

**11.5. Global functoriality.** Now let us take  $k$  a global field of characteristic 0, that is, a number field and let  $G$  be a connected reductive group defined and split over  $k$ . As before, we let  $r : {}^L G \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{C}) = {}^L GL_n$  be an  $L$ -homomorphism. Then there is also a global Principle of Functoriality, namely:

**Principle of Functoriality:** *Associated to the  $L$ -homomorphism  $r : {}^L G \rightarrow {}^L GL_n$  there should be associated a natural lift or transfer of automorphic representations of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  to automorphic representations of  $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$ .*

We can give a precise formulation of this through local Langlands functoriality and a local-global principle. Let  $\pi = \otimes' \pi_v$  be an irreducible automorphic representation of  $G(\mathbb{A})$ . Then there is a finite set  $S$  of finite places such that for all  $v \notin S$  we have that either  $v$  is archimedean or  $\pi_v$  is unramified. In either case, we understand the local Langlands conjecture for  $\pi_v$  and hence we have a local functorial lift  $\Pi_v$  as a representation of  $GL_n(k_v)$ .

**Definition 11.1.** *Let  $\pi = \otimes' \pi_v$  be an automorphic representation of  $G(\mathbb{A})$ . An automorphic representation  $\Pi = \otimes' \Pi_v$  of  $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$  will be called a functorial lift or transfer of  $\pi$  if there is a finite set of places  $S$  such that  $\Pi_v$  is the local Langlands lift of  $\pi_v$  for all  $v \notin S$ .*

Then Langlands' Principle of Functoriality predicts that every automorphic representation  $\pi$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  does indeed have a functorial lift to  $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$ . Note that  $\Pi$  being a functorial lift of  $\pi$  entails an equality of partial  $L$ -functions  $L^S(s, \pi, r) = L^S(s, \Pi)$  as well as for  $\varepsilon$ -factors and twisted versions. (A one point we called this a weak lift. But the terminology of functorial lift (without any prejudicial adjective) is consistent with the recent formulations of functoriality due to Arthur and Langlands himself.)

**11.6. Functoriality and the Converse Theorem.** It should be clear how to approach the problem of global functoriality via the Converse Theorem. We begin with a cuspidal automorphic representation  $\pi = \otimes' \pi_v$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})$ . There are three basic steps:

1. *Construction of a candidate lift.* If we know the local Langlands conjecture for all  $\pi_v$  then we simply take for  $\Pi_v$  the local Langlands

lift of  $\pi_v$ . Note that these local lifts will satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, r \otimes \iota) &= L(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v) \\ \varepsilon(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, r \otimes \iota, \psi_v) &= \varepsilon(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) \end{aligned}$$

for all irreducible admissible generic representations  $\pi'_v$  of  $GL_r(k_v)$ . Then we take  $\Pi = \otimes' \Pi_v$  to be our candidate lift. We then have

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \pi \times \pi', r \otimes \iota) &= L(s, \Pi \times \pi') \\ \varepsilon(s, \pi \times \pi', r \otimes \iota) &= \varepsilon(s, \Pi \times \pi') \end{aligned}$$

for all cuspidal  $\pi'$  of  $GL_r(\mathbb{A})$ .

In practice, there will be a finite set of places  $S$  where do not know the local Langlands conjecture for  $\pi_v$  and we will have to deal with this.

2. *Analytic properties of L-functions.* By the equality of  $L$ - and  $\varepsilon$ -factors above, to show that  $L(s, \Pi \times \pi')$  is nice for  $\pi'$  in a suitable twisting set  $\mathcal{T}$  it suffices to know this for  $L(s, \pi \times \pi', r \otimes \iota)$ . But this is what Kim has been lecturing on all semester.

In practice we do not expect  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  to be entire always, since we do expect some cuspidal representations  $\pi$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  to lift to non-cuspidal representations  $\Pi$  of  $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$ . This will also have to be dealt with.

3. *Apply the Converse Theorem.* Once we know that  $L(s, \Pi \times \pi')$  is nice for a suitable twisting set  $\mathcal{T}$ , then we can apply the appropriate Converse Theorem to conclude that a functorial lift exists.

We have left two problems unresolved: (i) the lack of the local Langlands conjecture at the  $v \in S$ , and (ii) the fact that some  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  could have poles. We are able to finesse both of these using an appropriately chosen idele class character  $\eta$  and the Useful Variant of our Converse Theorems. We will explain these in the next lecture when we deal with the functoriality for the classical groups.

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## 12. FUNCTORIALITY FOR THE CLASSICAL GROUPS

We again take  $k$  to be a number field. In this Lecture, this is currently a necessary restriction. We let  $\mathbb{A}$  denote its ring of adeles and fix a non-trivial character  $\psi$  of  $k \backslash \mathbb{A}$ .

**12.1. The result.** We take  $G = G_n$  to be a split classical group of rank  $n$  defined over  $k$ . More specifically, we consider the following cases.

(a)  $G_n = SO_{2n+1}$  or  $SO_{2n}$ , the special orthogonal group over  $k$  with respect to the symmetric bilinear form represented by

$$\Phi_m = \begin{pmatrix} & & 1 \\ & \ddots & \\ 1 & & \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } m = 2n + 1, 2n.$$

(b)  $G_n = Sp_{2n}$  the symplectic group with respect to the alternating form represented by

$$J_{2n} = \begin{pmatrix} & \Phi_n \\ -\Phi_n & \end{pmatrix}.$$

In each case, there is a standard embedding  $r : {}^L G \hookrightarrow GL_N(\mathbb{C}) = {}^L GL_N$  for an appropriate  $N$  as given in the following table.

$G_n$	$r : {}^L G_n \hookrightarrow {}^L GL_N$	$GL_N$
$SO_{2n+1}$	$Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{C}) \hookrightarrow GL_{2n}(\mathbb{C})$	$GL_{2n}$
$SO_{2n}$	$SO_{2n}(\mathbb{C}) \hookrightarrow GL_{2n}(\mathbb{C})$	$GL_{2n}$
$Sp_{2n}$	$SO_{2n+1}(\mathbb{C}) \hookrightarrow GL_{2n+1}(\mathbb{C})$	$GL_{2n+1}$

Let  $\pi = \otimes' \pi_v$  be a globally generic cuspidal representation of  $G_n(\mathbb{A})$ . [Recall that if  $B = TU$  is the standard (upper triangular) Borel subgroup of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  and we extend our additive character to one of  $U(k) \backslash U(\mathbb{A})$  in the standard way then  $\pi$  is globally generic if for  $\varphi \in V_\pi$  we have

$$\int_{U(k) \backslash U(\mathbb{A})} \varphi(ug) \psi^{-1}(u) \, du \neq 0.]$$

Our result is then the following.

**Theorem 12.1.** *Let  $\pi$  be a globally generic cuspidal representation of  $G_n(\mathbb{A})$ . Then  $\pi$  has a functorial lift  $\Pi$  to  $GL_N(\mathbb{A})$ .*

Our proof will be by the Converse Theorem. We will follow the three steps given above.

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set of finite places such that  $\pi_v$  is unramified for all finite  $v \notin S$ .

**12.2. Construction of a candidate lift.** (i) If  $v \notin S$ , then either  $v|\infty$  or  $v < \infty$  and  $\pi_v$  is unramified. In either case we have the local Langlands parameterization for  $\pi_v$  and hence a local functorial lift  $\Pi_v$  as an irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_N(k_v)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & {}^L G_n & \xrightarrow{\quad r \quad} & {}^L GL_n & \\
 \pi_v \longmapsto & \nearrow \phi_v & & \nwarrow \Phi_v & \longmapsto \Pi_v \\
 & W'_{k_v} & & & 
 \end{array}$$

As suggested by the formalism, one can show the following.

**Proposition 12.1.** *Let  $\Pi_v$  be the local functorial lift of  $\pi_v$ . Let  $\pi'_v$  be an irreducible admissible generic representation of  $GL_d(k_v)$  with  $1 \leq d \leq N-1$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v) &= L(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v) \\
 \varepsilon(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) &= \varepsilon(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v)
 \end{aligned}$$

For simplicity, since  $r$  is the standard embedding of the  $L$ -groups, we have dropped it from our notation and written

$$L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v) = L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, r \otimes \iota),$$

etc..

(ii) If  $v \in S$  then we may not have the local Langlands parameterization of  $\pi_v$ . We replace this knowledge with the following two local results.

**Proposition 12.2** (Multiplicativity of  $\gamma$ ). *If  $\pi_v$  is an irreducible admissible generic representation of  $G_n(k_v)$  and  $\pi'_v$  is an irreducible admissible generic representation of  $GL_d(k_v)$  of the form*

$$\pi'_v \simeq \text{Ind}_{Q(k_v)}^{GL_d(k_v)} (\pi'_{1,v} \otimes \pi'_{2,v})$$

*then*

$$\gamma(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) = \gamma(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_{1,v}, \psi_v) \gamma(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_{2,v}, \psi_v).$$

In this case, one also has a divisibility among the  $L$ -functions

$$L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v)^{-1} \mid [L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_{1,v}) L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_{2,v})]^{-1}.$$

There is a similar multiplicativity in the first variable, that is, when the representation  $\pi_v$  of  $G_n(k_v)$  is induced.

**Proposition 12.3** (Stability of  $\gamma$ ). *Let  $\pi_{1,v}$  and  $\pi_{2,v}$  be two irreducible admissible smooth generic representations of  $G_n(k_v)$ . Then for every sufficiently highly ramified character  $\eta_v$  of  $k_v^\times$  we have*

$$\gamma(s, \pi_{1,v} \times \eta_v, \psi_v) = \gamma(s, \pi_{2,v} \times \eta_v, \psi_v).$$

In this situation, one also has that the  $L$ -functions stabilize

$$L(s, \pi_{1,v} \times \eta_v) = L(s, \pi_{2,v} \times \eta_v) \equiv 1$$

so that the  $\varepsilon(s, \pi_{i,v} \times \eta_v, \psi_v)$  stabilize as well.

Recall from Lecture 6 that we had analogous statements for  $GL_n(k_v)$ . Moreover, as noted there, by using the multiplicativity in the  $G_n$ -variable one can compute the stable form of the  $\gamma$ -factor in terms of abelian  $\gamma$ -factors. Comparing these stable forms for  $G_n(k_v)$  with those for  $GL_N(k_v)$  one finds:

**Proposition 12.4** (Comparison of stable forms). *Let  $\pi_v$  be an irreducible admissible generic representation of  $G_n(k_v)$ . Let  $\Pi_v$  be an irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_N(k_v)$  having trivial central character. Then for every sufficiently ramified character  $\eta_v$  of  $GL_1(k_v)$  we have*

$$\gamma(s, \pi_v \times \eta_v, \psi_v) = \gamma(s, \Pi_v \times \eta_v, \psi_v).$$

Of course since both  $L$ -functions stabilize to 1, this gives the equality of the stable  $L$ - and  $\varepsilon$ -factors.

So at the places  $v \in S$  we can now take as the local component  $\Pi_v$  of our candidate lift any irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_N(k_v)$  with  $\omega_{\Pi_v} \equiv 1$ . With this choice of  $\Pi_v$  we have the following result.

**Proposition 12.5.** *Let  $\pi'_v$  be an irreducible admissible generic representation of  $GL_d(k_v)$  of the form  $\pi'_v = \pi'_{0,v} \otimes \eta_v$  with  $\pi'_{0,v}$  unramified and  $\eta_v$  chosen as above. Then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v) &= L(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v) \\ \varepsilon(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) &= \varepsilon(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) \end{aligned}$$

To see this on the level of  $\gamma$ -factors, write  $\pi'_{0,v} = \text{Ind}(|\cdot|_v^{s_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes |\cdot|_v^{s_d})$ . Then  $\pi'_v = \text{Ind}(|\cdot|_v^{s_1} \eta_v \otimes \cdots \otimes |\cdot|_v^{s_d} \eta_v)$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) &= \prod_{i=1}^d \gamma(s + s_i, \pi_v \times \eta_v, \psi_v) && \text{(multiplicativity)} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^d \gamma(s + s_i, \Pi_v \times \eta_v, \psi_v) && \text{(stability)} \\ &= \gamma(s, \Pi_v \times \pi'_v, \psi_v) && \text{(multiplicativity)} \end{aligned}$$

Return to our generic cuspidal representation  $\pi = \otimes' \pi_v$  of  $G_n(\mathbb{A})$ . For each  $\pi_v$  we have attached a local representation  $\Pi_v$  of  $GL_N(k_v)$ , which is the local functorial lift for those  $v \notin S$ . Then  $\Pi = \otimes' \Pi_v$  is an irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_N(\mathbb{A})$ . This is our candidate lift. Combining our local results, we have:

**Proposition 12.6.** *Let  $\pi$  and  $\Pi$  be as above. Then there exists an idele class character  $\eta : k^\times \backslash \mathbb{A}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$  such that for all  $\pi' \in \mathcal{T}^S(N-1) \otimes \eta$  we have*

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \pi \times \pi') &= L(s, \Pi \times \pi') \\ \varepsilon(s, \pi \times \pi') &= \varepsilon(s, \Pi \times \pi') \end{aligned}$$

**12.3. Analytic properties of  $L$ -functions.** The analytic properties of the  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  are controlled through the Fourier coefficients of Eisenstein series as in Kim's lectures. We summarize the results from there that we need in the following result.

**Proposition 12.7.** *Let  $\pi$  be a globally generic cuspidal representation of  $G_n(\mathbb{A})$ . Let  $S$  be a non-empty set of finite places and let  $\eta : k^\times \backslash \mathbb{A}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$  be an idele class character such that at one place  $v_0 \in S$  we have that both  $\eta_{v_0}$  and  $\eta_{v_0}^2$  are ramified. Then  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  is nice for all  $\pi' \in \mathcal{T}^S(N-1) \otimes \eta$ , that is,*

- (i)  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  and  $L(s, \tilde{\pi} \times \tilde{\pi}')$  are entire functions of  $s$ ;
- (ii) these functions are bounded in vertical strips;

(iii) we have the standard functional equation

$$L(s, \pi \times \pi') = \varepsilon(s, \pi \times \pi') L(1-s, \tilde{\pi} \times \tilde{\pi}').$$

Recall that  $\eta$  is necessary only to ensure that the  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  are all entire. This resolves our global problem that the lift  $\Pi$  of  $\pi$  need not be cuspidal so that  $L(s, \pi \times \pi')$  might have poles if some restriction is not placed on the  $\pi'$ .

It is in the use of the Eisenstein series to control the  $L$ -functions that  $k$  is required to be a number field. In reality this should not matter, but at present this method of controlling the  $L$ -functions is only worked out in characteristic zero, that is, the number field case.

**12.4. Apply the Converse Theorem.** Take  $\pi = \otimes' \pi_v$  to be our globally generic cuspidal representation of  $G_n(\mathbb{A})$ . Let  $S$  be a non-empty set of finite places such that  $\pi_v$  is unramified for all finite places  $v \notin S$ . Construct the candidate lift  $\Pi = \otimes' \Pi_v$  as above.

For an appropriate choice of idele class character  $\eta : k^\times \backslash \mathbb{A}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ , chosen to satisfy both our local requirements of Proposition 12.6 and our global requirement of Proposition 12.7, we know that for all  $\pi' \in \mathcal{T}^S(N-1) \otimes \eta$  both

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \pi \times \pi') &= L(s, \Pi \times \pi') \\ \varepsilon(s, \pi \times \pi') &= \varepsilon(s, \Pi \times \pi') \end{aligned}$$

and

$$L(s, \pi \times \pi'), \text{ and hence } L(s, \Pi \times \pi'), \text{ is nice.}$$

Now applying the useful variant of our Converse Theorem there exists an automorphic representation  $\Pi'$  of  $GL_N(\mathbb{A})$  such that for all  $v \notin S$  we have

$$\Pi'_v \simeq \Pi_v = \text{the local functional lift of } \pi_v.$$

Then  $\Pi'$  is our functorial lift of  $\pi$ .

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