# Local Langlands conjecture for finite groups of Lie type

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#### **Outline**

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This is introduction number one.

 $GL_n$  is everybody's favorite reductive group/local F.

Want to understand  $\widehat{GL_n(F)}$  = set of irr repns (hard). Classical approach (Harish-Chandra *et alia* 1950s):

- 1. find big compact subgp  $K \subset GL_n(F)$ ;
- 2. understand  $\widehat{K}$  (supposed to be easy?)
- 3. understand reps of  $GL_n(F)$  restricted to K.

Langlands (1960s) studies  $\widehat{GL_n(F)}$  (global reasons).

Global theory suggests:  $\widehat{GL_n(F)} \overset{\tilde{\sim}}{\longleftrightarrow} n$ -diml reps of  $Gal(\overline{F}/F)$ .

Harris and Taylor prove Langlands conjecture:

$$\widehat{GL_n(F)} \overset{\text{bij}}{\longleftrightarrow} n\text{-diml reps of } W'(F).$$

Here Weil-Deligne group W'(F) is an improvement of  $Gal(\overline{F}/F)$ .

Langlands conjecture for other G largely still open.

This is introduction number two.

Suppose G is a reductive group defined over  $\mathbb{F}_a$ .

Deligne-Lusztig and Lusztig described irr reps of  $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

Can their results be formulated in spirit of Langlands?

Deligne-Lusztig use ratl max torus  $T \subset G$ , character

$$\theta\colon T(\mathbb{F}_q)\to\mathbb{C}^{\times}.$$

Lusztig:  $(T, \theta) \rightsquigarrow$  semisimple conj class  $x \in {}^{\vee}G(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

This is a step in the right direction, but not quite a Langlands classification.

Question today: what's Langlands say about  $\widehat{G}(\mathbb{F}_a)$ ?

#### Local p-adic Weil group

Fix p-adic  $F \supset O \supset \mathcal{P}$ ,  $O/\mathcal{P} \simeq k = \mathbb{F}_q$ . Define Galois groups  $\Gamma_F = \operatorname{Gal}(\overline{F}/F, \Gamma_k = \operatorname{Gal}(\overline{k}/k))$ . Naturality of integral structures ----

$$1 \rightarrow I_F \rightarrow \Gamma_F \rightarrow \Gamma_k \rightarrow 1$$
.

Extensions of  $k = \mathbb{F}_q$  are  $\mathbb{F}_{q^m}$ , so  $\Gamma_k = \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ .

Generator is arithm Frobenius Frob:  $\overline{k} \to k$ , Frob $(x) = x^q$ .

Weil group of F is preimage of  $\mathbb{Z} = \langle Frob \rangle$ , so

$$1 \to I_F \to W_F \to \langle Frob \rangle \to 1.$$

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## Weil group of $\mathbb{F}_q$ (MacDonald)

$$k=\mathbb{F}_q \text{ finite field; } \Gamma_k=\text{Gal}\big(\overline{k}/k\big)=\varprojlim_m \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}.$$

Definition (MacDonald) Weil grp 
$$W_k = \varprojlim_m \mathbb{F}_{q^m}^{\times}$$
.

$$\mathbb{F}_{q^m}^{\times} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/(q^m-1)\mathbb{Z}$$
 but not canonically.

Inverse limit is taken using norm maps  $N_{md,m} \colon \mathbb{F}_{q^{md}}^{\times} \to \mathbb{F}_{q^m}^{\times}$ .

$$\operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{F}_{q^m}^{\times}, H) \simeq \{h \in H \mid h^{q^m-1} = 1\}$$
 but not canonically.

 $\operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{cont}}(W_k, H) \simeq \{h \in H \text{ fin ord prime to } q\}$  but not canonically.

 $\Gamma_k$  acts on  $W_k$ ,  $\text{Frob} \cdot w = w^q$ .

Definition (MacDonald) Continuous  $\phi: W_k \to H$  is

Frob-equivariant if  $\exists f$  so that  $[\mathrm{Ad}(f)\phi](w) = \phi(\mathrm{Frob} \cdot w)$ 

Equivalently:  $\phi \leftrightarrow h \in H$  finite order, h conjugate to  $h^q$ .

Example: 
$$q = 2$$
,  $H = SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $\omega = \exp(2\pi i/3)$ ,

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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### Relating p-adic F and finite k

Recall p-adic  $F \supset O \supset \mathcal{P}$ ,  $O/\mathcal{P} \simeq k = \mathbb{F}_q$ . Galois groups  $\Gamma_F = \operatorname{Gal} \overline{F}/F$ ,  $\Gamma_k = \operatorname{Gal}(\overline{k}/k)$ . p-adic Weil  $1 \to I_F \to W_F \to \langle \operatorname{Frob} \rangle \to 1$ .  $P_F = \operatorname{wild\ ramif} = (\operatorname{normal})\ p$ -Sylow subgp  $\subset I_F$ ;  $I_F/P_F \simeq W_k$  (as  $\Gamma_k$ -modules.)

#### Conclusion:

[triv on  $P_F \phi_F : W_F \to H$ ]  $\approx$  [Frob-eqvt  $\phi_k : W_k \to H$ ].

Desideratum: Tamely ramified Langlands parameter for nice  $G/F \rightsquigarrow$  Langlands parameter for G/k.

G(k)= quotient of a maximal compact  $G(O)\subset G(F);$  G(k) rep  $\pi(\phi_k)$  meant to be lowest G(O)-type of  $\pi(\phi_F)$ .

To make this precise, need Langlands classification.

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G connected reductive alg/ $\overline{K}$  alg. closed.

 $T \subset G$  maximal torus  $\rightsquigarrow$  root datum of T in G

$$\mathcal{R}(G,T) = (X^*,R,X_*,R^{\vee}), \quad X^* = X^*(T) = \operatorname{Hom}(T,K^{\times})$$

$$\supset R = R(G,T) \quad \text{roots of } T \text{ in } G$$

$$X_* = X_*(T) = \operatorname{Hom}(K^{\times},T)$$

$$\supset R^{\vee} = R^{\vee}(G,T) \quad \text{coroots of } T \text{ in } G.$$

R and  $R^{\vee}$  in bijection,  $\alpha \leftrightarrow \alpha^{\vee}$ . Lattices  $X^*$ ,  $X^*$  dual. Pair  $(\alpha, \alpha^{\vee}) \rightsquigarrow s_{\alpha} : X^* \to X^*$ ,  $s_{\alpha}(\lambda) = \lambda - \langle \lambda, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \alpha$ ,  $s_{\alpha^{\vee}} = {}^t s_{\alpha}^{-1} : X_* \to X_*$ .

PROPERTIES: for all  $\alpha \in R$ 

- 1. RD1:  $\langle \alpha, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle = 2$  (so  $s_{\alpha}^2 = \text{Id}$ )
- 2. RD2:  $s_{\alpha}R = R$ ,  $s_{\alpha}^{\vee}R^{\vee} = R^{\vee}$ ,  $(s_{\alpha}\beta)^{\vee} = s_{\alpha^{\vee}}(\beta^{\vee})$
- 3. RDreduced:  $2\alpha \notin R$ ,  $2\alpha^{\vee} \notin R^{\vee}$ .

Weyl group of root datum is

$$\operatorname{Aut}(X^*) \supset \langle s_{\alpha} \mid \alpha \in R \rangle =_{\operatorname{def}} W \stackrel{w \mapsto^{\operatorname{t}} w^{-1}}{\simeq} \langle s_{\alpha^{\vee}} \mid \alpha \in R \rangle \subset \operatorname{Aut}(X_*).$$

Root datum axioms symmetric in  $(X^*, R)$  and  $(X_*, R^{\vee})$ .

G determined by root datum and alg closed field  $\overline{K}$ .

$$T \subset G \rightsquigarrow (X^*, R, X_*, R^{\vee}) = \mathcal{R}(G, T).$$

Borel  $T \subset B \subset G \iff$  simple positive  $\Pi \subset R$ ,  $\Pi^{\vee} \subset R^{\vee}$ .

$$\leadsto$$
 based root datum  $\mathcal{B}(G, B, T) = (X^*, \Pi, X_*, \Pi^{\vee}).$ 

 $\mathcal{B}$  is combinatorial object (two dual lattices, two finite subsets in bijection) which (with  $\overline{K}$ ) determines G.

Definition Automorphism of based root datum  $\mathcal{B} = (X^*, \Pi, X_*, \Pi^{\vee})$  is  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(X^*)$  such that

$$\sigma(\Pi) = \Pi, \quad {}^t\sigma^{-1}(\Pi^{\vee}) = \Pi^{\vee}, \quad \sigma(\alpha)^{\vee} = {}^t\sigma^{-1}(\alpha^{\vee})$$

Nota bene:  $Aut(\mathcal{R}) = Aut(\mathcal{B}) \ltimes W$ . Study factors separately.

Define 
$$\mathcal{B}^{\vee} = (X_*, \Pi^{\vee}, X^*, \Pi)$$
; then  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{B}) \stackrel{\sigma \mapsto^{t} \sigma^{-1}}{\simeq} \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{B}^{\vee})$ .

If K perfect field,  $\Gamma = Gal(\overline{K}/K)$ , then

K-rational form of G

$$\longleftrightarrow$$
 action of  $\Gamma$  on  $[\mathcal{B}(G,B,T)=(X^*,\Pi,X_*,\Pi^\vee)].$ 

... means fixing positive roots.

### Shape of local Langlands conjecture

G reductive /F loc  $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{B}(G, B, T)$  based root datum.

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{Gal}}(\overline{F}/F) = \Gamma_F \stackrel{G/F}{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{\mathsf{Aut}}(\mathcal{B}).$$

Fix field  $K = \overline{K}$  to study reps/K of G(F). (Often  $\mathbb{C}$ .)

Form dual group  ${}^{\vee}G/K \longleftrightarrow$  dual root datum  $\mathcal{B}^{\vee}$ .

L-group of 
$$G(F)$$
 is  ${}^LG = \Gamma_F \ltimes {}^\vee G(K)$ .

 $W_F$  = Weil group of F equipped with  $W_F \to \Gamma_F$ .

Definition Langlands parameter is  $\phi: W_F \to {}^L G$  so

$$W_F \stackrel{\phi}{\longrightarrow} {}^L G$$
 $\Gamma_F$ 

commutes, other nice properties.

Equivalence of parameters is conjugation by  ${}^{\vee}G(K)$ .

Conjecture Irreps of G(F) partitioned to finite  $\Pi(\phi)$ .

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 $k = \mathbb{F}_q$  finite field;  $\Gamma_k = \operatorname{Gal}(\overline{k}/k)$ .

Generator is arith Frobenius Frob = qth power map on  $\overline{k}$ .

*k*-ratl form of conn reductive alg G= action of  $\Gamma$  on based root datum  $\mathcal{B}=$  fin order aut of  $\mathcal{B}.$ 

 ${}^LG =_{\mathsf{def}} {}^{\vee}G \rtimes \Gamma; {}^{\vee}G \text{ over } \mathbb{C}, \text{ or } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_{\ell}, \text{ or...}$ : field for reps.

Weil grp  $W_k = \varprojlim_m \mathbb{F}_{q^m}^{\times}$ ;  $W_k \to \Gamma_k$  trivial.

Langlands param =  $(\underbrace{\phi \colon W_k \to {}^{\vee}G})/{}^{\vee}G$  conj.

 $\phi(W_k) \subset {}^{\vee}G \text{ (not } {}^{L}G) \text{ since } W_k \to 1 \in \Gamma_k.$ 

Respect Frob =  $\exists f \in \operatorname{Frob}({}^{\vee}G) \subset {}^{L}G$ ,  $\operatorname{Ad}(f)\phi(\gamma) = \phi(\operatorname{Frob} \cdot \gamma)$ .

KEEP COSET  $f({}^{\vee}G_0^{\phi})$  as part of parameter  $\phi$ .

Equiv of params  $(\phi, f({}^{\vee}G_0^{\phi})), (\phi', f'({}^{\vee}G_0^{\phi'}))$  is  ${}^{\vee}G$ -conjugacy.

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 $G \supset B \supset T$  conn red alg  $/k = \mathbb{F}_q$ , Frob:  $G \to G$ .

Get  $\Gamma_k$  action on W permuting gens  $\leadsto \Gamma W = W \rtimes \Gamma_k$ 

 $\tilde{w} = w$  Frob (another) Frobenius morphism  $T \to T$ .

Deligne-Lusztig found all irr chars of  $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$  inside virtual chars  $R_{\theta'}^{T'}$  (T' ratl maxl torus,  $\theta'$  char of  $T'(\mathbb{F}_q)$ ).

Proposition. For any rational (= Frob-stable) max torus  $T' \subset G$ ,  $\exists ! W$ -conj class of  $\tilde{w}$  so  $(T', \text{Frob}) \simeq (T, \tilde{w})$ .

Proposition (Macdonald)

 $\widehat{T^{\widetilde{w}}} \simeq \{\phi \colon W_k \to {}^{\vee}T \mid (w \operatorname{\mathsf{Frob}}) \cdot \phi(\gamma) = \phi(\operatorname{\mathsf{Frob}} \cdot \gamma)\}.$ 

Conclusion: L-params  $\phi'$  for G = DL-pairs  $(T', \theta')$ .

 $R_{\theta'}^{T'}$  and  $R_{\theta''}^{T''}$  overlap  $\iff \phi', \phi'' \ ^{\vee}G$ -conjugate.

Deligne-Lusztig def:  $(T', \theta')$  and  $(T'', \theta'')$  are geom conj.

 $\widehat{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}$  partitioned by Langlands parameters.

L-packet  $\Pi(\phi)$  = all irrs in all  $R_{\theta'}^{T'} \leftrightarrow \phi$ 

Using Deligne-Langlands params to partition L-pkts harder...

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G reductive  $/K \rightsquigarrow {}^LG$ .

Langlands conj: reps of  $G(K) \longleftrightarrow \text{params } \phi \colon W_K \to {}^L G \text{ from (abelian) class field theory: bijectively true for } G = \text{torus.}$ 

Deligne understood that difference between torus and reductive is unipotent: can sharpen Langlands conjecture by

Definition (K nonarchimedean or finite) Weil-Deligne group of K is  $W'_K = W_K \ltimes \mathbb{G}_a$ .

Frob acts on  $\mathbb{G}_a$  by qth power map mult by q.

Definition Deligne-Langlands parameter  $\rho = (\phi_{\rho}, N_{\rho})$  has  $\phi_{\rho} \colon W_{K} \to {}^{L}G$  Langlands param,  $N_{\rho} \in {}^{\vee}g$  nilpotent, with

- 1. Case K = F local: require  $Ad(\phi_{\rho}(Frob))(N_{\rho}) = qN_{\rho}$ .
- 2. Case  $K = k = \mathbb{F}_q$ : require KEPT COSET  $f({}^{\vee}G_0^{\phi_p})$  to have rep  $f_{DL}$  satisfying  $\mathrm{Ad}(f_{DL}N_p) = qN_p$ .

For  $K = k = \mathbb{F}_q$ , KEEP COSET  $f_{DL}(^{\vee}G_0^{\rho})$  as part of  $\rho$ .

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*F* finite  $\rightsquigarrow S(F) =_{\text{def}} \{(f, \sigma) | f \in F, \sigma \in \widehat{F}^f\} / (\text{conj by } F).$ 

 $S((\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^n) = (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^n \times (\widehat{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}})^n \quad \text{2}n\text{-diml sympl }/\mathbb{F}_2.$   $S(S_3) = \{(1,\mathbb{C}), (1,\text{rfl}), (1,\text{sgn}), (s_2,\mathbb{C}), (s_2,\text{sgn}), (s_3,\mathbb{C}), (s_3,\omega), (s_3,\omega^2)\}.$ 

 $G \supset B \supset T$  conn red alg  $/\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $^LG$  L-group.

Def  $\rho = (\phi, N)$  special if  $N \in {}^{\vee}\mathfrak{g}^{\phi}$  is special nilp.

Recall that  $\rho$  remembers coset  $f({}^{\vee}G_0^{\phi,N})$ .

Theorem (Lusztig). Irreducible reps of  $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$  are partitioned into packets  $\Pi(\rho)$  by special DL parameters  $\rho$ . The packet  $\Pi(\rho)$  is indexed by  $\mathcal{S}(F)$  using Lusztig quotient F of  ${}^{\vee}G^{\rho}/{}^{\vee}G^{\rho}_{0}$ .

To make this look like other Langlands classifications, prefer to  $\operatorname{drop}_1$  requirement N special,  $\operatorname{replace}_2$  Lusztig quotient by  ${}^{\vee}G^{\rho}/[(Z({}^{\vee}G)^{\Gamma})({}^{\vee}G_0^{\rho})]$ ,  $\operatorname{replace}_3 \mathcal{S}(F)$  by subset  $\widehat{F}$ .

Prefs 1 and 2 → more params, Pref 3 → fewer params.

## Rewriting Lusztig's book á la Langlands

Definition Deligne-Langlands param for  $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$  is

$$\rho = (\phi, N, \overline{f}),$$

- 1.  $\phi: W_k \to {}^{\vee}G$  semisimple,  $N \in {}^{\vee}g^{\phi}$  nilpotent,
- 2.  $\overline{f} = f(^{\vee}G_0^{\phi,N}), f \in {}^{L}G \to \text{Frob}$
- 3.  $Ad(f)(\rho(w)) = \rho(w^q), Ad(f)(N) = qN.$

Complete geometric Deligne-Langlands param has also

4. 
$$\xi \in {}^{\vee}\widehat{G^{\phi,N}/{}^{\vee}}\widehat{G_0^{\rho,N}}, \xi|_{Z({}^{\vee}G)^{\Gamma}}=1.$$

Conjecture Irreducible reps of  $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$  partitioned into packets  $\Pi(\rho)$  by all Deligne-Langlands parameters  $\rho$ . Packet  $\Pi(\rho)$  indexed by irr reps  $\xi$  of  ${}^{\vee}G^{\rho}/{}^{\vee}G^{\rho}_0Z({}^{\vee}G)^{\Gamma_k}$ .

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## Let us pause for a moment

Talk was meant to make me think through next few slides.

This plan was an abject failure.

So perhaps some of you will think through them?

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First Observation

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*G* connected reductive algebraic  $/k = \mathbb{F}_q$ .

Fix p-adic  $F \supset O \supset \mathcal{P}$ ,  $O/\mathcal{P} \simeq k$ .

Fix p-adic  $\mathbb{G} \longleftrightarrow$  based root datum of G/k,  $\Gamma_F$  acts via  $\Gamma_k$ .

 $\mathbb{G}/F$  can be any unramified quasisplit group/F.

G/k and G/F have same complex dual group  ${}^{\vee}G$ .

$${}^{L}G_{F} = {}^{\vee}G \rtimes \Gamma_{F}, \quad {}^{L}G_{k} = {}^{\vee}G \rtimes \Gamma_{k} = {}^{L}G_{F}/I_{F}$$
:

note  $I_F$  normal since it acts trivially on based root datum.

Set  $P_F$  = wild ramif grp  $\subset I_F$ ; recall  $I_F/P_F \simeq W_k$ .

tamely ram. 
$$\rho_F$$
 for  $F$ :  $\left(\begin{array}{cc} \phi \colon I_F/P_F \to {}^\vee G, & N \in {}^\vee g^\phi, & f \end{array}\right)$   
param  $\rho_k$  for  $k$ :  $\left(\begin{array}{cc} \phi \colon I_F/P_F \to {}^\vee G, & N \in {}^\vee g^\phi, & f({}^\vee G_0^{\phi,N}) \end{array}\right)$ 

Here  $f \mapsto \text{Frob}$ ,  $f\phi(i)f^{-1} = i^q$ , Ad(f)(N) = qN,  $(i \in I/P)$ .

Deduce tamely ramif params for  $\mathbb{G}/F \twoheadrightarrow \text{params for } G/k$ 

 $\mathbb{G}/F$  p-adic unramified quasisplit  $F \longleftrightarrow G/k$  finite.

G(F) has maximal compact  $G(O) \rightarrow G(K)$ .

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Definition component group for Deligne-Langlands  $\rho$  is

$$A(\rho) = {}^{\vee}G^{\rho}/Z({}^{\vee}G)^{\Gamma\vee}G_0^{\rho}.$$

p-adic packet  $\Pi(\rho_F)$  conjecturally indexed by  $\widehat{A(\rho_F)}$ ,  $\pi_F(\xi) \leftrightarrow \xi$ .

k packet  $\Pi(\rho_k)$  conjecturally indexed by  $\widehat{A(\rho_k)}$ ,  $\pi_k(\tau) \leftrightarrow \tau$ .

Suggests: tamely ramified  $\mathbb{G}(F)$  rep  $\pi_F(\xi)$  has  $\mathbb{G}(O)$ -type factoring to G(k) rep  $\pi_k(\tau)$ . Which  $\tau$ ?

Cent means stab of  $f({}^{\vee}G_0^{\phi,N}) \supset \text{cent of } f: A(\rho_F) \to A(\rho_k)$ .

If  $\xi$  doesn't factor to image, no  $\tau$ .

If  $\xi$  factors to  $\overline{\xi}$  on image, then all  $\tau$  in  $\operatorname{Ind}_{image}^{A(\rho_k)}(\overline{\xi})$ .

Homework: extend to all params, all max cpts, all G.