

COEFFICIENTS OF A p -ADIC MEASURE AND IWASAWA λ -INVARIANT OF ITS Γ -TRANSFORM

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Abstract. In this paper we relate the coefficients of a p -adic valued measure α on \mathbb{Z}_p^2 to the λ -invariant of the Iwasawa series of the Γ -transform of α .

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1. Introduction

Fix an odd prime p . Let \mathcal{O} be the ring of integers in a finite extension of \mathbb{Q}_p with a local parameter π . We write $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times = V \times U$ where V is the group of $(p-1)$ st roots of unity in \mathbb{Z}_p and $U = 1 + p\mathbb{Z}_p$. Let u be a topological generator of U . The projections from \mathbb{Z}_p^\times onto V and U are denoted by ω and $\langle \cdot \rangle$ respectively. We have an isomorphism $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow U$ given by $\phi(y) = u^y$.

Let $\Lambda_{(n)}$ denote the \mathcal{O} -valued measures on \mathbb{Z}_p^n . It is well-known, (see e.g. [1], [2]), that $\Lambda_{(n)}$ is a ring under convolution, and is isomorphic to the formal power series ring $\mathcal{O}[[T_1 - 1, \dots, T_n - 1]]$. This correspondence is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_n) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^n} T_1^{x_1} \cdots T_n^{x_n} d\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_n=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^n} \binom{x_1}{m_1} \cdots \binom{x_n}{m_n} d\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right) \\ &\quad \times (T_1 - 1)^{m_1} \cdots (T_n - 1)^{m_n}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

To integrate any continuous function $f : \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ with respect to a measure $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(1)}$, we use a theorem of Mahler, (see [5], [8]):

Theorem 1.1. *If $f : \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ is continuous, then*

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} m_j(f) \binom{x}{j},$$

where $m_j(f) = \sum_{k=0}^j (-1)^{j-k} \binom{j}{k} f(k) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathcal{O} .

Using Mahler's theorem, if $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j(T_1 - 1)^j$, then $\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\alpha(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j m_j(f)$.

Furthermore, if $f : \mathbb{Z}_p^n \mapsto \mathcal{O}$ is continuous, we may write (by repeated application of Mahler's theorem)

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_n=0}^{\infty} a_{m_1, \dots, m_n}(f) \binom{x_1}{m_1} \cdots \binom{x_n}{m_n}, \quad (1.2)$$

where

$$a_{m_1, \dots, m_n}(f) = \sum_{j_1=0}^{m_1} \cdots \sum_{j_n=0}^{m_n} (-1)^{m_1-j_1} \cdots (-1)^{m_n-j_n} \binom{m_1}{j_1} \cdots \binom{m_n}{j_n} f(j_1, \dots, j_n) \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{O}. \quad (1.3)$$

The constants $a_{m_1, \dots, m_n}(f)$ are called the Mahler coefficients of the function f .

Similar to the case $n = 1$, we have the following integration formulas:

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^n} x_1^{m_1} \cdots x_n^{m_n} d\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left(T_1 \frac{d}{dT_1}\right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(T_n \frac{d}{dT_n}\right)^{m_n} \widehat{\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_n)|_{T_1=\dots=T_n=1} \quad (1.4)$$

Let α be a measure on \mathbb{Z}_p^n . For $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in (\mathbb{Z}_p^\times)^n$, denote by $\alpha \circ (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ the measure on \mathbb{Z}_p^n given by

$$\alpha \circ (a_1, \dots, a_n)(A_1 \times \cdots \times A_n) = \alpha(a_1 A_1, \dots, a_n A_n),$$

where A_i are compact open subsets of \mathbb{Z}_p . Also, if $A = (A_1, \dots, A_n) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p^n$, where all A_i are compact open subsets of \mathbb{Z}_p , we let $\alpha|_A$ denote the measure obtained by restricting α to A and extending by 0.

For $s_1, \dots, s_n \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, let each of k_1, \dots, k_n vary through a sequence of positive integers satisfying $k_j \rightarrow s_j$ p -adically and $k_j \equiv 0 \pmod{p-1}$. Then Γ -transform of a measure $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(n)}$ is defined as a function of the p -adic variables s_1, \dots, s_n given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_\alpha(s_1, \dots, s_n) &= \lim_{k_1, \dots, k_n} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^n} x_1^{k_1} \cdots x_n^{k_n} d\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= \int_{(\mathbb{Z}_p^\times)^n} \langle x_1 \rangle^{s_1} \cdots \langle x_n \rangle^{s_n} d\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_n). \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

If we put $d\alpha(a_1 x_1, \dots, a_n x_n)$ for $d(\alpha \circ (a_1, \dots, a_n))(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, splitting up the integral, we can also write

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_\alpha(s_1, \dots, s_n) &= \sum_{\eta_1 \in V} \cdots \sum_{\eta_n \in V} \int_{U^n} \langle \eta_1 x_1 \rangle^{s_1} \cdots \langle \eta_n x_n \rangle^{s_n} d\alpha(\eta_1 x_1, \dots, \eta_n x_n) \\ &= \int_{U^n} x_1^{s_1} \cdots x_n^{s_n} d\beta(x_1, \dots, x_n), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta = \sum_{\eta_1 \in V} \cdots \sum_{\eta_n \in V} (\alpha \circ (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n))|_{U^n},$$

a measure on U^n . We extend β to \mathbb{Z}_p^n by 0 and then we get a power series

$$\widehat{\beta}(T_1, \dots, T_n) = \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_n=0}^{\infty} b_{m_1, \dots, m_n} (T_1 - 1)^{m_1} \cdots (T_n - 1)^{m_n}. \quad (1.6)$$

Again, the measure β may be viewed as a measure on \mathbb{Z}_p^n via the isomorphism ϕ :

$$\widetilde{\beta}(A_1, \dots, A_n) = \beta(\phi(A_1), \dots, \phi(A_n)).$$

Let us write $d\beta(u^{y_1}, \dots, u^{y_n})$ for $d\widetilde{\beta}(y_1, \dots, y_n)$. Let $G(T_1, \dots, T_n)$ be the power series associated to $\widetilde{\beta}$, that is,

$$G(T_1, \dots, T_n) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p^n} T_1^{y_1} \cdots T_n^{y_n} d\beta(u^{y_1}, \dots, u^{y_n}).$$

Then $\Gamma_\alpha(s_1, \dots, s_n) = G(u^{s_1}, \dots, u^{s_n})$.

The Iwasawa μ and λ -invariants of a power series

$$F(T_1, \dots, T_n) = \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_n=0}^{\infty} a_{m_1, \dots, m_n} (T_1 - 1)^{m_1} \cdots (T_n - 1)^{m_n} \in \mathcal{O}[[T_1 - 1, \dots, T_n - 1]]$$

are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(F(T_1, \dots, T_n)) &= \min\{\text{ord}(a_{m_1, \dots, m_n}) : m_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i\} \\ \lambda(F(T_1, \dots, T_n)) &= \min\{m_1 + \cdots + m_n : \text{ord}(a_{m_1, \dots, m_n}) = \mu(F(T_1, \dots, T_n))\}. \end{aligned}$$

For a measure $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(n)}$, we understand $\mu(\alpha)$ and $\lambda(\alpha)$ to mean $\mu(\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_n))$ and $\lambda(\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_n))$.

In case of $n = 1$, Childress in her paper [3] showed how the coefficients of the power series associated to a p -adic valued measure α on \mathbb{Z}_p are related to the coefficients of the measure β . She proved congruences modulo p amongst these coefficients. Finally, using these congruences and the results of [2], [4] and [7], she related the coefficients of α to the λ -invariant of the Iwasawa series of the Γ -transform of α . One can easily generalize the congruences modulo p amongst the coefficients to any p -adic valued measure α on \mathbb{Z}_p^n . In case $n > 1$, to relate the coefficients of α to the λ -invariant of the Iwasawa series of the Γ -transform of α , one needs the results of [1]. In this paper, we relate the coefficients of $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(2)}$ to the λ -invariant of the Iwasawa series of the Γ -transform of α using the results of [1]. However, one can produce similar results for any $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(n)}$, but the number of coefficients of $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1 - 1, \dots, T_n - 1)$ which are involved will increase with n .

2. The series associated to β

Let $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(2)}$ and $\eta, \nu \in V$. Let us fix a primitive p^{th} root of unity ζ . The characteristic function of $\eta U \times \nu U$ is $\left[\frac{1}{p} \sum_{j_1=1}^p \zeta^{j_1(x_1-\eta)} \right] \times \left[\frac{1}{p} \sum_{j_2=1}^p \zeta^{j_2(x_2-\nu)} \right]$. Using this and Theorem 5 proved by Childress in her paper [3], we have the following result.

Theorem 2.1. *Let $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(2)}$ and let $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, T_2) = \sum \sum a_{i_1, i_2} (T_1 - 1)^{i_1} (T_2 - 1)^{i_2}$ be the associated power series. Let η and ν be fixed $(p - 1)^{\text{th}}$ root of unity in \mathbb{Z}_p . Given non-negative integers k_1, k_2 , let m_1, m_2 be the integers such that $m_1 p \leq k_1 < (m_1 + 1)p$ and $m_2 p \leq k_2 < (m_2 + 1)p$. Put $k_1 = m_1 p + k_1^0$ and $k_2 = m_2 p + k_2^0$. Let $\eta_0 < p$ and $\nu_0 < p$ be the positive integers*

such that $\eta \equiv \eta_0 \pmod{p}$ and $\nu \equiv \nu_0 \pmod{p}$. Then the coefficient of $(T_1 - 1)^{k_1}(T_2 - 1)^{k_2}$ in $\alpha|_{\widehat{\eta U \times \nu U}}(T_1, T_2)$ is $e_{k_1, k_2}^{\eta, \nu}$, where, modulo p , we have

$$e_{k_1, k_2}^{\eta, \nu} \equiv \binom{\eta_0}{k_1^0} \binom{\nu_0}{k_2^0} \sum_{j_1=0}^{p-\eta_0-1} \sum_{j_2=0}^{p-\nu_0-1} \binom{j_1 + \eta_0}{j_1} \binom{j_2 + \nu_0}{j_2} (-1)^{j_1+j_2} a_{pm_1+\eta_0+j_1, pm_2+\nu_0+j_2}. \quad (2.1)$$

Now, we note that $\alpha \circ \widehat{(\eta, \nu)}(T_1, T_2) = \widehat{\alpha}(T_1^{\bar{\eta}}, T_2^{\bar{\nu}})$, where $\bar{\eta} = \eta^{-1}$ and $\bar{\nu} = \nu^{-1}$. Also, $(\alpha \circ (\eta, \nu))|_{U^2} = (\alpha|_{\eta U \times \nu U}) \circ (\eta, \nu)$. Therefore,

$$\widehat{\beta}(T_1, T_2) = \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{\nu \in V} \alpha|_{\widehat{\eta U \times \nu U}}(T_1^{\bar{\eta}}, T_2^{\bar{\nu}}). \quad (2.2)$$

In case $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(1)}$, Childress in her paper [3] proved certain congruences modulo p amongst the coefficients of $\widehat{\alpha}(T)$ and $\widehat{\beta}(T)$. Using her approach, we shall prove Theorem (2.3) below. Let us now state a useful Lemma from [3] and one can give a proof of the Lemma by induction on k .

Lemma 2.2. For any positive integer k ,

$$\left[\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \binom{\eta}{j} Y^j \right]^k = \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} \rho_{\eta}(j, k) Y^j,$$

where $\rho_{\eta}(j, k)$ is defined by: $\rho_{\eta}(j, 1) = \binom{\eta}{j}$, $\rho_{\eta}(j, k) = \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \binom{\eta}{i} \rho_{\eta}(j-i, k-1)$.

For notational convenience, we set $\rho_{\eta}(j, 0) = \rho_{\eta}(0, k) = 0$ when $jk \neq 0$ and $\rho_{\eta}(0, 0) = 1$.

Theorem 2.3. For $j_1 \geq 0, j_2 \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} b_{j_1, j_2, p} &\equiv \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{\nu \in V} \sum_{i_1=\eta_0}^{p-1} \sum_{i_2=\nu_0}^{p-1} (-1)^{i_1+i_2-\eta_0-\nu_0} \binom{i_1}{\eta_0} \binom{i_2}{\nu_0} \sum_{r_1=0}^{j_1} \sum_{r_2=0}^{j_2} a_{pr_1+i_1, pr_2+i_2} \times \\ &\quad \sum_{t_1=0}^{r_1} \sum_{t_2=0}^{r_2} (-1)^{r_1+t_1+r_2+t_2} \binom{r_1}{t_1} \binom{r_2}{t_2} \binom{\bar{\eta}(t_1 + \frac{\eta_0-\eta}{p})}{j_1} \binom{\bar{\nu}(t_2 + \frac{\nu_0-\nu}{p})}{j_2} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Proof: Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\beta}(T_1, T_2) &= \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{\nu \in V} \alpha|_{\widehat{\eta U \times \nu U}}(T_1^{\bar{\eta}}, T_2^{\bar{\nu}}) \\ &= \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{\nu \in V} \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} e_{k_1, k_2}^{\eta, \nu} (T_1^{\bar{\eta}} - 1)^{k_1} (T_2^{\bar{\nu}} - 1)^{k_2} \\ &= \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{\nu \in V} \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} e_{k_1, k_2}^{\eta, \nu} \left[\sum_{j_1}^{\infty} \binom{\bar{\eta}}{j_1} (T_1 - 1)^{j_1} \right]^{k_1} \left[\sum_{j_2}^{\infty} \binom{\bar{\nu}}{j_2} (T_2 - 1)^{j_2} \right]^{k_2} \\ &= \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{\nu \in V} \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} e_{k_1, k_2}^{\eta, \nu} \sum_{j_1=k_1}^{\infty} \sum_{j_2=k_2}^{\infty} \rho_{\bar{\eta}}(j_1, k_1) \rho_{\bar{\nu}}(j_2, k_2) (T_1 - 1)^{j_1} (T_2 - 1)^{j_2} \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

To obtain (2.4), we applied Lemma (2.2). From (2.4), we finally obtain

$$\widehat{\beta}(T_1, T_2) = \sum_{j_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j_2=0}^{\infty} (T_1 - 1)^{j_1} (T_2 - 1)^{j_2} \left[\sum_{k_1=0}^{j_1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{j_2} \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{v \in V} e_{k_1, k_2}^{\eta, v} \rho_{\bar{\eta}}(j_1, k_1) \rho_{\bar{v}}(j_2, k_2) \right]. \quad (2.5)$$

Modulo p , we have

$$\begin{aligned} b_{0,0} &\equiv \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{v \in V} e_{0,0}^{\eta, v} \\ &\equiv \sum_{\eta_0=1}^{p-1} \sum_{v_0=1}^{p-1} \sum_{j_1=0}^{p-1-\eta_0} \sum_{j_2=0}^{p-1-v_0} \binom{j_1 + \eta_0}{j_1} \binom{j_2 + v_0}{j_2} (-1)^{j_1+j_2} a_{\eta_0+j_1, v_0+j_2} \\ &\equiv \sum_{j_1=0}^{p-2} \sum_{j_2=0}^{p-2} (-1)^{j_1+j_2} \sum_{\eta_0=1}^{p-1-j_1} \sum_{v_0=1}^{p-1-j_2} \binom{j_1 + \eta_0}{j_1} \binom{j_2 + v_0}{j_2} a_{\eta_0+j_1, v_0+j_2} \\ &\equiv \sum_{k_1=1}^{p-1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{p-1} a_{k_1, k_2} \sum_{i_1=0}^{k_1-1} \sum_{i_2=0}^{k_2-1} \binom{k_1}{i_1} \binom{k_2}{i_2} (-1)^{i_1+i_2} \\ &\equiv \sum_{k_1=1}^{p-1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{p-1} (-1)^{k_1+k_2} a_{k_1, k_2}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Similarly, if j_1 or $j_2 \geq 1$, then following the approach of Childress [3], modulo p we have

$$\begin{aligned} b_{pj_1, pj_2} &\equiv \sum_{\eta \in V} \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{i_1=\eta_0}^{p-1} \sum_{i_2=v_0}^{p-1} \binom{i_1}{\eta_0} \binom{i_2}{v_0} (-1)^{i_1+i_2-\eta_0-v_0} \sum_{r_1=0}^{j_1} \sum_{r_2=0}^{j_2} a_{pr_1+i_1, pr_2+i_2} \times \\ &\quad \sum_{k_1=0}^{\eta_0} \sum_{k_2=0}^{v_0} \binom{\eta_0}{k_1} \binom{v_0}{k_2} \rho_{\bar{\eta}}(pj_1, pr_1 + k_1) \rho_{\bar{v}}(pj_2, pr_2 + k_2). \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

From the definition of ρ ,

$\sum_{k_1=0}^{\eta_0} \binom{\eta_0}{k_1} \rho_{\bar{\eta}}(pj_1, pr_1 + k_1)$ is the coefficient of $Y_1^{j_1 p}$ in $\sum_{k_1=0}^{\eta_0} \binom{\eta_0}{k_1} \left[\sum_{t_1}^{\infty} \binom{\bar{\eta}}{t_1} Y_1^{t_1} \right]^{r_1 p + k_1}$ and hence it is the coefficient of $Y_1^{j_1 p}$ in $(1 + Y_1)^{\bar{\eta} \eta_0} \left((1 + Y_1)^{\bar{\eta}} - 1 \right)^{r_1 p}$. Let $x_1 = \frac{\bar{\eta}(\eta_0 - \eta)}{p}$ and clearly $x_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k_1=0}^{\eta_0} \binom{\eta_0}{k_1} \rho_{\bar{\eta}}(pj_1, pr_1 + k_1) \\ &= \text{coefficient of } Y_1^{pj_1} \text{ in } (1 + Y_1)^{p_1 x_1 + 1} \left((1 + Y_1)^{\bar{\eta}} - 1 \right)^{r_1 p} \\ &\equiv \text{coefficient of } Y_1^{pj_1} \text{ in } (1 + Y_1)(1 + Y_1^p)^{x_1} \left((1 + Y_1)^{\bar{\eta}} - 1 \right)^{r_1} \\ &\equiv \text{coefficient of } Y_1^{j_1} \text{ in } (1 + Y_1)^{x_1} \left((1 + Y_1)^{\bar{\eta}} - 1 \right)^{r_1} \\ &\equiv \sum_{t_1=0}^{r_1} (-1)^{r_1+t_1} \binom{r_1}{t_1} \binom{x_1 + \bar{\eta} t_1}{j_1} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

From (2.6)-(2.8), we complete the proof of the theorem.

3. An application to λ -invariants

In this section we give criteria for the value of the λ -invariant of the power series $\widehat{\beta}(T_1, T_2)$ in terms of the coefficients of $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, T_2)$. If $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(1)}$, then the λ -invariant of $\widehat{\beta}(T)$ is p times the λ -invariant of the Iwasawa series of G as in [2], [4], [6], [7]. In [1], we proved the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. *Suppose $\lambda(G(T_1, \dots, T_n)) \leq 2p$, then $\lambda(\beta) = p\lambda(G(T_1, \dots, T_n))$.*

Suppose that

$$G(T_1, \dots, T_n) = \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_n=0}^{\infty} g_{m_1, \dots, m_n} (T_1 - 1)^{m_1} \cdots (T_n - 1)^{m_n}. \quad (3.1)$$

If $\lambda(G(T_1, \dots, T_n)) = k$, then for a partition $k_1 + \cdots + k_n$ of k , g_{k_1, \dots, k_n} is a unit in \mathcal{O} . In the proof of the Theorem (3.1), we showed that b_{pk_1, \dots, pk_n} is also a unit in \mathcal{O} . Using this and Theorem (2.3), we will give criteria for the λ -invariant of the power series $\widehat{\beta}(T_1, T_2)$ in terms of the coefficients of $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, T_2)$.

Example 3.2. *Let $p = 3$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(2)}$ be such that $\mu(G(T_1, T_2)) = 0$. Then we have:*

- (1) $\lambda(G) = 0$ if and only if $a_{1,1} + a_{2,2} \not\equiv a_{1,2} + a_{2,1} \pmod{\pi}$.
- (2) If $\lambda(G) > 0$, then $\lambda(G) = 1$ if and only if either $a_{2,1} + a_{4,1} \not\equiv a_{2,2} + a_{4,2} \pmod{\pi}$ or $a_{1,2} + a_{1,4} \not\equiv a_{2,2} + a_{2,4} \pmod{\pi}$.
- (3) If $\lambda(G) > 1$, then $\lambda(G) = 2$ if and only if any one of the following is true:
 - (a) $a_{2,2} + a_{4,4} \not\equiv a_{2,4} + a_{4,2} \pmod{\pi}$
 - (b) $a_{2,2} + a_{5,1} + a_{7,2} + a_{8,1} \not\equiv a_{2,1} + a_{5,2} + a_{7,1} + a_{8,2} \pmod{\pi}$
 - (c) $a_{2,2} + a_{1,5} + a_{2,7} + a_{1,8} \not\equiv a_{1,2} + a_{2,5} + a_{1,7} + a_{2,8} \pmod{\pi}$.
- (4) If $\lambda(G) > 2$, then $\lambda(G) = 3$ if and only if any one of the following is true:
 - (a) $a_{5,1} + a_{10,1} \not\equiv a_{5,2} + a_{10,2} \pmod{\pi}$
 - (b) $a_{1,5} + a_{1,10} \not\equiv a_{2,5} + a_{2,10} \pmod{\pi}$
 - (c) $a_{2,2} + a_{4,5} + a_{4,8} \not\equiv a_{4,2} + a_{2,7} + a_{4,7} + a_{2,8} \pmod{\pi}$
 - (d) $a_{2,2} + a_{5,4} + a_{8,4} \not\equiv a_{2,4} + a_{7,2} + a_{7,4} + a_{8,2} \pmod{\pi}$.

In this way, in case $p = 3$, we can find criteria for the λ invariant of $G(T_1, T_2)$ in terms of the coefficients of $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, T_2)$ if $\lambda(G) \leq 6$.

We may produce similar results for any prime p . The number of coefficients of $\widehat{\alpha}(T_1, T_2)$ which are involved will increase with p .

Example 3.3. *Let $p = 3$ and consider the measure $\alpha \in \Lambda_{(2)}$ given by the power series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} T_1^{4k} T_2$. Using (1.4) and (1.5), we find that $G(T_1, T_2) = T_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} T_2^{2k}$. Clearly $\lambda(G) = 1$ and this can also be verified using (1) and (2) of Example (3.2).*

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