

A QUADRATIC DOUBLE DIRICHLET SERIES II: THE NUMBER FIELD CASE

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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

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

for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$. 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 $\chi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Their image always lands in the roots of unity. The two flavors of characters of interest to use are:

- Dirichlet characters: multiplicative functions $\chi_m : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ 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 χ is a character then its conjugate $\bar{\chi}$ is also a character. Moreover, $\bar{\chi}$ is the multiplicative inverse to χ 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 χ and ψ be any two Dirichlets character modulo m and let a and b be any two integers modulo m . Then*

(i)

$$\frac{1}{\phi(m)} \sum_{a \pmod{m}} \chi(a) \bar{\psi}(a) = \delta_{\chi, \psi}.$$

(ii)

$$\frac{1}{\phi(m)} \sum_{\chi \pmod{m}} \chi(a) \bar{\chi}(b) = \delta_{a, b}.$$

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 χ_f by

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

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 χ_b by

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

where $\text{sgn}(b) = \pm 1$ depending on if $b \in (\mathbb{F}^\times)^2$ or not. Moreover, if $d \in \mathbb{F}_q[t]$ then we set $\text{sgn}(d) = \text{sgn}(b_n)$ if $d(t) = b_n t^n + b_{n-1} t^{n-1} + \cdots + b_0$ (with $b_n \neq 0$). Extending χ_f multiplicativity in f , χ_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 χ_θ 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 χ_a where $a \in \{1, \theta\}$.

We can now define the L -functions attached to the symbol χ_f for not necessarily monic f . We define the L -series $L(s, \chi_f)$ attached to χ_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 $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ 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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THE INTERCHANGE

WEIGHTING TERMS

FUNCTIONAL EQUATIONS

MEROMORPHIC CONTINUATION

POLES AND RESIDUES

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