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# On *p*-Adic Log- $\Gamma$ -Functions Associated to the Lubin-Tate Formal Groups

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## Introduction.

For a prime number p, let  $Q_p$  be the *p*-adic number field,  $Z_p$  be the ring of *p*-adic integers in  $Q_p$ , and  $C_p$  be the completion of algebraic closure of  $Q_p$ .

Let  $F(X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[[X, Y]]$  be the Lubin-Tate formal group and  $h(X) \in \Theta((X))^{\times}$  be a meromorphic series where  $\Theta$  is the ring of *p*-adic integers in  $\mathbb{C}_p$ . In [9], Shiratani and Imada constructed a *p*-adic meromorphic function  $\zeta_p(s, F, h)$  which was a generalization of the ordinary *p*-adic zeta function  $\zeta_p(s)$ . In fact, in the case that F(X, Y) = $G_m(X, Y) = (X+1)(Y+1)-1$  and h(X) = X, we have  $\zeta_p(s, G_m, X) = \zeta_p(s)$ . In the case that  $F(X, Y) = \xi(X, Y)$  which is the formal group associated with elliptic curves with complex multiplication defined over  $\mathbb{Z}$  with ordinary reduction,  $\zeta_p(s, \xi, X)$  coincides with the *p*-adic zeta function defined by Lichtenbaum in [5].

In the present paper, we construct a function  $T_{p,c}(s, F, h)$  for  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$ , which we can regard as a generalization of the Morita *p*-adic log- $\Gamma$ -function (cf. [7]) twisted by *c*. By using  $T_{p,c}(s, F, h)$ , we describe the values of  $\zeta_p(s, F, h)$  at positive integers (see §3).

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#### 1. Notations.

According to [2], [6], [9] and [10], we prepare some notations with respect to the formal groups. Let  $k/\mathbb{Q}_p$  be a finite unramified extension and  $\Theta_k$  be the ring of *p*-adic integers in *k*. Let  $\pi$  be a prime element in  $\Theta_k$ , and  $f(x) \in \Theta_k[[X]]$  be the Frobenius power series determined by  $\pi$ , namely f(X) is a power series which satisfies

$$f(X) \equiv \pi X \pmod{\text{degree } 2}$$
 and  $f(X) \equiv X^p \pmod{\pi}$ . (1.1)

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There exists a unique formal group  $F(X, Y) \in \Theta_k[[X, Y]]$  such that f is an endomorphism of F. So F(X, Y) is called the relative Lubin-Tate formal group associated with f (see [6]). We denote by  $\lambda_F(X)$  and  $e_F(X)$  respectively the logarithmic series and the exponential series of F(X, Y) (cf. [2] Chap. 4 §1). Namely  $\lambda_F(X)$  satisfies  $\lambda_F(F(X, Y)) = \lambda_F(X) + \lambda_F(Y)$ and  $\lambda'_F(0) = 1$ , and  $e_F(X)$  is the inverse series of  $\lambda_F(X)$ . In the case that  $F(X, Y) = G_m(X, Y)$ ,

$$\lambda_{G_m}(X) = \log(1+X) \text{ and } e_{G_m}(X) = e^X - 1.$$
 (1.2)

We use the same notation as that in [9] and [10]. Let K be the maximal unramified extension of k,  $\overline{K}$  be the completion of K, and  $\varphi$  be the Frobenius automorphism of  $\overline{K}$  over k. There is an isomorphism  $\phi_F: G_m \simeq F$  over  $\Theta_{\overline{K}}^{\times}$  such that  $\kappa^{\varphi^{-1}} = p/\pi$  where  $\kappa = \phi'_F(0)^{-1} \in \Theta_{\overline{K}}$ . Note that p is a prime element in k, since  $k/\mathbb{Q}_p$  is a finite unramified extension. Then we have the following (see [10] Introduction):

$$\phi_F(e^z - 1) = e_F(\kappa^{-1}z) . \tag{1.3}$$

# 2. The Shiratani-Imada *p*-adic zeta-function $\zeta_p(s, F, h)$ .

Now we reconstruct the Shiratani-Imada function  $\zeta_p(s, F, h)$  by using the theory of *p*-adic  $\Gamma$ -transform.

Shiratani and Imada defined the numbers  $\{B_n(F, h)\}$  by

$$G(z, F, h) = \frac{zh'(e_F(z))}{\lambda'_F(e_F(z))h(e_F(z))} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(F, h) \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

for  $h(X) \in O((X))^{\times}$ . By (1.2), we have  $B_n(G_m, X) = B_n$ , where  $\{B_n\}$  is the ordinary Bernoulli numbers. We let

$$g(T, F, h) = \frac{h'(\phi_F(T))}{\lambda'_F(\phi_F(T))h(\phi_F(T))}$$

Since  $\lambda'_F(X) \in \Theta[[X]]$  (see [9] §2) and  $h(X) \in \Theta((X))^{\times}$ , we have

$$g(T, F, h) \in \frac{1}{T} \Theta[[T]]$$
.

By (1.3), we have

$$\kappa^{-1}zg(e^z-1, F, h) = G(\kappa^{-1}z, F, h)$$
 (2.1)

Select  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$  with  $c \neq 1$ , and let

$$g_c(T, F, h) = cg((1+T)^c - 1, F, h) - g(T, F, h).$$
(2.2)

We can prove that  $g_c(T, F, h) \in \Theta[[T]]$ . By (2.1) and (2.2), we have the following.

LEMMA 2.1. For  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$  with  $c \neq 1$ ,

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$$\kappa^{-1}zg_c(e^z-1, F, h) = G(c\kappa^{-1}z, F, h) - G(\kappa^{-1}z, F, h)$$

Now we recall Coleman's norm operator  $N_F$  associated with F. Namely, for any  $h(X) \in \Theta((X))$ , we can uniquely determine  $N_F h(X) \in \Theta((X))$  which satisfies

$$N_F h([\pi]_F(X)) = \prod_{a \in A_0} h(F(X, a)),$$

where  $A_0 = \{ \phi_F(\xi - 1); \xi^p = 1 \}$  and  $[\pi]_F(X) = f(X)$  (see [1] Theorem 11).

LEMMA 2.2 (Shiratani-Imada).

$$\pi g((1+T)^{\pi}-1, F, N_F h) = \sum_{\xi^{p}=1} g(\xi(1+T)-1, F, h).$$

PROOF. See [9] Lemma 7.

LEMMA 2.3.

$$\kappa^{-1} z Ug_{c}(e^{z} - 1, F, h) = G(c\kappa^{-1}z, F, h) - G(\kappa^{-1}z, F, h)$$
$$-\frac{1}{p} \{G(c\kappa^{-1}\pi z, F, N_{F}h) - G(\kappa^{-1}\pi z, F, N_{F}h)\}$$

PROOF. By (2.2) and Lemma 2.2, we have

$$Ug_{c}(T, F, h) = g_{c}(T, F, h) - \frac{\pi}{p} g_{c}((1+T)^{\pi} - 1, F, N_{F}h)$$
.

By Lemma 2.1, we have the assertion.

Let  $\mu_{c,F,h}$  be a  $\Theta$ -valued measure which corresponds to  $g_c(T, F, h)$ . By [12], we have the following.

LEMMA 2.4. 
$$Ug_c(T, F, h) = \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} (1+T)^x d\mu_{c,F,h}(x).$$

PROOF. See [12] Proposition 12.8.

**PROPOSITION 2.5.** For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $n \ge 1$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{\times}} x^{n-1} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) = \frac{(c^{n}-1)\kappa^{1-n}}{n} \left\{ B_{n}(F,h) - \frac{\pi^{n}}{p} B_{n}(F,N_{F}h) \right\}.$$

PROOF. By Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\kappa^{-1}z \int_{\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{\times}} e^{xz} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) = \kappa^{-1}z Ug_{c}(e^{z}-1, F, h)$$
$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (c^{m}-1)\kappa^{-m} \left\{ B_{m}(F, h) - \frac{\pi^{m}}{p} B_{m}(F, N_{F}h) \right\} \frac{z^{m}}{m!}$$

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Hence we have the assertion.

**REMARK.** By (2.2), we have

$$g_c(T, G_m, X) = \frac{c(1+T)^c}{(1+T)^c - 1} - \frac{1+T}{(1+T) - 1} = \sum_{\substack{\xi^c = 1 \\ \xi \neq 1}} \frac{1+T}{(1+T) - \xi}.$$
 (2.3)

Hence we can see that  $\mu_{c,G_m,X}$  is essentially equal to the measure defined by Koblitz in [3]. So  $\mu_{c,F,h}$  can be regarded as a generalization of the Koblitz measure.

For  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$ , we use the notation  $x = \omega(x) \langle x \rangle$  corresponding to the usual decomposition  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\times} = V \times (1 + p\mathbb{Z}_p)$ , where V is the group of roots of unity in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$ . Since  $\kappa \in \Theta_K^{\times}$ , we can select  $\kappa_0 \in \Theta_K^{\times}$  such that  $\kappa \equiv \kappa_0 \pmod{p}$ . Moreover we can select  $\kappa_0$  on condition that  $[\mathbb{Q}_p(\kappa_0) : \mathbb{Q}_p]$  is the lowest. Let  $E = \mathbb{Q}_p(\kappa_0)$  and  $\Theta_E$  be the ring of p-adic integers in E. For  $x \in \Theta_E^{\times}$ , we also use the same notation  $x = \omega(x) \langle x \rangle$  corresponding to the usual decomposition  $\Theta_E^{\times} = V_E \times (1 + p\Theta_E)$ . Since  $\kappa \equiv \kappa_0 \pmod{p}$ , we define  $\omega(\kappa) = \omega(\kappa_0)$  and  $\langle \kappa \rangle = \kappa / \omega(\kappa)$ . We denote by  $r(\kappa)$  the number of elements of  $V_E$ . Note that if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{r(\kappa)}$ , then  $\kappa^n = \langle \kappa \rangle^n$ . We define the following function.

$$\zeta_{p}(s, F, h) = \frac{\langle \kappa \rangle^{1-s}}{\kappa(1-\langle c \rangle^{1-s})} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}^{\times}} \langle x \rangle^{-s} \omega^{-1}(x) d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) .$$
(2.4)

By Proposition 2.5, we can immediately prove the following.

**PROPOSITION 2.6.** For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $n \ge 1$  and  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{r(\kappa)}$ ,

$$\zeta_p(1-n, F, h) = -\frac{1}{n} \left\{ B_n(F, h) - \frac{\pi^n}{p} B_n(F, N_F h) \right\}.$$

**REMARK** 1. We can see that  $\zeta_p(s, F, h)$  coincides with the Shiratani-Imada *p*-adic  $\zeta$ -function defined in [9]. In fact, the result in Proposition 2.6 is the same as the one in Theorem 9 in [9].

**REMARK** 2. As a generalization of the *p*-adic *L*-function  $L_p(s, \omega^j)$  for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we define

$$L_{p}(s, \omega^{j}, F, h) = \frac{\langle \kappa \rangle^{1-s}}{\kappa(1-\langle c \rangle^{1-s}\omega^{j}(c))} \int_{\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{\times}} \langle x \rangle^{-s} \omega^{j-1}(x) d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) , \qquad (2.5)$$

which is almost the same as the one defined by Kozuka in [4]. By the Koblitz result (see [3] (1.12)), we can see that  $L_p(s, \omega^j, G_m, X) = L_p(s, \omega^j)$ .

3. *p*-adic log- $\Gamma$ -functions  $T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$ .

Now we define the function  $T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$  by

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$$T_{p,c}(z, F, h) = -\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} \log(x+z) d\mu_{c,F,h}(x)$$

for  $z \in \mathbb{C}_p - \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}$ . Later on, we will be able to see that  $T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$  is a generalization of the Morita *p*-adic log- $\Gamma$ -function twisted by *c* (see Proposition 3.3). Let  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}_p)$  be the one dimensional projective space over  $\mathbb{C}_p$ . In [8], Morita investigated the properties of analytic functions on an open subset of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}_p)$ . According to Morita's result, we prove the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 3.1.**  $(d/dz)T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$  is an analytic function on  $\mathbf{P}^{1}(\mathbf{C}_{p}) - \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{\times}$ .

**PROOF.** For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m \ge 1$ , let

$$C_{m} = \{z \in \mathbf{C}_{p} ; |z+a| > p^{-m}, a=1, 2, \cdots, p^{m+1}-1, (a, p)=1\}$$

For any  $m \ge 1$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dz} T_{p,c}(z, F, h) = -\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}} \frac{1}{x+z} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x)$$
$$= -\sum_{j=1}^{p^{m+1}} \int_{j+p^{m+1}\mathbb{Z}_p} \frac{1}{x+z} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) .$$

If  $x=j+p^{m+1}y$  with  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , then

$$\frac{1}{x+z} = \frac{1}{j+z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{p^{n(m+1)}}{(j+z)^n} y^n.$$

So we have

$$\int_{j+p^{m+1}\mathbf{Z}_p} \frac{1}{x+z} \, d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) = \frac{1}{j+z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{p^m}{j+z}\right)^n p^n \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p} y^n d\mu'_{c,F,h}(y) \,, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\mu'_{c,F,h}(y) = \mu_{c,F,h}(j+p^{m+1}y)$ . Since  $|p^m/(j+z)| < 1$  for  $z \in C_m$ , and

$$\left|\int_{\mathbf{Z}_{p}} y^{n} d\mu'_{c,F,h}(y)\right| \leq 1 ,$$

we can see that the right-hand side of (3.1) is uniformly convergent on  $C_m$  for  $m \ge 1$ . Note that  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C}_p) - \mathbf{Z}_p^{\times} = \bigcup_{m \ge 1} C_m$ . By Morita's result (see [8] §2, §3), we can verify that  $(d/dz)T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$  is an analytic function on  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C}_p) - \mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.2** (*p*-adic Stirling expansions). For  $z \in C_p$  with |z| > 1,

$$\frac{d}{dz} T_{p,c}(z, F, h) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c^{n+1}-1)\kappa^{-n}}{n+1} \left\{ B_{n+1}(F, h) - \frac{\pi^{n+1}}{p} B_{n+1}(F, N_F h) \right\} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{z^{n+1}}$$

**PROOF.** If |z| > 1, then we have

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$$\frac{d}{dz} T_{p,c}(z, F, h) = -\int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} \frac{1}{x+z} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) = -\frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{z^n} \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} x^n d\mu_{c,F,h}(x)$$

By Proposition 2.5, we have the assertion.

Now we recall the Morita *p*-adic log- $\Gamma$ -function log $\Gamma_p(z+1)$  (cf. [7], [8]). By [7] Theorem 5, the following relation holds:

$$\left(\frac{d}{dz}\right)^2 \log \Gamma_p(z+1) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m L_p(1-m, \omega^m) \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{z^{m+1}}$$
(3.2)

for  $z \in C_p$  with |z| > 1. By Remark 2 of Proposition 2.6, we have the following:

**Proposition 3.3.** 

$$\left(\frac{d}{dz}\right)^2 T_{p,c}(z, G_m, X) = \left(\frac{d}{dz}\right)^2 \left\{ \log \Gamma_p(z+1) - c \log \Gamma_p\left(\frac{z}{c}+1\right) \right\}.$$

**PROOF.** By (2.5), we have

$$\left(\frac{d}{dz}\right)^2 T_{p,c}(z, F, h) = -\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} x^{m-1} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) \frac{(-1)^m}{z^{m+1}}$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m \int_{\mathbf{Z}_p^{\times}} \langle x \rangle^{m-1} \omega^{m-1}(x) d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{z^{m+1}},$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \kappa \langle \kappa \rangle^{-m} (1-c^m) m L_p(1-m, \omega^m, F, h) \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{z^{m+1}},$$

for  $z \in \mathbb{C}_p$  with |z| > 1. If  $F = G_m$  and h(X) = X, then we have  $\kappa = 1$ . By (3.2), we have the assertion.

By the relation in Proposition 3.3, we can regard  $T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$  as a generalization of  $\log \Gamma_p(z+1) - c \log \Gamma_p(z/c+1)$ . Finally, we describe the values of  $\zeta_p(s, F, h)$  at positive integers, by using  $T_{p,c}(z, F, h)$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.4.** For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m \ge 2$  and  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{r(\kappa)}$ ,

$$\zeta_{p}(m, F, h) = \frac{(-1)^{m} \kappa^{-m}}{(m-1)!(1-c^{1-m})} \left(\frac{d}{dz}\right)^{m} T_{p,c}(z, F, h) \bigg|_{z=0}$$

**PROOF.** By induction, we can prove that

$$\left(\frac{d}{dz}\right)^{m} T_{p,c}(z, F, h) = (-1)^{m}(m-1)! \int_{\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{\times}} \frac{1}{(x+z)^{m}} d\mu_{c,F,h}(x) ,$$

for  $m \ge 2$ . By (2.4), we have the assertion.

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