

Arithmetic of adjoint L-values.

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Abstract: We relate the differential module to Selmer group and its characteristic ideal to the annihilator of the congruence module.

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§1. Group algebra and complete intersection.

Decompose $C_F = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m C_i$ for cyclic group C_i . Then sending $X_i \mapsto \gamma_i - 1$ for a generators γ_i of C_i , we have

$$W[C_F] \cong W[[X_1, \dots, X_m]] / (x_1^{|C_1|} - 1, \dots, x_m^{|C_m|} - 1)$$

for $x_i = 1 + X_i$.

Let A be a complete normal local domain (for example, a complete regular local rings like $A = W$ or $A = W[[T]]$ or $A = W[[T_1, \dots, T_r]]$ (power series ring)). Any local A -algebra R free of finite rank over A has a presentation

$$R \cong A[[X_1, \dots, X_n]] / (f_1, \dots, f_m)$$

for $f_i \in A[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]$ with $m \geq n$. If $m = n$, then R is called a local complete intersection over A .

§2. Pseudo module theory.

For two A -modules M, N of finite type, a morphism $\phi : M \rightarrow N$ is called a pseudo isomorphism if for the annihilator ideals \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} of $\text{Ker}(\phi)$ and $\text{Coker}(\phi)$, respectively the closed subschemes $\text{Spec}(A/\mathfrak{a})$ and $\text{Spec}(A/\mathfrak{b})$ of $\text{Spec}(A)$ have co-dimension at least 2.

For a torsion A -modules M of finite type, we have a pseudo isomorphism $M \rightarrow \bigoplus_i A/\mathfrak{f}_i$ for finitely many reflexive ideal $0 \neq \mathfrak{f}_i \in A$. An ideal \mathfrak{f} is *reflexive* if $\text{Hom}_A(\text{Hom}_A(\mathfrak{f}, A), A) \cong \mathfrak{f}$ canonically as A -modules (and equivalently $\mathfrak{f} = \bigcap_{\lambda \in A, (\lambda) \supset \mathfrak{f}} (\lambda)$; i.e., close to be principal).

The characteristic ideal $\text{char}(M)$ of M is defined by $\text{char}(M) := \prod_i \mathfrak{f}_i \subset A$. If A is a unique factorization domain, any reflexive ideal is principal.

If $A = W$, a pseudo-isomorphism is an isomorphism, and if $A = W[[T]]$, it is an isogeny.

§3. Tate's theorem.

Theorem 1 (J. Tate). *Assume that R is a local complete intersection over a complete normal noetherian local domain A with an algebra homomorphism $\lambda : R \rightarrow A$. If after tensoring the quotient field Q of A , $R \otimes_A Q = (\text{Im}(\lambda) \otimes_A Q) \oplus S$ as algebra direct sum for some Q -algebra S , then $C_j(\lambda; A)$ is a torsion A -module of finite type, and we have*

$$\text{Ann}(C_0(\lambda; A)) = \text{char}(C_0(\lambda; A)) = \text{char}(C_1(\lambda; A)).$$

See [MFG, §5.3.4] for a proof, which uses Koszul complexes.

If $A = \mathbb{Z}_p$, $\text{char}(M) = (|M|)$, and hence, the above theorem is a proper generalization of our result for group algebras.

§4. Two dimensional deformations.

Fix a positive integer N prime to p . Let $\bar{\rho} : \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{F})$ be the Galois representation unramified outside Np . Let ψ be the Teichmüller lift of $\det(\bar{\rho})$. For simplicity, assume that ψ and $\bar{\psi} := \det(\bar{\rho})$ has conductor divisible by N and $p \nmid \varphi(N) = |(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times|$. We consider deformations (over W) satisfying the following three properties:

(D1) ρ is unramified outside Np ,

(D2) $\rho|_{\text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p/\mathbb{Q}_p)} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & * \\ 0 & \delta \end{pmatrix}$ with δ unramified while ϵ ramified,

(D3) For each prime $l|N$, writing I_l for the inertia group $\rho|_{I_l} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \psi_l & * \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ regarding $\psi_l = \psi|_{\mathbb{Z}_l^\times}$ as the character of I_l by local class field theory,

In particular, we assume (D1–3) for $\bar{\rho}$. Writing $\bar{\rho}|_{\text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_p/\mathbb{Q}_p)} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\epsilon} & * \\ 0 & \bar{\delta} \end{pmatrix}$, we always assume that $\bar{\epsilon}$ is ramified while $\bar{\delta}$ is unramified.

§5. Universal couple exists.

We admit the following fact and study its consequences:

Theorem 2 (B. Mazur). *We have an universal couple (R, ρ) of a W -algebra R and a Galois representation $\rho : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(R)$ such that ρ is universal among deformations satisfying (D1–3). The algebra R is a $W[[C_{\mathbb{Q}}(Np^{\infty})]]$ -algebra canonically by the universality of $W[[C_{\mathbb{Q}}(Np^{\infty})]]$ applied to $\det(\rho)$. In particular, R is an algebra over $\Lambda = W[[T]] \subset W[[C_{\mathbb{Q}}(Np^{\infty})]]$. If we add one more property to (D1–3):*

(det) $\det(\rho) = \psi \epsilon \omega^{-k} \nu^k$ for the p -adic cyclotomic character ν and $k = k(P)$

for a character $\epsilon : \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}[\mu_{p^{\infty}}]/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \mu_{p^{\infty}}(W)$, then the residual couple $(R/PR, \rho_P)$ with $\rho_P = \rho \bmod P$ for $P = (t - \epsilon([\gamma, \mathbb{Q}_p])\gamma^k) \subset \Lambda$ is universal among deformations satisfying (D1–3) and (det).

See [MFG, §3.2.4] and [HMI, §3.2] for a proof.

§6. Adjoint Galois representation.

Let $\rho : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow GL_2(A)$ be a deformation satisfying (D1–3). Write $V(\rho) = A^2$ on which $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ acts via ρ . Since $\rho|_{\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/\mathbb{Q}_p)} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & * \\ 0 & \delta \end{pmatrix}$ for an unramified δ , we have a filtration

$$V_{\mathfrak{p}}(\epsilon_{\mathfrak{p}}) \hookrightarrow V(\rho) \twoheadrightarrow V_{\mathfrak{p}}(\delta_{\mathfrak{p}})$$

stable under $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}/F_{\mathfrak{p}})$ for a prime $\mathfrak{p}|p$ of F .

We now let $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/F)$ act on $M_2(A) = \text{End}_A(V(\rho))$ by conjugation: $x \mapsto \rho(\sigma)x\rho(\sigma)^{-1}$. The trace zero subspace

$$\mathfrak{sl}(A) = \{x \in M_2(A) \mid \text{Tr}(x) = 0\}$$

is stable under this action. This new Galois module of dimension 3 is called the adjoint representation of ρ and written as $Ad(\rho)$. Thus

$$V = V(Ad(\rho)) = \{T \in \text{End}_A(V(\rho)) \mid \text{Tr}(T) = 0\}.$$

§7. Adjoint Selmer groups.

This space $V(Ad(\rho))$ has a three step filtration:
 $0 \subset V_{\mathfrak{p}}^+ \subset V_{\mathfrak{p}}^- \subset V$ given by

$$V_{\mathfrak{p}}^+ = \left\{ T \in V_{\mathfrak{p}}^-(Ad(\rho)) \mid T(V_{\mathfrak{p}}(\epsilon_{\mathfrak{p}})) = 0 \right\} \sim \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

$$V_{\mathfrak{p}}^- = \left\{ T \in V(Ad(\rho)) \mid T(V_{\mathfrak{p}}(\epsilon_{\mathfrak{p}})) \subset V_{\mathfrak{p}}(\epsilon_{\mathfrak{p}}) \right\} \sim \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & -* \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Writing A^{\vee} for the Pontryagin dual module

$$\mathrm{Hom}_W(A, K/W) \cong \mathrm{Hom}(A, \mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p)$$

for the quotient field K of W . Then for any A -modules M , we put $M^* = M \otimes_A A^{\vee}$. In particular, $V(Ad(\rho))^*$ and $V_{\mathfrak{p}}(?)^*$ are divisible Galois modules. We define

$$\mathrm{Sel}_F(Ad(\rho)) = \mathrm{Ker}(H^1(F, V(Ad(\rho))^*))$$

$$\rightarrow \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|p} H^1(I_{\mathfrak{p}}, \frac{V(Ad(\rho))^*}{V_{\mathfrak{p}}^+(Ad(\rho))^*}) \times \prod_{\mathfrak{l} \nmid p} H^1(I_{\mathfrak{l}}, V(Ad(\rho))^*),$$

where $\mathfrak{p}|p$ and $\mathfrak{l} \nmid p$ are primes of F and $I_{\mathfrak{l}}$ is the inertia subgroup at \mathfrak{l} of $\mathrm{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/F)$.

§8. Mazur's theorems.

Theorem 3 (B. Mazur). *Let (R, ρ) be the universal couple among deformations satisfying (D1–3) and (det). If $\rho : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow GL_2(W)$ is a deformation, then we have a canonical isomorphism*

$$\text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ad}(\rho))^{\vee} \cong \Omega_{R/W} \otimes_R W \cong C_1(\lambda; W)$$

as W -modules for $\lambda : R \rightarrow W$ with $\rho \cong \lambda \circ \rho$.

Considering the universal ring for deformations satisfying only (D1–3), we get

Theorem 4 (B. Mazur). *Let (R, ρ) be the universal couple among deformations satisfying (D1–3). Let $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{I})$ be an irreducible component of $\text{Spec}(R)$. Writing $\rho : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{I})$ for the deformation corresponding to the projection $R \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{I}$, we have a canonical isomorphism*

$$\text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\text{Ad}(\rho))^{\vee} \cong \Omega_{R/\Lambda} \otimes_R \mathbb{I} \cong C_1(\lambda; \mathbb{I})$$

as \mathbb{I} -modules for $\lambda : R \rightarrow \mathbb{I}$ with $\rho \cong \lambda \circ \rho$.

§9. Proof assuming (D1–3) and (det).

We repeat the “farfetched” proof in the $GL(2)$ -case. Let $\Phi(A)$ be the set of deformations of $\bar{\rho}$ satisfying (D1–3) and (det) with values in $GL_2(A)$.

Let X be a profinite R -module. Then $R[X]$ is an object in CL_W . We consider the W -algebra homomorphism $\xi : R \rightarrow R[X]$ with $\xi \bmod X = \text{id}$. We have $\xi(r) = r \oplus d_\xi(r)$ and we get $d_\xi(rr') = rd_\xi(r') + r'd_\xi(r)$ and $d_\xi(W) = 0$. Thus $d_\xi \in \text{Der}_W(R, X)$. For any derivation $d : R \rightarrow X$ over W , $r \mapsto r \oplus d(r)$ is obviously an W -algebra homomorphism, and we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \pi \in \Phi(R[X]) \mid \pi \bmod X = \rho \right\} / \approx_X \\ & \cong \left\{ \pi \in \Phi(R[X]) \mid \pi \bmod X \cong \rho \right\} / \cong \\ & \cong \left\{ \xi \in \text{Hom}_{W\text{-alg}}(R, R[X]) \mid \xi \bmod X = \text{id} \right\} \\ & \cong \text{Der}_W(R, X) \cong \text{Hom}_R(\Omega_{R/W}, X), \end{aligned}$$

where “ \approx_X ” is conjugation under $(1 \oplus M_n(X)) \cap GL_2(R[X])$.

§10. Making cocycle out of a deformation.

Let π be the deformation in the left-hand side. Write $\pi(\sigma) = \rho(\sigma) \oplus u'_\pi(\sigma)$. Comparing

$$\begin{aligned} (\rho(\sigma) \oplus u'_\pi(\sigma))(\rho(\tau) \oplus u'_\pi(\tau)) \\ = \rho(\sigma\tau) \oplus (\rho(\sigma)u'_\pi(\tau) + u'_\pi(\sigma)\rho(\tau)), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$u'_\pi(\sigma\tau) = \rho(\sigma)u'_\pi(\tau) + u'_\pi(\sigma)\rho(\tau).$$

Define $u_\pi(\sigma) = u'_\pi(\sigma)\rho(\sigma)^{-1}$. Then, $x(\sigma) = \pi(\sigma)\rho(\sigma)^{-1}$ has values in $SL_2(R[X])$, and $x = 1 \oplus u \mapsto u = x - 1$ is an isomorphism from the multiplicative group of the kernel of the reduction map $SL_2(R[X]) \rightarrow SL_2(R)$ given by

$$\{x \in SL_2(R[X]) \mid x \equiv 1 \pmod{X}\}$$

onto the additive group

$$Ad(X) = \{x \in M_2(X) \mid \text{Tr}(x) = 0\} = V(Ad(\rho)) \otimes_R X.$$

Thus we may regard that u has values in $Ad(X) = V(Ad(\rho)) \otimes_R X$.

§11. Selmer condition.

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} u_\pi(\sigma\tau) &= u'_\pi(\sigma\tau)\rho(\sigma\tau)^{-1} \\ &= \rho(\sigma)u'_\pi(\tau)\rho(\sigma\tau)^{-1} + u'_\pi(\sigma)\rho(\tau)\rho(\sigma\tau)^{-1} \\ &= \text{Ad}(\rho)(\sigma)u_\pi(\tau) + u_\pi(\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

Hence u_π is a 1-cocycle unramified outside Np . It is easy to see the injectivity of $\pi \mapsto [u_\pi]$:

$$\left\{ \pi \in \Phi(R[X]) \mid \pi \bmod X \approx \rho \right\} / \approx_X \hookrightarrow H^1(\mathbb{Q}, \text{Ad}(X)).$$

For $V_p^\pm(\text{Ad}(X)) = V_p^\pm(\text{Ad}(\rho)) \otimes_R X$, from $\text{Tr}(u_\pi) = 0$ and unramifiedness of δ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} u_\pi(I_p) \subset V_p^+(\text{Ad}(X)) &\Leftrightarrow \\ u'_\pi(I_p) \subset V_p^+(\text{Ad}(X)) &\Leftrightarrow \delta_\pi(I_p) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

If $l \mid N$, we have $\rho|_{I_l} = \epsilon_l \oplus 1$ and $\pi|_{I_l} = \epsilon_l \oplus 1$. Thus $\pi|_{I_l}$ factors through the image of I_l in the maximal abelian quotient of $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l/\mathbb{Q}_l)$ which is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_l^\times . Thus $u_\pi|_{I_l}$ factors through \mathbb{Z}_l^\times . Since $p \nmid \varphi(N)$, $p \nmid l - 1$, which implies $u_\pi|_{I_l}$ is trivial; thus u_π unramified everywhere outside p .

§12. Passing to the limit, conclusion.

Since $W = \varprojlim_n W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n$ for the finite rings W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n , we have $W^\vee = \varinjlim_n (W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n)^\vee$, which is a discrete R -modules, which shows $R[W^\vee] = \bigcup_n R[(W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n)^\vee]$.

We put the profinite topology on the individual $R[(W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n)^\vee]$. On $R[W^\vee]$, we give a injective-limit topology. Thus a map $\phi : X \rightarrow R[W^\vee]$ is continuous if $\phi^{-1}(R[(W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n)^\vee]) \rightarrow R[(W/\mathfrak{m}_W^n)^\vee]$ is continuous for all n with respect to the induced topology from X on the source and the profinite topology on the target.

From this, any deformation (continuous with respect to having values in $GL_2(R[W^\vee])$) gives rise to a continuous 1-cocycle with values in the discrete G -module $V(Ad(\pi))^\vee$. In this way, we get

$$(\Omega_{R/W} \otimes_R W)^\vee \cong \text{Hom}_R(\Omega_{R/W}, W^\vee) \cong \text{Sel}_{\mathbb{Q}}(Ad(\rho)).$$