

#1. Equidistribution of long closed horocycles on hyperbolic surfaces

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Homogenous Dynamical systems

Let G – a connected Lie group

μ – a left Haar measure on G

Γ – a discrete subgroup of G .

Set $X = \Gamma \backslash G = \{\Gamma g : g \in G\}$ a homogeneous space.

G acts on X from the right: $(\Gamma g) \cdot g' := \Gamma(gg')$ ($g, g' \in G$).

μ descends to a Borel measure on X which we also call μ .

Assume $\mu(X) < \infty \stackrel{\text{Def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \Gamma$ is a lattice in G . Then μ on G is also right G -invariant; hence μ on X is G -invariant. We normalize μ so that $\mu(X) = 1$.

Let $(h_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ be a 1-parameter subgroup of G . (That is, the map $t \mapsto h_t$ is a Lie group homomorphism from \mathbb{R} to G .)

This $(h_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ gives rise to a (“homogeneous”) flow $(\Phi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ on X : $\Phi_t(x) := xh_t$

Note that Φ_t preserves μ .

(X, Φ_t) is called a homogeneous dynamical system.

Theorem (Ratner, 1991): If $\{h_t\}$ is *Ad-unipotent* then (I) every ergodic Φ_t -invariant probability measure on X is *homogeneous*, and (II) every Φ_t -orbit closure is *homogeneous*, and the orbit *equidistributes* in its closure.

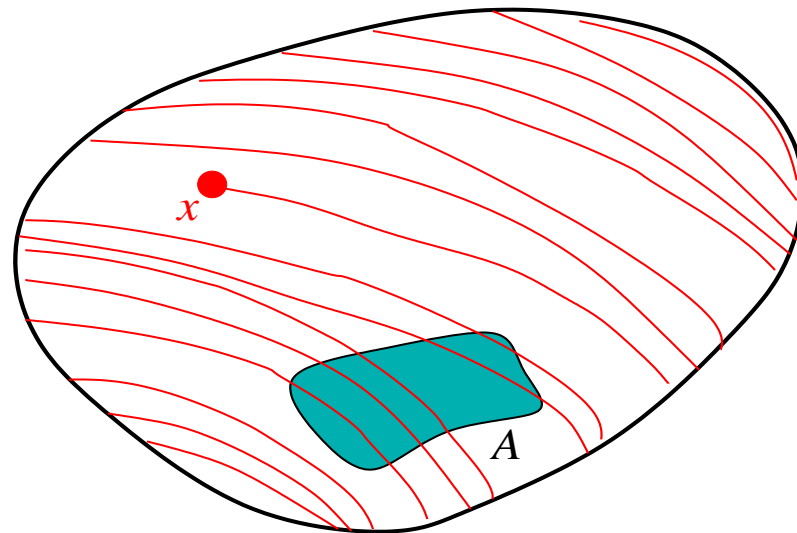
Part (II) in detail: Given any $x \in X$, there exists a closed connected Lie subgroup $H < G$ such that $\{h_t\} \subset H$ and $\overline{\{\Phi_t(x) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}} = xH$, and this xH is a closed regular submanifold of X which possesses a unique H -invariant probability measure ν_x . Furthermore (equidistribution): For any $f \in C_b(xH)$,

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Equidistribution statement \Leftrightarrow For any $A \subset xH$ with $\nu_x(\partial A) = 0$,

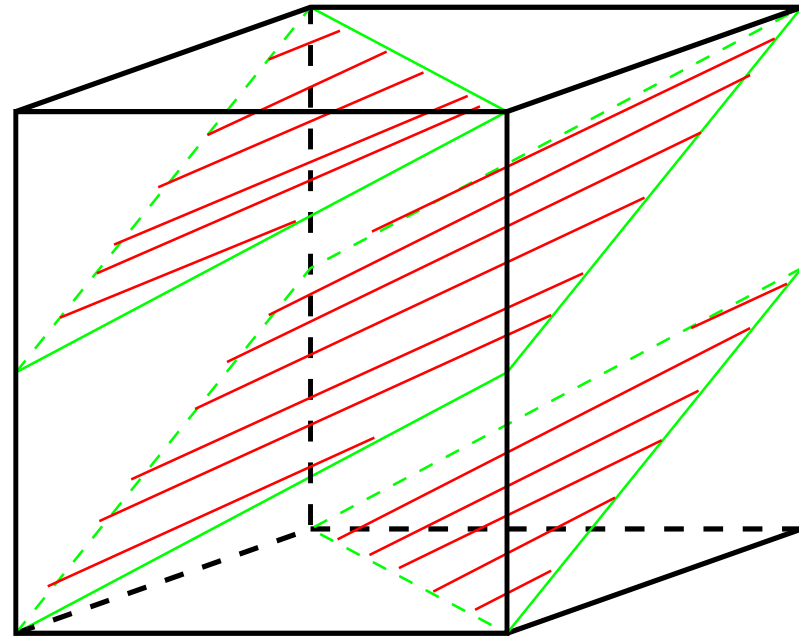
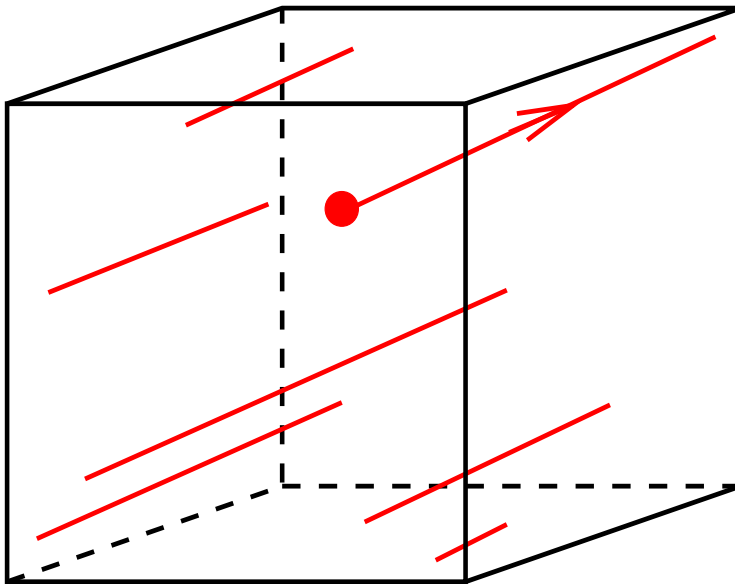
$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \chi_A(\Phi_t(x)) dt = \nu_x(A).$$


Ratner's Theorem; "trivial" example (Weyl equidistribution)

$G = \mathbb{R}^d$, $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}^d$; thus $X = \Gamma \backslash G$ a torus. $\mu = \text{Leb}$.

$h_t = t \vec{v}$ for some fixed $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$; this gives *linear flow* on the torus X .

Then Ratner's Theorem applies, and " H " is always a *rational linear subspace* of \mathbb{R}^d (which only depends on (h_t) , not on x).

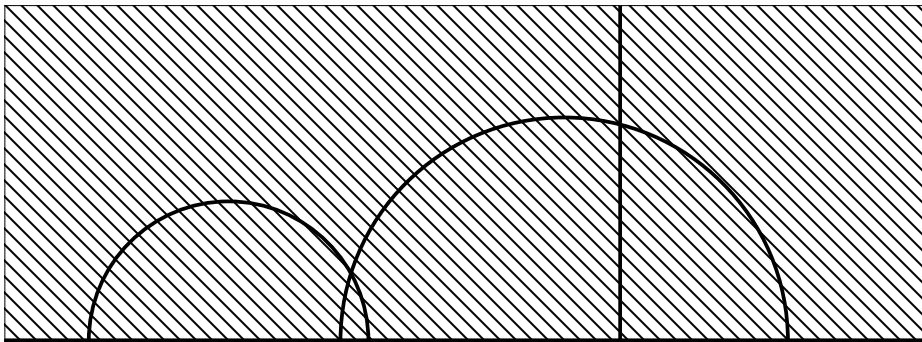


Now let $G = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) / \{\pm I_2\}$

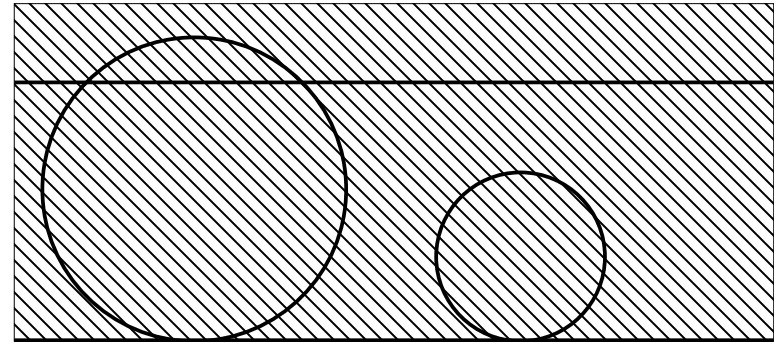
Let $\mathbb{H} := \{z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : y > 0\}$, with the Riemannian metric $\frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2}$.
– the Poincaré upper half plane model of the hyperbolic plane.

Area: $\frac{dx \, dy}{y^2}$. Length of curve $c : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$: $\int_0^1 \frac{|c'(t)|}{\text{Im } c(t)} dt$.

Geodesics:



Horocycles:



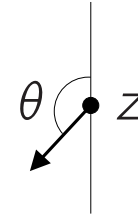
$G = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ acts by orientation preserving isometries on \mathbb{H} :

For $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$, $z \in \mathbb{H}$: $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} (z) := \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$.

Identification with $T^1\mathbb{H}$

Let $T^1\mathbb{H} := \{v \in T\mathbb{H} : |v| = 1\}$, the *unit tangent bundle* of \mathbb{H} . Parametrization:

$$T^1\mathbb{H} = \{(z, \theta) \in \mathbb{H} \times (\mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z})\}$$



The action $G \times \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$ has a natural extension to an action $G \times T^1\mathbb{H} \rightarrow T^1\mathbb{H}$, given by:

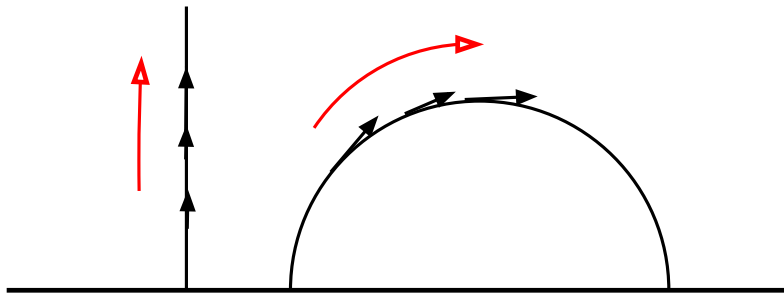
$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} (z, \theta) = \left(\frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \theta - 2 \arg(cz + d) \right).$$

This action is free and transitive; hence for any fixed $p_0 \in T^1\mathbb{H}$ we have a diffeomorphism $G \xrightarrow{\approx} T^1\mathbb{H}, \quad g \mapsto gp_0$ Standard choice: $p_0 = (i, 0)$.

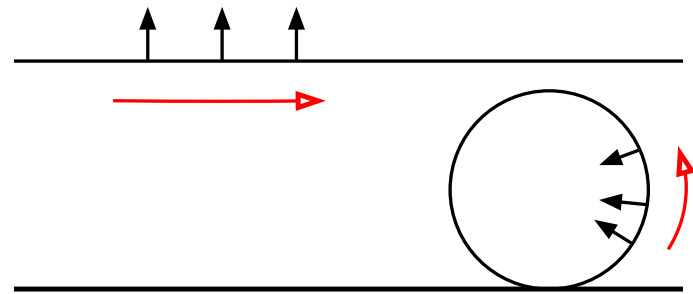
Identifying $G = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ with $\mathbb{T}^1\mathbb{H}$ through $G \xrightarrow{\approx} \mathbb{T}^1\mathbb{H}, g \mapsto gp_0$,

the flow $\Phi_t(g) = g \begin{pmatrix} e^{t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} \end{pmatrix}$ on G gives **geodesic flow** on $\mathbb{T}^1\mathbb{H}$,

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Geodesic flow

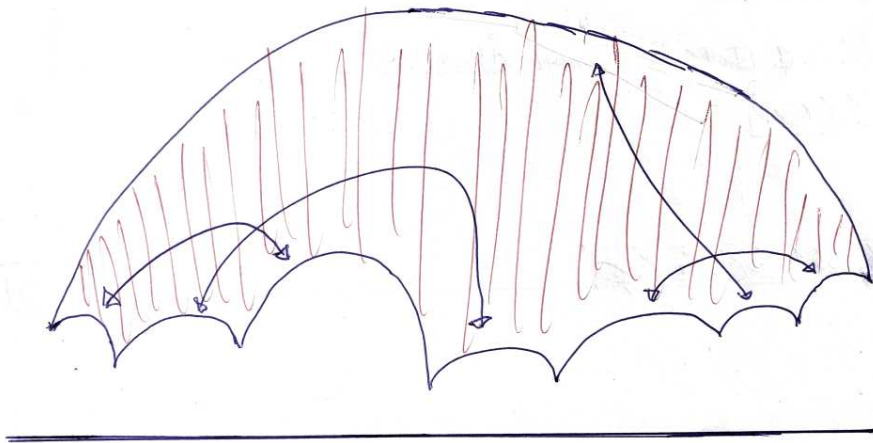


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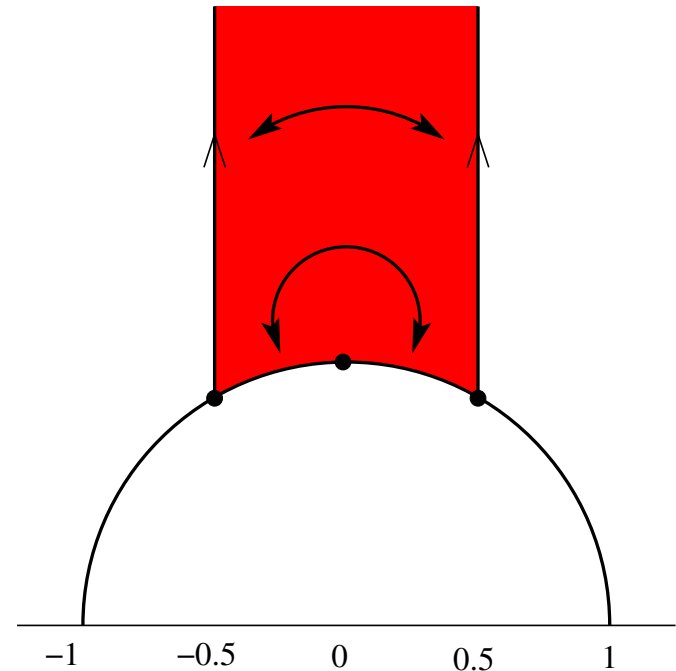
Now let Γ be a discrete subgroup of $G = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$

Set $M := \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$, that is, \mathbb{H} with z, z' identified iff $[\exists \gamma \in \Gamma \text{ s.t. } \gamma(z) = z']$. This is a 2-dim *hyperbolic surface*, possibly with some cone singularities (such occur iff Γ contains elliptic elements).

Γ is a lattice in G iff $\text{Area}(M) < \infty$. Then one can find a *fundamental domain* $F \subset \mathbb{H}$ for $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ bounded by a finite number of geodesic sides.



Ex 1.



Ex: $\Gamma = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$.

Using $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathrm{T}^1\mathbb{H}$ we get

$$X = \Gamma \backslash G \cong \Gamma \backslash \mathrm{T}^1\mathbb{H} = \mathrm{T}^1M$$

(at least if Γ contains no elliptics).

μ on X gives the *Liouville measure* on T^1M (scaled).

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- These two flows have *very different* properties!
- The **horocycle flow** is (Ad-)unipotent; hence Ratner's Theorem applies. In fact, every non-closed Φ_t -orbit *equidistributes* in $\Gamma \backslash G$ (Dani & Smillie, 84).

For the **horocycle flow** on X (i.e., $\Phi_t(x) = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$); **closed orbits?**

If $\Phi_s(x) = x$ for some $s > 0$, and $x = \Gamma g$ ($g \in G$), then

$$\Gamma g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \Gamma g, \quad \text{that is,} \quad g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g^{-1} \in \Gamma.$$

This means that $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ has a *cusp* at the point $\eta := g(\infty) \in \partial \mathbb{H}$.

($\Rightarrow \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ non-compact!)

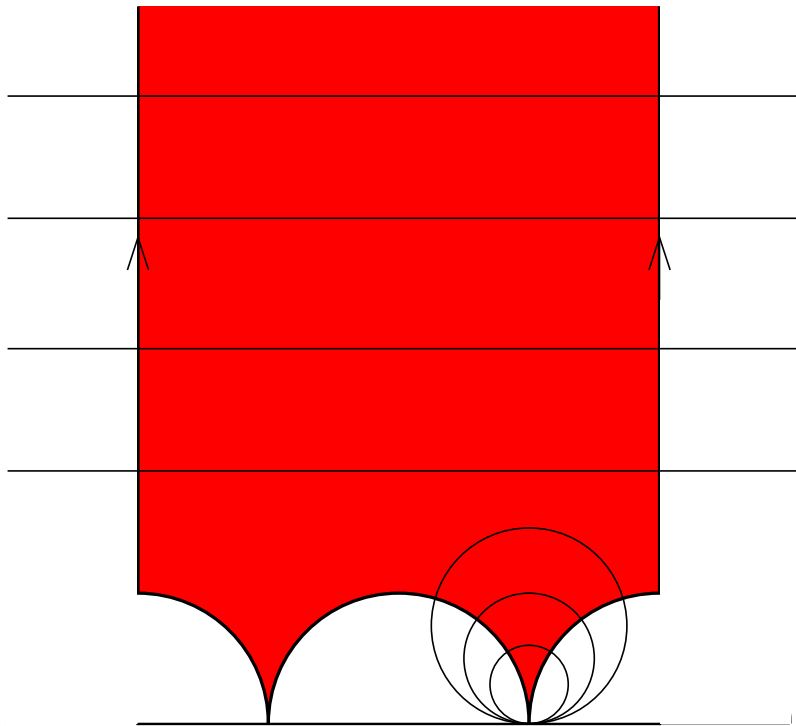
(Here $\partial \mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$, and G acts on $\partial \mathbb{H}$ by $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} (z) = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$)

Also, every g' with $g'(\infty) = \eta = g(\infty)$ is of the form

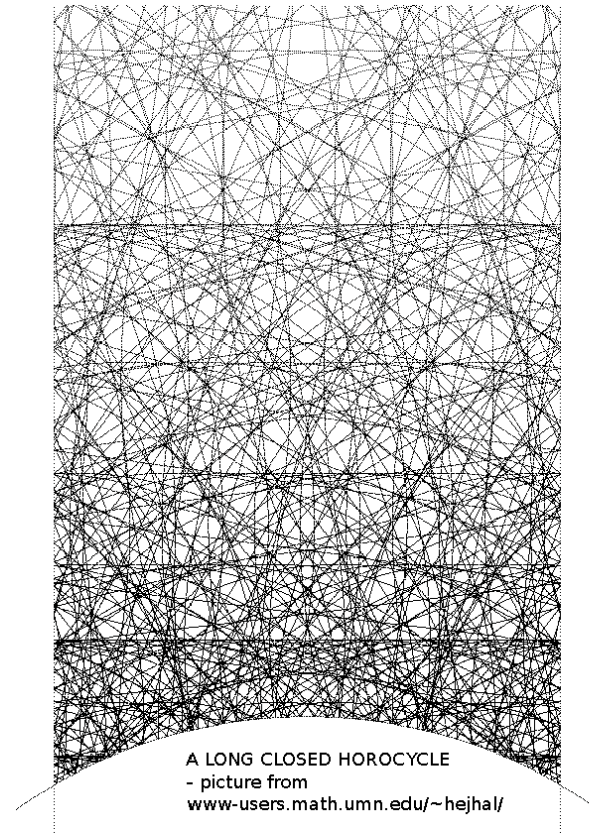
$$g' = g \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (a \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Thus we get a *1-parameter family of closed horocycles* associated to η .

Ex: $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ with 3 cusps



Ex: $\Gamma = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$, a long closed horocycle on $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$



Equidistribution of (pieces of) long closed horocycles

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Zagier 1979: For $\Gamma = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$, $\int_{H_\ell} f d\nu_\ell = \int_X f d\mu + O_{f,\varepsilon}(\ell^{-\frac{3}{4} + \varepsilon})$ as $\ell \rightarrow +\infty$ for every $f \in C_c^\infty(M)$ iff the **Riemann Hypothesis** holds!

Equidistribution of pieces of long closed horocycles – error term

After a conjugation we may assume that $\eta = \infty$ and $\Gamma_\infty = \langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rangle$.

Theorem (S, '13): Let Γ be a lattice in $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ such that ∞ is a cusp of $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ and $\Gamma_\infty = \langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rangle$.

If there exist small eigenvalues $0 < \lambda < \frac{1}{4}$ of the Laplace operator on $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$, let λ_1 be the smallest of these and define $\frac{1}{2} < s_1 < 1$ so that $\lambda_1 = s_1(1 - s_1)$; otherwise let $s_1 = \frac{1}{2}$.

Similarly define $\frac{1}{2} \leq s'_1 \leq s_1$ from the smallest *non-cuspidal* eigenvalue.

Let $f \in C^3(X)$ with $\|f\|_{W_3} < \infty$, and let $0 < y \leq 1$ and $\alpha < \beta \leq \alpha + 1$. Then:

$$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_\alpha^\beta f(x + iy, 0) dx = \int_X f d\mu + O\left(\|f\|_{W_3}\right) \cdot \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\beta - \alpha} \left(\log(1 + y^{-1})\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\beta - \alpha}\right)^{2(1-s'_1)} + \left(\frac{y}{\beta - \alpha}\right)^{1-s_1} \right\}.$$

– Proof in *next* lecture! Today: How prove such a result *on M* (not *X*)!?

Spectral theory of the Laplace operator on $M = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$

Let $\Delta = -y^2(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2)$, the Laplace-Beltrami operator on \mathbb{H} and on $M = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$.

Let

$$\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots \in L^2(M)$$

be the discrete eigenfunctions of Δ on M , with

$$0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots$$

the corresponding eigenvalues.

We take ϕ_0, ϕ_1, \dots to be ON, i.e.

$$\langle \phi_j, \phi_k \rangle = \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}} \phi_j(z) \overline{\phi_k(z)} dA(z) = \delta_{j-k}.$$

(Here $dA(z) = \frac{dx dy}{y^2}$, the hyperbolic area measure.)

If M is compact then $\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots$ form a Hilbert basis of $L^2(M)$.

Spectral theory of Δ on $M = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ – for M non-compact

Let $\eta_1 = \infty, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_\kappa \in \partial \mathbb{H}$ be representatives of the cusps of M .

Choose $N_1, \dots, N_\kappa \in G$ so that $N_k(\eta_k) = \infty$ and $\Gamma_{\eta_k} = N_k^{-1} \langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rangle N_k$.
(Take $N_1 = I_2$.)

For each $k \in \{1, \dots, \kappa\}$, let $E_k(z, s)$ be the **Eisenstein series** associated to the cusp η_k . Thus:

$$E_k(z, s) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\eta_k} \backslash \Gamma} (\operatorname{Im} N_k \gamma z)^s \quad (\operatorname{Re} s > 1)$$

$E_k(z, s)$ has a meromorphic continuation to s in all \mathbb{C} , and

$$\begin{aligned} E_k(\gamma z, s) &= E_k(z, s), & \forall \gamma \in \Gamma, z \in \mathbb{H}; \\ E_k(z, s) &\text{ is } C^\infty & \text{ on } \mathbb{H} \times (\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\text{poles}\}); \\ \Delta_z E_k(z, s) &= s(1 - s)E_k(z, s) & \text{ on } \mathbb{H} \times (\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\text{poles}\}); \end{aligned}$$

Also $E_k(z, s)$ is **holomorphic on the line $\operatorname{Re} s = \frac{1}{2}$** .

Spectral theory of Δ on $M = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ – for M non-compact

Now any $f \in L^2(M)$ has the spectral expansion

$$f = \sum_{m \geq 0} d_m \phi_m + \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} g_k(r) E_k(\cdot, \frac{1}{2} + ir) dr \quad (*)$$

where

$$d_m = \langle f, \phi_m \rangle; \quad g_k(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_M f(z) \overline{E_k(z, \frac{1}{2} + ir)} d\mu(z).$$

(“ $\int_0^{\infty} \dots$ ” stands for a limit in $L^2(M)$, and “ $\int_M \dots$ ” for a limit in $L^2(\mathbb{R}_{>0})$.)

Also:

$$\int_M |f(z)|^2 d\mu(z) = \sum_{m \geq 0} |d_m|^2 + 2\pi \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} |g_k(r)|^2 dr.$$

For any $f \in C^2(M)$ such that $f \in L^2(M)$ and $\Delta f \in L^2(M)$: $(*)$ holds **pointwise**, with uniform absolute convergence over z in compact subsets of M .

Ergodic average along a piece of a closed horocycle

Using the spectral expansion (for $f \in C^2(M)$ with $f, Df \in L^2(M)$):

$$f(z) = \sum_{m \geq 0} d_m \phi_m(z) + \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} g_k(r) E_k(z, \frac{1}{2} + ir) dr,$$

we now wish to study the ergodic average

$$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(x + iy) dx \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow 0.$$

It is

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{m \geq 0} d_m \left(\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi_m(x + iy) dx \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} g_k(r) \left(\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} E_k(x + iy, \frac{1}{2} + ir) dx \right) dr, \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$\frac{d_0}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi_0(x + iy) dx \quad \boxed{= \frac{1}{A(M)} \int_M f dA} \quad \boxed{= \int_X f d\mu}$$

(since $\phi_0(z) \equiv A(M)^{-1/2}$ and $d_0 = \langle f, \phi_0 \rangle = A(M)^{-1/2} \int_M f dA$).

“Morally” sufficient:

For $\boxed{\phi = \phi_m}$ (some m) or $\boxed{\phi = E_k(\cdot, \frac{1}{2} + ir)}$ (some k and some $r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$),
prove

$$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi(x + iy) dx \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow 0.$$

Fourier expansion of $\phi(z)$:

$$\phi(x + iy) = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases} y^s + c_0 y^{1-s} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} c_n \sqrt{y} K_{ir}(2\pi|n|y) e(nx)$$

Here:

– $r = r_m \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup i(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ in the discrete case; also $s = \frac{1}{2} + ir$.

Thus $\Delta\phi \equiv (\frac{1}{4} + r^2)\phi = s(1 - s)\phi$.

– $e(nx) = e^{2\pi inx}$

– $c_n = c_n^{(k,r)}$ resp $c_n = c_n^{(m)}$.

– $K_{ir}(u) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u \cosh(t)} \cos(rt) dt$, the K -Bessel function.

It satisfies $(u^2 \partial_u^2 + u \partial_u - u^2 + r^2) K_{ir}(u) = 0$.

Using

$$\phi(x + iy) = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases} y^s + c_0 y^{1-s} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} c_n \sqrt{y} K_{ir}(2\pi|n|y) e(nx)$$

get:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi(x + iy) dx &= \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases} y^s + c_0 y^{1-s} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \sum_{n \neq 0} c_n \sqrt{y} K_{ir}(2\pi|n|y) \frac{e(n\beta) - e(n\alpha)}{2\pi i n} \end{aligned}$$

Here use

$$\sum_{1 \leq |n| \leq N} |c_n|^2 \ll_r N \log N \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

(“Rankin-Selberg type bound”), and **IF** $r \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$:

$$|K_{ir}(u)| \ll_r e^{-u} \log(2 + u^{-1}) \quad \forall u > 0,$$

and

$$\left| \frac{e(n\beta) - e(n\alpha)}{2\pi i n} \right| \ll \min\left(|\beta - \alpha|, \frac{1}{|n|}\right).$$

Get, IF $r \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi(x + iy) dx &\ll_{r, \varepsilon} \sqrt{y} + \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\beta - \alpha} \sum_{n \neq 0} |c_n| e^{-2\pi|n|y} (|n|y)^{-\varepsilon} \cdot |n|^{-1} \\ &= \sqrt{y} + \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{1-}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi y x} x^{-1-\varepsilon} dS(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S(x) := \sum_{0 < |n| \leq x} |c_n|.$$

Ranking-Selberg bound & Cauchy-Schwarz

$$\Rightarrow S(x) \ll x \sqrt{\log x} \ll_{\varepsilon} x^{1+\frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence get:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi(x + iy) dx &\ll_{r, \varepsilon} \sqrt{y} + \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta - \alpha} \int_1^{\infty} (y + x^{-1}) e^{-2\pi y x} x^{-1-\varepsilon} S(x) dx \\ &\ll_{\varepsilon} \sqrt{y} + \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta - \alpha} \left(\int_1^{y^{-1}} x^{-1-\frac{\varepsilon}{2}} dx + \int_{y^{-1}}^{\infty} y e^{-2\pi y x} dx \right) \\ &\ll_{\varepsilon} \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta - \alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

(Working more carefully with $S(x) \ll x \sqrt{\log x}$, get $\dots \ll_r \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\beta - \alpha} (\log(1 + y^{-1}))^{5/2}$.)

Uniformity wrt. the eigenvalue – key ingredients for $\phi = E_k(\cdot, \frac{1}{2} + ir)$

Uniform version of the Rankin-Selberg bound:

$$\sum_{1 \leq |n| \leq N} |c_n|^2 \ll e^{\pi r} (N + r) \left(\omega(r) + \log \left(\frac{2N}{r+1} + r \right) \right).$$

Here $\omega(r)$ is a “spectral majorant”, which satisfies $\omega(r) \geq 1$ and $\int_0^T \omega(r) dr \ll T^2$ as $T \rightarrow \infty$. (Also $\text{Tr} \left(\Phi'(\frac{1}{2} + ir) \Phi(\frac{1}{2} + ir)^{-1} \right) \ll \omega(r)$.)

Uniform bound on $K_{ir}(u)$ for $r \geq 1, u > 0$:

$$|K_{ir}(u)| \ll e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}r} r^{-\frac{1}{3}} \min \left(1, e^{\frac{\pi}{2}r-u} \right).$$

These two together lead to (for $r \geq 1$):

$$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} E_k(x + iy, \frac{1}{2} + ir) dx \ll_{\varepsilon} r^{\frac{1}{6} + \varepsilon} \sqrt{\omega(r)} \cdot \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon}}{\beta - \alpha}$$

Hence for the *total* contr. from Eisenstein series to $\frac{1}{\beta-\alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(x+iy) dx$:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} g_k(r) \frac{1}{\beta-\alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} E_k(x+iy, \frac{1}{2}+ir) dx dr \\
& \ll \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} |g_k(r)| \cdot (r+1)^{\frac{1}{6}+\varepsilon} \sqrt{\omega(r)} dr \cdot \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta-\alpha} \\
& \ll \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \sqrt{\int_0^{\infty} |g_k(r)|^2 (r+1)^4 dr} \sqrt{\int_0^{\infty} (r+1)^{\frac{1}{3}+2\varepsilon-4} \omega(r) dr} \cdot \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta-\alpha} \\
& \ll \left(\|f\|_{L^2} + \|\Delta f\|_{L^2} \right) \cdot \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta-\alpha}.
\end{aligned}$$

Contributions from small eigenvalues

Fix $\phi = \phi_m$ (some m); and assume $0 < \lambda_m < \frac{1}{2}$. Write $\lambda_m = s(1-s)$ with $\frac{1}{2} < s < 1$.

$$\phi(x + iy) = c_0 y^{1-s} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} c_n \sqrt{y} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi|n|y) e(nx)$$

Using $\sum_{1 \leq |n| \leq N} |c_n|^2 \ll_r N \log N$ and $|K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(u)| \ll u^{\frac{1}{2}-s} e^{-u}$, get only

$$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi(x + iy) dx \ll y^{1-s} (\beta - \alpha)^{s-\frac{3}{2}},$$

which is **not** good enough!

USE INSTEAD: Bound on linear forms (S, '04);

$$\sum_{n=1}^N c_n e(n\nu) = O(N^{\frac{3}{2}-s}), \quad \forall N \geq 1, \nu \in \mathbb{R}$$

If ϕ is a *cuspidal form* then $\dots = O_{\varepsilon}(N^{\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon})$ (Hafner, '85).

As before,

$$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi(x + iy) dx = c_0 y^{1-s} + \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \sum_{n \neq 0} c_n \sqrt{y} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi|n|y) \frac{e(n\beta) - e(n\alpha)}{2\pi i n}.$$

Writing $\delta := \beta - \alpha$ and $S_{\nu}(Y) := \sum_{1 \leq n \leq Y} c_n e(n\nu)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sqrt{y} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi n y) \frac{e(n\beta) - e(n\alpha)}{n} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\delta} \sum_{1 \leq n \leq \delta^{-1}} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi n y) \frac{e(n\delta) - 1}{n} \cdot c_n e(n\alpha) \\ & \quad + \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\delta} \sum_{n > \delta^{-1}} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi n y) \frac{1}{n} \cdot c_n e(n\beta) - \left[\text{same with } c_n e(n\alpha) \right] \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\delta} \int_{1-}^{\delta^{-1}} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi x y) \frac{e(x\delta) - 1}{x} \cdot dS_{\alpha}(x) \\ & \quad + \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\delta} \int_{\delta^{-1}}^{\infty} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi x y) \frac{1}{x} \cdot dS_{\beta}(x) - \left[\text{same with } dS_{\alpha}(x) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Set

$$f(x) = K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi xy) \frac{e(x\delta) - 1}{x}; \quad g(x) = K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi xy) \frac{1}{x},$$

so that the above is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\delta} \left(\int_{1-}^{\delta^{-1}} f(x) dS_{\alpha}(x) + \int_{\delta^{-1}}^{\infty} g(x) dS_{\beta}(x) - \int_{\delta^{-1}}^{\infty} g(x) dS_{\alpha}(x) \right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\delta} \left(f(\delta^{-1})S_{\alpha}(\delta^{-1}) - g(\delta^{-1})S_{\beta}(\delta^{-1}) + g(\delta^{-1})S_{\alpha}(\delta^{-1}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \int_1^{\delta^{-1}} f'(x) S_{\alpha}(x) dx - \int_{\delta^{-1}}^{\infty} g'(x) S_{\beta}(x) dx + \int_{\delta^{-1}}^{\infty} g'(x) S_{\beta}(x) dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

Using now

$$|K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(u)| \ll \begin{cases} u^{\frac{1}{2}-s} & (u \leq 1) \\ u^{-\frac{1}{2}}e^{-u} & (u > 1) \end{cases} \ll u^{\frac{1}{2}-s}e^{-\frac{1}{2}u}$$

$$\text{and} \quad |K'_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(u)| \ll \begin{cases} u^{-\frac{1}{2}-s} & (u \leq 1) \\ u^{-\frac{1}{2}}e^{-u} & (u > 1) \end{cases} \ll u^{-\frac{1}{2}-s}e^{-\frac{1}{2}u},$$

and $y \leq \delta \leq 1$, we have

$$|f(\delta^{-1})|, |g(\delta^{-1})| \ll \delta^{\frac{1}{2}+s} y^{\frac{1}{2}-s};$$

$$|f'(x)| \ll \delta y^{\frac{1}{2}-s} x^{-\frac{1}{2}-s} \quad \text{for } 0 < x \leq \delta^{-1};$$

$$|g'(x)| \ll y^{\frac{1}{2}-s} x^{-\frac{3}{2}-s} e^{-\pi y x} \quad \text{for } x \geq \delta^{-1};$$

Using these and $S_\nu(x) \ll x^{\frac{3}{2}-s}$ ($\forall x \geq 1$), we finally get:

$$\left| \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_\alpha^\beta \phi(x + iy) dx \right| \ll y^{1-s} \delta^{2(s-1)} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\beta - \alpha} \right)^{2(1-s)}$$

If ϕ is a *cusp form*, then using Hafner's bound, $S_\nu(x) \ll x^{\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon}$, we get the stronger bound:

$$\left| \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_\alpha^\beta \phi(x + iy) dx \right| \ll y^{1-s-\varepsilon} \delta^{s-1} = \left(\frac{y}{\beta - \alpha} \right)^{1-s} y^{-\varepsilon}$$

The above analysis leads to the following (mainly **weaker!**) variant of the Theorem on p. 15:

Theorem (S, '04): Let Γ be a lattice in $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ such that ∞ is a cusp of $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ and $\Gamma_\infty = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$.

If there exist small eigenvalues $0 < \lambda < \frac{1}{4}$ of the Laplace operator on $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$, let λ_1 be the smallest of these and define $\frac{1}{2} < s_1 < 1$ so that $\lambda_1 = s_1(1 - s_1)$; otherwise let $s_1 = \frac{1}{2}$.

Similarly define $\frac{1}{2} \leq s'_1 \leq s_1$ from the smallest *non-cuspidal* eigenvalue.

Let $f \in C^2(M)$ with $f, \Delta f \in L^2(M)$, and let $0 < y \leq 1$ and $\alpha < \beta \leq \alpha + 1$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \int_\alpha^\beta f(x + iy) dx &= \frac{1}{A(M)} \int_M f dA + O\left(\|f\|_{L^2} + \|\Delta f\|_{L^2}\right) \cdot \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}{\beta - \alpha} \\ &\quad + O\left(\|f\|_{L^2}\right) \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\beta - \alpha}\right)^{2(1-s'_1)} + \left(\frac{y}{\beta - \alpha}\right)^{1-s_1} y^{-\varepsilon} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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