

Holtegarach 5.8-6.1 Notes

We first finish up with chapter five, defining L-functions of modular forms and discover that we can associate elliptic curves to a corresponding modular form with the same L-function

Definition Let $f(\tau) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a(m) q^m \in M_k$ be a modular form for $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$. The L-function of f is:

$$L(f, s) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{m^s}$$

The numerator $a(m)$ is limited by the limiting function $O(m^{k-1})$, so $L(f, s)$ converges in the right half plane $\text{Re}(s) > k$

From a previous lecture, we proved that if f is a Hecke form, $a(n)$ will be multiplicative. (Recall that a Hecke form is an eigenfunction of the Hecke operators)

In particular, $a(mn) = a(m)a(n)$ when n, m are coprime.

In this case, we can construct $L(f, s)$ by the Euler product:

$$L(f, s) = \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{a(p)}{p^s} + \frac{a(p^2)}{p^{2s}} + \dots \right)$$

Using the relation $a(p^{r+1}) = a(p)a(p^r) - p^{k-1}a(p^{r-1})$, we can simplify the sum in each factor of this product and find that (through some algebraic manipulation)

$$L(f, s) = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - a(p)p^{-s} + p^{k-1-2s}}$$

In order to eliminate the infinite sum in each factor,

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As a side note, if f is modular only for $\Gamma_0(N)$,
 (i.e. $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, $c \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$), we must define our
 L-functions differently, as:

$$L(f, s) = \prod_{p|N} \frac{1}{1 - a(p)p^{-s}} \prod_{p \nmid N} \frac{1}{1 - a(p)p^{-s} + b(p)k^{-1-2s}}$$

Functional Equation for $L(f, s)$

If we want to continue $L(f, s)$ to the entire complex plane, it is necessary to define the Mellin transform and use a related theorem

Let $\psi: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $\psi(t) = O(t^{-A})$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
 $\forall A \in \mathbb{R}$, and $\psi(t) = O(t^{-c})$ when $t \rightarrow 0$
 for a constant c .

Then $M_\psi(s) = \int_0^\infty \psi(t)t^{s-1} dt$ converges abs. and uniformly in $\text{Re}(s) \geq c + \epsilon \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$.

Call this integral the Mellin transform of ψ

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} \Gamma(s) = M_\psi(s) \\ \psi(t) = e^{-t} \end{matrix}}$$

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Using the Mellin transform, we introduce this theorem (which we won't prove)

IF ψ satisfies

$$\psi\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^k A_j t^{\lambda_j} + \epsilon t^h \psi(t) \quad \text{for } t > 0,$$

where, $h, A_j, \lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$, $\epsilon \in \{-1, 1\}$, then M_ψ can be meromorphically continued to all of \mathbb{C} , holomorphic everywhere but at $s = \lambda_j$, where it has simple pole residue A_j .

Moreover, we have functional equation:
 $M_\psi(h-s) = \epsilon M_\psi(s)$

Relating this to the L-function, we can deduce a functional equation for $L(f, s)$:

$$(2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) L(f, s) = (-1)^{k/2} (2\pi)^{s-k} \Gamma(k-s) L(f, k-s)$$

With this continuation holomorphic if f vanishes at the cusps (Zach's talk).

(PF taking $\varphi(t) = f(it) - a(0)$, and considering its Mellin transform)

Wiles Thm

Again, we want to associate modular forms to elliptic curves through their L-functions, so we need to find an elliptic curve which has the same L-function as a modular form.

Weil Curves

Let E be an elliptic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} , and

$$y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6$$

be a minimal Weierstrass model for E over \mathbb{Z} .

If E has a good reduction at p , set

$$a_p = p+1 - N_p$$

(N_p denotes # of points of the minimal reduced model in the projective plane of the Galois field of order p)

If E has a bad reduction, set

$$a_p = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E \text{ admits 2 tangents at double} \\ & \text{rational point on } \mathbb{F}_p \\ -1 & \text{if } E \text{ admits an isolated double point} \\ 0 & \text{if } E \text{ has an additive reduction} \end{cases}$$

If E is semistable, $\prod_{\text{bad } p} = N_E$, conductor of E .
Recall in ch 4 we defined L-function of E as

$$L_E(s) = \prod_{\text{bad } p} \frac{1}{1 - a(p)p^{-s}} \prod_{\text{good } p} \frac{1}{1 - a_p p^{-s} + p^{1-2s}}$$

Hasselt's conjecture states that the L-function of E can be continued to all of C and that if we set

$$\Lambda_E(s) = N_E^{s/2} (2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) L_E(s)$$

we have the functional equation

$$\Lambda_E(2-s) = \pm \Lambda_E(s)$$

Theory by Eichler-Shimura allows us to associate elliptic curves to Hecke forms

Then

Let $N \in \mathbb{Z}, N \geq 1$ $f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$ be a Hecke form

Then \exists elliptic curve E s.t. Mellin transform of f is

$$(2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) L_E(s) = N^{-s/2} \Lambda_E(s)$$

Call this curve a Weil curve (or modular curve)

Finally, the Shimura-Taniyama-Weil conjecture asked if:

E an elliptic curve over Q, with L-series $\sum a(n) n^{-s}$
 $f_E(\tau) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n) q^n$ the inverse Mellin transform of:

$$(2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) L_E(s)$$

Then f is in $S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$, f in Hecke form (N conductor of E)

Thus, if proven, this conjecture would allow us to produce an elliptic curve with the same L-function as a given cusp form of weight 2.

(i.e. every rational elliptic curve is modular)

Wiles proved this for semi-stable elliptic curves.

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For E defined as above, with $a(p)$

given by

$$\begin{cases} 1+a(p) = \#\{\text{solutions of } x^2 + a_1x - a_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}\} & \text{if } p \nmid N \\ p+1-a(p) = \#E(\mathbb{F}_p) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then if $f(\tau) = \sum a(n) e^{2\pi i n \tau}$ for $\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$, we have

$$f\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}\right) = (c\tau+d)^2 f(\tau)$$

for each $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma_0(N)$ and for each $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$,

$\tau \mapsto (c\tau+d)^{-2} f\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}\right)$ admits an expansion as an integral series in the powers of $q^{1/N} = e^{2\pi i \tau / N}$

Thus we can find a common L-function for elliptic curves and modular forms of weight 2.

Example

$$y^2 - y = x^3 - x^2 \text{ has conductor } N_E = 11$$

$$\text{If we consider } f = q \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)(1 - q^{11n})^2$$

$$= q - 2q^2 - 2q^4 + q^5 + 2q^6 - 2q^7 - 2q^9 - 2q^{10} + q^{11} - 2q^{12},$$

$$= \sum a(n) q^n$$

with the series a_q satisfying above relations when p is prime.

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Additionally, recall dimension of $S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$
is given by

$$g = 1 + \frac{N}{12} - \frac{v_2}{4} - \frac{v_3}{4} - \frac{v_\infty}{2}$$

where these terms were defined in 5.4
(Zach L.'s lecture)

We generate the table

Conductor N	1	2	...	10
Dim g	0	0		0

Which indicates that there are no cusp
forms of weight 2 and level $N < 11$.

Chapter 6

We have previously considered reduction of elliptic curves mod p . It is necessary sometimes however to work mod a higher power of p , and indeed eventually "mod p^∞ ".

To understand what this means, we need a new conception of the p -adics, we give a new construction of \mathbb{Z}_p for fixed p -prime.

For $n \geq 1$ integer, let A_n denote the ring $\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$

Since congruence mod p^n implies congruence mod p^{n-1} , we have homomorphisms ψ_n

$$\dots \rightarrow A_n \xrightarrow{\psi_n} A_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\psi_{n-1}} \dots \rightarrow A_1 = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$$

The object we are constructing is at infinity on the left, so a ring equipped with homomorphisms

$$\dots \circ \psi_{n+2} \circ \psi_{n+1} = \pi_n: X \rightarrow A_n$$

We define

$$X = \left\{ x \in \prod_{n \geq 1} A_n : \forall n \geq 1, \psi_n \circ \epsilon_n(x) = \epsilon_{n-1}(x) \right\}$$

where ϵ_n denotes the projection of $\prod A_n$ onto the n th-coordinates.

X is a subring of $\prod A_n$, and compact, and $\epsilon_n(x) = \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$ is a field, so $\text{Ker}(\epsilon_n) = p^n X$ is a maximal ideal. (for X).

If \exists greatest integer $n \geq 1$ st. $\epsilon_n(x) = 0$, let p -adic valuation of x be

$$v_p(x) = n$$

$v = \dots \neq$ and $v = +\infty$ when all $x = \dots$

So we have:

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- (1) X is a ring
- (2) $x \in X$ is invertible iff it is not divisible by p
- (3) $x \in X, x \neq 0$ can be written in a unique way in form $p^n u$, with $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and u invertible. $v_p(x) = n$
- (4) p -adic v_p has

$$v_p(xy) = v_p(x) + v_p(y)$$

$$v_p(x+y) \geq \min\{v_p(x), v_p(y)\}$$

We can also have a notion of p -adic distance

$$d_p(x, y) = p^{-v_p(x-y)}$$

We consider the fraction field K of X ,*
 where every non-zero $x \in K$ is uniquely written:
 $x = p^n u \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}, u \in X \text{ invertible.}$

We are able to define p -adic absolute value on K .

$$v_p(x) := -n, \quad v_p(0) = +\infty$$

$$|x|_p = p^{-v_p(x)}$$

$$d_p(x, y) = |x - y|_p$$

* Smallest field containing the integral domain X

So we have defined a field K , with a p -adic distance

Leo will continue with work on this field.