

$\{\psi_j\}_{j \geq 0}$ ONB in $L^2(M)$

M compact hyperbolic surface

$k \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ even

$M = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$

$$K(z, w) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \underbrace{k(z, \gamma w)}_{k(d_{\mathbb{H}}(z, \gamma w))}$$

$$= \sum_{j \geq 0} \hat{k}(\lambda_j) \psi_j(z) \overline{\psi_j(w)}$$

folding /

$$\langle K(\cdot, w), \psi_j \rangle = \int_M K(z, w) \overline{\psi_j(z)} d\mu(z)$$

unfolding \mathbb{H}

$$= \int_{\mathbb{H}} k(z, w) \overline{\psi_j(z)} d\mu(z)$$

$$\Delta \overline{\psi_j} = \overline{\Delta \psi_j} = \lambda_j \overline{\psi_j}$$

earlier

$$= \hat{k}(\lambda_j) \overline{\psi_j(w)}$$

then

where

$$\hat{k}(\lambda_j) = \int_{\mathbb{H}} k(z, i) \underbrace{\omega_{\lambda_j}(z, i)}_{\text{spans the 1-dim space of spherical fts.}} d\mu(z)$$

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We want to "take the trace"

$$\int_M K(z, z) d\mu(z)$$

$$= \sum_{j \geq 0} \hat{k}(\lambda_j) \underbrace{\int_M |\psi_j(z)|^2 d\mu(z)}_{= 1}$$

This is sometimes called the pretrace formula

$$\int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}} \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} k(z, \gamma z) d\mu(z) = \dots$$

$$\{\gamma\} = \{\tau\gamma\tau^{-1} : \tau \in \Gamma\}$$

the Γ -conjugacy class of $\gamma \in \Gamma$.

Note that γ appears several times in $\{\gamma\}$ if we don't remove all τ 's in

$$Z(\gamma) = \{\tau \in \Gamma : \tau\gamma = \gamma\tau\}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{\{\gamma\} \\ \gamma \text{ hyp.}}} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}} \sum_{\tau \in Z(\gamma) \backslash \Gamma} k(z, \tau\gamma\tau^{-1}z) d\mu(z)$$

$$+ \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}} \underbrace{k(z, z)}_{k(d(z, z))} d\mu(z) = \dots$$

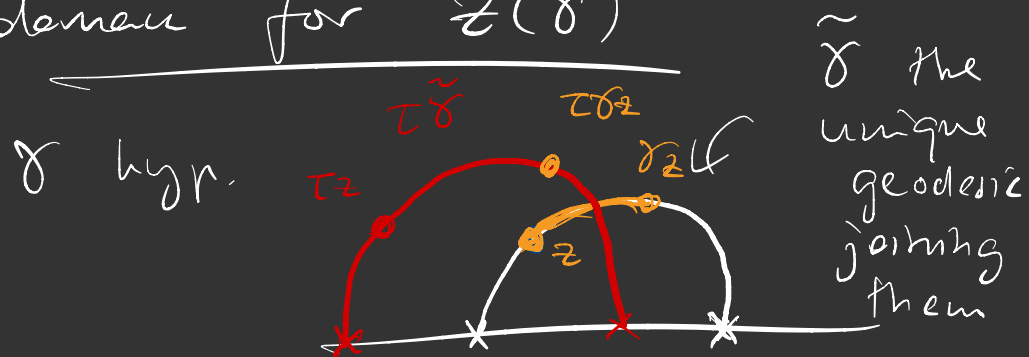
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(once more by folding/unfolding)

A description of a fundamental domain for $Z(\gamma)$



$$Z(\gamma) = \{\tau \in \Gamma : \tau\gamma = \gamma\tau\}$$

the two fixed points of γ

In general, γ does not fix $z \in \mathbb{H}$. (it will if $\tau\tilde{\gamma} = \tilde{\gamma}$)

Claim: $Z(\gamma) = \text{Stab}_\Gamma(\tilde{\gamma})$.

Proof:

Choose $g \in G$ s.t. $g\tilde{\gamma} = i\mathbb{R}_{>0}$



$$\text{Stab}_\Gamma(g\tilde{\gamma}) = \Gamma \cap A \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

$$= \{ \gamma \in \Gamma : g^{-1}\gamma g\tilde{\gamma} = \tilde{\gamma} \} \quad \text{L diagonal matrices in } G$$

$$= g \text{Stab}_\Gamma(\tilde{\gamma}) g^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Stab}_\Gamma(\tilde{\gamma}) = \langle \gamma_0 \rangle$$

$$\langle \gamma_0 \rangle \subset Z(\gamma)$$

$$\gamma = \gamma_0^k \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{hence } \gamma_0 \gamma = \gamma \gamma_0.$$

$$\tau \in Z(\gamma)$$

$$\tau\tilde{\gamma} = \tau\gamma\tilde{\gamma} = \gamma\tau\tilde{\gamma}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma \text{ fixes } \tau\tilde{\gamma}$$

but $\tilde{\gamma}$ is the unique geodesic fixed by γ

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} = \tau\tilde{\gamma}$$

□

This shows us that

$$Z(\gamma) = \langle \gamma_0 \rangle$$

where $\gamma = \gamma_0^k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

def: We call $\gamma_0 \in \Gamma$ primitive

if $\nexists \gamma \in \Gamma$ s.t. $\gamma_0 = \gamma^k$

for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Before we go further, recall what we have

$$\int_M K(z, z) d\mu(z)$$

$$= k(0) \text{area}(M)$$

$$+ \sum_{\{\gamma\}} \int_{Z(\gamma) \setminus \mathbb{H}} k(z, \gamma z) d\mu(z)$$

γ hyp

$$= k(0) \text{area}(M)$$

$$+ \sum_{\{\gamma_0\}} \sum_{n \geq 1} \int_{Z(\gamma_0^n) \setminus \mathbb{H}} k(z, \gamma_0^n z) d\mu(z)$$

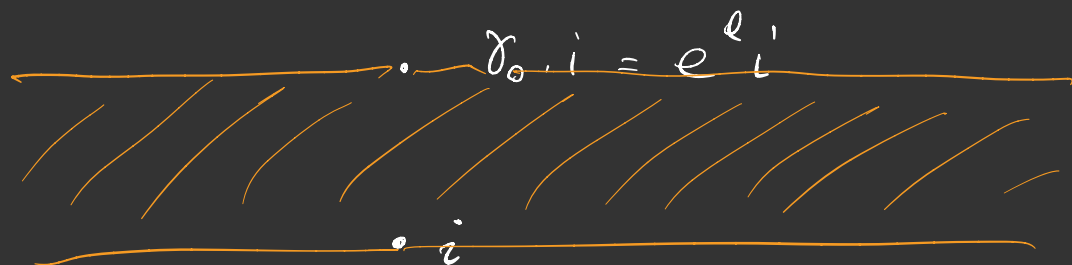
γ hyp, prim.

Suppose γ_0 fixes $i \in \mathbb{R} > 0$.

We can parametrize γ_0 as

$$\gamma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} e^{l/2} & \\ & e^{-l/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

(where $l > 0$). Now a fundamental domain for $Z(\gamma_0)$ is



(We chose the above parametrization for γ_0 s.t.

$$d_{\mathbb{H}}(i, e^l i) = l$$

and l is the length of the closed geodesic segment from i to $e^l i$.

The length l is conjugacy-class invariant:

$$\cosh\left(\frac{l}{2}\right) = 1 + \frac{|e^{l/2} - 1|^2}{2e^l}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{e^{l/2} + e^{-l/2} - 2}{2} = \frac{|\operatorname{tr} \gamma_0|}{2}$$

$$\leadsto l = 2 \cosh^{-1} \frac{|\operatorname{tr} \gamma_0|}{2}$$

Prop.: If $\gamma = g^{-1} \gamma_0 g$ ($g \in G$),

then

$$\int_{z(\gamma) \setminus \mathbb{H}} k(z, \gamma^n z) d\mu(z) = \int_{z(\gamma_0) \setminus \mathbb{H}} k(z, \gamma_0^n z) d\mu(z)$$

Proof: exercise.

This means we can always choose g s.t. $g \gamma_0 g^{-1} = i\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and

$$\int_{z(\gamma_0)} k(z, \gamma_0^n z) d\mu(z)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_1^{e^l} k(z, e^{nl} z) \frac{dy dx}{y^2}$$

$$\cosh(d(z, e^{nl} z))$$

$$= 1 + \frac{|z|^2 |e^{nl/2} - e^{-nl/2}|^2}{2y^2}$$

$$= 1 + 2 \sinh^2\left(\frac{nl}{2}\right) \frac{x^2 + y^2}{y^2}$$

$$k(z, e^{nl} z) = U(\cosh d(z, e^{nl} z))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_1^{e^t} k(z, e^{nl} z) \frac{dy dx}{y^2} \\
&= \int_1^{e^t} \frac{dy}{y} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u (1 + 2 \sinh^2(\frac{nl}{2})(x+1)) dx \\
&= \frac{l}{\sinh \frac{nl}{2}} \int_{\sinh^2 \frac{nl}{2}}^{\infty} \frac{u(1+2u)}{\sqrt{u - \sinh^2 \frac{nl}{2}}} du \\
&= \frac{l}{\sqrt{2} \sinh \frac{ln}{2}} \int_{nl}^{\infty} \frac{k(p) \sinh(p) dp}{\sqrt{\cosh p - \cosh(nl)}} \\
&= \frac{l}{2 \sinh(\frac{ln}{2})} \cdot g(nl)
\end{aligned}$$

where g is the Fourier
inverse of the Selberg
transform

$$h(r) = \hat{k}\left(\frac{1}{4} + r^2\right)$$

$$h(r) = \hat{g}(r)$$

↙ Selberg transform

↖ Fourier transform

Our pretrace formula has
evolved into

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{j \geq 0} \hat{k}(x_j) &= \text{area}(M) k(0) \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \\ \delta \text{ prim hyp}}} \frac{l}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{g(nl)}{\sinh(\frac{nl}{2})}
\end{aligned}$$

Using the inverse Selberg transform, one can write

$$k(o) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) \cdot t \cdot \tanh(t) dt$$

Thm: (Selberg trace formula)

M compact hyperbolic surface,
 $g \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ even, $h = \hat{g}$ its

Fourier transform. Then

$$\sum_{j \geq 0} h(r_j) = \frac{\text{area}(M)}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) t \cdot \tanh(t) dt + \sum_{\substack{\{\gamma\} \\ \gamma \text{ prim hyp}}} \frac{l}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{g(nl)}{\sinh(\frac{nl}{2})}$$

where the sum on the LHS is indexed over $\lambda_j = \frac{1}{4} + r_j^2$ eigenvalues of Δ , and l is the translation length of γ .

Why the parametrization $\lambda_j = \frac{1}{4} + r_j^2$?

$$\mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$$

$$z \mapsto y^s$$

$$(s \in \mathbb{C})$$

$$\Delta y^s = s(1-s) y^s$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + ir \quad (r \in \mathbb{C})$$

$$\lambda = s(1-s) = \frac{1}{4} + r^2$$

Since Δ is symmetric, its eigenvalues are in $[0, \infty)$.

This forces either

$$r \in \mathbb{R} \\ \text{Re}(s) = 1/2$$

$$\text{or } r = it \\ |t| < 1/2$$

$$\lambda = s(1-s) \in [\frac{1}{4}, \infty)$$

$$\lambda \in [0, 1/4)$$

Plan for next class

Length spectrum = {collection of lengths of closed oriented geodesics on M , ordered by size}

Thm (Huber)

Two cpt. hyperbolic surfaces M and M' have the same spectrum of the Laplacian if and only if they have the same length spectrum.

Thm: $0 < d_0 < d_1 < \dots \rightarrow \infty$
spectrum of the Laplacian,
where eigenvalues appear according
to their multiplicity.

$$N(\lambda) = \#\{j \geq 0 : \lambda_j \leq \lambda\}$$

$$N(\lambda) \sim \frac{\text{area}(M)}{4\pi} \lambda^2 \quad (\text{as } \lambda \rightarrow \infty)$$

Notation:

$$f(x) \sim g(x) \quad x \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\iff \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1$$

This last thm. is called Weyl's law.

The original Weyl's law (1911) says:
 $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ bdd. measurable domain

Dirichlet problem:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = \lambda u & \text{on } \Omega \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Again by spectral thm,

$$0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 \leq \dots \rightarrow \infty$$

$$N(\lambda) \sim \frac{\text{area}(\Omega)}{4\pi} \lambda^2 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow \infty.$$

If M is a compact hyperbolic surface, then

$$\text{area}(M) = 4\pi(g-1)$$

where g is the genus of M .

Cono (of Weyl's law):

Two cpt. hyp. surfaces M
and M' are isospectral

only if they have the
same genus.