

## 16. Functoriality of symmetric cube.

*16.1 Weak Ramanujan property.* The following is an important property of cuspidal representations of  $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$ : Let  $\pi = \otimes_v \pi_v$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_n(\mathbb{A})$ . Let  $\pi_v$  be a spherical representation with a semi-simple conjugacy class  $\text{diag}(\alpha_{1v}, \dots, \alpha_{nv})$ .

**Definition 16.1.** We say  $\pi$  satisfies the weak Ramanujan property if given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a density zero set  $T_\epsilon$  such that  $\max_i \{|\alpha_{iv}|, |\alpha_{iv}|^{-1}\} \leq q_v^\epsilon$  for  $v \notin T_\epsilon$ .

**Theorem 16.2.** Cuspidal representations of  $GL_2, GL_3, GL_4$  satisfy the weak Ramanujan property.

*Proof.* The cases of  $GL_2, GL_3$  follow easily from the absolute convergence of the standard  $L$ -functions  $L(s, \pi)$  for  $\text{Re}(s) > 1$  (See [Ki-Sh2]). The case of  $GL_4$  uses the exterior square lift of  $GL_4$  (See [Ki5]).  $\square$

*16.2 Functoriality of symmetric square.* We first explain the method with the simplest example. Let  $\phi = \text{Ad} : GL_2(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow SO_3(\mathbb{C}) \subset GL_3(\mathbb{C})$  be the adjoint representation. More explicitly,  $\text{Ad}(\text{diag}(a, b)) = \text{diag}(ab^{-1}, 1, ba^{-1})$ . Let  $\pi = \otimes_v \pi_v$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ . By the local Langlands' correspondence, we have  $\text{Ad}(\pi) = \otimes_v \text{Ad}(\pi_v)$ , irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$ . Note that  $\text{Sym}^2(\pi) = \text{Ad}(\pi) \otimes \omega_\pi$ , where  $\omega_\pi$  is the central character of  $\pi$ . In this case, note that, for a grössencharacter  $\chi$ ,

$$L(s, \pi \times \tilde{\pi}) = L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi))L(s, 1), \quad L(s, (\pi \otimes \chi) \times \tilde{\pi}) = L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi) \otimes \chi)L(s, \chi).$$

Hence  $L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi_v) \otimes \chi_v)$  and  $\gamma(s, \text{Ad}(\pi_v) \otimes \chi_v, \psi_v)$  are Artin  $L$  and  $\gamma$ -factors. Here  $L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi) \otimes \chi)$  appears in the Langlands-Shahidi method for  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{MN} \subset Sp(4)$ , where  $\mathbf{M} \simeq GL_1 \times SL_2$ : Take  $\pi_0$  to be any irreducible constituent of  $\pi|_{SL_2(\mathbb{A})}$  and consider  $\Sigma = \chi \otimes \pi_0$ . Then  $(\mathbf{M}, \Sigma)$  gives rise to the fact that  $m = 1$  and  $L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi) \otimes \chi)$  is entire if  $\chi^2 \neq 1$ .

Apply the converse theorem to  $\text{Ad}(\pi) = \otimes_v \text{Ad}(\pi_v)$ , and  $S = \{v_1\}$ , where  $v_1$  is any finite place. We obtain an automorphic representation  $\Pi$  of  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Pi_v \simeq \text{Ad}(\pi_v)$  for  $v \neq v_1$ . By the classification of automorphic representations of  $GL_n$ ,  $\Pi$  is equivalent to a subquotient of

$$\text{Ind } \sigma_1 |det|^{r_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma_k |det|^{r_k},$$

where  $r_i \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\sigma_i$ 's are (unitary) cuspidal representations of  $GL_{n_i}$ , where  $n_i = 1, 2, 3$ . Since  $\pi$  satisfies the weak Ramanujan, so does  $\Pi$ . Hence  $r_1 = \dots = r_k = 0$ , and  $\Pi = \text{Ind } \sigma_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma_k$ .

Now we apply the converse theorem again to  $\text{Ad}(\pi) = \otimes_v \text{Ad}(\pi_v)$ , and  $S = \{v_2\}$ , where  $v_2 \neq v_1$  is any finite place, and obtain an automorphic representation  $\Pi'$  of  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Pi'_v \simeq \text{Ad}(\pi_v)$  for  $v \neq v_2$ . Also  $\Pi'$  is of the form  $\text{Ind } \sigma'_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma'_k$ . By the strong multiplicity one,  $\Pi \simeq \Pi' \simeq \text{Ad}(\pi)$ . Therefore  $\text{Ad}(\pi)$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$ .

From the relation  $L(s, (\pi \otimes \chi) \times \tilde{\pi}) = L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi) \otimes \chi)L(s, \chi)$ , LHS has a pole at  $s = 1$  if and only if  $\pi \otimes \chi \simeq \pi$ . Note that  $L(s, \text{Ad}(\pi))$  does not have a pole at  $s = 1$ .

If  $\chi \neq 1$  and  $\pi \otimes \chi \simeq \pi$ ,  $\pi$  is a monomial representation, then  $L(s, Ad(\pi) \otimes \chi)$  has a pole at  $s = 1$ . Hence  $Ad(\pi)$  is not cuspidal and  $Ad(\pi) \simeq \chi \boxplus \pi'$  (since  $\chi^2 = 1$ ), where  $\pi'$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_2$ . We have proved

**Theorem 16.3 (Gelbart-Jacquet [Ge-J]).** *Let  $\pi$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$ . Then  $Ad(\pi)$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$ . It is an isobaric sum of (unitary) cuspidal representations of  $GL$ , and it is cuspidal if and only if  $\pi$  is not monomial. Moreover,  $Sym^2(\pi) = Ad(\pi) \otimes \omega_\pi$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$ .*

**16.3 Functoriality of the tensor product of  $GL_2 \times GL_3$ .** Consider  $\phi : GL_2(\mathbb{C}) \times GL_3(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow GL_6(\mathbb{C})$  be the tensor product in Example 14.3. Let  $\pi_1 = \otimes_v \pi_{1v}$ ,  $\pi_2 = \otimes_v \pi_{2v}$  be cuspidal representations of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A}_F)$  and  $GL_3(\mathbb{A}_F)$ , resp. By the local Langlands correspondence, we have  $\pi_1 \boxtimes \pi_2 = \otimes_v (\pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v})$ , an irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$ .

Let  $S$  be a finite set of finite places such that  $\pi_{1v}, \pi_{2v}$  are unramified for  $v \notin S$ ,  $v < \infty$ . Let  $\sigma$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_m(\mathbb{A})$ ,  $m = 2, 3, 4$ . The triple product  $L$ -functions  $L(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2 \times \sigma)$  are available from Langlands-Shahidi method. Consider three cases;  $D_5 - 2$ ,  $E_6 - 1$  and  $E_7 - 1$ , with all groups simply connected.

- (1)  $D_5 - 2$ : in which case,  $m = 2$ ;  $\mathbf{G} = Spin(10)$ , and the derived group of  $\mathbf{M}$  is  $SL_3 \times SL_2 \times SL_2$ .
- (2)  $E_6 - 1$ : in which case,  $m = 3$ ;  $\mathbf{G}$ =simply connected  $E_6$ , and the derived group of  $\mathbf{M}$  is  $SL_3 \times SL_2 \times SL_3$ .
- (3)  $E_7 - 1$ : in which case,  $m = 4$ ;  $\mathbf{G}$ =simply connected  $E_7$ , and the derived group of  $\mathbf{M}$  is  $SL_3 \times SL_2 \times SL_4$ .

Note that given a finite place  $v$ , either one of  $\pi_{1v}$ , or  $\sigma_v$  is in the principal series for  $\sigma \in \mathcal{T}^S(m)$ . Hence by multiplicativity

$$(16.1) \quad \begin{aligned} L(s, (\pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}) \times \sigma_v) &= L(s, \pi_{1v} \times \pi_{2v} \times \sigma_v), \\ \gamma(s, (\pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}) \times \sigma_v, \psi_v) &= \gamma(s, \pi_{1v} \times \pi_{2v} \times \sigma_v, \psi_v) \end{aligned}$$

Applying the converse theorem to  $\pi_1 \boxtimes \pi_2 = \otimes_v (\pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v})$  and  $S$ , we obtain

**Proposition 16.4.** *There exists an automorphic representation  $\Pi$  of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Pi_v \simeq \pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  for all  $v \notin S$ .*

By the classification of automorphic representations,  $\Pi$  is equivalent to a sub-quotient of

$$Ind |det|^{r_1} \sigma_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes |det|^{r_k} \sigma_k$$

where  $\sigma_i$  is a (unitary) cuspidal representation of  $GL_{n_i}(\mathbb{A}_F)$ . Note that the central character of  $\Pi$  is  $\omega_\Pi = \omega_{\pi_1}^3 \omega_{\pi_2}^2$ . In particular, it is unitary. Hence  $n_1 r_1 + \cdots + n_k r_k = 0$ .

Here  $n_i > 1$  since  $L_S(s, \Pi \otimes \mu) = L_S(s, \pi_1 \times (\pi_2 \otimes \mu))$  is entire for every grössencharacter  $\mu$ . Since cuspidal representations of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$  and  $GL_3(\mathbb{A})$  satisfy the weak Ramanujan property, so does  $\Pi$ . Hence  $r_1 = \cdots = r_k = 0$ . Therefore  $\Pi = \sigma_1 \boxplus \cdots \boxplus \sigma_k$ .

Proving  $\Pi_v \simeq \pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  for  $v \in S$  is difficult, especially when  $\pi_{1v}, \pi_{2v}$  are supercuspidal representations. The most difficult case is when  $\pi_{1v}$  is an extraordinary supercuspidal representation of  $GL_2(F_v)$ , i.e.,  $v|2$ , and  $\pi_{2v}$  is a supercuspidal representation attached to non-normal cubic extension  $E_v/F_v$ . We briefly explain how it is done: Let  $T$  be the set of places where  $v|2$ ,  $\pi_{1v}$  is an extraordinary supercuspidal representation of  $GL_2(F_v)$ , and  $\pi_{2v}$  is a supercuspidal representation of  $GL_3(F_v)$  attached to a character of a non-normal cubic extension of  $F_v$ . Then, if  $v \notin T$ , we can show that, for every irreducible generic representation  $\sigma_v$  of  $GL_m(F_v)$ ,  $m = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , the equalities (16.1) hold. We briefly explain how to prove it in the case when both  $\pi_{1v}$  and  $\pi_{2v}$  are supercuspidal representations. Suppose  $v|2$  and  $v \notin T$ . Then  $\pi_{2v}$  corresponds to  $Ind(W_{F_v}, W_K, \mu)$ , where  $K/F_v$  is a cyclic cubic extension and  $\mu$  is a character of  $K^*$ . We embed  $\pi_{1v}, \sigma_v$  as local components of cuspidal representations  $\pi_1, \sigma$  with unramified finite components everywhere else. We choose a cubic cyclic extension  $E/F$  such that  $E_w = K$ ,  $w|v$  (i.e.,  $v$  is inert) and choose a grössencharacter  $\eta$  of  $E$  such that  $\eta_w = \mu$ . Let  $\pi_2$  be a cuspidal representation corresponding to  $Ind(W_F, W_E, \eta)$ . Let  $\pi_1^E, \sigma^E$  be their base changes. By comparing functional equations of  $L(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2 \times \sigma)$  and  $L(s, (\pi_1^E \otimes \eta) \times \sigma^E)$ , and the adjointness property of base change (Proposition 2.3.1 of [Ra1], [A-C]), we obtain, up to a multiplication by an appropriate  $\lambda$ -function (see [A-C, p60] for the definition), the equality  $\gamma(s, \pi_{1v} \times \pi_{2v} \times \sigma_v, \psi_v) = \gamma(s, (\pi_{1w}^K \otimes \eta_w) \times \sigma_w^K, \psi_w)$ . The right hand side is now a Rankin-Selberg  $\gamma$ -factor and it is easy to see that it gives the correct Artin factors. The proof for the case  $v \nmid 2$  is similar, except that we use a quadratic base change. If  $v \in T$ , by applying the converse theorem to the set  $S = \{v\}$  and choosing appropriate cusp forms for which  $\pi_{1v}$  and  $\pi_{2v}$  are the only finite ramifications, one can get a unique local lift  $\Pi_v$  satisfying equalities (16.1) in place of  $\pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$ . Using local-global arguments, one can show that our local lift differs from  $\pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  by at most a quadratic character. We then combine this and equalities (16.1) for  $m = 1, 2, 3$ , which can be proved by non-normal base change, with a result in local Langlands correspondence (Bushnell-Henniart), to conclude that equalities (16.1) also hold for  $m = 4$  for all  $v$  in  $T$ .

Now pick two finite places  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , where  $\pi_{jv_1}$  and  $\pi_{jv_2}$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , are unramified. Let  $S_i = \{v_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . We apply the converse theorem twice to  $\pi_1 \boxtimes \pi_2 = \otimes_v \pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  with  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , and find two automorphic representations  $\Pi_1$  and  $\Pi_2$  of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$ , both induced from cuspidal representations, such that  $\Pi_{1v} \simeq \pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  for  $v \neq v_1$  and  $\Pi_{2v} \simeq \pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  for  $v \neq v_2$ . By the strong multiplicity one,  $\Pi_1 \simeq \Pi_2$ . In particular,  $\Pi_{1v_i} \simeq \Pi_{2v_i} \simeq \pi_{1v} \boxtimes \pi_{2v}$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

In conclusion,

**Theorem 16.5.** *The representation  $\pi_1 \boxtimes \pi_2$  of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A}_F)$  is automorphic. Moreover, it is irreducibly induced from cuspidal representations, i.e.,  $\pi_1 \boxtimes \pi_2 = Ind \sigma_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \sigma_k$ , where  $\sigma_i$ 's are cuspidal representations of  $GL_{n_i}(\mathbb{A}_F)$ ,  $n_i > 1$ .*

**16.4 Functoriality of symmetric cube.** Let  $\pi$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$ . Let  $\phi = Sym^3 : GL_2(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow GL_4(\mathbb{C})$ , the four dimensional irreducible representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$  on symmetric tensors of rank 3. Simply put, for each  $g \in GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $Sym^3(g) \in GL_4(\mathbb{C})$  can be taken to be the matrix that gives the

change in coefficients of an arbitrary homogeneous cubic polynomial in two variables, under the change of variables by  $g$ . By the local Langlands' correspondence, we have the irreducible admissible representation  $Sym^3(\pi) = \otimes_v Sym^3(\pi_v)$ , which we call the symmetric cube of  $\pi$ .

Applying Theorem 16.5 to  $\pi_1 = \pi$  and  $\pi_2 = Ad(\pi)$ , we obtain that  $\pi \boxtimes Ad(\pi)$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$ . However,

$$\pi \boxtimes Ad(\pi) = \pi \boxplus Sym^3(\pi) \otimes \omega_\pi^{-1}.$$

**Theorem 16.6.**  *$Sym^3(\pi)$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_4(\mathbb{A})$ . It is cuspidal, unless  $\pi$  is either of dihedral, or, of tetrahedral type, i.e., those attached to dihedral and tetrahedral representations of Galois group of  $\bar{F}/F$ . In particular, if  $F = \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\pi$  is the automorphic representation attached to a non-dihedral holomorphic form of weight  $\geq 2$ , then  $Sym^3(\pi)$  is cuspidal.*

*Proof.* We only need to prove the cuspidality. For this, we can prove the following:

**Lemma 16.7.** *Let  $\sigma$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A}_F)$ . Then the triple  $L$ -function  $L_S(s, Ad(\pi) \times \pi \times \sigma)$  has a pole at  $s = 1$  if and only if  $\sigma \simeq \pi \otimes \chi$  and  $Ad(\pi) \simeq Ad(\pi) \otimes (\omega_\pi \chi)$  for some grössencharacter  $\chi$ . Here  $S$  is a finite set of places for which  $v \notin S$  implies that both  $\pi_v$  and  $\sigma_v$  are unramified.*

If we use the global Langlands' correspondence (Langlands-Tunnell theorem), we can avoid the use of the appendix in [Ki-Sh2] by Bushnell-Henniart for the special case of the functoriality of  $Sym^3(\pi)$ . After applying the converse theorem, we obtain that there exists an automorphic representation  $\Pi$  of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Pi_v \simeq \pi_v \boxtimes Ad(\pi_v)$  for  $v \notin S$ . Then  $\Pi = \pi \boxplus \tau$  for an automorphic representation  $\tau$  of  $GL_4(\mathbb{A})$ . We have  $\tau_v \simeq Sym^3(\pi_v) \otimes \omega_{\pi_v}^{-1}$  for  $v \notin S$ . For simplicity, denote  $Sym^3(\pi_v) \otimes \omega_{\pi_v}^{-1}$  by  $A^3(\pi_v)$ . If  $v \nmid 2$ ,  $\pi_v$  is induced and hence  $Ad(\pi_v)$  is not supercuspidal. Hence we can show easily that  $\tau_v \simeq A^3(\pi_v)$  for  $v \nmid 2$ .

Since we need local-global argument, in order to avoid confusion, we use the following setup: Let  $k$  be a non-archimedean local field of characteristic zero. Let  $\eta_1, \eta_2$  be supercuspidal representations of  $GL_m(k), GL_2(k)$  with corresponding parametrizations  $\phi_1 : W_k \longrightarrow GL_m(\mathbb{C}), \phi_2 : W_k \longrightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ , resp. We can think of  $\phi_i$  as a representation of  $Gal(\bar{k}/k)$ . By the local converse theorem, we need to show that

$$\gamma(s, \eta_1 \times A^3(\eta_2), \psi) = \gamma(s, \phi_1 \otimes A^3(\phi_2), \psi),$$

for  $m = 1, 2$ . It is equivalent to showing that

$$\gamma(s, \eta_1 \times \eta_2 \times Ad(\eta_2), \psi) = \gamma(s, \phi_1 \otimes \phi_2 \otimes Ad(\phi_2), \psi).$$

The case of  $m = 1$  is the local Langlands' correspondence. Let  $m = 2$ . By appealing to [P-Ra, Lemma 3, section 4], we can find a number field  $F$  with  $k = F_v$  and irreducible 2-dimensional representations  $\sigma_i$  of  $Gal(\bar{F}/F)$  with solvable image such that  $\sigma_{i_v} = \phi_i$  and  $\sigma_{i_u}$  are unramified for  $u \nmid 2, u \neq v$ . The global Langlands correspondence is available for representations with solvable image [La3, Tu],

and hence we can find corresponding cuspidal representations  $\pi_i$  of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A}_F)$  such that  $\pi_{i_v} = \eta_i$ . We compare the functional equations for  $L(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2 \times Ad(\pi_2))$  and  $L(s, \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes Ad(\sigma_2))$ . Even though we do not know the holomorphy of  $L(s, \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes Ad(\sigma_2))$ , the functional equation is known and it suffices for our purpose. Since  $L(s, \pi_{1w} \times \pi_{2w} \times Ad(\pi_{2w})) = L(s, \sigma_{1w} \otimes \sigma_{2w} \otimes Ad(\sigma_{2w}))$  for unramified places, we have an equality

$$\prod_{u \in S} \gamma(s, \pi_{1u} \times \pi_{2u} \times Ad(\pi_{2u}), \psi_u) = \prod_{u \in S} \gamma(s, \sigma_{1u} \otimes \sigma_{2u} \otimes Ad(\sigma_{2u}), \psi_u).$$

Note that  $\pi_{iu}$ 's are unramified if  $u|2, u \neq v$ . Also if  $u \in S, u \nmid 2$ , then  $Ad(\pi_{2u})$  is not supercuspidal. Therefore, if  $u \in S, u \neq v$ ,  $Ad(\pi_{2u})$  is not supercuspidal. Hence

$$\gamma(s, \pi_{1u} \times \pi_{2u} \times Ad(\pi_{2u}), \psi_u) = \gamma(s, \sigma_{1u} \otimes \sigma_{2u} \otimes Ad(\sigma_{2u}), \psi_u),$$

for each  $u \in S, u \neq v$ . Therefore,

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

## 17. Functoriality of symmetric fourth.

*17.1 Functoriality of exterior square.* Let  $\wedge^2 : GL_4(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow GL_6(\mathbb{C})$ , be the map given by exterior square in Example 14.5. Let  $\pi = \otimes_v \pi_v$  be a cuspidal (automorphic) representation of  $GL_4(\mathbb{A})$ . By the local Langlands correspondence, we have  $\wedge^2 \pi = \otimes_v \wedge^2 \pi_v$ , an irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$ .

Consider  $D_n - 3$  case with  $\mathbf{G} = Spin(2n)$  in Example 1.36. We have an injection  $f : \mathbf{M} \rightarrow GL_{n-3} \times GL_4$ . Let  $\sigma, \pi$  be cuspidal representations of  $GL_{n-3}(\mathbb{A}), GL_4(\mathbb{A})$  with central characters  $\omega_1, \omega_2$ , resp. Let  $\Sigma$  be a cuspidal representation of  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbb{A})$ , induced by  $f$  and  $\sigma, \pi$ . Then  $(\mathbf{M}, \Sigma)$  gives rise to, for almost all  $v$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \Sigma_v, r_1) &= L(s, \sigma_v \otimes \pi_v, \rho_{n-3} \otimes \wedge^2 \rho_4), \\ L(s, \Sigma_v, r_2) &= L(s, \sigma_v, \wedge^2 \otimes \omega_{2v}). \end{aligned}$$

We need the cases  $n = 4, 5, 6, 7$ . Let  $S$  be a finite set of finite places such that  $\pi_v$ 's are unramified for  $v \notin S, v < \infty$ . We can show that if  $\pi_v$  is not supercuspidal,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(s, \sigma_v \otimes \pi_v, \rho_m \otimes \wedge^2 \rho_4, \psi_v) &= \gamma(s, \sigma_v \times \wedge^2 \pi_v, \psi_v) \\ L(s, \sigma_v \otimes \pi_v, \rho_m \otimes \wedge^2 \rho_4) &= L(s, \sigma_v \times \wedge^2 \pi_v). \end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $v \in S, \sigma_v$  is unramified. Hence by multiplicativity of  $\gamma$  and  $L$ -factors, it is enough to show the above equalities for  $\sigma_v$ , characters of  $F_v \times$ . However, if  $\pi_v$  is supercuspidal, we cannot show it yet. There are three ways to get around it:

First, use the stability of  $\gamma$ -factors. This is not known.

Second, use descent argument of Ramakrishnan. See [Ki5] for the details.

Third, use the global method in special cases such as the functoriality of the symmetric fourth: Let  $k$  be a non-archimedean local field of characteristic zero. Let  $\eta$

be supercuspidal representations of  $GL_2(k)$  with the corresponding parametrization  $\phi : W_k \longrightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ . We can think of  $\phi$  as a representation of  $Gal(\bar{k}/k)$ . We need to show that

$$\gamma(s, A^3(\eta), \wedge^2 \rho_4 \otimes \chi, \psi) = \gamma(s, A^3(\phi), \wedge^2 \rho_4 \otimes \chi, \psi),$$

for any character  $\chi$  of  $k^\times$ , which we identify it as a character of  $Gal(\bar{k}/k)$ . By appealing to [P-Ra, Lemma 3, section 4], we can find a number field  $F$  with  $k = F_v$  and irreducible 2-dimensional representations  $\sigma$  of  $Gal(\bar{F}/F)$  with solvable image such that  $\sigma_v = \phi$  and  $\sigma_u$  is unramified for  $u|2, u \neq v$ . Let  $\pi$  be the cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A}_F)$  such that  $\pi_v = \eta$ , given by the global Langlands correspondence. Take a grössencharacter  $\mu$  such that  $\mu_v = \chi$ . By comparing the functional equations of  $L(s, A^3(\pi), \wedge^2 \rho_4 \otimes \mu)$  and  $L(s, A^3(\sigma), \wedge^2 \rho_4 \otimes \mu)$ , we obtain the equality, by noting that if  $u|2, u \neq v$ ,  $\pi_u$  is unramified.

Apply the converse theorem to  $\wedge^2 \pi$  and  $S$ , and obtain an automorphic representation  $\Pi$  of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Pi_v \simeq \wedge^2 \pi_v$  for  $v \notin S$ . By the classification of the automorphic representation of  $GL_n$ ,  $\Pi$  is equivalent to a subquotient of

$$Ind |det|^{r_1} \sigma_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes |det|^{r_k} \sigma_k$$

where  $\sigma_i$  is a (unitary) cuspidal representation of  $GL_{n_i}(\mathbb{A}_F)$ . However, proving that  $r_1 = \cdots = r_k$  is not easy. It requires comparison of Hecke conjugacy classes of  $\wedge^2 \pi$  and  $\Pi$ . See [Ki5] for the details. However, if  $\pi = Sym^3(\tau)$ , where  $\tau$  is a cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$  as we will do in order to obtain the functoriality of the symmetric fourth, then  $\pi$  satisfies the weak Ramanujan property, and so does  $\wedge^2 \pi$ . It implies  $r_1 = \cdots = r_k$ . Proving that  $\Pi_v \simeq \wedge^2 \pi_v$  is not easy, especially when  $v | 2$  and  $\pi_v$  is a supercuspidal representation. We have

**Theorem 17.1.** *Let  $T$  be the set of places where  $v|2, 3$ , and  $\pi_v$  is a supercuspidal representation. Then there exists an automorphic representation  $\Pi$  of  $GL_6(\mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Pi_v \simeq \wedge^2 \pi_v$  if  $v \notin T$ . Moreover,  $\Pi$  is of the form  $Ind \tau_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \tau_k$ , where  $\tau_i$ 's are all cuspidal representations of  $GL_{n_i}(\mathbb{A})$ .*

**17.2 Functoriality of symmetric fourth.** Let  $Sym^4 : GL_2(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow GL_5(\mathbb{C})$  be the 4<sup>th</sup> symmetric power representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$  on the space of symmetric tensors of rank 4. Let  $\pi = \otimes_v \pi_v$  be a cuspidal representation of  $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$  with central character  $\omega_\pi$ . By the local Langlands' correspondence,  $Sym^4(\pi) = \otimes_v Sym^4(\pi_v)$  is an irreducible admissible representation of  $GL_5(\mathbb{A})$ .

We apply Theorem 17.1 to  $A^3(\pi) = Sym^3(\pi) \otimes \omega_\pi^{-1}$ . Then  $\wedge^2(A^3(\pi)) = Sym^4(\pi) \otimes \omega_\pi^{-1} \boxplus \omega_\pi$ . Hence we have

**Theorem 17.2.**  *$Sym^4(\pi)$  is an automorphic representation of  $GL_5(\mathbb{A})$ . Let  $A^4(\pi) = Sym^4(\pi) \otimes \omega_\pi^{-1}$ . It is a cuspidal representation of  $GL_5(\mathbb{A})$  except for the following three cases*

- (1)  $\pi$  is monomial,
- (2)  $\pi$  is not monomial and  $A^3(\pi)$  is not cuspidal; this is the case when there exists a non-trivial grössencharacter  $\mu$  such that  $Ad(\pi) \simeq Ad(\pi) \otimes \mu$ ,

- (3)  $A^3(\pi)$  is cuspidal, but there exists a non-trivial quadratic character  $\eta$  such that  $A^3(\pi) \simeq A^3(\pi) \otimes \eta$ , or equivalently, there exists a non-trivial grössencharacter  $\chi$  of  $E$  such that  $Ad(\pi_E) \simeq Ad(\pi_E) \otimes \chi$ , where  $E/F$  is the quadratic extension determined by  $\eta$  and  $\pi_E$  is the base change of  $\pi$ . In this case,  $A^4(\pi) = \sigma_1 \boxplus \sigma_2$ , where  $\sigma_1 = \pi(\chi^{-1}) \otimes \omega_\pi$  and  $\sigma_2 = Ad(\pi) \otimes (\omega_\pi \eta)$ .

Cases (1), (2), and (3) are equivalent to  $\pi$  being of dihedral, tetrahedral, or octahedral type, respectively.