

Arithmetic of adjoint L-values.

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Abstract: We now relate $|C_0(\lambda; W)|$ to the corresponding adjoint L-value.

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§1. Set up.

- Fix an algebra homomorphism $\lambda : h_{k,\chi}/\mathbb{Z}[\chi] \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p$ and write the associated Galois representation $\rho_\lambda : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow GL_2(W)$ and a new form $f = f_\lambda \in S_{k+1,\chi}$ of conductor C ; so, $N = C$.

- Writing the Hecke polynomial at a prime ℓ as

$$1 - \lambda(T(\ell))X + \chi(\ell)\ell^k X^2 = (1 - \alpha_\ell X)(1 - \beta_\ell X),$$

we have the following Euler product convergent absolutely if $\text{Re}(s) > 1$:

$$L(s, \text{Ad}(\lambda)) = \prod_{\ell} \left\{ \left(1 - \frac{\alpha_\ell}{\beta_\ell} \ell^{-s}\right) (1 - \ell^{-s}) \left(1 - \frac{\beta_\ell}{\alpha_\ell} \ell^{-s}\right) \right\}^{-1}.$$

- It has an analytic continuation to the whole complex s -plane (due to Shimura 1975 and Gelbart–Jacquet in 1978) and satisfies a functional equation of the form $1 \leftrightarrow 1 - s$ whose Γ -factor is

$$\Gamma(s, \text{Ad}(\lambda)) = \Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s + k) \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(s + 1),$$

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

§2. Inner product formula.

Theorem 1 (Shimura). *Let χ be a primitive character modulo C . Let $\lambda : h_k(\Gamma_0(C), \chi; \mathbb{Z}[\chi]) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a $\mathbb{Z}[\chi]$ -algebra homomorphism for $k \geq 1$. Then*

$$\Gamma(s, Ad(\lambda))L(s, Ad(\lambda))$$

has an analytic continuation to the whole complex s -plane and

$$\begin{aligned} &\Gamma(1, Ad(\lambda))L(1, Ad(\lambda)) \\ &= 2^{k+1}C^{-1} \int_{\Gamma_0(C) \backslash \mathfrak{H}} |f|^2 y^{k-1} dx dy, \end{aligned}$$

where $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda(T(n))q^n \in S_{k+1}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi)$ and $z = x + iy \in \mathfrak{H}$. If $C = 1$, we have the following functional equation:

$$\Gamma(s, Ad(\lambda))L(s, Ad(\lambda)) = \Gamma(1-s, Ad(\lambda))L(1-s, Ad(\lambda)).$$

§3. Relation to a Rankin product.

We consider $L(s - k, \rho_\lambda \otimes \tilde{\rho}_\lambda)$ for the Galois representation ρ_λ associated to λ and its contragredient $\tilde{\rho}_\lambda = {}^t \rho_\lambda$. Since $\rho_\lambda \otimes \tilde{\rho}_\lambda = \mathbf{1} \oplus \text{Ad}(\rho_\lambda)$, we have

$$L(s, \rho_\lambda \otimes \tilde{\rho}_\lambda) = L(s, \text{Ad}(\lambda))\zeta(s) \quad (1)$$

for the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$. Then, the Rankin-convolution method tells us [LFE, Theorem 9.4.1] that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(2^{2-s} \prod_{p|C} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{s-k}} \right) \right) \Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s) L(s - k, \rho_\lambda \otimes \tilde{\rho}_\lambda) \\ &= \int_{\Gamma_0(C) \backslash \mathfrak{H}} |f|^2 E'_{0,C}(s - k, \mathbf{1}) y^{-2} dx dy, \end{aligned}$$

where $E'_0(s, \mathbf{1})$ is an Eisenstein series of level C for the trivial character $\mathbf{1}$ defined in [LFE, page 297].

This expression gives a meromorphic continuation of $L(s, \rho_\lambda \otimes \tilde{\rho}_\lambda)$ and $L(s, \text{Ad}(\lambda))$, as $\zeta(s)$ is shown meromorphic from Riemann's time.

§4. Proof of Inner product formula.

The Eisenstein series has a simple pole at $s = 1$ with constant residue: $\pi \prod_{p|C} (1 - \frac{1}{p})$, which yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\left(2^{1-k} \prod_{p|C} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) \right) \right) \\ & \quad \times \operatorname{Res}_{s=k+1} \Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s) L(s-k, \rho_{\lambda} \otimes \tilde{\rho}_{\lambda}) \\ & \quad = \pi \prod_{p|C} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) \int_{\Gamma_0(C) \backslash \mathfrak{H}} |f|^2 y^{-2} dx dy. \end{aligned}$$

This combined with (1) yields the residue formula and analytic continuation of $L(s, Ad(\lambda))$ over the region of $Re(s) \geq 1$.

Since $\Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s) E'_{0,C}(s, 1)$ satisfies a functional equation of the form $s \mapsto 1 - s$ (see [LFE, Theorem 9.3.1]), we have the continuation of

$$\Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s) \Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s-k) L(s-k, \rho_{\lambda} \otimes \tilde{\rho}_{\lambda})$$

and functional equation. In addition, we get holomorphy of $L(s, Ad(\rho_{\lambda}))$ around $s = 1$.

§5. Eichler-Shimura isomorphism.

Consider the inclusion $I : SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \hookrightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C}^2) = GL_2(\mathbb{C})$. Let us take the n th symmetric tensor representation $I^{sym \otimes n}$ whose module twisted by the action of χ , we write as $L(n, \chi; \mathbb{C})$. Recall the Eichler-Shimura isomorphism,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta : S_{k+1}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi) \oplus \overline{S}_{k+1}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi) \\ \cong H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; \mathbb{C})), \end{aligned}$$

where $k = n + 1$, $\overline{S}_{k+1}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi)$ is the space of anti-holomorphic cusp forms of weight $k + 1$ of “Neben” type character χ , and

$$H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; \mathbb{C})) \subset H^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; \mathbb{C}))$$

is the image of compactly supported cohomology in the ordinary cohomology group.

Identify $L(n, \chi; A) = AX^n + AX^{n-1}Y + \dots + AY^n$ (the space of homogeneous polynomials) and let $\alpha \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ act by $(X, Y) \mapsto \chi(d)(X, Y)^t \alpha^t$ with $\alpha^t \alpha = \det(\alpha)$ for the lower right corner entry d of α .

§6. Eichler-Shimura as de Rham map.

The Eichler-Shimura map δ is specified in [LFE] as follows: We put

$$\omega(f) = \begin{cases} f(z)(X - zY)^n dz & \text{if } f \in S_k(\Gamma_0(C), \chi), \\ f(z)(X - \bar{z}Y)^n d\bar{z} & \text{if } f \in \bar{S}_k(\Gamma_0(C), \chi). \end{cases}$$

Then we associate to f the de Rham cohomology class of $[\omega(f)]$ which gives

$$\begin{aligned} S_{k+1}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi) \oplus \bar{S}_{k+1}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi) \\ \cong H_{cusp, dR}^1(X_0(C), \mathcal{L}(n, \chi; \mathbb{C})), \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{L}(n, \chi; \mathbb{C})$ is the C^∞ -sheaf associated to $L(n, \chi; \mathbb{C})$. Then we associate to f the cohomology class of the 1-cocycle $\gamma \mapsto \int_z^{\gamma(z)} \omega(f)$ of $\Gamma_0(C)$ for a fixed point z on the upper half complex plane. The map δ does not depend on the choice of z .

§7. Poincaré duality.

Define $[,] : L(n, \chi; A) \times L(n, \bar{\chi}; A) \rightarrow A$ by

$$\left[\sum_j a_j X^{n-j} Y^j, \sum_j b_j X^{n-j} Y^j \right] = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \binom{n}{j}^{-1} a_j b_{n-j}.$$

By definition, $[(X - zY)^n, (X - \bar{z}Y)^n] = (z - \bar{z})^n$. It is an easy exercise to check that $[\gamma P, \gamma Q] = \det \gamma^n [P, Q]$ for $\gamma \in GL_2(A)$. Thus we have a Γ -homomorphism $L(n, \chi; A) \otimes_A L(n, \chi^{-1}; A) \rightarrow A$, and we get the cup product pairing for $Y = \Gamma_0(N) \backslash \mathfrak{H}$

$$\begin{aligned} [,] : H_c^1(Y, \mathcal{L}(n, \chi; A)) \times H^1(Y, \mathcal{L}(n, \chi^{-1}; A)) \\ \longrightarrow H_c^2(Y, A) \cong A. \end{aligned}$$

This pairing induces the cuspidal pairing

$$\begin{aligned} [,] : H_{cusp}^1(Y, \mathcal{L}(n, \chi; A)) \times H_{cusp}^1(Y, \mathcal{L}(n, \chi^{-1}; A)) \\ \longrightarrow A. \end{aligned}$$

This pairing is perfect on the ordinary part (or if $n! \in A^\times$).

§8. Hecke equivariance of the pairing.

The action of $\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ defines a quasi-involution on the cohomology

$$\begin{aligned} \tau : H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; A)) \\ \rightarrow H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi^{-1}; A)), \end{aligned}$$

which is given by $u \mapsto \{\gamma \mapsto \tau u(\tau \gamma \tau^{-1})\}$ for each homogeneous 1-cocycle u . The cocycle $u|_\tau$ has values in $L(n, \chi^{-1}; A)$ because conjugation by τ interchanges the diagonal entries of γ . We have $\tau^2 = (-C)^n$ and $[x|_\tau, y] = [x, y|_\tau]$. Then we modify the above pairing $[,]$ by τ and define $\langle x, y \rangle = [x, y|_\tau]$.

The operator $T(n)$ is symmetric with respect to this pairing:

$$\langle x|T(n), y \rangle = \langle x, y|T(n) \rangle. \quad (2)$$

§9. Periods.

We now regard $\lambda : h_{k,\chi}/\mathbb{Z}[\chi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ as actually having values in $W \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ (via the fixed embedding: $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$). Put $A = W \cap \mathbb{Q}(\lambda)$, and A is a valuation ring of $\mathbb{Q}(\lambda)$ of residual characteristic p . The Frobenius c at ∞ acts on the cohomology, and the corresponding \pm -eigenspaces are indicated by adding $[\pm]$.

For the image L_{\pm} of $H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; A))[\pm]$ in $H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; \mathbb{Q}(\lambda)))[\pm]$,

$$H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; \mathbb{Q}(\lambda)))[\lambda, \pm] \cap L_{\pm} = A\xi_{\pm}$$

for a generator ξ_{\pm} . Hereafter, we write L for $L[+]$.

For the normalized eigenform $f \in S_{\kappa}(\Gamma_0(C), \chi)$ with $T(n)f = \lambda(T(n))f$, we define $\Omega(\pm, \lambda; A) \in \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ by

$$\delta(f) \pm c(\delta(f)) = \Omega(\pm, \lambda; A)\xi_{\pm}.$$

§10. Rationality.

Theorem 2. *Let χ be a character of conductor C . Let $\lambda : h_k(\Gamma_0(C), \chi; \mathbb{Z}[\chi]) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ ($k \geq 1$) be a $\mathbb{Z}[\chi]$ -algebra homomorphism. Then for a valuation ring A of $\mathbb{Q}(\lambda)$, we have, up to sign,*

$$\frac{i^k W(\lambda) C^{(k+1)/2} \Gamma(1, Ad(\lambda)) L(1, Ad(\lambda))}{\Omega(+, \lambda; A) \Omega(-, \lambda; A)} = \langle \xi_+, \xi_- \rangle \in \mathbb{Q}(\lambda).$$

If the residual characteristic of A is prime to $n!$ ($\Leftrightarrow p > n$) or f is ordinary, then $\langle \xi_+, \xi_- \rangle \in A$.

We note

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \Omega(+, \lambda; A) \xi_+, \Omega(-, \lambda; A) \xi_- \rangle \\ & = \Omega(+, \lambda; A) \Omega(-, \lambda; A) \langle \xi_+, \xi_- \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and $\delta(f)|_\tau = W(\lambda)(-1)^n C^{(n/2)} \delta(f_c)$, where $f_c = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \overline{\lambda(T(m))} q^m$ and $f|_\tau = W(\lambda) f_c$ for and $W(\lambda) \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|W(\lambda)| = 1$.

§11. **Proof.** By definition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2\Omega(+, \lambda; A)\Omega(-, \lambda; A)\langle \xi_+, \xi_- \rangle \\ = [\delta(f) + c\delta(f), (\delta(f) - c\delta(f))|_\tau], \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to, up to sign,

$$\begin{aligned} 4i \int_{Y_0(C)} [\delta(f)|_\tau, c\delta(f)] dx \wedge dy \\ = 2^{k+1} i^k W(\lambda) C^{((k-1)/2)} \int_{Y_0(C)} |f_c|^2 y^{k-1} dx dy \\ = 2^{k+1} i^k W(\lambda) C^{(k-1)/2} \int_{Y_0(C)} |f|^2 y^{k-1} dx dy \\ = i^k W(\lambda) C^{(k+1)/2} \Gamma(1, Ad(\lambda)) L(1, Ad(\lambda)), \end{aligned}$$

where $Y_0(C) = \Gamma_0(C) \backslash \mathfrak{H}$. □

Let $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{T}_k$ be the local ring of $h_{k, \chi}/W$ through which λ factor through. Let $1_{\mathbb{T}}$ be the idempotent of \mathbb{T} . Since the conductor of χ coincides with C , $h_{k, \chi}/W$ is reduced. Thus for the quotient field K of W , the unique local ring \mathbb{I}_K of $h_{k, \chi}/K$ through which λ factors is isomorphic to K . Let 1_λ be the idempotent of \mathbb{I}_K in $h_{k, \chi}/K$.

§12. The adjoint L-value as an index.

Corollary 1. *Let the assumption be as in Theorem 2. Let A be a valuation ring of residual characteristic $p > 3$. Suppose that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ induces a perfect duality on $L := 1_{\mathbb{T}} H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; W))$ (for example if f is ordinary). Then*

$$\left| \frac{i^{k+1} W(\lambda) C^{k/2} \Gamma(1, Ad(\lambda)) L(1, Ad(\lambda))}{\Omega(+, \lambda; A) \Omega(-, \lambda; A)} \right|_p^{-r(W)} = |L^\lambda / L_\lambda|,$$

where $r(W) = \text{rank}_{\mathbb{Z}_p} W$, $L^\lambda = 1_\lambda L$, and L_λ is given by the intersection

$$L \cap H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; K))[\lambda, +].$$

§13. Proof of the corollary.

By our choice, ξ_+ is the generator of L_λ .

Similarly we define $M^\lambda = 1_\lambda M$ for

$$M := 1_{\mathbb{T}} H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; W))[-],$$

and $M_\lambda = M^\lambda \cap M$ in $H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C), L(n, \chi; K))[-]$.

Then ξ_- is a generator of M_λ .

Since the pairing is perfect, $L_\lambda \cong \text{Hom}_W(M^\lambda, W)$ and $L^\lambda \cong \text{Hom}_W(M_\lambda, W)$ under $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. Then it is an easy exercise to see that

$$|\langle \xi_+, \xi_- \rangle|_p^{-1} = |L^\lambda / L_\lambda|.$$

□

§14. Conclusion.

Decompose $\mathbb{T} \otimes_W K = K \oplus X$ as an algebra direct sum so that the projection to K is induced by λ .

If $L \cong \mathbb{T}$ as \mathbb{T} -modules, by definition, we have

$$\text{Im}(\lambda) \cong L^\lambda \quad \text{and} \quad L_\lambda \cong (K \oplus 0) \cap \mathbb{T}.$$

Thus $L^\lambda/L_\lambda \cong C_0(\lambda; W)$, which implies the non-abelian class number formula.

The freeness of L over \mathbb{T} is a by-product of the Taylor-Wiles argument (proving Taylor–Wiles theorem: $R = \mathbb{T}$ theorem) applied to cohomology groups

$$H_{cusp}^1(\Gamma_0(C \prod_{q \in Q} q), L(n, \chi; K))[+]$$

for a suitably chosen sets of finitely many primes Q outside Cp .