

Adjoint L-value formula and Tate conjecture

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Abstract: For a Hecke eigenform f , we state an adjoint L-value formula relative to each quaternion algebra D over \mathbb{Q} with discriminant ∂ and reduced norm N . A key to prove the formula is the theta correspondence for the quadratic \mathbb{Q} -space (D, N) . Under the $R = \mathbb{T}$ -theorem, p -part of the Bloch-Kato conjecture is known; so, the formula is an adjoint Selmer class number formula. We also describe how to relate the formula to a consequence of the Tate conjecture for quaternionic Shimura varieties.

§0. Class number formulas.

Dirichlet's class number formula in 1839:

$$\frac{\sqrt{d} \cdot L(1, \left(\frac{-d}{\cdot}\right))}{2\pi} = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in Cl_K} e^{-1} \quad (e = |O_K^\times|, Cl_K := \text{class group})$$

for an imaginary quadratic field $K = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{-d}]$.

Siegel's mass formula in 1935 for a definite quaternion algebra D/\mathbb{Q} with an Eichler order R of level N :

$$m = m_1 \frac{\zeta(2)}{\pi^2} = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in Cl_D} e_{\mathfrak{a}}^{-1}, \quad \mathfrak{a} \in Cl_D = D^\times \backslash D_{\mathbb{A}}^\times / \hat{R}^\times D_\infty^\times = Sh_R$$

where Cl_D is the right ideal classes and $e_{\mathfrak{a}} = |\{\alpha \in D \mid \alpha\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{a}\}^\times|$ with the rational part of Siegel's mass m_1 . If D has prime discriminant p and $N = 1$, $m_1 = (p - 1)/2$.

Allow now an indefinite quaternion algebra with its Shimura curve Sh_R . Consider the quadratic space (D, N) for type reduced norm N , whose even Clifford group is almost $G = G_D := D^\times \times D^\times$ by the action $v \mapsto h^{-1}vg$ for $h, g \in D^\times$.

§1. **Two formulas.** Let $\delta(Sh_R)$ be the diagonal image of Sh_R in $Sh_R \times Sh_R$. Choose well Schwartz-Bruhat functions ϕ, ϕ' on $D_{\mathbb{A}}$. Write $\theta^*(\phi)(f)$ for the theta lift of $S^{new}(\Gamma_0(\partial N))$ to G and $\theta_*(\phi)(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{G}) \in S_2(\Gamma_0(\partial N))$ ($\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} : Sh_R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$) for the theta descent. Assume that $\int_{Sh_R} \mathcal{F} d\mu = \int_{Sh_R} \mathcal{G} d\mu = 0$ (cuspidality).

Theorem A: We have $\theta_*(\phi)(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{G}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} | T(n)) q^n$ for $q = \exp(2\pi i\tau)$ with $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = \int_{\delta(Sh_R)} \mathcal{F}(h)\mathcal{G}(h)d\mu_h$. So $\theta_*(\phi)$ and $\theta^*(\phi)$ are *Hecke equivariant*.

Theorem B:

$$\prod_{p|\partial} (1 - p^{-2})^{-1} m_1 \frac{L(1, Ad(\rho_f))}{2\pi^3} = \begin{cases} \int_{\delta(Sh_R)} \theta^*(\phi')(f)(h) d\mu_h & \text{if } D_{\infty} \cong M_2(\mathbb{R}) \\ \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in \delta(Sh_R)} \frac{\theta^*(\phi')(f)(\mathfrak{a})}{e_{\mathfrak{a}}} & \text{if } D_{\infty} \cong \mathbb{H}. \end{cases}$$

Under $R = \mathbb{T}$ theorem at a prime p , p -primary Bloch-Kato conjecture known for $Ad(\rho_f)$; so, **This is an adjoint Selmer class number formula** after dividing by the canonical period $\Omega_+ \Omega_-$.

§2. **Theta kernel.** If D is definite, Schwartz function $\phi_\infty(\tau; v_\infty)$ is given by $e(N(v_\infty)\tau)$ ($\tau \in \mathfrak{H}$: the upper half complex plane). If indefinite, we follow Shimura's choice. For a Bruhat function $\phi^{(\infty)}$ on $D_{\mathbb{A}}^{(\infty)}$, we have the theta series

$$\theta(\phi)(\tau; h_l, h_r) = \sum_{\alpha \in D} \phi(h_l^{-1}\alpha h_r) \phi_\infty(\tau; h_l^{-1}\alpha h_r) \quad \text{on } \mathfrak{H} \times G_D(\mathbb{A})$$

which can be extended to an automorphic form on $Y_\Gamma \times Sh \times Sh$ for $Sh := D^\times \backslash D_{\mathbb{A}}^\times / D_\infty^\times$ and $Y_\Gamma := \Gamma \backslash \mathfrak{H}$ for a congruence subgroup Γ . For a weight 2 cusp form $f \in S_2(\Gamma)$ and automorphic forms $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} : Sh \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, we define

$$\theta^*(\phi)(f)(h_l, h_r) = \int_{Y_\Gamma} f(\tau) \theta(\phi)(\tau; h_l, h_r) y^{-2} dx dy, \quad (h_l, h_r \in D_{\mathbb{A}}^\times)$$

$$\theta_*(\phi)(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{G})(\tau) = \int_{Sh \times Sh} \theta(\phi)(\tau; h_l, h_r) (\mathcal{F}(h_l) \cdot \mathcal{G}(h_r)) d\mu_l d\mu_r.$$

We choose the Haar measure $d\mu_?$ on $D_{\mathbb{A}}^\times$ suitably. We call $\theta^*(\phi)(f) : Sh \times Sh \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a **theta lift** and $\theta_*(\phi)(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{G}) \in M_2(\Gamma)$ a **theta descent**.

§3. Two good choices of Schwartz-Bruhat functions.

Case A: At N , we identify $R/NR = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}) \right\}$ (Eichler order). Let ϕ_R be the characteristic function of

$$\left\{ x \in \hat{R} \mid x \bmod NR = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, d \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times \right\}.$$

Then the first choice is

$$\phi(v) = \phi_R(v^{(\infty)})\phi_\infty(\tau; v)$$

as a Schwartz-Bruhat function on $D_\mathbb{A}$. In this case, $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(\partial N)$.

Case B: Let ϕ_L be the characteristic function of \hat{L} . Choose $0 < c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $L := \hat{\mathbb{Z}} \oplus \hat{R}_0$ for $R_0 = \{v \in R \mid \text{Tr}(v) = 0\}$, and put $\phi'_{R_0} = (1 - c^3)^{-1}(\phi_{R_0} - \phi_{cR_0})$. Then we define, writing $v = z \oplus w$ with $z \in Z_\mathbb{A}$ and $w \in D_{0,\mathbb{A}}$

$$\phi'(v) = \phi_\mathbb{Z}(z^{(\infty)})\phi'_{R_0}(w^{(\infty)})\phi_\infty(\tau; v).$$

We have $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(4c^2\partial N)$.

§4. **Higher weight k and indefinite case.** For a higher weight k or an indefinite case, we need to replace the Schwartz function ϕ_∞ by a **standard Schwartz function of Siegel–Shimura by multiplying a vector valued spherical function** for (D, N) and then in the indefinite case, we modify $\theta(\varphi)$ (for $\varphi = \phi, \phi'$) and \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} into **vector valued differential forms by the Eichler–Shimura map**. Then \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} are closed harmonic 1-forms with values in a locally constant sheaf $\mathcal{L}_{n/A}$ **whose fiber is the symmetric n -th tensor representation** over an appropriate ring A for $n = k - 2$. We replace $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ by the cup product $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})_n := \int_{\delta(Sh_R)} \mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{G}$ of $H^*(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_{n/\mathbb{C}}) \times H^*(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_{n,\mathbb{C}}) \rightarrow H^{2*}(Sh_R, \mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}$ in Theorem A ($* = 0, 1$ definite or indefinite).

In Theorem B, we pull back the class $\theta(\phi')^*(f)$ on $Sh_R \times Sh_R$ to $\delta(Sh_R)$ and integrate over $\delta(Sh_R)$. Then Theorem B is valid in general.

§5. **Canonical periods.** If D is indefinite, Sh_R is a Shimura curve. Let A be a DVR at a prime \mathfrak{p} such that $\mathbb{Z}[\lambda] = \mathbb{Z}[\lambda(T(n)) | n \in \mathbb{Z}] \subset A \subset \mathbb{Q}[\lambda]$ for the Hecke field $\mathbb{Q}[\lambda]$ of f (i.e., $f|T(n) = \lambda(T(n))f$). Define \mathcal{F}_\pm by $H_\lambda := H^1(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_{n/A})[\lambda, \pm] = A[\mathcal{F}_\pm]$, where \pm indicate the \pm -eigenspace of complex conjugation on Sh_R . Put $H := H^1(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_{n/A})[\pm]$ and $S := H^0(Sh_{R/A}, \omega_{/A}^k)$ for the weight k Hodge bundle ω^k .

Also define \mathcal{F} by $S[\lambda] = A\mathcal{F}$ ($\mathcal{F} \in S_k(\widehat{R}^\times)$). By Hodge decomposition, $H \otimes_A \mathbb{C} = S \oplus \overline{S}$. Then we project \mathcal{F} to a unique element $\omega^\pm(\mathcal{F})$ of the \pm -eigenspace $H^1(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_{n/\mathbb{C}})[\lambda, \pm]$ of complex conjugation and define the period $\Omega_\pm^D \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ as $\omega^\pm(\mathcal{F}) = \Omega_\pm^D[\mathcal{F}_\pm]$. The period Ω_\pm in Theorem B is $\Omega_\pm^{M_2(\mathbb{Q})}$. We just put $\Omega_\pm^D = 1$ if D is definite.

Tate conjecture predicts $\Omega_\pm^D / \Omega_\pm \in \mathbb{Q}[\lambda]^\times$ if D is indefinite.

The conjecture is known for $k = 2$ by Faltings and Prasanna for $k \geq 2$ to good extent. We hope to give a far easier proof valid also for Hilbert modular forms.

§6. **Relation to Tate conjecture.** Assume that D is indefinite. Let E be one of $H^1(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_n/\mathbb{Q}[\lambda])[\pm]$. Decompose $E \otimes_A \mathbb{Q} = E_\lambda \oplus E_\lambda^\perp$ into λ -eigenspace E_λ and its Hecke stable complement, and write \widetilde{H}_λ for the projection of H to E_λ . Define $c_D := (\mathcal{F}_+, \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_-)_n$ which is called **cohomological D -congruence number**, and $\widetilde{H}_\lambda/H_\lambda \cong A/c_D A$. We know, in \mathbb{C}/A^\times , under the $R = \mathbb{T}$ -theorem at a prime p , forgetting about a π -power

$$(*) \quad (\mathcal{F}_+, \mathcal{F}_-)_n = c_D \stackrel{R=\mathbb{T}}{=} c_{M_2(\mathbb{Q})} \stackrel{H, 1981}{=} \frac{L(1, Ad(\rho_f))}{\Omega_+ \Omega_-} \quad (\text{up to } A^\times).$$

By Theorem A, for $u_\pm^D \in \mathbb{C}^\times$, $\theta_D^*(f) = u_+^D \mathcal{F}_+ \otimes u_-^D \mathcal{F}_-$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} L(1, Ad(\rho_f)) &\stackrel{\text{Theorem B}}{\doteq} \int_{\delta(Sh_R)} \theta_D^*(\phi')(f) \\ &= u_+^D u_-^D (\mathcal{F}_+, \mathcal{F}_-)_n \stackrel{(*)}{\doteq} u_+^D u_-^D \frac{L(1, Ad(\rho_f))}{\Omega_+ \Omega_-}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $u_+^D u_-^D / \Omega_+ \Omega_- \in A^\times$. Thus if $u_+^D u_-^D = \Omega_+^D \Omega_-^D$ (i.e. $u_\pm^D \mathcal{F}_\pm = \omega^\pm(\mathcal{F}) \Leftrightarrow \theta_D^*(\phi') = \omega^+(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \omega^-(\mathcal{F})$), the A -integral Tate conjecture in this case holds (which I hope to prove in future).

§7. **Proof of Theorem A.** Let $h_k(\partial N; A)$ be the subalgebra of $\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(S_k(\Gamma_0(\partial N)))$ generated over A by Hecke operators $T(n)$ and $S_k(\Gamma_0(\partial N); A) = S_k(\Gamma_0(\partial N)) \cap A[[q]]$. Recall

Duality theorem *The space $S := S_k(\Gamma_0(\partial N); A)$ is A -dual of $H := h_k(\partial N; A)$ such that for a linear form $\phi : h_k(\partial N; A) \rightarrow A$,*

$$\boxed{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(T(n))q^n} \in S_k(\Gamma_0(\partial N); A). \text{ Writing } f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n, f)q^n \in$$

S , the pairing $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \times S \rightarrow A$ is given by $\langle h, f \rangle = a(1, f|h)$.

By Jacquet-Langlands correspondence, $H^*(Sh_R, \mathcal{L}_{n/A})$ is a module over $h_k(\partial N; A)$. Then applying the above theorem to the linear form $h_k(\partial N; A) \ni h \mapsto (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}|h)_n$, we get Theorem A.

For the proof of Theorem B, we resort to [an idea of Waldspurger](#).

§8. **An idea of Waldspurger.** Computing the period of $\theta^*(\phi')(f)$ for a quadratic space $V = W \oplus W^\perp$ over an orthogonal Shimura subvariety $S_W \times S_{W^\perp} \subset S_V$ has two steps:

(S) Split $\theta(\phi')(\tau, h, h^\perp) = \theta(\varphi)(\tau, h) \cdot \theta(\tau, \varphi^\perp)(h^\perp)$ ($h^\perp \in \mathcal{O}_{W^\perp}(\mathbb{A})$) for a decomposition $\phi' = \varphi \otimes \varphi^\perp$ (φ and φ^\perp Schwartz–Bruhat functions on $W_\mathbb{A}$ and $W_\mathbb{A}^\perp$);

(R) For the theta lift $(\theta^*(\phi')(f))(h) = \int_Y f(\tau) \theta(\phi')(\tau, h) d\mu$ with a modular curve Y , the period P over the Shimura subvariety $S \times S^\perp$ (S for $\mathcal{O}(W)$ and S^\perp for $\mathcal{O}(W^\perp)$) is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{S \times S^\perp} \int_Y f(\tau) \theta(\phi')(\tau; h) d\mu(\tau) dh \quad (d\mu(\tau) = y^{-2} dx dy; \text{Seesaw}) \\ & = \int_Y f(\tau) \left(\int_{S^\perp} \theta(\varphi^\perp)(\tau; h^\perp) dh^\perp \right) \cdot \left(\int_S \theta(\varphi)(\tau; h_0) dh \right) d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Then invoke the Siegel–Weil formula to convert inner integrals into the Siegel–Weil Eisenstein series $E(\varphi)$ and $E(\varphi^\perp)$, reaching Rankin–Selberg integral

$$P = \int_Y f(\tau) E(\varphi^\perp) E(\varphi) d\mu = L\text{-value.}$$

§9. D definite and $n = 0$. For simplicity, we assume that D is definite and $n = 0$. Then $D = Z \oplus D_0$ for the center Z and $D_0 := \{v \in D | \text{Tr}(v) = 0\}$. So $W = Z = (\mathbb{Q}, x^2)$ and $W^\perp = D_0$. Computing Siegel–Weil formula for $\varphi = \phi_{\mathbb{Z}}$, we have $E(\varphi) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{n^2}$ (Riemann’s theta series). In the definite case, $E(\varphi^\perp)$ is a weight $\frac{3}{2}$ Eisenstein series times m .

For general φ^\perp , $E(\varphi^\perp)$ is the sum of the Eisenstein series $E_\infty(\varphi^\perp)$ of the infinity cusp and $E_0(\varphi^\perp)$ of the zero cusp. For the Rankin convolution, $\int_Y f\theta(\varphi)E_0(\varphi^\perp)d\mu_\tau$ causes a trouble. Our choice of $\varphi^\perp := \phi'_{R_0}$ introducing $0 < c \in \mathbb{Z}$ is made to have the vanishing $E_0(\phi'_{R_0}) = 0$ and the identity $E_\infty(\phi'_{R_0}) = E_\infty(\phi_{R_0})$. The Rankin convolution $\int_Y f\theta(\varphi)E_\infty(\phi_{R_0})d\mu_\tau$ is computed in 1976 by Shimura and produces the adjoint L-value in Theorem B. All the computation can be generalized to the Hilbert modular case over a totally real field F and a quaternion algebra D/F .