

Exercise 5 (due on December 23)

Choose 4 out of 8 problems to submit. (The problems are chronically ordered by the materials.) Let $\ell \geq 3$ be a prime number.

Problem 5.1. (Fontaine–Laffaille modules are weakly admissible) Let M be a \mathbb{Z}_ℓ -free Fontaine–Laffaille module, that is a tuple $(M, \text{Fil}^\bullet M, (\Phi^i)_i)$, consisting of

- a finite free \mathbb{Z}_ℓ -module M ,
- equipped with a decreasing filtration $\text{Fil}^\bullet M$ by saturated \mathbb{Z}_ℓ -submodules $\text{Fil}^i M$ (i.e. $M/\text{Fil}^i M$ is still a free \mathbb{Z}_ℓ -module) such that $\text{Fil}^0 M = M$ and $\text{Fil}^{\ell-1} M = 0$; and
- $\Phi^i : \text{Fil}^i M \rightarrow M$ are \mathbb{Z}_ℓ -linear maps such that $\Phi^i|_{\text{Fil}^{i+1} M} = \Phi^{i+1}$, and $M = \sum_i \Phi^i(\text{Fil}^i M)$.

Prove the following statements:

- (1) Choose a basis of M as $\{e_{0,1}, \dots, e_{0,r_0}, e_{1,1}, \dots, e_{1,r_1}, e_{2,1}, \dots, e_{\ell-2,r_{\ell-2}}\}$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Fil}^{\ell-2} M &= \mathbb{Z}_\ell e_{\ell-2,1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}_\ell e_{\ell-2,r_{\ell-2}}; \\ \text{Fil}^{\ell-3} M &= \text{Fil}^{\ell-2} M \oplus \mathbb{Z}_\ell e_{\ell-3,1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}_\ell e_{\ell-3,r_{\ell-3}}; \\ &\dots \quad \dots \\ \text{Fil}^0 M &= \text{Fil}^1 M \oplus \mathbb{Z}_\ell e_{0,1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}_\ell e_{0,r_0} = M. \end{aligned}$$

Show that with respect to this basis, the matrix F for Φ^0 takes the form of

$$F = \text{Diag}\left(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{r_0}, \underbrace{\ell, \dots, \ell}_{r_1}, \underbrace{\ell^2, \dots, \ell^2}_{r_2}, \dots, \underbrace{\ell^{\ell-2}, \dots, \ell^{\ell-2}}_{r_{\ell-2}}\right) \cdot B$$

for a matrix $B \in \text{GL}(\mathbb{Z}_\ell)$. (Note that it is not difficult to show that $B \in \text{M}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$. To see that B is invertible, one needs to use the condition $M = \sum_i \Phi^i(\text{Fil}^i M)$.)

- (2) Deduce from (1) that viewing $M \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ as a filtered ϕ -module (with $\phi = \Phi^0$), the Newton degree of $M \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ is the same as the Hodge degree.
- (3) Let N be a saturated submodule of M that is stable under the Φ^i -actions. Then the filtration of M induces a filtration on N . Show that N admits similar basis as in M so that Φ^0 takes a form similar to F above except that we cannot ensure that the corresponding B is an invertible integral basis.

Using this, prove that $M \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\ell$ is a weakly admissible filtered φ -module.

Problem 5.2. (Deformation of Fontaine–Laffaille modules) Let \overline{M} denote the following Fontaine–Laffaille module: $\overline{M} = \mathbb{F}_\ell e_1 \oplus \mathbb{F}_\ell e_2$, with $\text{Fil}^0 \overline{M} = \overline{M} \supset \text{Fil}^1 \overline{M} = \mathbb{F}_\ell e_1 \supset \text{Fil}^2 \overline{M} = 0$; $\Phi^1(e_1) = e_2$ and $\Phi^0(e_2) = e_1$.

Consider the following deformation functor:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Def}_{\overline{M}} : \text{CNL}_{\mathbb{Z}_\ell} &\longrightarrow \text{Sets} \\ A &\longmapsto \left\{ \text{Fontaine–Laffaille module } M \text{ such that } M \otimes_A \mathbb{F}_\ell \cong \overline{M} \right\} / \sim \end{aligned}$$

(Note that this is an unframed deformation.) Show that $\text{Def}_{\overline{M}}$ is represented by a two-variable formal power series over \mathbb{Z}_ℓ . (Had we fixed the determinant, it would be only one-variable.)

Problem 5.3. (Some computation from Weil’s conjecture) This is partially copied from Hartshorne GTM 52’s Appendix C. Let X denote a projective smooth variety of dimension n over a finite field \mathbb{F}_q . Let $|X|$ denote the set of closed points of X ; and for $x \in |X|$, write

$\deg(x) = [k_x : \mathbb{F}_q]$ for the degree at x . Define the zeta function of X to be

$$\zeta_X(t) := \prod_{x \in |X|} \frac{1}{1 - t^{\deg(x)}} \in \mathbb{Q}[[t]].$$

Here t is a proxy of q^{-s} in the usual Riemann zeta function; but in function field, luckily, all residue fields at closed points are extensions of the *same* finite field \mathbb{F}_q .

- (1) Write $N_r := \#X(\mathbb{F}_{q^r})$. Show that $\zeta_X(t) = \exp\left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r \frac{t^r}{r}\right)$.
- (2) Compute $\zeta_X(t)$ for $X = \mathbb{P}^n$ over \mathbb{F}_q .
- (3) Consider the geometric q -Frobenius ϕ_q on each of the cohomology group $H_{\text{et}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell)$. The Lefschetz trace formula says that

$$\#X(\mathbb{F}_{q^r}) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} (-1)^i \text{Tr}(\phi_q^r; H_{\text{et}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell))$$

Show that plugging Lefschetz trace formula into the definition of $\zeta_X(t)$ gives

$$\zeta_X(t) = \frac{\prod_{i \text{ odd}} \det(1 - \phi_q t; H_{\text{et}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell))}{\prod_{i \text{ even}} \det(1 - \phi_q t; H_{\text{et}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell))}.$$

(In particular, $\zeta_X(t) \in \mathbb{Q}(t)$.)

- (4) (Optional) The Poincaré duality for étale cohomology says that there is a ϕ_q -equivariant isomorphism

$$H_{\text{et}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell) \cong H_{\text{et}}^{2n-i}(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell)^*(-\dim X).$$

Show that this implies the following functional equation:

$$\zeta_X\left(\frac{1}{q^n t}\right) = \pm q^{nE/2} t^E \zeta_X(t),$$

where E is the Euler characteristic of X , namely, $E = \sum_i (-1)^i \dim H_{\text{et}}^i(X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q}, \mathbb{Q}_\ell)$.

Problem 5.4. (Traces of differential forms) Consider the simplest case $h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $h(z) = w^n$. Show that the trace map of differential forms is well-defined.

Problem 5.5. (Compatibility of Abel–Jacobi map with respect to functoriality maps) For X a projective smooth curve over \mathbb{C} , let $\text{Jac}_X := H^0(X, \Omega_X^1)^\vee / H_1(X^{\text{an}}, \mathbb{Z})$ denote the associated Jacobian, and let $\text{Pic}^0(X)$ denote the Picard group of X , parametrizing line bundles of degree 0. Let $h : X \rightarrow Y$ be a finite (flat) morphism of projective smooth curves over \mathbb{C} . Show that the following diagrams of functorial maps commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Jac}_X & \xrightarrow{(h^*)^\vee} & \text{Jac}_Y \\ \text{AJ} \downarrow \cong & & \text{AJ} \downarrow \cong \\ \text{Pic}^0(X) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L} \mapsto \det(h_* \mathcal{L})} & \text{Pic}^0(Y) \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Jac}_Y & \xrightarrow{(\text{Tr}_h)^\vee} & \text{Jac}_X \\ \text{AJ} \downarrow \cong & & \text{AJ} \downarrow \cong \\ \text{Pic}^0(Y) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L} \mapsto h^* \mathcal{L}} & \text{Pic}^0(X). \end{array}$$

Problem 5.6. (L -function for modular forms and its functional equations) Let $f = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n q^n$ denote a cuspidal modular form of weight k , level $\Gamma_0(N)$. Suppose that f is normalized so that $a_1 = 1$, and that f is an eigenform for all Hecke operators.

(1) Prove that

$$\int_0^\infty f(iy) y^s \frac{dy}{y} = (2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s) L(f, s)$$

where $L(f, s) = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n/n^s$ is the L -function associated to f .

(2) Suppose for simplicity that f has level $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$. Let $L_\infty(f, s) := (2\pi)^{-s} \Gamma(s)$ denote the “ L -factor at infinity”, and write $\Lambda(f, s) := L(f, s) L_\infty(f, s)$ for the “complete L -function”. Show that

$$\Lambda(f, s) = (-1)^{k/2} \Lambda(f, k - s).$$

(Hint: breaks up the integral above as \int_0^1 and \int_1^∞ , and use the relation $f\left(\frac{az+b}{cz+d}\right) = (cz+d)^k f(z)$ for $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.)

Problem 5.7. (Geometric realization of Hecke operator T_p) Recall that $Y_0(N)$ parameterizes elliptic curves together with a cyclic subgroup C_N or order N . Write \mathcal{E} for the universal elliptic curve, and $\pi : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow Y_0(N)$ for the structure map and $e : Y_0(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ the zero section. Set $\omega_{E/Y_0(N)} := e^* \Omega_{E/Y_0(N)}^1$.

To a modular form $f \in S_k(\Gamma_0(N))$ and a prime $p \nmid N$, one can associate a section

$$f(z) \otimes d\tau^{\otimes k} \in H^0(Y_0(N), \omega).$$

We define the Hecke operator T_p on $S_k(\Gamma_0(N))$ using the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & Y_0(pN) & & (E, C_N, C_p) & \\ \swarrow \pi_1 & & \searrow \pi_2 & \swarrow & \searrow \\ Y_0(N) & & Y_0(N) & (E, C_N) & (E/C_p, C_N + C_p/C_p). \end{array}$$

Here, we may alternatively view $Y_0(pN)$ as the moduli space of isogenies of elliptic curves $E \rightarrow E/C_p$ of degree p together with a cyclic subgroup C_N of E of order N . Let $\varphi : \pi_1^* \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \pi_2^* \mathcal{E}$ denote the universal isogeny on $Y_0(pN)$. Define

$$T_p : H^0(Y_0(N), \omega_2^{\otimes k}) \xrightarrow{\pi_2^*} H^0(Y_0(Np), \omega_2^{\otimes k}) \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} H^0(Y_0(Np), \omega_1^{\otimes k}) \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{p} \mathrm{Tr}} H^0(Y_0(N), \omega_1^{\otimes k})$$

Here we write ω_1 and ω_2 to distinguish sheaves on the left and right $Y_0(N)$. Show that this agrees with the usual definition of T_p .

Problem 5.8. (Monodromy of moduli space of elliptic curves at a cusp) Fix $N \geq 5$ and consider the quotient $Y_1(N) := \mathcal{H}/\Gamma_1(N)$. This space parametrizes elliptic curves E over \mathbb{C} together with a point $P \in E$ of exact order N . Let $\pi : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow Y_1(N)$ be the universal elliptic curve; its fiber over $z \in Y_1(N)$ is denoted by $\mathcal{E}_z := \pi^{-1}(z)$. We study the pushforward of the sheaf $R^1 \pi_* \mathbb{Z}$, which is locally free sheaf of rank 2 over $Y_1(N)$; such that the stalk at the point z is precisely $H^1(E_z, \mathbb{Z})$. Consider the loop $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow Y_1(N)$ given by $\gamma(a) = a + 10i$. Looping around γ defines a homomorphism $H^1(E_{10i}, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^1(E_{10i}, \mathbb{Z})$, called the monodromy operator at $i\infty$. What is this operator in terms of 2-by-2 matrix?