

# On periods and the absolute Frobenius on Fermat curves

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This talk is related to these papers, particularly [K2].

[K1] Fermat curves and a refinement of the reciprocity law on cyclotomic units. J. Reine Angew. Math. 741 (2018), 255–273

[K2] Note on Coleman's formula for the absolute Frobenius on Fermat curves, Annales de l'Institut Fourier (2024)

[K3] On a common refinement of Stark units and Gross-Stark units, preprint ([arXiv:1706.03198](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.03198))

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## Rohrlich's formula (in Appendix by Rohrlich of Gross' paper)

Consider differential forms  $\eta_{r,s} = x^{r-1}y^{s-n}dx$  ( $0 < r, s < n$ ,  $r + s \neq n$ ) of the first and second kind on  $F_n$ .

$$\int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r}{n})\Gamma(\frac{s}{n})}{\Gamma(\frac{r+s}{n})} = B(\frac{r}{n}, \frac{s}{n}) \pmod{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)^{\times}}$$

for any closed path  $\gamma$  with  $\int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s} \neq 0$ ,  $\zeta_n := e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}}$ .

## Coleman's formula (Frobenius matrix)

Consider the absolute Frobenius action  $\text{Fr}_p \curvearrowright H_{dR}^1(F_n, \mathbb{Q}_p)$ .

$$\text{Fr}_p(\eta_{r,s}) \equiv \frac{\Gamma_p(\frac{r'+s'}{n})}{\Gamma_p(\frac{r'}{n})\Gamma_p(\frac{s'}{n})} \cdot \eta_{r',s'} \pmod{\mathbb{Q}^{\times}\mu_{\infty}}$$

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- Similar phenomenon occurs between Chowla-Selberg formula for the eta-function and Ogus' formula for  $\mathrm{Fr}_p$  on elliptic curves with CM. In these cases,  $\prod_{a=1}^{d-1} \Gamma_*(\frac{a}{d})^{\chi_d(a)}$  ( $* = \emptyset, p$ ) appears.
- The theme of my talk is “why does such a similarity occur?”

# Period symbol

- Before we begin the main discussion, we introduce Shimura's period symbol, obtained by decomposing period integrals.
- Then we can “decompose” Rohrlich's formula  $\int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r}{n})\Gamma(\frac{s}{n})}{\Gamma(\frac{r+s}{n})}$  into (single)  $\Gamma$ -function version.
- (by CM-theory, solve linear simultaneous equations  $\{\log \Gamma(\frac{r}{n}) + \log \Gamma(\frac{s}{n}) - \log \Gamma(\frac{r+s}{n}) \doteq \log \int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s}\}_{r,s} \Rightarrow \log \Gamma(\frac{r}{n}) \doteq ?$ )

## Definition (Shimura's period symbol)

$K$ : CM-field of degree  $2n$ ,  $A/\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ : abelian variety with CM by  $K$ . Then

$$K \cong \text{End}(A) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \hookrightarrow H_{dR}^1(A, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in \text{Hom}(K, \mathbb{C})} \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \cdot \eta_{\sigma},$$

where  $K$  acts  $\eta_{\sigma}$  through  $\sigma$ . CM type  $\Xi_A := \{\sigma \mid \eta_{\sigma} \text{ is holom.}\}$ ,  $|\Xi_A| = n$ .

$$\exists p_K(\sigma, \tau) \in \mathbb{C}^{\times} / \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times} \text{ s.t. } \prod_{\tau \in \Xi_A} p_K(\sigma, \tau) \equiv \pi^{-1} \int_{\gamma} \eta_{\sigma} \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times}}.$$

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e.g,  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$ ,  $\zeta_n \curvearrowright F_n : x^n + y^n = 1$ ,  $\sigma_a : \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\zeta_n \mapsto \zeta_n^a$

Any CM-type is in the form  $\Xi_{r,s} := \{\sigma_a \mid \langle \frac{ar}{n} \rangle + \langle \frac{as}{n} \rangle + \langle \frac{a(n-r-s)}{n} \rangle = 1\}$

$$\prod_{\tau \in \Xi_{r,s}} p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \tau) \equiv \pi^{-1} \int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s} \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times} \quad (r+s < n).$$

Yoshida and K. “solved” Rohrlich's formula:  $\int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r}{n})\Gamma(\frac{s}{n})}{\Gamma(\frac{r+s}{n})}$  for  $\Gamma(\frac{r}{n})$ :

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) \equiv \pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_{b \bmod n \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times} p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle} \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times}.$$

# $p$ -adic analogue

- We may regard period integral:  $H_1^{sing} \times H_{dR}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $(\gamma, \eta) \mapsto \int_{\gamma} \eta$  as the dual of de Rham isom.:  $H_{sing}^1 \otimes \mathbb{C} \cong H_{dR}^1 \otimes \mathbb{C}$
- Define “ $p$ -adic period integral” and “ $p$ -adic period symbol”

$$\int_{\gamma,p} \eta \in B_{dR}, \quad p_{K,p}(\sigma, \tau) \in B_{dR}^{\times} / \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times}$$

by replacing de Rham isom. with the composite of comparison isom.'s

$$H_{sing}^1 \otimes B_{dR} \cong H_{et}^1 \otimes B_{dR} \cong H_{dR}^1 \otimes B_{dR}$$

- (In [K3], we used motives associated to alg.Hecke char.s instead of ab.var.s with CM, to avoid problems with “field of definition”)
- Each symbol has ambiguity of  $\text{mod } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times}$  since  $\int_{\gamma,*} \eta$  ( $* = \emptyset, p$ ) depends on the choices of  $\gamma, \eta$ . Assuming that we take the same  $\gamma, \eta$  for both symbols, the following “ratio” is well-defined up to  $\mu_{\infty}$ .

$$[p_K(\sigma, \tau) : p_{K,p}(\sigma, \tau)] \in (\mathbb{C}^{\times} \times B_{dR}^{\times}) / \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^{\times}$$

- $\text{CM} \Rightarrow \text{pot.good} \Rightarrow \int_{\gamma,p} \eta \in B_{cris} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_p \Rightarrow p_{K,p}(\sigma, \tau) \curvearrowright \text{abs.Frob. Fr}_p$
- Since  $\text{Fr}_p$  acts trivially on  $H_{et}^1$ , the action on  $\eta$  = that on  $\int_{\gamma,p} \eta, p_{K,p}$

# $p$ -adic analogue

- We defined  $p_{K,p}(\sigma, \tau) \in B_{dR}^\times / \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times$  with the action of  $\mathrm{Fr}_p$
- The “ratio”  $[p_K(\sigma, \tau) : p_{K,p}(\sigma, \tau)] \in (\mathbb{C}^\times \times B_{dR}^\times) / \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times$  is well-defined up to  $\mu_\infty$

We can “solve” Coleman’s formula

$$\mathrm{Fr}_p(\eta_{r,s}) \equiv \frac{\Gamma_p(\frac{r'+s'}{n})}{\Gamma_p(\frac{r'}{n})\Gamma_p(\frac{s'}{n})} \cdot \eta_{r',s'} \pmod{\mathbb{Q}^\times \mu_\infty} \quad (p \nmid n)$$

for  $\Gamma_p(z)$ , by a similar manner to the case of Rohrlich’s formula:

## Corollary ([K2, K3])

We put  $P(\frac{a}{n}) := \frac{\Gamma(\frac{a}{n})\pi_p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n),p}(\mathrm{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}}{\pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\mathrm{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}} \in B_{dR}^\times / \mu_\infty$ . Then

$$\Gamma_p(\frac{a'}{n}) \equiv p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \frac{P(\frac{a'}{n})}{\mathrm{Fr}_p(P(\frac{a}{n}))} \pmod{\mu_\infty}. \quad (a' \equiv pa \pmod{n})$$

# summary 1

By “linear algebra”, we may rewrite two formulas as follows:

## Rohrlich's formula (in terms of period symbol)

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) \equiv \pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle} \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times}.$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) := \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) \pi_p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n), p}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}}{\pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}} \in B_{dR}^\times / \mu_\infty$$

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- These also imply Chowla-Selberg formula and Ogus' formula up to  $\text{mod } \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times$ .
- Why  $\Gamma$  and  $\Gamma_p$  appear?



# functional equations vs. monomial relations

$\Gamma$ -function is characterized by some functional equations and smoothness:

$$(D) \quad \Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z) \quad (\text{Difference equation})$$

$$(M) \quad \Gamma(dz) = \frac{d^{dz-\frac{1}{2}}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}} \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} \Gamma(z + \frac{k}{d}) \quad (d \in \mathbb{N}) \quad (\text{Multiplication formula})$$

characterized by  $[C^1, (D), (M)]$  or  $[C^1, (M), \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z\Gamma(z) = 1]$  or  $\dots$ .

$C^1$ : a function with continuous derivatives.

## Proposition

RHS of Rohrlich's formula  $\Gamma(\frac{a}{n}) \equiv \pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle} =: G(\frac{a}{n})$  satisfies the "same fun.eq." as  $(M)$ :

$$(M') \quad G(\frac{da}{n}) \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}} \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} G(\frac{a}{n} + \frac{k}{d}) \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times}$$

It is trivial since  $\text{LHS} \equiv \text{RHS}$ . I mean we can provide an alternative proof.

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$$\text{Rohrlich: } \Gamma(\frac{a}{n}) \equiv G(\frac{a}{n}) := \pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle} \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times}$$

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(Proof) Period (symbol) satisfies some monomial relations including

$$(E) \quad p_K(\tilde{\sigma}|_K, \tau) \equiv \prod_{\tilde{\tau}|_K=\tau} p_L(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\tau}) \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times} \text{ for extension } K \subset L$$

The case of  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n) \subset \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{dn})$  relates  $G(\frac{*}{nd})$  to  $G(\frac{*}{n})$ . □

- $(E) \Leftrightarrow L(s, \chi \circ N_{L/K}) = L(s, \chi), \quad M(\chi \circ N_{L/K}) = M(\chi) \otimes_K L$
- We may say(?)  $\Gamma$ -function, characterized by  $(M)$ , appears naturally
- $p$ -adic case is more concrete

# Main result ([K2])

$$(D) \quad \Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z)$$

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The following  $p$ -adic analogues are well-known:

$$(D_p) \quad \Gamma_p(z+1) = z^* \Gamma_p(z), \quad z^* = -z \quad (p \nmid z), \quad -1 \quad (p \mid z)$$

$$(M_p) \quad \Gamma_p(dz) = i_{p,d} \cdot d^{dz-(dz)_1-1} \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} \Gamma_p(z + \frac{k}{d}) \quad (p \nmid d, i_{p,d} \in \mu_4)$$

characterized by  $[C^0, (D_p), \Gamma_p(1) = -1]$ .

$C^0$ : a continuous function in the  $p$ -adic topology

For  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , we define  $z_0 \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ ,  $z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  by  $z = z_0 + pz_1$ .

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The following provides another characterization:

## Proposition

$$\begin{aligned} f \in C^0(\mathbb{Z}_p), \quad f(dz) = \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} f(z + \frac{k}{d}) \quad (p \nmid d), \quad \frac{f(p^{k+1})}{f(p^k)} = \frac{f(p^{k+1}+1)}{f(p^{k+1})} \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}) \\ \Rightarrow f(z) = a^{z-\frac{1}{2}} b^{z_1+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (\exists a, b: \text{ constants}). \end{aligned}$$

- Namely,  $(M_p)$  and  $\frac{\Gamma_p(p^{k+1})}{\Gamma_p(p^k)} = -1 \quad (k \geq 1)$  characterize  $\Gamma_p(z)$  up to “ $p$ -adic exp-functions”
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Let us assume  $p$ -multiplication formula holds,

$$f(pz) = \prod_{k=0}^{p-1} f\left(z + \frac{k}{p}\right)$$

although it doesn't actually make sense because  $k/p$  are not  $p$ -adic integers.

However, if it were to hold, shifting the equation by  $1/p$  would give us the next equation.

$$f\left(p\left(z + \frac{1}{p}\right)\right) = \prod_{k=1}^p f\left(z + \frac{k}{p}\right)$$

Then, by dividing both sides, we obtain this equation.

$$\frac{f(pz)}{f(pz+1)} = \frac{f(z)}{f(z+1)},$$

which do make sense since  $pz, pz+1, z, z+1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . So the condition

$\frac{f(p^k+1)}{f(p^k)} = \frac{f(p^{k+1}+1)}{f(p^{k+1})}$  may be regarded as a modification of  $p$ -multiplication formula.

# Main result ([K2])

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- prime-to- $p$  multiplication formula:  $f(dz) = \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} f(z + \frac{k}{d})$  ( $p \nmid d$ )
- “ $p$ -multiplication formula”:  $\frac{f(p^{k+1})}{f(p^k)} = \frac{f(p^{k+1}+1)}{f(p^{k+1})}$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ )

$\Rightarrow f(z) = a^{z-\frac{1}{2}} b^{z_1+\frac{1}{2}}$  ( $\exists a, b$ : constants).

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## Theorem

Under an assumption of “ $p$ -adic continuity of Frobenius action” ( $\equiv$  the RHS of Coleman's formula is continuous in  $p$ -adic topology, including the case of  $p \mid n$ ), Coleman's formula holds automatically, up to  $p$ -adic exp-functions.

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Under an assumption of “ $p$ -adic continuity of Frobenius action”, we have

- ①  $f(\frac{a'}{n}) := \text{RHS/LHS}$  satisfies conditions of Proposition.
- ② In particular, (without using Coleman's formula) we see that  $\exists a, b$  s.t.

$$\Gamma_p(\frac{a}{n}) \equiv a^{\frac{a}{n}-\frac{1}{2}} b^{(\frac{a}{n})_1+\frac{1}{2}} \cdot p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \frac{P(\frac{a'}{n})}{\text{Fr}_p(P(\frac{a}{n}))} \pmod{\mu_\infty}.$$

(proof) Every part of  $P(\frac{a}{n}) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{a}{n}) \pi_p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n),p}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}}{\pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}}$  and LHS satisfy multiplication formula or its variants:  $(M)$  or  $(M_p)$  or  $(M')$ .  $\square$

## summary 2

- ①  $\Gamma(z)$  is characterized by (M)  $\Gamma(dz) = \cdots \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} \Gamma(z + \frac{k}{d})$  and  $\cdots$ .
- ② Period symbol satisfies (E)  $p_K(\tilde{\sigma}|_K, \tau) \equiv \prod_{\tilde{\tau}|_K=\tau} p_L(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\tau}) \pmod{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times}$ .
- ③ (E) transforms into (M')  $G(\frac{da}{n}) \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}} \prod_{k=0}^{d-1} G(\frac{a}{n} + \frac{k}{d})$  for  

$$G(\frac{a}{n}) := \pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}$$
- ④ Thus it is natural(?) that  $\Gamma(z)$  appears in Rohrlich's formula for  $G(z)$ .
- ⑤  $\Gamma_p(z)$  is almost characterized by “multiplication formulas” ( $M_p$ ),  

$$\frac{f(p^k+1)}{f(p^k)} = \frac{f(p^{k+1}+1)}{f(p^{k+1})}.$$
- ⑥  $p$ -adic period symbol also satisfies (E) and (M')
- ⑦ Hence  $\Gamma_p(z)$  appears automatically in Coleman's formula for  

$$p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \frac{P(\frac{a'}{n})}{\text{Fr}_p(P(\frac{a}{n}))} \text{ with } P(\frac{a}{n}) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{a}{n}) \pi_p^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n),p}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}}{\pi^{1-\langle \frac{a}{n} \rangle} \prod_b p_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}(\text{id}, \sigma_b)^{\frac{1}{2}-\langle \frac{ab}{n} \rangle}},$$
under the assumption of “ $p$ -adic continuity of Frobenius action”.
- ⑧ A more canonical formulation (and its proof) of “ $p$ -adic continuity of  $\cdots$ ” in a general setting seems to be an interesting problem.



# $p$ -adic continuity of Frobenius action

For Fermat curves,

- $H_{dR}^1(F_n, \mathbb{Q}_p) = \langle \eta_{r,s,n} = x^{r-1}y^{s-n}dx \mid 0 < r, s < n, r + s \neq n \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}_p}$
- $\mathrm{Fr}_p \curvearrowright H_{dR}^1(F_n, \mathbb{Q}_p)$ ,  $\exists \alpha_{r,s,n} \in \mathbb{Q}_p$  s.t.  $\mathrm{Fr}_p(\eta_{r,s,n}) = \alpha_{r,s,n} \eta_{r',s',n}$   
( $r' \equiv pr \pmod n$ )

“ $p$ -adic continuity of Frobenius action”:

$$\left| \frac{r'_1}{n_1} - \frac{r'_2}{n_2} \right|_p, \left| \frac{s'_1}{n_1} - \frac{s'_2}{n_2} \right|_p \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow |\alpha_{r_1,s_1,n_1} - \alpha_{r_2,s_2,n_2}|_p \rightarrow 0$$

$\therefore$  Coefficients of Laurent series' expansions of  $\eta_{r_1,s_1,n_1}, \eta_{r_2,s_2,n_2}$  are close. □

Can these be generalized in the following cases?

- (A certain family of) algebraic curves  $C$  with  $J(C)$  having CM
- Abelian varieties with CM
- Motives for Algebraic Hecke characters

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## summary of [K1]

- ① Define a  $p$ -adic-period-ring-valued beta function by

$$\mathfrak{B}\left(\frac{r}{n}, \frac{s}{n}\right) := \frac{B\left(\frac{r}{n}, \frac{s}{n}\right) \times \int_{\gamma, p} \eta_{r,s}}{\int_{\gamma} \eta_{r,s}}$$

- ② Write a cyclotomic unit:  $u_{a \bmod n} := (2 \sin(\frac{a}{n} \pi))^2$  as a product of  $\mathfrak{B}$ .
- ③ Colman's formula is a refinement of the reciprocity law on cyclotomic units:  $\sigma_p(u_{a \bmod n}) = u_{pa \bmod n}$ .

## summary of [Y], [K3]

Conjectural generalization, form  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/\mathbb{Q}$  to CM-field  $\overset{\text{ab.ex.}}{\text{ / totally real field.}}$