-1} \cdot m = 1\}.$$

Note that  $\underline{M}(R) \subset \operatorname{End}_R(L \otimes_A R)$  for a flat A-algebra R.

We first show that  $\widetilde{m}^{-1}$  ( $\in$  End<sub>R</sub>( $L \otimes_A R$ )) with  $m \in \underline{M}(R)$  is an element of  $\underline{M}(R)$  for every flat A-algebra R. To verify this statement, it suffices to show that  $\widetilde{m}^{-1}$  satisfies conditions (1) and (2) defining  $\underline{M}$  and it follows from Lemma 3.2 which will be stated below. For any flat A-algebra R, we consider the following well-defined map:

$$\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)(R) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)(R), \quad m \mapsto \widetilde{m}^{-1}.$$

Since  $\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)$  is affine and flat, this map is represented by a morphism as schemes. This implies that if  $m \in \operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)(R)$  then  $\widetilde{m}^{-1} \in \underline{M}(R)$  for any commutative A-algebra R. Therefore,

Spec 
$$(A(\underline{M})_d)(R) = \underline{M}^*(R)$$

for any commutative A-algebra R. We now state Lemma 3.2.

LEMMA 3.2. Let L' be a sublattice of L and m be an element of Spec  $(A(\underline{M})_d)(R)$ , where R is a flat A-algebra. Assume that m stabilizes  $L' \otimes_A R$ . Then this lattice  $L' \otimes_A R$  is stabilized by  $\widetilde{m}^{-1}$  as well.

*Proof.* Since m stabilizes  $L' \otimes_A R$ , we have that  $m \cdot L' \otimes_A R \subset L' \otimes_A R$ . In addition, m is an element of  $\operatorname{Spec}(A(\underline{M})_d)(R)$  and so the determinant of m is a unit in R. Therefore,  $m \cdot L' \otimes_A R = L' \otimes_A R$ . This implies that  $\widetilde{m}^{-1} \cdot L' \otimes_A R = L' \otimes_A R$ .

Therefore, we conclude that  $\underline{M}^*$  is an open subscheme of  $\underline{M}$ , with generic fiber  $M^* = \operatorname{GL}_F(V)$ , and that  $\underline{M}^*$  is smooth over A. Moreover,  $\underline{M}^*$  is a group scheme since  $\underline{M}$  is a scheme in monoids.

Remark 3.3. We give another description for the functor  $\underline{M}$ . Let us define a functor from the category of commutative flat A-algebras to the category of rings as follows.

For any commutative flat A-algebra R, set

$$M'(R) \subset \{m \in \operatorname{End}_R(L \otimes_A R)\}\$$

with the following conditions:

- (1) m stabilizes  $A_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $B_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $W_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $X_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $Y_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $Z_i \otimes_A R$  for all i;
- (2) m maps  $A_i \otimes_A R, W_i \otimes_A R, (X_i \cap Z_i)^{\perp} \otimes_A R$  into  $B_i \otimes_A R, (X_i \cap Z_i) \otimes_A R, W_i^{\perp} \otimes_A R$ , respectively.

Then the functor  $\underline{M}$  is the same as the functor  $1 + \underline{M}'$ , where  $(1 + \underline{M}')(R) = \{1 + m : m \in \underline{M}'(R)\}.$ 

# 3.3 Construction of Q

Recall that the pair (L,q) is fixed throughout this paper and the lattices  $A_i$ ,  $B_i$ ,  $W_i$ ,  $X_i$ ,  $Y_i$ ,  $Z_i$  only depend on the quadratic pair (L,q). For any flat A-algebra R, let  $\underline{Q}(R)$  be the set of quadratic forms f on  $L \otimes_A R$  such that  $S(L,f) \subseteq S(L,q)$  and f satisfies the following conditions:

- (a)  $\langle L \otimes_A R, A_i \otimes_A R \rangle_f \subset 2^i R$  for all i;
- (b)  $X_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$  is contained in the kernel of the symmetric bilinear form  $\langle -, \rangle_{f,i} \mod 2$  on  $A_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$ . Here,  $\langle -, \rangle_{f,i} = (1/2^i)\langle -, \rangle_f$ ;

- (c)  $B_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$  is contained in the kernel of the linear form  $(1/2^i)f \mod 2$  on  $A_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$ ;
- (d) assume  $B_i \subsetneq A_i$ . We have seen the existence of the unique vector  $e \in A_i/X_i$  such that  $\langle v, e \rangle_{q,i}^2 = \langle v, v \rangle_{q,i} \mod 2$  for every vector  $v \in A_i/X_i$  in § 2.3. Then  $e \otimes 1 \in A_i \otimes_A R/X_i \otimes_A R$  also satisfies the condition that  $\langle v, e \otimes 1 \rangle_{f,i}^2 = \langle v, v \rangle_{f,i} \mod 2$  for every vector  $v \in A_i \otimes_A R/X_i \otimes_A R$ ;
- (e)  $Y_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$  is contained in the kernel of the symmetric bilinear form  $\langle -, \rangle_{f,i} \mod 2$  on  $B_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$ ;
- (f)  $Z_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$  is contained in the kernel of the quadratic form  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot (1/2^i)f$  mod 2 on  $B_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R$ ;
- (g)  $(1/2^i)f \mod 2 = (1/2^i)q \mod 2 \text{ on } A_i \otimes_A R/2A_i \otimes_A R;$
- (h)  $(1/2^i)f(w_i) (1/2^i)q(w_i) \in (4)$ , where  $w_i \in W_i \otimes_A R$ ;
- (i)  $\langle a_i, w_i \rangle_{f,i} \equiv \langle a_i, w_i \rangle_{g,i} \mod 2$ , where  $a_i \in A_i \otimes_A R$  and  $w_i \in W_i \otimes_A R$ ;
- (j)  $\langle w_i', w_i \rangle_f \in R$  and  $\langle z_i', z_i \rangle_f \in R$ . Here,  $w_i' \in W_i^{\perp} \otimes_A R$ ,  $w_i \in W_i \otimes_A R$  and  $z_i' \in (X_i \cap Z_i)^{\perp} \otimes_A R$ ,  $z_i \in (X_i \cap Z_i) \otimes_A R$ . In addition,  $\langle w_i, z_i' \rangle_f \langle w_i, z_i' \rangle_q \in R$ .

We interpret the above conditions in terms of matrices. For a flat A-algebra R,  $\underline{Q}(R)$  is the set of symmetric matrices

$$\left(2^{\max\{i,j\}}f_{i,j}\right)$$

of size  $n \times n$  satisfying the following.

- (1) The size of  $f_{i,j}$  is  $n_i \times n_j$ .
- (2) If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  with respect to q, then  $f_{i,i}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_i & 2b_i \\ 2 \cdot {}^t b_i & \epsilon + 4c_i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here, the diagonal entries of  $a_i$  are  $\equiv 0 \mod 2$ , where  $a_i$  is an  $(n_i - 1) \times (n_i - 1)$ -matrix, etc.

(3) If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , then  $f_{i,i}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_i & {}^tb_i & 2e_i \\ b_i & 1 + 2a_i & 1 + 2c_i \\ 2 \cdot {}^te_i & 1 + 2c_i & 2\gamma_i + 4f_i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here, the diagonal entries of  $d_i$  are  $\equiv 0 \mod 2$ , where  $d_i$  is an  $(n_i - 2) \times (n_i - 2)$ -matrix, etc.

- (4) If  $L_i$  is of type II, then the diagonal entries of  $f_{i,i}$  are  $\equiv 0 \mod 2$ .
- (5) If  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type I, then the  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$ th-entry of  $f_{i,i+1}$  lies in the ideal (2).

It is easy to see, by Lemma 3.1, that Q is represented by a flat A-scheme which is isomorphic to an affine space of dimension  $(n^2 + n)/2$ . Note that our fixed quadratic form q is an element of Q(A).

#### 3.4 Smooth affine group scheme $\underline{G}$

THEOREM 3.4. For any flat A-algebra R, the group  $\underline{M}^*(R)$  acts on the right of  $\underline{Q}(R)$  by  $f \circ m = {}^t m \cdot f \cdot m$ . Then this action is represented by an action morphism of schemes

$$\underline{Q} \times \underline{M}^* \longrightarrow \underline{Q}.$$

*Proof.* We start with any  $m \in \underline{M}^*(R)$  and  $f \in \underline{Q}(R)$ . It suffices to show that  $f \circ m$  satisfies conditions (a) to (j) given in §3.3.

From the construction of  $\underline{M}^*$ , it is obvious that  $f \circ m$  satisfies conditions (a) to (f).

Condition (g) is obvious from the fact that m stabilizes  $A_i$  and  $B_i$  and induces the identity on  $A_i/B_i$ .

The fact that m induces the identity on  $W_i/X_i$  and  $W_i/Z_i$  implies that  $f \circ m$  satisfies condition (h).

For condition (i), it suffices to show that  $\langle ma_i, mw_i \rangle_{f,i} \equiv \langle a_i, w_i \rangle_{q,i} \mod 2$ . We denote  $ma_i = a_i + b_i$  and  $mw_i = w_i + x_i$ , where  $b_i \in B_i \otimes_A R$ ,  $x_i \in X_i \otimes_A R$ . Now it suffices to show  $\langle a_i + b_i, x_i \rangle_{f,i} + \langle b_i, w_i \rangle_{f,i} \equiv 0 \mod 2$ . Firstly,  $\langle a_i + b_i, x_i \rangle_{f,i} \equiv 0 \mod 2$  by the definition of the lattice  $X_i$ . Secondly, we have  $\langle b_i, w_i \rangle_{f,i} \mod 2 \equiv 0$  by observing that  $\langle b_i, e \rangle_{f,i}^2 \equiv \langle b_i, b_i \rangle_{f,i} \equiv 0 \mod 2$  when  $B_i \subsetneq A_i$ , where e is the unique vector chosen earlier. If  $B_i = A_i$ , it is obvious because  $W_i = X_i$ .

For condition (j), it suffices to prove that  $\langle mw_i, mz_i' \rangle_f - \langle w_i, z_i' \rangle_q \in R$ . Notice that  $mw_i = w_i + z_i$  and  $mz_i' = z_i' + w_i'$ , where  $z_i \in (X_i \cap Z_i) \otimes_A R$  and  $w_i' \in W_i^{\perp}$ . Thus, this can be easily seen by the fact that  $\langle w_i, w_i' \rangle_f + \langle z_i, z_i' \rangle_f + \langle z_i, w_i' \rangle_f \in R$ .

THEOREM 3.5. Let  $\rho$  be the morphism  $\underline{M}^* \to \underline{Q}$  defined by  $\rho(m) = q \circ m$ . Then  $\rho$  is smooth of relative dimension dim O(V, q).

*Proof.* The theorem follows from [GY00, Theorem 5.5] and the following lemma.  $\Box$ 

LEMMA 3.6. The morphism  $\rho \otimes \kappa : \underline{M}^* \otimes \kappa \to Q \otimes \kappa$  is smooth of relative dimension dim O(V,q).

*Proof.* The proof is based on [GY00, Lemma 5.5.2]. It is enough to check the statement over the algebraic closure  $\bar{\kappa}$  of  $\kappa$ . By [Har77, III.10.4], it suffices to show that, for any  $m \in \underline{M}^*(\bar{\kappa})$ , the induced map on the Zariski tangent space  $\rho_{*,m}: T_m \to T_{\rho(m)}$  is surjective.

We define two functors from the category of commutative flat A-algebras to the category of abelian groups as follows:

$$T_1(R) = \{m-1 : m \in \underline{M}(R)\},\$$
  
 $T_2(R) = \{f-q : f \in Q(R)\}.$ 

The functor  $T_1$  (respectively  $T_2$ ) is representable by a flat A-algebra which is a polynomial ring over A in  $n^2$  (respectively  $(n^2 + n)/2$ ) variables. Moreover, they have the structure of a commutative group scheme since they are closed under addition. In fact,  $T_1$  is the same as the functor M' in Remark 3.3.

We still need to introduce another functor on flat A-algebras. Define  $T_3(R)$  to be the set of all  $(n \times n)$ -matrices y over R with the following conditions.

(a) The (i,j)-block  $y_{i,j}$  of y has entries in  $2^{\max(i,j)}R$  so that

$$y = \left(2^{\max(i,j)}y_{i,j}\right).$$

Here, the size of  $y_{i,j}$  is  $n_i \times n_j$ .

(b) If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ ,  $y_{i,i}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & 2y_i \\ 2v_i & 2z_i \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{n_i}(R),$$

where  $s_i$  is an  $(n_i - 1) \times (n_i - 1)$ -matrix, etc.

(c) If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ ,  $y_{i,i}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & r_i & 2t_i \\ y_i & x_i & 2z_i \\ 2v_i & 2u_i & 2w_i \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{n_i}(R),$$

where  $s_i$  is an  $(n_i - 2) \times (n_i - 2)$ -matrix, etc.

(d) If  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type I, then both the  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$ th-entry of  $y_{i,i+1}$  and the  $(n_{i+1}, n_i)$ th-entry of  $y_{i+1,i}$  lie in the ideal (2).

It is easy to see that the functor  $T_3$  is represented by a flat A-scheme.

Then we identify  $T_m$  with  $T_1(\bar{\kappa})$  and  $T_{\rho(m)}$  with  $T_2(\bar{\kappa})$ . The map  $\rho_{*,m}: T_m \to T_{\rho(m)}$  is then  $X \mapsto m^t \cdot q \cdot X + X^t \cdot q \cdot m$ , where the sum and the multiplication are to be interpreted as in [GY00, § 5.3].

To prove surjectivity, it suffices to show the following three statements:

- (1)  $X \mapsto q \cdot X$  is a bijection  $T_1(\bar{\kappa}) \to T_3(\bar{\kappa})$ ;
- (2) for any  $m \in M^*(\bar{\kappa})$ ,  $Y \mapsto {}^t m \cdot Y$  is a bijection from  $T_3(\bar{\kappa})$  to itself;
- (3)  $Y \mapsto {}^tY + Y$  is a surjection  $T_3(\bar{\kappa}) \to T_2(\bar{\kappa})$ .
  - (3) is direct from the construction of  $T_3(\bar{\kappa})$ . Hence we provide the proof of (1) and (2).

For (1), we first observe that two functors  $T_1$  and  $T_3$  are representable by flat affine schemes. Therefore, it suffices to show that the map

$$T_1(R) \longrightarrow T_3(R), \quad X \mapsto q \cdot X$$

is bijective for a flat A-algebra R. To prove this, it suffices to show that the map  $T_1(R) \to T_3(R)$ ,  $X \mapsto q \cdot X$  and the map  $T_3(R) \to T_1(R), Y \mapsto q^{-1} \cdot Y$  are well defined for all flat A-algebras R.

For the first map, it suffices to show that  $q \cdot X$  satisfies the four conditions defining the functor  $T_3$ . We represent the given quadratic form q by a symmetric matrix  $(2^i \cdot \delta_i)$  with  $2^i \cdot \delta_i$  for the (i, i)-block and 0 for the remaining blocks. We express

$$X = (2^{\max\{0, j-i\}} x_{i,j}).$$

Then

$$q \cdot X = \left(2^{\max(i,j)} y_{i,j}\right).$$

Here,  $y_{i,i} = \delta_i \cdot x_{i,i}$ ,  $y_{i,i+1} = \delta_i \cdot x_{i,i+1}$  and  $y_{i+1,i} = \delta_{i+1} \cdot x_{i+1,i}$ . These matrix equations are easily computed and so we conclude  $q \cdot X \in T_3(R)$ .

For the second map, we express  $Y = (2^{\max(i,j)}y_{i,j})$  and  $q^{-1} = (2^{-i} \cdot \delta_i^{-1})$ . Then we have the following:

$$q^{-1} \cdot Y = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}} x_{i,j}).$$

Here,  $x_{i,i} = \delta_i^{-1} \cdot y_{i,i}$ ,  $x_{i,i+1} = \delta_i^{-1} \cdot y_{i,i+1}$  and  $x_{i+1,i} = \delta_{i+1}^{-1} \cdot y_{i+1,i}$ . From these, it is easily checked that  $q^{-1} \cdot Y$  is an element of  $T_1(R)$ .

For (2), it suffices to show that the map

$$T_3(\bar{\kappa}) \to T_3(\bar{\kappa}), \quad Y \mapsto {}^t m \cdot Y \text{ for any } m \in \underline{M}^*(\bar{\kappa}),$$

is well defined so that its inverse map  $Y \mapsto {}^t m^{-1} \cdot Y$  is well defined as well.

We again express  $m = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j})$  and  $Y = (2^{\max(i,j)}y_{i,j})$ . We need to show that  $t m \cdot Y$  satisfies four conditions defining the functor  $T_3$ .

Condition (a) is explained in [GY00, Lemma 5.5.2]. For the second and the third, we observe that the diagonal (i, i)-block of  ${}^t m \cdot Y$  is

$$2^{i \cdot t} m_{i,i} \cdot y_{i,i} + \sum_{j \neq i} 2^{\max\{0,i-j\} + \max\{j,i\}} \cdot {}^{t} m_{j,i} \cdot y_{i,j}.$$

Notice that  $\max\{0, i-j\} + \max\{j, i\}$  is greater than i if  $j \neq i$ . By observing the above equation, it is easily seen that  ${}^t m \cdot Y$  satisfies conditions (b) and (c).

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Finally we observe that the (i, i + 1)-block of  ${}^t m \cdot Y$  is

$$2^{i+1} \cdot {}^{t}m_{i,i} \cdot y_{i,i+1} + 2^{i+1} \cdot {}^{t}m_{i,i+1} \cdot y_{i+1,i+1} + 2^{i+2} \cdot \widetilde{y_{i,i+1}}$$

for some  $\widetilde{y_{i,i+1}}$  and the (i+1,i)-block of  ${}^tm\cdot Y$  is

$$2^{i+1} \cdot {}^{t}m_{i+1,i} \cdot y_{i,i} + 2^{i+1} \cdot {}^{t}m_{i+1,i+1} \cdot y_{i+1,i} + 2^{i+2} \cdot \widetilde{y_{i+1,i}}$$

for some  $\widetilde{y_{i+1,i}}$ . From these, one can easily check that  $tm \cdot Y$  satisfies condition (d).

Let  $\underline{G}$  be the stabilizer of q in  $\underline{M}^*$ . It is an affine group subscheme of  $\underline{M}^*$ , defined over A. Thus, we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.7. The group scheme  $\underline{G}$  is smooth, and  $\underline{G}(R) = \operatorname{Aut}_R(L \otimes_A R, q \otimes_A R)$  for any étale A-algebra R.

#### 4. The special fiber

In this section, we will determine the structure of the special fiber  $\tilde{G}$  of  $\underline{G}$  by observing the maximal reductive quotient and the component group. From this section to the end, the identity matrix is denoted by id.

#### 4.1 The reductive quotient of the special fiber

Recall that  $Z_i$  is the sublattice of  $B_i$  such that  $Z_i/2A_i$  is the kernel of the quadratic form  $(1/2^{i+1})q \mod 2$  on  $B_i/2A_i$ . Let  $\bar{V}_i = B_i/Z_i$  and let  $\bar{q}_i$  denote the nonsingular quadratic form  $(1/2^{i+1})q \mod 2$  on  $\bar{V}_i$ . It is obvious that each element of  $\underline{G}(R)$  fixes  $\bar{q}_i$  for every flat A-algebra R. Based on this, we claim to have a morphism of algebraic groups

$$\varphi_i: \tilde{G} \to \mathrm{O}(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\mathrm{red}}$$

defined over  $\kappa$ , where  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$  is the reduced subgroup scheme of  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)$ . Notice that if the dimension of  $\bar{V}_i$  is even and positive, then  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}} (= O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i))$  is disconnected. If the dimension of  $\bar{V}_i$  is odd, then  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}} (= SO(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i))$  is connected.

To prove the above claim, let R be an étale local A-algebra with  $\kappa_R$  the residue field of R. Since  $\underline{G}$  is smooth over A, the map  $\underline{G}(R) \to \tilde{G}(\kappa_R)$  is surjective by Hensel's lemma.

Now, we choose an element  $g \in \tilde{G}(\kappa_R)$  and its lifting  $\tilde{g} \in \underline{G}(R)$ . Since  $\tilde{g}$  induces an element of  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}(\kappa_R)$ , we have a map from  $\tilde{G}(\kappa_R)$  to  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}(\kappa_R)$ . It is easy to see that this map is well defined, i.e. independent of a lifting  $\tilde{g}$  of g.

In order to show that this map is representable, we interpret it as matrices. Recall that a matrix form of elements of  $\tilde{G}(\kappa_R)$  is

$$\left(2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j}\right),\,$$

where the diagonal block  $m_{i,i}$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & 2y_i \\ 2v_i & 1+2z_i \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} s_i & r_i & 2t_i \\ 2y_i & 1+2x_i & 2z_i \\ v_i & u_i & 1+2w_i \end{pmatrix}$$

if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  or of type  $I^e$ , respectively.

Let  $g = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j})$ . Then g maps to the following. When  $L_i$  is of type II, g maps to  $m_{i,i}$  (if  $L_i$  is free) or to

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_{i,i} & 0 \\ \delta_{i-1}e_{i-1} \cdot m_{i-1,i} + \delta_{i+1}e_{i+1} \cdot m_{i+1,i} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(if  $L_i$  is bound). Here,

$$\delta_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } L_j \text{ is of } type \ I, \\ 0 & \text{if } L_j \text{ is of } type \ II, \end{cases}$$

and  $e_j = (0, ..., 0, 1)$  (respectively  $e_j = (0, ..., 0, 1, 0)$ ) of size  $1 \times n_j$  if  $L_j$  is of type  $I^o$  (respectively of type  $I^e$ ).

When  $L_i$  is of type I, g maps to  $s_i$  if  $L_i$  is free of type  $I^o$  or free of type  $I_2^e$ . For the other cases with  $L_i$  of type I, namely if  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ , bound of type  $I^o$ , or bound of type  $I^e$ , g maps to

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & 0 \\ \delta_i' \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma_i}} \cdot v_i + (\delta_{i-1} e_{i-1} \cdot m_{i-1,i} + \delta_{i+1} e_{i+1} \cdot m_{i+1,i}) \cdot \tilde{e_i} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here,  $\delta_j$  and  $e_j$  are as explained above and  $\sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i}$  is as explained at the beginning of Appendix A. In addition,

$$\delta_i' = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } L_i \text{ is of } type \ I^e, \\ 0 & \text{if } L_i \text{ is of } type \ I^o, \end{cases}$$

and  $\tilde{e_i} = \binom{\text{id}}{0}$  of size  $n_i \times (n_i - 1)$  (respectively  $n_i \times (n_i - 2)$ ), where id is the identity matrix of size  $(n_i - 1) \times (n_i - 1)$  (respectively  $(n_i - 2) \times (n_i - 2)$ ), if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  (respectively of type  $I^e$ ).

This matrix interpretation induces the Hopf algebra morphism (polynomials of degree at most 1) from the coordinate ring of  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$  to the coordinate ring of  $\tilde{G}$ , which accordingly induces an algebraic group homomorphism  $\varphi_i : \tilde{G} \to O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$  such that the group homomorphism induced by  $\varphi_i$  at the level of  $\kappa_R$ -points is as given above.

Since  $\tilde{G}$  is smooth over  $\kappa$ , the set of  $\kappa_R$ -points of  $\tilde{G}$  for all finite extensions  $\kappa_R/\kappa$  is dense in  $\tilde{G}$  by [BLR90, Corollary 13 of § 2.2]. Therefore,  $\varphi_i$  is uniquely determined by the map constructed above at the level of  $\kappa_R$ -points.

Theorem 4.1. The morphism  $\varphi$  defined by

$$\varphi = \prod_i \varphi_i : \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \prod_i O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$$

is surjective.

*Proof.* Assume that dimension of  $\tilde{G} =$  dimension of  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi + \sum_i (\operatorname{dimension of } O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\operatorname{red}})$ . Thus we see that  $\operatorname{Im} \varphi$  contains the identity component of  $\prod_i O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\operatorname{red}}$ . Here  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$  denotes the kernel of  $\varphi$  and  $\operatorname{Im} \varphi$  denotes the image of  $\varphi$ .

Recall that a matrix form of elements of G(R) for a  $\kappa$ -algebra R is

$$m = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}} m_{i,j}),$$

where the diagonal block  $m_{i,i}$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & 2y_i \\ 2v_i & 1+2z_i \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} s_i & r_i & 2t_i \\ 2y_i & 1+2x_i & 2z_i \\ v_i & u_i & 1+2w_i \end{pmatrix}$$

if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  or of type  $I^e$ , respectively.

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the set of i such that  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$  is disconnected. Notice that  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$  is disconnected exactly when  $L_i$  is free of type I, free of type  $I^o$ , or free of type  $I_2^e$ . For such a lattice  $L_i$ , we define the closed subgroup scheme  $H_i$  of  $\tilde{G}$  as follows.

- If  $L_i$  is free of type II, then  $H_i$  is defined by the equations  $m_{j,k} = 0$  if  $j \neq k$ , and  $m_{j,j} = \mathrm{id}$  if  $j \neq i$ .
- If  $L_i$  is free of type  $I^o$ , then  $H_i$  is defined by the equations  $m_{j,k} = 0$  if  $j \neq k$ ,  $m_{j,j} = \text{id}$  if  $j \neq i$ , and  $y_i = 0, v_i = 0, z_i = 0$ .
- If  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_2^e$ , then  $H_i$  is defined by the equations  $m_{j,k} = 0$  if  $j \neq k$ ,  $m_{j,j} = \text{id}$  if  $j \neq i$ , and  $r_i = 0, t_i = 0, y_i = 0, z_i = 0, v_i = 0, u_i = 0, w_i = 0$ .

Then  $\varphi_i$  induces an isomorphism between  $H_i$  and  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$ . We consider the morphism

$$\prod_{i\in\mathcal{H}}H_i\longrightarrow \tilde{G},$$

 $(h_i)_{i\in\mathcal{H}}\mapsto\prod_{i\in\mathcal{H}}h_i$ . Note that  $H_i$  and  $H_j$  commute with each other in the sense that  $h_i\cdot h_j=h_j\cdot h_i$  for all  $i\neq j$ , where  $h_i\in H_i(R)$  and  $h_j\in H_j(R)$  for a  $\kappa$ -algebra R. Based on this, the above morphism becomes a group homomorphism. In addition, the fact that  $H_i\cap H_j=0$  for all  $i\neq j$  implies that this morphism is injective. Thus the product  $\prod_{i\in\mathcal{H}}H_i$  is embedded into  $\tilde{G}$  as a closed subgroup scheme. Since  $\varphi_i|_{H_i}$  is trivial for  $i\neq j$ , the morphism

$$\prod_{i \in \mathcal{H}} \varphi_i : \prod_{i \in \mathcal{H}} H_i \to \prod_{i \in \mathcal{H}} \mathcal{O}(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)$$

is an isomorphism. Therefore,  $\varphi$  is surjective. Now it suffices to establish the assumption made at the beginning of the proof, which is the next lemma.

LEMMA 4.2. Ker  $\varphi$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{A}^l \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$  as  $\kappa$ -varieties, where  $\mathbf{A}^l$  is an affine space of the dimension l. Here:

- $\alpha$  is the number of i such that  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ ;
- $\beta$  is the size of the set of j such that  $L_j$  is of type I and  $L_{j+2}$  is of type II;
- l is such that  $l + \sum_{i} (\text{dimension of } O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}) = \text{dimension of } \tilde{G}$ .

The proof is postponed to Appendix A.

Remark 4.3. We describe Im  $\varphi_i$  as follows.

Type of lattice $L_i$	$\operatorname{Im} \varphi_i$
$I^o$ , free	$O(n_i-1,\bar{q}_i)$
$I_1^e$ , free	$SO(n_i-1,\bar{q_i})$
$I_2^e$ , free	$O(n_i-2,\bar{q}_i)$
II, free	$\mathrm{O}(n_i, \bar{q}_i)$
$I^o$ , bound	$\mathrm{SO}(n_i, ar{q}_i)$
$I^e$ , bound	$SO(n_i-1,\bar{q_i})$
II, bound	$SO(n_i+1,\bar{q}_i)$

#### 4.2 The first construction of component groups

The purpose of this subsection and the next subsection is to define the surjective morphism from  $\tilde{G}$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are defined in Lemma 4.2.

We first define two constant group schemes  $E_i$  and  $F_i$ . We consider the closed subgroup scheme  $\tilde{H}_i$  of  $\tilde{G}$  defined by equations

$$m_{i,j} = 0$$
 and  $m_{j,j} = \text{id}$  for all  $j \neq i$ .

Then  $\tilde{H}_i$  is isomorphic to the special fiber of the smooth affine group scheme associated to the lattice  $L_i$ .

If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , then a matrix form of elements of  $\tilde{H}_i$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} s & r & 2t \\ 2y & 1+2x & 2z \\ v & u & 1+2w \end{pmatrix}.$$

The subgroup scheme  $E_i$  is defined by the following equations:

$$s = id$$
,  $r = 0$ ,  $t = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $v = 0$ ,  $z = 0$  and  $w = 0$ .

The equations defining the subgroup scheme  $F_i$  is as follows:

$$s = id$$
,  $r = 0$ ,  $t = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $v = 0$ ,  $u = 0$  and  $w = 0$ .

Obviously, these are closed subgroup schemes of  $\tilde{G}$ . If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , then  $F_i$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . In particular, if  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ , then  $E_i$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  as well.

If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , then a matrix form of elements of  $H_i$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_i & 2y_i \\ 2v_i & 1+2z_i \end{pmatrix}.$$

The closed subgroup scheme  $F_i$  of  $\tilde{H}_i$  is defined by equations

$$s_i = id$$
,  $y_i = 0$  and  $v_i = 0$ 

and it is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ .

We now construct the morphism  $\xi_i: \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . Assume that  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ . Consider the linear form

$$\frac{1}{2^i}\langle -, e \rangle \mod 2 \text{ on } A_i/X_i,$$

where e is the vector in  $A_i/X_i$  as defined in § 2.3. This linear form is fixed by elements of  $\underline{G}(R)$  for a flat A-algebra R, because the vector e is fixed by elements of  $\underline{G}(R)$ . We choose an arbitrary linear form l on  $A_i$  such that

$$l \mod 2 = \frac{1}{2i} \langle -, e \rangle \mod 2 \text{ on } A_i / X_i.$$

Define the quadratic form q' by  $l^2$ . Notice that the norm of the quadratic lattice  $(A_i, (1/2^i)q + q')$  is the prime ideal (2). If we consider the quadratic form  $\frac{1}{2}((1/2^i)q + q')$  mod 2 defined over the  $\kappa$ -vector space  $A_i/X_i$ , then it is stabilized by elements of  $\underline{G}(R)$  for a flat A-algebra R. It is obvious that this quadratic form defined over  $A_i/X_i$  is nonsingular and independent of the choice of l. Thus we have a morphism of algebraic groups

$$\tilde{G} \longrightarrow O\left(A_i/X_i, \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2^i}q + q'\right)\right)$$

defined over  $\kappa$ . As matrices, if we express  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j} \end{pmatrix} \in \tilde{G}(R)$  with  $m_{i,i} = \begin{pmatrix} s_i & r_i & 2t_i \\ 2y_i & 1+2x_i & 2z_i \\ v_i & u_i & 1+2w_i \end{pmatrix}$  for a  $\kappa$ -algebra R, then g maps to  $\begin{pmatrix} s_i & r_i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ v_i & u_i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Note that the dimension of the  $\kappa$ -vector space  $A_i/X_i$  is the same as that of  $L_i/2L_i$ , which is the even integer  $n_i$ . On the other hand, there is a surjective morphism from this orthogonal group onto  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , namely the Dickson invariant, since the dimension of the  $\kappa$ -vector space  $A_i/X_i$  is even. We define

$$\xi_i: \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

to be the composition of the Dickson invariant and the preceding morphism.

Remark 4.4. We describe the Dickson invariant as the determinant morphism of a smooth affine group scheme. Let  $(\bar{V}, \bar{q})$  be a nonsingular quadratic space, where  $\bar{V}$  is a  $\kappa$ -vector space of even dimension. Then we can choose a unimodular lattice (L,q) of type II such that  $(L/2L, \frac{1}{2}q \mod 2) = (\bar{V}, \bar{q})$ . If  $\mu_{n,A}$  is the group scheme of nth roots of unity defined over A, then the determinant morphism gives a morphism of group schemes

$$\det: \underline{G}' \to \mu_{2,A}$$

defined over A. Here,  $\underline{G}'$  is a naive integral model such that  $\underline{G}'(R) = \operatorname{Aut}_R(L \otimes_A R, q \otimes_A R)$  for every commutative A-algebra R. Moreover, we can regard  $\mu_{2,A}$  as a naive integral model of the orthogonal group associated to a quadratic lattice of rank 1. Then it is easily seen that the smooth affine group scheme associated to this quadratic lattice of rank 1 is  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , by observing the equation defining it.

Based on the above, the morphism det induces a morphism of group schemes from  $\underline{G}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  defined over A by functoriality of smooth integral models and this morphism gives the morphism

$$\widetilde{\det}: \widetilde{G} \to \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

defined over  $\kappa$ . Furthermore, it is easily seen that  $\widetilde{\det}$  is surjective. In fact, the kernel of  $\widetilde{\det}$  is the identity component. To see this, we observe that the morphism

$$\varphi: \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \mathrm{O}(L/2L, \tfrac{1}{2}q \bmod 2) \quad (= \mathrm{O}(\bar{V}, \bar{q}))$$

is an isomorphism by Theorem 4.1 and Lemma 4.2 and so  $\tilde{G}$  has two connected components.

On the other hand, the Dickson invariant gives a surjective morphism from  $G \cong O(\bar{V}, \bar{q})$  to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  and its kernel is the identity component as well. Therefore, the Dickson invariant is the same as the morphism  $\widetilde{\det}$ .

Lemma 4.5. The restricted morphism

$$\xi_i|_{E_i}:E_i\longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

is an isomorphism. Recall that  $E_i$  is defined at the beginning of this subsection.

*Proof.* If we consider the closed subgroup scheme of  $H_i$  defined by equations

$$s = id$$
,  $r = 0$ ,  $t = 0$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $v = 0$ ,

then this group scheme is isomorphic to the special fiber of the smooth affine group scheme associated to a lattice free of type  $I_1^e$  with rank 2. Since  $E_i$  is a subgroup scheme of this group scheme, we may and do assume that  $n_i = 2$ .

Based on Remark 4.4, we describe the morphism  $\widetilde{\det}$  associated to the orthogonal group  $O(A_i/X_i, \frac{1}{2}((1/2^i)q + q'))$  explicitly. Choose a lattice of rank 2 with a Gram matrix  $\binom{2}{1} \frac{1}{2\gamma_i}$ . Here,  $\gamma_i$  is a unit in A such that  $L_i = A(1, 2\gamma_i)$ . Since this lattice is unimodular of type II, a matrix form of a flat A-algebra point of the associated smooth integral model is  $\binom{x}{u} \binom{y}{z}$ . In other words,

there are no congruence conditions. This matrix satisfies three equations:

$$x^{2} + ux + \gamma_{i} \cdot u^{2} = 1$$
,  $2xy + xz + uy + 2\gamma_{i} \cdot zu = 1$ ,  $y^{2} + yz + \gamma_{i} \cdot z^{2} = \gamma_{i}$ .

The determinant of this matrix is  $xz - uy = 1 - 2(uy + xy + \gamma_i \cdot zu)$ . We also express a  $\kappa$ -algebra point of the smooth integral model as the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ u & z \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\det$  maps  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ u & z \end{pmatrix}$  to  $uy + xy + \widetilde{\gamma}_i \cdot zu$ . Here,  $\widetilde{\gamma}_i \neq 0$  is the image of  $\gamma_i$  in the residue field  $\kappa$ .

For 
$$g \in E_i(R)$$
,  $\xi_i|_{E_i}(g) = \widetilde{\det}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u_i & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \widetilde{\gamma}_i \cdot u_i$ . Therefore,  $\xi_i|_{E_i}$  is an isomorphism.

Combining all morphism  $\xi_i$ , we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 4.6. The morphism  $\xi = \prod_i \xi_i : \tilde{G} \to (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha}$  is surjective. Here,  $\alpha$  is the number of i such that  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ .

Proof. Define the scheme E to be the product of  $E_i$  such that  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ . Notice that  $E_i$  and  $E_j$  commute with each other in the sense that  $e_i \cdot e_j = e_j \cdot e_i$  for all  $i \neq j$ , where  $e_i \in E_i$  and  $e_j \in E_j$  and  $L_i$  and  $L_j$  are free of type  $I_1^e$ , and that  $E_i \cap E_j = 0$ . Thus E can be embedded into G as a closed subgroup scheme. In addition, it is obvious that  $\xi_i|_{E_j}$  is trivial for  $i \neq j$ . Therefore  $\xi$  induces an isomorphism of algebraic groups from E to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha}$  defined over  $\kappa$ . This completes the proof.

# 4.3 The second construction of component groups

In this subsection, we will construct the morphism  $\psi$  from  $\tilde{G}$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\beta}$ . We begin by defining several lattices.

DEFINITION 4.7. We define the lattice  $L^1$ , which is the sublattice of L such that  $L^1/2L$  is the kernel of the symmetric bilinear form  $\langle -, - \rangle$  mod 2 on L/2L. Similarly we define the lattice  $L^i$ , which is the sublattice of  $L^{i-1}$  such that  $L^i/2L^{i-1}$  is the kernel of the symmetric bilinear form  $(1/2^{i-1})\langle -, - \rangle$  mod 2 on  $L^{i-1}/2L^{i-1}$  for all  $i \geq 1$ . For simplicity, put

$$L^0 = L = \bigoplus_{i \geqslant 0} L_i, 0 \leqslant i < N.$$

The description of  $L^i$  is

$$L^{2m} = 2^m (L_0 \oplus L_1) \oplus 2^{m-1} (L_2 \oplus L_3) \oplus \cdots \oplus 2(L_{2m-2} \oplus L_{2m-1}) \oplus \bigoplus_{i \ge 2m} L_i$$

and

$$L^{2m-1} = 2^m L_0 \oplus 2^{m-1} (L_1 \oplus L_2) \oplus \cdots \oplus 2(L_{2m-3} \oplus L_{2m-2}) \oplus \bigoplus_{i \ge 2m-1} L_i.$$

We choose a Jordan splitting for the quadratic lattice  $(L^{2m}, (1/2^{2m})q)$  as follows:

$$L^{2m} = \bigoplus_{i \geqslant 0} M_i,$$

where

$$M_0 = 2^m L_0 \oplus 2^{m-1} L_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus 2L_{2m-2} \oplus L_{2m},$$
  
 $M_1 = 2^m L_1 \oplus 2^{m-1} L_3 \oplus \cdots \oplus 2L_{2m-1} \oplus L_{2m+1}$   
and  $M_k = L_{2m+k}$  if  $k \geqslant 2$ .

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Here,  $M_i$  is modular and  $S(M_i) = (2^i)$ . For the quadratic lattice  $(L^{2m-1}, (1/2^{2m-1})q)$ , a chosen Jordan splitting is as follows:

$$L^{2m-1} = \bigoplus_{i \geqslant 0} M_i,$$

where

$$M_0 = 2^{m-1}L_1 \oplus 2^{m-2}L_3 \oplus \cdots \oplus 2L_{2m-3} \oplus L_{2m-1},$$
  
 $M_1 = 2^mL_0 \oplus 2^{m-1}L_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus 2L_{2m-2} \oplus L_{2m}$   
and  $M_k = L_{2m-1+k}$  if  $k \ge 2$ .

Definition 4.8. We define C(L) to be the sublattice of L such that

$$C(L) = \{x \in L \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in (2) \text{ for all } y \in B(L)\}.$$

We choose any integer j such that  $L_j$  is of type I and  $L_{j+2}$  is of type II. We stress that  $M_0$  is of type I and  $M_2 = L_{j+2}$  is of type II. We choose a basis  $(\langle e_i \rangle, e)$  (respectively  $(\langle e_i \rangle, a, e)$ ) for  $M_0$  based on Theorem 2.4 when the rank of  $M_0$  is odd (respectively even). Then  $B(L^j)$  is spanned by

$$(\langle e_i \rangle, 2e)$$
 (respectively  $(\langle e_i \rangle, 2a, e)$ ) and  $M_1 \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{i \geq 2} M_i\right)$ 

and  $C(L^j)$  is spanned by

$$(\langle 2e_i \rangle, e)$$
 (respectively  $(\langle 2e_i \rangle, 2a, e)$ ) and  $M_1 \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{i \geq 2} M_i\right)$ .

We now construct the morphism  $\psi_j: \tilde{G} \to \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  as follows. (There are two cases depending on whether  $M_0$  is of type  $I^e$  or of type  $I^o$ .)

(1) Firstly, we assume that  $M_0$  is of type  $I^e$ . We choose a Jordan splitting for the quadratic lattice  $(C(L^j), (1/2^{j+1})q)$  as follows:

$$C(L^j) = \bigoplus_{i \ge 0} M_i'.$$

Notice that  $M'_1$  is of type II so that  $M'_0$  is free. Let  $G_j$  denote the special fiber of the smooth affine group scheme associated to the quadratic lattice  $(C(L^j), (1/2^{j+1})q)$ . We now have a morphism from  $\tilde{G}$  to  $G_j$ .

If  $M'_0$  is of type II, of type  $I^o$  or of type  $I^e_2$ , then we have a morphism from  $G_j$  to the even orthogonal group associated to  $M'_0$  as explained in § 4.1. Thus, we see that the Dickson invariant of this orthogonal group induces the morphism

$$\psi_j: \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}.$$

If  $M'_0$  is of type  $I_1^e$ , then we have a morphism from  $G_j$  to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  associated to  $M'_0$  as explained in § 4.2. It induces the morphism

$$\psi_j: \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}.$$

(2) We next assume that  $M_0$  is of type  $I^o$ . We choose a Jordan splitting for the quadratic lattice  $(C(L^j), (1/2^j)q)$  as follows:

$$C(L^j) = \bigoplus_{i \ge 0} M_i'.$$

Notice that the rank of the unimodular lattice  $M'_0$  is 1 and the lattice  $M'_2$  is of type II. If  $G_j$  denotes the special fiber of the smooth affine group scheme associated to the quadratic lattice  $(C(L^j), (1/2^j)q)$ , we have a morphism from  $\tilde{G}$  to  $G_j$ .

We now consider the new quadratic lattice  $M'_0 \oplus C(L^j)$ . The smooth affine group scheme associated to the quadratic lattice  $(C(L^j), (1/2^j)q)$  can be embedded into the smooth affine group scheme associated to the quadratic lattice  $M'_0 \oplus C(L^j)$  as a closed subgroup scheme. Thus the special fiber  $G_j$  of the former group scheme is embedded into the special fiber of the latter group scheme. Since the unimodular lattice  $M'_0 \oplus M'_0$  is of type  $I^e$ , where  $(M'_0 \oplus M'_0) \oplus \bigoplus_{i \geqslant 1} M'_i$  is a Jordan splitting of the quadratic lattice  $M'_0 \oplus C(L^j)$ , we have a morphism from the special fiber of the latter group scheme to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  as constructed in the first case. It induces the morphism

$$\psi_i: \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}.$$

(3) Combining all cases, we have the morphism

$$\psi = \prod_{j} \psi_{j} : \tilde{G} \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\beta},$$

where  $\beta$  is the size of the set of j such that  $L_j$  is of type I and  $L_{j+2}$  is of type II.

Remark 4.9. There is another description for  $\beta$ . We consider the type sequence  $\{a_i\}$  such that  $a_i$  is I or II according to the parity type of  $L_i$ . Define two sequences  $b_m = a_{2m+1}$  and  $c_m = a_{2m}$ . Then we take maximal consecutive terms consisting of I in each  $b_m$  or  $c_m$ . The set consisting of these terms is finite and its size is  $\beta$ . For example, if

then

$$\{b_m\}_{m\geqslant 0}=\{I\ II\ I\ I\ I\}\quad \text{and}\quad \{c_m\}_{m\geqslant 0}=\{I\ I\ I\ II\ II\ I\}.$$

Hence  $\beta$  is 2+2=4.

We now have the following result.

Theorem 4.10. The morphism

$$\psi = \prod_{j} \psi_{j} : \tilde{G} \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\beta}$$

is surjective.

Moreover, the morphism

$$\varphi \times \xi \times \psi : \tilde{G} \to \prod_{i} O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}} \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha + \beta}$$

is also surjective.

*Proof.* We first show that  $\psi_j$  is surjective. Note that for such a j,  $L_j$  is of type I and  $L_{j+2}$  is of type II. Recall that we have defined the closed subgroup scheme  $F_j$  of  $\tilde{G}$  at the beginning of § 4.2 and it is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . Now it suffices to show that  $\psi_j|_{F_j}$  is an isomorphism and its proof is similar to that of Lemma 4.5 so we may skip.

Surjectivity of  $\psi$  is similar to Theorem 4.6. Notice that  $F_i$  and  $F_j$  commute with each other for all  $i \neq j$ , where  $L_i$  and  $L_j$  (respectively  $L_{i+2}$  and  $L_{j+2}$ ) are of type I (respectively of type II), and that  $F_i \cap F_j = 0$ . Thus the product  $F = \prod_j F_j$  is embedded into  $\tilde{G}$  as a closed subgroup scheme. In addition, it is obvious that  $\psi_i|_{F_j}$  is trivial for all i < j. Hence the morphism  $\psi$  induces an isomorphism of algebraic groups from F to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\beta}$  defined over  $\kappa$ . This shows surjectivity of the morphism  $\psi$ .

For surjectivity of  $\varphi \times \xi \times \psi$ , it suffices to show that  $\xi \times \psi|_{\operatorname{Ker}\varphi}$  is surjective onto  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$ . Since the morphism  $\varphi$  vanishes on E and F, the two schemes E and F are subschemes of  $\operatorname{Ker}\varphi$ . Notice that the intersection of E and F as subgroup schemes of  $\operatorname{Ker}\varphi$  is trivial. This fact implies that the product  $E \times F$  is embedded into  $\operatorname{Ker}\varphi$  as  $\kappa$ -schemes. Notice that E and F may not commute with each other so  $E \times F$  may not inherit subgroup scheme structure of  $\operatorname{Ker}\varphi$ . It is easily seen from the construction of E and F that the restricted morphisms  $\xi|_F$  and  $\psi|_E$  are trivial. Therefore,  $\xi \times \psi$  induces an isomorphism from  $E \times F$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$  as  $\kappa$ -schemes. This completes the proof.

# 4.4 The maximal reductive quotient of $\tilde{G}$

Let  $\tilde{M}$  be the special fiber of  $M^*$ . Let

$$\tilde{M}_i = \operatorname{GL}_{\kappa}(B_i/Y_i).$$

For any  $\kappa$ -algebra R, let  $m = (2^{\max\{0,j-i\}}m_{i,j}) \in \tilde{M}(R)$ . Recall that  $s_i$  is a block of  $m_{i,i}$  if  $L_i$  is of type I, as explained in § 3.1. Then  $s_i \in \tilde{M}_i(R)$ . If  $L_i$  is of type I, then  $m_{i,i} \in \tilde{M}_i(R)$ . Therefore, we have a surjective morphism of algebraic groups

$$r: \tilde{M} \longrightarrow \prod \tilde{M}_i,$$

defined over  $\kappa$ . We now have the following lemma.

LEMMA 4.11. The kernel of r is the unipotent radical  $\tilde{M}^+$  of  $\tilde{M}$ , and  $\prod \tilde{M}_i$  is the maximal reductive quotient of  $\tilde{M}$ .

We finally have the structural theorem for the algebraic group  $\tilde{G}$ .

Theorem 4.12. The morphism

$$\varphi \times \xi \times \psi : \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \prod_{i} \mathcal{O}(\bar{V}_{i}, \bar{q}_{i})^{\text{red}} \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha + \beta}$$

is surjective and the kernel is unipotent and connected. Consequently,  $\prod_i O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}} \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$  is the maximal reductive quotient. Here,  $O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}}$  is explained in § 4.1 (especially, Remark 4.3), and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are defined in Lemma 4.2.

*Proof.* We only need to prove that the kernel is unipotent and connected. Since the kernel of  $\varphi$  is a closed subgroup scheme of the unipotent group  $\tilde{M}^+$ , it suffices to show that the kernel of  $\varphi \times \xi \times \psi$  is connected. Equivalently, it suffices to show that the kernel of the restricted morphism  $\xi \times \psi|_{\text{Ker }\varphi}$  is connected. From Lemma 4.2,  $\text{Ker }\varphi \cong \mathbf{A}^l \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$  as  $\kappa$ -varieties. Since the restricted morphism  $\xi \times \psi|_{\text{Ker }\varphi}$  is surjective onto  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$ , we complete the proof by counting the number of connected components.

Remark 4.13. Recall that  $\alpha$  is the number of i such that  $L_i$  is free of type  $I_1^e$ . For such a lattice, Im  $\varphi_i$  is  $SO(n_i - 1)$ , which is connected. If a lattice is free with nontrivial  $V_i$  but not of type  $I_1^e$ , then Im  $\varphi_i$  is disconnected with two connected components. Therefore the maximal reductive

quotient

$$\prod O(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i)^{\text{red}} \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha+\beta}$$

is isomorphic to

$$\prod SO(\bar{V}_i, \bar{q}_i) \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\alpha'+\beta},$$

as  $\kappa$ -varieties, where  $\alpha'$  is the number of i such that  $L_i$  is free with nontrivial  $\bar{V}_i$ .

## 5. Comparison of volume forms and final formulas

This section is based on [GY00, § 7]. In the construction of [GY00, § 3.2], pick  $\omega_M'$  and  $\omega_Q'$  to be such that

$$\int_{\underline{M}(A)} |\omega_M'| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{Q(A)} |\omega_Q'| = 1.$$

Put  $\omega^{\rm can} = \omega_M'/\rho^*\omega_Q'$ . By Theorem 3.5, we have an exact sequence of locally free sheaves on  $\underline{M}^*$ 

$$0 \longrightarrow \rho^* \Omega_{Q/A} \longrightarrow \Omega_{\underline{M}^*/A} \longrightarrow \Omega_{\underline{M}^*/Q} \longrightarrow 0.$$

It follows that  $\omega^{\text{can}}$  is of the type discussed in [GY00, § 3].

Lemma 5.1. Let  $\pi$  be a uniformizer of A. Then

$$\omega_{M} = \pi^{N_{M}} \omega'_{M}, \quad N_{M} = \sum_{L_{i}:type\ I} (2n_{i} - 1) + \sum_{i < j} (j - i) \cdot n_{i} \cdot n_{j} + 2b,$$

$$\omega_{Q} = \pi^{N_{Q}} \omega'_{Q}, \quad N_{Q} = \sum_{L_{i}:type\ I} 2n_{i} + \sum_{i < j} j \cdot n_{i} \cdot n_{j} + \sum_{i} d_{i} + b + c,$$

$$\omega^{\mathrm{ld}} = \pi^{N_{M} - N_{Q}} \omega^{\mathrm{can}}.$$

Here:

- b is the total number of pairs of adjacent constituents  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$  that are both of type I (b is denoted by n(I, I) in [CS88]);
- c is the sum of dimensions of all nonempty Jordan constituents  $L_i$  that are of type II (c is denoted by n(II) in [CS88]);
- $-d_i = i \cdot n_i \cdot (n_i + 1)/2.$

THEOREM 5.2. Let f be the cardinality of  $\kappa$ . The local density of (L,q) is

$$\beta_L = \frac{1}{[\mathcal{O}(V,q): \mathcal{SO}(V,q)]} f^N \cdot f^{-\dim \mathcal{O}(V,q)} \sharp \tilde{G}(\kappa),$$

where  $N = N_Q - N_M = t + \sum_{i < j} i \cdot n_i \cdot n_j + \sum_i d_i - b + c$ ,  $t = \text{the total number of } L_i \text{ that are of type } I$ . Here,  $\sharp \tilde{G}(\kappa)$  can be computed based on Remark 5.3(1) and Theorem 4.12.

Remark 5.3. (i) In the above local density formula,  $\sharp \tilde{G}(\kappa)$  is computed as follows. We denote by  $R_u\tilde{G}$  the unipotent radical of  $\tilde{G}$  so that the maximal reductive quotient of  $\tilde{G}$  is  $\tilde{G}/R_u\tilde{G}$ . That is, there is the following exact sequence of group schemes over  $\kappa$ :

$$1 \longrightarrow R_u \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \tilde{G}/R_u \tilde{G} \longrightarrow 1.$$

Furthermore, the sequence of groups

$$1 \longrightarrow R_u \tilde{G}(\kappa) \longrightarrow \tilde{G}(\kappa) \longrightarrow (\tilde{G}/R_u \tilde{G})(\kappa) \longrightarrow 1$$

is also exact by [GY00, Lemma 6.3.3]. [GY00, Lemma 6.3.3] also induces that  $\sharp R_u \tilde{G}(\kappa)$  is  $f^m$ , where m is the dimension of  $R_u \tilde{G}$ . Notice that the dimension of  $R_u \tilde{G}$  can be computed explicitly

based on Theorem 4.12 or Remark 4.13, since the dimension of  $\tilde{G}$  is n(n-1)/2 with  $n = \operatorname{rank}_A L$ . In addition, the order of an orthogonal group defined over a finite field is well known. Thus, one can compute  $\sharp(\tilde{G}/R_u\tilde{G})(\kappa)$  explicitly based on Theorem 4.12 or Remark 4.13. Finally, the order of the group  $\tilde{G}(\kappa)$  is identified as follows:

$$\sharp \tilde{G}(\kappa) = \sharp R_u \tilde{G}(\kappa) \cdot \sharp (\tilde{G}/R_u \tilde{G})(\kappa).$$

(ii) As in [GY00, Remark 7.4], although we have assumed that  $n_i = 0$  for i < 0, it is easy to check that the formula in the preceding theorem remains true without this assumption.

6. The mass formula for 
$$Q_n(x_1,\ldots,x_n)=x_1^2+\cdots+x_n^2$$

Let us apply the local density formula to obtain the mass formula for the integral quadratic form

$$Q_n(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2.$$

As we are working globally, we differ from our previous notation at times. Let k be a totally real number field of degree d over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and R be its ring of integers. Assume that the ideal (2) is unramified over R. For a place v of k, we let  $k_v$  be the corresponding completion of k. For a finite place v of k, let  $\kappa_v$  denote the residue field of the completion of k at v, and  $q_v$  be the cardinality of  $\kappa_v$ . We consider the quadratic R-lattice (L,Q) such that  $Q_n(x_1,\ldots,x_n)=x_1^2+\cdots+x_n^2$ . The paper [GY00] of Gan and Yu includes a complete discussion of the Smith–Minkowski–Siegel mass formula. Applying it to the quadratic lattice (L,Q), we have the following formula.

Proposition 6.1 [GY00, Theorem 10.20]. We have

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = c(L) \cdot \frac{d_k^{n(n-1)/4}}{\prod_{v \text{ finite }} \beta_{L_v}}.$$

Here,  $c(L) = (\lambda^{-1}\mu)^d$ ,  $d_k$  is the discriminant of k over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and  $\beta_{L_v}$  is the local density associated to the quadratic lattice  $L_v$ :

 $\lambda = \prod_i ((2\pi)^{d_i}/(d_i-1)!)$ , the  $d_i$  run over the degrees of G;  $\mu = 2^n$  (respectively  $2^{(n+1)/2}$ ) if n is even (respectively n is odd).

We define  $\mathcal{I}_1 = \{v : 2 | q_v \text{ and } [\kappa_v : F_2] \text{ is odd} \}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_2 = \{v : 2 | q_v \text{ and } [\kappa_v : F_2] \text{ is even} \}$ , where  $F_q$  is the finite field with q elements. Let  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_1 \cup \mathcal{I}_2$ .

Based on [GY00, Theorem 7.3] and Theorem 5.2 of this paper, we have the following formula for the local density:

$$\begin{cases} \beta_{L_v} = 1/2q_v^{-n(n-1)/2} \cdot \sharp \mathcal{O}(n, Q_n) & \text{if } v \nmid (2), \\ \beta_{L_v} = 1/2q_v^{1-n(n-1)/2} \cdot \sharp \tilde{G}(\kappa_v) & \text{if } v \mid (2), \end{cases}$$

where

$$\sharp \tilde{G}(\kappa_{v}) = \begin{cases} 4q_{v}^{n-1} \cdot \sharp \mathrm{SO}(n-1) & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 1 \bmod 8, \text{ or } n \equiv \pm 3 \bmod 8 \text{ and } v \in \mathcal{I}_{2}, \\ 4q_{v}^{n-1} \cdot \sharp^{2} \mathrm{SO}(n-1) & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 3 \bmod 8 \text{ and } v \in \mathcal{I}_{1}, \\ 4q_{v}^{n-1} \cdot \sharp \mathrm{SO}(n-1) & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 2 \bmod 8, \\ 4q_{v}^{2n-3} \cdot \sharp \mathrm{SO}(n-2) & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 0 \bmod 8, \text{ or } n \equiv 4 \bmod 8 \text{ and } v \in \mathcal{I}_{2}, \\ 4q_{v}^{2n-3} \cdot \sharp^{2} \mathrm{SO}(n-2) & \text{if } n \equiv 4 \bmod 8 \text{ and } v \in \mathcal{I}_{1}. \end{cases}$$

Here, SO(n) (respectively,  ${}^2SO(n)$ ) denotes the split (respectively, nonsplit) connected orthogonal group over  $\kappa_v$ .

The order of an orthogonal group defined over a finite field is well known. We state it below according to the characteristic of a finite field and the dimension n.

If the characteristic of the finite field  $\kappa_v$  is greater than 2, then the order of an orthogonal group is as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \sharp \mathcal{O}(2m+1,Q_{2m+1}) = 2q_v^{m^2} \prod_{i=1}^m (q_v^{2i}-1), \\ \sharp \mathcal{O}(2m,Q_{2m}) = 2q_v^{m(m-1)} (q_v^m-1) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} (q_v^{2i}-1) & \text{if } -1 \text{ is a square in } F_q, \\ \sharp \mathcal{O}(2m,Q_{2m}) = 2q_v^{m(m-1)} (q_v^m-(-1)^m) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} (q_v^{2i}-1) & \text{if } -1 \text{ is not a square in } F_q. \end{cases}$$

If the characteristic of the finite field  $\kappa_v$  is 2, then the order of an orthogonal group is as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \sharp \mathrm{SO}(2m+1) = q_v^{m^2} \prod_{i=1}^m (q_v^{2i} - 1), \\ \sharp \mathrm{SO}(2m) = q_v^{m(m-1)} (q_v^m - 1) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} (q_v^{2i} - 1), \\ \sharp^2 \mathrm{SO}(2m) = q_v^{m(m-1)} (q_v^m + 1) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} (q_v^{2i} - 1). \end{cases}$$

By combining these with Proposition 6.1, we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 6.2. (1) When n = 2m + 1,

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = \left( \left( \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{(2i-1)!}{(2\pi)^{2i}} \right) \cdot 2^{m+1} \right)^d \cdot d_k^{n(n-1)/4} \cdot D(L) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \zeta_k(2i), \tag{6.3}$$

$$D(L) = \begin{cases} \prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}} \frac{q_v^m + 1}{2q_v^{m+1}} & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 1 \bmod 8, \\ \prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}_1} \frac{q_v^m - 1}{2q_v^{m+1}} \cdot \prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}_2} \frac{q_v^m + 1}{2q_v^{m+1}} & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 3 \bmod 8. \end{cases}$$

(2) When n=2m,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{Mass}(L, Q_n) \\
&= \left( \left( \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \frac{(2i-1)!}{(2\pi)^{2i}} \right) \cdot \frac{(m-1)!}{(2\pi)^m} \cdot 2^{2m} \right)^d \cdot d_k^{n(n-1)/4} \cdot D(L) \cdot L_k(m, \chi) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \zeta_k(2i), \quad (6.4) \\
&D(L) \\
&= \begin{cases}
&\prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}} \frac{(q_v^{m-1} + 1)(q_v^m - 1)}{2q_v^{2m}} & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \bmod 8, \\
&\prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}_1} \frac{(q_v^{m-1} - 1)(q_v^m - 1)}{2q_v^{2m}} \cdot \prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}_2} \frac{(q_v^{m-1} + 1)(q_v^m - 1)}{2q_v^{2m}} & \text{if } n \equiv 4 \bmod 8, \\
&\prod_{v \in \mathcal{I}_1} \frac{1}{2q_v} & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 2 \bmod 8.
\end{aligned}$$

Here  $\chi$  is the Galois character of  $k(\sqrt{(-1)^m})$  over k.

Since the mass formula represents a rational number, we can rewrite the above formulas using the functional equations of the Dedekind zeta function and the Hecke L-series. For the functional equation of the Dedekind zeta function, we refer to [Neu99].

PROPOSITION 6.5 [Neu99, Corollary VII.5.10]. Let  $\zeta_k(s)$  be the Dedekind zeta function of the totally real number field k. The completed zeta function

$$Z_k(s) = d_k^{s/2} \cdot (\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma(s/2))^d \cdot \zeta_k(s)$$

satisfies the functional equation

$$Z_k(s) = Z_k(1-s).$$

If s = 2i for an integer i, the above proposition gives the following equation:

$$\zeta_k(1-2i) = d_k^{2i-1/2} \cdot \left(\pi^{-2i+1/2} \frac{\Gamma(i)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}-i)}\right)^d \cdot \zeta_k(2i), \tag{6.6}$$

where  $\Gamma(i) = (i-1)!$  and  $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}-i) = ((-4)^i \cdot i!)/(2i)!\sqrt{\pi}$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{\Gamma(i)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}-i)} = 2 \cdot (2i-1)! \cdot (-4)^{-i} \cdot \pi^{-1/2}.$$

We first assume that n = 2m + 1. Then (6.6) induces the following equation:

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \zeta_k(1-2i) = (d_k)^{m^2+m/2} \cdot 2^{md} \cdot (-1)^{m(m+1)d/2} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \left( \left( \frac{(2i-1)!}{(2\pi)^{2i}} \right)^d \cdot \zeta_k(2i) \right).$$

If we apply the above to (6.3), then we have the following Mass formula:

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = (-1)^{m(m+1)d/2} \cdot 2^d \cdot D(L) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \zeta_k (1 - 2i).$$
(6.7)

We next assume that n = 2m. Then (6.6) induces the following equation:

$$\prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \zeta_k(1-2i) = (d_k)^{m^2-m/2} \cdot 2^{md-d} \cdot (-1)^{m(m-1)d/2} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \left( \left( \frac{(2i-1)!}{(2\pi)^{2i}} \right)^d \cdot \zeta_k(2i) \right).$$

If we apply the above to (6.4), then we have the following Mass formula:

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = d_k^{m-1/2} \cdot \pi^{-md} \cdot (-1)^{m(m-1)d/2} \cdot ((m-1)!)^d \cdot 2^d \cdot D(L) \cdot L_k(m, \chi) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \zeta_k(1-2i).$$
 (6.8)

Let us apply the functional equation of the Hecke *L*-series to (6.8). If m is even, equivalently  $n \equiv 0$  or 4 mod 8, then the character  $\chi$  is trivial. Let m = 2m'. If we put i = m' in (6.6), we have the following:

$$\zeta_k(1-m) = d_k^{m-1/2} \cdot \left(\pi^{-m+1/2} \frac{\Gamma(m')}{\Gamma(1/2-m')}\right)^d \cdot \zeta_k(m).$$

Equivalently,

$$\zeta_k(1-m) = d_k^{m-1/2} \cdot 2^d \cdot \left(\frac{(m-1)!}{(-1)^{m'} \cdot (2\pi)^m}\right)^d \cdot \zeta_k(m). \tag{6.9}$$

We apply (6.9) to (6.8). Then we have the following Mass formula:

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = 2^{md} \cdot D(L) \cdot \zeta_k(1 - m) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \zeta_k(1 - 2i).$$
 (6.10)

Assume that  $m \ (=2m'+1)$  is odd, equivalently  $n \equiv \pm 2 \mod 8$ . In this case, the Galois character  $\chi$  is non-trivial. We state the functional equation for the Hecke L-series.

Proposition 6.11 [Neu99, Corollary VII.8.6]. The completed Hecke L-series

$$\Lambda_k(s,\chi) = (d_k \cdot N_{k/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{f}(\chi))^{s/2} \cdot \left(\pi^{-(s+1)/2} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{s+1}{2}\right)\right)^d \cdot L_k(s,\chi)$$

satisfies the functional equation

$$\Lambda_k(s,\chi) = \epsilon(\chi) \cdot \Lambda_k(1-s,\chi).$$

Here,  $f(\chi)$  is the conductor of the Hecke character  $\chi$  and  $|\epsilon(\chi)| = 1$ .

If s = m in the above proposition, we have the following equation:

$$L_k(m,\chi) = \epsilon(\chi) \cdot L_k(1-m,\chi) \cdot (d_k \cdot N_{k/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{f}(\chi))^{(1-n)/2} \cdot \pi^{md} \cdot \frac{(-4)^{m'd}}{((m-1)!)^d}.$$
 (6.12)

Let us apply (6.12) to (6.8). Then we have the following Mass formula:

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = 2^{md} \cdot D(L) \cdot \epsilon(\chi) \cdot (N_{k/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{f}(\chi))^{(1-n)/2} \cdot L_k(1-m, \chi) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \zeta_k(1-2i).$$
 (6.13)

By combining (6.7), (6.10) and (6.13), we finally have the following theorem.

THEOREM 6.14. (1) When n = 2m + 1,

$$Mass(L, Q_n) = (-1)^{m(m+1)d/2} \cdot d_k^m \cdot 2^d \cdot D(L) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \zeta_k (1 - 2i).$$

(2) When n = 2m,

$$\operatorname{Mass}(L, Q_n) = 2^{md} \cdot D(L) \cdot \epsilon(\chi) \cdot (N_{k/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{f}(\chi))^{(1-n)/2} \cdot L_k(1-m, \chi) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \zeta_k(1-2i).$$

Here,  $|\epsilon(\chi)| = 1$  and D(L) is defined in Theorem 6.2.

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#### Appendix A. The proof of Lemma 4.2

*Proof.* Recall that  $\tilde{M}$  is the special fiber of  $\underline{M}^*$ . Similar to the construction of  $\varphi_i$  explained at the beginning of § 4.1, the morphism  $\varphi_i$  is extended to the morphism

$$\tilde{\varphi}_i: \tilde{M} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}_{\kappa}(\bar{V}_i)$$

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such that  $\tilde{\varphi}_i|_{\tilde{G}} = \varphi_i$ . Here,  $\bar{V}_i = B_i/Z_i$ . We define

$$\tilde{\varphi} = \prod_{i} \tilde{\varphi_i} : \tilde{M} \longrightarrow \prod_{i} \operatorname{Aut}_{\kappa}(\bar{V_i}).$$

Then  $\tilde{\varphi}|_{\tilde{G}} = \varphi$ .

Before describing the equations defining  $\text{Ker } \tilde{\varphi}$ , we state notation here. We use  $a_{i-1}, b_{i-1}, c_{i-1}, d_{i-1}, e_{i-1}, f_{i-1}, g_{i-1}, h_{i-1}, i_{i-1}$  (respectively  $a'_{i-1}, b'_{i-1}, c'_{i-1}, d'_{i-1}, e'_{i-1}, f'_{i-1}, g'_{i-1}, h'_{i-1}, i'_{i-1}$ ) to denote a block in  $m_{i-1,i}$  (respectively  $m_{i,i-1}$ ).

Recall that we have represented the given quadratic form q by a symmetric matrix  $(2^i \cdot \delta_i)$  with  $2^i \cdot \delta_i$  for the (i, i)-block and 0 for remaining blocks. Assume that  $L_i$  is of type I. Let  $\delta_i = \binom{\delta'_i \quad 0}{0 \quad \delta''_i}$ , where  $\delta'_i$  is an  $(n_i - 1) \times (n_i - 1)$ -matrix (respectively an  $(n_i - 2) \times (n_i - 2)$ -matrix) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  (respectively of type  $I^e$ ). In particular, if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ ,  $\delta''_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2\gamma_i \end{pmatrix}$  by Theorem 2.4. We denote  $\gamma_i$  mod 2 by  $\widetilde{\gamma}_i (\in \kappa)$ . In addition, we denote the solution of the equation  $x^2 - \widetilde{\gamma}_i = 0$  by  $\sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} (\in \kappa)$ .

We now describe the equations defining Ker  $\tilde{\varphi}$ . There are the following nine cases according to each type of  $L_{i-1}, L_i, L_{i+1}$ .

- (i) Assume that  $L_i$  is free:
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, set  $m_{i,i} = id$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , set  $s_i = id$ ;
  - (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I_1^e$ , set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $v_i = 0$ ;
  - (d) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I_2^e$ , set  $s_i = id$ .
- (ii) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II:
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1)\times(n_i)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $m_{i,i} = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = 0$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \binom{2c_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = 0$ ;
  - (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \frac{2c_{i-1}}{2d_{i-1}} \frac{2e_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} \cdot v_i$ .
- (iii) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II:
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2)$   $\times (n_i)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $m_{i,i} = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = 0$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} 4f_{i-1} \choose 2c_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = 0$ ;
  - (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \frac{2i_{i-1}}{2d_{i-1}} \frac{2h_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} \cdot v_i$ .
- (iv) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type II and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^o$ :
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1)\times(n_i)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $m_{i,i}=$  id and  $b'_i=0$ ;

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- (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & c'_i \\ b'_i & 2f'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1} 1) \times (n_i 1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b'_i = 0$ ;
- (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & c'_i & e'_i \\ b'_i & d'_i & 2f'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i = \operatorname{id}$  and  $b'_i = \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} \cdot v_i$ .
- (v) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type II and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^e$ :
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i \\ b'_i \\ c'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2) \times (n_i)$ matrix, etc. Set  $m_{ii} = \text{id}$  and  $b'_i = 0$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & d'_i \\ b'_i & 2f'_i \\ c'_i & e'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1} 2) \times (n_i 1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b'_i = 0$ ;
  - (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & i'_i & h'_i \\ b'_i & d'_i & 2f'_i \\ c'_i & g'_i & e'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i = \operatorname{id}$  and  $b'_i = \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} \cdot v_i$ .
- (vi) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^o$ :
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1) \times (n_i)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1) \times (n_i)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $m_{i,i} = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \binom{2c_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i} \binom{c'_i}{2f'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ;
  - $(n_{i+1}-1)\times (n_i-1)\text{-matrix, etc. Set } s_i=\text{id and } b_{i-1}=b_i';$ (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \frac{2c_{i-1}}{2d_{i-1}} \frac{2e_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1)\times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a_i'}{b_i'} \frac{c_i'}{d_i'} \frac{e_i'}{2f_i'}$ , where  $a_i'$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1)\times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i=\text{id and } b_{i-1}+\sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i}\cdot v_i+b_i'=0$ .
- (vii) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^o$ :
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2) \times (n_i)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1) \times (n_i)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $m_{ii} = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \binom{2d_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i} \binom{c'_i}{2f'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ;
  - $(n_{i+1}-1)\times(n_i-1)\text{-matrix, etc. Set }s_i=\text{id and }b_{i-1}=b_i';$ (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \frac{2i_{i-1}}{2d_{i-1}} \frac{2h_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2)\times(n_i-2)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a_i'}{b_i'} \frac{c_i'}{d_i'} \frac{e_i'}{2f_i'}$ , where  $a_i'$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-1)\times(n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i=\text{id and }b_{i-1}+\sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i}\cdot v_i+b_i'=0$ .

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- (viii) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^o$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^e$ :
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1)\times(n_i)$ matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2)\times(n_i)$ -matrix.

    Set  $m_{i,i} = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \binom{2c_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1)\times(n_i-1)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i} \binom{a'_i}{2f'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2)\times(n_i-1)$ -matrix. Set  $s_i=$  id and  $b_{i-1}=b'_i$ ;
  - (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}} \frac{2c_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}} \frac{2e_{i-1}}{4f_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-1) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a_i'}{b_i'} \frac{i_i'}{a_i'} \frac{h_i'}{2f_i'}$ , where  $a_i'$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} + \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} \cdot v_i + b_i' = 0$ .
- (ix) Assume that  $L_{i-1}$  is of type  $I^e$  and  $L_{i+1}$  is of type  $I^e$ :
  - (a) if  $L_i$  is of type II, the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\binom{2a_{i-1}}{2b_{i-1}}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2) \times (n_i)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\binom{a'_i}{b'_i}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2) \times (n_i)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $m_{i,i} = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ;
  - (b) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 2a_{i-1} & 2d_{i-1} \\ 2b_{i-1} & 4f_{i-1} \\ 2c_{i-1} & 2e_{i-1} \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2)\times(n_i-1)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & d'_i \\ b'_i & 2f'_i \\ c'_i & e'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2)\times(n_i-1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i$  = id and  $b_{i-1}=b'_i$ :
  - an  $(n_{i+1}-2) \times (n_i-1)$ -matrix, etc. Set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} = b'_i$ ; (c) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the matrix form of  $2m_{i-1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 2a_{i-1} & 2i_{i-1} & 2h_{i-1} \\ 2b_{i-1} & 2d_{i-1} & 4f_{i-1} \\ 2c_{i-1} & 2g_{i-1} & 2e_{i-1} \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a_{i-1}$  is an  $(n_{i-1}-2) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, and the matrix form of  $m_{i+1,i}$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & i'_i & h'_i \\ b'_i & d'_i & 2f'_i \\ c'_i & g'_i & e'_i \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $a'_i$  is an  $(n_{i+1}-2) \times (n_i-2)$ -matrix, etc. If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , set  $s_i = \text{id}$  and  $b_{i-1} + \sqrt{\widetilde{\gamma}_i} \cdot v_i + b'_i = 0$ .

Before investigating the equations defining  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$ , let us introduce the notation  $\delta'_i(b_i)$  in this paragraph. Recall that we say  $\delta_i = \begin{pmatrix} \delta'_i & 0 \\ 0 & \delta''_i \end{pmatrix}$  at the beginning of Appendix A. Then the symmetric matrix  $\delta'_i$  defines a quadratic form which is 0 modulo 2. We define

$$\delta_i'(b_i) := \frac{1}{2}b_i \cdot \delta_i' \cdot {}^t b_i$$

as matrix multiplication, where  $b_i$  is a  $1 \times (n_i - 1)$ -low vector (respectively  $1 \times (n_i - 2)$ -low vector) if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  (respectively of type  $I^e$ ). If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , we define  $\delta'_i(b_i) = \frac{1}{2}b_i \cdot \delta_i \cdot {}^tb_i$ , where  $b_i$  is a  $(1 \times n_i)$ -low vector.

We are ready to state the equations defining Ker  $\varphi$ . They are obtained by the matrix equation  ${}^t mqm = q$ , where m is an element of Ker  $\tilde{\varphi}(R)$  for a  $\kappa$ -algebra R.

By observing the diagonal (i, i)-blocks of  ${}^{t}mqm = q$ , we have the following matrix equation:

$${}^{t}m_{i,i}\delta_{i}m_{i,i} + 2({}^{t}m_{i-1,i}\delta_{i-1}m_{i-1,i} + {}^{t}m_{i+1,i}\delta_{i+1}m_{i+1,i}) + 4({}^{t}m_{i-2,i}\delta_{i-2}m_{i-2,i} + {}^{t}m_{i+2,i}\delta_{i+2}m_{i+2,i}) = (\delta_{i}),$$
(A1)

where  $0 \leq i < N$ .

By observing the (i, i + 1)-blocks of  ${}^{t}mqm = q$ , we have the following matrix equation:

$${}^{t}m_{i,i}\delta_{i}m_{i,i+1} + {}^{t}m_{i+1,i}\delta_{i+1}m_{i+1,i+1} + 2({}^{t}m_{i-1,i}\delta_{i-1}m_{i-1,i+1} + {}^{t}m_{i+2,i}\delta_{i+2}m_{i+2,i+1}) = 0, \quad (A2)$$

where  $0 \leq i < N - 1$ .

By observing the (i, j)-blocks of  ${}^t mqm = q$ , where  $i + 2 \leq j$ , we have the following matrix equation:

$$\sum_{i \leqslant k \leqslant j} {}^{t} m_{k,i} \delta_k m_{k,j} = 0, \tag{A3}$$

where  $0 \leq i, j < N$ .

We first state the equations  $\mathcal{F}_i$  and  $\mathcal{E}_i$ . These equations determine the connected components of Ker  $\varphi$ . Assume that  $L_i$  is of type I. By computing the  $(2 \times 2)$ -block (if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ ) or the  $(3 \times 3)$ -block (if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ ) of (A1), we have the equation  $\mathcal{F}_i$ :

$$\mathcal{F}_i: z_i + z_i^2 + \delta'_{i-1}(b'_{i-1}) + \delta'_{i+1}(b_i) + \widetilde{\gamma_{i-1}} \cdot e_{i-1}^2 + \widetilde{\gamma_{i+1}} \cdot d_i^2 + x_{i-2}^2 + x_i^2 = 0.$$
 (A4)

Here:

- $b'_{i-1}$  and  $b_i$  are the blocks in  $m_{i,i-1}$  and  $m_{i,i+1}$  respectively, as defined above;
- $-e_{i-1}$  is the  $(3\times 2)$ -block (if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ ) or the  $(3\times 3)$ -block (if  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ ) of  $m_{i-1,i}$ ;
- $d_i$  is the  $(2 \times 2)$ -block of  $m_{i,i+1}$ ;
- $x_{i-2}$  is the  $(2 \times 2)$ -block (respectively the  $(2 \times 3)$ -block) of  $m_{i-2,i}$  when  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$  (respectively of type  $I^e$ ) and  $L_{i-2}$  is of type I;
- $x_i$  is the  $(2 \times 2)$ -block or the  $(2 \times 3)$ -block of  $m_{i,i+2}$  when  $L_{i+2}$  is of type  $I^o$  or of type  $I^e$ , respectively. If  $L_{i-2}$  (respectively  $L_{i+2}$ ) is not of type I, we remove  $x_{i-2}^2$  (respectively  $x_i^2$ ) in the equation  $\mathcal{F}_i$ .

If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the  $(2 \times 2)$ -block of (A1) induces the equation  $\mathcal{E}_i$ :

$$\mathcal{E}_i : u_i + \widetilde{\gamma}_i \cdot u_i^2 + \delta_i'(v_i) + d_{i-1}^2 + e_i^2 = 0.$$
 (A5)

Here  $d_{i-1}$  (respectively  $e_i$ ) appears only when  $L_{i-1}$  (respectively  $L_{i+1}$ ) is of type I.

We now choose a non-negative integer j such that  $L_j$  is of type I and  $L_{j+2}$  is of type II. For such a j, there is a non-negative integer  $m_j$  such that  $L_{j-2l}$  is of type I for every l with  $0 \le l \le m_j$  and  $L_{j-2(m_j+1)}$  is of type II. Then the sum of equations

$$\sum_{l=0}^{m_j} \mathcal{F}_{j-2l} + \sum_{l}' \widetilde{\gamma_{j+1-2l}} \cdot \mathcal{E}_{j+1-2l}$$

becomes

$$\sum_{l=0}^{m} (z_{j-2l} + z_{j-2l}^2) + \sum_{l}' (\widetilde{\gamma_{j+1-2l}} \cdot u_{j+1-2l} + \widetilde{\gamma_{j+1-2l}}^2 \cdot u_{j+1-2l}^2) = 0.$$
 (A6)

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Here  $\sum_{l}' \widetilde{\gamma_{j+1-2l}} \cdot \mathcal{E}_{j+1-2l}$  is the sum of the equations  $\widetilde{\gamma_{j+1-2l}} \cdot \mathcal{E}_{j+1-2l}$  such that  $0 \leq l \leq m_j + 1$  and  $L_{j+1-2l}$  is of type  $I^e$ . On the other hand, if  $L_i$  is free of type  $I^e$  so that  $v_i$  is 0, the equation  $\widetilde{\gamma_i} \cdot \mathcal{E}_i$  becomes

$$\widetilde{\gamma_i} \cdot u_i + \widetilde{\gamma_i}^2 \cdot u_i^2 = 0. \tag{A7}$$

We next state the remaining equations defining  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$ . In addition to the equations  $\mathcal{F}_i$  and  $\mathcal{E}_i$ , (A1) induces the following.

- If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^o$ , the  $(1 \times 2)$ -block of (A1) is

$$\delta_i' y_i + {}^t v_i + \mathcal{P}_{1,2}^i = 0. (A8)$$

Here,  $\mathcal{P}_{1,2}^i$  is a polynomial with variables  $m_{i-1,i}, m_{i+1,i}$ .

- If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the  $(1 \times 2)$ -block of (A1) is

$$\delta_i' r_i + {}^t v_i = 0. \tag{A9}$$

- If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the  $(1 \times 3)$ -block of (A1) is

$$\delta_i' t_i + {}^t y_i + {}^t v_i z_i + \widetilde{\gamma}_i \cdot {}^t v_i + \mathcal{P}_{1,3}^i = 0.$$
 (A10)

Here,  $\mathcal{P}_{1,3}^i$  is a polynomial with variables  $m_{i-1,i}, m_{i+1,i}$ .

- If  $L_i$  is of type  $I^e$ , the  $(2 \times 3)$ -block of (A1) is

$$x_i + w_i + {}^t r_i \delta_i' t_i + z_i + u_i z_i + \widetilde{\gamma}_i \cdot u_i + \mathcal{P}_{2,3}^i = 0.$$
 (A11)

Here,  $\mathcal{P}_{2,3}^i$  is a polynomial with variables  $m_{i-1,i}, m_{i+1,i}$ .

Equation (A2) induces the following.

- If either  $L_i$  or  $L_{i+1}$  is of type II, (A2) becomes

$${}^{t}m_{i,i}\delta_{i}m_{i,i+1} + {}^{t}m_{i+1,i}\delta_{i+1}m_{i+1,i+1} = 0.$$
(A12)

- If both  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$  are of type I, (A2) consists of two parts:

$$\begin{cases}
t m_{i,i} \delta_i m_{i,i+1} + t m_{i+1,i} \delta_{i+1} m_{i+1,i+1} = 0 & \text{except for the } (n_i \times n_{i+1}) \text{-entry,} \\
f_i + f'_i + \mathcal{P}'_i = 0 & \text{for the } (n_i \times n_{i+1}) \text{-entry.}
\end{cases}$$
(A13)

Here,  $\mathcal{P}'_i$  is a polynomial with variables  $m_{i,i}, m_{i,i+1}, m_{i+1,i}, m_{i+1,i+1}, m_{i-1,i}, m_{i-1,i+1}, m_{i+2,i}$  and  $m_{i+2,i+1}$ . Notice that the polynomial  $\mathcal{P}'_i$  does not include the variables  $f_i, f'_i$ . We recall that  $f_i$  (respectively  $f'_i$ ) is such that  $2f_i$  (respectively  $2f'_i$ ) is the entry of  $m_{i,i+1}$  (respectively  $m_{i+1,i}$ ).

Finally, we observe (A3)–(A13). The closed subscheme  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$  of  $\operatorname{Ker} \tilde{\varphi}$  is determined by these equations. It is easily seen that  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$  is a disconnected affine space with  $2^{\alpha+\beta}$  components. Moreover, the dimension of  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$  can be computed by observing these equations or by the following lemma, and it is l. This completes the proof.

The dimension of Ker  $\varphi$  is also computed from the following lemma easily.

LEMMA A14. The dimension of Ker  $\varphi$  is l.

*Proof.* Since the dimension of Ker  $\varphi$  is at least l, it suffices to show that the dimension of the tangent space of Ker  $\varphi$  at the identity e is l. It is enough to check the statement over the algebraic closure  $\bar{\kappa}$  of  $\kappa$ . Recall the morphism

$$\tilde{\varphi}: \tilde{M} \to \prod_{i} \operatorname{Aut}_{\kappa}(\bar{V}_{i}).$$

Then we have

$$\operatorname{Ker} \varphi = \tilde{G} \cap \operatorname{Ker} \tilde{\varphi}$$

as closed subgroup schemes of  $\tilde{M}$ . Recall that we have defined the map  $\rho_{*,m}: T_m \to T_{\rho(m)}$  and we identified  $T_m$  and  $T_{\rho(m)}$  with  $T_1(\bar{\kappa})$  and  $T_2(\bar{\kappa})$  respectively, in the proof of Lemma 3.6. Based on these, the tangent space of  $\tilde{G}$  at e is the kernel of the map  $\rho_{*,e}$ . In addition, the tangent space of Ker  $\tilde{\varphi}$  at e is identified with the subspace of  $T_1(\bar{\kappa})$ , satisfying with nine cases described at the beginning of Appendix A if we change  $s_i = \operatorname{id}$  and  $m_{i,i} = \operatorname{id}$  to  $s_i = 0$  and  $m_{i,i} = 0$ , respectively. We denote this subspace by  $T_0(\bar{\kappa})$ .

The tangent space of  $\operatorname{Ker} \varphi$  at e is the intersection of  $\operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e}$  and  $T_0(\bar{\kappa})$  as subspaces of  $T_1(\bar{\kappa})$ . Thus it suffices to show that  $\operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e} \cap T_0(\bar{\kappa})$  has dimension l.

Since  $X \mapsto q \cdot X$  is a bijection  $T_1(\bar{\kappa}) \to T_3(\bar{\kappa})$  as explained in the proof of Lemma 3.6, it suffices to show that  $q \cdot (\text{Ker } \rho_{*,e} \cap T_0(\bar{\kappa}))$  as a subspace of  $T_3(\bar{\kappa})$  has dimension l. We have

$$q \cdot (\operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e} \cap T_0(\bar{\kappa})) = q \cdot \operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e} \cap q \cdot T_0(\bar{\kappa}).$$

The space  $q \cdot \operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e}$  is the kernel of the map  $T_3(\bar{\kappa}) \to T_2(\bar{\kappa}), Y \mapsto {}^tY + Y$ . Thus it is the subspace of  $T_3(\bar{\kappa})$  consisting of symmetric matrices Y whose diagonal entries are 0. Notice that this fact implies that the dimension of  $q \cdot \operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e}$  is n(n-1)/2, which is the dimension of  $\tilde{G}$ . By considering  $q \cdot T_0(\bar{\kappa})$ , it is easily seen that the dimension of  $q \cdot \operatorname{Ker} \rho_{*,e} \cap q \cdot T_0(\bar{\kappa})$  is exactly l.  $\square$ 

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