

ALGEBRAIC K-THEORY AND ARITHMETIC

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NOTATION

F a number field

\mathcal{O}_F its ring of integers

$\mathfrak{v} \in \text{spec } \mathcal{O}_F$ a nonzero prime ideal

$$k_{\mathfrak{v}} := \mathcal{O}_F / \mathfrak{v}$$

$$l_{\mathfrak{v}} = q_{\mathfrak{v}}^{-\text{ord}(\cdot)} \quad \text{where } q_{\mathfrak{v}} = |k_{\mathfrak{v}}|$$

Let A be a commutative, unital ring. Let $P(A)$ be the category of finitely generated, projective A -modules.

$$K_0(A) := \frac{\langle [P] ; P \in P(A) \rangle}{\langle [P \oplus Q] - [P] - [Q] ; P, Q \in P(A) \rangle}$$

$$K_1(A) := GL(A) / E(A)$$

$$K_2(A) := \text{Ker} (St(A) \longrightarrow E(A))$$

where $St(A) = \varinjlim St_n(A)$

$$St_n(A) = \frac{\langle x_{ij}^\lambda \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n, \lambda \in A \rangle}{\langle x_{ij}^\lambda x_{ij}^\mu x_{ij}^{-\lambda-\mu}, [x_{ij}^\lambda ; x_{jk}^\mu] x_{ki}^{-\lambda\mu} \text{ for } i \neq l, [x_{ij}^\lambda ; x_{kl}^\mu] \text{ for } j \neq k \rangle} \quad (2)$$

See the Milnor's book: Intr. to Alg. K-theory

Th'm (see the Milnor's book)

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{K}_0(\mathcal{O}_F) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \text{CL}(\mathcal{O}_F)$$

$$(2) \quad \mathcal{K}_1(\mathcal{O}_F) = \mathcal{O}_F^\times$$

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{K}_0(L) = \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{for any field } L$$

$$(4) \quad \mathcal{K}_1(L) = L^\times \quad (- || -)$$

$$(5) \quad \mathcal{K}_2(L) = L^\times \oplus L^\times / \langle x \otimes (1-x) \rangle ;$$

Matsuoto theorem

$x \neq 0, 1$

There is the exact sequence defining the class group:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_F^\times & \rightarrow & F^\times & \xrightarrow{\text{val}} & \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{p}} \mathbb{Z} & \rightarrow & \text{CL}(\mathcal{O}_F) \rightarrow 0 \\
 & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 0 \rightarrow & \mathcal{K}_1(\mathcal{O}_F) & \rightarrow & \mathcal{K}_1(F) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{p}} \mathcal{K}_0(k_{\mathfrak{p}}) & \rightarrow & \mathcal{K}_0(\mathcal{O}_F)
 \end{array}$$

Corollary:

$$\text{ord}_{s=-n} \zeta_F(s) = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} K_{2n+1}(\mathcal{O}_F) \oplus_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$$

where $\zeta_F(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{a}} \frac{1}{N\mathfrak{a}^s}$ for $\text{Re } s > 1$

is the Dedekind zeta function

Th'm (Quillen) If \mathbb{F}_q is a finite field with q -elements, then

$$K_0(\mathbb{F}_q) = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$K_{2n}(\mathbb{F}_q) = 0 \quad \text{for } n > 0$$

$$K_{2n-1}(\mathbb{F}_q) \cong \mathbb{Z}/q^n - 1 \quad \text{for } n > 0$$

D. Quillen constructed the topological space $BQP(A)$ and defined his K -theory:

$$K_n^{\mathbb{Q}}(A) := \pi_{n+1}(BQP(A))$$

Th'm (Quillen) $K_n^{\mathbb{Q}}(A) = K_n(A)$
for all $0 \leq n \leq 2$.

From now on we will write $K_n(A)$ instead of $K_n^{\mathbb{Q}}(A)$.

Th'm (Quillen) $K_n(\mathbb{Q}_F)$ is a $\textcircled{4}$ finitely generated abelian group.

Th'm (Borel)

$$K_n(\mathbb{Q}_F) \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q} & n=0 \\ \mathbb{Q}^{r_1+r_2-1} & n=1 \\ 0 & n = \text{even}, n > 0 \\ \mathbb{Q}^{r_1+r_2} & n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \mathbb{Q}^{r_2} & n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Th'm (Quillen) There is the following exact sequence:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \rightarrow & K_n(\mathcal{O}_F) & \rightarrow & U_n(F) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \bigoplus_{\mathcal{J}} U_{n-1}(k_{\mathcal{O}}) & \rightarrow \\
 \rightarrow & U_{n-1}(\mathcal{O}_F) & \rightarrow & \dots & \rightarrow & \dots & \rightarrow \\
 \rightarrow & U_1(\mathcal{O}_F) & \rightarrow & U_1(F) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \bigoplus_{\mathcal{J}} k_0(k_{\mathcal{O}}) & \rightarrow \\
 \rightarrow & U_0(\mathcal{O}_F) & \rightarrow & k_0(F) & \rightarrow & 0 &
 \end{array}$$

Th'm (Soule, Quillen)

$$K_{2n+1}(\mathcal{O}_F) = K_{2n+1}(F) \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow U_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F) \rightarrow U_{2n}(F) \xrightarrow{\partial} \bigoplus_{\mathcal{J}} U_{2n-1}(k_{\mathcal{O}})$$

for $n > 0$

Def. $D(n) := \text{oliv } K_{2n}(F) =$
 $= \bigcap_{r \geq 0} K_{2n}(F)^r$

For $n=1$ the group $D(1)$ was considered by Kuss-Tate

For $n \geq 1$ the group $D(n)$ was considered by Bernshtei

Note that $D(n) \subset U_{2n}(U_F)$ so $D(n)$ is finite and

if $D(n) \neq 0$, then $D(n)$ is not a
olivarible group!

Conjectures (Quillen-Lichtenbaum)

There are natural isomorphisms

$$K_{2n}(O_F) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_\ell \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{et}}^2(O_F[\frac{1}{\ell}]; \mathbb{Z}_\ell(n+1))$$

$$K_{2n+1}(O_F) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_\ell \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{et}}^1(O_F[\frac{1}{\ell}]; \mathbb{Z}_\ell(n+1))$$

C. Soulé first constructed such maps for $l > n$ and then

Dwyer - Friedlander constructed these maps for all $l > 2$ extending the result of Soulé.

Dwyer and Friedlander constructed the Atiyah-Hirzebruch type spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p, -q} = H_{\text{et}}^p(O_F[\frac{1}{\ell}]; \mathbb{Z}_\ell(\frac{q}{2})) \Rightarrow K_{q-p}^{\text{et}}(O_F[\frac{1}{\ell}])$$

and surjective homomorphisms

$$K_u(O_F) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_\ell \rightarrow K_u^{\text{et}}(O_F[\frac{1}{\ell}]) \quad (8)$$

for $l \geq 2$ and $u \geq 2$.

Th'm (G.B) There is the following commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)_\mathbb{C} & \longrightarrow & K_{2n}(F)_\mathbb{C} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{\nu} K_{2n-1}(k_\nu)_\mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \simeq \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & K_{2n}^{\text{et}}(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{u}]) & \longrightarrow & K_{2n}^{\text{et}}(F)_\mathbb{C} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{\nu} K_{2n-1}^{\text{et}}(k_\nu) \longrightarrow
 \end{array}$$

Th'm (G.B., M. Kolster) The middle vertical arrow in the diagram above induces natural isomorphism

$$D(n)_\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\simeq} D(n)^{\text{et}} \text{ where } D(n)^{\text{et}} := \text{oker } K_{2n}^{\text{et}}(F)_\mathbb{C}$$

Th'm (G.B., P. Zelewski)

$$\varprojlim_{\mathfrak{u}}^1 K_n(F; \mathbb{Z}/\mathfrak{u}) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \varprojlim_{\mathfrak{u}}^1 K_n^{\text{et}}(F; \mathbb{Z}/\mathfrak{u})$$

for any F , $l > 2$ and $n \geq 2$.

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Observe that Quillen - Lichtenbaum
conjecture can be reformulated
as follows:

$$\varprojlim_{\kappa} K_n(F; \mathbb{Z}/\ell^u) \xrightarrow[\mathbb{Q}\text{-L conj}]{\cong} \varprojlim_{\kappa} K_n^{\text{et}}(F; \mathbb{Z}/\ell^u)$$

for any F , $l \geq 2$, $n \geq 2$.

Th'm (G. B. P. Zelenzki)

$$(1) \varprojlim_{\kappa} K_{2n}^1(F; \mathbb{Z}/\ell^u) = 0$$

(2) there is an exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow D(n)_\ell \rightarrow \varprojlim_{\kappa} K_{2n+1}^1(F; \mathbb{Z}/\ell^u) \rightarrow \varprojlim_{\kappa} \bigoplus_{\nu} K_{2n}(k_\nu; \mathbb{Z}/\ell^u)$$

$$\text{Moreover } \varprojlim_{\kappa} \bigoplus_{\nu} K_{2n}(k_\nu; \mathbb{Z}/\ell^u) \rightarrow 0$$

is a torsion free group.

If F is a totally real field then

for $n > 0$, $n = \text{odd}$ and $l \geq 2$

the Quillen-Lichtenbaum conj.
can be reformulated as follows

Conj. (Quillen-Lichtenbaum)

$$|\mathcal{K}_F(-n)|_l^{-1} = \frac{|K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)_l|}{|K_{2n+1}(\mathcal{O}_F)_l|}$$

where $|X| :=$ number of elements
of a finite set X .

However under the same assumptions we have:

Th'm (Wiles, consequence of the Adic
Conj. in Iwasawa theory)

$$|\mathcal{K}_F(-n)|_l^{-1} = \frac{|K_{2n}^{\text{et}}(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{l}])|}{|K_{2n+1}^{\text{et}}(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{l}])|}$$

Note that

$$K_{2n+1}^{\text{et}}(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{l}]) \cong H_{\text{et}}^1(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{l}]; \mathbb{Q}_l(n+1)) \cong$$

$$\cong H_{\text{et}}^0(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{l}]; \mathbb{Q}_l/\mathbb{Z}_l(n+1)) \quad \text{So}$$

$$|K_{2n+1}^{\text{et}}(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{l}])| = |W_{n+1}(F)_l|^{-1}$$

where $w_k(L) :=$ maximal m such that the exponent of $G(L(\mu_m)/L)$ divides k . Eg. $w_1(\mathbb{Q}) = 2$, $w_2(\mathbb{Q}) = 24$
 $w_1(L) = \#$ of roots of unity in L .

Th'm (G.B., M. Kolster)

For F totally real, $n \geq 0$, n -odd
 $l > 2$

$$|D(n)_l| = \frac{|w_{n+1}(F) \mathcal{P}_F(-n)|_l^{-1}}{\prod_{v|l} |w_n(F)|_v^{-1}}$$

Corollary. For $n > 0$, n -odd, $l > 2$

$$\begin{aligned} |D(n)_l| &= |w_{n+1}(\mathbb{Q}) \mathcal{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}(-n)|_l^{-1} = \\ &= |K_{2n}^{\text{et}}(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{l}])| \end{aligned}$$

Th'm (Levine, Merkuriev, Suslin)

$$K_3(\mathcal{O}_F) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_\ell \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{et}}^3(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{\ell}]; \mathbb{Z}_\ell(2))$$

Th'm (Tate)

$$K_2(\mathcal{O}_F) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_\ell \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{et}}^2(\mathcal{O}_F[\frac{1}{\ell}]; \mathbb{Z}_\ell(2))$$

Hence Quillen-Lichtenbaum
conjecture holds for $n=1$.

In particular if F is totally
real then

$$|\zeta_F(-1)|_\ell^{-1} = \frac{|K_2(\mathcal{O}_F)_\ell|}{|K_3(\mathcal{O}_F)_\ell|}$$

Blodk - Kato conjecture

Let $\text{char } L \neq l$. Then the natural homomorphism

$$K_n^M(L) / l^n \xrightarrow{\sim} H^n(G_L; \mathbb{Z}/l^n(n))$$

$$\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \longmapsto a_1 \cup \dots \cup a_n$$

is an isomorphism.

Th'm. (Voevodsky - Rost - Weibel)

Blodk - Kato conjecture holds.

It is known that Blodk - Kato conjecture implies Quillen - Lichtenbaum conjecture. Hence the Quillen - Lichtenbaum conjecture holds for all $n \geq 1$.

Let $C := \text{Cl}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_n))_L$. Let

$$\omega : G(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_n)/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/L)^\times$$

be the Teichmüller character

$$\chi^\sigma = \chi^{\omega(\sigma)} \quad \text{for } \sigma \in G(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_n)/\mathbb{Q})$$

One can make the decomposition

$$C = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{L-1} C^{[i]} \quad \text{where}$$

$$C^{[i]} = \{c \in C ; \sigma c = \omega^i(\sigma) c \text{ for all } \sigma \in G(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_n)/\mathbb{Q})\}$$

Conjecture (Kummer - Vandiver)

$$C^{[i]} = 0 \quad \text{for all } i \text{ even}$$

Conjecture (Iwasawa)

$$C^{[i]} = \text{cyclic for all } i \text{ odd}$$

One can prove the following isomorphisms:

$$D(n)_L \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{et}}^2(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{l}]; \mathbb{Z}_l(n+1)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \\ \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{et}}^2(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{l}]; \mathbb{Z}_l(n+1)) \xrightarrow{\sim}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}^{[l-1-n]} / l$$

Hence we can restate the above conj. as follows:

Conj. (Kummer - Vandiver)

$$D(n)_L = 0 \quad \text{for all } n \text{ even} \\ 2 \leq n \leq l-1$$

Conj. (Iwasawa)

$$D(n)_L = \text{cyclic for all } n \text{ odd} \\ 1 \leq n \leq l-2$$

Proposition. If $l \rightarrow \infty$ then
 the number of eigenvalues $\lambda^{[i]}$
 s.t. $\lambda^{[i]} = 0$ also goes to ∞ .

proof. It follows from the reformu-
 lation of the Kummer-Vandiver's
 and Inverse conj. in terms
 of $D(n)$. \square

Proposition (Kurihara)

$$C^{[l-3]} = 0 \text{ for any } l > 2$$

proof. Since $K_4(\mathbb{Z}) = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$D(\mathbb{Z}) = 0. \quad \square$$

Note that

$$C^{[i]} = e_{wi} C \text{ where}$$

$$e_{wi} = \frac{1}{l-1} \sum_{\sigma \in G(\mathbb{Q}(n_i)/\mathbb{Q})} w^i(\sigma) \sigma^{-1} \quad \text{Hence it is}$$

clear that $C^{[l-1]} = 0$.

Thm (Soub) . For $l > v(n)$ we
have $C^{[l-n]} = 0$

where

$$\log v(n) \leq n \cdot 224n^4$$

Let $f \geq 1$, $f \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Consider the partial zeta function

$$\zeta_f(a, s) = \sum_{\substack{k \geq 1 \\ k \equiv a \pmod{f}} \frac{1}{k^s} \quad \text{for } \operatorname{Re} s > 1.$$

$\zeta_f(a, s)$ can be analytically continued to the whole complex plane except $s=1$. For each $n \geq 0$

$\zeta_f(a, -n)$ is a rational number.

Let F/\mathbb{Q} be an abelian extension with conductor f . It means that f is the smallest natural number such that $\mathbb{Q} \subset F \subset \mathbb{Q}(\mu_f)$

Coxeter and Sinnott generalized the classical Stickelberger element and defined the following elements in the group ring

$$\mathbb{Q}[G(F/\mathbb{Q})].$$

Def. (Goates - Simont)

$$\Theta_n := \Theta_n(b, f)$$

$$\Theta_n(b, f) := (b^{n+1} - (b, F)) \sum_{\substack{(a, F) = 1 \\ 1 \leq a < f}} \sum_f(a, -n) (a, F)^{-1}$$

where (a, F) is the restriction of the automorphism

$$\sigma_a : \mathbb{Q}(\mu_f) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}(\mu_f)$$

$$\sum_f^{\sigma_a} = \sum_f^a$$

One can also write:

$$\Theta_n = \sum_{\substack{(a, f) = 1 \\ 1 \leq a < f}} \Delta_{n+1}(a, b, f) (a, F)^{-1}$$

where

$$\Delta_{n+1}(a, b, f) := b^{n+1} \sum_f(a, -n) - \sum_f(ab, -n)$$

Th'm. (Coates - Sinnott)

(1) $\Delta_{n+1}(a, b, f)$ are integers if
 $(b, \omega_{n+1}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_f))) = 1$

(2) $\Delta_{n+1}(a, b, f) \equiv a^n b^n \Delta_1(a, b, f) \pmod{f_n}$
where $f_n = f \cdot \prod_{p|f} p^{v_p(n)}$.

Conjecture (Coates - Sinnott)

For each positive b with $(b, \omega_{n+1}(\mathbb{Q}(\mu_f))) = 1$:

Θ_n annihilates $K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)$.

Th'm (Stickelberger) Θ_0 annihilates

$$CL(\mathcal{O}_F) = \widehat{K_0(\mathcal{O}_F)}.$$

Th'm (Coates - Sinnott) Θ_1 annihilates

$K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)_l$ for any $l > 2$ ~~with~~ under

the assumption that $(b; |K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)|) = 1$.

Th'm (G.B)

Θ_n annihilates $D(n)_l$ if $l \neq n$

$n \cdot \Theta_n$ annihilates $D(n)_l$ if $l \neq n$

The proof of the above theorem was based on the construction of the Stickelberger's "splitting" map

$\Lambda :$

$$D \rightarrow K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)_l \rightarrow K_{2n}(F)_l \xrightarrow{\partial} \bigoplus_{\nu} K_{2n-1}(k_{\nu}) \rightarrow \dots$$

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with the property that

$$\partial \circ \Lambda = \text{multiplication by } \begin{cases} \Theta_n & \text{if } l \neq n \\ n\Theta_n & \text{if } l = n \end{cases}$$

For any $l > 2$ and $k \geq 0$ there is the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K_{2n}(\mathcal{O}_F)[l^k] \rightarrow K_{2n}(F)[l^k] \xrightarrow{\partial} \bigoplus_{\nu} K_{2n-1}(k_{\nu})[l^k] \rightarrow D(n)_l \rightarrow \dots$$

Hence the above theorem follows.

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It was observed by Hinnott that the classical Stickelberger's theorem is equivalent to the existence of the Stickelberger's splitting map Λ :

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F^\times \rightarrow F^\times \xrightarrow{\text{val}} \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{r}} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_F) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \nwarrow \Lambda$$

s.t. $\text{val} \circ \Lambda = \text{multiplication by } \Theta_0$.

Observe that

$$(1) \quad \Theta_m = (b^{m+1} - 1) \sum_{\mathfrak{a}} (-m)$$

for $F = \mathbb{Q}$

$$(2) \quad \text{GCD} \left\{ b^{m+1} - 1 ; b \text{ prime and } (b ; (w_{m+1}(\mathbb{Q}) | k_{2m}(\mathbb{Z}) |)) = 1 \right\} =$$

$$= w_{m+1}(\mathbb{Q})$$

Corollary (G.B.) If L does not divide n then the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow U_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow U_{2n}(\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\mathcal{P}} K_{2n-1}(\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{P}}) \rightarrow 0$$

splits. Moreover if $L|n$ and L is regular then the above exact sequence also splits.

Examples

(1) For $n=3$, $\omega_4(\mathbb{Q}) \int_{\mathbb{Q}} (-3) = 2$.

Hence

$$K_6(\mathbb{Q}) \cong U_6(\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \bigoplus_{\mathcal{P}} K_5(\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{P}}) \quad \text{up to 2-torsion}$$

(2) For $n=5$, $\omega_6(\mathbb{Q}) \int_{\mathbb{Q}} (-5) = -2$

Hence

$$K_{10}(\mathbb{Q}) \cong U_{10}(\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \bigoplus_{\mathcal{P}} K_9(\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{P}}) \quad \text{up to 2-torsion}$$

(3) For $n=11$, $w_{12}(\mathbb{Q}) \int_{\mathbb{Q}}(-11) = 2 \cdot 691$
 It follows from the joint work of G.B. with M. Kolster that
 $D(n) \cong \mathbb{Z}/691$ up to 2-torsion
 Hence the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K_{22}(\mathbb{Z})_l \rightarrow K_{22}(\mathbb{Q})_l \rightarrow \bigoplus_p K_{21}(\mathbb{F}_p)_l \rightarrow 0$$

splits for each prime $l > 2$ except $l=691$.

Th'm (G.B) The exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})_l \rightarrow K_{2n}(\mathbb{Q})_l \rightarrow \bigoplus_p K_{2n-1}(\mathbb{F}_p)_l \rightarrow 0$$

splits iff $l \nmid w_{n+1}(\mathbb{Q}) \int(-n)$.

Example. For $n=67$, $37 \parallel w_{68}(\mathbb{Q}) \int(-67)$.

So $D(67) \cong \mathbb{Z}/37$ and the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K_{134}(\mathbb{Z})_{37} \rightarrow K_{134}(\mathbb{Q})_{37} \rightarrow \bigoplus_p K_{133}(\mathbb{F}_p)_{37} \rightarrow 0$$

does not split.

Th'm (Tate)

$$K_2(\mathbb{Q}) \cong K_2(\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \bigoplus_p K_1(\mathbb{F}_p)$$

Let K be a totally real field
and let F/K be an abelian
extension. Let f be the conductor
of F and let K_f/K be the
ray class field extension.

Consider the partial zeta function

$$\zeta_f(a, s) = \sum_{c \equiv a \pmod{f}} \frac{1}{Nc^s} \quad \text{for } \text{Re } s > 1$$

where a, c, f are ideals of \mathcal{O}_K .

Coates defined Stickelberger's
elements in this case as follows:

Def. (Coates)

$$\Theta_n(b, f) = (Nb^{n+1} - (b, f)) \sum_{(a; f)=1} \zeta_f(a, -n) (a, f)^{-1}$$

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Th'm (Deligne - Ribet - Wates)

If $(b, w_{\text{nr}}(F)) = 1$ then

$$\Theta_m(b, f) \in \mathbb{Z}[G(F/K)].$$

Remark. By the work of Siegel

$$\Theta_m(b, f) \in \mathbb{Q}[G(F/K)]$$

Th'm (G.B., C. Popescu). Let

$\Theta_1(b, f_k)$ annihilates

$K_2(\mathcal{O}_{F_k})_L$ for all $k \geq 1$.

Then $\Theta_m(b, f)$ annihilates

$D_F^{(m)}_L$ for all $m \geq 1$, where

Corollary (G.B., C. Popescu). Let F/K
be a CM abelian extension.

If the Iwasawa μ -invariant for F
and L is zero then $\Theta_m(b, f)$ annihilates

$D_F^{(m)}_L$ for all $m \geq 1$.

Remarks

$$(1) \quad \frac{t}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

B_n = Bernoulli numbers

$$B_0 = 1, \quad B_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad B_2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$B_n = 0$ for $n > 1$, $n = \text{odd}$

$$\zeta(-n) = -\frac{B_{n+1}}{n+1} \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{t e^{xt}}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$B_n(x)$ Bernoulli polynomials

$$B_n(1-x) = (-1)^n B_n(x)$$

$$B_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} B_i x^{n-i}$$

$$\zeta_f(b, -n) = -f^n \frac{B_{n+1}\left(\frac{b}{f}\right)}{n+1}$$

for $n \geq 0$
 $a < b < f$

$$B_0(x) = 1$$

$$B_1(x) = x - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$B_2(x) = x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6} \quad \dots$$

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