# On the values at rational integers of the p-adic Dirichlet L functions

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## Introduction.

Let  $\chi$  be a primitive Dirichlet character with conductor  $f_{\chi}$ , and  $L(s,\chi)$  be the Dirichlet L series associated with  $\chi$ . For any prime number p, we denote by  $L_p(s,\chi)$  the p-adic L function introduced by Kubota and Leopoldt [1]. We fix an embedding  $\iota$  of the algebraic closure  $\bar{Q}(\subset C)$  into  $\bar{Q}_p$  once for all. By this  $\iota$ , we identify any formal power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n X^n \in \bar{Q}[[X]] \subset C[[X]]$  (resp. any number  $a \in \bar{Q}$ ) with  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \iota(a_n) X^n \in \bar{Q}_p[[X]]$  (resp.  $\iota(a) \in \bar{Q}_p$ ). We assume that all the Dirichlet characters we consider are primitive.

In this paper, firstly, we present a formula for the values of  $L_p(s,\chi)$  at positive integers. To simplify the description of the main result, we assume that p is an odd prime number (for the case of p=2, see Theorem A of this paper) and that  $f_{\chi}$  is neither 1 nor p. For a fixed prime number p, let  $\omega$  be the Dirichlet character defined by  $\omega(x) \equiv x \mod p$  for  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We set  $\chi_j = \chi \cdot \omega^{-j}$  and

$$B(X, j) = \frac{\tau(\chi_{j})}{f_{\chi_{j}}} \sum_{m=1}^{f_{\chi_{j}}} \bar{\chi}_{j}(m) \log \left(1 + \frac{X}{1 - \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1} \ m/f_{\chi_{j}})}\right) \in \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_{p}[[X]],$$

$$\left(\text{viz. } \frac{\tau(\chi_{j})}{f_{\chi_{j}}} \sum_{m=1}^{f_{\chi_{j}}} \bar{\chi}_{j}(m) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{X}{1 - \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1} \ m/f_{\chi_{j}})}\right)^{k}\right)$$
for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p-2$ ,

where  $f_{\chi_j}$  and  $\tau(\chi_j)$  denote the conductor of  $\chi_j$  and the Gaussian sum of  $\chi_j \Big( = \sum_{t=1}^{f_{\chi_j}} \chi_j(t) \exp{(2\pi \sqrt{-1} t/f_{\chi_j})} \Big)$  respectively. Further we denote by S the formal integral operator acting on a certain subspace  $Q_K$  of formal power series with coefficients in a finite extesion field K of  $Q_p$ , given by

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$$S: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n X^n \longmapsto \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n+1} X^{n+1}$$
.

We also denote by  $(1+X)^{-1}$  the operator on the space  $Q_K$ , given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n X^n \longmapsto \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-X)^n\right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n X^n\right).$$

Then we put

$$B_{1+j-(p-1)n}(X, j) = (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{(p-1)n-j}(B(X, j))$$

for each rational integer n with  $(p-1)n-j \ge 0$ . The following result may be regarded as an answer to the question raised by Iwasawa ([2] p. 61) "It is an interesting open problem to find similar expressions for the values  $L_p(n, \chi)$   $n \ge 2$ ."

THEOREM. Notations being as above, we obtain;

$$L_{p}(1-j+(p-1)n, \chi) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\xi} B_{1+j-(p-1)n}(\xi-1, j)$$

where the summation with respect to  $\xi$  is over all p-th roots of unity. (Each power series  $B_{1+j-(p-1)n}(X,j)$  converges at  $X=\xi-1$  under the p-adic topology.)

We note that the value of  $L_p(1-j-(p-1)n, \chi)$  for any  $j+(p-1)n \ge 0$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  is also given by

(I), 
$$L_p(1-j-(p-1)n, \chi) = -B_{1+j+(p-1)n}(0, j) + \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\xi} B_{1+j+(p-1)n}(\xi-1, j),$$

where we put

$$B_{1+j+(p-1)n}(X, j) = \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{j+(p-1)n} B(X, j).$$

The value of (I) is equal to  $(B_{(p-1)n+j,\chi_j}/((p-1)n+j))(p^{(p-1)n+j-1}\chi_j(p)-1)$ , (see e.g. [2]). We also give a formula for  $L_p(n,\chi)$  when  $f_\chi$  is equal to 1 or p, (viz. Theorem B). Lemma 4 and Proposition 1 play important roles in the proof of the above theorems. It should be mentioned that a "real analogue" of Theorems A and B is available (see Proposition 2 in § 1).

Secondly we study the p-adic interpolated function  $L_p(s)$  of Dirichlet series

(II), 
$$L(s) = \sum_{m_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_i)}{(a_0 + a_1 m_1 + a_2 m_2 + \dots + a_i m_i)^s}$$
$$(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_i \in \mathbb{Z}, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i > 0)$$

where  $\Lambda$  is a periodic function of  $\mathbf{Z}^{(i)}$  with respect to each variable  $m_j$  and takes its values in the field  $\bar{\mathbf{Q}}$ . We apply our results in §1 on the p-adic  $\Gamma$  transform to the series of the above (II) type. Then we obtain a formula (Theorem C) for  $L_p(1)$ . It is also possible to obtain an expression for  $L_p(n)$  where n is a rational integer with (p-1)|(n-1) as in §1. We omit arguments, (which were given in [6]), on the meromorphy (or holomorphy) of the above  $L_p(s)$  and on p-adic analytic interpolations of some arithmetical zeta functions as our investigations on the values at rational integers are carried out without them.

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REMARK 0. K. Shiratani and J. Diamond investigated the above problem of Iwasawa independently of us. After submitting this paper, we received their preprints Shiratani [14] and Diamond [8]. Diamond's expressions for  $L_p(n, \chi)$  are different from both Shiratani's and ours. Shiratani's approach is ingeneous and not the same as ours. He treats only Dirichlet L functions. But his expressions for  $L_p(n, \chi)$  are similar to ours. Our method is applicable to any p-adic function expressed by Leopoldt's p-adic  $\Gamma$ -transform. Furthermore we show analogy between  $L(n, \chi)$  and  $L_p(n, \chi)$ .

Y. Morita constructed p-adic analytic analogues for  $\Gamma$  function and series of the above (II) type in the case i=1 in Morita [4]. We generalized his method to the case of any integer i in Hatada [6]. K. Shiratani also investigated this problem in the case i=1 in Shiratani [15]. These are also discussed under a certain condition in P. Cassou-Nogués [7], (see Remark 4 below).

## Notations.

Z: rational integers. N: positive rational integers. Q: rational numbers. R: real numbers. C: complex numbers. Let p be a rational prime.  $Q_p$ : p-adic numbers.  $Z_p$ : the ring of integers in  $Q_p$ .  $Z_p^*$ : the group of p-adic units in  $Z_p$ .  $Q_p$ : algebraic closure  $\bar{Q}_p$  of  $Q_p$ .  $|\cdot|$ : the p-adic absolute value on  $Q_p$  normalized so that  $|p|=p^{-1}$ . V: the group  $\{x\in Q_p|x^{p-1}=1\}$  for  $p\geq 3$ ,  $\{\pm 1\in Q_2\}$  for p=2. q=p when  $p\geq 3$  and q=4 when p=2. e=p-1 when  $p\geq 3$  and e=2 when p=2. Then  $Z_p^*=V\times(1+qZ_p)$ ; and  $a=\omega(a)\langle a\rangle$  where  $\omega(a)$  (resp.  $\langle a\rangle$ ) denotes the projection of a on V (resp. on  $1+qZ_p$ ). We set  $\omega(a)=0$  for a with  $(a,p)\neq 1$ .

#### $\S 1.$ On the Dirichlet L series.

Let K be a finite extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  in  $\Omega_p$ , and  $C_K$  be the set of all continuous functions  $\mathbf{Z}_p \to K$ . Then  $C_K$  has a structure of commutative Banach algebra with the norm  $\|f\| = \max_{s \in \mathbf{Z}_p} |f(s)|$ . Let  $Q_K$  denote the set of all formal power series  $A(X) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n X^n$ , in K[[X]] such that  $|a_n n!| \to 0$  as  $n \to +\infty$ . For each  $A \in Q_K$ , put  $\|A\|_{Q_K} = \sup_{n \ge 0} |n! a_n|$ . Then  $Q_K$  becomes a Banach algebra over K with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{Q_K}$ . The ring of polynomials K[X] is contained in  $Q_K$  as an everywhere dense subalgebra of  $Q_K$ . Note that  $\log(1+X) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} X^n \in Q_K$ . We denote by  $\phi$  the continuous map  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times \mathbf{Z}_p \to \mathbf{Z}_p$  defined as follows.

$$\phi(x, s)=0 \quad \text{if} \quad x \in p \mathbb{Z}_p$$

$$=\langle x \rangle^s \quad \text{if} \quad x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{\times}, \ p \ge 3$$

$$=x^s \quad \text{if} \quad x \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{\times}, \ p=2.$$

For each integer  $n \ge 0$ , let  $\gamma_n(s) = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{n-i} \binom{n}{i} \phi(i, s)$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . Then, as is well known there exists a unique bounded linear map  $\Gamma: Q_K \to C_K$  such that  $\Gamma(X^n) = \gamma_n$  for all non negative integer n. It satisfies  $\|\Gamma(A)\|_{C_K} \le \|A\|_{Q_K}$  for all  $A \in Q_K$ , and  $\Gamma((1+X)^n)(s) = \phi(n, s)$  for all  $n \ge 0$ . For  $A \in Q_K$ , put  $A(e^t - 1) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \delta_n(A) \frac{t^n}{n!}$ . Then for each non negative integer n,  $\delta_n: Q_K \to K$ ,  $A \mapsto \delta_n(A)$ 

defines a K linear map with  $|\delta_n(A)| \leq ||A||_{Q_K}$ . We denote by  $\frac{d}{dX}$  the K linear

transform  $Q_K \to Q_K$ ; defined by  $\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n X^n \mapsto \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} n \, a_n X^{n-1}$ . Note that  $\left\| \frac{dA}{dX} \right\|_{Q_K}$   $\leq \|A\|_{Q_K}$  holds for all A in  $Q_K$ . For details see [2]. The case i=1 of the following Lemma 1 is already given in Iwasawa [2] (Lemma 3, § 5).

LEMMA 1. For  $A \in Q_K$ ,  $s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

(1), 
$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (A)(s) = \lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k + i-1}(A),$$

where  $n_k$  is any sequence of non negative integers such that  $e|n_k$ , and such that  $n_k \to +\infty$ ,  $|s-n_k| \to 0$ , as  $k \to +\infty$ . (Since the integers  $n \ge 0$  with e|n are everywhere dense in  $2\mathbb{Z}_p$ , such a sequence always exists for any given s in  $2\mathbb{Z}_p$ .)

PROOF. For a non negative integer m, put  $A_m(X)=(1+X)^m$ . Then  $\lim_{k\to +\infty} \delta_{n_k+i-1}(A_m)=\lim_{k\to +\infty} m^{n_k+i-1}=m^{i-1}\lim_{k\to +\infty} m^{n_k}=m^{i-1}\lim_{k\to +\infty} \delta_{n_k}(A_m)=m^{i-1}\phi(m,s)$ , by Lemma 3, § 5 in Iwasawa [2]. On the other hand,

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (A_m(X))(s) = \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-2} (m(1+X)^m)(s)$$

$$= \Gamma (m^{i-1} A_m(X))(s) = m^{i-1} \Gamma (A_m(X))(s) = m^{i-1} \phi(m, s).$$

Hence  $\lim_{k\to +\infty} \delta_{n_k+i-1}(A_m) = \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (A_m)(s)$  for all  $m \ge 0$ . Thus (1) is proved for all polynomials in K[X]. Now given any A(X) in  $Q_K$  and any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists B(X) in K[X] such that  $\|A - B\|_{Q_K} < \varepsilon$ . As  $Q_K$  is a Banach algebra, it is easy to see that  $\|\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (A) \|_{\mathcal{C}_K} \le \|A\|_{Q_K}$  for any  $A \in Q_K$ .

Then 
$$\left\| \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (A) - \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (B) \right\|_{\mathcal{C}_K}$$

$$= \left\| \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{i-1} (A-B) \right\|_{\mathcal{C}_K} \le \|A-B\|_{\mathcal{Q}_K} < \varepsilon.$$

$$\left\| \delta_{n_b+i-1} (A) - \delta_{n_b+i-1} (B) \right\|_{\mathcal{D}} = \left| \delta_{n_b+i-1} (A-B) \right|_{\mathcal{D}} \le \|A-B\|_{\mathcal{Q}_K} < \varepsilon.$$

Since the formula holds for B, it also holds for A.

Note that  $(1+X)^{-1} = \sum_{l=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^l X^l \in \mathbb{Q}[[X]] \cap Q_K$ , for any finite extension K of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . We denote by S the map:

$$K[[X]] \to K[[X]], \quad \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n X^n \mapsto \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{a_n}{n+1} X^{n+1}.$$

LEMMA 2.

(i) 
$$(S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{l}(1) = \frac{1}{l!} (\log (1+X))^{l}$$

for all  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ =the set of non negative integers.

(ii) 
$$(S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{l}(A_{m}(X)) = \frac{1}{m^{l}} A_{m}(X) - \left(\sum_{k=0}^{l-1} \frac{1}{k! m^{l-k}} (\log(1+X))^{k}\right),$$

for all  $(l, m) \in \mathbb{N}^2$  where  $A_m(X) = (1+X)^m$ .  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} = the \text{ set of natural numbers.}$ 

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PROOF. We prove by induction on l.

(i) When l=0, the formula is trivial. We assume  $(S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^l(1) = \frac{1}{l!} (\log(1+X))^l$  for some  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ . Let  $S \circ (1+X)^{-1}$  operate on both sides of this expression. Then we have

$$(S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{l+1}(1) = (S \circ (1+X)^{-1}) \left(\frac{1}{l!} (\log (1+X))^{l}\right)$$

$$= \int_{0}^{X} \frac{1}{1+X} \frac{1}{l!} (\log (1+X))^{l} dX = \int_{0}^{\log (1+X)} e^{-t} \frac{1}{l!} t^{l} e^{t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{(l+1)!} (\log (1+X))^{l+1}.$$

(ii) When l=1,  $(S\circ (1+X)^{-1})(A_m(X))=\int_0^X (1+X)^{m-1}dX=\frac{(1+X)^m}{m}-\frac{1}{m}$ . Assume that for some  $l\in N$ ,

$$(S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{l}(A_{m}(X)) = \frac{1}{m^{l}} A_{m}(X) - \left(\sum_{k=0}^{l-1} \frac{1}{k! \, m^{l-k}} (\log(1+X))^{k}\right).$$

Then,  $(S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{l+1}((1+X)^m)$ 

$$\begin{split} &= \frac{1}{m^{l}} (S \circ (1+X)^{-1}) (A_{m}(X)) - \left( \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} \frac{1}{m^{l-k}k!} S \circ (1+X)^{-1} (\log(1+X))^{k} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{m^{l}} \left( \frac{(1+X)^{m}}{m} - \frac{1}{m} \right) - \left( \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} \frac{1}{m^{l-k}} \int_{0}^{X} \frac{1}{1+X} \frac{(\log(1+X))^{k}}{k!} dX \right) \\ &= m^{-l-1} (1+X)^{m} - \sum_{k=0}^{l} m^{-l-1+k} \frac{(\log(1+X))^{k}}{k!} \,. \end{split}$$

The following lemma is a generalization of Lemma 1.

LEMMA 3. For  $A \in Q_K$ ,  $s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$[\Gamma \circ (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^i(A)](s) = \lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k - i}(A)$$

where the limit is taken over any sequence of integers as described in Lemma 1. PROOF. For  $A_0(X) = (1+X)^0 = 1$ ,  $\lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k-i}(A_0(X)) = \lim_{k \to +\infty} 0^{n_k-i} = 0$ . On the other hand,

$$\Gamma \circ (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{i} (A_{0}(X))(s) = \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{i!} (\log (1+X))^{i}\right)(s) \qquad \text{(Lemma 2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{i!} \Gamma ((\log (1+X))^{i})(s) = \frac{1}{i!} \lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_{k}} ((\log (1+X))^{i}) \qquad \text{(Lemma 1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{i!} \lim_{n \to +\infty} \delta_{n} ((\log (1+X))^{i}) = 0.$$

For  $A_m(X) = (1+X)^m$   $(m \ge 1)$ ,  $\lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k-i}(A_m(X)) = \lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k-i}((1+X)^m) = \lim_{k \to +\infty} m^{n_k-i} = m^{-i} \lim_{k \to +\infty} m^{n_k} = m^{-i} \phi(m, s)$ . On the other hand,

$$\begin{split} &\Gamma\circ(S\circ(1+X)^{-1})^{i}(A_{m}(X))(s)\\ &=\Gamma\Big(\frac{1}{m^{i}}A_{m}(X)-\Big(\sum\limits_{k=0}^{l-1}\frac{1}{k!\,m^{l-k}}(\log(1+X))^{k}\Big)\Big)(s)\\ &=m^{-i}\Gamma(A_{m}(X))(s)-\Big(\sum\limits_{k=0}^{l-1}\frac{1}{k!\,m^{l-k}}\Gamma((\log(1+X))^{k})(s)\Big)\\ &=m^{-i}\phi(m,\,s)-\Big(\sum\limits_{k=0}^{l-1}\frac{1}{k!\,m^{l-k}}\lim_{t\to+\infty}\delta_{n_{t}}((\log(1+X))^{k})\Big)\\ &=m^{-i}\phi(m,\,s). \end{split}$$

Hence  $\lim_{k\to +\infty} \delta_{n_k-i}(A_m(X)) = \Gamma \circ (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^i (A_m(X))(s)$  for all  $m \ge 0$ . The formula of the lemma is proved for all polynomials in K[X]. It is easy to see that the operator  $S: Q_K \to Q_K$  is norm preserving and that  $\|(1+X)^{-1}\|_{Q_K} = \|\sum_{l=0}^{+\infty} (-1)^l X^l\|_{Q_K} = 1$ . Thus

$$\| \varGamma \circ (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^i(A) \|_{\mathcal{C}_K} \leq \| (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^i(A) \|_{\mathcal{Q}_K} \leq \| A \|_{\mathcal{Q}_K}$$

for all  $A \in Q_K$ . The proof of the remaining part is similar to that of Lemma 1, namely, for  $A \in Q_K$  and  $B \in K[X]$ ,  $\| \Gamma \circ (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^i (A-B) \|_{\mathcal{C}_K} \leq \|A-B\|_{\mathcal{Q}_K}$  and  $\|\delta_{n-i}(A-B)\| \leq \|A-B\|_{\mathcal{Q}_K}$ .

With the notation  $\left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^{-i}=(S\circ(1+X)^{-1})^{+i}$  for  $i\in \mathbb{N}=$  natural numbers, we conclude from Lemma 1 and Lemma 3 that

$$\lim_{k\to+\infty} \delta_{n_k+i}(A) = \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^i (A)(s) \quad \text{for} \quad A \in Q_K, \ s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p, \ i \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where the limit is taken over any sequence of integers as described in Lemma 1.

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Remark 1.  $\left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^i A \in Q_K$  for  $A \in Q_K$  and  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

LEMMA 4. For  $A \in Q_K$ ,  $s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{em} (A)(s) = \Gamma(A)(s+em).$$

PROOF. We have shown that

$$\lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k + em}(A) = \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{em}(A)(s), \dots (2)$$

where the limit is taken over any sequence of integers as described in Lemma 1. On the other hand,

$$\left\langle \begin{array}{c} n \to s \text{ in } \mathbf{Q}_p & \stackrel{\textstyle \longleftarrow}{\Longleftrightarrow} n + em \to s + em \text{ in } \mathbf{Q}_p. \\ equivalent & \stackrel{\textstyle \longleftarrow}{\Longleftrightarrow} e | (n + em). \\ equivalent & \\ n \to +\infty \text{ in } \mathbf{R} \stackrel{\textstyle \longleftarrow}{\Longleftrightarrow} n + em \to +\infty \text{ in } \mathbf{R}. \\ equivalent & \\ \end{array} \right.$$

Note that if  $s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $s + em \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

Hence, 
$$\lim_{k \to +\infty} \delta_{n_k + em}(A) = \Gamma(A)(s + em). \quad (3)$$

Lemma 4 follows from (2) and (3).

Let  $L(s, \chi)$  be the Dirichlet series with a primitive character  $\chi$  whose conductor is  $f_{\chi}$ . We denote by  $\chi_{l}$  (for any  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) the primitive character  $\chi \cdot \omega^{-l}$ . We fix an embedding of the field  $\bar{Q} : \bar{Q} \to \Omega_{p}$ .

PROPOSITION 1. For any  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, e-1\}$  and any  $s \in (\delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbb{Z}_p) \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\lim_{k \to +\infty} L(1-n_k, \chi)$  in  $\Omega_p$  exists, where the limit is taken over any sequence of integers  $n_k$ ,  $k \ge 0$ , such that  $n_k \ge 0$ ,  $n_k \equiv j \mod e$  and such that  $n_k \to +\infty$ ,  $|s-n_k| \to 0$ , as  $k \to +\infty$ .  $\delta_{1,j}$  is Kronecker's delta. We write  $\lim_{k \to +\infty} L(1-n_k, \chi) = L_p(1-s, \chi, j)$ .

PROOF. Put  $L_p(s,\chi\cdot\omega^j)$  for  $L_p(s,\chi,j)$ . For any natural number n,  $L_p(1-n,\chi\cdot\omega^j)=(1-\chi\cdot\omega^j\cdot\omega^{-n}(p)\,p^{n-1})\,L(1-n,\chi\cdot\omega^j\cdot\omega^{-n})=(1-\chi_{n-j}(p)\,p^{n-1})\,L(1-n,\chi\cdot\omega^j\cdot\omega^{-n})=(1-\chi_{n-j}(p)\,p^{n-1})\,L(1-n,\chi\cdot\omega^j\cdot\omega^{-n})=(1-\chi_{n-j}(p)\,p^{n-1})\,L(1-n,\chi\cdot\omega^j\cdot\omega^{-n})=(1-\chi_{n-j}(p)\,p^{n-1})\,L(1-n,\chi_{n-j})=(1-\chi_{n-j}(p)\,p^{n-1})\,L(1-n,\chi_{n-j})=0$ . Using  $\lim_{n\to+\infty}p^n=0$ , we get for any  $s\in \mathbb{Z}_p\setminus\{0\}$ ,  $\lim_{k\to+\infty}L(1-u_k,\chi_{u_{k-j}})=L_p(1-s,\chi_{-j})$  where the limit is taken over any sequence of integers  $u_k$ ,  $k\geq 0$  such that  $u_k\geq 0$ ,  $u_k\to+\infty$ ,  $|s-u_k|\to 0$  as  $k\to+\infty$ . In particular  $L_p(1-s,\chi_{-j})=\lim_{k\to+\infty}L(1-n_k,\chi)$  for any  $s\in(\delta_{1,j}+2\mathbb{Z}_p)\setminus\{0\}$ .

It follows from Proposition 1 that  $L_p(s,\chi,j)$  is continued to the open set  $\{s\in\Omega_p|\ |s|_p< p^{(p-2)/(p-1)}\}$  if  $p\ge 3$ ,  $\{s\in\Omega_2|\ |s|_2<2\}$  if p=2 as a meromorphic function with no poles (when  $\chi_{-j}$  is non trivial character) or with only one simple pole at s=1 (when  $\chi=\omega^j$ ) (Theorem 2, p. 29 in [2]), and that  $L_p(s,\chi_j,j)=L_p(s,\chi)$  for any j. Now let p be any rational prime. We use the following notations.

$$\begin{split} \zeta_{f\chi_{j}} &= \exp{(2\pi\,\sqrt{-1}\,/f_{\chi_{j}})}, \quad \tau(\chi_{j}) = \sum_{m=1}^{f_{\chi_{j}}} \chi_{j}(m)\,\zeta_{f\chi_{j}}^{m}, \\ B(X, j) &= (\tau(\chi_{j})/f_{\chi_{j}}) \sum_{m=1}^{f_{\chi_{j}}} \bar{\chi}_{j}(m) \log\left(1 + \frac{X}{1 - \zeta_{f\chi_{j}}^{m}}\right) \\ &\qquad \qquad \qquad \text{for} \quad j \in \{0, 1, \cdots, e-1\}, \\ B_{1+j-en}(X, j) &= (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{en-j} B(X, j) \qquad \text{for} \quad n \in \{n \in \mathbb{Z} | en-j \geq 0\}, \\ B_{1+j+en}(X, j) &= \left((1+X) \frac{d}{dX}\right)^{en+j} B(X, j) \qquad \text{for} \quad n \in \{n \in \mathbb{Z} | en+j \geq 0\}. \end{split}$$

THEOREM A. Assume  $f_x$  is neither 1 nor p. Then

(i) 
$$L_p(1-j+en, \chi) = p^{-1} \sum_{\xi} B_{1+j-en}(\xi-1, j)$$
 for  $n \in \{n \in \mathbb{Z} | en-j \ge 0\}$ .

(ii) 
$$L_{p}(1-j-en, \chi) = -B_{1+j+en}(0, j) + \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\xi} B_{1+j+en}(\xi-1, j)$$

$$for \quad n \in \{n \in \mathbb{Z} | j+en \ge 0\}.$$

Here  $\xi$  ranges over all p-th roots of unity.

PROOF. We fix a finite extension K of  $Q_p$  in  $\Omega_p$  which contains all  $\zeta_{f_{\chi_j}}$  and  $\chi_j(a)$ , for  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, e-1\}$ . We have assumed  $f_{\chi} \neq 1$ , p so that  $f_{\chi_j} \neq 1$ , p for all j. Now we fix any j. The following fact is well known.

$$|1-\zeta_f|_p = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f \times p^{-\operatorname{ord} p f} \geq 1, \\ p^{-1/(p-1)p^{r-1}} & \text{if } f = p^r, r \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, the formal power series  $\log\left(1+\frac{X}{1-\zeta_{f_{\chi_i}}^k}\right)=\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty}(-1)^{n-1}\frac{1}{n}\left(\frac{X}{1-\zeta_{f_{\chi_i}}^k}\right)^n$ 

is an element of  $Q_K$  if  $(k, f_{\chi_j})=1$ . From this fact we know that B(X, j) is also an element of  $Q_K$ .

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Now

$$B'(X, j) = \frac{d}{dX}B(X, j) = \frac{\tau(\chi_j)}{f_{\chi_j}} \sum_{\substack{k=1 \ (k, f_{\chi_j})=1}}^{f_{\chi_j}} \overline{\chi_j}(k) \frac{1}{X+1-\zeta_{f\chi_j}^k}.$$

Thus,

$$te^{t}B'(e^{t}-1, j) = te^{t} \frac{\sum_{v=1}^{f_{\chi_{j}}} \chi_{j}(v) e^{(v-1)t}}{e^{ft}-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,\chi_{j}} \frac{t^{n}}{n!}$$

where  $B_{n,\chi_j}$  is a generalized Bernoulli number introduced by Leopoldt. Set  $D_1 = (\log(1+X))(1+X)\frac{d}{dX}$ . The above calculation shows that  $\delta_n(D_1B(X,j)) = B_{n,\chi_j} = -nL(1-n,\chi_j)$  for all  $n \ge 1$ . It is known that  $\delta_n(D_1B(X,j)) = n\delta_n(B(X,j))$ . Hence, (\*)  $n\delta_n(B(X,j)) = -nL(1-n,\chi_j)$  for all  $n \ge 1$ . We take the limit of (\*) over a sequence of integers as described in Proposition 1.

$$\lim_{n} n \delta_{n}(B(X, j)) = s \lim_{n} \delta_{(n-j)+j}(B(X, j))$$

$$= s \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{j} (B(X, j)) (s-j), \qquad \text{(Lemma 1)}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\lim_{n} -nL(1-n, \chi_{j}) = -sL_{p}(1-s, \chi_{j}, j) = -sL_{p}(1-s, \chi).$$

If  $s \neq 0$ , this implies

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^j (B(X, j))(s-j) = -L_p(1-s, \chi) \text{ for } 0 \neq s \in \delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbf{Z}_p.$$

However, the same holds also at s=0 if  $0 \in \delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbf{Z}_p$  because both sides are continuous functions of  $s \in \delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbf{Z}_p$ . Next we apply Lemma 4 for  $A = \left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^j B(X,j)$ . Then,  $\Gamma \circ \left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^{em+j} (B(X,j))(s_1)$ 

$$=\Gamma\circ\left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^{j}(B(X,j))(s_{1}+em) \text{ for all } m\in\mathbb{Z}, \ s_{1}\in2\mathbb{Z}_{p}. \text{ Put } s_{1}=s-j \text{ for } s\in\delta_{1,j}+2\mathbb{Z}_{p}.$$
 Then we get the following:

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{em+j} (B(X, j))(s-j) = \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{j} (B(X, j))(s-j+em)$$

$$= -L_{p}(1-s-em, \chi) \text{ for all } s \in \delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbf{Z}_{p}, \text{ all } m \in \mathbf{Z}.$$

In particular,  $\Gamma(B_{1+j+em}(X,j))(0) = -L_p(1-j-em,\chi)$ . It follows from Lemma 5 of §5 in Iwasawa [2] that  $-L_p(1-j-em,\chi) = B_{1+j+em}(0,j) - \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\xi} B_{1+j+em}(\xi-1,j)$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . .....(4). Since  $B_{1+j+em}(0,j) = 0$  if  $j+em \leq 0$ , we obtain Theorem A. We note that the convergence of the series in the right hand side of (4) in  $\Omega_p$  is guaranteed by lemma 5 of §5 in Iwasawa [2].

REMARK 2. The previously known expression for  $L_p(1-n,\chi)$  is given by  $L_p(1-n,\chi) = -(1-\chi_n(p) p^{n-1}) \frac{B_{n,\chi_n}}{n}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $f_\chi \in \mathbb{N}$ . (See Theorem 2 in § 3 in [2]).

Now we are going to derive a formula for  $L_p(m, \chi)$  which is valid for any Dirichlet character  $\chi$ . Let N be any natural number such that  $(N, pf_{\chi})=1$ . We put

$$C(X, j) = \frac{\tau(\chi_j)}{f_{\chi_j}} \sum_{a=1}^{f_{\chi_j}} \sum_{\lambda \neq 1} \overline{\chi_j}(a) \log \left(1 + \frac{X}{1 - \lambda \zeta_{f_{\chi_j}}^a}\right)$$

for  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, e-1\}$ , where  $\lambda$  ranges over all N-th roots of unity in  $\Omega_p$  except 1. We also set  $C_{1+j-en}(X, j) = (S \circ (1+X)^{-1})^{en-j} C(X, j) = \left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^{j-en} C(X, j)$ .

THEOREM B. Notations being as above,

(i) 
$$(1-\chi_{j}(N)N^{j-en})L_{p}(1-j+en, \chi) = -\frac{1}{p}\sum_{\xi}C_{-en+j+1}(\xi-1, j)$$
 
$$for \quad n \in \{n \in \mathbf{Z} | en-j \ge 0\} \quad and \quad j \in \{0, 1, \dots, e-1\}.$$

$$\begin{split} (\text{ii}) & \ (1-\chi_{j}(N)\,N^{j+en})\,L_{p}(1-j-en,\,\chi) \\ & = -\,(1-\chi_{j}(N)\,N^{j+en})\,(1-\chi_{j}(p)\,p^{j+en+1})\frac{B_{j+en,\,\chi_{j}}}{j+en} \\ \\ & = C_{en+j+1}(0,\,j) - \frac{1}{p}\,\sum_{\xi}\,C_{en+j+1}(\xi-1,\,j) \\ \\ & for \quad n\!\in\!\{n\!\in\!\mathbf{Z}|\,j\!+\!en\!>\!0\} \quad and \quad j\!\in\!\{0,\,1,\,\cdots,\,e\!-\!1\}. \end{split}$$

Here  $\xi$  ranges over all p-th roots of unity. Especially, when  $f_{\chi}$  is 1 or p, take such N as N mod q is a generator of the multiplicative group  $(\mathbf{Z}/q\mathbf{Z})^{\times}$  where either q=p or q=4 (for p=2).

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PROOF. We fix a finite extension K of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  in  $\Omega_p$  which contains all  $\lambda$ ,  $\zeta_{f\chi_j}$  and  $\chi(a)$ , for  $a \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $j \in \{0, 1, \cdots, e-1\}$ . For a fixed j, we have (see p. 56 of Iwasawa [2])  $n\delta_n(C(X,j)) = \delta_n(D_1C(X,j)) = (\chi_j(N)N^n-1)B_{n,\chi_j}$  for all non negative integers n. Hence (\*\*)  $n\delta_n(C(X,j)) = -n(\chi_j(N)N^n-1)L(1-n,\chi_j)$  for  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . Applying the same argument in the proof of Theorem A, we have for  $s \in \delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbf{Z}_p$ ,

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{j} (C(X, j))(s-j) = (1-\chi_{j}(N) N^{j} \langle N \rangle^{s-j}) L_{p}(1-s, \chi_{j}, j) \quad \text{if} \quad p \geq 3,$$

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^j (C(X, j))(s-j) = (1-\chi_j(N) N^s) L_2(1-s, \chi_j, j) \quad \text{if} \quad p=2.$$

We put  $A = \left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^j C(X, j)$  in Lemma 4. Then we get

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{em+j} (C(X, j))(s_1) = \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^j (C(X, j))(s_1 + em)$$

for  $s_1 \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Hence for  $s \in \delta_{1,j} + 2\mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{em+j} C(X, j)(s-j) = (1-\chi_{j}(N) N^{s+em}) L_{2}(1-s-em, \chi_{j}, j)$$
 if  $p=2$ ,

$$\Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{em+j} C(X, j) (s-j) = (1-\chi_j(N)N^j \langle N \rangle^{s+em-j}) L_p(1-s-em, \chi_j, j)$$
if  $p \ge 3$ .

In particular,  $\Gamma(C_{em+j+1}(X, j))(0) = (1-\chi_j(N)N^{em+j})L_p(1-j-em, \chi)$ =  $C_{em+j+1}(0, j) - \frac{1}{p}\sum_{\xi} C_{em+j+1}(\xi-1, j)$ , for all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $C_{em+j+1}(0, j) = 0$  if

 $em+j \le 0$ , and  $L_p(1-j-em, \chi) = -(1-\chi_j(p) p^{j+em-1}) \frac{B_{em+j,\chi_j}}{em+j}$  if em+j>0, Theorem B follows.

Leopoldt calculated  $L_p(1, \chi)$  applying his method of  $\Gamma$  transform, which is introduced in Iwasawa [2]. His result is that for a non principal Dirichlet character  $\chi$ ,

$$\begin{split} L_p(1, \chi) &= \frac{-1}{p(1-\chi(N))} \Big( \sum_{\xi} C_1(\xi-1, 0) \Big) \\ &= -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{f_{\chi}} \Big( 1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p} \Big) \sum_{a=1}^{f_{\chi}} \bar{\chi}(a) \log_p (1 - \zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{-a}), \end{split}$$

with the *p*-adic log function of which domain is expanded by Iwasawa to the whole  $\Omega_p^{\times}$  (see p. 61 [2]). In [2], it says that if we compare this formula for  $L(1, \chi)$ ;

$$L(1, \chi) = -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{f_{\chi}} \sum_{a=1}^{f_{\chi}} \bar{\chi}(a) \log(1 - \zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{-a})$$

we find a remarkable similarity between these two. The assertions of Theorems A and B for the values of  $L_p(n,\chi)$ ,  $n\!\geq\!2$ , are not so strong as the above Leopoldt's formula for  $L_p(1,\chi)$  because  $\xi$  remains in the final expressions for  $L_p(n,\chi)$ ,  $n\!\geq\!2$ . In the case of Leopoldt, the p-adic log function  $\log_p$  is a group homomorphism:  $\Omega_p^\times\to\Omega_p$ , the expression  $\sum_{\xi}\log_p\left(1+\frac{\xi-1}{1-\zeta_{f_q}^m}\right)$  is equal

to  $\log_p\left(\prod_{\xi}\left(1+\frac{\xi-1}{1-\zeta_{f_\chi}^m}\right)\right)$  and we can expel  $\xi$  from this expression. But  $B_{1+j-en}(X,j)$  or  $C_{1+j-en}(X,j)$  for  $en-j\geqq 1$  does not consist of homomorphisms.

Now we fix a character  $\chi$  whose conductor  $f_{\chi}$  is neither 1 nor p. For simplicity, let  $\zeta_j$  denote  $\zeta_{f_{\chi_j}}$  and let  $f_j$  denote  $f_{\chi_j}$ . We define the double sequence  $\{b_k{}^{(l)}\}$ , for  $l \ge 2$  and  $k \ge 1$ , inductively as follows. (i)  $b_1{}^{(2)} = -1$ ,  $b_2{}^{(2)} = -1$ . (ii)  $b_k{}^{(l)} = 0$  if k > l. (iii)  $b_1{}^{(l+1)} = -b_1{}^{(l)}$ ,  $b_2{}^{(l+1)} = -b_1{}^{(l)} - 2b_2{}^{(l)}$ ,  $b_3{}^{(l+1)} = -2b_2{}^{(l)} - 3b_3{}^{(l)}$ , ...,  $b_1{}^{(l+1)} = -(l-1)b_{l-1}{}^{(l)} - lb_1{}^{(l)}$ ,  $b_{l+1}{}^{(l+1)} = (-1)lb_1{}^{(l)}$ .

COROLLARY OF THEOREM A. Notations being as above,

$$\begin{split} L_{p}(1-j-em, \chi) &= -(1-\chi_{j}(p) p^{j+em-1}) \frac{B_{em+j,\chi_{j}}}{em+j} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k=1\\(k,f,j)=1}}^{f_{j}} \sum_{r=1}^{em+j} \frac{\tau(\chi_{j})}{f_{j}} b_{r}^{(em+j)} \overline{\chi_{j}}(k) \zeta_{j}^{rk} \left\{ \frac{-1}{(1-\zeta_{j}^{k})^{r}} + \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\xi} \frac{1}{(\xi-\zeta_{j}^{k})^{r}} \right\}, \dots \dots (5) \end{split}$$

for any  $m \ge 1$  and  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, e-1\}$ .

Proof. The above sequence satisfies the following.

$$\Big( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \Big)^{l} \log \Big( 1 + \frac{X}{1-a} \Big) = b_1^{(l)} \frac{a}{X+1-a} + b_2^{(l)} \frac{a^2}{(X+1-a)^2} + \dots + \frac{b_l^{(l)} a^l}{(X+1-a)^l},$$

for  $l \ge 2$  and any  $a \in K$  such that  $a \ne 0$ . If we replace  $\chi$  by  $\chi_{\omega^j}$  in (5), we get the following expression.

$$-(1-\chi(p)\,p^{N-1})\frac{B_{N,\chi}}{N} = \sum_{k=1}^{f_{\chi}} \sum_{r=1}^{N} \frac{\tau(\chi)}{f_{\chi}} b_{r}^{(N)} \,\bar{\chi}(k) \zeta_{\chi}^{rk} \left\{ \frac{-1}{(1-\zeta_{f,\gamma}^{k})^{r}} + \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\xi} \frac{1}{(\xi-\zeta_{f,\gamma}^{k})^{r}} \right\}$$

for all  $N \ge 2$ . Here  $\chi$  is any Dirichlet character such that  $f_{\chi} \ne 1$ , p. The following proposition is a "real-analogue" of Theorems A and B.

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PROPOSITION 2. Let  $L(s, \chi)$  be a Dirichlet L series associated with a non principal character  $\chi$ , which takes values in C for all  $s \in C$ . Then  $L(k, \chi) = G_k(0)$  for all  $k \ge 1$ , where  $G_l(X) = \int_{-1}^{X} (1+t)^{-1} G_{l-1}(t) dt$ , for  $l \ge 2$ , and

$$G_1(X) = -\frac{\tau(X)}{f_{\chi}} \sum_{m=1}^{f_{\chi}} \bar{\chi}(m) \log(-\zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{-m} X + 1 - \zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{-m}).$$

Here  $-1 \le X \le 0$  and log is defined on  $\{s \in C \mid Re \mid s > 0\}$  such that  $\log 1 = 0$ .

PROOF. For  $Y \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $|Y|_{\mathbb{C}} < 1$ , put  $F(X) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \chi(n) Y^n$ , where X = Y - 1. Then  $\int_0^Y \frac{1}{Y} F(X) \, dY = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n} Y^n$ . Since  $\chi$  is nonprincipal, it follows from Abel's Theorem

$$\lim_{Y\to 1^{-0}}\int_{0}^{Y}\frac{1}{Y}F(X)\,dY = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty}\frac{\chi(n)}{n}=L(1,\chi).$$

On the other hand,

$$\frac{1}{Y}F(X) = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^{f_{\chi}} \chi(m) Y^{m-1}}{Y^{f_{\chi}} - 1} = -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{f_{\chi}} \sum_{k=1}^{f_{\chi}} \frac{\bar{\chi}(k)}{Y - \zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{k}}.$$

Hence,

$$\int_{0}^{Y} \frac{1}{Y} F(X) dX = -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{f_{\chi}} \sum_{k=1}^{f_{\chi}} \bar{\chi}(k) \int_{0}^{Y} \frac{dY}{Y - \zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{k}}$$

$$= -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{f_{\chi}} \sum_{k=1}^{f_{\chi}} \bar{\chi}(k) \log(-\zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{-k} X + 1 - \zeta_{f_{\chi}}^{-k}).$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi(n)Y^n}{n} = G_1(X) \quad \text{for } -1 \leq X < 0.$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^k} Y^n = G_k(X) \quad \text{for } -1 \leq X < 0 \text{ and } k \geq 1.$$

Abel's Theorem implies that,

$$G_k(0) = \lim_{x \to -0} G_k(X) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^k} = L(k, \chi),$$
  
for any  $k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}.$ 

We observe that the operator S and the map " $f\mapsto \frac{1}{p}\sum_{\xi}f(\xi-1)$ " in the p-adic case correspond respectively to the operator  $\int_{-1}^{X}(\ )\,dX$  and the map " $f\mapsto f(0)$ " in the ordinary case, and that the multiplication by  $(1+X)^{-1}$  is common to both the cases.

§ 2.

In this section we study Dirichlet series given by the following:

(II) 
$$L(s) = \sum_{m_1=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{m_2=0}^{+\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_i=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\Lambda(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_i)}{(a_0 + a_1 m_1 + \dots + a_i m_i)^s}$$

$$(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_i \in \mathbb{Z}, a_0, \dots, a_i > 0)$$

where  $\Lambda$  is a function of  $\mathbf{Z}^{(i)}$  with suitable periods which takes values in the field of algebraic numbers. Our main interest is the application of Leopoldt's  $\Gamma$  transform to the series of the above type. The function L(s) can be continued meromorphically to the whole complex plane with at most simple poles at  $s=1, 2, \cdots, i$ . And the value L(1-n) for any  $n\in N$  is in the field generated by  $\Lambda(\mathbf{Z}\times\cdots\times\mathbf{Z})$  over  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Let p be any fixed prime number, and p be any integer such that  $0\leq j\leq e-1$ . Then there uniquely exists a p-adic meromorphic function  $L_p(s, j)$  defined on the open set  $\{s\in \mathcal{Q}_p|\ |s|_p < p^{(p-2)/(p-1)}\}$  if  $p\geq 3$ ,  $\{s\in \mathcal{Q}_2|\ |s|_2 < 2\}$  if p=2, at most with simple poles at  $s=1, 2, \cdots, i$ , such that  $L_p(1-s,j)=\lim_{k\to +\infty}L(1-n_k)$ , for any  $s\in (\delta_{1,j}+2\mathbf{Z}_p)\setminus\{0,-1,-2,\cdots,1-i\}$ , where the limit is taken over any sequence of integers as described in Proposition 1. The proof of the above which is based on Morita [4] and [10] is given in my master's thesis [6]. But the above statement is not necessary for the argument below if we only replace "holomorphic" by "continuous" in the sentence  $(C_1)$  of Theorem C.

We put  $L_p(s)=L_p(s,0)$ . We denote by s(m,l) for any  $(m,l)\in N\times N$ , the Stirling number defined by

$$m! {X \choose m} = X(X-1) \cdots (X-m+1) = \sum_{l=1}^{m} s(m, l) X^{l}$$
.

The next lemma is easily proved by induction on m.

LEMMA 5. For  $A(X) \in K[[X]]$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$e^{mt}\left[\left(\frac{d}{dX}\right)^m A(X)\right](e^t-1) = \left(\sum_{l=1}^m s(m, l)\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)^l\right) A(e^t-1).$$

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For every non negative integer m, let's denote by  $D_m$  the map:

$$Q_K \longrightarrow Q_K$$
,  $A \longmapsto (1+X)^m (\log (1+X))^m \left(\frac{d}{dX}\right)^m A$ .

LEMMA 6. For  $A \in Q_K$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we have

$$\varGamma \circ \left( (1+X)\frac{d}{dX} \right)^{m-1} \circ D_m(A)(s) = (s+m-1)(s+m-2) \times \cdots$$

$$\times (s+1) s \left( \sum_{l=1}^{m} s(m, l) \Gamma \circ \left( (1+X) \frac{d}{dX} \right)^{l-1} (A) \right) (s).$$

PROOF.

$$\begin{split} [D_m(A)](e^t - 1) &= \left[ (1 + X)^m (\log (1 + X))^m \left(\frac{d}{dX}\right)^m A(X) \right] (e^t - 1) \\ &= e^{mt} t^m e^{-mt} \left( \sum_{l=1}^m s(m, l) \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)^l \right) A(e^t - 1) \\ &= t^m \left( \sum_{l=1}^m s(m, l) \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)^l \right) \left( \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \delta_n(A) \frac{t^n}{n!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \left( \sum_{l=1}^m s(m, l) \delta_{n+l}(A) \right) \frac{t^{n+m}}{n!} \,. \end{split}$$

Therefore, for any  $n \ge 0$ ,

$$\delta_{n+m}(D_m(A)) = (n+m)(n+m-1)\cdots(n+1)\sum_{l=1}^m s(m,l)\delta_{n+l}(A).$$

Then we take the limit of this equation over any sequence of integers as described in Lemma 1 substituting  $n_k$  for n+1, and apply Lemma 1. Lemma 6 follows.

We assume that  $\Lambda(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_i)$  has periods  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_i$  with respect to each variable  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_i$ .

Proposition 3.

$$L(1-n)=(-1)^{i}\frac{E_{n+i-1}}{n(n+1)\cdots(n+i-1)}$$
 for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\operatorname{Res}_{s=k}(L(s)\,ds) = (-1)^{i+k} E_{i-k} \frac{1}{(i-k)!(k-1)!} \quad \text{for } k \text{ with } 1 \leq k \leq i.$$

Here we put

$$\sum_{m_1=0}^{f_1-1}\sum_{m_2=0}^{f_2-1}\cdots\sum_{m_i=0}^{f_i-1}\Lambda(m_1, m_2, \cdots, m_i)e^{a_0t}\prod_{u=1}^i\frac{te^{a_u m_u t}}{(e^{a_u f_u t}-1)}=\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty}E_n\frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

We omit the proof of this proposition.

In the remainings of this paper we consider the Dirichlet series given by the following:

$$L(s) = \sum_{m_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_1(m_1)\chi_2(m_2) \cdots \chi_i(m_i) \zeta_{g1}^{n_1} \zeta_{g2}^{n_2} \cdots \zeta_{gj}^{n_j}}{(a + b_1 m_1 + \cdots + b_i m_i + c_1 n_1 + \cdots + c_j n_j)^s}$$

where  $\chi_1, \chi_2, \dots, \chi_i$  are any multiplicative characters with conductors  $f_1$ ,  $f_2, \dots, f_i$  respectively, each  $\zeta_{g_l}$  is primitive  $g_l$ -th root of unity. We put k=i+j. For the above L(s), the equation given in Proposition 3 is

$$e^{at} \Big( \prod_{l=1}^{i} t^{\frac{\sum\limits_{l=1}^{f_{l}} \chi_{l}(m_{l}) e^{b_{l} m_{l} t}}{e^{b_{l} f_{l} t} - 1}} \Big) \Big( \prod\limits_{u=1}^{j} \frac{t \zeta_{g_{u}} e^{c_{u} t}}{\zeta_{g_{u}} e^{c_{u} t} - 1} \Big) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} E_{m} \frac{t^{m}}{m!}.$$

Let  $K=Q_p(\chi_1, \dots, \chi_i, \zeta_{b_1f_1}, \dots, \zeta_{b_if_i}, \zeta_{c_1g_1}, \dots, \zeta_{c_jg_j})$ . If each  $f_l$  and each  $g_u$  is neither 1 nor p, it is not hard to see that the following formal power series in K[[X]] is an element of  $Q_K$ .

$$R(X) = Y^{a+b_1+\cdots+b_{i-i}} \left( \prod_{l=1}^{i} \frac{\sum_{m_l=1}^{f_l} \chi_l(m_l) Y^{b_l(m_{l-1})}}{Y^{b_l m_l} - 1} \right) \left( \prod_{u=1}^{j} \frac{\zeta_{g_u} Y^{c_u - 1}}{\zeta_{g_u} Y^{c_u} - 1} \right),$$

where we put Y=1+X.

We set  $G(X)=S^{i+j}(R(X))$  where S is the formal integral operator such that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n X^n \longmapsto \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{a_n}{n+1} X^{n+1},$$

and 
$$G_m(X) = \left((1+X)\frac{d}{dX}\right)^{m-1}G(X)$$
 for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

THEOREM C. If each  $f_l$  and each  $g_u$  is neither 1 nor p,

 $(C_1)$   $L_p(s)$  is holomorphic everywhere on  $2\mathbf{Z}_p$ .

(C<sub>2</sub>) 
$$L_p(1) = \frac{1}{p} (-1)^{k+1} \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{\xi} s(k, m) G_m(\xi - 1),$$

where  $\xi$  ranges over all p-th roots of unity.

PROOF. It follows from Proposition 3 that

$$\delta_{n+k-1}(D_k(G)) = (-1)^k n(n+1) \cdots (n+k-1) L(1-n)$$
 for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then we take the limit of this equation over any sequence of integers as described in Lemma 1 substituting  $n_k$  for n. Apply Lemma 1 and Lemma 6. We get

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$$s(s+1) \times \cdots \times (s+k-1) \sum_{l=1}^{k} s(k, l) \Gamma(G_l)(s)$$

$$= (-1)^k s(s+1) \times \cdots \times (s+k-1) L_p(1-s) \quad \text{for } s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p.$$

By continuity we obtain

$$L_p(1-s)=(-1)^k \sum_{l=1}^k s(k, l) \Gamma(G_l)(s)$$
 for  $s \in 2\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

In particular  $L_p(1) = (-1)^k \sum_{l=1}^k s(k, l) \Gamma(G_l)(0)$ . We note that  $G_l(0) = 0$  for  $l \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ .

We give a few examples of Theorem C. They show some similarity between L(1) and  $L_p(1)$ .

EXAMPLE 1. On the Dirichlet series  $L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\zeta^n}{n^s}$ , where  $\zeta = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi\sqrt{-1}a}{f}\right)$  and (a, f) = 1.

Case	$L_p(1)$	L(1)
<i>f</i> ≠1, <i>p</i>	$\frac{1}{p}\log_p(\zeta^p-1)-\log_p(\zeta-1)$	
f=p	$L_p(s)$ has a simple pole at $s=1$ with residue $-\frac{1}{p}$ .	$-\log(1-\zeta)$
f=1	$L_p(s) = \zeta_p(s)$ has a simple pole at $s=1$ with residue $\left(1-\frac{1}{p}\right)$ .	$\zeta(s)$ has a simple pole at $s=1$ with residue 1.

Example 2. On the Dirichlet series  $L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{(a+bn)^s}$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\chi$  is a Dirichlet character with conductor f which is neither 1 nor p. We put  $\eta = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi\sqrt{-1}}{bf}\right)$ .

$$\begin{split} L_{p}(1) = & -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{bf} \sum_{k=1 \atop (k,f)=1}^{f} \sum_{x=1}^{b} \bar{\chi}(k) \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} \frac{\eta^{(k+fx)(a-1-i)} \delta(p,i+1)}{i+1} \right. \\ & + \eta^{a(k+fx)} \log_{p}(1-\eta^{k+fx}) \right\} \\ & + \frac{\tau(\chi)}{\eta h f} \sum_{k=1}^{f} \sum_{x=1}^{b} \bar{\chi}(k) \, \eta^{(k+fx)a} \log_{p}(1-\eta^{p(k+fx)}), \end{split}$$

where we put  $\delta(p, i+1)=0$  if p|(i+1), 1 if  $p \nmid (i+1)$ .

$$L(1) = -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{bf} \sum_{k=1}^{f} \bar{\chi}(k) \sum_{x=1}^{b} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} \frac{\eta^{(k+fx)(a-1-i)}}{i+1} + \eta^{a(k+fx)} \log(1-\eta^{-k-fx}) \right\}.$$

EXAMPLE 3. On the Dirichlet series

$$L(s) = \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi_1(m)\chi_2(n)}{(m+n)^s}$$
,

where  $\chi_1$ ,  $\chi_2$ , are Dirichlet characters with conductors  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$  respectively which are neither 1 nor p.

(3.1) In case that  $f_1 \neq f_2$ .

$$\begin{split} L_{p}(1) &= \frac{\tau\left(\chi_{1}\right)\tau\left(\chi_{2}\right)}{f_{1}f_{2}} \sum_{\{*\}} \frac{\bar{\chi}_{1}\left(m_{1}\right) \, \bar{\chi}_{2}\left(m_{2}\right)}{\left(\zeta_{f_{1}^{1}}^{m_{1}} - \zeta_{f_{2}^{2}}^{m_{2}}\right)} \\ &\times \left\{\zeta_{f_{1}^{1}}^{m_{1}} \log_{p}\left(1 - \zeta_{f_{1}^{1}}^{m_{1}}\right) - \frac{1}{p} \zeta_{f_{1}^{1}}^{m_{1}} \log_{p}\left(1 - \zeta_{f_{1}^{1}}^{p_{m_{1}}}\right) \right. \\ &\left. - \zeta_{f_{2}^{2}}^{m_{2}} \log_{p}\left(1 - \zeta_{f_{2}^{2}}^{m_{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{p} \zeta_{f_{2}^{2}}^{m_{2}} \log_{p}\left(1 - \zeta_{f_{2}^{2}}^{p_{m_{2}}}\right)\right\}, \end{split}$$

where  $\{*\} = \{(m_1, m_2) | 1 \leq m_1 \leq f_1, 1 \leq m_2 \leq f_2, \zeta_{f_1}^{m_1} \neq \zeta_{f_2}^{m_2} \}.$ 

$$L(1) = \frac{\tau\left(\chi_{1}\right)\tau\left(\chi_{2}\right)}{f_{1}f_{2}} \sum_{(*)} \frac{\bar{\chi}_{1}\left(m_{1}\right) \; \bar{\chi}_{2}\left(m_{2}\right)}{\left(\zeta_{f_{1}}^{m_{1}} - \zeta_{f_{2}}^{m_{2}}\right)} \; \left\{\zeta_{f_{1}}^{m_{1}} \log\left(1 - \zeta_{f_{1}}^{-m_{1}}\right) - \zeta_{f_{2}}^{m_{2}} \log\left(1 - \zeta_{f_{2}}^{-m_{2}}\right)\right\}.$$

(3.2) In case  $f_1 = f_2 = f$ 

$$\begin{split} L_{p}(1) &= \frac{\tau(\chi_{1})\tau(\chi_{2})}{f^{2}} \left[ \sum_{m=1}^{f} \bar{\chi}_{1}(m) \, \bar{\chi}_{2}(m) \left( \frac{1}{1 - \zeta_{f}^{pm}} - \frac{1}{1 - \zeta_{f}^{m}} \right) \right. \\ &+ \log_{p} (1 - \zeta_{f}^{m}) - \frac{1}{p} \log_{p} (1 - \zeta_{f}^{pm}) \right) \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} & + \sum_{\substack{\{1 \leq m_1 \leq m_2 \leq f \\ 1 \leq m_2 \leq m_1 \leq f}} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(m_1) \ \bar{\chi}_2(m_2)}{(\zeta_f^{m_1} - \zeta_f^{m_2})} \Big( \zeta_f^{m_1} \log_p (1 - \zeta_f^{m_1}) \\ & - \frac{1}{p} \zeta_f^{m_1} \log_p (1 - \zeta_f^{pm_1}) - \zeta_f^{m_2} \log_p (1 - \zeta_f^{m_2}) + \frac{1}{p} \zeta_f^{m_2} \log_p (1 - \zeta_f^{pm_2}) \Big) \Big]. \\ L(1) &= \frac{\tau(\chi_1) \tau(\chi_2)}{f^2} \Big[ \sum_{m=1}^f \bar{\chi}_1(m) \ \bar{\chi}_2(m) \Big( \log (1 - \zeta_f^{-m}) - \frac{1}{1 - \zeta_f^{m}} \Big) \\ & + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq m_1 \leq m_2 \leq f \\ 1 \leq m_2 < m_1 \leq f}} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(m_1) \ \bar{\chi}_2(m_2)}{(\zeta_f^{m_1} - \zeta_f^{m_2})} \ (\zeta_f^{m_1} \log (1 - \zeta_f^{-m_1}) - \zeta_f^{m_2} \log (1 - \zeta_f^{-m_2})) \Big]. \end{split}$$

REMARK 3. We can get the expressions of  $L_p(1+en)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  using Lemma 4.

REMARK 4. P. Cassou-Nogués constructed the p-adic meromorphic function  $L_p(s, (1-i) \mod e)$  for the series of (II) type given in §2 of this paper, in the case that  $\Lambda(\cdot) \equiv 1$  and every  $a_j(1 \leq j \leq i)$  is an algebraic integer smaller than 1, independently of us. (See Cassou-Nogués [7]). In [7] there are other examples of p-adic functions. In our [6], we showed that  $L_p(s,j)$   $(0 \leq j \leq e-1)$  is meromorphic for any series of (II) type where  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_i$  are arbitrary positive algebraic (over Q) p-adic integers. This is a generalization of the p-adic analogue for the Hurwits p-adic investigated a p-adic analogue for the Hurwits Lerch p-adic in Morita [5] and [10].

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