

Special values of L-functions 4

Class number formula and statement of Iwasawa Main Conjecture

§1. L-functions associated general Galois representations

Definition Let F be a number field. Let $M_F := \{\text{all places of } F\} \supseteq M_{F,f} = \{\text{all finite places}\}$

For each $v \in M_{F,f}$, write $q_v := \#$ of elements in the residue field at v .

Fix a prime p and embeddings $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$, where $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is the algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q} in \mathbb{C} .

A representation $\rho: \text{Gal}_F \rightarrow \text{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p) = \text{GL}(V)$ is called "nice" if

(1) ρ is ramified at only finitely many places $S \subseteq M_F$

(WLOG, S contains all p -adic places and all archimedean places)

(sometimes, we write $G_{F,S}$ for the Galois group $\text{Gal}(F^S/F)$ for F^S the maximal

extension of F that is unramified outside S . Then we have $\rho: G_{F,S} \rightarrow \text{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p)$.)

(2) For every place $v \in M_{F,f}$ that is not p -adic, let ϕ_v be a geometric Frobenius at v
the characteristic polynomial of $\rho(\phi_v)$ on V^{I_v} belongs to $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}[x]$.

(3) For a p -adic place v of F , $\rho|_{\text{Gal}_{F_v}}$ is de Rham and $\rho(\phi_v)$ on $\mathcal{D}_{\text{pst}}(\rho_v)^{I_{F_v}}$ has
characteristic polynomial in $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}[x]$

\hookrightarrow some p -adic Hodge theory construction.

Then for each $v \in M_{F,f}$, define the local L-factor

$$L_v(\rho_v, s) := \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\det(1 - \rho_v(\phi_v) q_v^{-s}; V^{I_v})} & \text{if } v \text{ is not } p\text{-adic.} \\ \frac{1}{\det(1 - \phi_v \cdot q_v^{-s}; \mathcal{D}_{\text{pst}}(\rho_v)^{I_v})} & \text{if } v \text{ is } p\text{-adic.} \end{cases}$$

Put $L(\rho, s) := \prod_{v \in M_{F,f}} L_v(\rho_v, s)$ if it converges for

Rmk: One expects meromorphic continuation + functional equation $L(\rho, s) \leftrightarrow L(\rho^\vee, 1-s)$

But this is a very difficult question ("Solution": only look at those assoc. to autom. reps.)

Rmk: When $\text{Im } \rho$ is finite, we can ρ an Artin representation. The p -adic Hodge theory construction can be ignored.

Basic examples/properties

① Comparison with primitive Dirichlet character $\tilde{\eta}: \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^{\times} \xrightarrow{\tilde{\eta}} \mathbb{C}^{\times}$

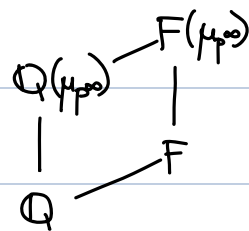
geom Frob. $\phi_p \longmapsto \phi^{-1} \longmapsto \eta(p)^{-1}$

So $L(\tilde{\eta}, s) = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - \eta(p)^{-1} p^{-s}} = L(\eta^{-1}, s)$ we will see that this is consistent

Rmk: L-function for $\tilde{\eta}$ automatically gives the primitive Dirichlet L-function.

② p -adic cyclotomic character $\chi_{\text{cycl}}: \text{Gal}_F \rightarrow \text{Gal}(F(\mu_{p^\infty})/F) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$

$\sigma(\zeta_{p^n}) = \zeta_{p^n}^{\chi_{\text{cycl}}(\sigma)}$



In particular, for $v \nmid p$ $\chi_{\text{cycl}}(\phi_v) = q_v^{-1}$

Sometimes abbreviate to $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ or $\mathbb{Q}_p(1)$

Put $\mathbb{Z}_p(n) = \mathbb{Z}_p(1)^{\otimes n}$ for $n \geq 0$ and $\mathbb{Z}_p(-n) = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}_p(n), \mathbb{Z}_p)$

For a representation V of Gal_F as above, define $V(n) = V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Z}_p(n)$

$$L_v(V(n)_v, s) = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbb{1} - \rho(n)(\phi_v) \cdot q_v^{-s})} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbb{1} - \rho(\phi_v) q_v^{-n-s})} = L_v(V_v, s+n)$$

$$\Rightarrow L(V(n), s) = L(V, n+s)$$

↑ The same works for p -adic places as well
b/c ϕ_v action on $\mathbb{D}_{\text{pst}}(V_v(n))$ is $q_v^{-n} \phi_v$ -action on $\mathbb{D}_{\text{pst}}(V_v)$

Reinterpretation of p -adic Dirichlet L-function:

Let N be an integer $p \nmid N$. Fix an embedding $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}} \hookrightarrow \bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p$.

Let $\tilde{\eta}: \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^{\times} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}, \times}$ be a nontrivial character

There exists a p -adic measure $\mu_{\tilde{\eta}}$ on $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times} \leftarrow \text{max } p\text{-abelian extension of } \mathbb{Q}$

s.t. for any finite character $\tilde{\eta}_p: \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p^{\times}$, and any $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

if we form a p -adic rep'n $\langle \tilde{\eta}_p, -n \rangle: \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p^\times$
 $x \mapsto \tilde{\eta}_p(x) x^{-n}$

then $\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^\times} \langle \tilde{\eta}_p, -n \rangle(x) d\mu_{\tilde{\eta}}(x) = L(\tilde{\eta}_p, -n) = L(\eta^{-1} \eta_p^{-1}, -n)$

This $d\mu_{\tilde{\eta}} = \iota^* d\mu_{\eta^{-1}}$ where $\iota: \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ is $x \mapsto x^{-1}$.

③ If $\rho = \rho_1 \oplus \rho_2$, $L(\rho, s) = L(\rho_1, s) \cdot L(\rho_2, s)$

④ $\rho \rightsquigarrow$ a representation $\text{Ind}_{\text{Gal}_F}^{\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}} \rho$ of $\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}$, then

$$L_F(\rho, s) = L_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ind}_{\text{Gal}_F}^{\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}} \rho)$$

Example: Consider the trivial rep'n $\mathbb{1}_F: \text{Gal}_F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$, the associated L -function is called the

Dedekind zeta function $\zeta_F(s) = L_F(\mathbb{1}, s) = \prod_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \leq \mathcal{O}_F \\ \text{prime}}} \frac{1}{1 - \|\mathfrak{p}\|^{-s}} = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{a} \leq \mathcal{O}_F \\ \text{ideal}}} \frac{1}{\|\mathfrak{a}\|^s} \quad \text{Re}(s) > 1$
 $= L_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ind}_{\text{Gal}_F}^{\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{1}, s)$

Special case $F = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)$, $\text{Ind}_{\text{Gal}_F}^{\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathbb{1} = \bigoplus_{\substack{\text{character} \\ \eta: \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times}} \eta \leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{primitive} \\ \text{Dirichlet char of conductor } M|N \end{matrix}$

So $\zeta_F(s) = \prod_{\substack{\text{characters} \\ \eta: (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times}} L(\eta, s)$.

Next, we will study the arithmetic properties of special values of $L(\eta, 0)$.

§2 Analytic class number formula.

Functional equation for Dedekind ζ -function $\zeta_F(s)$

Assume that F has r_1 real embeddings $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{r_1}$ and r_2 pairs of complex embeddings $\tau_{r_1+i}, \bar{\tau}_{r_1+i}$.

Recall: $\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(s) = \pi^{-s/2} \Gamma(\frac{s}{2})$ and $\Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s) = 2(2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s)$.

Put $\Lambda_F(s) := \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(s)^{r_1} \cdot \Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s)^{r_2} \zeta_F(s)$

Then $\Lambda_F(s) = |\Delta_F|^{\frac{1}{2}-s} \Lambda_F(1-s)$, where Δ_F is the discriminant of F/\mathbb{Q}

Theorem (analytic class number formula)

If F is a number field, then the Dedekind zeta function $\zeta_F(s)$ has a simple pole at $s=1$,

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} (s-1) \zeta_F(s) = \frac{2^{r_1} \cdot (2\pi)^{r_2} \cdot \text{Reg}_F \cdot h_F}{w_F \cdot \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}}$$

← This is $\text{Vol}(A_F^{x,1}/F^x)$ for the self-dual measure used in Tate's thesis $A_F^{x,1} = \{x \in A_F^x, |x|=1\}$

where $D_F = \text{discriminant of } F$, $h_F = \#\text{cl}(\mathcal{O}_F)$, $w_F := \#\{\text{roots of unity in } F\}$

$\text{Reg}_F = \text{volume of } \frac{\mathbb{R}^{r_1+r_2-1}}{\text{reg}_F(\mathcal{O}_F^x)}$,
more carefully later

Here, $\text{reg}_F \mathcal{O}_F^x \longrightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{r_1+r_2})^{\text{sum}=0}$
 $u \longmapsto (c_i \log |\tau_i(u)|)_{i=1, \dots, r_1+r_2}$ for $c_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \tau_i \text{ is real} \\ 2 & \text{if } \tau_i \text{ is complex.} \end{cases}$

explicitly, if $u_1, \dots, u_{r_1+r_2-1}$ generate $\mathcal{O}_F^x/\mu(F)$

$$\text{Reg}_F = \left| \det \left(c_i \log |\tau_i(u_j)| \right)_{i,j=1, \dots, r_1+r_2-1} \right|$$

A better formulation? $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^{-(r_1+r_2-1)} \zeta_F(s) = - \frac{h_F \cdot \text{Reg}_F}{w_F}$

Proof by functional equation (as $s \rightarrow 0$)

$$\zeta_F(s) \cdot \underbrace{\left(\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \right)^{r_1}}_{\left(\frac{2}{s}\right)^{r_1}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(2(2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) \right)^{r_2}}_{\left(\frac{2}{s}\right)^{r_2}} = \underbrace{|\Delta_F|^{\frac{1}{2}-s}}_{\sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \cdot \zeta_F(1-s) \cdot \underbrace{\left(\pi^{-\frac{1-s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \right)^{r_1}}_{\left(\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi}\right)^{r_1}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(2(2\pi)^{s-1} \Gamma(1-s) \right)^{r_2}}_{\left(\frac{2}{2\pi}\right)^{r_2}}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{s} \right) \cdot \frac{2^{r_1} (2\pi)^{r_2} \text{Reg}_F \cdot h_F}{w_F \cdot \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \quad \square$$

§3 Proof of analytic class number formula (nothing deep, but a very cute proof.)

Suffices to consider $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $s \rightarrow 1^+$.

Case of $F = \mathbb{Q}$, $\zeta_{\mathbb{Q}}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^s} dx + O(1) = \frac{1}{1-s} x^{1-s} \Big|_1^{+\infty} + O(1) = \frac{1}{s-1} + O(1)$.

Will only prove this when F is a quadratic field

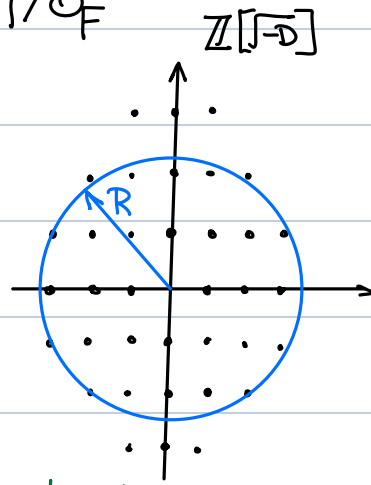
$$\zeta_F(s) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{o} \neq \mathbb{I} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_F \\ \text{ideal}}} \frac{1}{\|\mathbb{I}\|^s} = \sum_{\substack{c \in \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_F) \\ \text{ideal class}}} \sum_{\mathbb{I} \in [c]} \frac{1}{\|\mathbb{I}\|^s}$$

① When F is imaginary quadratic,

First compute $[c] = \text{principal ideal class} \iff \left\{ \text{elements in } \mathcal{O}_F \setminus \{0\} \right\} / \mathcal{O}_F^\times$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\substack{\text{principal} \\ \text{ideals } \mathbb{I} \neq 0}} \frac{1}{\|\mathbb{I}\|^s} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{O}_F^\times|} \cdot \sum_{a \in \mathcal{O}_F \setminus \{0\}} \frac{1}{(Na)^s}$$

$$\stackrel{Na \sim R^2}{=} \frac{1}{w_F} \int_{R=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} (2\pi R + O(1)) \frac{1}{R^{2s}} dR$$



↑ density of lattice point e.g. $\mathcal{O}_F = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-D}]$

$\Delta_F = -4D$ vs. density = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{D}}$

$$= \frac{2}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \int_{R=1}^{+\infty} 2\pi \frac{1}{R^{2s-1}} + \frac{O(1)}{R^{2s}} \cdot dR$$

$$= \frac{2}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \frac{2\pi}{2-2s} R^{2-2s} \Big|_{R=1}^{+\infty} + \frac{1}{1-2s} R^{1-2s} \Big|_{R=1}^{+\infty}$$

↑ finite when $s \rightarrow 1$

$$= \frac{2}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \cdot \frac{\pi}{s-1} + O(1)$$

For other ideal class group $[c]$, fix an ideal $\mathbb{I}_c \in [c]$.

Every genuine ideal in $[c]$ takes the form $\mathbb{I}_c \cdot (\alpha)$ for $\alpha \in \mathbb{I}_c^{-1} \cdot \mathcal{O}_F \setminus \{0\}$

$$\text{So } \sum_{0 \neq I \subseteq \mathcal{O}} \frac{1}{\|I\|^s} = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_F \setminus \{0\}} \frac{1}{\|I_\alpha\|^s \cdot (N\alpha)^s} \stackrel{\text{same argument}}{=} \frac{1}{\|I_c\|} \cdot \frac{2}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \cdot \frac{\pi}{s-1} \cdot \|I_c\| + O(1)$$

$\frac{1}{\|I_c\|^s} \text{ as } s \rightarrow 1$

density of points increase by $\|I_c\|$

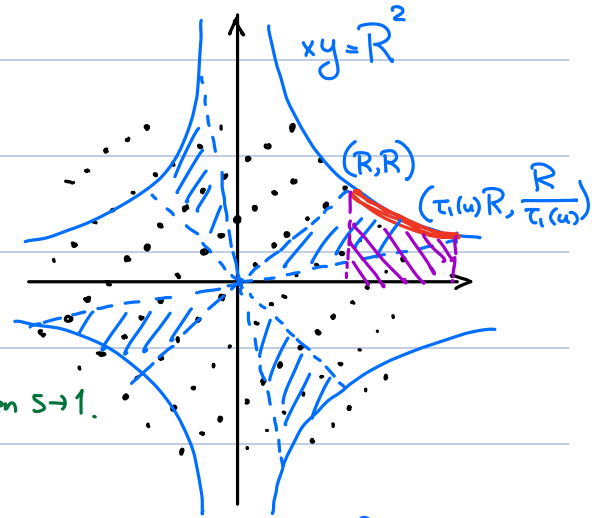
Sum-up: $\zeta_F(s) = \sum_{0 \neq I \subseteq \mathcal{O}_F} \frac{1}{\|I\|^s} = \frac{2\pi \cdot h_F}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \cdot \frac{1}{s-1} + O(1)$

② When F is real quadratic. similar to above, it (essentially) suffices to compute

$$\sum_{0 \neq I \subseteq \mathcal{O}_F} \frac{1}{\|I\|^s} = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{O}_F \setminus \{0\} / \mathcal{O}_F^\times} \frac{1}{(Na)^s}$$

$$= \frac{1}{w_F} \int_{R=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \left(\frac{d}{dR} (\text{Shaded area}(R)) + O(R) \right) \frac{1}{R^{2s}} dR$$

\uparrow density



$$\text{shaded area} = 4 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} R^2 - \frac{1}{2} \tau_1(u) R \cdot \frac{R}{\tau_1(u)} + \int_R^{\tau_1(u)R} \frac{R^2}{x} dx \right)$$

\uparrow bounded when $s \rightarrow 1$.

$$= 4 R^2 \cdot \ln|x| \Big|_R^{\tau_1(u)R} = 4 R^2 \cdot (\ln|\tau_1(u)R| - \ln|R|)$$

$$= 4 \cdot R^2 \ln|\tau_1(u)|$$

$\tau_1, \tau_2: \mathcal{O}_F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$
 $u = \text{fundamental unit}$
 assume $\tau_1(u) > 0$ for simplicity.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{0 \neq I \subseteq \mathcal{O}_F} \frac{1}{\|I\|^s} = O(1) + \frac{1}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \int_{R=1}^{+\infty} 8R \cdot \ln|\tau_1(u)| \cdot \frac{1}{R^{2s}} dR$$

$$= O(1) + \frac{1}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \cdot \frac{8 \ln|\tau_1(u)|}{2-2s} \cdot R^{2-2s} \Big|_1^{+\infty}$$

$$= O(1) + \frac{1}{w_F \sqrt{|\Delta_F|}} \cdot \frac{\ln|\tau_1(u)|}{s-1} \quad \checkmark$$