# The conjectures of Gan, Gross, and Prasad 

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For the precise conjectures, see volume 346 of Astérisque.


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The local conjecture addresses the question: what is the corresponding branching formula?

## To answer that question, we need to leave the harmonic analysis in Pierre Laplace's Méchanique Céleste,



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## Fourier Analysis in Number Fields and Hecke's Zeta-Functions $\dagger$

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## Abstract

We lay the foundations for abstract analysis in the groups of valuation vectors and idèles associated with a number field. This allows us to replace the classical notion of $\zeta$-function, as the sum over integral ideals of a certain type of ideal character, by the corresponding notion for ideles, namely, the integral over the idele group of a rather general weight function times an idele character which is trivial an field elements. The role of Hecke's complicated theta-formulas for theta functions formed over a lattice in the $n$-dimensional space of classical number theory can be played by a simple Poisson formula

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$$
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$$

whose character is given by

$$
\begin{aligned}
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## Heegner points and derivatives of $L$-series

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## SUR LES VALEURS DE CERTAINES FONCTIONS $L$ AUTOMORPHES EN LEUR CENTRE DE SYMETRIE

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'opérateur de Hecke $T_{p}$ associee a $f$. Notons $\mathbf{Q}_{( }(f)$ le sous-corps de $\mathbf{C}$ engendré par les $a_{p}$. Cest une extension finie de $\mathbf{Q}$. Soient $\chi$ un caractère de Dirichlet quadratique, de conducteur premier a $N$, et tel que $\chi(-1)=1$ et $f^{\prime}$ la newform telle que. pour presque tout $p, f^{\prime}$ soit propre pour 'opérateur de Hecke $T_{p}$, de valeur propre $x(p) a_{p}$. Notons $L(f, s)$ $L\left(f^{\prime}, s\right)$, les fonctions $L$ habituelles associeces a $f^{\prime}$ et $f^{\prime}$, supposon $(f, k / 2) \neq 0, L\left(f^{\prime}, k / 2\right) \neq 0$. Alors, à un facteur explicite prés, apport $L\left(f^{\prime}, k / 2\right) L(f, k / 2)^{-1}$ est le carré d'un elément de $\mathbf{Q}(f)$ ( $V /$ ) Pour démontrer ce resultat, Vigneras exprimait ces valeurs de fonctions $L$ demi-entier. On dèmontre ici ce méme résultat, sous une forme plus générale, par une méthode tout-à-fait différente. Soient $F$ un corps de nombres, $M$ une algèbre de quaternions définie
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