

# Lecture 7

Recall For  $G = \mathrm{SL}_n(\mathbb{R})$  or  $G = \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,  
 $\Gamma = \mathrm{SL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$  or  $\Gamma = \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$ ,  
 $P = MU$ : standard parabolic subgroup of  $G$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P \Leftrightarrow n = m_1 + \dots + m_r \\ M \cong \mathrm{GL}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathrm{GL}_{m_r} \\ \substack{P \\ G = \mathrm{GL}_n} \end{array} \right.$   
 $\leadsto$  for each  $\varphi: \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  
 $\varphi_P(g) := \int_{\Gamma_0 \backslash U} \varphi(ug) du$  "constant term of  $\varphi$  along  $P$ "

Lemma 1 If  $\varphi$  is an automorphic form on  $\Gamma \backslash G$ ,  
 then  $\varphi_P$  is an "automorphic form on  $\Gamma_P U \backslash G$ ":

(A1)  $\varphi_P$  is left-invariant under  $U$  and  $\Gamma_P$  (NB  $U \triangleleft P$ )

(A2)  $\varphi_P$  is right  $K$ -finite (with  $K$ -type determined by  $\Gamma_P U = U \Gamma_P$ )

(A3)  $\forall g \in G$ , the function

$$\Gamma_M \backslash M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$x \mapsto \varphi_P(xg)$  is  $\mathfrak{Z}(M)$ -finite.

(A4) moderate growth

( $m = \mathrm{Lie}(M)$ )

(with  $\mathfrak{Z}(m)$ -type determined by  $\mathfrak{Z}(\mathfrak{g})$ -type of  $\varphi$ )

Pf sketch (A1): exercise w/ Haar measure

(A2):  $\checkmark$  if  $\mathrm{span} \{ \varphi(\cdot k) : k \in K \} = V$ ,  $\dim V < \infty$

then  $\mathrm{span} \{ \varphi_P(\cdot k) : k \in K \} = \text{image of } V \text{ under } f \mapsto f_P$ .

because  $\varphi_P(\cdot k) = (\varphi(\cdot k))_P$

(A4): exercise

(A3): Proof is a basic consequence of the main theorem describing  $\mathfrak{Z}(\mathfrak{g})$ , called the Harish-Chandra isomorphism.

(A3) in simplest example: Let  $f: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic modular form of wt  $m$ ,  $P = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{pmatrix}$ .  $f \Leftrightarrow \varphi: \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  aut. form

$$\varphi_P \Leftrightarrow a_0(iy) := \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} f(x+iy) dx$$

Fact  $f$ : holomorphic  $\Rightarrow a_0$ : constant. Indeed,  $a_0: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , holomorphic invariant under translation by  $\mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$  constant.  
 (Apply Cauchy-Riemann equations in  $(x,y)$  coordinates)

Recall  $\varphi: \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is cuspidal if  $\varphi_P = 0 \forall P \neq G$ .

If  $\varphi \in L^2$ , then  
we interpret " $\varphi_P = 0$ " as  
holding almost everywhere.

(NB if  $P = G$ ,  
then  $M = G$ ,  $U = \{1\}$ ,  
so  $\varphi_P = \varphi$ .)

Lemma  $\{ \text{cuspidal } \varphi \in L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) \} =: L^2_{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma \backslash G)$  is a closed subspace.

Remark  $\{ \varphi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2) : \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} \varphi(x, y) dx = 0 \text{ for a.e. } y \} =: V$

is closed in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2)$ . Explicitly,

$V^\perp =$  orthogonal complement of  $\{ (x, y) \mapsto f(y) : f \in C(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}) \}$ .

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2} \varphi \mathbb{I}_f = \int_{y \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} f(y) \left( \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} \varphi(x, y) dx \right) dy$$

This Remark leads to a proof of the Lemma. We'll give another proof (related).

Defn  $P = MU$ : standard parabolic

$$f: \Gamma_P U \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Eis}(f): \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$g \mapsto \sum_{\Gamma_P \backslash \Gamma} f(\gamma g), \text{ if abs. convergent.}$$

Exercise if  $f \in C_c(\Gamma_P U \backslash G)$ , then  $\text{Eis}(f) \in C_c(\Gamma \backslash G)$

Proof of Lemma reduces to the following assertion:

$$\varphi: \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ is cuspidal} \iff \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \varphi \text{Eis}(f) = 0$$

reduces to the  $\forall$  standard  $P \neq G$ ,  $f \in C_c(\Gamma_P U \backslash G)$ .

computation: 
$$\int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \varphi \text{Eis}(f) = \int_{\Gamma_P U \backslash G} \varphi_P f.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \varphi \text{Eis}(f) & \stackrel{?}{=} \int_{\Gamma_P \backslash U \backslash G} \varphi_P f \\
 \int_{g \in \Gamma \backslash G} \varphi(g) \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_P \backslash \Gamma} f(\gamma g) dg & \quad \swarrow \quad \checkmark \\
 \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_P \backslash \Gamma} \varphi(\gamma g) f(\gamma g) dg & \quad \parallel \quad \text{Fubini + left-P-invariance of } \varphi \\
 & \quad \int_{g \in \Gamma_P \backslash U \backslash G} f(g) \left( \int_{u \in \Gamma_P \backslash U} \varphi(ug) du \right) dg \\
 & \quad \parallel \quad f(ug) = f(g) \\
 \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \varphi(g) f(g) dg & \stackrel{\text{right Haar measure}}{=} \int_{g \in \Gamma_P \backslash U \backslash G} \int_{u \in \Gamma_P \backslash U} \varphi(ug) f(ug) du dg \\
 & \quad \text{Fubini, } \Gamma_P \cap U = \Gamma_P \quad \text{Haar measure}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Finiteness theorems for automorphic forms

Generalizations of:  $\dim \left( \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{modular forms for } \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \\ \text{of weight } m \end{array} \right\} \right) < \infty$

Defn Let  $\varphi : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be right  $K$ -finite.

Then  $V = \text{span} \{ \varphi(\cdot k) : k \in K \}$  is finite-dimensional space.

By Maschke's Theorem (using that  $K$  is compact), we have

$$V \cong \bigoplus_{j=1}^l V_j^{\oplus m_j}, \quad V_j : \text{irreducible of } K,$$

$\hookrightarrow$  right translation  
 $K$  occurring w/ multiplicity  $m_j \in \mathbb{N}$

Given a finite subset  $\overline{\Sigma}$  of the set of isom. classes of  $\{ \mathbb{Z}, 2, 3, \dots \}$  irreducible representations of  $K$ , we say that  $\varphi$  has  $K$ -type  $\overline{\Sigma}$  if each  $V_j$  lies in  $\overline{\Sigma}$ .

Another way to express this condition uses character theory for  $K$ .

Define  $\Sigma \rightsquigarrow \mathfrak{z} = \mathfrak{z} \Sigma$

$$\mathfrak{z} : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$k \mapsto \sum_{\nu \in \Sigma} (\dim \nu) \overbrace{\chi_{\nu}(k)}^{e_{\nu}},$$

$$\chi_{\nu}(k) = \text{trace}(\nu(k))$$

(character of  $\nu$ )

Then  $\varphi$  has  $K$ -type  $\Sigma$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi \star \mathfrak{z} = \varphi.$$

$\uparrow$

character theory:  $\forall$  irreducible representations  $\nu, \tau$  of  $K$ ,  
the operator

$$\tau(e_{\nu}) : V_{\tau} \rightarrow V_{\tau}$$

$$v \mapsto \int_K e_{\nu}(k) \tau(k) v \, dk$$

prob. Haar

satisfies  $\tau(e_{\nu}) = \begin{cases} \text{identity} & \text{if } \nu \cong \tau, \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

Defn Let  $\varphi : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$ -finite.

$$\left( \overset{\varphi}{\text{f.g. } \mathbb{C}\text{-alg}} \right)$$

Let  $\mathfrak{J} := \text{Ann}_{\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})}(\varphi)$ . Then

$$\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g}) / \mathfrak{J} \cong \underbrace{\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g}) \cdot \varphi}_{\text{f.dim'l}} = \{ D\varphi : D \in \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g}) \}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{J} =$  finite codimension, ideal

We say in general that  $\varphi$  has  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$ -type  $\mathfrak{J}$   
if  $\mathfrak{J} = \text{Ann}_{\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})}(\varphi)$ .

Theorem (Harish-Chandra) ( $\Gamma \backslash G = \text{SL}_n \mathbb{Z} \backslash \text{SL}_n \mathbb{R}$  OR  $\text{GL}_n \mathbb{Z} \backslash \text{GL}_n \mathbb{R}$ )

Let  $\Xi, \mathcal{J}$ : as above. Define

Then  $A(\Gamma \backslash G, \Xi, \mathcal{J}) := \left\{ \text{aut. forms } \varphi \text{ on } \Gamma \backslash G \text{ of } K\text{-type } \Xi \right. \\ \left. \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})\text{-type } \mathcal{J} \right\}$

is a finite-dimensional vector space.

### Proof sketch

• We can reduce from  $\text{GL}_n$  to  $\text{SL}_n$  using Lemma from last time.

Case of  $\text{SL}_1$  is trivial.

• Induct on  $n$ . More generally, we may assume, inductively, that  $\forall P \neq G$ ,  
 $\forall \Xi, \forall \mathcal{J} \in \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m})$ ,

$M = \text{product of } \text{GL}_m\text{'s}$   
 $m < n$ .

$$\dim A(\Gamma_P \backslash G, \Xi, \mathcal{J}) < \infty.$$

• By Lemma 1, we deduce that  $\forall P \neq G, \forall \Xi, \forall \mathcal{J} \in \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$ ,  
 the map

$$A(\Gamma \backslash G, \Xi, \mathcal{J}) \rightarrow \{ \text{aut. forms on } \Gamma_P \backslash G \}$$

has finite-dimensional image. Thus

$$A_0 := A_0(\Gamma \backslash G, \Xi, \mathcal{J}) = \bigcap_{P \neq G} \text{ker}(\text{above map})$$

has finite codimension. Reduce to checking that  $\dim(A_0) < \infty$ .

• We've seen that every  $\varphi \in A_0$  lies in  $L^2$  and is of rapid decay, in particular lies in  $L^\infty$ . Quantifying that argument, we in fact have  $\|\varphi\|_\infty \leq C \|\varphi\|_{L^2}$ ,  $C = C(\Xi, \mathcal{J})$

•  $A_0$  is closed in  $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$ :

•  $L^2_{\text{cusp}}$  is closed, as noted above

• the condition " $\varphi$  has  $K$ -type  $\Xi$ ,  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$ -type  $\mathcal{J}$ " is closed, because if  $\varphi_n \in L^2_{\text{cusp}} \cap A(\Xi, \mathcal{J})$  converges in  $L^2$  to  $\varphi$ , then  $D\varphi_n \rightarrow_\infty D\varphi \forall D \in \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$ .

Final step:

Lemma (Godement) if  $V \subseteq L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$  is any closed

subspace s.t.  $\exists C > 0$  s.t.  $\| \varphi \|_\infty \leq C \| \varphi \|_2 \quad \forall \varphi \in V,$

then  $\dim(V) < \infty$ .