The conjectures of Gan, Gross, and Prasad

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For the precise conjectures, see volume 346 of Astérisque.



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$$\mathscr{F}(S^2) = \bigoplus_{\ell \ge 0} W_\ell$$

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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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and turn to the harmonic analysis in John Tate's PhD thesis.



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Abstract

We lay the foundations for abstract analysis in the groups of valuation vectors and kidles associated with a number field. This allows us to replace the classical notion of *C*-functions, as the sum over integral ideals of a certain type of ideal character, by the corresponding notion for ideals, manely, the integral over the kidle group of a rather general weight function times an ideal character which is trivial on field elements. The role of Pace'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 Poission formula

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which converges in a right half plane.

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Deligne defined local epsilon factors for higher dimensional representations M_v of the Weil group, which satisfy

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The local GGP conjecture relates the **branching laws** from $SO_{2n+1}(k_v)$ to $SO_{2n}(k_v)$ to the signs of **symplectic epsilon** factors.

We will use a bridge between representation theory and number theory which was constructed by Robert Langlands.





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and the parameter of the irreducible representation U_{β} of SO(2*n*) is the orthogonal representation

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The local GGP conjecture states that there is a **unique** irreducible representation $W \otimes U$ in each **generic** *L*-packet with

 $\dim \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{SO}_{2n}}(W \otimes U, \mathbb{C}) = 1$

whose character is given by

$$\psi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{1}) = \epsilon(M^{\mathbf{a}=-1} \otimes N) \times \det N(-1)^{\dim M^{\mathbf{a}=-1/2}}$$
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We now turn to the global conjecture.

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so the local components are distinguished in their *L*-packets.

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