

## IGUSA'S LOCAL ZETA FUNCTIONS OF SEMIQUASIHOMOGENEOUS POLYNOMIALS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove the rationality of Igusa's local zeta functions of semiquasihomogeneous polynomials with coefficients in a non-archimedean local field  $K$ . The proof of this result is based on Igusa's stationary phase formula and some ideas on Néron  $\pi$ -desingularization.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $K$  be a non-archimedean local field, and let  $\mathcal{O}_K$  be the ring of integers of  $K$ . Let  $\pi$  be a uniformizing parameter of  $K$ , and let the residue field of  $K$  be  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , the finite field with  $q = p^r$  elements. Let  $v$  denote the valuation of  $K$  such that  $v(\pi) = 1$ . For  $x \in K$ , let  $|x|_K = q^{-v(x)}$ . Let  $|dx|$  be the Haar measure on  $K^n$ , normalized so that the measure of  $\mathcal{O}_K^n$  is equal to one. Let  $f(x) \in K[x]$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . The Igusa local zeta function associated to  $f$  is defined by

$$Z(f, s) = \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} |f(x)|_K^s |dx|, \quad s \in \mathbb{C}, \operatorname{Re}(s) > 0.$$

The local zeta function  $Z(f, s)$  is a holomorphic function on the semiplane  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$ . In the case of  $K$  having characteristic zero, Igusa ([7], [8]) and Denef ([3]) proved that  $Z(f, s)$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$ . At the present time, the techniques used by Igusa (resolution of singularities) and Denef (elimination of quantifiers in  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ ) are not available in positive characteristic, so in this case the rationality of  $Z(f, s)$  is still an open problem.

The local zeta function contains information about the number of solutions of the congruence  $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^j \mathcal{O}_K}$  (see e.g. [4]). More precisely, if

$$N_j := \operatorname{Card}\{x \in (\mathcal{O}_K/\pi^j \mathcal{O}_K)^n \mid f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^j \mathcal{O}_K}\},$$

and  $P(t)$  is the Poincaré series  $P(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} N_j (q^{-n} t)^j$ , then

$$Z(f, s) = P(q^{-s}) - q^s (P(q^{-s}) - 1).$$

In this paper, we shall study the local zeta functions of semiquasihomogeneous polynomials with an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity at the origin of  $K^n$ .

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Let  $f(x)$  be a polynomial with coefficients in  $K$ , and  $V_f$  the corresponding  $K$ -hypersurface. We call a point  $P \in K^n$  an *absolutely algebraically isolated singularity* of  $V_f(K)$ , if the only solution of the system of equations

$$f(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x) = \dots = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) = 0,$$

over an algebraic fixed closure of  $K$ , is the point  $P$ .

Let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  be  $n$  relatively prime and positive integers. A polynomial  $f(x) \in K[x]$  is called a *quasihomogeneous polynomial* of weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ , if it satisfies

$$f(t^{\alpha_1}x_1, \dots, t^{\alpha_n}x_n) = t^d f(x), \quad \text{for every } t \in K,$$

and the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of the  $K$ -hypersurface  $V_f$ .

A polynomial  $F(x)$  is called a *semiquasihomogeneous polynomial* if it has the form  $f(x) + \sum b_i e_i(x) \in K[x]$ , where  $f(x)$  is a quasihomogeneous polynomial, and each monomial  $e_i(x) = x_1^{m_1} \dots x_n^{m_n}$  satisfies  $\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j m_j > d$ , and the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of the  $K$ -hypersurface  $V_F$ . We call the polynomial  $f(x)$  the quasihomogeneous part of  $F(x)$ .

We put  $|\alpha| = \sum_i \alpha_i$ , for any  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . We use the notation  $Z(f, D, s)$  for the integral  $\int_D |f(x)|_K^s |dx|$ . In the case of  $D = \mathcal{O}_K^n$ , we use the simplified notation  $Z(f, s)$ .

The main result of this paper is the following:

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $F(x) \in K[x]$  be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part  $f(x)$  has weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Then Igusa's local zeta function of  $F(x)$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$ . More precisely,*

$$(1.1) \quad Z(F, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s})}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})(1 - q^{-|\alpha|}q^{-ds})},$$

where  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ . Furthermore, the polynomial  $L(q^{-s})$  can be computed effectively.

If in addition the polynomial  $F$  is nondegenerate for its Newton diagram and if  $K$  has characteristic zero, then a very different way of calculating  $Z(F, s)$  is given in [5]. The proof of theorem 3.5 gives an effective method to compute the local zeta functions of semiquasihomogeneous polynomials.

We say that a singular point  $\bar{P} \in V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , where  $\bar{f}$  is the reduction modulo  $\pi$  of  $f$ , is a *non-liftable singularity* of the hypersurface  $V_f$ , if for every singular point  $Q \in V_f(K)$ ,  $Q \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$ , the reduction modulo  $\pi$  of  $Q$  is different from  $\bar{P}$ . The proof of theorem 3.5 shows that the numerator of the zeta function  $Z(F, s)$  depends on the non-liftable singularities of the closed fiber of the hypersurface  $V_F$ , and the denominator depends on the singularity of the generic fiber of  $V_F$ . More precisely, the denominator depends on Newton's diagram of  $F(x)$ . In the proof of theorem 3.5, we use Igusa's formula of stationary phase for  $\pi$ -adic integrals ([10]) and some ideas on Néron  $\pi$ -desingularization ([13], sect. 17, 18).

As a consequence of theorem 3.5, we obtain the following three corollaries.

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $K$  be a global field and  $F(x) \in K[x]$  a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part  $f(x)$  has weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Then for every non-archimedean valuation  $v$  of  $K$ , Igusa's local zeta function of*

$F(x)$  on the completion  $K_v$  of  $K$  is a rational function of the form (1.1). If  $K$  is a number field and  $F(x)$  is non-degenerate for its Newton's diagram, then the real parts of the poles of the zeta function  $Z(F, s)$  are roots of the Bernstein polynomial of  $F(x)$ .

For the definition of the Bernstein polynomial and its computation in the non-degenerate case, see reference [2]. The last part of corollary 3.6 is a special case of a more general result due to Loeser (cf. [11], thm. 5.5.1).

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $K$  be a global field and  $\mathcal{O}_K$  its ring of integers. Let  $F(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part  $f(x)$  has weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Then for every non-archimedean valuation  $v$  of  $K$ , the number of solutions  $N_j(F, v)$  of the congruence*

$$F(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^j \mathcal{O}_{K_v}},$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{K_v}$  is the ring of integers of the completion  $K_v$ , satisfies

$$\limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} N_j(F, v)^{1/j} \leq \begin{cases} q^{n-|\alpha|/d} & \text{if } |\alpha|/d \leq 1, \\ q^{n-1} & \text{if } |\alpha|/d > 1. \end{cases}$$

The zeta functions of plane curves, with only an absolutely analytically irreducible singularity at the origin, have been extensively studied when the characteristic of  $K$  is zero, by Igusa ([9]), Meuser ([12]), among others. Let  $f(x, y) \in K[x, y]$  be an absolutely analytically irreducible polynomial. Thus there exist  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ , relatively prime integers, and an integer  $d$ , such that  $f(x, y) = f_d(x, y) + g(x, y)$  and the monomials  $x^n y^m$  of  $f_d(x, y)$  and  $g(x, y)$  satisfy  $\alpha_1 n + \alpha_2 m = d$  and  $\alpha_1 n + \alpha_2 m > d$ , respectively. The origin of  $K^2$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of the plane curve  $V_f$ . If it is also valid for  $V_{f_d}$ , then  $f$  is a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial in the sense of the definition given for us. As a consequence of theorem 3.5, we obtain a precise description of the local zeta function associated with this type of polynomials.

**Corollary 3.8.** *Let  $f(x, y) \in K[x, y]$  be an absolutely analytically irreducible polynomial, such that the origin of  $K^2$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of the plane curve  $V_{f_d}$ . Then the Igusa local zeta function  $Z(f, s)$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$  of the form (1.1).*

## 2. PRELIMINAIRES

In [10] Igusa introduced the stationary phase formula for  $\pi$ -adic integrals and suggested that a closer examination of this formula might lead to a proof of the rationality of  $Z(f, s)$  in any characteristic. That suggestion has been our main motivation for this paper. In this section we review Igusa's stationary phase formula and some ideas on Néron  $\pi$ -desingularization.

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

For any commutative ring  $A$  and  $f(x) \in A[x]$ , we denote by  $V_f(A)$  the set of  $A$ -valued points of the hypersurface  $V_f$  defined by  $f$ , and by  $Sing_f(A)$  the set of

$A$ -valued singular points of  $V_f$ , i.e.,

$$\text{Sing}_f(A) = \{x \in A^n \mid f(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x) = \dots = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) = 0\}.$$

We fix a lifting  $R$  of  $\mathbb{F}_q$  in  $\mathcal{O}_K$ . Thus, the set  $R$  is mapped bijectively onto  $\mathbb{F}_q$  by the canonical homomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_K \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_K/\pi\mathcal{O}_K$ .

Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial in  $n$  variables,  $P_1 = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$ , and  $m_{P_1} = (m_1, \dots, m_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$ . We call a  $K^n$ -isomorphism  $\psi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$  a *dilatation*, if it satisfies  $\psi_{m_{P_1}}(x) = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$ ,  $z_i = y_i + \pi^{m_i} x_i$ , for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . We define the *dilatation* of  $f(x)$  at  $P_1$  induced by  $\psi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$ , as

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

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

Given a sequence of dilatations  $(\psi_{m_{P_k}}(x))_k$ , we inductively define  $e_{P_1, \dots, P_k}$ ,  $f_{P_1, \dots, P_k}(x)$ , and  $S(f_{P_1, \dots, P_k})$  as follows:

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

where  $P_k \in S(f_{P_1, \dots, P_{k-1}})$ , and  $e_{P_1, \dots, P_k}$  is the minimum order of  $\pi$  in the coefficients of  $f_{P_1, \dots, P_{k-1}}(\psi_{m_{P_k}}(x))$ . The union of the sets  $S(f_{P_1, \dots, P_k})$  is called the *k-generation of descendants* of  $P_1$ .

In this paper we shall use several types of dilatations, i.e., dilatations with different  $m$ 's, but the specific value of  $m$  will be clear from the context. The dilatations were introduced by A. Néron (cf. [13], sect. 18). These transformations play an important role in the process of desingularization of the closed fiber of a scheme over a discrete valuation ring whose generic fiber is non-singular. A modern exposition of the Néron  $\pi$ -desingularization can be found in [1], sect. 4.

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  $(1, \dots, 1) \in \mathbb{N}^n$  in (2.2).

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

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(\overline{f}, D) &:= q^{-n} \text{Card}\{\overline{P} \in \overline{D} \mid \overline{P} \notin V_{\overline{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)\}, \\ \sigma(\overline{f}, D) &:= q^{-n} \text{Card}\{\overline{P} \in \overline{D} \mid \overline{P} \text{ is a non-singular point of } V_{\overline{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)\}. \end{aligned}$$

In order to simplify the notation, we shall use  $\nu(\overline{f})$  and  $\sigma(\overline{f})$  instead of  $\nu(\overline{f}, D)$  and  $\sigma(\overline{f}, D)$ , respectively, if  $D = \mathcal{O}_K^n$ .

With all this, we are able to establish Igusa's stationary phase formula for  $\pi$ -adic integrals:

**Igusa's Stationary Phase Formula** ([10, p. 177]).

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

where  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$ . Formula (2.3) is obtained in the following form. Suppose that  $\bar{D} = \{\bar{P}_1, \dots, \bar{P}_N\}$  and let  $P_i$  be the lifting of  $\bar{P}_i$ . Then the set  $D$  is the disjoint union  $\bigcup_P D_P$ , where  $\bar{P} = (\bar{y}_1, \dots, \bar{y}_n) \in \bar{D}$  and  $D_P$  is defined as

$$D_P = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in D \mid x_i = y_i + \pi z_i, z_i \in \mathcal{O}_K, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

Thus

$$\int_D |f(x)|_K^s |dx| = \sum_P \int_{D_P} |f(x)|_K^s |dx| = \sum_P q^{-n - e_P s} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} |f_P(x)|_K^s |dx|.$$

The integrals corresponding to the  $P$ 's for which  $\bar{P} \notin V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$  are easily computable. The integrals corresponding to the  $P$ 's for which  $\bar{P}$  is a non-singular point of  $V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$  are computed using the implicit function theorem (cf. [10], p. 177).

We define  $I_k$  inductively as follows:

$$I_1 := \{P_1 \mid P_1 \in S(f, D)\},$$

and

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

With the above notation and by iterating the stationary phase formula, we obtain the following expansion for  $Z(f, s)$  (cf. [10], p. 178):

$$(2.4) \quad Z(f, s) = \nu(\bar{f}, D) + \sigma(\bar{f}, D) \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})} \\ + \sum_{k \geq 1} q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{(P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \nu(\bar{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, \dots, P_k)s} \right) \\ + \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})} \sum_{k \geq 1} q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{(P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \sigma(\bar{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, \dots, P_k)s} \right),$$

where  $E(P_1, \dots, P_k) := e_{P_1} + \dots + e_{P_1, \dots, P_k}$ . Expansion (2.4) converges absolutely on the semiplane  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$ .

Now, we summarize some ideas on Néron  $\pi$ -desingularization (see [13], sect. 17, 18) to be used in the next sections. Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial, and  $P \in V_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$ . Néron introduced the following measure of singularity at  $P$ :

$$l(f, P) := \inf_{i=1, \dots, n} \left( v\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(P)\right) \right).$$

The Jacobian criterion implies that  $P$  is a smooth point of  $V_f(K)$  if and only if  $l(f, P)$  is finite.  $\bar{P}$  is a smooth point of  $V_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$  if and only if  $l(f, P) = 0$ . In this paper, we introduce the following measure of singularity at an integer point  $P$ , satisfying  $P \notin \operatorname{Sing}_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial and  $P \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$  a point, such that  $P \notin \text{Sing}_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$ . We define

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

Let us observe that  $L(f, P) = 0$  if and only if

$$\overline{f(x)} = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j (x_j - \overline{a_j}) + (\text{degree} \geq 2),$$

where  $P = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$  for some  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ . We also observe that  $l(f, p) = L(f, p)$  if  $P \in V_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$ . The integer  $L(f, P)$  has properties similar to those of  $l(f, P)$ . This integer appears naturally associated to Igusa's stationary phase, as we shall see later on.

We denote by  $A_r$ ,  $r = (r_1, \dots, r_n) \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$ , the set

$$A_r := \{x \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \mid v(x_i) \geq r_i, i = 1, \dots, n\}.$$

From a geometrical point of view,  $A_r$  is a polydisc in  $\mathcal{O}_K^n$  centered at the origin. The complement of  $A_r$  in  $\mathcal{O}_K^n$  is denoted by  $A_r^c$ .

The following proposition is a simple reformulation of proposition 17 in sect. 17 of [13]. However, for our convenience, we prove it below.

**Proposition 2.2** (Néron, [13], sect. 17, prop. 17). *Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial,  $P \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$  an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of the hypersurface  $V_f$ , and let  $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$  be a subset such that  $D \cap (P + A_r) = \emptyset$ , for some  $r \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$ . Then*

$$L(f, Q) \leq C(f, D), \text{ for every } Q \in D,$$

where the constant  $C(f, D)$  depends only on  $f$  and  $D$ .

*Proof.* Without loss of generality, we may suppose that the point  $P$  is the origin of  $K^n$ . The hypothesis that the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity and the Hilbert Nullstellensatz imply that

$$(2.5) \quad \pi^{m_i} x_i^{t_i} = A_{i,0}(x)f(x) + \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j}(x) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(x),$$

for some  $m_i, t_i \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $t_i \neq 0$ , and some polynomials  $A(x)_{i,j} \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ , for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Now, let  $Q = (q_1, \dots, q_n)$  be a point of  $D$ . Since  $D \cap A_r = \emptyset$ , there exists a coordinate  $j_0$  such that  $v(q_{j_0}) < r_{j_0}$ . From (2.5), with  $x = Q$  and  $i = j_0$ , we obtain

$$m_{j_0} + t_{j_0} r_{j_0} \geq m_{j_0} + t_{j_0} v(q_{j_0}) \geq L(f, Q).$$

Thus, it is sufficient to take  $C(f, D) \geq \max_i \{m_i + t_i r_i\}$ .  $\square$

The following result is a generalization of proposition 18 (cf. [13], sect. 18) of A. Néron.

**Proposition 2.3** (Néron, [13], sect. 18, prop. 18). *Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial and  $P = (b_1, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n$  a point such that  $P \notin \text{Sing}_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$ . Then there exists a minimal non-negative integer  $\mu(f, P)$  such that the polynomial*

$$f_P(x) = \pi^{-e_{\mu, P}} f(P + \pi^\mu x),$$

where  $e_{\mu,P}$  is the minimum order of  $\pi$  in the coefficients of  $f(P + \pi^\mu x)$ , satisfies

$$\overline{f_P(x)} = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i, \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_q^*, \text{ for some } i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Furthermore,  $\mu(f, P) \leq L(f, P) + 1$ .

*Proof.* By induction on  $L(f, P)$ .

*Case*  $L(f, P) = 0$ . In this case, we take  $\mu(f, P) = 1 \leq L(f, P) + 1$ .

*Case*  $L(f, P) > 0$ . In this case, we have

$$f(x) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (x_i - b_i) + (\text{degree} \geq 2),$$

where  $\alpha_i \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi}$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . Thus

$$f(P + \pi x) = \pi \left( \alpha'_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i + \pi(\text{degree} \geq 2) \right).$$

We consider two cases according to whether  $\alpha'_0 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\pi}$  or not.

*Case 1* ( $\alpha'_0 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\pi}$ ). In this case, we have

$$f(P + \pi x) = \pi f_P(x),$$

where

$$f_P(x) = \alpha'_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i + \pi(\text{degree} \geq 2).$$

Therefore,  $\overline{f_P(x)} = \overline{\alpha'_0} \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ , and  $\mu(f, P) = 1 \leq L(f, P)$ .

*Case 2* ( $\alpha'_0 \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi}$ ). In this case, we have

$$f(P + \pi x) = \pi^2 \left( \alpha''_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha'_i x_i + (\text{degree} \geq 2) \right) = \pi^{e_{\mu,P}} f_P(x),$$

where  $e_{\mu,P} \geq 2$ . Thus

$$f(P) = \pi^{e_{\mu,P}} f_P(0),$$

and

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(P) = \pi^{e_{\mu,P}-1} \frac{\partial f_P}{\partial x_i}(0), \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Hence  $L(f_P, 0) \leq L(f, P) - 1$ . The result follows from the induction hypothesis by observing that  $\mu(f, P) = \mu(f_P, 0) + 1 \leq L(f_P, 0) + 1 + 1 \leq L(f, P) + 1$ .  $\square$

As a consequence of the two above results, we obtain the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial such that the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity. Let  $A_r$  be a polydisc with  $r \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$ . Then there exists  $\gamma = \gamma(f, r) \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ , such that the polynomial*

$$f_Q(x) = \pi^{-e_{Q,\gamma}} f(Q + \pi^\gamma x),$$

*satisfies the condition that  $\overline{f_Q(x)}$  is a non-zero constant or a linear polynomial with or without constant term, for all  $Q \in A_r^c$ .*

### 3. RATIONALITY OF IGUSA'S LOCAL ZETA FUNCTIONS OF SEMIQUASIHOMOGENEOUS POLYNOMIALS

In this section, we prove the rationality of the Igusa local zeta function of semi-quasihomogeneous polynomials.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$  be the preimage under the canonical homomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K/\pi\mathcal{O}_K$  of a subset  $\overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$ . Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial such that the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of  $V_f(K)$ . If  $D \cap A_r = \emptyset$ , for some  $r \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$ , then the integral  $Z(f, D, s) = \int_D |f|_K^s |dx|$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$ . More precisely,*

$$(3.1) \quad Z(f, D, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s}, D)}{1 - q^{-1}q^{-s}}.$$

Furthermore, the polynomial  $L(q^{-s}, D)$  can be effectively computed.

*Proof.* By applying the stationary phase formula  $m+1 = \gamma(f, r)$  times, we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} Z(f, D, s) &= \nu(\overline{f}, D) + \sigma(\overline{f}, D) \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})} \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^m q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \nu(\overline{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, \dots, P_k)s} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})} \sum_{k=1}^m q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k) \in I_k} \sigma(\overline{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, \dots, P_k)s} \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{(P_1, \dots, P_{m+1}) \in I_{m+1}} q^{-(m+1)n - E(P_1, \dots, P_{m+1})s} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} |f_{P_1, \dots, P_{m+1}}(x)|_K^s |dx|. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(3.3) \quad f(P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_m\pi^{m+1} + \pi^{m+2}x) = \pi^{E(P_1, \dots, P_m)} f_{P_1, \dots, P_m}(x),$$

and  $P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_m\pi^{m+1} \in A_r^c$ . Because  $m+2 \geq \gamma(f, r)$ , it follows from lemma 2.4 and (3.3) that the  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -hypersurface defined by  $\overline{f}_{P_1, \dots, P_m}(x)$  is smooth or empty. Then  $I_{m+1} = \emptyset$ , and the integral  $Z(f, D, s)$  is a rational function of form (3.1).  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial such that the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of  $V_f(K)$ . Then the integral  $Z(f, A_r^c, s) = \int_{A_r^c} |f|^s |dx|$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$ . More precisely,*

$$(3.4) \quad Z(f, A_r^c, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s})}{1 - q^{-1}q^{-s}}.$$

Furthermore, the polynomial  $L(q^{-s})$  can be computed effectively.

*Proof.* We introduce a family  $\mathcal{L}$  of sets defined as follows. For each subset  $B$  of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  and each  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$  satisfying  $0 \leq a_i < r_i$  if  $i \in B$ , we define

$$(3.5) \quad D(B, a) := \begin{cases} \{x \in A_r^c \mid v(x_i) = a_i \text{ if } i \in B\}, & \text{if } B \neq \emptyset, \\ \emptyset, & \text{if } B = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$



The family  $\mathcal{L}$  is closed under intersections, and its union is  $A_r^c$ . We denote by  $J$  the set of indices  $\{(B, a)\}$  and by  $\mathcal{P}(J)$  the family of subsets of  $J$  with  $i$  elements.

Hence

$$(3.6) \quad Z(f, A_r^c, s) = \sum_{i=1}^{\text{Card}\{J\}} (-1)^{i-1} \sum_{T \in \mathcal{P}(J)_i} \int_{D(T)} |f|^s |dx|,$$

where  $D(T) := \bigcap_{(B,a) \in T} D(B, a)$ . From (3.6) and the fact that the family  $\mathcal{L}$  is closed under intersections, it follows that in order to prove the theorem, it is sufficient to prove that any integral of type

$$(3.7) \quad \int_{D(B,a)} |f|^s |dx|, \quad B \neq \emptyset,$$

is a rational function of the form  $L(q^{-s}, D(B, a))/(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})$ , where the numerator polynomial is effectively computable. For that, we make the following change of variables in (3.7):

$$(3.8) \quad x = \psi_{(B,a)}(y), \text{ where } x_i = \begin{cases} \pi^{a_i} y_i & \text{if } i \in B, \\ y_i & \text{if } i \notin B. \end{cases}$$

We obtain

$$(3.9) \quad \int_{D(B,a)} |f|^s |dx| = q^{-e_{(B,a)}s - d_{(B,a)}} \int_{D'(B,a)} |f_B|^s |dy|,$$

where  $d_{(B,a)} = \sum_{i \in B} a_i$ ,  $f_B(y)$  is the dilatation of  $f$  induced by (3.8) and

$$D'(B, a) = \prod_{i=1}^n R_i,$$

where  $R_i = \mathcal{O}_K$  if  $i \notin B$  and  $R_i = \mathcal{O}_K^*$  if  $i \in B$ .

On the other hand,  $\phi(y)$  defines a  $K$ -isomorphism of  $K^n \rightarrow K^n$ ; thus the  $K$ -singular locus of  $V_f$  is mapped bijectively on the  $K$ -singular locus of  $V_{f_B}$ . Therefore, the polynomial  $f_B$  and the set  $D'(B, a)$ ,  $B \neq \emptyset$ , satisfy the conditions of lemma 3.1. Thus the integral  $\int_{D'(B,a)} |f_B|^s |dx|$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$ , and its numerator can be computed effectively.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $F(x) = f(x) + \pi^m g(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial such that the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of  $V_F(K)$ . Let  $D \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^n$  be the preimage under the canonical homomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K/\pi\mathcal{O}_K$  of a subset  $\overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$ , and  $A_r$  a polydisc such that  $D \cap A_r = \emptyset$ ,  $r \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$ . There exists  $\alpha(f, D)$ , effectively computable, such that if  $m \geq \alpha(f, D)$  then*

$$Z(F, D, s) = Z(f, D, s).$$

*Proof.* By virtue of lemma 2.4, there exists a  $\gamma_0 = \gamma(F, r)$  such that the reduction modulo  $\pi$  of the polynomial

$$(3.10) \quad F_{P_1, \dots, P_n}(x) = \pi^{-E_F(P_1, \dots, P_n)} F(P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_n\pi^n + \pi^{n+1}x)$$

is a non-zero constant or a linear polynomial for every  $n \geq \gamma_0$  and any  $P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_n\pi^n \in A_r^c$ . This implies that  $I_{\gamma_0+1} = \emptyset$ . So the integral  $Z(F, D, s)$  admits a finite expansion of type (3.2).

We set

$$g_{P_1, \dots, P_n}(x) := \pi^{-E_g(P_1, \dots, P_n)} g(P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_n\pi^n + \pi^{n+1}x),$$

where  $E_g(P_1, \dots, P_n)$  is the minimum order of  $\pi$  in the coefficients of

$$g(P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_n\pi^n + \pi^{n+1}x).$$

With this notation, we have that

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} F(P_1 + P_2\pi + \dots + P_n\pi^n + \pi^{n+1}x) &= \pi^{E_f(P_1, \dots, P_n)} f_{P_1, \dots, P_n}(x) \\ &+ \pi^{E_g(P_1, \dots, P_n) + m} g_{P_1, \dots, P_n}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Now, we choose

$$(3.12) \quad \alpha(f, D) := \max_{(P_1, \dots, P_{\gamma_0}) \in I_{\gamma_0}} \{1 + E_f(P_1, \dots, P_{\gamma_0})\}.$$

Thus, if  $m \geq \alpha(f, D)$ , then

$$(3.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \overline{F_{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k}(x)} &= \overline{f_{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k}(x)}, \\ E_F(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k) &= E_f(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k), \quad 1 \leq k \leq \gamma_0. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.13) it follows that

- 1)  $\nu(\overline{f}, D) = \nu(\overline{F}, D)$  and  $I_1(f) = I_1(F)$ , because  $\overline{f}(x) = \overline{F}(x)$ .
- 2) For every  $1 \leq k \leq \gamma_0$

$$\nu(\overline{f_{P_1, \dots, P_k}}) = \nu(\overline{F_{P_1, \dots, P_k}}), \quad \text{for every } (P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k(f) = I_k(F).$$

- 3) For every  $1 \leq k \leq \gamma_0$

$$I_{k+1}(f) = I_{k+1}(F),$$

because  $I_k(f) = I_k(F)$  and  $\overline{f_{P_1, \dots, P_k}(x)} = \overline{F_{P_1, \dots, P_k}(x)}$  for every  $(P_1, \dots, P_k) \in I_k(f) = I_k(F)$ .

Therefore  $I_{\gamma_0+1}(f) = I_{\gamma_0+1}(F) = \emptyset$ , and  $Z(f, s, D)$  admits a finite expansion of type (3.2). Now it is easy to see that  $Z(F, D, s) = Z(f, D, s)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $F(x) = f(x) + \pi^m g(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a polynomial such that the origin of  $K^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of  $V_F(K)$ . Let  $A_r$  be a polydisc, with  $r \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$ . There exists  $\alpha(f, r)$ , effectively computable, such that if  $m \geq \alpha(f, r)$  then*

$$Z(F, A_r^c, s) = Z(f, A_r^c, s).$$

*Proof.* By (3.6), it is sufficient to prove the lemma for integrals of the type (3.7). We choose  $\alpha(f, r)$  satisfying

$$\alpha(f, r) \geq \max_{(B, a)} \{e_{f, (B, a)}\}.$$

With the above condition, it is sufficient to prove that

$$(3.14) \quad \int_{D'(B, a)} |F_B|^s |dx| = \int_{D'(B, a)} |f_B|^s |dx|,$$

with  $D'(B, a)$  as in (3.9) and  $F_B(x) = f_B(x) + \pi^{m-e_{f, (B, a)}} g(\psi_{(B, a)}(x))$ .

The result follows from (3.14) and proposition 3.3. Finally, we observe that  $\alpha(f, r)$  is given by

$$\alpha(f, r) = \max_{(B, a)} \{e_{f, (B, a)} + \alpha(f_B, D'(B, a))\}.$$

$\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $F(x) \in K[x]$  be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part  $f(x)$  has weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Then Igusa's local zeta function of  $F(x)$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$ . More precisely,*

$$(3.15) \quad Z(F, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s})}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})(1 - q^{-|\alpha|}q^{-ds})}$$

where  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ . Furthermore, the polynomial  $L(q^{-s})$  can be computed effectively.

*Proof.* We may suppose without loss of generality that  $F(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ . By decomposing  $\mathcal{O}_K^n$  as the disjoint union of  $A_\alpha$  and  $A_\alpha^c$  and using the fact that  $F(x)$  is a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial, we obtain

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} Z(F, s) &= \int_{A_\alpha} |F|_K^s |dx| + \int_{A_\alpha^c} |F|_K^s |dx| \\ &= q^{-|\alpha|-ds} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} |F_1|_K^s |dx| + \int_{A_\alpha^c} |F|_K^s |dx|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $F_1(x) = f(x) + \pi^{m_1} H_1(x)$ , with  $m_1 \geq 1$ . Now, iterating formula (3.16)  $m+1$  times, we obtain

$$(3.17) \quad Z(F, s) = Z(F, A_\alpha^c, s) + \sum_{k=1}^m q^{k(-|\alpha|-ds)} Z(F_k, A_\alpha^c, s) + q^{(m+1)(-|\alpha|-ds)} Z(F_{m+1}, s),$$

where  $F_k(x) = f(x) + \pi^{m_k} H_k(x)$ , with  $m_k \rightarrow \infty$ . By lemma 3.4, there exists  $\gamma_0 = \gamma_0(f, \alpha)$ , effectively computable, such that

$$Z(F_k, A_\alpha^c, s) = Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s), \text{ for every } m_k \geq \gamma_0.$$

Thus from (3.17), we have

$$(3.18) \quad \begin{aligned} Z(F, s) &= Z(F, A_\alpha^c, s) + \sum_{k=1}^{\gamma_0-1} q^{k(-|\alpha|-ds)} Z(F_k, A_\alpha^c, s) \\ &\quad + Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s) q^{(\gamma_0+1)(-|\alpha|-ds)} \frac{1}{1 - q^{-|\alpha|-ds}}. \end{aligned}$$

By lemma 3.2 the integrals  $Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s)$  and  $Z(F_k, A_\alpha^c, s)$  are rational functions of  $q^{-s}$  of the form  $\frac{L(q^{-s})}{1 - q^{-|\alpha|-ds}}$ , where the polynomial numerator can be effectively computed.  $\square$

We observe that if  $f$  is a quasihomogeneous polynomial, its local zeta function is given by  $Z(f, s) = \frac{Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s)}{1 - q^{-|\alpha|-ds}}$ . The integral  $Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s)$  can be computed using lemma 3.2.

As a consequence of theorem 3.5, we obtain the following three corollaries. In the first corollary we shall use freely the notions of Newton polyhedron, non-degeneracy with respect to a Newton polyhedron, and Bernstein polynomial; the corresponding definitions can be found in references [1], [2].

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $K$  be a global field and let  $F(x) \in K[x]$  be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part  $f(x)$  has weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Then for every non-archimedean valuation  $v$  of  $K$ , Igusa's local zeta function of  $F(x)$  on the completion  $K_v$  of  $K$  is a rational function of the form*

(3.15). If  $K$  is a number field and  $F(x)$  is non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron, then the real parts of the poles of the zeta function  $Z(F, s)$  are roots of the Bernstein polynomial of  $F(x)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $F(x)$  has an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity at the origin of  $K^n$ , the Hilbert Nullstellensatz implies that for all non-archimedean valuations  $v$  of  $K$ , the origin of  $K_v^n$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of  $V_f(K_v)$ . Thus by the proof of theorem 3.5, the denominator of the local zeta function  $Z(f, s)$  on  $K_v$  is equal to  $(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})(1 - q^{-|\alpha|}q^{-ds})$ . Thus the real parts of the poles of  $Z(F, s)$  are among the values  $-1, -|\alpha|/d$ . If  $K$  is a number field, and  $F(x)$  is non-degenerate with respect to its Newton polyhedron, theorem C.2.2.3 of [2] implies that  $-1$  and  $-|\alpha|/d$  are roots of the Bernstein polynomial of  $F(x)$ .  $\square$

The following corollary gives a bound for the number of solutions of a congruence attached to a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial with coefficients in a ring of integers of a global field. This corollary follows directly from the relation existing between the Igusa local zeta function and the Poincaré series  $P(t)$  (see the introduction) and corollary 3.6.

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $K$  be a global field and  $\mathcal{O}_K$  its ring of integers. Let  $F(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$  be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part  $f(x)$  has weight  $d$  and exponents  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Then for every non-archimedean valuation  $v$  of  $K$ , the number of solutions  $N_j(F, v)$  of the congruence

$$F(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^j \mathcal{O}_{K_v}},$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{K_v}$  is the ring of integers of the completion  $K_v$ , satisfies

$$\limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} N_j(F, v)^{1/j} \leq \begin{cases} q^{n-|\alpha|/d} & \text{if } |\alpha|/d \leq 1, \\ q^{n-1} & \text{if } |\alpha|/d > 1. \end{cases}$$

The following corollary follows directly from theorem 3.5. We use the notation established in the introduction.

**Corollary 3.8.** Let  $f(x, y) \in K[x, y]$  be an absolutely analytically irreducible polynomial, such that the origin of  $K^2$  is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of the plane curve  $V_{f_d}$ . Then the Igusa local zeta function  $Z(f, s)$  is a rational function of  $q^{-s}$  of form (3.15).

**Example 3.9.** In this example we compute the local zeta function for a polynomial of type  $f(x, y) = \alpha x^n + \beta y^m$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}_K$ , where  $n, m > 1$  are relatively prime. Suppose that the characteristic of  $K$  does not divide both  $n$  and  $m$ . Furthermore, without loss of generality, we may suppose that  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_K^*$ . In the case of characteristic zero, the Poincaré series  $P(t)$  associated to this type of polynomials were explicitly computed by Goldman (cf. [6], thm. 1).

Using the observation made after the proof of theorem 3.5, we have

$$(3.19) \quad Z(f, s) = \frac{1}{1 - q^{-(n+m)-mns}} \int_{A^c} |f|_K^s |dxdy|,$$

where  $A = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) \geq m, v(y) \geq n\}$ . The complement  $A^c$  of  $A$  is the disjoint union of the following three sets:

$$D_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) < m, v(y) \geq n\},$$

$$D_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) < m, v(y) < n\}.$$

$$D_3 = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) \geq m, v(y) < n\}.$$

Thus from (3.19), we obtain

$$(3.20) \quad Z(f, s) = \frac{1}{1 - q^{-(n+m)-mns}} \{Z(f, D_1, s) + Z(f, D_2, s) + Z(f, D_3, s)\}.$$

Next, we compute the integrals  $Z(f, D_1, s)$ ,  $Z(f, D_2, s)$ ,  $Z(f, D_3, s)$ .

**Computation of  $Z(f, D_1, s)$ .** First, we observe that

$$|f(x, y)| = |\alpha x^n + \beta y^m| = |x^n|, \quad x, y \in D_1.$$

Therefore

$$Z(f, D_1, s) = \int_{D_1} |f|_K^s |dxdy| = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \int_{\{(x,y) \in D_1 \mid v(x)=k, v(y) \geq n\}} |x|_K^{ns} |dxdy|.$$

Thus

$$(3.21) \quad Z(f, D_1, s) = (1 - q^{-1})q^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} q^{-kns-k}$$

**Computation of  $Z(f, D_2, s)$ .** We set  $L(i, j) := jm - in + v(\beta)$ . The set  $D_2$  can be decomposed as the union of three disjoint subsets  $D_{2,1}, D_{2,2}, D_{2,3}$ , as follows:

$$D_{2,1} := \{(x, y) \in D_2 \mid L(v(x), v(y)) > 0\},$$

$$D_{2,2} := \{(x, y) \in D_2 \mid L(v(x), v(y)) < 0\},$$

$$D_{2,3} := \{(x, y) \in D_2 \mid L(v(x), v(y)) = 0\}.$$

Thus  $Z(f, D_2, s) = Z(f, D_{2,1}, s) + Z(f, D_{2,2}, s) + Z(f, D_{2,3}, s)$ , where

$$(3.22) \quad Z(f, D_{2,1}, s) = (1 - q^{-1})^2 \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis},$$

where  $i, j$  satisfy  $L(i, j) > 0$  and  $0 \leq i < m, 0 \leq j < n$ ,

$$(3.23) \quad Z(f, D_{2,2}, s) = (1 - q^{-1})^2 \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-(v(\beta)+mj)s},$$

where  $i, j$  satisfy  $L(i, j) < 0$  and  $0 \leq i < m, 0 \leq j < n$ , and

$$(3.24) \quad Z(f, D_{2,3}, s) = \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}} |\alpha x^n + \mu y^m|_K^s |dxdy|,$$

where  $\beta = \pi^{v(\beta)}\mu$ ,  $\mu \in \mathcal{O}_K^\times$ ,  $i, j$  satisfy  $L(i, j) = 0$  and  $0 \leq i < m, 0 \leq j < n$ . Using the stationary phase formula, we compute the integral in the right side of (3.24); thus

$$Z(f, D_{2,3}, s) = \left( \nu(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) + \frac{\sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2})(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{1 - q^{-1-s}} \right) \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis}.$$

We denote by  $[x]$  the integer part of a real number  $x$ . We set  $v(\beta) = gn + r$ ,  $0 \leq r < n$ .

**Computation of  $Z(f, D_3, s)$ .** We set

$$D_{3,1} := \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) \geq m + [\frac{v(\beta)}{n}] + 1, \ v(y) < n\},$$

$$D_{3,2} := \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid m \leq v(x) \leq m + [\frac{v(\beta)}{n}], \ v(y) < n\}.$$

Then  $D_3 = D_{3,1} \cup D_{3,2}$  (disjoint union), and  $Z(f, D_3, s) = Z(f, D_{3,1}, s) + Z(f, D_{3,2}, s)$ . To compute  $Z(f, D_{3,1}, s)$ , we observe that

$$|f(x, y)| = |\alpha x^n + \beta y^m| = |\beta y^m|, \quad x, y \in D_{3,1}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} Z(f, D_{3,1}, s) &= \int_{D_{3,1}} |f(x, y)|_K^s \, dx dy \\ (3.25) \quad &= (1 - q^{-1}) q^{-(m + [\frac{v(\beta)}{n}] + 1)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} q^{-(v(\beta) + mk)s - k}. \end{aligned}$$

The set  $D_{3,2}$  can be decomposed as the union of three disjoint subsets  $D_{3,2,1}$ ,  $D_{3,2,2}$ ,  $D_{3,2,3}$ , as follows:

$$D_{3,2,1} := \{(x, y) \in D_{3,2} \mid L(v(x), v(y)) > 0\},$$

$$D_{3,2,2} := \{(x, y) \in D_{3,2} \mid L(v(x), v(y)) < 0\},$$

$$D_{3,2,3} := \{(x, y) \in D_{3,2} \mid L(v(x), v(y)) = 0\}.$$

Thus  $Z(f, D_{3,2}, s) = Z(f, D_{3,2,1}, s) + Z(f, D_{3,2,2}, s) + Z(f, D_{3,2,3}, s)$ , and

$$(3.26) \quad Z(f, D_{3,2,1}, s) = (1 - q^{-1})^2 \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis},$$

where  $i, j$  satisfy  $L(i, j) > 0$  and  $m \leq i < m + [\frac{v(\beta)}{n}]$ ,  $0 \leq j < n$ ,

$$(3.27) \quad Z(f, D_{3,2,2}, s) = (1 - q^{-1})^2 \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-(v(\beta)+mj)s},$$

where  $i, j$  satisfy  $L(i, j) < 0$  and  $m \leq i < m + [\frac{v(\beta)}{n}]$ ,  $0 \leq j < n$ , and

$$Z(f, D_{3,2,3}, s) = \left( \nu(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2}) + \frac{\sigma(\bar{f}, \mathcal{O}_K^{\times 2})(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{1 - q^{-1-s}} \right) \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis},$$

where  $i, j$  satisfy  $L(i, j) = 0$  and  $m \leq i < m + [\frac{v(\beta)}{n}]$ ,  $0 \leq j < n$ .

**Example 3.10.** A polynomial of the form  $f(x) = \sum_i \beta_i x_i^{n_i}$ ,  $\beta_i \in \mathcal{O}_K$ , is called a diagonal polynomial. We set  $d := \text{l.c.m.}\{n_i\}$ , and  $\alpha_i := \frac{d}{n_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . If the characteristic of  $K$  does not divide any  $n_i$ , then the diagonal polynomials are quasihomogeneous polynomials with exponents  $\alpha_i := \frac{d}{n_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and weight  $d$ . Thus the local zeta function of a diagonal polynomial is a rational function of the form (3.13). Wang and others have studied the Poincaré series  $P(t)$  associated to this class of polynomials (cf. [14], thm. 1).

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