

Diophantine geometry and non-abelian duality

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Diophantine geometry and abelian cohomology

E : elliptic curve over a number field F .

Kummer theory:

$$E(F) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p \longrightarrow H_f^1(G, T_p(E))$$

conjectured to be an isomorphism.

Should allow us, in principle, to compute $E(F)$.

Furthermore, size of $H_f^1(G, T_p(E))$ should be controlled by an L -function.

In the theorem

$$L(E/\mathbb{Q}, 1) \neq 0 \Rightarrow |E(\mathbb{Q})| < \infty,$$

key point is that the image of

$$\text{loc}_p : H_f^1(G, T_p(E)) \longrightarrow H_f^1(G_p, T_p(E))$$

is annihilated using Poitou-Tate duality by a class

$$c \in H^1(G, T_p(E))$$

whose image in

$$H^1(G_p, T_p(E))/H_f^1(G_p, T_p(E))$$

is non-torsion.

An explicit local reciprocity law then translates this into an analytic function on $E(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ that annihilates $E(\mathbb{Q})$.

Wish to investigate an extension of this phenomenon to *hyperbolic curves*. That is, curves of

- genus zero minus at least three points;
- genus one minus at least one point;
- genus at least two.

Notation

F : Number field.

S_0 : finite set of primes of F .

$R := \mathcal{O}_F[1/S_0]$, the ring of S integers in F .

p : odd prime not divisible by primes in S_0 ; v : a prime of F above p with $F_v = \mathbb{Q}_p$.

$G := \text{Gal}(\bar{F}/F)$.

$G_S := \text{Gal}(F_S/F)$, where F_S is the maximal extension of F unramified outside $S = S_0 \cup \{v|p\}$.

\mathcal{X} : smooth curve over $\text{Spec}(R)$ with good compactification.
(Might be compact itself.)

X : generic fiber of \mathcal{X} , assumed to be hyperbolic.

$b \in \mathcal{X}(R)$, possibly tangential.

Unipotent descent tower

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Here,

$$j : x \in \mathcal{X}(R) \mapsto [P(x)] \in H_f^1(G, U),$$

is the \mathbb{Q}_p -unipotent étale period map.

Unipotent descent tower

U is the \mathbb{Q}_p -pro-unipotent étale fundamental group of

$$\bar{X} = X \times_{\mathrm{Spec}(F)} \mathrm{Spec}(\bar{F})$$

with base-point b .

A linearization of the profinite étale fundamental group $\hat{\pi}_1(\bar{X}, b)$:

$$U = \text{“}\hat{\pi}_1(\bar{X}, b) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p\text{”}.$$

Unipotent descent tower

$U_n := U^{n+1} \setminus U$, where U^n is the lower central series with $U^1 = U$.

So $U_1 = U^{ab} = T_p J_X \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$.

$P(x) := \hat{\pi}_1(\bar{X}; b, x) \times_{\hat{\pi}_1(\bar{X}, b)} U$, is the U -torsor of \mathbb{Q}_p -unipotent étale paths from b to x , viewed as a function of x .

All these objects have natural actions of G .

H_f^1 refers to continuous non-abelian cohomology of G with coefficients in U satisfying local 'Selmer conditions'.

Localization

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Goal:
Compute the image of loc_v .

Local period map

One essential fact is that the local map

$$\mathcal{X}(R_v) \xrightarrow{j_v} H_f^1(G_v, U_n)$$

can be computed via a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{X}(R_v) & & \\ \downarrow j_v & \searrow j^{DR} & \\ H_f^1(G_v, U_n) & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & U_n^{DR}/F^0 \simeq \mathbb{A}^N \end{array}$$

where U_n^{DR}/F^0 is a homogeneous space for the *De Rham-crystalline fundamental group*, and the map j^{DR} can be described explicitly using p -adic iterated integrals.

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Knowledge of

$$\text{Im}(\text{loc}_v) \subset H_f^1(G_v, U_n)$$

will lead to knowledge of

$$\mathcal{X}(R) \subset [j_v]^{-1}(\text{Im}(\text{loc}_v)) \subset \mathcal{X}(R_v).$$

For example, when $\text{Im}(\text{loc}_v)$ is not Zariski dense, immediately deduce finiteness of $\mathcal{X}(R)$.

Non-abelian method of Chabauty

This deduction is captured by the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{X}(R) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{X}(R_v) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow j_v^{et} \\ H_f^1(G, U_n) & \xrightarrow{\text{loc}_v} & H_f^1(G_v, U_n) \\ & & \downarrow \exists \psi \neq 0 \\ & & \mathbb{Q}_p \end{array}$$

such that $\psi \circ j_v^{et}$ kills $\mathcal{X}(R)$.

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Duality for Galois cohomology with coefficients in various non-abelian groups should also be interpreted as a sort of *non-abelian class field theory*.

Non-abelian duality: example

E/\mathbb{Q} : elliptic curve with

$$\text{rank}E(\mathbb{Q}) = 1,$$

trivial Tamagawa numbers, and

$$|\text{III}(E)[p^\infty]| < \infty$$

for a prime p of good reduction.

$X =: E \setminus \{0\}$ given as a minimal Weierstrass model:

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

So

$$X(\mathbb{Z}) \subset E(\mathbb{Z}) = E(\mathbb{Q}).$$

Non-abelian duality: example

Let

$$\alpha = dx/(2y + a_1x + a_3), \quad \beta = xdx/(2y + a_1x + a_3).$$

Get analytic functions on $X(\mathbb{Q}_p)$,

$$\log_\alpha(z) = \int_b^z \alpha; \quad \log_\beta(z) = \int_b^z \beta;$$

$$D_2(z) = \int_b^z \alpha\beta.$$

Here, b is a tangential base-point at 0, and the integral is (iterated) *Coleman integration*.

Locally, the integrals are just anti-derivatives of the forms, while for the iteration,

$$dD_2 = \left(\int_b^z \beta \right) \alpha.$$

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A fragment of non-abelian duality and explicit reciprocity.

Non-abelian duality: example

Function ψ is actually a composition

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{X}(\mathbb{Z}_p) & \longrightarrow & H_f^1(G_p, U_2) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \mathbb{Q}_p \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \simeq & \nearrow \psi & \\ & & U_2^{DR} / F^0 & & \end{array}$$

where ϕ is constructed using secondary cohomology products and has the property that

$$\phi(\text{loc}_p(H_f^1(G, U_2))) = 0.$$

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Non-abelian duality: example

$$U_2 \simeq V \times \mathbb{Q}_p(1)$$

where $V = T_p(E) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$, with group law

$$(X, a)(Y, b) = (X + Y, a + b + (1/2) \langle X, Y \rangle).$$

A function

$$a = (a_1, a_2) : G_p \rightarrow U_2$$

is a cocycle if and only if

$$da_1 = 0; \quad da_2 = -(1/2)[a_1, a_1].$$

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where

$$\log \chi_p : G_p \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p$$

is the logarithm of the p -adic cyclotomic character and

$$b : G \rightarrow V$$

is a solution to the equation

$$db = \log \chi_p \cup a_1.$$

Non-abelian duality: example

The annihilation comes from the standard exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^2(G, \mathbb{Q}_p(1)) \rightarrow \sum_v H^2(G_v, \mathbb{Q}_p(1)) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p \rightarrow 0.$$

That is, our assumptions imply that the class

$$[\pi_1(\bar{X}; b, x)]_2$$

for $x \in X(\mathbb{Z})$ is trivial at all places $l \neq p$.

On the other hand

$$\phi(\text{loc}_p([\pi_1(\bar{X}; b, x)]_2)) = \text{loc}_p(\phi^{glob}([\pi_1(\bar{X}; b, x)]_2)).$$

Non-abelian duality: example

With respect to the coordinates

$$H_f^1(G_p, U_2) \simeq U_2^{DR}/F^0 \simeq \mathbb{A}^2 = \{(s, t)\}$$

the image

$$\text{loc}_p(H_f^1(G, U_2)) \subset H_f^1(G_p, U_2)$$

is described by the equation

$$t - \frac{D_2(y)}{(\int_b^y \alpha)^2} s^2 = 0.$$

Non-abelian duality: abstract framework

Let

$$L = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} L_n$$

graded Lie algebra over field k . The map $D : L \rightarrow L$ such that

$$D|_{L_n} = n$$

is a derivation, i.e., an element of $H^1(L, L)$. Can be viewed as an element of $H^2(L^* \rtimes L, k)$, that is, a central extension of $L^* \rtimes L$:

$$0 \longrightarrow k \longrightarrow E' \longrightarrow L^* \rtimes L \longrightarrow 0.$$

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When $k = \mathbb{Q}_p$ and we are given an action of G or G_v , can twist to

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p(1) \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow L^*(1) \rtimes L \longrightarrow 0.$$

Also have a corresponding group extension

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p(1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{E} \longrightarrow L^*(1) \rtimes U \longrightarrow 0.$$

$$(L = Lie(U))$$

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2. When U is a unipotent fundamental group, L is not graded in way that's compatible with the Galois action.

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Key statement:

$$H^1(G_v, U) \simeq H^1(\mathcal{G}_v, U) \simeq H^1(\text{Gr}_W(\mathcal{G}_v), \text{Gr}_W(U))$$

where \mathcal{G}_v is the *weighted completion* of G_v .

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Basic idea:

Consider the universal pro-algebraic extension

$$0 \rightarrow T_V \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_V \rightarrow R_V \rightarrow 0$$

equipped with a lift

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \mathcal{G}_V \\ & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ G_V & \longrightarrow & R \end{array}$$

such that T_V is pro-unipotent and the action of \mathbb{G}_m on $H_1(T_V)$ has negative weights.

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Note: Similar compatible construction \mathcal{G}_S for G_S :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & G_S & & \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \\ & & & \swarrow & & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & T_S & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}_S & \longrightarrow & R_S & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & & & & & \downarrow & & \\ & & & & & & & & \end{array}$$

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Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^1(G_S, U) & \simeq & H^1(\mathcal{G}_S, U) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ H^1(G_v, Gr^W(U)) & \simeq & H^1(\mathcal{G}_v, Gr^W(U)). \end{array}$$

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and

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Recalling the interpretation of $H^1(\mathcal{G}_v, U)$ as the splittings of

$$0 \rightarrow U \rightarrow U \rtimes \mathcal{G}_v \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_v \rightarrow 0,$$

we find there are isomorphisms

$$H^1(\mathcal{G}_v, U) \simeq \text{Split}_W(\text{Gr}_W(\text{Lie}\mathcal{G}_v), \text{Gr}_W(L) \rtimes \text{Gr}_W(\text{Lie}\mathcal{G}_v)).$$

$$H^1(\mathcal{G}_v, L^*(1) \rtimes U) \simeq \\ \text{Split}_W(\text{Gr}_W(\text{Lie}\mathcal{G}_v), \text{Gr}_W(L^*(1)) \rtimes \text{Gr}_W(L) \rtimes \text{Gr}_W(\text{Lie}\mathcal{G}_v)).$$

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Theorem

There is a canonical central extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p(1) \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow Gr_W(L^*(1)) \rtimes Gr_W(L) \rtimes Gr_W(Lie\mathcal{G}_v) \rightarrow 0$$

giving rise to a boundary map

$$\begin{aligned} & H^1(G_v, L^*(1) \rtimes U) \\ & \simeq Split_W(Gr_W(Lie\mathcal{G}_v), Gr_W(L^*(1)) \rtimes Gr_W(L) \rtimes Gr_W(Lie\mathcal{G}_v)) \\ & \rightarrow H^2(G_v, \mathbb{Q}_p(1)). \end{aligned}$$

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Managed to construct the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^1(G_v, L^*(1)) & \longrightarrow & H^1(G_v, L^*(1) \rtimes U) \xrightarrow{\delta_v} \mathbb{Q}_p \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & H^1(G_v, U) \end{array}$$

in general.

Non-abelian duality: more algebraic completions

Theorem

The image of

$$H^1(G_S, L^*(1) \rtimes U)$$

in

$$\prod_{v \in S} H^1(G_v, L^*(1) \rtimes U)$$

is annihilated by

$$\sum_v \delta_v.$$