## A QUADRATIC DOUBLE DIRICHLET SERIES OVER NUMBER FIELDS

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ABSTRACT. We construct a quadratic double Dirichlet series Z(s, w) built from single variable quadratic Dirichlet L-functions  $L(s, \chi)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We prove that Z(s, w) admits meromorphic continuation to the (s, w)-plane and satisfies a group of functional equations.

#### 1. Preliminaries

We present an overview of quadratic Dirichlet L-functions over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We begin with the Riemann zeta-function. The zeta function  $\zeta(s)$  is defined as the Dirichlet series or Euler product

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n \ge 1} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_{p \text{ prime}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1},$$

for Re(s) > 1. The second equality is an analytic reformulation of the fundamental theorem of arithmetic. The Riemann zeta function also admits meromorphic continuation to  $\mathbb{C}$  with a simple pole at s = 1 of residue 1. The functional equation is

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}}\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)\zeta(s) = \pi^{-\frac{1-s}{2}}\Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right)\zeta(1-s).$$

Now we recall the characters on  $\mathbb{Z}$ . They are multiplicative functions  $\chi: \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{C}$ . Their image always lands in the roots of unity. The two flavors of characters of interest to use are:

- Dirichlet characters: multiplicative functions  $\chi_m : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{C}$  modulo  $m \geq 1$  (in that they are m-periodic) and such that  $\chi_m(n) = 0$  if (m, n) > 1.
- Hilbert symbols: Dirichlet characters modulo 1.

If  $\chi$  is a character then its conjugate  $\overline{\chi}$  is also a character. Moreover,  $\overline{\chi}$  is the multiplicative inverse to  $\chi$  and the characters modulo m form a group under multiplication. This group is always finite and its order is  $\phi(m)$ . Characters also satisfy orthogonality properties:

**Theorem 1.1** (Orthogonality relations). Let  $\chi$  and  $\psi$  be any two Dirichlets character modulo m and let a and b be any two integers modulo m. Then

(i) 
$$\frac{1}{\phi(m)} \sum_{a \pmod{m}} \chi(a) \overline{\psi}(a) = \delta_{\chi,\psi}.$$
(ii) 
$$\frac{1}{\phi(m)} \sum_{\chi \pmod{m}} \chi(a) \overline{\chi}(b) = \delta_{a,b}.$$

Todo: [continue here] The Dirichlet characters that are of interest to us are those given by the quadratic residue symbol on  $\mathbb{F}_q[t]$ . If  $f \in \mathbb{F}_q[t]$  is a monic non-constant irreducible, define the quadratic residue symbol  $\chi_f$  by

$$\chi_f(g) = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right) = g^{\frac{|f|-1}{2}} \pmod{f},$$

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for any  $g \in \mathbb{F}_q[t]$ . Then  $\chi_f(g) \in \{\pm 1\}$  provided f and g are relatively prime and  $\chi_f(g) = 0$  if (f, g) > 1. If  $b \in \mathbb{F}^{\times}$ , then we define the quadratic residue symbol  $\chi_b$  by

$$\chi_b(g) = \left(\frac{b}{m}\right) = \operatorname{sgn}(b)^{\operatorname{deg}(f)},$$

where  $\operatorname{sgn}(b) = \pm 1$  depending on if  $b \in (\mathbb{F}^{\times})^2$  or not. Moreover, if  $d \in \mathbb{F}_q[t]$  then we set  $\operatorname{sgn}(d) = \operatorname{sgn}(b_n)$  if  $d(t) = b_n t^n + b_{n-1} t^{n+1} + \cdots + b_0$  (with  $b_n \neq 0$ ). Extending  $\chi_f$  multiplicativity in f,  $\chi_f$  is defined for any f not necessarily monic. The quadratic residue symbol also has the following reciprocity property:

**Theorem 1.2** (Quadratic reciprocity). If  $f, g \in \mathbb{F}_q[t]$  are monic, square-free, and relatively prime, then

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}\deg(f)\deg(g)} \left(\frac{g}{f}\right).$$

Note that if  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , the sign in the statement of quadratic reciprocity is always 1 so that the reciprocity is perfect. We now describe the Hilbert symbols on  $\mathbb{F}_q[t]$ . In fact, there are only two Hilbert symbols, one non-trivial, and one trivial. The non-trivial Hilbert symbol is  $\chi_{\theta}$  where  $\theta \in \mathbb{F}^{\times} - (\mathbb{F}^{\times})^2$ :

$$\chi_{\theta}(f) = (-1)^{\deg(f)}.$$

Note that  $\overline{\chi_{\theta}} = \chi_{\theta}$ . The other Hilbert symbol is the trivial character  $\chi_{\theta}^2 = \chi_{\theta\theta} = \chi_1$ . In general, we denote a Hilbert symbol by  $\chi_a$  where  $a \in \{1, \theta\}$ .

We can now define the L-functions attached to the symbol  $\chi_f$  for not necessarily monic f. We define the L-series  $L(s,\chi_f)$  attached to  $\chi_f$  by a Dirichlet series or Euler product:

$$L(s, \chi_f) = \sum_{g \text{ monic}} \frac{\chi_f(g)}{|g|^s} = \prod_{P \text{ monic irr}} \left(1 - \frac{\chi_f(P)}{|P|^s}\right)^{-1}.$$

By definition of the quadratic residue symbol,  $L(s,\chi_f) \ll \zeta(s)$  for Re(s) > 1 so that  $L(s,\chi_f)$  is absolutely uniformly convergent on compacta in this region.  $L(s,\chi_f)$  also admits meromorphic continuation to  $\mathbb{C}$  with a simple pole at s=1 if f is square-free and is analytic otherwise (see [1] for a proof). Moreover,  $L(s,\chi_f)$  is a polynomial in  $q^{-s}$  of degree at most  $\deg(f)-1$ . The completed L-function is defined as follows:

$$L^*(s,\chi_f) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-q^{-s}} L(s,\chi_f) & \text{if deg}(f) \text{ is even,} \\ L(s,\chi_f) & \text{if deg}(f) \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

and satisfies the functional equation

$$L^*(s,\chi_f) = \begin{cases} q^{2s-1}|f|^{\frac{1}{2}-s}L^*(1-s,\chi_f) & \text{if deg}(f) \text{ is even,} \\ q^{2s-1}(q|f|)^{\frac{1}{2}-s}L^*(1-s,\chi_f) & \text{if deg}(f) \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Note that in the case  $\deg(f)$  is even, the conductor is |f| and in the case  $\deg(f)$  is odd, the conductor is q|f|. In other words, the gamma factors depend upon the degree of f. This will cause a small but important technical issue later when we want to derive functional equations for the quadratic double Dirichlet series.

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