LOCAL ZETA FUNCTIONS AND NEWTON POLYHEDRA

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Abstract. To a polynomial f over a non-archimedean local field K and a character χ of the group of units of the valuation ring of K one associates Igusa's local zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi)$. In this paper, we study the local zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi)$ associated to a non-degenerate polynomial f, by using an approach based on the p-adic stationary phase formula and Néron p-desingularization. We give a small set of candidates for the poles of $Z(s, f, \chi)$ in terms of the Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ of f. We also show that for almost all χ , the local zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi)$ is a polynomial in q^{-s} whose degree is bounded by a constant independent of χ . Our second result is a description of the largest pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ in terms of $\Gamma(f)$ when the distance between $\Gamma(f)$ and the origin is at most one.

§1. Introduction

Let K be a non-archimedean local field of arbitrary characteristic. Let \mathcal{O}_K be the ring of integers of K and \mathcal{P}_K its maximal ideal. Let π be a fixed uniformizing parameter of K, and let the residue field of K be \mathbb{F}_q the field with $q = p^r$ elements. For $x \in K$, v denotes the valuation of K such that $v(\pi) = 1$, $|x|_K = q^{-v(x)}$ and $ac(x) = x\pi^{-v(x)}$. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$, $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ be a non-constant polynomial, and $\chi : \mathcal{O}_K^{\times} \to \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ a character of \mathcal{O}_K^{\times} , the group of units of \mathcal{O}_K . We formally put $\chi(0) = 0$. To these data one associates Igusa's local zeta function,

$$Z(s,f,\chi) = \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} \chi(acf(x)) |f(x)|_K^s |dx|, \quad s \in \mathbb{C},$$

for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$, where |dx| denotes the Haar measure on K^n , normalized such that \mathcal{O}_K^n has measure 1. In the case of K having characteristic zero,

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Igusa [I2] and Denef [D1] proved that $Z(s, f, \chi)$ is a rational function of q^{-s} .

A basic problem is to determine the poles of the meromorphic continuation of $Z(s, f, \chi)$ into $\operatorname{Re}(s) < 0$. The general strategy is to take a resolution $h: X \to K^n$ of f and study the resolution data $\{(N_i, n_i)\}$ in which N_i is the multiplicity of $f \circ h$ along a exceptional divisor D_i , and n_i is the multiplicity of $h^*(dx)$ along D_i . The set of ratios $\{\frac{-n_i}{N_i}\} \cup \{-1\}$ contains the real parts of the poles of $Z(s, f, \chi)$ as observed in [I2]. However, many examples show that most of these ratios do not correspond to poles. The problem of the determination of the actual poles of $Z(s, f, \chi)$ for arbitrary n is still an open problem. The case n = 2 was solved for irreducible f and $\chi = \chi_{triv}$ for all primes p by Meuser [Me]. The generalization to reducible f and $\chi \neq \chi_{triv}$ but for almost all primes p was solved by Veys in [Ve].

In case of non-degenerate polynomials with respect to its Newton polyhedron and $K = \mathbb{R}$, Varchenko [Va] gave a procedure to compute a set of candidates for the poles of the complex power of f, by using toroidal resolution of singularities (see also [D-S-1], [D-S-2]).

The *p*-adic case is entirely similar to the real case. In this case, Lichtin and Meuser [L-M] proved in the case n = 2 that not all candidates provided by the numerical data of a toric resolution of f are actually poles of $Z(s, f, \chi)$. In [D3] Denef gave a procedure based on monomial changes of variables to determine a small set of candidates for the poles of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ in terms of the Newton polyhedron of f.

In this paper, we study the local zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi)$ associated to a globally non-degenerate polynomial f (see Definition 1.1), by using an approach based on the p-adic stationary phase formula and Néron pdesingularization. We show the stationary phase formula gives a small set of candidates for the poles of $Z(s, f, \chi)$ in terms of the Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ of f (cf. Theorem A). When $\chi = \chi_{triv}$ and char(K) = 0 this set of poles agree with that obtained in [D3]. We also show that for almost all χ , the zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi)$ is a polynomial in q^{-s} whose degree is bounded by a constant independent of χ . Our second result shows that the stationary phase formula can be used to describe the largest pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ in terms of $\Gamma(f)$, when the distance between $\Gamma(f)$ and the origin is at most one (cf. Theorem B). This result was previously known for char(K) = 0. This result allows one to generalize estimates for exponential sums that were obtained in [D-Sp] to the case $char(K) \neq 0$ (cf. Corollary 6.1).

We set $\mathbb{R}_+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq 0\}$. Let $f(x) = \sum_l a_l x^l \in K[x], x =$

 (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) be a polynomial in *n* variables satisfying f(0) = 0. The set $supp(f) = \{l \in \mathbb{N}^n \mid a_l \neq 0\}$ is called the *support* of *f*. The Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ of *f* is defined as the convex hull in \mathbb{R}^n_+ of the set

$$\bigcup_{l \in supp(f)} (l + \mathbb{R}^n_+).$$

We denote by $\langle \ , \ \rangle$ the usual inner product of \mathbb{R}^n , and identify \mathbb{R}^n with its dual by means of it. We set

$$\langle a_{\gamma}, x \rangle = m(a_{\gamma}),$$

for the equation of the supporting hyperplane of a facet γ (i.e. a face of codimension 1 of $\Gamma(f)$) with perpendicular vector $a_{\gamma} = (a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n \setminus \{0\}$, and $|a_{\gamma}| := \sum_i a_i$.

DEFINITION 1.1. A polynomial $f(x) = \sum_{i} a_{i}x^{i} \in K[x]$ is called *globally non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron* $\Gamma(f)$, if it satisfies the following two properties:

(GND1) the origin of K^n is a singular point of f(x);

(GND2) for every face $\gamma \subset \Gamma(f)$ (including $\Gamma(f)$ itself), the polynomial

$$f_{\gamma}(x) := \sum_{i \in \gamma} a_i x^i$$

has the property that there is no $x \in (K \setminus \{0\})^n$ such that

$$f_{\gamma}(x) = \frac{\partial f_{\gamma}}{\partial x_1}(x) = \dots = \frac{\partial f_{\gamma}}{\partial x_n}(x) = 0.$$

Our first result is the following.

THEOREM A. Let K be a non-archimedean local field, and let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial globally non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$. Then the Igusa local zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi)$ is a rational function of q^{-s} satisfying:

(i) if s is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi)$, then

$$s = -\frac{|a_{\gamma}|}{m(a_{\gamma})} + \frac{2\pi i}{\log q} \frac{k}{m(a_{\gamma})}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

for some facet γ of $\Gamma(f)$ with perpendicular a_{γ} , and $m(a_{\gamma}) \neq 0$, or

$$s = -1 + \frac{2\pi i}{\log q}k, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z};$$

(ii) if $\chi \neq \chi_{triv}$ and the order of χ does not divide any $m(a_{\gamma}) \neq 0$, where γ is a facet of $\Gamma(f)$, then $Z(s, f, \chi)$ is a polynomial in q^{-s} , and its degree is bounded by a constant independent of χ .

For a polynomial $f(x) \in K[x]$ globally non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, we set

$$\beta(f) := \max_{\tau_j} \left\{ -\frac{|a_j|}{m(a_j)} \right\},\,$$

where τ_i runs through all facets of $\Gamma(f)$ satisfying $m(a_i) \neq 0$. The point

$$T_0 = \left(-\beta(f)^{-1}, \dots, -\beta(f)^{-1}\right) \in \mathbb{Q}^n$$

is the intersection point of the boundary of the Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ with the diagonal $\Delta = \{(t, \ldots, t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n . Let τ_0 be the face of smallest dimension of $\Gamma(f)$ containing T_0 , and ρ its codimension.

If $g(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$, $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$, we denote by $\overline{g(x)}$ its reduction modulo \mathcal{P}_K .

The second result of this paper describes the largest pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$, when $\beta(f) \geq -1$.

THEOREM B. Let K be a non-archimedean local field, and let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$. If $\beta(f) > -1$, then $\beta(f)$ is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ of multiplicity ρ . If $\beta(f) = -1$, then $\beta(f)$ is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ of multiplicity less than or equal to $\rho + 1$. Moreover, if every face $\gamma \supseteq \tau_0$ satisfies $\operatorname{Card}(\{z \in \mathbb{F}_q^{\times n} \mid \overline{f}_{\gamma}(z) = 0\}) > 0$, then the multiplicity of $\beta(f)$ is exactly $\rho + 1$.

The largest pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ when f is non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ and $\beta(f) > -1$ follows from observations made by Varchenko in [Va] and was originally noted in the p-adic case in [L-M] (although it is misstated there as $\beta(f) \neq -1$). The case $\beta(f) = -1$ is treated in [D-H]. The case of $\beta(f) < -1$ is more difficult and is established in [D-H] with some additional conditions on τ_0 by using a difficult result on exponential sums. Thus our Theorem B gives a different proof of the cases where $\beta(f) \geq -1$.

The organization of this paper is as follows. In Section 2, we review Igusa's stationary phase formula. The results of this section generalize our previous results in [Z-G]. Section 3 contains some basic results about Newton polyhedra. In Section 4, we prove Theorem A. In Section 5, we prove Theorem B. Section 6 contains some consequences of the main theorems. More precisely, we give estimates for exponential sums involving globally non-degenerate polynomials (cf. Corollary 6.1). In Section 7, we compute explicitly the local zeta functions of some polynomials in two variables and discuss the relation between the largest pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ and $\beta(f)$.

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§2. Igusa's stationary phase formula

In [I3] Igusa introduced the stationary phase formula for π -adic integrals and suggested that a closer examination of this formula might lead to a new proof of the rationality of $Z(s, f, \chi)$ in any characteristic. Following this suggestion the author proved the rationality of the local zeta function $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ attached to a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial f over an arbitrary non-archimedean local field [Z-G].

Let L be a ring and $f(x) \in L[x]$, we denote by $V_f(L)$ the corresponding L-hypersurface and by $Sing_f(L)$ the L-singular locus.

We denote by \bar{x} the image of an element of \mathcal{O}_K under the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi \mathcal{O}_K \cong \mathbb{F}_q$, i.e. the reduction modulo π . Given $\underline{f(x)} \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ such that not all its coefficients are in $\pi \mathcal{O}_K$, we denote by $\overline{f(x)}$ the polynomial obtained by reducing modulo π the coefficients of f(x).

We fix a lifting R of \mathbb{F}_q in \mathcal{O}_K . By definition, the set R is mapped bijectively onto \mathbb{F}_q by the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi\mathcal{O}_K$. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial in n variables, $P_1 = (y_1, \ldots, y_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$, and $m_{P_1} = (m_1, \ldots, m_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$. We call a K^n -isomorphism $\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$ a dilatation, if it has the form $\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x) = (z_1, \ldots, z_n), z_i = y_i + \pi^{m_i} x_i$, for each $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$. The dilatation of f(x) at P_1 induced by $\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$ is defined as

(2.1)
$$f_{P_1}(x) := \pi^{-e_{P_1}} f(\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x)),$$

where e_{P_1} is the minimum order of π in the coefficients of $f(\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x))$. We call the K-hypersurface $V_{f_{P_1}}(K)$ the dilatation of $V_f(K)$ at P_1 induced by $\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$; the number e_{P_1} the arithmetic multiplicity of f(x) at P_1 by $\Phi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$, and the set $S(f_{P_1})$, the lifting of $Sing_{\bar{f}_{P_1}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$, the first generation of descendants of P_1 .

Given a sequence of dilatations $(\Phi_{m_{P_k}}(x))_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$, we define inductively e_{P_1,\ldots,P_k} and $f_{P_1,\ldots,P_k}(x)$, $S(f_{P_1,\ldots,P_k})$ as follows:

(2.2)
$$f_{P_1,\dots,P_k}(x) := \begin{cases} f(x), & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \pi^{-e_{P_1,\dots,P_k}} f_{P_1,\dots,P_{k-1}}(\Phi_{m_{P_k}}(x)), & \text{if } k \ge 1, \end{cases}$$

where $P_k \in S(f_{P_1,\dots,P_{k-1}})$, and e_{P_1,\dots,P_k} is the minimum order of π in the coefficients of $f_{P_1,\dots,P_{k-1}}(\Phi_{m_{P_k}}(x))$. For $k \geq 1$, the set $S(f_{P_1,\dots,P_k}) := \bigcup_{P_k} S(f_{P_1,\dots,P_{k-1},P_k})$ is called the k^{th} -generation of descendants of P_1 . By definition the 0^{th} -generation of descendants of P_1 is $\{P_1\}$.

Now, we review Igusa's stationary phase formula, from the point of view of the dilatations. For that, we fix the m_{P_k} 's equal to $(1, \ldots, 1) \in \mathbb{N}^n$ in (2.1).

Let \overline{D} be a subset of \mathbb{F}_q^n and D its preimage under the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi \mathcal{O}_K \cong \mathbb{F}_q$. Let S(f, D) denote the subset of \mathbb{R}^n (the set of representatives of \mathbb{F}_q^n in \mathcal{O}_K^n) mapped bijectively to the set $Sing_{\overline{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q) \cap \overline{D}$. We use the simplified notation S(f) in the case of $D = \mathcal{O}_K^n$. Also we define:

$$\nu(\bar{f}, D, \chi) := \begin{cases} q^{-n} \operatorname{Card} \{ \overline{P} \in \overline{D} \mid \overline{P} \notin V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q) \}, & \text{if } \chi = \chi_{triv}, \\ q^{-nc_{\chi}} \sum_{\{P \in D \mid \overline{P} \notin V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)\} \mod \mathcal{P}_K^{c_{\chi}} \chi(ac(f(P))), & \text{if } \chi \neq \chi_{triv}, \end{cases}$$

where c_{χ} is the conductor of χ , and

$$\begin{split} \sigma(\bar{f}, D, \chi) &:= \\ \begin{cases} q^{-n} \operatorname{Card} \{ \overline{P} \in \overline{D} \mid \overline{P} \text{ is a smooth point of } V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q) \}, & \text{if } \chi = \chi_{triv}, \\ 0, & \text{if } \chi \neq \chi_{triv}. \end{cases} \end{split}$$

If $D = \mathcal{O}_K^n$, we use the simplified notation $\nu(\bar{f}, \chi)$, $\sigma(\bar{f}, \chi)$. We denote by $Z(D, s, f, \chi)$ the integral $\int_D \chi(ac(f(x)))|f(x)|_K^s |dx|$. With all this, we are able to establish Igusa's stationary phase formula for π -adic integrals ([I3, p. 177]):

Igusa's Stationary Phase Formula.

(2.3)
$$Z(D, s, f, \chi) = \nu(\bar{f}, D, \chi) + \sigma(\bar{f}, D, \chi) \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1-s})} + \sum_{P \in S(f,D)} q^{-n-e_Ps} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} \chi(ac(f_P(x))) |f_P(x)|_K^s |dx|,$$

where $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$. The proof given by Igusa in [I3], for the case $\chi = \chi_{triv}$, generalizes literally to arbitrary characters.

In [Z-G] the author introduced the following index of singularity at a point $P \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$, satisfying $P \notin Sing_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$.

DEFINITION 2.1. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial and $P = (a_1, \ldots, a_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$, such that $P \notin Sing_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$. We define

$$L(f,P) := \operatorname{Inf}\left(v(f(P)), v\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(P)\right), \dots, v\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(P)\right)\right).$$

It follows from the definition that L(f, P) = 0 if and only if the polynomial

$$\overline{f(x)} = \alpha_0 + \sum_j \alpha_j (x_j - \overline{a_j}) + (\text{degree} \ge 2) \in \mathbb{F}_q[x],$$

satisfies $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ for some $j = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, n$.

The index L(f, P) appears naturally associated to Igusa's stationary phase, as it was already noted in [Z-G]. In addition, this index plays an important role in the construction of the Néron π -adic desingularization of the special fiber of smooth schemes over $Spec(\mathcal{O}_K)$ (see [A], [N]).

If $A \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$, we denote by A^c the complement of A with respect to \mathcal{O}_K^n .

PROPOSITION 2.2. Let $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$ be an open and compact subset, and let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial such that $\operatorname{Sing}_f(K) \cap D = \emptyset$. Then there exists a constant $C(f, D) \in \mathbb{N}$, depending only on f and D, such that

(2.4)
$$L(f, P) \leq C(f, D), \text{ for all } P \in D.$$

Proof. By contradiction, we suppose that L(f, P) is not bounded on D. Thus there exists a sequence $(Q_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$ of points of D satisfying $\lim L(f, Q_i) \to \infty$, when $i \to \infty$. This sequence has a limit point $Q_* \in D$. Since $Sing_f(K)$ is a closed set, we have that $Q_* \in Sing_f(K) \cap D = \emptyset$, contradiction. From now on, we shall suppose that C(f, D) is minimal for condition (2.4).

We recall that a subset A of K^n is open and compact if and only if there is $m \geq 0$ such that A is the finite union of classes modulo π^m . In particular the preimage of any subset of \mathbb{F}_q^n under the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi\mathcal{O}_K$ is an open and compact subset.

The following lemma is a generalization of Proposition 2.3 of [Z-G].

LEMMA 2.3. Let $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$ be the preimage under the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi\mathcal{O}_K$ of a subset $\overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$, and let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial such that $Sing_f(\mathcal{O}_K) \cap D = \emptyset$, then

(i) $L(f_{P_1,\ldots,P_k},0) \leq L(f,P_1+\pi P_2+\cdots+\pi^{k-1}P_k)-k$, for every P_k , $k \geq 1$, satisfying: (H1) P_k is in the $(k-1)^{th}$ -generation of descendants of P_1 ; (H2) P_k has at least one descendant in the k^{th} -generation of descendants of P_1 .

(ii) For any $P = P_1 \in S(f, D)$, if $k \ge C(f, D) + 1$ then $S(f_{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k}) = \emptyset$.

Proof. First, we observe that

(2.5)
$$f(P_1 + \pi P_2 + \dots + \pi^{k-1} P_k + \pi^k x) = \pi^{E(P_1,\dots,P_k)} f_{P_1,\dots,P_k}(x),$$

where $E(P_1, ..., P_k) = e_{P_1} + e_{P_1, P_2} + e_{P_1, ..., P_k}$. The result follows from (2.5), if

$$e_{P_1,\dots,P_l} \ge 2$$
, for $l = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

This last fact follows from the following reasoning.

By applying the Taylor formula to $f_{P_1,\ldots,P_{l-1}}(P_l + \pi x)$, we obtain

(2.6)
$$f_{P_1,...,P_{l-1}}(P_l + \pi x) = f_{P_1,...,P_{l-1}}(P_l) + \pi \sum_j \frac{\partial f_{P_1,...,P_{l-1}}}{\partial x_j}(P_l)x_j + \pi^2 (\text{degree} \ge 2).$$

From hypothesis (H1) follows that $v(f_{P_1,\ldots,P_{l-1}}(P_l)) \ge 1$ and

$$v\left(\frac{\partial f_{P_1,\dots,P_{l-1}}}{\partial x_j}(P_l)\right) \ge 1,$$

and from hypothesis (H1) and (H2) that

$$v(f_{P_1,...,P_{l-1}}(P_l)) \ge 2;$$

therefore (2.6) implies that $e_{P_1,...,P_l} \ge 2, \ l = 1, 2, ..., k$.

(ii) The second part of the lemma follows immediately from (i).

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We observe that if $P_l \in S(f_{P_1,\dots,P_{l-1}})$ does not have descendants in the l^{th} -generation (i.e. $S(f_{P_1,\dots,P_{l-1},P_l}) = \emptyset$), then the polynomial

$$f_{P_1,...,P_{l-1},P_l}(P_{l+1} + \pi x) = f_{P_1,...,P_l}(P_{l+1}) + \pi \sum_j \frac{\partial f_{P_1,...,P_l}}{\partial x_j}(P_{l+1})x_j + \pi^2 (\text{degree} \ge 2)$$

satisfies $\overline{f_{P_1,\dots,P_l}(P_{l+1})} \neq 0$, or $\overline{\frac{\partial f_{P_1,\dots,P_l}}{\partial x_{j_0}}}(P_{l+1}) \neq 0$, for some j_0 . Thus for any P_{l+1} satisfying $\overline{f_{P_1,\dots,P_l}(P_{l+1})} = 0$, it holds that $\overline{f_{P_1,\dots,P_{l+1}}(x)}$ is a polynomial of degree at most one.

LEMMA 2.4. Let $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$ be the preimage under the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi \mathcal{O}_K$ of a subset $\overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial such that $Sing_f(K) \cap D = \emptyset$, then

$$\int_{D} \chi(acf(x))|f(x)|_{K}^{s}|dx| = \begin{cases} \frac{T(q^{-s})}{1-q^{-1}q^{-s}}, & \chi = \chi_{triv}, \\ L(q^{-s}), & \chi \neq \chi_{triv}, \end{cases}$$

where T and L are polynomials in q^{-s} with rational coefficients. Furthermore, in the case $\chi \neq \chi_{triv}$, the degree of the polynomial $L(q^{-s})$ is bounded by a constant depending only on f and D.

Proof. We define inductively I_k as follows:

$$I_1 := S(f, D),$$

$$I_k := \{ (P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k) \mid (P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{k-1}) \in I_{k-1}, P_k \in S(f_{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{k-1}}) \}, \\ k \ge 2.$$

We set $E(P_1, \ldots, P_k) := e_{P_1} + e_{P_1, P_2} + \cdots + e_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k}$.

If m = C(f, D) + 1, then $I_{m+1} = \emptyset$, because Lemma 2.3 (ii) implies that $S(f_{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_m}) = \emptyset$, for every $(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_m) \in I_m$. By applying the

stationary phase formula m + 1-times, we obtain

(2.7)

$$Z(D, s, f, \chi) = \nu(\bar{f}, D, \chi) + \sigma(\bar{f}, D, \chi) \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1-s})} + \sum_{k=1}^{m} q^{-kn} \left(\sum_{(P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \nu(\bar{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_k}, \chi)q^{-E(P_1, \dots, P_k)s} \right) + \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1-s})} \sum_{k=1}^{m} q^{-kn} \left(\sum_{(P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \sigma(\bar{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_k}, \chi)q^{-E(P_1, \dots, P_k)s} \right).$$

In the case $\chi \neq \chi_{triv}$, all $\sigma(\bar{f}_{P_1,\dots,P_k},\chi) = 0$, thus $Z(D, s, f, \chi)$ is a polynomial in q^{-s} and its degree is bounded by the maximum of the $E(P_1,\dots,P_m)$, where P_m runs through the descendants of the C(f,D) + 1-generation of S(f,D).

COROLLARY 2.5. Let $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$ be the preimage under the canonical homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K/\pi \mathcal{O}_K$ of a subset $\overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$. Let $F(x) = f(x) + \pi^\beta g(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a polynomial such that $\beta \geq C(f, D) + 1$, and

$$Sing_F(K) \cap D = Sing_f(K) \cap D = \emptyset.$$

Then

(2.8)
$$Z(D, s, F, \chi) = Z(D, s, f, \chi).$$

Proof. The result follows immediately from expansion (2.7) and the fact that C(f, D) = C(F, D).

§3. Newton polyhedra

In this section we review some well-known results about Newton polyhedra that we shall use in this paper (see e.g. [K-M-S], [D3]).

We set $\mathbb{R}_+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq 0\}$. Let $f(x) = \sum_l a_l x^l \in K[x], x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ be a polynomial in n variables satisfying f(0) = 0. The set $supp(f) = \{l \in \mathbb{N}^n \mid a_l \neq 0\}$ is called the *support* of f. The Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ of f is defined as the convex hull in \mathbb{R}^n_+ of the set

$$\bigcup_{l\in supp(f)} (l+\mathbb{R}^n_+).$$

By a proper face γ of $\Gamma(f)$, we mean the non-empty convex set γ obtained by intersecting $\Gamma(f)$ with an affine hyperplane H, such that $\Gamma(f)$ is contained in one of two half-spaces determined by H. The hyperplane H is named the supporting hyperplane of γ . A face of codimension one is named a facet. We set \langle , \rangle for the usual inner product in \mathbb{R}^n , and identify the dual vector space with \mathbb{R}^n . For $a \in \mathbb{R}^n_+$, we define

$$m(a) := \inf_{x \in \Gamma(f)} \{ \langle a, x \rangle \}.$$

The first meet locus of $a \in \mathbb{R}^n_+ \setminus \{0\}$ is defined by

$$F(a) := \{ x \in \Gamma(f) \mid \langle a, x \rangle = m(a) \}.$$

The first meet locus F(a) of a is a proper face of $\Gamma(f)$. We define an equivalence relation on $\mathbb{R}^n_+ \setminus \{0\}$ by

 $a \leq a'$ if and only if F(a) = F(a').

If γ is a face of $\Gamma(f)$, we define the cone associated to γ as

$$\Delta_{\gamma} := \{ a \in (\mathbb{R}_+)^n \smallsetminus \{0\} \mid F(a) = \gamma \}.$$

The following two propositions describe the geometry of the equivalences classes of \simeq (see e.g. [D3]).

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let γ be a proper face of $\Gamma(f)$. Let w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_e be the facets of $\Gamma(f)$ which contain γ . Let a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e be vectors which are perpendicular to respectively w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_e . Then

$$\Delta_{\gamma} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{e} \alpha_{i} a_{i} \mid \alpha_{i} \in \mathbb{R}, \, \alpha_{i} > 0 \right\}.$$

If $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we call $\{\sum_{i=1}^e \alpha_i a_i \mid \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha_i > 0\}$ the cone strictly positive spanned by the vectors a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e . Let Δ be a cone strictly positive spanned by the vectors a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e . If a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e are linearly independent over \mathbb{R} , the cone Δ is called a simplicial cone. In this last case, if $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, the cone Δ is called a rational simplicial cone. If $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e\}$ can be completed to be a basis of \mathbb{Z} -module \mathbb{Z}^n , the cone Δ is named a simple cone.

A vector $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is called *primitive* if the components of a are positive integers whose greatest common divisor is one.

For every facet of $\Gamma(f)$ there is a unique primitive vector in \mathbb{R}^n which is perpendicular to this facet. Let \mathcal{D} be the set of all these vectors. PROPOSITION 3.2. Let Δ be the cone strictly positively spanned by vectors $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e \in \mathbb{R}^n_+ \setminus \{0\}$. Then there is a partition of Δ into cones Δ_i , such that each Δ_i is strictly positively spanned by some vectors from $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e\}$ which are linearly independent over \mathbb{R} .

The two previous propositions imply the existence of a partition of Δ_{γ} into rational simplicial cones.

PROPOSITION 3.3. ([K-M-S], p. 32–33) Let Δ be a rational simplicial cone. Then there exists a partition of Δ into simple cones.

Summarizing, given a polynomial $f(x) \in K[x]$, f(0) = 0, with Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, there exists a finite partition of \mathbb{R}^n_+ of the form:

$$\mathbb{R}^n_+ = \{(0,\ldots,0)\} \cup \bigcup_i \Delta_i,\$$

where each Δ_i is a simplicial cone contained in an equivalence class of \simeq . Furthermore, by Proposition 3.3, it is possible to refine this partition in such a way that each Δ_i is a simple cone contained in an equivalence class of \simeq .

§4. Local zeta functions of globally non-degenerate polynomials

In this section we prove Theorem A. First, we give some preliminary results.

If $A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_+^n$, we set

$$E_A := \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \mid (v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n)) \in A \},\$$

and

$$Z_A(s, f, \chi) := \int_{E_A} \chi(acf(x)) |f(x)|_K^s |dx|.$$

Also, if $B \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$, we set

$$Z(B,s,f,\chi) := \int_B \chi(acf(x))|f(x)|_K^s |dx|.$$

Thus $Z_A(s, f, \chi) = Z(E_A, s, f, \chi).$

PROPOSITION 4.1. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, $\gamma \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ a proper face, and Δ_{γ} its associated cone. If Δ_{γ} is a simple cone spanned by $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e \in \mathcal{D}$, and $f(x) = f_{\gamma}(x) + \pi^{g_0}H(x)$, where $g_0 \geq C(f_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times}) + 1$ (the constant whose existence was established in Proposition 2.2), and all monomials of H(x) are not in γ , then

(4.1)
$$Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = Z(\mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, s, f_{\gamma}, \chi) \frac{q^{-\sum_{j=1}^{e} (|a_{j}| + m(a_{j})s)}}{\prod_{j=1}^{e} (1 - q^{-|a_{j}| - m(a_{j})s})}$$

Proof. The hypothesis Δ_{γ} is a simple cone spanned by $a_j = (a_{1,j}, a_{2,j}, \ldots, a_{n,j}), j = 1, 2, \ldots, e$, implies that

(4.2)
$$\Delta_{\gamma} \cap \mathbb{N}^n = \bigoplus_{j=1}^e a_j (\mathbb{N} \smallsetminus \{0\}).$$

From (4.2), we obtain the following expansion for $Z_{\Delta}(s, f, \chi)$:

(4.3)
$$Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{y_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{y_e=1}^{\infty} \int_{\omega_{(y_1, \dots, y_e)}} \chi(acf(x)) |f(x)|_K^s |dx|,$$

where

$$\omega_{(y_1,\dots,y_e)} := \{ (x_1,\dots,x_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \mid x_i = \pi^{\sum_j a_{i,j} y_j} \mu_i, \, \mu_i \in \mathcal{O}_K^{\times}, \, i = 1, 2, \dots, n \}.$$

In order to compute the integral in (4.3), we introduce the dilatation

$$\Phi_{(y_1,\ldots,y_e)}(x) = (\Phi_1(x),\ldots,\Phi_n(x)) : K^n \longrightarrow K^n,$$

where

(4.4)
$$\Phi_i(x) = \pi^{\sum_j a_{i,j} y_j} x_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

By using the dilatation (4.4) as a change of variables in (4.3), it holds that

$$(4.5) \quad \int_{\omega_{(y_1,\dots,y_e)}} \chi(acf(x)) |f(x)|_K^s |dx| = q^{-\sum_{j=1}^e y_j(|a_j| + m(a_j)s)} \left(\int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}} \chi(ac(f_{(y_1,\dots,y_e)}(x))) |f_{(y_1,\dots,y_e)}(x)|_K^s |dx| \right),$$

where $f_{(y_1,\ldots,y_e)}(x) = f_{\gamma}(x) + \pi^{g(y_1,\ldots,y_e)+g_0} H_{(y_1,\ldots,y_e)}(x)$, and $g(y_1,\ldots,y_e) \ge 1$. The result follows from (4.5) by using Corollary 2.5 and expansion (4.3).

PROPOSITION 4.2. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, $\gamma \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ a proper face, and Δ_{γ} its associated cone. If Δ_{γ} is a simple cone spanned by $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e \in \mathcal{D}$, then

$$Z_{\Delta\gamma}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{y \, finite} A_y(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_y, \chi) + \sum_{I \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, e\}} \frac{A_I(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi)}{\prod_{j \in I} (1 - q^{-|a_j m(a_j)s})},$$

where y runs through a finite number of points in \mathbb{N}^n , $A_y(q^{-s})$, $A_I(q^{-s}) \in \mathbb{Q}[q^{-s}]$, $f_y(x)$ and $f_I(x)$ are polynomials in $\mathcal{O}_K[x]$ satisfying $Sing_{f_y}(K) \cap (K \setminus \{0\})^n = \emptyset$, for every $y \in \mathbb{N}$, $Sing_{f_I}(K) \cap (K \setminus \{0\})^n = \emptyset$, for every I, respectively. Furthermore, if γ_{a_i} denotes the facet with perpendicular a_i , and $\gamma_I = \bigcap_{i \in I} \gamma_{a_i}$, then $f_I(x) = f_{\gamma_I}(x)$.

Proof. By induction on l, the number of generators of the simple cone Δ_{γ} .

Case l = 1. Let $m_0 = C(f_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times}) + 1$, and $S := \Delta_{\gamma} \cap \mathbb{N}^n = \{a_1 y \mid y \in \mathbb{N}, y \ge 1\}.$

The set S can be partitioned into the subsets S_0 , S_1 , defined as follows:

$$S_0 := \{a_1 y \mid y = 1, 2, \dots, m_0 - 1\}, \quad S_1 := \{a_1 y \mid y \in \mathbb{N}, y \ge m_0\}$$

Also we define

$$E_0 := \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \mid (v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n)) \in S_0 \},\$$

$$E_1 := \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \mid (v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n)) \in S_1 \}.$$

Thus $Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = Z(E_0, s, f, \chi) + Z(E_1, s, f, \chi)$, and by making a change of variables of type (4.4), we obtain

(4.6)
$$Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{y=1}^{m_0-1} q^{-y(|a_1|+m(a_1)s)} Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times}, s, f_y, \chi) + q^{-m_0(|a_1|+m(a_1)s)} Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f_{a_1}(x) + \pi^{m_0} H(x), \chi),$$

where $f_y(x)$ are obtained from f(x) by a change of variables of type (4.4) followed by a division by a power of π , $f_{a_1}(x)$ is the restriction of f(x) to the facet γ_{a_1} with perpendicular a_1 , and all monomials of H(x) are not in γ_{a_1} . The result follows from (4.6), by means of the following equality (cf. Proposition 4.1)

$$q^{-m_0(|a_1|+m(a_1)s)} Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f_{a_1}(x) + \pi^{m_0} H(x), \chi)$$

= $\frac{q^{-(m_0+1)(|a_1|+m(a_1)s)}}{1 - q^{-(|a_1|+m(a_1)s)}} Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times}, s, f_{a_1}, \chi).$

Induction hypothesis. Suppose that the lemma is valid for every polynomial f(x) globally non-degenerate with respect its Newton polyhedron, and for every simple cone spanned by at most e - 1 vectors of \mathcal{D} .

Case l > 1.

Let f(x) be globally non-degenerate polynomial and Δ_{γ} a simple cone spanned by a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e , satisfying the conditions of Proposition 4.2.

We set $m_0 = C(f_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times}) + 1$, and

(4.7)
$$S := \Delta_{\gamma} \cap \mathbb{N}^n = \bigoplus_{j=1}^e a_j (\mathbb{N} \smallsetminus \{0\}),$$

 $a_j = (a_{1,j}, \ldots, a_{n,j}), j = 1, 2, \ldots, e$. For each subset $I \subseteq \{1, 2, \ldots, e\}$, we put $r_I \in \mathbb{N}^{e-\operatorname{Card}(I)}, r_I = (r_{i_1}, r_{i_2}, \ldots, r_{i_{e-\operatorname{Card}(I)}})$, with $0 < r_{i_l} \leq m_0 - 1$, $l = 1, 2, \ldots, e - \operatorname{Card}(I)$. The set S admits the following partition:

$$(4.8) S = \bigcup_{I,r_I} S_{I,r_I},$$

with

$$S_{I,r_{I}} = \bigg\{ \sum_{j \in I} a_{j} y_{j} + \sum_{j \notin I} a_{j} r_{j} \ \Big| \ y_{j} \ge m_{0}, \text{ if } j \in I, \text{ and } y_{j} = r_{i_{j}}, \text{ if } j \notin I \bigg\},$$

where for each $I \subseteq \{1, 2, \ldots, e\}$, the corresponding r_I 's run through all possible different integer vectors satisfying the above mentioned conditions. We set

$$E_{I,r_I} := \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \mid (v(x_1), \dots, v(x_n)) \in S_{I,r_I} \}.$$

It follows from partition (4.8) that

(4.9)
$$Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s,f,\chi) = \sum_{I,r_I} Z(E_{I,r_I},s,f,\chi).$$

By a change of variables of type

$$\Phi_i(x) = \pi^{(\sum_{j \in I} a_{i,j} y_j + \sum_{j \notin I} a_{i,j} r_j)} x_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n;$$

the integral $Z(E_{I,r_I}, s, f, \chi)$ equals

(4.10)
$$q^{-m_0 \sum_{j \in I} (|a_j| + m(a_j)s) - \sum_{j \notin I} r_j (|a_j| + m(a_j)s)} Z_{\Delta_I}(s, f_I, \chi),$$

where Δ_I is a simple cone generated by a_i , $i \in I$, and $f_I(x)$ is obtained from $f(\Phi_i(x))$ by division by a power of π . From these observations and (4.9), we obtain

(4.11)
$$Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{I \subset \{1, 2, \dots, e\}} A_{I}(q^{-s}) Z_{\Delta_{I}}(s, f_{I}, \chi) + q^{-m_{0} \sum_{j=1}^{e} (|a_{j}| + m(a_{j})s)} Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f_{\gamma} + \pi^{g_{0}} H(x), \chi),$$

where I runs through all proper subsets of $\{1, 2, \ldots, e\}$, $A_I(q^{-s}) = \sum_k q^{-a_k(I)-b_k(I)s}$, $a_k(I), b_k(I) \in \mathbb{N}$, $g_0 \ge m_0$, and all monomials of H(x) are not in γ . From (4.11) and Proposition 4.1, we obtain

$$(4.12) \quad Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{I \subset \{1, 2, \dots, e\}} A_{I}(q^{-s}) Z_{\Delta_{I}}(s, f_{I}, \chi) + q^{-(1+m_{0})\sum_{i=1}^{e} (|a_{i}| + m(a_{i})s)} Z(\mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, s, f_{\gamma}, \chi) \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^{e} (1 - q^{-|a_{j}| - m(a_{j})s})}.$$

The result follows from the induction hypothesis and (4.12).

We observe that each $A_I(q^{-s})$ in Proposition 4.1 is a finite sum of monomials of type $q^{-a_I-b_Is}$, with $a_I, b_I > 0$. We also note that a facet with supporting hyperplane $x_{i_0} = 0$ contributes to the denominator of $Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi)$ with a constant factor $1/(1-q^{-1})$.

The proof of Proposition 4.2 can be easily adapted to state the following more general result.

COROLLARY 4.3. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, $\gamma \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ a proper face, and Δ_{γ} its associated cone. Let $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_f\} \subset \mathcal{D}$ be a set of generators of Δ_{γ} , $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e\} \subset \{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_f\}$ of $e \mathbb{R}$ -linearly independent

vectors, and $b \in \Delta_{\gamma} \cap (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$. We set $\Delta := b + \bigoplus_{j=1}^e a_j \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$Z_{\Delta}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{y} A_{y}(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, s, f_{y}, \chi) + \sum_{I \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, e\}} \frac{A_{I}(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, s, f_{I}, \chi)}{\prod_{j \in I} (1 - q^{-|a_{j}| - m(a_{j})s})},$$

where y runs through a finite number of points in \mathbb{N}^n , $A_y(q^{-s})$, $A_I(q^{-s}) \in \mathbb{Q}[q^{-s}]$, with $A_I(q^{-s}) = \sum_k q^{-a_k(I)-b_k(I)s}$, $a_k(I), b_k(I) \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_y(x)$ and $f_I(x)$ are polynomials in $\mathcal{O}_K[x]$ satisfying $Sing_{f_y}(K) \cap (K \setminus \{0\})^n = \emptyset$, for every y, $Sing_{f_I}(K) \cap (K \setminus \{0\})^n = \emptyset$, for every I, respectively. Furthermore, if γ_{a_i} denotes the facet with perpendicular a_i , and $\gamma_I = \bigcap_{i \in I} \gamma_{a_i}$, then $f_I(x) = f_{\gamma_I}(x)$.

LEMMA 4.4. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, $\gamma \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ a proper face, and Δ_{γ} its associated cone. Let $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e\} \subset \mathcal{D}$ be a set of generators of Δ_{γ} . Then

(4.13)
$$Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi) = \sum_{y} A_{y}(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, s, f_{y}, \chi) + \sum_{I \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, e\}} \frac{A_{I}(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, s, f_{I}, \chi)}{\prod_{j \in I} (1 - q^{-|a_{j}| - m(a_{j})s})},$$

where y runs through a finite number of points in \mathbb{N}^n , $A_y(q^{-s})$, $A_I(q^{-s}) \in \mathbb{Q}[q^{-s}]$, with $A_I(q^{-s}) = \sum_k q^{-a_k(I)-b_k(I)s}$, $a_k(I)$, $b_k(I) \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_y(x)$ and $f_I(x)$ are polynomials in $\mathcal{O}_K[x]$ satisfying $\operatorname{Sing}_{f_y}(K) \cap (K \setminus \{0\})^n = \emptyset$, for every y, and $\operatorname{Sing}_{f_I}(K) \cap (K \setminus \{0\})^n = \emptyset$, for every I, respectively. Furthermore, if γ_{a_i} denotes the facet with perpendicular a_i , and $\gamma_I = \bigcap_{i \in I} \gamma_{a_i}$, then $\Gamma(f_I) = \gamma_I$.

Proof. By Proposition 3.2 there exists a finite partition of Δ_{γ} into cones Δ_j , such that each Δ_j is strictly positively spanned by some vectors from $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e\}$ which are linearly independent over \mathbb{R} . Now, each cone Δ_j can be partitioned into a finite number of cones satisfying the conditions of Corollary 4.3. In order to verify this last assertion, we observe that the set $\Delta_j \cap \mathbb{N}^n$ admits the following partition:

(4.14)
$$\Delta_j \cap \mathbb{N}^n = \left(\bigoplus_{i=1}^e a_i(\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})\right) \cup \bigcup_b \left(b + \bigoplus_{i=1}^e a_j \mathbb{N}\right),$$

where b runs through a finite number of vectors in

$$\mathbb{N}^n \cap \bigg\{ \sum_{i=1}^e a_i \lambda_i \ \Big| \ \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, \ 0 \le \lambda_i < 1, \ i = 1, \dots, e \bigg\}.$$

Now the result follows from Corollary 4.3.

In the proof of the above result, we did not use a partition of the cone Δ into simple cones, because this approach produces a bigger list of candidates for the poles of $Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi)$.

Proof of Theorem A. (i) Given a polynomial $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$, f(0) = 0, there exists a partition of \mathbb{R}^n_+ of the form:

(4.15)
$$\mathbb{R}^n_+ = \{(0, \dots, 0)\} \cup \bigcup_{\gamma} \Delta_{\gamma},$$

where γ runs through all proper faces of $\Gamma(f)$, and Δ_{γ} is a cone strictly positive spanned by some vectors $a_1, \ldots, a_e \in \mathcal{D}$. In addition, Δ_{γ} is contained in an equivalence class of \simeq . From the above partition we obtain the following expression for $Z(s, f, \chi)$:

(4.16)
$$Z(s,f,\chi) = \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}} \chi(acf(x))|f(x)|_K^s |dx| + \sum_{\gamma} Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s,f,\chi).$$

In (4.16) there are two different types of integrals: $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f, \chi)$, and $Z_{\Delta_{\gamma}}(s, f, \chi)$. The integrals of the first type are rational functions of q^{-s} with poles satisfying $\operatorname{Re}(s) = -1$ (cf. Lemma 2.4). The second type of integrals are rational functions of q^{-s} with poles satisfying condition (i) in the statement of Theorem A (cf. Lemma 4.4).

(ii) If $\chi \neq \chi_{triv}$, from (4.16) and Lemma 2.4 follow that $Z(s, f, \chi)$ is equal to a polynomial, with degree bounded by a constant independent of χ , plus a finite sum of functions of the form

(4.17)
$$\frac{A_I(q^{-s}Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi))}{\prod_{j \in I} (1 - q^{-|a_j| - m(a_j)s})},$$

where $f_I(x)$ denotes the restriction of f(x) to the face $\gamma_I = \bigcap_{i \in I} \gamma_{a_i}$, and γ_{a_i} denotes the facet with perpendicular a_i . The second part of the theorem follows from (4.17) by the following fact: if the order of χ does not divide some $m(a_j) \neq 0, j \in I$, then

(4.18)
$$Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi) = 0.$$

If the order of χ does not divide $m(a_j)$, with $a_j = (a_{1,j}, a_{2,j}, \ldots, a_{n,j})$, then there exists an $u \in \mathcal{O}_K^{\times}$ such that

(4.19)
$$\chi^{m(a_j)}(u) \neq 1$$

We set

(4.20)
$$\begin{array}{c} \phi_u: \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n} \\ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \longrightarrow (x_1 u^{a_{1,j}}, x_2 u^{a_{2,j}}, \dots, x_n u^{a_{n,j}}). \end{array}$$

The map ϕ_u establishes a bijection of $\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}$ to itself that preserves the Haar measure. By using (4.20) as change of variables in the integral $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi)$, it verifies that

$$\left(1-\chi^{m(a_j)}(u)\right)Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n},s,f_I,\chi)=0.$$

Therefore, (4.19) implies $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi) = 0.$

§5. The largest pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$

In this section we prove Theorem B. Its proof will be accomplished by means of three preliminary results.

For a polynomial $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ globally non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, we set

$$\beta(f) := \max_{\tau_j} \left\{ -\frac{|a_j|}{m(a_j)} \right\},\,$$

where τ_i runs through all facets of $\Gamma(f)$ satisfying $m(a_i) \neq 0$. The point

$$T_0 = \left(-\beta(f)^{-1}, \dots, -\beta(f)^{-1}\right) \in \mathbb{Q}^n$$

is the intersection point of the boundary of the Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$ with the diagonal $\Delta = \{(t, \ldots, t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n . Let τ_0 be the face of smallest dimension of $\Gamma(f)$ containing T_0 , and ρ its codimension, i.e. $\rho = \dim \Delta_{\tau_0}$.

PROPOSITION 5.1. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$. If $\beta(f) > -1$, then $\beta(f)$ is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ and its multiplicity is equal to ρ .

Proof. First, we note that the multiplicity of the possible pole $\beta(f)$ is less then or equal to dim $\Delta_{\tau_0} = \rho$ (cf. formulas (4.16), (4.13), (2.7)). In order to prove that $\beta(f)$ is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$, it is sufficient to show that

(5.1)
$$\lim_{s \to \beta(f)} (1 - q^{\beta(f) - s})^{\rho} Z(s, f, \chi_{triv}) > 0.$$

This last assertion is a consequence of the following result (cf. (4.16), (4.13)):

CLAIM A. (i)

(5.2)
$$\lim_{s \to \beta(f)} \left(1 - q^{\beta(f)-s} \right)^{\rho} \left(\frac{A_I(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi_{triv})}{\prod_{j \in I} \left(1 - q^{-|a_j| - m(a_j)s} \right)} \right) \ge 0,$$

for every cone $\Delta_{\gamma} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{e} a_i y_i \mid y_i \ge 0, \text{ for all } i \right\}$, and every $I \subseteq \{1, 2, \ldots, e\}$.

(ii) There is a cone Δ_0 and a subset I_0 of generators of this cone such that inequality (5.2) is strict.

The first part of the previous claim follows from the following two facts. The first fact is

(5.3)
$$\lim_{s \to \beta(f)} \left(A_I(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi_{triv}) \right) > 0.$$

Since $A_I(q^{-s}) = \sum_k q^{a_k(I)-b_k(I)s}$, with $a_k(I), b_k(I) \in \mathbb{N}$, inequality (5.3) follows from noticing that

$$\lim_{s \to \beta(f)} \left(\frac{(1-q^{-1})q^{-s}}{1-q^{-1-s}} \right) > 0, \text{ when } \beta(f) > -1.$$

The second fact is

(5.4)
$$\lim_{s \to \beta(f)} \left(1 - q^{\beta(f) - s}\right)^{\rho} \left(\frac{1}{\prod_{j \in I} \left(1 - q^{-|a_j| - m(a_j)s}\right)}\right) \ge 0.$$

The second part of the claim follows from the following reasoning. Let a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e be the unique primitive vectors perpendicular to the facets which contain τ_0 . There exists a cone Δ_0 in the partition into simplicial cones of Δ_{τ_0} given by Proposition3.2 and $I_0 \subseteq \{1, 2, \ldots, e\}$ such that $\{a_i \mid i \in I_0\}$ is a set of ρ linearly independent generators of Δ_0 , because the dimension of Δ_{τ_0} is ρ . Then inequality (5.2) is strict for the cone Δ_0 and I_0 . Thus, $\beta(f)$ is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ of multiplicity ρ .

PROPOSITION 5.2. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, and $\gamma \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ a proper face. If $\sigma(\bar{f}_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}) = \sigma(\bar{f}_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, \chi_{triv}) > 0$ then

(5.5)
$$\lim_{s \to -1} \left(1 - q^{-1-s}\right) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_\gamma, \chi_{triv}) \neq 0.$$

Proof. By using expansion (2.7), with $D = \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}$, and $m = C(f_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}) + 1$, we have that

(5.6)
$$\lim_{s \to -1} (1 - q^{-1-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_{\gamma}, \chi_{triv}) = (q - 1) \sigma(\bar{f}_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, \chi_{triv}) + (q - 1) \sum_{k=1}^m q^{-kn} \left(\sum_{(P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \sigma(\bar{f}_{\gamma P_1, \dots, P_k}, \chi_{triv}) q^{E(P_1, \dots, P_k)} \right).$$

Since the right side of (5.6) is a sum of positive numbers, the result follows from the hypothesis $\sigma(\bar{f}_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{K}^{\times n}, \chi_{triv}) > 0.$

PROPOSITION 5.3. Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$. Let a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_e be the unique primitive vectors perpendicular to the facets which contain τ_0 . If $\beta(f) = -1$, then $\beta(f)$ is a pole of $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ with multiplicity less than or equal to $\rho + 1$. Furthermore, if every face $\gamma \supseteq \tau_0$ satisfies $\sigma(\bar{f}_{\gamma}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}) > 0$, then the multiplicity of the pole $\beta(f)$ is $\rho + 1$.

Proof. In the case $\beta(f) = -1$ the multiplicity of the possible pole $\beta(f)$ is less than or equal to $\rho + 1$ because $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi_{triv})$ may have a pole at s = -1 (cf. formulas (4.16), (4.13), (2.7)). As in the case $\beta(f) > -1$, the result follows from inequality (5.1) by Claim A. In the case $\beta(f) = -1$, we may suppose that

(5.7)
$$Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_I, \chi_{triv}) = \frac{c_I(q^{-s})}{(1 - q^{-1-s})},$$

where $c_I(q^{-s})$ is a polynomial with positive coefficients (cf. expansion (2.7)). The proof of Claim A, for $\beta(f) = 1$, involves the same ideas as in the case $\beta(f) > -1$.

The second part of the proposition is proved as follows. There exists a simplicial cone $\Delta_0 \subseteq \Delta_{\tau_0}$ with dim $\Delta_0 = \rho$ (cf. final part of the proof of Proposition 5.1). Let I_0 be a set of ρ linearly independent generators of Δ_0 . By duality this cone corresponds to a face $\gamma \supseteq \tau_0$, and $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_{I_0}, \chi_{triv})$ has a pole of multiplicity 1 at s = -1 (cf. Proposition 5.2), thus

(5.8)
$$\lim_{s \to -1} (1 - q^{-1-s})^{\rho+1} \left(\frac{A_{I_0}(q^{-s}) Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times n}, s, f_{I_0}, \chi_{triv})}{\prod_{j \in I_0} (1 - q^{-|a_j| - m(a_j)s})} \right) > 0.$$

Proof of Theorem B. The theorem follows from Proposition 5.1 and Proposition 5.3. \Box

§6. Exponential sums

Let Ψ be an additive character trivial on \mathcal{O}_K but not on \mathcal{P}_K^{-1} . A such character is named *standard*. We put $z = u\pi^{-m}$, $m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, $u \in \mathcal{O}_K^{\times}$. To these data one associates the following exponential sum:

$$E(z, K, f) = q^{-nm} \sum_{x \bmod \mathcal{P}_K^m} \Psi(uf(x)/\pi^m).$$

The following corollary follows Theorem A, Theorem B above, and Proposition 1.4.5 of [D2], by writing $Z(s, f, \chi)$ in partial fractions.

COROLLARY 6.1. (i) Let $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a globally non-degenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, then for |z| big enough E(z, K, f) is a finite \mathbb{C} -linear combination of functions of the form

$$\chi(ac(z))|z|_K^\lambda(\log_q(|z|_K))^\beta,$$

with coefficients independent of z, and with $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ a pole of $(1 - q^{-1-s})$ $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv})$ or of $Z(s, f, \chi)$, $\chi \neq \chi_{triv}$, and $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$, $\beta \leq (multiplicity of pole <math>\lambda) - 1$. Moreover all poles λ appear effectively in this linear combination.

(ii) Let L be a global field, and let $f(x) \in L[x]$ be a globally nondegenerate polynomial with respect to its Newton polyhedron $\Gamma(f)$, and suppose that $\beta(f) > -1$. For almost all non-archimedean completions L_v of L, there exists a constant $C(L_v) \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying

$$|E(z, L_v, f)| \leq C(L_v) |z|_{L_v}^{\beta(f)} \log_q(|z|_{L_v})^{\rho-1}, \text{ for all } z \in L_v.$$

Igusa has conjectured that $C(L_v) = 1$ for almost all v [I2]. This conjecture was proved by Denef and Sperber when K has characteristic zero, f is a non-degenerate polynomial, and the face of the Newton polyhedron which cuts the diagonal does not have vertex in $\{0, 1\}^n$ [D-Sp]. Corollary 6.1 permits us to extent the result of Denef and Sperber to positive characteristic using the methods in [D-Sp].

§7. Examples

EXAMPLE 7.1. In this example, we compute $Z(s, f, \chi_{triv}) = Z(s, f)$, for $f(x, y) = x^2 + xy + y^2$, when the characteristic of K is different from 2, 3, and analyze the behavior of the pole s = -1. In this case $Sing_f(K) = \{(0,0)\}$, and the Newton polygon has only a compact segment with supporting hyperplane x + y = 2. The polynomial f is globally non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polygon.

One easily verifies that $\mathbb{R}^2_+ \setminus \{(0,0)\}$ can be partitioned into equivalence classes modulo \simeq , as follows.

If

$$\begin{split} &\Delta_1 := \{(0,a) \mid a > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_2 := \{(b,a+b) \mid a,b > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_3 := \{(a,a) \mid a > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_4 := \{(a+b,a) \mid a,b > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_5 := \{(a,0) \mid a > 0\}, \end{split}$$

then

$$\mathbb{R}^2_+ = \{(0,0)\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^5 \Delta_i,$$

and

$$Z(s,f) = Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}, s, f) + \sum_{i=1}^5 Z_{\Delta_i}(s, f).$$

Calculation of $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}, s, f)$, and $Z_{\Delta_1}(s, f)$.

By using the stationary phase formula, we obtain

(7.1)
$$Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}, s, f) = \nu(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) + \sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) \frac{(1-q^{-1})q^{-1}}{(1-q^{-1-s})}.$$

On the other hand, it is simple to verify that $Z_{\Delta_1}(s, f) = q^{-1}(1-q^{-1})$. Calculation of $Z_{\Delta_2}(s, f)$ and $Z_{\Delta_3}(s, f)$.

(7.2)
$$Z_{\Delta_2}(s,f) = \sum_{a,b=1}^{\infty} q^{-a-2b} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |\pi^{2b} x^2 + \pi^{a+2b} xy + \pi^{2a+2b} y^2|_K^s |dxdy|$$
$$= \frac{q^{-3-2s}(1-q^{-1})}{(1-q^{-1-s})(1+q^{-1-s})}.$$

(7.3)

$$Z_{\Delta_3}(s,f) = \sum_{a\geq 1}^{\infty} q^{-2a} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |\pi^{2a} x^2 + \pi^{2a} xy + \pi^{2a} y^2|_K^s |dxdy|$$

= $\frac{q^{-2-2s}}{(1-q^{-1-s})(1+q^{-1-s})} \left(\nu(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) + \sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) \frac{(1-q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1-q^{-1-s})} \right)$

Calculation of $Z_{\Delta_4}(s, f)$ and $Z_{\Delta_5}(s, f)$.

(7.4)
$$Z_{\Delta_4}(s,f) = \sum_{a,b\geq 1}^{\infty} q^{-2a-b} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |\pi^{2a+2b} x^2 + \pi^{2a+b} xy + \pi^{2a} y^2|_K^s |dxdy|$$
$$= \frac{q^{-3-2s}(1-q^{-1})}{(1-q^{-1-s})(1+q^{-1-s})}.$$

(7.5)
$$Z_{\Delta_5}(s,f) = q^{-1}(1-q^{-1}).$$

From the above calculations, we obtain

(7.6)
$$\lim_{s \to -1} \left(1 - q^{-1-s}\right)^2 Z(s, f) = \frac{\sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2})(q-1)}{2}.$$

Now suppose that $K = \mathbb{Q}_p$, with $p \neq 2, 3$. Since

$$\sigma(f, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) = p^2 \operatorname{Card} \left(\{ (u, v) \in \mathbb{F}_p^{\times 2} \mid \bar{f}(u, v) = 0 \} \right)$$
$$= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } p \equiv 5, 11 \mod 12, \\ 2p^{-2}(p-1), & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 7 \mod 12, \end{cases}$$

it follows from (7.6) that

(7.7)
$$\lim_{s \to -1} (1 - p^{-1-s})^2 Z(s, f) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } p \equiv 5, 11 \mod 12, \\ p^{-2}(p-1)^2, & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 7 \mod 12. \end{cases}$$

Thus Z(s, f) has a pole at s = -1 of multiplicity $\rho + 1 = 2$, when

$$\operatorname{Card}(\{(u,v) \in \mathbb{F}_p^{\times 2} \mid \bar{f}_{\tau_0}(u,v) = 0\}) \\ = \operatorname{Card}(\{(u,v) \in \mathbb{F}_p^{\times 2} \mid \bar{f}(u,v) = 0\}) > 0.$$

Otherwise the multiplicity is $\rho = 1$.

EXAMPLE 7.2. In this example, by using the method of Lemma 4.4, we compute the local zeta function attached to the polynomial $f(x,y) = x^2y^2 + x^5 + y^5 \in K[x, y]$, when the characteristic of K is different from 2, 5. This polynomial is globally non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron.

One easily verifies that $\mathbb{R}^2_+ \setminus \{(0,0)\}$ can be partitioned into equivalence classes modulo \simeq , as follows.

If

$$\begin{split} &\Delta_1 := \{(0,a) \mid a > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_2 := \{(2b,a+3b) \mid a,b > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_3 := \{(2a,3a) \mid a > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_4 := \{(2a+3b,3a+2b) \mid a,b > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_5 := \{(3a,2a) \mid a > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_6 := \{(3a+b,2a) \mid a,b > 0\}, \\ &\Delta_7 := \{(a,0) \mid a > 0\}, \end{split}$$

then

$$\mathbb{R}^2_+ = \{(0,0)\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^7 \Delta_i,$$

where each Δ_i is exactly an equivalence class modulo \simeq .

Calculation of $Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}, s, f)$, and $Z_{\Delta_1}(s, f)$. By using the stationary phase formula, we obtain

(7.8)
$$Z(\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}, s, f) = \nu(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) + \sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) \frac{(1 - q^{-1 - s})}{1 - q^{-1 - s}}.$$

On the other hand, it is simple to verify that $Z_{\Delta_1}(s, f) = q^{-1}(1 - q^{-1})$.

Calculation of $Z_{\Delta_2}(s, f)$ and $Z_{\Delta_3}(s, f)$.

The cone Δ_2 is not a simple. In this case, one verifies that there is only one element in $\Delta_2 \cap \mathbb{N}^2$ satisfying $0 \le a < 1$, $0 \le b < 1$. This element is $(1,2) = (0,1)\frac{1}{2} + (2,3)\frac{1}{2}$. Thus

(7.9)
$$\Delta_2 \cap \mathbb{N}^2 = \{(0,1)(\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}) + (2,3)(\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})\} \cup \{(1,2) + (0,1)\mathbb{N} + (2,3)\mathbb{N}\}.$$

From the partition (7.9), we obtain that

$$(7.10)$$

$$Z_{\Delta_2}(s,f) = \sum_{a,b=1}^{\infty} q^{-a-5b} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |\pi^{2a+10b} x^2 y^2 + \pi^{10b} x^5 + \pi^{5a+15b} y^5|_K^s |dxdy|$$

$$+ \sum_{a,b=0}^{\infty} q^{-a-5b-3} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |\pi^{2a+10b+6} x^2 y^2 + \pi^{10b+5} x^5 + \pi^{5a+15b+10} y^5|_K^s |dxdy|$$

$$= \frac{q^{-5-10s}}{1-q^{-5-10s}} q^{-1} (1-q^{-1}) + \frac{q^{-3-5s}}{1-q^{-5-10s}} (1-q^{-1})$$

$$= \frac{(1-q^{-1})(q^{-3-5s} + q^{-6-10s})}{1-q^{-5-10s}}.$$

By applying Proposition 4.1, and then the stationary phase formula to $Z_{\Delta_3}(s, f)$, one obtains

(7.11)
$$Z_{\Delta_3}(s,f) = \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} q^{-5a-10as} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |y^2 + x^3|_K^s |dxdy| = \frac{q^{-5-10s}}{1 - q^{-5-10s}} \bigg(\nu(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) + \sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1-s})} \bigg).$$

Calculation of $Z_{\Delta_4}(s, f)$ and $Z_{\Delta_5}(s, f)$.

The cone Δ_4 is not a simple, thus we proceed as in the computation of $Z_{\Delta_2}(s, f)$, i.e. we find $0 \le a < 1, 0 \le b < 1$, such that

$$(2,3)a + (3,2)b \in \mathbb{N}^2 \cap \Delta_4.$$

If a = b, one finds immediately that $(2,3)\frac{i}{5} + (3,2)\frac{i}{5} \in \mathbb{N}^2 \cap \Delta_4$, i = 1, 2, 3, 4. The case $a \neq b$ cannot occur. Suppose that $(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \cap \Delta_4$, with $b > a, a \neq 0, b \neq 0$, (a = 0 or b = 0 cannot occur), i.e.

$$(7.12) \qquad m = 2a + 3b, \ n = 3a + 2b, \ m, n \in \mathbb{N} \smallsetminus \{0\}, \ 0 < a < b < 1.$$

From (7.12), we get b-a = m-n, but this is impossible because 0 < b-a < 1, and $m-n \ge 1$. If a > b then a-b = n-m and the same argument applies.

Therefore, we have the following partition for $\mathbb{N}^2 \cap \Delta_4$:

(7.13)
$$\mathbb{N}^2 \cap \Delta_4 = \{(2,3)(\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}) + (3,2)(\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^4 \{(i,i) + (2,3)\mathbb{N} + (3,2)\mathbb{N}\}.$$

From the partition (7.13), we obtain that (7.14)

$$Z_{\Delta_4}(s,f) = \left(\frac{(1-q^{-1})(q^{-5-10s})}{1-q^{-5-10s}}\right)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 q^{-2i-4is}\right) \left(\frac{1-q^{-1}}{1-q^{-5-10s}}\right)^2.$$

For $Z_{\Delta_5}(s, f)$, we get

(7.15)
$$Z_{\Delta_5}(s,f) = \frac{q^{-5-10s}}{1-q^{-5-10s}} \bigg(\nu(\bar{f},\mathcal{O}_K^{\times\,2}) + \sigma(\bar{f},\mathcal{O}_K^{\times\,2}) \frac{(1-q^{-1})q^{-s}}{1-q^{-1-s}} \bigg).$$

Calculation of $Z_{\Delta_6}(s, f)$.

In the computation of the integral $Z_{\Delta_6}(s, f)$, we use the following partition:

(7.16)
$$\Delta_6 \cap \mathbb{N}^2 = \{ (3,2)(\mathbb{N} \smallsetminus \{0\}) + (1,0)(\mathbb{N} \smallsetminus \{0\}) \} \\ \cup \{ (2,1) + (3,2)\mathbb{N} + (1,0)\mathbb{N} \}.$$

From the above partition, we get

(7.17)
$$Z_{\Delta_6}(s,f) = (1-q^{-1}) \frac{q^{-3-5s} + q^{-6-10s}}{1-q^{-5-10s}}.$$

Calculation of $Z_{\Delta_7}(s, f)$.

(7.18)
$$Z_{\Delta_7}(s,f) = q^{-1}(1-q^{-1}).$$

Now, with $\beta(f) = -1/2$, and $\rho = 2$, it holds that

$$\lim_{s \to \beta(f)} (1 - q^{\beta(f) - s})^{\rho} Z(s, f) = \lim_{s \to \beta(f)} (1 - q^{\beta(f) - s})^{\rho} Z_{\Delta_4}(s, f)$$
$$= \frac{(1 - q^{-1})^2}{50}.$$

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