

Notes on “On a conjecture of Jacquet” by Harris and Kudla

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Theorem to be proved. Let k be a number field and let π_i , $i = 1, 2, 3$ be cuspidal automorphic representations of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{A})$ such that the product of their central characters is trivial. Jacquet conjectured that the central value $L\left(\frac{1}{2}, \pi_1 \otimes \pi_2 \otimes \pi_3\right)$ of the triple product L-function is nonzero if and only if there exists quaternion algebra B over k and automorphic forms $f_i^B \in \pi_i^B$ such that the integral

$$I(f_1^B, f_2^B, f_3^B) = \int_{Z(\mathbb{A})B^\times(k) \backslash B^\times(\mathbb{A})} f_1^B(b) f_2^B(b) f_3^B(b) \, d^\times b \neq 0$$

where π_i^B is the representation of $B^\times(\mathbb{A})$ corresponding to π_i .

Summary. The proof comes down to the equality

$$\begin{aligned} & L\left(\frac{1}{2}, \pi_1 \otimes \pi_2 \otimes \pi_3\right) \cdot Z^*(F, \Phi) \\ &= \sum_r \int_{\mathbb{A}^\times B^\times(k) \backslash B^\times(\mathbb{A})} I^{1,r}(b_1, \varphi; F) \, db_1 \cdot \int_{\mathbb{A}^\times B^\times(k) \backslash B^\times(\mathbb{A})} I^{2,r}(b_2, \varphi; F) \, db_2 \end{aligned}$$

The integrals in the second expression are finite linear combinations of the quantities $I(f_1^B, f_2^B, f_3^B)$ and every such quantity can be obtained as an integral $\int_{\mathbb{A}^\times B^\times(k) \backslash B^\times(\mathbb{A})} I^{1,r}(b_1, \varphi; F) \, db_1$ for some φ, F and r .

Section 1 introduces a representation of the triple product L-function in terms of a Zeta integral and the integral of an Eisenstein series. Section 2 shows how the integral representation should be modified by changing the Zeta integral at the local factors. Section 3 constructs

1 The integral representation of the triple product L -function.

- Let $G = \mathrm{GSp}_6$ be the group of similitudes of the standard 6 dimensional symplectic vector space over k , and let $P = MN$ be the Siegel parabolic.
- Let $K_G = K_{G,\infty} \cdot K_{G,f}$ be the standard maximal compact subgroup of $G(\mathbb{A})$.
- λ_s denotes a character of $P(\mathbb{A})$ parameterized by $s \in \mathbb{C}$.
- Let $I(s) = I_P^G(\lambda_s)$ be the normalized induced representation of $G(\mathbb{A})$.
- The Eisenstein series associated to a section $\Phi_s \in I(s)$ is defined for $\mathrm{Re}(s) > 1$ by

$$E(g, s, \Phi_s) = \sum_{\gamma \in P(k) \backslash G(k)} \Phi_s(\gamma g),$$

and the normalized Eisenstein series is

$$E^*(g, s, \Phi_s) = b_G(s) \cdot E(g, s, \Phi_s),$$

where $b_G(s)$ is a function of s . These functions have meromorphic analytic continuations to the whole s -plane and have no poles on the unitary axis $\mathrm{Re}(s) = 0$.

- The map

$$E^*(0) : I(0) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(G), \quad \Phi_0 \mapsto (g \mapsto E^*(g, 0, \Phi_s))$$

gives a $(g_\infty, K_{G,\infty}) \times G(\mathbb{A}_f)$ -intertwining map from the induced representation $I(0)$ at $s = 0$ to the space of automorphic forms on G with trivial central character.

- Let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G} &= (\mathrm{GL}_2 \times \mathrm{GL}_2 \times \mathrm{GL}_2)_0 \\ &= \{(g_1, g_2, g_3) \in (\mathrm{GL}_2)^3 \mid \det(g_1) = \det(g_2) = \det(g_3)\}. \end{aligned}$$

This group embeds diagonally in $G = \mathrm{GSp}_6$.

- For automorphic forms $f_i \in \pi_i, i = 1, 2, 3$, let $F = f_1 \otimes f_2 \otimes f_3$ be the corresponding function on $G(\mathbb{A})$. The global zeta integral is given by

$$Z(s, F, \Phi_s) = \int_{Z_G(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} E^*(g, s, \Phi_s) F(g) dg.$$

- Suppose that the automorphic forms $f_i \in \pi_i$ have factorizable Whittaker functions $W_i^\psi = \otimes_v W_{i,v}^\psi$ and that the section Φ_s is factorizable. Let S be a finite set of places of k , including all archimedean places, such that, for $v \notin S$, the local data satisfies properties (i), (ii), and (iii) in the main text. Then

$$Z(s, F, \Phi_s) = L^S\left(s + \frac{1}{2}, \pi_1 \otimes \pi_2 \otimes \pi_3\right) \cdot \prod_{v \in S} Z_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}),$$

for local zeta integrals $Z_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Psi_{s,v})$, where $W_v^\psi = W_{1,v}^\psi W_{2,v}^\psi W_{3,v}^\psi$. $L^S(s, \pi_1 \otimes \pi_2 \otimes \pi_3)$ is the triple product L -functions with the factors for $v \in S$ omitted.

- The local zeta integrals are defined by

$$Z_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}) = \int_{Z_G(k_v)M(k_v) \backslash G(k_v)} \Phi_{s,v}(\delta g) W_v^\psi(g) dg$$

where $\delta \in G(k)$ is a representative for the open orbit of G in $P \backslash G$.

2 Local zeta integrals.

- The key result is the existence of a local Euler factor. Let $\pi_{i,v}, i = 1, 2, 3$, be a triple of admissible irreducible representations of $\mathrm{GL}(2, k_v)$ that arise as local components at v of cuspidal automorphic representations π_i . The quotient

$$\tilde{Z}_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Psi_{s,v}) = Z_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}) \cdot L\left(s + \frac{1}{2}, \pi_{1,v} \otimes \pi_{2,v} \otimes \pi_{3,v}\right)^{-1}$$

is entire as a function of s .

- Consequently, we have the identity

$$L\left(\frac{1}{2}, \pi_1 \otimes \pi_2 \otimes \pi_3\right) \cdot \prod_{v \in S} Z_v^*(0, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}) = \int_{Z_G(\mathbb{A})G(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} E^*(g, 0, \Psi_s) F(g) \, dg, \quad (1)$$

where

$$Z_v^*(s, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}) = \begin{cases} \tilde{Z}_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}) & \text{if } v \in S_f, \\ Z_v(s, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}) & \text{if } v \in S_\infty. \end{cases}$$

We make the abbreviation

$$Z^*(F, \Phi) = \prod_{v \in S} Z_v^*(0, W_v^\psi, \Phi_{s,v}).$$

3 The Weil representation for similitudes.

- Let B be a quaternion algebra over k , and let $V = B$ be a 4 dimensional quadratic space over k where the quadratic form is given by $Q(x) = \alpha v(x)$, where v is the reduced norm on B and $\alpha \in k^\times$
- Let $H = \text{GO}(V)$ and $H_1 = \text{O}(V)$. Let $G = \text{GSp}_6$ and let $G_1 = \text{Sp}_6$.
- Let

$$R = \{(h, g) \in H \times G \mid v(h) = v(g)\}.$$

There exists an extension of the standard Weil representation $\omega = \omega_\psi$ of $H_1(\mathbb{A}) \times G_1(\mathbb{A})$ on the Schwartz space $S(V(\mathbb{A})^3)$ to $R(\mathbb{A})$.

- Let

$$\begin{aligned} G(\mathbb{A})^+ &:= \{g \in G(\mathbb{A}) \mid v(g) \in v(H(\mathbb{A}))\} \\ &= \{g \in G(\mathbb{A}) \mid v(g)_v > 0, \forall v \in \Sigma_\infty(V)\}. \end{aligned}$$

- For $g \in G(\mathbb{A})^+$, and $\varphi \in S(V(\mathbb{A})^3)$, and for V anisotropic over k , the theta integral is defined by

$$I(g, \varphi) = \int_{H_1(k) \backslash H_1(\mathbb{A})} \theta(h_1 h, g; \varphi) \, dh_1,$$

where $h \in H(\mathbb{A})$ with $v(h) = v(g)$. An alternate definition has to be made if V is not anisotropic over k . $I(g, \varphi)$ has a unique extension to a left $G(k)$ -invariant function on $G(\mathbb{A})$.

4 The Siegel-Weil formula for $(\mathbf{GO}(V), \mathbf{GSp}_6)$.

5 Proof of Jacquet's conjecture.

- Applying the Siegel-Weil formula for similitudes to the basic identity (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & L\left(\frac{1}{2}, \pi_1 \otimes \pi_2 \otimes \pi_3\right) \cdot Z^*(F, \Phi) \\ &= \int_{Z_G(\mathbb{A})G(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} E^*(g, 0, \Psi_s) F(g) \, dg \\ &= 2\zeta_k(2)^2 \sum_V \int_{Z_G(\mathbb{A})G(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} I(g, \varphi^V) F(g) \, dg. \end{aligned}$$

- Next, we want to apply the seesaw identity. We set

$$H = \mathbf{GO}(V)$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \{(h_1, h_2, h_3) \in H^3 \mid v(h_1) = v(h_2) = v(h_3)\}$$

For F a cuspidal automorphic form on $\mathbf{G}(\mathbb{A})$ and for $h \in \mathbf{H}(\mathbb{A})$, let

$$I(h, \varphi; F) = \int_{\mathbf{G}_1(k) \backslash \mathbf{G}_1(\mathbb{A})} \theta(h, \mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{g}; \varphi) F(\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{g}) \, d\mathbf{g}_1.$$

The seesaw identity is

$$\int_{Z_G(\mathbb{A})\mathbf{G}(k) \backslash \mathbf{G}(\mathbb{A})} I(g, \varphi) F(g) \, dg = \int_{Z_H(\mathbb{A})H(k) \backslash H(\mathbb{A})} I(h, \varphi; F) \, dh.$$

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