

§ Dirichlet L-functions

Lecture 2

Def A Dirichlet character mod $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is a group hom.

$$\chi : (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$$

These form a group $(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}})^\times$.

i.e. $\chi : (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} d^{\text{th}} \text{ roots} \\ \text{of unity} \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$

Order of χ = smallest $d \geq 1$ s.t. $\chi^d = 1$

order 1 = trivial (or principal) character $\updownarrow$

order 2 = quadratic character $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \pm 1$

Modulus of χ = smallest $m|n$ s.t. $\exists \chi_0 : (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ s.t.

$$\chi(a) = \chi_0(a)$$

$$\forall a \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$$

(*)

χ primitive if $m=n$.

We extend χ to $\chi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $\chi(a) = 0$ for $(a,n) > 1$.
 not a hom. but totally multiplicative.

Ex $n=1,2$: only trivial character. $\updownarrow$

Ex $n=3$: $\{1, \chi_3\}$

$$\chi_3(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & a \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ -1 & a \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ 0 & a \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

order 2
modulus 3

Ex $n=4$: $\{1, \chi_4\}$

$$\chi_4(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & a \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ -1 & a \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\ 0 & a \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \end{cases}$$

order 2
modulus 4.

Ex $n=5$: $\{1, \chi_5, \chi_5^2, \chi_5^3 = \chi_5^{-1} = \overline{\chi_5}\}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \uparrow & \\ (\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})^\times & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^\times \\ \{2, 2^2, 2^3, 2^4 = 1\} & & \\ 2 & \longmapsto & i \end{array}$$

Ex $n=12$ $(\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z})^\times \cong C_2 \times C_2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ 4 characters
 $\{1, 5, 7, 11\}$

1	5	7	11		
1	1	1	1	$= 1$	modulus 1
1	-1	1	-1	$= \chi_3$	modulus 3
1	1	-1	-1	$= \chi_4$	modulus 4
1	-1	-1	1	$= \chi_{12}$	modulus 12 (primitive)

Def $\chi: (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ primitive

$$L(\chi, s) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s}$$

$$= \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - \chi(p)p^{-s}}$$

L-function of χ

degree 1

converges for
 $\text{Re } s > 1$ $\chi = 1$
 $\text{Re } s > 0$ $\chi \neq 1$
 $(\sum_n a_n \text{ bounded})$
 $\forall N, M$

When χ not primitive, $L(\chi, s) := L(\chi_0, s)$ from (*)

Thm $L(\chi, s)$ entire for $\chi \neq 1$, $L^*(\chi, s) = \left(\frac{m}{\pi}\right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s+\lambda}{2}\right) L(\chi, s)$

with $\lambda = \begin{cases} 0 & \chi(-1) = 1 \quad (\chi \text{ even}) \\ 1 & \chi(-1) = -1 \quad (\chi \text{ odd}) \end{cases}$

satisfies fun. eq.

← Gauss sum

$$L^*(\chi, 1-s) = w \cdot L(\bar{\chi}, s)$$

$$w = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \sum_{a=0}^{m-1} \chi(a) \zeta_m^a$$

Pf Poisson summation for $e^{-\pi n(mx+a)^2}$ (χ even), $e^{-\pi n x^2}$ (χ odd)

§ Cyclotomic fields $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)$

$$\zeta_m = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{m}}$$

Major goal of alg. NT. : understand finite extensions of $\mathbb{Q}$, e.g.

Conj (Inverse Galois Problem) Every finite group is a Galois sp over $\mathbb{Q}$.

Abelian extensions $K/\mathbb{Q}$ are understood:

Galois with $\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})$ abelian

Thm (Kronecker-Weber) $K/\mathbb{Q}$ abelian $\Leftrightarrow K \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)$ for some m ,
 $\zeta_m = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{m}}$

Max. ab ext. $\mathbb{Q}^{ab}$ of $\mathbb{Q}$ = Max. cyclotomic ext. of $\mathbb{Q} := \mathbb{Q}(\{\zeta_m\}_{m \geq 1})$
 $= \mathbb{Q}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times}_{\text{tors}})$ ← there is analogue for
imag. quad. fields
with $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times} \cap E(\bar{\mathbb{Q}})$
(CM theory)

§ $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^k})$

Fix a prime power $m = q^k > 2$ [$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_2) = \mathbb{Q}(\pm 1) = \mathbb{Q}$]

$K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m) = \mathbb{Q}(\text{roots of } x^m - 1) = \mathbb{Q}(\text{roots of } \Phi_m(x))$
← primitive m th roots of 1.

• $\Phi_m(x) = \frac{x^{q^k} - 1}{x^{q^{k-1}} - 1}$ degree $(\varphi(m)) = q^k - q^{k-1} = \varphi(m)$

• $\Phi_m(x+1) = x^{\varphi(m)} + \dots + q$ Eisenstein $\Rightarrow$ irr. $\Rightarrow [\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m) : \mathbb{Q}] = \varphi(m)$

• $(q) = (1 - \zeta_m)^{\varphi(m)}$ in $\mathcal{O}_K \Rightarrow q$ totally ramified in $K/\mathbb{Q}$.

• All other primes $p \nmid \Delta_{x^m-1} = \pm m^m$ unramified in $K/\mathbb{Q}$.
↳ power of q

• $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^k})/\mathbb{Q}) = (\mathbb{Z}/q^k\mathbb{Z})^{\times} \xrightarrow{\varphi_m} \text{Gal}(\bigcup_k \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^k})/\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Z}_q^{\times}$
 $(\zeta_m \mapsto \zeta_m^i)$ ← i

§ $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)$ for general $m = q_1^{k_1} \dots q_j^{k_j}$

$K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m) =$ compositum of $\underbrace{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q_1^{k_1}}), \dots, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q_j^{k_j}})}_{\substack{q_j \text{ unramified} \\ \Rightarrow \text{disjoint}}}$

has degree $\prod_j \varphi(q_j^{k_j}) = \varphi(m)$

- $p \nmid m \Rightarrow p$ unramified in $K/\mathbb{Q}$

residue degree $f_p = [\mathbb{F}_p(\zeta_m) : \mathbb{F}_p] =$ smallest r s.t. $p^r \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$
 $=$ order of p in $(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times$

- $p \mid m, m = p^k m_0 \Rightarrow p$ ramified in $K/\mathbb{Q}$ ($k \geq 1, p \nmid m_0$)

ram. degree $e_p = \varphi(p^k)$.

res degree $f_p =$ order of $p \pmod{m_0}$.

- $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)/\mathbb{Q}) = (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times$

$$\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}/\mathbb{Q}) = \prod_q \mathbb{Z}_q^\times = \hat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times$$

← group of finite ideles of $\mathbb{Q}$

§ ζ -function of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)$

Thm $\zeta_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)}(s) = \prod_{\chi: (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times} L(\chi, s).$

Proof Compare local factors $F_p(T)$ at every p .

Say $m = p^k m_0, k \geq 0$. let $f :=$ order of $p \pmod{m_0}$

$e := \varphi(p^k)$

$r := \varphi(m)/ef = \varphi(m_0)/f$

$$F_p(T)_{\text{LHS}} = (1 - T^f)^r$$

degree = $\varphi(m_0)$,
 roots = f^{th} roots of 1

$$= \prod_{\chi: (\mathbb{Z}/m_0\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times} (1 - \chi(p)T)$$

$$= F_p(T)_{\text{RHS}}$$

↑
 characters whose modulus $\nmid m_0$ ($\Leftrightarrow p \mid \text{modulus}$)
 have $\chi(p) = 0$.

Cor $L(\chi, 1) \neq 0$ for $\chi \neq 1$

Proof $\sum_{p \in \mathbb{Z}_m} \chi(p) = \zeta(s) \prod_{\chi \neq 1} L(\chi, s)$

at $s=1$: simple pole at simple pole no poles at $s=1$ (converges for $\text{Re } s > 0$) $\Rightarrow$ all $\neq 0$.

Cor Dirichlet's Thm on Primes in Arith. Progressions

$$\left[\sum_{p \equiv a \pmod m} \frac{1}{p^s} = \frac{1}{\varphi(m)} \sum_{\chi} \overline{\chi(a)} \log L(\chi, s) + \text{analytic at } s=1 \Rightarrow \text{diverges} \right]$$

↑
diverges for $s=1$, analytic otherwise

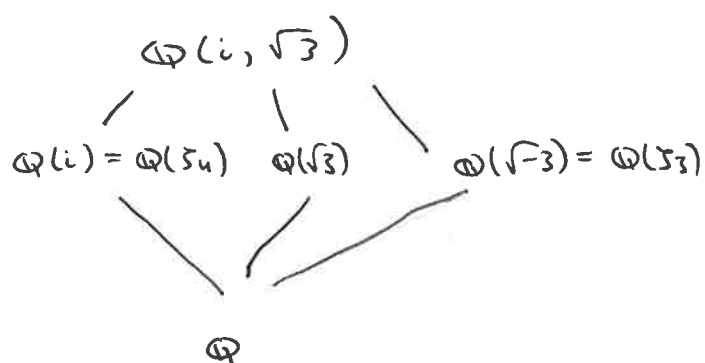
In general, $K/\mathbb{Q}$ abelian $\xrightarrow{\text{rep. theory, later.}}$ $\Rightarrow \sum_k(s) = \prod L\text{-facs of characters}$

Ex $m=12$

$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m) = \mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt{3})$ biquadratic

$$(\hat{\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}})^* = \{1, \chi_3, \chi_4, \chi_{12}\}$$

	$F_2(T)$	$F_3(T)$	$F_5(T)$	$\dots$	$F_{13}(T)$	$\dots$
$L(1, s) = \zeta(s)$	$1-T$	$1-T$	$1-T$		$1-T$	
$L(\chi_3, s)$	$1+T$	1	$1+T$		$1-T$	
$L(\chi_4, s)$	1	$1+T$	$1-T$		$1-T$	
$L(\chi_{12}, s)$	1	1	$1+T$		$1-T$	
$\sum_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{12})}(s)$	$1-T^2$	$1-T^2$	$(1-T^2)^2$	$\dots$	$(1-T)^4$	$\dots$
	$m_0=3$	$m_0=4$	$f = \text{order of } 5 \pmod{12} = 2$		$f = \text{order of } 13 \pmod{12} = 1$	



$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{12})} &= \zeta \cdot L(\chi_3) \cdot L(\chi_4) \cdot L(\chi_{12}) \\ \sum_{\mathbb{Q}(i)} &= \zeta \cdot L(\chi_4) \\ \sum_{\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})} &= \zeta \cdot L(\chi_3) \\ \sum_{\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})} &= \zeta \cdot L(\chi_{12}) \\ L &= \left(\frac{\cdot}{12}\right)\end{aligned}$$

Generalisations

$\mathbb{Q} \rightsquigarrow$ number field F

$m \rightsquigarrow m \in \mathcal{O}_F$ ideal, $\neq 0$ "modulus".

$\chi: \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{fractional ideals} \\ \text{of } F \\ \text{prime to } m \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ finite order

s.t. $\chi(I) = 1$ for $I = (\alpha)$, $\alpha \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$.

$$\rightsquigarrow L(\chi, s) = \sum_{\substack{I \in \mathcal{O}_F \\ \text{coprime to } m}} \frac{\chi(I)}{N I^s} = \prod_{p \nmid m} \frac{1}{1 - \chi(p) N p^{-s}}$$

Ex $L(1, s) = \zeta_F(s)$

Hecke $\equiv$ analytic cont. & fun. eq.

Further generalisation: Hecke characters or Größencharaktere

Instead of $\chi(d) = 1$ for $d \equiv 1 \pmod{M}$,
 $d \mapsto \chi(d)$

must agree with

$$F^\times \hookrightarrow (\mathbb{R}^\times)^{r_1} \times (\mathbb{C}^\times)^{r_2} \xrightarrow[\text{hom. } \varphi]{\text{some cont.}} \mathbb{C}^\times$$

"infinity type" $\swarrow$

Possible cont. homs

$$\mathbb{R}^\times \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$$

$$x \mapsto \text{sgn}(x)^u |x|^{v+iw}$$

$$u \in \{0, 1\}, v, w \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{C}^\times \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$$

$$x \mapsto \left(\frac{x}{|x|}\right)^u |x|^{v+iw}$$

$$u \in \mathbb{Z}, v, w \in \mathbb{R}$$

Ex $F = \mathbb{Q}$, $m=1$, $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^\times \xrightarrow{x \mapsto |x|} \mathbb{C}^\times$

$$\chi(a) = a$$

$$a \in \mathbb{Q}^\times$$

"cyclotomic character"

$$L(\chi, s) = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - \chi(p) p^{-s}} = \zeta(s-1)$$

$\leftarrow$ generally $s \mapsto s - (v+iw)$
is just a shift

Modern formulation:

$$\text{Hecke characters of } F = \text{cont. gp. homs } \mathbb{A}_F^\times \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times, \\ \text{trivial on } F^\times$$

Tate's Thesis:

Alt. proof of anal. cont & fun. eq. for Hecke characters using

Fourier analysis on adèles.