

# Lecture N°3. The abstract Kummer congruences and the $p$ -adic Mellin

## transform

A useful criterion for the existence of a measure with given properties is:

### Proposition (The abstract Kummer congruences)

(see [Kat]). Let  $\{f_i\}$  be a system of continuous functions  $f_i \in \mathcal{C}(Y, \mathcal{O}_p)$  in the ring  $\mathcal{C}(Y, \mathcal{O}_p)$  of all continuous functions on the compact totally disconnected group  $Y$  with values in the ring of integers  $\mathcal{O}_p$  of  $\mathbb{C}_p$  such that  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -linear span of  $\{f_i\}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{C}(Y, \mathbb{C}_p)$ . Let also  $\{a_i\}$  be any system of elements  $a_i \in \mathcal{O}_p$ . Then the existence of an  $\mathcal{O}_p$ -valued measure  $\mu$  on  $Y$  with the property

$$\int_Y f_i d\mu = a_i$$

is equivalent to the following congruences, for an arbitrary choice of elements  $b_i \in \mathbb{C}_p$  almost all of which vanish

$$\sum_i b_i f_i(y) \in p^n \mathcal{O}_p \text{ for all } y \in Y \text{ implies } \sum_i b_i a_i \in p^n \mathcal{O}_p. \quad (4.11)$$

### Remark

Since  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -measures are characterised as bounded  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -valued distributions, every  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -measures on  $Y$  becomes a  $\mathcal{O}_p$ -valued measure after multiplication by some non-zero constant.

*Proof of proposition 4.1.* The necessity is obvious since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i b_i a_i &= \int_Y (p^n \mathcal{O}_p - \text{valued function}) d\mu = \\ &= p^n \int_Y (\mathcal{O}_p - \text{valued function}) d\mu \in p^n \mathcal{O}_p. \end{aligned}$$

In order to prove the sufficiency we need to construct a measure  $\mu$  from the numbers  $a_i$ . For a function  $f \in \mathcal{C}(Y, \mathcal{O}_p)$  and a positive integer  $n$  there exist elements  $b_i \in \mathbb{C}_p$  such that only a finite number of  $b_i$  does not vanish, and

$$f - \sum_i b_i f_i \in p^n \mathcal{C}(Y, \mathcal{O}_p),$$

according to the density of the  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -span of  $\{f_i\}$  in  $\mathcal{C}(Y, \mathbb{C}_p)$ . By the assumption (4.11) the value  $\sum_i a_i b_i$  belongs to  $\mathcal{O}_p$  and is well defined modulo  $p^n$  (i.e. does not depend on the choice of  $b_i$ ). Following N.M. Katz ([Kat]), we denote this value by " $\int_Y f d\mu \bmod p^n$ ". Then we have that the limit procedure

$$\int_Y f d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_Y f d\mu \bmod p^n \in \varprojlim_n \mathcal{O}_p / p^n \mathcal{O}_p = \mathcal{O}_p,$$

gives the measure  $\mu$ .

## Mazur's measure

Let  $c > 1$  be a positive integer coprime to

$$M_0 = \prod_{q \in S} q$$

with  $S$  being a fixed set of prime numbers. Using the criterion of the proposition 4.1 we show that the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -valued distribution defined by the formula

$$E_k^c(f) = E_k(f) - c^k E_k(f_c), \quad f_c(x) = f(cx), \quad (4.12)$$

turns out to be a measure where  $E_k(f)$  are defined by (4.8),  $f \in \text{Step}(Y, \mathbb{Q}_p)$  and the field  $\mathbb{Q}$  is viewed as a subfield of  $\mathbb{C}_p$ .

Define the generalized Bernoulli polynomials  $B_{k,f}^{(M)}(X)$  as

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} B_{k,f}^{(M)}(X) \frac{t^k}{k!} = \sum_{a=0}^{M-1} f(a) \frac{te^{(a+X)t}}{e^{Mt} - 1}, \quad (4.13)$$

and the generalized sums of powers

$$S_{k,f}(M) = \sum_{a=0}^{M-1} f(a) a^k.$$

Then the definition (4.13) formally implies that

$$\frac{1}{k}[B_{k,f}^{(M)}(M) - B_{k,f}^{(M)}(0)] = S_{k-1,f}(M), \quad (4.14)$$

and also we see that

$$B_{k,f}^{(M)}(X) = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} B_{i,f} X^{k-i} = B_{k,f} + kB_{k-1,f}X + \cdots + B_{0,f}X^k. \quad (4.15)$$

The last identity can be rewritten symbolically as

$$B_{k,f}(X) = (B_f + X)^k.$$

The equality (4.14) enables us to calculate the (generalized) sums of powers in terms of the (generalized) Bernoulli numbers. In particular this equality implies that the Bernoulli numbers  $B_{k,f}$  can be obtained by the following  $p$ -adic limit procedure (see [La76]):

$$B_{k,f} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{Mp^n} S_{k,f}(Mp^n) \quad (\text{a } p\text{-adic limit}), \quad (4.16)$$

where  $f$  is a  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -valued function on  $Y = \mathbb{Z}_S$ . Indeed, if we replace  $M$  in (4.14) by  $Mp^n$  with growing  $n$  and let  $D$  be the common denominator of all coefficients of the polynomial  $B_{k,f}^{(M)}(X)$ . Then we have from (4.15) that

$$\frac{1}{k} [B_{k,f}^{(Mp^n)}(M) - B_{k,f}^{(M)}(0)] \equiv B_{k-1,f}(Mp^n) \pmod{\frac{1}{kD}p^2n}. \quad (4.17)$$

The proof of (4.16) is accomplished by division of (4.17) by  $Mp^n$  and by application of the formula (4.14).

Now we can directly show that the distribution  $E_k^c$  defined by (4.12) are in fact bounded measures. If we use (4.11) and take the functions  $\{f_i\}$  to be all of the functions in  $\text{Step}(Y, \mathcal{O}_p)$ . Let  $\{b_i\}$  be a system of elements  $b_i \in \mathbb{C}_p$  such that for all  $y \in Y$  the congruence

$$\sum_i b_i f_i(y) \equiv 0 \pmod{p^n} \quad (4.18)$$

holds. Set  $f = \sum_i b_i f_i$  and assume (without loss of generality) that the number  $n$  is large enough so that for all  $i$  with  $b_i \neq 0$  the congruence

$$B_{k, f_i} \equiv \frac{1}{Mp^n} S_{k, f_i}(Mp^n) \pmod{p^n} \quad (4.19)$$

is valid in accordance with (4.16). Then we see that

$$B_{k, f} \equiv (Mp^n)^{-1} \sum_i \sum_{a=0}^{Mp^n-1} b_i f_i(a) a^k \pmod{p^n}, \quad (4.20)$$

hence we get by definition (4.12):

$$\begin{aligned} E_k^c(f) &= B_{k, f} - c^k B_{k, f_c} \\ &\equiv (Mp^n)^{-1} \sum_i \sum_{a=0}^{Mp^n-1} b_i \left[ f_i(a) a^k - f_i(ac) (ac)^k \right] \pmod{p^n}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.21)$$

Let  $a_c \in \{0, 1, \dots, Mp^n - 1\}$ , such that  $a_c \equiv ac \pmod{Mp^n}$ , then the map  $a \mapsto a_c$  is well defined and acts as a permutation of the set  $\{0, 1, \dots, Mp^n - 1\}$ , hence (4.21) is equivalent to the congruence

$$E_k^c(f) = B_{k,f} - c^k B_{k,f_c} \equiv \sum_i \frac{a_c^k - (ac)^k}{Mp^n} \sum_{a=0}^{Mp^n-1} b_i f_i(a) a^k \pmod{p^n}. \quad (4.22)$$

Now the assumption (4.17) formally implies that  $E_k^c(f) \equiv 0 \pmod{p^n}$ , completing the proof of the abstract congruences and the construction of measures  $E_k^c$ .

### Remark

The formula (4.21) also implies that for all  $f \in \mathcal{C}(Y, \mathbb{C}_p)$  the following holds

$$E_k^c(f) = k E_1^c(x_p^{k-1} f) \quad (4.23)$$

where  $x_p : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p \in \mathcal{C}(Y, \mathbb{C}_p)$  is the composition of the projection  $Y \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$  and the embedding  $\mathbb{Z}_p \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}_p$ .

Indeed if we put  $a_c = ac + Mp^n t$  for some  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we see that

$$a_c^k - (ac)^k = (ac + Mp^n t)^k - (ac)^k \equiv k Mp^n t (ac)^{k-1} \pmod{(Mp^n)^2},$$

and we get that in (4.22):

$$\frac{a_c^k - (ac)^k}{Mp^n} \equiv k (ac)^{k-1} \frac{a_c - ac}{Mp^n} \pmod{Mp^n}.$$

The last congruence is equivalent to saying that the abstract Kummer congruences (4.11) are satisfied by all functions of the type  $x_p^{k-1} f_i$  for the measure  $E_1^c$  with  $f_i \in \text{Step}(Y, \mathbb{C}_p)$  establishing the identity (4.23).

## The domain of definition of the non-Archimedean zeta functions

In the classical case the set on which zeta functions are defined is the set of complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$  which may be viewed equally as the set of all continuous characters (more precisely, quasicharacters) via the following isomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C} &\xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\text{cont}}(\mathbb{R}_+^\times, \mathbb{C}^\times) \\ s &\longmapsto (y \longmapsto y^s) \end{aligned} \tag{4.24}$$

The construction which associates to a function  $h(y)$  on  $\mathbb{R}_+^\times$  (with certain growth conditions as  $y \rightarrow \infty$  and  $y \rightarrow 0$ ) the following integral

$$L_h(s) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^\times} h(y) y^s \frac{dy}{y}$$

(which converges probably not for all values of  $s$ ) is called the *Mellin transform*.

For example, if  $\zeta(s) = \sum_{n \geq 1} n^{-s}$  is the Riemann zeta function, then the function  $\zeta(s)\Gamma(s)$  is the Mellin transform of the function  $h(y) = 1/(1 - e^{-y})$ :

$$\zeta(s)\Gamma(s) = \sum_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 - e^{-y}} y^s \frac{dy}{y}, \quad (4.25)$$

so that the integral and the series are absolutely convergent for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$ . For an arbitrary function of type

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n) e^{2i\pi n z}$$

with  $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{H}$  in the upper half plane  $\mathbb{H}$  and with the growth condition  $a(n) = O(n^c)$  ( $c > 0$ ) on its Fourier coefficients, we see that the zeta function

$$L(s, f) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n) n^{-s},$$

essentially coincides with the Mellin transform of  $f(z)$ , that is

$$\frac{\Gamma(s)}{(2\pi)^s} L(s, f) = \int_0^{\infty} f(iy) y^s \frac{dy}{y}. \quad (4.26)$$



Both sides of the equality (4.26) converge absolutely for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1 + c$ . The identities (4.25) and (4.26) are immediately deduced from the well known integral representation for the gamma-function

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-y} y^s \frac{dy}{y}, \quad (4.27)$$

where  $\frac{dy}{y}$  is a measure on the group  $\mathbb{R}_+^\times$  which is invariant under the group translations (Haar measure). The integral (4.27) is absolutely convergent for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$  and it can be interpreted as the integral of the product of an additive character  $y \mapsto e^{-y}$  of the group  $\mathbb{R}^{(+)}$  restricted to  $\mathbb{R}_+^\times$ , and of the multiplicative character  $y \mapsto y^s$ , integration is taken with respect to the Haar measure  $dy/y$  on the group  $\mathbb{R}_+^\times$ .

In the theory of the non-Archimedean integration one considers the group  $\mathbb{Z}_S^\times$  (the group of units of the  $S$ -adic completion of the ring of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) instead of the group  $\mathbb{R}_+^\times$ , and the Tate field  $\mathbb{C}_p = \widehat{\mathbb{Q}_p}$  (the completion of an algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ ) instead of the complex field  $\mathbb{C}$ . The domain of definition of the  $p$ -adic zeta functions is the  $p$ -adic analytic group

$$X_S = \text{Hom}_{\text{cont}}(\mathbb{Z}_S^\times, \mathbb{C}_p^\times) = X(\mathbb{Z}_S^\times), \quad (4.28)$$

where:

$$\mathbb{Z}_S^\times \cong \bigoplus_{q \in S} \mathbb{Z}_q^\times,$$

and the symbol

$$X(G) = \text{Hom}_{\text{cont}}(G, \mathbb{C}_p^\times) \quad (4.29)$$

denotes the functor of all  $p$ -adic characters of a topological group  $G$  (see [Vi76]).

# The analytic structure of $X_S$

Let us consider in detail the structure of the topological group  $X_S$ . Define

$$U_p = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \mid x \equiv 1 \pmod{p^\nu}\},$$

where  $\nu = 1$  or  $\nu = 2$  according as  $p > 2$  or  $p = 2$ . Then we have the natural decomposition

$$X_S = X \left( (\mathbb{Z}/p^\nu\mathbb{Z})^\times \times \prod_{q \neq p} \mathbb{Z}_q^\times \right) \times X(U_p). \quad (4.30)$$

The analytic dstructure on  $X(U_p)$  is defined by the following isomorphism (which is equivalent to a special choice of a local parameter):

$$\varphi : X(U_p) \xrightarrow{\sim} T = \{z \in \mathbb{C}_p^\times \mid |z - 1|_p < 1\},$$

where  $\varphi(x) = x(1 + p^\nu)$ ,  $1 + p^\nu$  being a topological generator of the multiplicative group  $U_p \cong \mathbb{Z}_p$ . An arbitrary character  $\chi \in X_S$  can be uniquely represented in the form  $\chi = \chi_0 \chi_1$  where  $\chi_0$  is trivial on the component  $U_p$ , and  $\chi_1$  is trivial on the other component

$$(\mathbb{Z}/p^\nu\mathbb{Z})^\times \times \prod_{q \neq p} \mathbb{Z}_q^\times.$$

The character  $\chi_0$  is called the *tame component*, and  $\chi_1$  the *wild component* of the character  $\chi$ . We denote by the symbol  $\chi_{(t)}$  the (wild) character which is uniquely determined by the condition

$$\chi_{(t)}(1 + p^\nu) = t$$

with  $t \in \mathbb{C}_p$ ,  $|t|_p < 1$ .

In some cases it is convenient to use another local coordinate  $s$  which is analogous to the classical argument  $s$  of the Dirichlet series:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_p &\longrightarrow X_S \\ s &\longmapsto \chi^{(s)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\chi^{(s)}$  is given by  $\chi^{(s)}((1 + p^\nu)^\alpha) = (1 + p^\nu)^{\alpha s} = \exp(\alpha s \log(1 + p^\nu))$ . The character  $\chi^{(s)}$  is defined only for such  $s$  for which the series  $\exp$  is  $p$ -adically convergent (i.e. for  $|s|_p < p^{\nu-1}/(p-1)$ ). In this domain of values of the argument we have that  $t = (1 + p^\nu)^s - 1$ . But, for example, for  $(1 + t)^{p^n} = 1$  there is certainly no such value of  $s$  (because  $t \neq 1$ ), so that the  $s$ -coordinate parametrizes a smaller neighborhood of the trivial character than the  $t$ -coordinate (which parametrizes all wild characters) (see [Ma73], [Man76]).

## $p$ -adic analytic functions on $X_S$

Recall that an analytic function  $F : T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p$

( $T = \{z \in \mathbb{C}_p^\times \mid |z - 1|_p < 1\}$ ), is defined as the sum of a series of the type  $\sum_{i \geq 0} a_i (t - 1)^i$  ( $a_i \in \mathbb{C}_p$ ), which is assumed to be absolutely convergent for all  $t \in T$ . The notion of an analytic function is then obviously extended to the whole group  $X_S$  by shifts. The function

$$F(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i (t - 1)^i$$

is bounded on  $T$  iff all its coefficients  $a_i$  are universally bounded. This last fact can be easily deduced for example from the basic properties of the Newton polygon of the series  $F(t)$  (see [Kob80], [Vi76]). If we apply to these series the Weierstrass preparation theorem (see [Kob80], [Man71]), we see that in this case the function  $F$  has only a finite number of zeroes on  $T$  (if it is not identically zero).

In particular, consider the torsion subgroup  $X_S^{\text{tors}} \subset X_S$ . This subgroup is discrete in  $X_S$  and its elements  $\chi \in X_S^{\text{tors}}$  can be obviously identified with primitive Dirichlet characters  $\chi \pmod{M}$  such that the support  $S(\chi) = S(M)$  of the conductor of  $\chi$  is contained in  $S$ . This identification is provided by a fixed embedding denoted

$$i_p : \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}_p^\times$$

if we note that each character  $\chi \in X_S^{\text{tors}}$  can be factored through some finite factor group  $(\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z})^\times$ :

$$\chi : \mathbb{Z}_S^\times \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/M\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times \xrightarrow{i_p} \mathbb{C}_p^\times,$$

and the smallest number  $M$  with the above condition is the conductor of  $\chi \in X_S^{\text{tors}}$ .

The symbol  $x_p$  will denote the composition of the natural projection  $\mathbb{Z}_S^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$  and of the natural embedding  $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p^\times$ , so that  $x_p \in X_S$  and all integers  $k$  can be considered as the characters  $x_p^k : y \mapsto y^k$ .

Let us consider a bounded  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -analytic function  $F$  on  $X_S$ . The above statement about zeroes of bounded  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -analytic functions implies now that the function  $F$  is uniquely determined by its values  $F(\chi_0\chi)$ , where  $\chi_0$  is a fixed character and  $\chi$  runs through all elements  $\chi \in X_S^{\text{tors}}$  with possible exclusion of a finite number of characters in each analyticity component of the decomposition (4.30). This condition is satisfied, for example, by the set of characters  $\chi \in X_S^{\text{tors}}$  with the  $S$ -complete conductor (i.e. such that  $S(\chi) = S$ ), and even for a smaller set of characters, for example for the set obtained by imposing the additional assumption that the character  $\chi^2$  is not trivial (see [Ma73], [Man76], [Vi76]).

## $p$ -adic Mellin transform

Let  $\mu$  be a (bounded)  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -valued measure on  $\mathbb{Z}_S^\times$ . Then the *non-Archimedean Mellin transform* of the measure  $\mu$  is defined by

$$L_\mu(x) = \mu(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_S^\times} x d\mu, \quad (x \in X_S), \quad (4.31)$$

which represents a bounded  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -analytic function

$$L_\mu : X_S \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}_p. \quad (4.32)$$

Indeed, the boundedness of the function  $L_\mu$  is obvious since all characters  $x \in X_S$  take values in  $\mathcal{O}_p$  and  $\mu$  also is bounded. The analyticity of this function expresses a general property of the integral (4.31), namely that it depends analytically on the parameter  $x \in X_S$ . However, we give below a pure algebraic proof of this fact which is based on a description of the Iwasawa algebra. This description will also imply that every bounded  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -analytic function on  $X_S$  is the Mellin transform of a certain measure  $\mu$ .



## The Iwasawa algebra

Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be a closed subring in  $\mathcal{O}_p = \{z \in \mathbb{C}_p \mid |z|_p \leq 1\}$ ,

$$G = \varprojlim_i G_i, \quad (i \in I),$$

a profinite group. Then the canonical homomorphism  $G_i \xleftarrow{\pi_{ij}} G_j$  induces a homomorphism of the corresponding group rings

$$\mathcal{O}[G_i] \longleftarrow \mathcal{O}[G_j].$$

Then the *completed group ring*  $\mathcal{O}[[G]]$  is defined as the projective limit

$$\mathcal{O}[[G]] = \varprojlim_i \mathcal{O}[[G_i]], \quad (i \in I).$$

Let us consider also the set  $\text{Dist}(G, \mathcal{O})$  of all  $\mathcal{O}$ -valued distributions on  $G$  which itself is an  $\mathcal{O}$ -module and a ring with respect to multiplication given by the *convolution of distributions*, which is defined in terms of families of functions

$$\mu_1^{(i)}, \mu_2^{(i)} : G_i \longrightarrow \mathcal{O},$$

(see the previous section) as follows:

We noticed above that the theorem 4 would imply a description of  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -analytic bounded functions on  $X_S$  in terms of measures. Indeed, these functions are defined on analyticity components of the decomposition (4.30) as certain power series with  $p$ -adically bounded coefficients, that is, power series, whose coefficients belong to  $O_p$  after multiplication by some constant from  $\mathbb{C}_p^\times$ . Formulas for coefficients of these series can be also deduced from the proof of the theorem. However, we give a more direct computation of these coefficients in terms of the corresponding measures. Let us consider the component  $aU_p$  of the set  $\mathbb{Z}_S^\times$  where

$$a \in (\mathbb{Z}/p^\nu\mathbb{Z})^\times \times \prod_{q \neq p} \mathbb{Z}_q^\times,$$

and let  $\mu_a(x) = \mu(ax)$  be the corresponding measure on  $U_p$  defined by restriction of  $\mu$  to the subset  $aU_p \subset \mathbb{Z}_S^\times$ .

Consider the isomorphism  $U_p \cong \mathbb{Z}_p$  given by:

$$y = \gamma^x \quad (x \in \mathbb{Z}_p, y \in U_p),$$

with some choice of the generator  $\gamma$  of  $U_p$  (for example, we can take  $\gamma = 1 + p^\nu$ ). Let  $\mu'_a$  be the corresponding measure on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Then this measure is uniquely determined by values of the integrals

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{i} d\mu'_a(x) = a_i, \quad (4.36)$$

with the interpolation polynomials  $\binom{x}{i}$ , since the  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -span of the family

$$\left\{ \binom{x}{i} \right\} \quad (i \in \mathbb{Z}, i \geq 0)$$

is dense in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{O}_p)$  according to Mahler's interpolation theorem for continuous functions on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Indeed, from the basic properties of the interpolation polynomials it follows that

$$\sum_i b_i \binom{x}{i} \equiv 0 \pmod{p^n} \quad (\text{for all } x \in \mathbb{Z}_p) \implies b_i \equiv 0 \pmod{p^n}.$$

We can now apply the abstract Kummer congruences (see proposition 4.1), which imply that for arbitrary choice of numbers  $a_i \in \mathbb{O}_p$  there exists a measure with the property (4.36).

## Coefficients of power series and the Iwasawa isomorphism

We state that the Mellin transform  $L_{\mu_a}$  of the measure  $\mu_a$  is given by the power series  $F_a(t)$  with coefficients as in (4.36), that is

$$\int_{U_p} \chi(t)(y) d\mu(ay) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{i} d\mu'_a(x) \right) (t-1)^i \quad (4.37)$$

for all wild characters of the form  $\chi(t)$ ,  $\chi(t)(\gamma) = t$ ,  $|t-1|_p < 1$ . It suffices to show that (4.37) is valid for all characters of the type  $y \mapsto y^m$ , where  $m$  is a positive integer. In order to do this we use the binomial expansion

$$\gamma^{mx} = (1 + (\gamma^m - 1))^x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{x}{i} (\gamma^m - 1)^i,$$

which implies that

$$\int_{U_p} y^m d\mu(ay) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \gamma^{mx} d\mu'_a(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{i} d\mu'_a(x) \right) (\gamma^m - 1)^i,$$

establishing (4.37).

## Example: Mazur's measure and the non-Archimedean Kubota-Leopoldt zeta function

Let us first consider a positive integer  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_S^\times \cap \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c > 1$  coprime to all primes in  $S$ . Then for each complex number  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  there exists a complex distribution  $\mu_s^c$  on  $G_S = \mathbb{Z}_S^\times$  which is uniquely determined by the following condition

$$\mu_s^c(\chi) = (1 - \chi^{-1}(c)c^{-1-s})L_{M_0}(-s, \chi), \quad (4.38)$$

where  $M_0 = \prod_{q \in S} q$ . Moreover, the right hand side of (4.38) is holomorphic for all  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  including  $s = -1$ . If  $s$  is an integer and  $s \geq 0$  then according to criterion of proposition 4.1 the right hand side of (4.38) belongs to the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(\chi) \subset \mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}} \subset \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$$

generated by values of the character  $\chi$ .

Thus we get a distribution with values in  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$ . If we now apply to (4.38) the fixed embedding  $i_p : \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}_p$  we get a  $\mathbb{C}_p$ -valued distribution  $\mu^{(c)} = i_p(\mu_0^c)$  which turns out to be an  $\mathcal{O}_p$ -measure in view of proposition 4.1, and the following equality holds

$$\mu^{(c)}(\chi x_p^r) = i_p(\mu_r^c(\chi)).$$

This identity relates the special values of the Dirichlet  $L$ -functions at different non-positive points. The function

$$L(x) = (1 - c^{-1}x(c))^{-1} L_{\mu^{(c)}}(x) \quad (x \in X_S) \quad (4.39)$$

is well defined and it is holomorphic on  $X_S$  with the exception of a simple pole at the point  $x = x_p \in X_S$ . This function is called the *non-Archimedean zeta-function of Kubota-Leopoldt*. The corresponding measure  $\mu^{(c)}$  will be called the  *$S$ -adic Mazur measure*.