

Special values of L-functions 6

(φ, Γ)-modules and Galois cohomology

Today, we make a digression on one version of p -adic Hodge theory: (φ, Γ)-modules

Goal: Just enough to understand Coleman's power series (next time)

§1. Galois representations for the Galois group of char p field.

• E field of char $p > 0$, not necessarily perfect (in later example, $E = \mathbb{F}_p((t))$.)

• $\text{Gal}_E := \text{Gal}(E^{\text{sep}}/E)$

• $\varphi: E^{\text{sep}} \rightarrow E^{\text{sep}} \quad x \mapsto x^p$ the (arithmetic) Frobenius

Definition A φ -module over E is a finite dim'l E -vector space M together with an

isomorphism $\Phi: M \otimes_{E, \varphi} E \xrightarrow{\sim} M$

(This is equivalent to give $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$ semilinear: i.e. $\varphi(am) = \varphi(a)\varphi(m)$

+ matrix for φ being nondegenerate.)

Theorem. We have an equivalence of categories

$$\text{Rep}_{\mathbb{F}_p}(\text{Gal}_E) \xleftarrow{\sim} \varphi\text{-Mod}/E$$

$$V \longmapsto \mathcal{D}(V) = (V \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} E^{\text{sep}})^{\text{Gal}_E}$$

$$V(\mathcal{D}) := (\mathcal{D} \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}})^{\varphi=1} \longleftarrow \mathcal{D}$$

compatible with tensors and duals, + preserving dimensions

Proof: ① Let $d := \dim_{\mathbb{F}_p} V$.

Claim There is an E^{sep} -linear isomorphism $V \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} E^{\text{sep}} \xrightarrow{\sim} (E^{\text{sep}})^{\oplus d}$

equivariant for Gal_E -actions

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" E^{sep} eats up all actions on V "

Proof: Pick a basis of $V \rightsquigarrow$ let $a_g \in GL_d(E) \subseteq GL_d(E^{\text{sep}})$ for the matrix of $g \in \text{Gal}_E$

$$\text{Then } a_{gh} = a_g \cdot g(a_h)$$

So this defines a 1-cocycle in $Z^1(\text{Gal}_E, GL_d(E^{\text{sep}}))$

By Hilbert 90, $H^1(\text{Gal}_E, GL_d(E^{\text{sep}})) = \{1\}$

$$\Rightarrow \exists b \in GL_d(E^{\text{sep}}) \text{ s.t. } a_g = b^{-1} g(b).$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{w.r.t. basis } (e_1, \dots, e_b) b^{-1}, \quad g(e \cdot b^{-1}) = e a_g g(b)^{-1} = e \cdot b^{-1} \quad \square$$

So $\mathcal{D}(V) = (V \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}})^{\text{Gal}_E} \simeq E^d$; it carries an action from \mathcal{G} . Also $\mathcal{D}(V) \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}} \simeq V \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} E^{\text{sep}}$.

② Conversely, if $d = \dim \mathcal{D}$ for $\mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{G}\text{-Mod}/E$,

$$\text{WTS } \dim_{\mathbb{F}_p} (\mathcal{D} \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}})^{\mathcal{G}} = d.$$

Pick a basis of \mathcal{D}/E , and write $P \in GL_n(E)$ for matrix of \mathcal{G} .

Want: $\underline{v} \in (E^{\text{sep}})^n$ s.t. $P \cdot \mathcal{G}(\underline{v}) = \underline{v}$ or $\mathcal{G}(\underline{v}) - P^{-1}\underline{v} = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1^P \\ \vdots \\ v_d^P \end{pmatrix} - P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_d \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow E^{\text{sep}}$ -points of the algebra $E[v_1, \dots, v_n] / \mathcal{G}(\underline{v}) - P^{-1}(\underline{v})$

This is a finite étale algebra by Jacobian criterion

So, has p^d -solutions $\Rightarrow \mathcal{D} \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}} \simeq (E^{\text{sep}})^{\oplus d}$ as \mathcal{G} -modules

In particular, $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_p} (\mathcal{D} \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}})^{\mathcal{G}} = d$, and $\mathcal{D} \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}} \simeq V(\mathcal{D}) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} E^{\text{sep}}$

$$\text{Mutual inverses: } \mathcal{D}(V(\mathcal{D})) = (V(\mathcal{D}) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} E^{\text{sep}})^{\text{Gal}_E} = (\mathcal{D} \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}})^{\text{Gal}_E} = \mathcal{D}$$

$$V(\mathcal{D}(V)) = (\mathcal{D}(V) \otimes_E E^{\text{sep}})^{\mathcal{G}} = (V \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} E^{\text{sep}})^{\mathcal{G}} = V. \quad \square$$

Definition A Cohen ring C_E of a field E of char p is a complete DVR with residue field k

s.t. \mathfrak{p} is a uniformizer.

(In later example, $C_{\mathbb{F}_p} = \mathbb{Z}_p((T))^{\wedge, p\text{-adic}}$)

Remark A Cohen ring exists but may not be unique if E is not perfect.

Notation. Let C_E be a Cohen ring which admits a lift φ of the Frobenius on E
 (In later example, $\varphi(T) = (1+T)^p - 1$.)

Then \exists max unram ext'n C_E^{ur} of C_E s.t. $C_E^{ur}/(p) = E^{sep}$ (b/c $(C_E(p))$ is Henselian)

Theorem. There is an equivalence of tensor categories

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Rep}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(\text{Gal}_E) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \varphi\text{-Mod}^{et}/C_E \\ \text{need not be free}/\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow & & \leftarrow \text{need not be free}/C_E \\ V & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{D}(V) = (V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur})^{\text{Gal}_E} \\ V(\mathbb{D}) = (\mathbb{D} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur})^{\varphi=1} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{D} \end{array}$$

Here étale means $\Phi: \mathbb{D} \otimes_{C_E, \varphi} C_E \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{D}$, or equivalently, $\varphi: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ is semilinear, and the matrix for φ belongs to $\text{GL}_d(C_E)$. "integrally invertible"

Interpretation of Galois cohomology

For $V \in \text{Rep}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(\text{Gal}_E)$, we can compute its Galois cohomology $H^i(\text{Gal}_E, V)$ using (φ, Γ) -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p \rightarrow E^{sep} \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} E^{sep} \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{Artin-Schreier exact sequence})$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \widehat{C}_E^{ur} \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} \widehat{C}_E^{ur} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\xrightarrow{V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} -} 0 \rightarrow V \rightarrow V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur} \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur} \rightarrow 0$$

Note: $V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur} \cong \mathbb{D}(V) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur} \leftarrow$ is a "regular representation of $\text{Gal}(E^{sep}/E)$ "

Taking Galois cohomology \Rightarrow

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(\text{Gal}_E, V) \rightarrow (V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur})^{\text{Gal}_E} \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} (V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{C}_E^{ur})^{\text{Gal}_E} \rightarrow H^1(\text{Gal}_E, V) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \parallel \quad \quad \quad \parallel$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \mathbb{D}(V) \quad \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} \quad \mathbb{D}(V)$$

Fact: $\text{RT}(\text{Gal}_E, V) \cong [\mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} \mathbb{D}(V)]$

§2 (φ, Γ) -modules vs. representations of $\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$.

Big Key Fact

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p} & & \mathbb{F}_p((T))^{\text{sep}} \\
 | & \cong & | \\
 \mathbb{Q}_p(\mu_{p^\infty}) & H_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \cong \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{F}_p((t))} & \mathbb{F}_p((T)) =: E \\
 | & \Gamma \cong \mathbb{Z}_p^\times & \uparrow \\
 \mathbb{Q}_p & \gamma_a \mapsto a & \Gamma\text{-action } \gamma_a(T) = (1+T)^a - 1
 \end{array}$$

Choose $C_E = A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} := \mathbb{Z}_p((T))^{\wedge, p\text{-adic}}$, φ -action on C_E : $\varphi(T) = (1+T)^p - 1$.

Theorem We have an equivalence of tensor categories

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Rep}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^{\text{(free)}}(\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}) & \xleftrightarrow{\sim} & (\varphi, \Gamma)\text{-Mod} / E = \mathbb{F}_p((T)) \\
 \mathbb{Z}_p & & C_E = A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 & & \mathbb{D}(V) := (V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\text{ur}})^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} \\
 & & \leftarrow \mathbb{D} \otimes_{A_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} \widehat{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\text{ur}} \xrightarrow{\varphi=1} \mathbb{D}
 \end{array}$$

Remark: Theory works for p -adic repr's of Gal_K for K CDVF of mixed char + perfect residue field.

Will later explain a special case for $\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}(\mu_{p^r})$

Definition An étale (φ, Γ) -module is a finitely generated $A_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ -mod M , equipped with continuous semilinear Γ -action ($\gamma(am) = \gamma(a)\gamma(m)$), and a Γ -equivariant isomorphism

$$\Phi: M \otimes_{A_{\mathbb{Q}_p, \varphi}} A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \xrightarrow{\sim} M$$

(étale \Leftrightarrow matrix for φ -action is integrally invertible.)

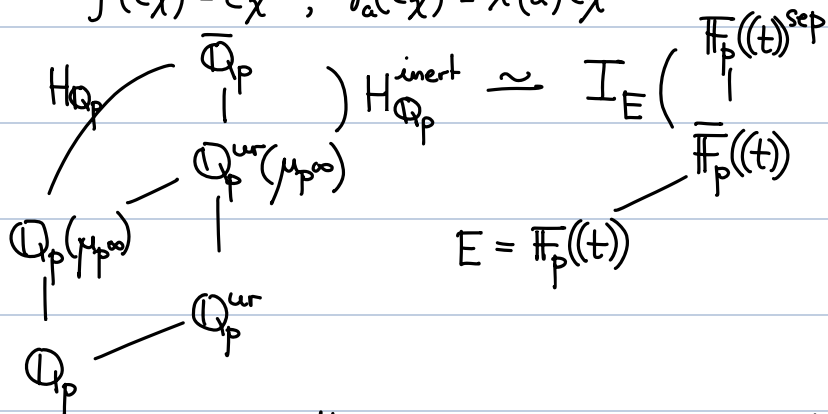
Example: Let \mathcal{O} = ring of integers in a finite extension of \mathbb{Q}_p .

If $\chi: \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\text{ab}} \cong \widehat{\mathbb{Q}_p}^\times = \widehat{\mathbb{Z}} \times \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^\times$ continuous character of $\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$,
 want to compute $\mathbb{D}(\chi)$. \uparrow geometric Frobenius ϕ

$$\textcircled{1} \chi(\varphi) = 1. \quad \mathbb{D}(\chi) = (\mathcal{O} \cdot e_\chi \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\text{ur}})^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} = A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \cdot e_\chi$$

$$\varphi(e_\chi) = e_\chi, \quad \gamma_a(e_\chi) = \chi(a)e_\chi$$

② $\chi(p)$ general



$$\mathbb{D}(\chi) = (\mathcal{O} \cdot e_\chi \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{A}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\text{ur}})^{H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}} = (\mathcal{O} \cdot e_\chi \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{ur}}}((T))^{\wedge p\text{-adic}})^{\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}/\mathbb{Q}_p)}$$

Hilbert 90' for $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}/\mathbb{F}_p$ or $\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{ur}}}/\mathbb{Z}_p \Rightarrow$

$\exists \lambda \in \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{ur}}}$ s.t. for germ. Frobenius $\phi \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}_p^{\text{ur}}/\mathbb{Q}_p)$,

$$\phi(\lambda) = \chi(p)^{-1} \cdot \lambda$$

$$\text{Then } \phi(e_\chi \otimes \lambda) = \chi(p) e_\chi \otimes \chi(p)^{-1} \cdot \lambda = e_\chi \otimes \lambda$$

$$\text{So } \mathbb{D}(\chi) = A_{\mathbb{Q}_p, \mathcal{O}} \cdot (e_\chi \otimes \lambda)$$

$$\varphi(e_\chi \otimes \lambda) = e_\chi \otimes \phi^{-1}(\lambda) = \chi(p) \cdot e_\chi \otimes \lambda, \quad \gamma_a(e_\chi \otimes \lambda) = \chi(a) e_\chi \otimes \lambda.$$

\uparrow ϕ^{-1} is arithmetic Frobenius

Conclusion: The (φ, Γ) -module attached to the Galois character

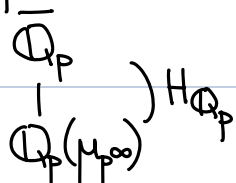
$$\chi: \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \rightarrow \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}^{\text{ab}} \simeq \widehat{\mathbb{Q}_p^\times} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^\times \text{ is}$$

$$A_{\mathbb{Q}_p}(\chi) := A_{\mathbb{Q}_p, \mathcal{O}} \cdot e, \quad \varphi(e) = \chi(p)e, \quad \gamma_a(e) = \chi(a)e$$

Remark: Although φ looks like an arithmetic Frobenius, it's information \leftrightarrow geometric Frobenius.

§3 Galois cohomology in terms of (φ, Γ) -modules

Keep the notation as above. Let $V \in \text{Rep}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}(\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$.



Some spectral sequence: $H^i(\Gamma, H^j(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V)) \Rightarrow H^{i+j}(\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V)$

A better way: let $\gamma \in \Gamma$ be a topological generator

$$R\Gamma(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V) \cong [D(V) \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} D(V)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} R\Gamma(\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V) &\cong R\Gamma(\Gamma, R\Gamma(H_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V)) \\ &= R\Gamma(\Gamma, [D(V) \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} D(V)]) \\ &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc} D(V) & \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} & D(V) \\ \downarrow \gamma-1 & & \downarrow \gamma-1 \\ D(V) & \xrightarrow{\varphi-1} & D(V) \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$C_{\varphi, \gamma}: D(V) \xrightarrow{(\varphi-1, \gamma-1)} D(V) \oplus D(V) \xrightarrow{(\gamma-1, 1-\varphi)} D(V) \quad \text{Herr's complex.}$$

$$x \longmapsto ((\varphi-1)x, (\gamma-1)x)$$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto (\gamma-1)x + (1-\varphi)y$$

Its cohomology $H_{\varphi, \Gamma}^i(D(V)) \cong H^i(\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V)$.

A nontrivial feature: ψ -operator!

Recall: $\varphi: A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} = \mathbb{Z}_p((T))^{\wedge, p\text{-adic}} \hookrightarrow A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \quad \varphi(T) = (1+T)^p - 1$

There is a canonical decomposition as $\varphi(A_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$ -modules

$$A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} (1+T)^i \varphi(A_{\mathbb{Q}_p}) \quad (*)$$

Now, for a (φ, Γ) -module D over $A_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$, we may tensor $(*)$ with D over $\varphi(A_{\mathbb{Q}_p})$ to get

$$\begin{aligned} D \otimes_{\varphi(A_{\mathbb{Q}_p})} A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} &= \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} (1+T)^i \varphi(A_{\mathbb{Q}_p}) \otimes_{\varphi(A_{\mathbb{Q}_p})} A_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \\ &\cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} (1+T)^i \varphi(D) \end{aligned}$$

So, every element $x \in D$ can be written uniquely as $x = \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} (1+T)^i \varphi(x_i)$

Define $\psi(x) := x_0$; it is Γ -equivariant.

Theorem. $H^i(\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_p}, V)$ can be computed using (ψ, Γ) -cohomology

$$C_{\psi, \gamma}(V) : \mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{(\psi-1, \gamma-1)} \mathbb{D}(V) \oplus \mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{(\gamma-1, 1-\psi)} \mathbb{D}(V).$$

Proof:

$$\mathbb{D}(V)^{\psi=0} \xrightarrow{\gamma-1} \mathbb{D}^{\psi=0}$$

$$C_{\varphi, \gamma}(V) : \mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{(\varphi-1, \gamma-1)} \mathbb{D}(V) \oplus \mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{(\gamma-1, 1-\varphi)} \mathbb{D}(V).$$

$$\parallel \quad -\psi \downarrow \quad \parallel \quad -\psi \downarrow$$

$$C_{\psi, \gamma}(V) : \mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{(\psi-1, \gamma-1)} \mathbb{D}(V) \oplus \mathbb{D}(V) \xrightarrow{(\gamma-1, 1-\psi)} \mathbb{D}(V).$$

① $-\psi(\varphi-1) = -1 + \psi$

② $\gamma-1$ acts invertibly on $\mathbb{D}(V)^{\psi=0}$. □

Upshot: ψ -operator (not linear!) behaves much better for cohomology theory.