

$$\Delta = - \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \dots + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_n^2} \right) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{T}^n = \mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{Z}^n$$

spectrum $\{ \lambda_k = 4\pi^2 k : k \in \mathbb{N} \}$

each eigenvalue appearing with multiplicity $r_n(k) = \#$ repr. of k as a sum of n squares

spectral decomposition

$L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$ admits an ONB $\{ \psi_\xi \}_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n}$ of Δ -eigenfunctions.

In particular, for each $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^n)$

$$f(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \langle f, \psi_\xi \rangle \psi_\xi(x)$$

$$\psi_\xi(x) = e(\xi \cdot x) \quad x \in \mathbb{T}^n$$

Notation $e(x) := e^{2\pi i x}$

Remark: $\Delta f = \lambda f$

(*) $\lambda \|f\|^2 = \|\nabla f\|^2 \leadsto \lambda \geq 0$

Today:

- Examine spectral situation $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$
- Poisson summation formula

Prop: $\mathcal{D} = \{ f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) : \Delta f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \}$

The geometric Laplacian Δ is a linear, selfadjoint, nonnegative operator on \mathcal{D} .

Proof:

Recall $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is equipped with the std. inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx$$

$$\langle \Delta f, g \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \nabla f(x) \overline{\nabla g(x)} dx = \langle f, \Delta g \rangle$$

$$\langle \Delta f, f \rangle = \|\nabla f\|_{L^2}^2 \geq 0 \quad (*)$$

□

Thm (Friedrich)

If a linear operator T is selfadj. and nonnegative on a dense subspace of a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} then T admits a selfadjoint extension to \mathcal{H} .

N.B. $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset \mathcal{D}$ is dense in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ hence Δ extends to a linear self adjoint operator on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

On $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$,

$$u \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \psi_u(x) = e(i u \cdot x)$$

$$\Delta \psi_u = -4\pi^2 \|u\|^2 \psi_u$$

\Rightarrow The spectrum of Δ on \mathbb{R}^n is as large possible, $[0, \infty)$

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n \quad D^\alpha f = \partial_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \cdots \partial_{x_n}^{\alpha_n} f$$

$$x^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n}$$

$$\psi_u \notin L^2$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\psi_u|^2 = \infty$$

Fourier analysis

If $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then its Fourier transform

$$\hat{f}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \overline{\psi_u(x)} dx$$

and if $\hat{f} \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$,

$$f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f}(u) \psi_u(x) du$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

def: A smooth function is Schwartz if for any $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^n$

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |x^\alpha D^\beta f(x)| < \infty$$

exercise: $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Schwartz $\hat{=}$ space of functions

Thm: (Poisson summation formula)

If $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ then

$$\sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} f(\xi) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \hat{f}(\xi)$$

Proof:

Define $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

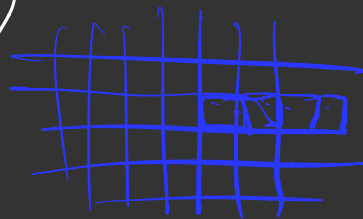
$$F(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} f(x + \xi)$$

is well defined since $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Moreover, $\forall \eta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$

$$F(x + \eta) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} f(x + \xi + \eta) = F(x)$$

and $F \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^n)$



Thus F admits the expansion

$$F(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \hat{F}(\xi) \psi_\xi(x)$$

"Taking the trace":

$$\sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} f(\xi) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \hat{F}(\xi)$$

$$\hat{F}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} F(x) \overline{\psi_\xi(x)} dx$$

$$= \sum_{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} f(x + \eta) \overline{\psi_\xi(x)} dx$$

$$\stackrel{x+\eta \rightarrow x}{=} \sum_{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \int_{[0,1]^n + \eta} f(x) \overline{\psi_\xi(x)} dx$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \overline{\psi_\xi(x)} dx = \hat{f}(\xi)$$

□

Suppose we have an OMB
 $\{\psi_k\}_{k \geq 0}$, $\Delta \psi_k = \lambda_k \psi_k$ with
 $0 \leq \lambda_0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \dots \rightarrow \infty$

$$Z(t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} e^{-t \lambda_k} \quad (t > 0)$$

is called the spectral partition function and it completely determines the spectrum of Δ

Compare to moment-generating
 ft: X random variable

$$M_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{tX}]$$

replace $\{\lambda_k\}$ by $\{\tilde{\lambda}_k\}$ where

$$0 \leq \tilde{\lambda}_0 < \tilde{\lambda}_1 < \tilde{\lambda}_2 < \dots$$

each $\tilde{\lambda}_k$ with multiplicity μ_k

$$Z(t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \mu_k e^{-t \tilde{\lambda}_k}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[e^{rt} Z(t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \mu_k e^{(r - \tilde{\lambda}_k)t} \right]$$

$$= \begin{cases} \infty & r > \tilde{\lambda}_0 \\ 0 & r < \tilde{\lambda}_0 \\ \mu_0 & r = \tilde{\lambda}_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{rt} (Z(t) - \mu_0 e^{-\tilde{\lambda}_0 t})$$

$$= \begin{cases} \infty & r > \tilde{\lambda}_1 \\ 0 & r < \tilde{\lambda}_1 \\ \mu_1 & r = \tilde{\lambda}_1 \end{cases}$$

For \mathbb{T}^n ,

$$z_{\mathbb{T}^n}(t) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} e^{-4\pi^2 \|\xi\|^2 t}$$

$$= \sum_{k \geq 0} r_n(k) e^{-4\pi^2 k t}$$

is closely related to Jacobi's theta series

$$\Theta(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e(n^2 z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{H})$$

$$|\Theta(z)| \leq \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \underbrace{|e^{2\pi i(n^2(x+iy))}|}_{e^{-2\pi n^2 y}} < \infty$$

$$\Theta(z)^2 = \left(\sum_{a \in \mathbb{Z}} e(a^2 z) \right) \left(\sum_{b \in \mathbb{Z}} e(b^2 z) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{a, b \in \mathbb{Z}} e((a^2 + b^2)z)$$

$$= \sum_{k \geq 0} r_2(k) e(kz)$$

$$\Theta(z)^n = \sum_{k \geq 0} r_n(k) e(kz)$$

$$z_{\mathbb{T}^n}(t) = \Theta(2\pi i t)^n$$

$$\tilde{\Theta}(t) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\pi n^2 t} \quad (t > 0)$$

Thm: (Jacobi's inversion formula)
For any $t > 0$,

$$\tilde{\Theta}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \tilde{\Theta}\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)$$

Proof: Let $f(x) = e^{-\pi x^2 t} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ ($t > 0$) and apply Poisson summation

$$\hat{f}(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2 t} e^{-2\pi i a x} dx$$

$$= \dots = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} e^{-\pi u^2 / t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\pi n^2 t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\pi n^2 / t} \quad \square$$

Coro: (trace formula for \mathbb{T}^n)

$$Z_{\mathbb{T}^n}(t) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} e^{-4\pi^2 \|\xi\|^2 t}$$

$$(\ast) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} e^{-\|\xi\|^2 / 4t}$$

Proof:

$$Z_{\mathbb{T}^n}(t) = \Theta(2\pi i t)^n = \tilde{\Theta}(4\pi t)^n$$

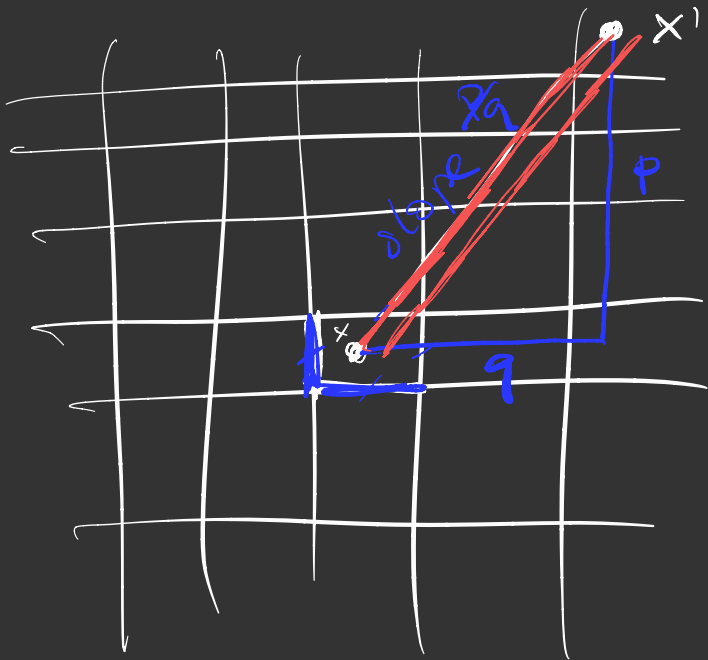
$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} \tilde{\Theta}\left(\frac{1}{4\pi t}\right)^n \quad \square$$

LHS of (\ast) is called the spectral side

RHS of (\ast) is called the geometric side

$$\frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} e^{-\|\xi\|^2 / 4t}$$

is a sum over all closed geodesics up to free homotopy.



$$\mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$$

$$x' \equiv x \pmod{\mathbb{Z}^2}$$

this also shows that
the length of a closed
geodesic is of the form

$$\|\xi\|, \xi \in \mathbb{Z}^2$$

Geometrically, we're only interested in closed
geodesics up to free homotopy.