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 semi-quasihomogeneous 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 $\mathbb{F}_q$, a 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 $K^n$ so normalized that the measure of $\mathcal{O}^n_K$ is equal to one. Let $f(x) \in K[x]$, $x = (x_1, .., x_n)$, the Igusa local zeta function associated to $f$ is defined by

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

The local zeta function $Z(f, s)$ is a holomorphic function on the semiplane $Re(s) > 0$. 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 $f(x) \equiv 0 \mod \pi^j \mathcal{O}_K$, (see e.g. [4]). More precisely, if

$$N_j := \text{Card}\{x \in (\mathcal{O}_K/\pi^j \mathcal{O}_K)^n \mid f(x) \equiv 0 \mod \pi^j \mathcal{O}_K\},$$
and \( P(t) \) is the Poincaré series
\[
P(t) = \sum_{j \geq 0} N_j(q^{-n}t)^j,
\]
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 \( K^n \).

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
\[
f(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x) = \ldots = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) = 0,
\]
over an algebraic fixed closure of \( K \), is the point \( P \).

Let \( \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n \) be \( n \) relatively prime and positive integers. A polynomial \( f(x) \in K[x] \) is called a quasihomogeneous polynomial of weight \( d \) and exponents \( \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n \), if it satisfies:
\[
f(t^{\alpha_1}x_1, \ldots, t^{\alpha_n}x_n) = t^d f(x), \quad \text{for every } t \in K,
\]
and the origin of \( K^n \) is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of \( K \)-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 \( e_i(x) = x_1^{m_1} \ldots x_n^{m_n} \) satisfies \( \sum \alpha_i m_i > d \), and the origin of \( K^n \) is an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity of \( K \)-hypersurface \( V_F \). We call the polynomial \( f(x) \) the quasihomogeneous part of \( F(x) \).

We put \( |\alpha| = \sum \alpha_i \), for any \( \alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n \). 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 \( \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n \). Then Igusa’s local zeta function of \( F(x) \) is a rational function of \( q^{-s} \). More precisely,
\[
Z(F, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s})}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})(1 - q^{-|\alpha|}q^{-ds})}, \quad (1.1)
\]
where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n)$. 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 $\bar{P} \in V_f(\mathbb{F}_q)$, 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 of $\bar{P}$. 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 $F(x) \in K[x]$ be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part $f(x)$ has weight $d$ and exponents $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$. 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 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 $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$. Then for every non-archimedean valuation $v$ of $K$, the number of solutions $N_j(F, v)$ of the congruence

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

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

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

$$Sing_f(A) = \{x \in A^n \mid f(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x) = \ldots = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) = 0\}.$$ 

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 $\mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K / \pi \mathcal{O}_K$.

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

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

where $e_{P_1}$ is the minimum order of $\pi$ in the coefficients of $f(\psi_{m_{P_1}}(x))$. We call the $\mathcal{K}$–hypsersurface $V_{f_{P_1}}$ the dilatation of $V_f$ at $P_1$ induced by $\psi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$, the number $e_{P_1}$, the \textit{arithmetic multiplicity} of $f(x)$ at $P_1$ by $\psi_{m_{P_1}}(x)$ and the set $S(f_{P_1})$, the lifting of $\text{Sing}_{f_{P_1}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$, the \textit{first generation of descendants} of $P_1$. By dilatating $f_{P_1}$ at each $P_2 \in S(f_{P_1})$, by some $\psi_{m_{P_2}}(x)$, we obtain $f_{P_1, P_2}, S(f_{P_1, P_2})_{P_2 \in S(f_{P_1})}$. The union of the sets $(S(f_{P_1, P_2}))_{P_2 \in S(f_{P_1})}$ is the second generation of descendants of $P_1$. Given a sequence of dilatations $(\psi_{m_{P_k}}(x))_k$, we define inductively $e_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}$ and $f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}(x), S(f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k})$ as follows:

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

where $P_k$ runs through the descendants of $k - 1$ generation of $P_1$. The union of the sets $S(f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k})$, is called the \textit{k–generation of descendants} of $P_1$.

Along this paper we shall use several types of dilatations, i.e., dilatations with different $m$’s, however the specific value of $m$ will be clear from the context. The dilatations were introduced by 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 $(1, \ldots, 1) \in \mathbb{N}^n$ in (2.2).

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

$$\nu(\bar{f}, D) := q^{-n} \text{Card}\{\mathcal{P} \in \overline{D} | \mathcal{P} \notin \mathcal{V}_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)\},$$

$$\sigma(\bar{f}, D) := q^{-n} \text{Card}\{\mathcal{P} \in \overline{D} | \mathcal{P} \text{ is a non-singular point of } \mathcal{V}_{\bar{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)\}.$$
In order to simplify the notation, we shall use \( \nu(\bar{f}), \sigma(\bar{f}) \) instead of \( \nu(\bar{f}, D), \sigma(\bar{f}, D) \), respectively. The dependence of a particular set \( D \), it will be clear from the context.

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

**Igusa’s Stationary Phase Formula.** ([10], p. 17)

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

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

\[
D_P = \{(x_1, ..., x_n) \in D | \quad x_i = y_i + \pi z_i, \quad z_i \in O_K, \quad i = 1, 2, .., n\}.
\]

Thus

\[
\int_D |f(x)|_K^s \, dx = \sum_P \int_{D_P} |f(x)|_K^s \, dx = \sum_P q^{-n - e_P}s \int_{O_K^n} |f_P(x)|_K^s \, dx.
\]

The integrals corresponding to the \( P \)'s for which \( \overline{P} \not\in V_f(\mathbb{F}_q) \) are easily computable. The integrals corresponding to the \( P \)'s for which \( \overline{P} \) is a non-singular point of \( V_f(\mathbb{F}_q) \) are computed using the implicit function theorem (cf. [10], p. 177).

By iterating the stationary phase formula, we obtain the following expansion for \( Z(f, s) \) (cf. [10], p. 178):

\[
Z(f, s) = \sum_{k \geq 0} q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{P_1, P_2, ..., P_k} \nu(\overline{f}_{P_1, ..., P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, ..., P_k)s} \right)
+ (1 - q^{-1})q^{-s} \sum_{k \geq 0} q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{P_1, P_2, ..., P_k} \sigma(\overline{f}_{P_1, ..., P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, ..., P_k)s} \right) \tag{2.4}
\]

where \( E(P_1, .., P_k) := e_{P_1} + ... + e_{P_1, ..., P_k} \). Expansion (2.4) converges absolutely on the semiplane \( \text{Re}(s) > 0 \).
Now, we summarize some ideas on Néron π−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 $P$:

$$l(f, P) := \text{Inf}_i \left( v\left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(P) \right) \right).$$

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

**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 $P \notin \text{Sing}_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$ and $P \in V_{\overline{f}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$. We define

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

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

$$\overline{f(x)} = \alpha_0 + \sum_j \alpha_j(x_j - \overline{a}) + (\text{ degree } \geq 2),$$

where $P = (a_1, ..., a_n)$, $\alpha_0 \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ or $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ for some $j = 1, 2, ..., n$. We also observe that $l(f, p) = L(f, p)$ if $P \in V_f(\mathcal{O}_K)$. The integer $L(f, P)$ has similar properties 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 $A_r$, $r = (r_1, .., r_n) \in (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})^n$, the set

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

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 as $A_r^c$.

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

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

for some \( m_i, t_i \in \mathbb{N} \) and some polynomials \( A(x)_{i,j} \in \mathcal{O}_K[x] \), for each \( i = 0, 1, 2, .., n \).

Now, let \( Q = (q_1, .., q_n) \) 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

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

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

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

**Proposition 2.3.** (Néron, [13], sect. 18, prop. 18) Let \( f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x] \) be a polynomial and \( P \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \) a point such that \( P \notin \text{Sing}_f(\mathcal{O}_K) \), and \( \overline{P} \in \text{Sing}_f(\mathbb{F}_q) \). 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

\[
\overline{f_P(x)} = \alpha_0, \quad \alpha_0 \in \mathbb{F}_q^* \quad \text{or} \quad \overline{f_P(x)} = \sum \alpha_i x_i, \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_q^*, \text{ for some } i = 1, 2, .., n.
\]

Furthermore, \( \mu(f, P) \leq L(f, P) + 2 \).

**Proof.** Let \( P = (b_1, .., b_n) \in \mathcal{O}_K^n \) be a point such that \( \overline{P} \in \text{Sing}_f(\mathbb{F}_q) \). Since \( P \notin \text{Sing}_f(\mathcal{O}_K) \), we have

\[
f(x) = \alpha_0 + \sum_i \alpha_i(x_i - b_i) + \text{(degree } \geq 2),
\]
where $\alpha_i \equiv 0 \mod \pi, i = 0, 1, \ldots, n$. Thus

$$f(P + \pi x) = \pi \left( \alpha' + \sum \alpha_i x_i + \pi(\text{degree} \geq 2) \right).$$

We consider two cases according to $\alpha'_0 \not\equiv 0 \mod \pi$ or not.

**Case 1** ($\alpha'_0 \not\equiv 0 \mod \pi$).

In this case, we have

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

where

$$f_P(x) = \alpha'_0 + \sum \alpha_i x_i + \pi(\text{degree} \geq 2).$$

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

**Case 2** ($\alpha'_0 \equiv 0 \mod \pi$).

In this case, we have

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

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

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

and

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

Whence $L(f_P, 0) \leq L(f, P) - 1$. Thus after a finite number of dilatations, we obtain $L(f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}, 0) = 0$, (where $P_2, \ldots, P_k$ are equal to the origin of $K^n$), i.e.

$$f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}(x) = \alpha_0 + \sum \alpha_i x_i + (\text{degree} \geq 2),$$

where $\alpha_0 \not\equiv 0 \mod \pi$ or $\alpha_i \not\equiv 0 \mod \pi$, for some $i, 1 \leq i \leq n$. If $\alpha_0 \not\equiv 0 \mod \pi$, then after an additional dilatation, we obtain $f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}(x) = \bar{\alpha}_0 \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$, and $\mu(f, P) \leq L(f, P) + 1$.

If $\alpha_0 \equiv 0 \mod \pi$, then after an additional dilatation at the origin, we obtain

$$\overline{f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}}(x) = \sum \overline{\alpha_i x_i},$$

where $\overline{\alpha_i} \not\equiv 0$ for some $i$, and $\mu(f, P) \leq L(f, P) + 2$. \hfill \Box

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 \( \gamma = \gamma(f, r) \in \mathbb{N} \), such that the polynomial

\[
f_Q(x) = \pi^{-\epsilon \gamma} f(Q + \pi^\gamma x),
\]

satisfies the condition, \( \overline{f_Q(x)} \) is a non-zero constant or a linear polynomial 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 semiquasihomogeneous 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,

\[
Z(f, D, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s}, D)}{1 - q^{-1}q^{-s}}.
\]

(3.1)

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

Proof. Applying the stationary phase formula \( m + 1 \)-times, we obtain

\[
Z(f, D, s) = \sum_{k=0}^{m} q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k} \nu(f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, \ldots, P_k)s} \right) + \]

\[
\frac{(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s}}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})} \sum_{k=0}^{m} q^{-kn} \left( \sum_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k} \sigma(f_{P_1, \ldots, P_k}) q^{-E(P_1, \ldots, P_k)s} \right) \]

\[
+ \sum_{P_1, \ldots, P_m, P_{m+1} \in S(f_{P_1, \ldots, P_m})} q^{-(m+1)n-E(P_1, \ldots, P_m)s} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} |f_{P_1, \ldots, P_m}(x)|_K^s |dx|. \tag{3.2}
\]
On the other hand, we have

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

Since $P_1 + P_2 \pi + \ldots + P_m \pi^{m+1} \in A_c^r$, lemma 2.4 and (3.3) imply that if $m+2 \geq \gamma(f, r)$, then the $\mathbb{F}_q$-hypersurface defined by $\overline{f_{P_1, \ldots, P_m}(x)}$ is smooth or empty, whence the corresponding integral in (3.2) can be computed using the stationary phase formula. Therefore the integral $Z(f, D, s)$ can be computed applying $\gamma(f, r)$ times the stationary phase formula.

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 $Z(f, A_c^r, s) = \int_{A_c^r} |f|^s \, dx$ is a rational function of $q^{-s}$. More precisely,

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

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 $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ and each $a = (a_1, \ldots, a_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$ satisfying $0 \leq a_i < r_i$ if $i \in B$, we define

$$D(B, a) := \{x \in A_c^r \mid v(x_i) = a_i \text{ if } i \in B\}, \text{ if } B \neq \emptyset,$$

$$D(B, a) := \emptyset, \text{ if } B = \emptyset. \quad (3.5)$$

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

Whence

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

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

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

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

(3.8)

we obtain

$$\int_{D(B, a)} |f|^s \, dx = q^{-e(B, a)s - d(B, a)} \int_{D'(B, a)} |f_B|^s \, dy,$$

(3.9)

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. □

**Proposition 3.3.** Let $F(x) = f(x) + \pi^m g(x) \in \mathcal{O}_K[x]$ be a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial, $f(x)$ is its quasihomogeneous part. 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 $\overline{D} \subseteq \mathbb{F}^n_q$, 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 $\gamma_0$ such that the reduction modulo $\pi_0$ of the polynomial

$$F_{P_1, \ldots, P_n}(x) = \pi^{-E_f(P_1, \ldots, P_n)} F(P_1 + P_2 \pi + \ldots + P_n \pi^n + \pi^{n+1}x)$$

(3.10)

is a non-zero constant or a linear polynomial for every $n \geq \gamma_0$ and any $P_1 + P_2 \pi + \ldots + P_n \pi^n \in A_r^\circ$. In addition, we also have that

$$F(P_1 + P_2 \pi + \ldots + P_n \pi^n + \pi^{n+1}x) = \pi^{E_f(P_1, \ldots, P_n)} f_{P_1, \ldots, P_n}(x)$$
\[ + \pi^E g(P_1, \ldots, P_n) + mg_{P_1, \ldots, P_n}(x). \quad (3.11) \]

We choose
\[ \alpha(f, D) := \text{Max} \{ E_f(P_1, \ldots, P_{\gamma_0}) \}, \quad (3.12) \]
where \( P_{\gamma_0} \) runs through the \( \gamma_0 \) generation of descendants of \( S(F, D) \). Now, if \( m > \alpha(f, D) \), we have
\[ F_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k}(x) = f_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k}(x), \quad \quad E_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k}(F) = E_{P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_k}(f), \quad 1 \leq k \leq \gamma_0. \quad (3.13) \]

Expanding \( Z(F, D, s) \) and \( Z(f, D, s) \) as in (3.2) and using (3.10) and (3.13), we conclude 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 semiquasihomogeneous polynomial, \( f(x) \) is its quasihomogeneous part. 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 the integrals of type (3.7). We choose \( \alpha(f, r) \) satisfying
\[ \alpha(f, r) \geq \text{Max}_{(B,a)} \{ e_{f,(B,a)} \}. \]

With the above condition, we have that (see (3.9)) it is sufficient to prove that
\[ \int_{D(B,a)} |F_B|^s \mid dx \mid = \int_{D(B,a)} |f_B|^s \mid dx \mid. \quad (3.14) \]

The result follows from (3.14) and proposition 3.3. Finally, we observe that \( \alpha(f, r) \) is given by
\[ \alpha(f, r) = \text{Max}_{(B,a)} \{ e_{f,(B,a)} + \alpha(f, D'(B, a)) \}. \]

\[ \square \]

**Theorem 3.5.** Let \( F(x) \in K[x] \) be an a semiquasihomogeneous polynomial whose quasihomogeneous part \( f(x) \) has weight \( d \) and exponents \( \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n \). Then Igusa’s local zeta function of \( F(x) \) is a rational function of \( q^{-s} \). More precisely,
\[ Z(F, s) = \frac{L(q^{-s})}{(1 - q^{-1}q^{-s})(1 - q^{-|\alpha|q^{-ds}})}. \quad (3.15) \]
where \( \alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \). Furthermore, the polynomial \( L(q^{-s}) \) can be computed effectively.

**Proof.** 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

\[
Z(F, s) = \int_{A_\alpha} |F|_K^s \, dx + \int_{A_\alpha^c} |F|_K^s \, dx = q^{-|\alpha|-ds} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^n} |F_1|_K^s \, dx + \int_{A_\alpha^c} |F|_K^s \, dx, \tag{3.16}
\]

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

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

where \( F_k(x) = f(x) + \pi^{m_k} H_k(x) \), with \( m_k \to \infty \). By lemma 3.4, there exists \( \gamma_0 = \gamma_0(f, \alpha) \), effectively computable, such that \( Z(F_k, A_\alpha^c, s) = Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s) \) if \( m \geq \gamma_0 \). Thus from (3.17), we have

\[
Z(F, s) = Z(F, A_\alpha^c, s) + \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} q^{k(-|\alpha|-ds)} Z(F_k, A_\alpha^c, s) + Z(f, A_\alpha^c, s) q^{(m+1)(-|\alpha|-ds)} \frac{1}{1 - q^{-|\alpha|-ds}}. \tag{3.18}
\]

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.

**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 \( \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n \). 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 form (3.15). 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 \( F(x) \).

**Proof.** Since \( F(x) \) has an absolutely algebraically isolated singularity at the origin of \( K^n \), the Hilbert Nullstellensatz implies that for all 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 for its Newton’s diagram, theorem C.2.2.3 of [2] implies that $-1$ and $-|\alpha|/d$ are roots of the Bernstein polynomial of $F(x)$.

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 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 $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$. Then for every non-archimedean valuation $v$ of $K$, the number of solutions $N_j(F,v)$ of the congruence

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

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

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

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 $n, m$. 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

\[
Z(f, s) = \frac{1}{1 - q^{-(n+m)-ms}} \int_{A^c} |f|_K^s | \, dx dy |,
\]

(3.19)

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:

\[
\begin{align*}
D_1 &= \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) < m, \ v(y) \geq n\}, \\
D_2 &= \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) < m, \ v(y) < n\}, \\
D_3 &= \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid v(x) \geq m, \ v(y) < n\}.
\end{align*}
\]

Thus from (3.19), we obtain

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

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

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

Thus

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

**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:

\[
\begin{align*}
D_{2,1} &= \{(x, y) \in D_2 \mid L(v(x), v(y)) > 0\}, \\
D_{2,2} &= \{(x, y) \in D_2 \mid L(v(x), v(y)) < 0\}, \\
D_{2,3} &= \{(x, y) \in D_2 \mid L(v(x), v(y)) = 0\}.
\end{align*}
\]
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

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

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

$Z(f, D_{2,2}, s) = (1 - q^{-1})^2 \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-(\nu(\beta)+mjs)}$,  \hspace{1cm} (3.23)

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

$Z(f, D_{2,3}, s) = \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis} \int_{\mathcal{O}_K^2} |\alpha x^n + \mu y^m|^s_K \, dx \, dy$,  \hspace{1cm} (3.24)

where $\beta = \pi^{v(\beta)} \mu$, $\mu \in \mathcal{O}_K^*$, $i, j$ 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

$Z(f, D_{2,3}, s) = \left( \nu(f) + \sigma(f)(1 - q^{-1})q^{-s} \right) \sum_{i,j} q^{-i-j-nis}$. \hspace{1cm} (3.25)

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

**Computation of $Z(f, D_3, s)$**

We set

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

$D_{3,2} := \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}_K^2 \mid m \leq v(x) \leq m + \left[ \frac{v(\beta)}{n} \right] + r - 1, \; v(y) < n\}$.

Then $D_3 = A_{3,1} \cup D_{3,2}$ (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

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

Thus

$Z(f, D_{3,1}, s) = \int_{D_{3,1}} |f(x, y)|^s_K \, dx \, dy = (1 - q^{-1})q^{- \left(m + \left[ \frac{v(\beta)}{n} \right] + r \right)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} q^{- (v(\beta)+mk)s-k}$.  \hspace{1cm} (3.25)
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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Example 3.10.** A polynomial of the form $f(x) = \sum_i \alpha_i x_i^{n_i}$, $\alpha_i \in \mathcal{O}_K$ is called a diagonal polynomial. We set $d := l.c.m\{n_i\}$, and $\alpha_i := d/n_i$, $i = 1, \ldots, n$. If the characteristic of $K$ does not divide any $n_i$, then the diagonal polynomials are quasihomogeneous polynomials with exponents $\alpha_i := n_i/d$, $i = 1, \ldots, n$ and weight $d$. Thus the local zeta function of a diagonal polynomial is a rational function of 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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