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Periods of modular forms

§1 Eichler-Shimura isomorphism

Let $X = X_1(N)$ be a projective smooth modular curve / \mathbb{Q}

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}^{sm}} & \bar{\mathcal{E}} & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} & \\ \downarrow & \uparrow \tau & \swarrow \pi & \downarrow & \\ Y & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X & \xleftarrow{\quad} & C \end{array}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \omega \rightarrow H_{dR, \log}^1 \rightarrow \omega^{-1} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\parallel \qquad \qquad \parallel$$

$$i^* \Omega_{\mathcal{E}^{sm}/X}^1 \qquad R^1 \pi_* (\mathcal{O}_{\bar{\mathcal{E}}} \rightarrow \Omega^1(\bar{\mathcal{E}}, \mathcal{D}) / (X, C))$$

$$\cdot \text{Fil}^{>1} H_{dR, \log}^1 = 0$$

→ gives rise to a filtration on $H_{dR, \log}^1$: $\cdot \text{Fil}^1 H_{dR, \log}^1 = \omega$ Hodge type (0,1) (1,0)

$$\cdot \text{Fil}^{\leq 0} H_{dR, \log}^1 = H_{dR, \log}^1$$

→ $\nabla_{GM} : H_{dR, \log}^1 \rightarrow H_{dR, \log}^1 \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$ Gauss-Manin connection

induces the Kodaira-Spencer isomorphism $\omega^{\otimes 2} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_X^1(\log C)$

For $k \geq 2$, ∇_{GM} induces a connection

$$\nabla_{GM} : \text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{dR, \log}^1 \rightarrow \text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{dR, \log}^1 \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$$

∇_{GM} satisfies Griffith transversality:

$$\nabla_{GM} (\text{Fil}^i \text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{dR, \log}^1) \subseteq \text{Fil}^{i-1} \text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{dR, \log}^1 \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$$

(Griffith transversality is true in all geometric setup)

Maybe better to think of $\Omega_X^1(\log C)$ in degree 1 → ∇_{GM} preserves filtrations.)

• Fact: $\nabla_{k-2}, \nabla_{k-4}, \dots, \nabla_{2-k}$ are all isomorphisms.

Thus, given a local section x of ω^{2-k} , lift it uniquely to a section \tilde{x} of $\text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{DR, \log}^1$
 s.t. (inductively) $\nabla_{GM}(\tilde{x})$ has trivial image in $\omega^{2-k} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$
 has trivial image in $\omega^{4-k} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$

$\implies \exists$ a unique lift \tilde{x} s.t. $\nabla_{GM}(\tilde{x}) \in \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$

Denote $\theta: \omega^{2-k} \rightarrow \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)$ given by $x \mapsto \nabla_{GM}(\tilde{x})$

Conclusion: $[\omega^{2-k} \xrightarrow{\theta} \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)]$

$\downarrow x \mapsto \tilde{x}$ \downarrow is a quasi-isomorphism

$$DR_k^\bullet := [\text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{DR, \log}^1 \rightarrow \text{Sym}^{k-2} H_{DR, \log}^1 \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)]$$

Then $H^1(X, DR_k^\bullet) \cong H^1(X, \omega^{2-k} \xrightarrow{\theta} \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C))$

$$E_1^{p,q} = \begin{array}{ccc} H^1(X, \omega^{2-k}) & \xrightarrow{\theta} & H^1(X, \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)) \\ H^0(X, \omega^{2-k}) & \xrightarrow{\theta} & H^0(X, \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)) \end{array} \implies H^*(X, DR_k^\bullet)$$

Fact: The spectral sequence degenerates at E_1 .

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(X, \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C)) \rightarrow H^1(X, DR_k^\bullet) \rightarrow H^1(X, \omega^{2-k}) \rightarrow 0$$

$H^0(X, \omega^k)$ $H^1(X, \mathbb{C} \otimes \text{Sym}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-2} H_B^1(E/\gamma))$ $H^0(X, \omega^{k-2} \otimes \Omega_X^1)^{\vee}$
 $M_k(\Gamma_1(N))$ $= S_k(\Gamma_1(N))^{\vee}$

Hodge decomposition: $H^1(X, DR_k^\bullet) = H^0(X, \omega^k) \oplus H^0(X, \omega^k(-D))$

This is called the Eichler-Shimura isomorphism

Consider the Hecke action \implies if f is an eigen new cusp form of level $\Gamma_1(N)$,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cdot f \rightarrow H^1(X, DR_k^\bullet)_{\pi_f} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cdot \bar{f} \rightarrow 0$$

$\text{Fil}^{k-2} M(f)_{DR}$ $M(f)_{DR}$ $\text{Fil}^0 M(f)_{DR}$

§2 Motive attached to modular forms

Consider Kuga-Sato variety $KS_{k-2}^{sm} = \mathcal{E}_X^{sm} \times_X \mathcal{E}_X^{sm} \cdots \times_X \mathcal{E}_X^{sm} \rightarrow \overline{KS}_{k-2}$

$\pi_{k-2} \downarrow$
 X

(ignore cusp, more complicated)

Step 1: For each $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow X$, cut out relative $H^1(\mathcal{E}/X)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Inside } \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{E} & \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{E} \leftarrow \Delta_{\mathcal{E}}, \mathcal{E} \times 0, 0 \times \mathcal{E} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ X \times X & \leftarrow \Delta_X \end{array}$$

Use $pr_1 := [\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}] - [\mathcal{E} \times 0] - [0 \times \mathcal{E}] \in [\mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{E}]$ on $H^*(\mathcal{E})$ to pick out $H^1(\mathcal{E}/X)$

Step 2: Consider $\mathcal{G}_{k-2} \hookrightarrow KS_{k-2} \rightarrow X$ (but note H^1 is in degree 1 there's a sign when commuting H^1 's.)

Let $sgn: \mathcal{G}_{k-2} \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$ be the sign character.

$$\text{Then put } H^1(X, \text{Sym}^{k-2} H^1(\mathcal{E}/X)) := sgn_* \circ [pr_1]^{\otimes k-2} (H^{k-1}(KS_{k-2}))$$

Step 3: Apply Hecke operators to cut out the motive associated to an eigen new cuspform f .

E.g. $M_k(\Gamma_1(N)) = \mathbb{C} \cdot f_0 \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot f_1 \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot f_2 \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot f_3 \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot f_4$ ← including Eisenstein series.

T_{ℓ_1} -eigenval $\alpha \quad \alpha \quad \beta \quad \beta \quad \gamma$

T_{ℓ_2} -eigenval $\alpha' \quad \beta' \quad \gamma' \quad \gamma' \quad \delta'$

↑ new form has mult 1. not new form

$$\text{Define } M(f) := \frac{(T_{\ell_1} - \beta)(T_{\ell_1} - \gamma)(T_{\ell_2} - \beta')}{(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha - \gamma)(\alpha' - \beta')} H^1(X, \text{Sym}^{k-2} H^1(\mathcal{E}/X))$$

Fact: $M(f)_{\mathbb{B}} \cong H^1(X, j_* \text{Sym}^{k-2} R^1 \pi_{1*} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{E}/Y})$

$$M(f)_{\text{dR}} \cong H^1(X, \text{Sym}^{k-2} \mathcal{H}_{\text{dR}, \log}^1 \rightarrow \text{Sym}^{k-2} \mathcal{H}_{\text{dR}, \log}^1 \otimes \Omega_X^1(\log C))$$

§3. L-functions associated to modular forms.

Let $f(\tau) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n q^n$ be a normalized eigen newform of level $\Gamma_1(N)$ and weight k .

nebentypus character $\chi: (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \ell \nmid N, T_\ell\text{-eigenvalue} = a_\ell, \quad T_\ell(f) = \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} a_{n\ell} q^n \right) + \ell^{k-1} \chi(\ell) \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n q^{n\ell}$$

$$\forall \ell \mid N, U_\ell\text{-eigenvalue} = a_\ell, \quad U_\ell(f) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_{n\ell} q^n.$$

$M(f)_{\text{et}, p}$ = rank 2 representation of $\text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ weight = $1-k$. $p \nmid N$

when $\ell \nmid Np$, char poly of geometric Frobenius ϕ_ℓ is $x^2 - a_\ell x + \ell^{k-1} \chi(\ell)$

$\ell = p$, the char poly of crystalline Frobenius ϕ_p on $\text{D}_{\text{cris}}(M_{\text{et}, p})$ is $x^2 - a_p x + p^{k-1} \chi(p)$

$$L(f, s) = L(M(f)_{\text{et}, p}, s) = \prod_{\ell \nmid N} \frac{1}{\det(\text{id} - \rho_p(\phi_\ell) \ell^{-s})} \cdot \prod_{\ell \mid N} (\dots)$$

$$= \prod_{\ell \nmid N} \frac{1}{1 - a_\ell \ell^{-s} + \chi(\ell) \ell^{k-1-s}} \prod_{\ell \mid N} \frac{1}{1 - a_\ell \ell^{-s}}$$

when $\ell = p$, use $\text{D}_{\text{cris}}(M_{\text{et}, p})$ instead

$$= \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$$

$$\cdot \Lambda(f, s) = (2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) \cdot L(f, s).$$

Interpretation of $\Lambda(f, s)$ via integration (when f is cuspidal): $q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$, $\tau = u + iv$

$$\int_0^\infty f(iv) v^s \frac{dv}{v} = \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n e^{-2n\pi v} \cdot v^s \frac{dv}{v} = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-2n\pi v} \cdot v^s \frac{dv}{v}$$

$$\stackrel{w=2n\pi v}{=} \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n \cdot \frac{1}{(2n\pi)^s} \underbrace{\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-w} w^s \frac{dw}{w}}_{\Gamma(s)} = (2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$$

(Assume that f has level 1, we see analytic continuation $\Rightarrow k$ even)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \rightsquigarrow f\left(-\frac{1}{z}\right) = z^k \cdot f(z) \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{i}{v}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} v^{\frac{k}{2}} f(iv)$$

$$\text{Then } \int_0^{+\infty} f(iv) v^s \frac{dv}{v} = \int_1^{+\infty} f(iv) v^s \frac{dv}{v} + \int_0^1 \underbrace{(-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} v^{-k} f\left(\frac{i}{v}\right)}_{\parallel} v^s \frac{dv}{v}$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \int_1^{\infty} v^k f(iv) \cdot v^{-s} \frac{dv}{v}$$

functional equation $s \leftrightarrow k-s$

$$\Lambda(f, s) = (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \Lambda(f, k-s)$$

§4. Periods of modular forms and critical L-values

$$\Lambda^2 M(f) \simeq \mathbb{Q}(1-k)$$

• $M = M(f)_{\mathbb{B}}$ rank 2, $M(n)_{\mathbb{B}}^{\dagger} = 1 - \dim!$. (say, q-expansion of f has coeffs in \mathbb{Q})

$M_{\mathbb{R}} = M(f)_{\mathbb{R}}$ rank 2, Hodge type $(0, k-1), (k-1, 0)$

$$\alpha_{M(n)}^{\mathbb{R}} : M(n)_{\mathbb{B}}^{\dagger} \otimes \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M_{\mathbb{R}} / F^n M_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathbb{R}$$

When $n \in [1, k-1]$, $\dim F^n M_{\mathbb{R}} = 1$. $\leadsto \alpha_{M(n)}^{\mathbb{R}}$ is an isomorphism.

$\Rightarrow L(f, n)$ is critical. Expected: $L(f, n) \in \mathbb{Q}^{\times} \cdot \det(\alpha_{M(n)}^{\mathbb{R}})$

Write $M_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{Q}\omega_f \oplus \mathbb{Q}\eta_f$, ω_f basis of $F^{k-1} M_{\mathbb{R}}$, η_f complementary basis, not canonical

$$M_{\mathbb{R}} \otimes \mathbb{C} \simeq M_{\mathbb{B}} \otimes \mathbb{C} \quad M_{\mathbb{B}} = \mathbb{Q}e_f^{\dagger} \oplus \mathbb{Q}e_f^{\bar{\dagger}} \quad , \quad \omega_f = \Omega_f^{\dagger} e_f^{\dagger} + \Omega_f^{\bar{\dagger}} e_f^{\bar{\dagger}}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ F_{\infty=1} & & F_{\infty=-1} \end{array}$$

normalization: $\omega \wedge \bar{\eta} = \int \omega \wedge \bar{\eta} \cdot e_0^{\text{top}}$ Always use $\Lambda^{\text{top}} M_{\mathbb{R}}$ as basis

Poincaré pairing: $M_{\mathbb{R}} / F^n M_{\mathbb{R}} \times F^{k-n} M_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \Lambda^2 M_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{Q}$ perfect pairing

$$\eta_f \times \omega_f \longmapsto 1.$$

$$M(n)_{\mathbb{B}}^{\dagger} \left\langle (2\pi i)^n e_f^{(-n)}, \omega_f \right\rangle = (2\pi i)^{n-(k-1)} \cdot \Omega_f^{(-1)^{n+1}}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Omega_f^{\dagger} e_f^{\dagger} + \Omega_f^{\bar{\dagger}} e_f^{\bar{\dagger}} \\ \Omega_f^{(-1)^{n+1}} \end{array} \right\} \det \alpha_{M(n)}^{\mathbb{R}} = (2\pi i)^{n-(k-1)}$$

On the other hand, write e_f^{+*}, e_f^{-*} for the dual basis of e_f^+, e_f^-

$e_f^{\pm,*}$ can be represented by a class in $H_1(X \text{ rel } \mathbb{C}, j_* \text{Sym}^{k-2} H_1(E/Y))_f^{\pm}$

e.g. path $\{0, i\infty\} \otimes (S^{*\otimes(k-2-m)} \otimes T^{*\otimes m})$ sgn is $(-1)^m$

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 $F_\infty=1$ $F_\infty=(-1)^m$

Then $\langle \omega_f, e_f^{*,\pm} \rangle \sim \Omega_f^{\pm}$ ← sign = $(-1)^m$

$$\int_0^{i\infty} f(\tau) \otimes \left\langle \underbrace{(2\pi i dz)^{\otimes k-2} \otimes S^{*\otimes(k-2-m)} \otimes T^{*\otimes m}}_{\tau^m} \right\rangle \cdot 2\pi i d\tau$$

$$= (2\pi i)^{k-1} \cdot L(f, m+1) \cdot (2\pi)^{-(m+1)} \Gamma(m+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \alpha_{M(n)} = (2\pi i)^{n-(k-1)} \Omega_f^{(-1)^{n+1}} = (2\pi i)^{n-(k-1)} \cdot (2\pi i)^{k-1} \cdot (2\pi)^{-(m+1)} \Gamma(m+1) L(f, m+1)$$

$$\sim (2\pi)^{n-(m+1)} L(f, m+1)$$

When $n=m+1$, okay, and also $L(f, n) \sim (2\pi i)^{n-(k-1)} \Omega_f^{(-1)^n}$