

## Lecture 8 General theory of Shimura varieties

Ultimate goal: Explain the meaning of writing  $\text{Sh}_K(G, X) = G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash X \times G(\mathbb{A}_f)_K$   
 we've seen many times.

### §1. Shimura data

Definition. A Cartan involution  $\theta$  on a linear algebraic group  $G$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  is an automorphism  $\theta$  of  $G$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  s.t.

- (1)  $\theta^2 = \text{id}$  and
  - (2)  $G^{(\theta)}(\mathbb{R}) := \{g \in G(\mathbb{C}) \mid \theta(g) = \bar{g}\}$  is compact.
- complex conjugation w.r.t. the  $\mathbb{R}$ -structure of  $G$

Blackbox Theorem  $G$  has a Cartan involution if and only if  $G$  is reductive.

In this case, two Cartan involutions are differed by conjugation by an elt of  $G(\mathbb{R})$ .  
 We now first give the definition of Shimura data & then discuss what it entails.

Definition A Shimura datum consists of a pair  $(G, X)$ .

- \*  $G$  is a reductive group /  $\mathbb{Q}$
- \*  $X$  is a  $G(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugacy class of homomorphisms  $h: \mathbb{S} = \text{Res}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{R}}$

s.t. for one (and thus every)  $h$ , the following condition holds

(SV1) the composition  $\mathbb{S} \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{R}} \xrightarrow{\text{Ad}} \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{R}}$  defines a Hodge structure of type

$(-1, 1), (0, 0), (1, -1)$  (i.e.  $z \in \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{C}^\times$  acts on  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{R}}$  with eigenvalues  $\frac{z}{\bar{z}}, 1, \frac{\bar{z}}{z}$ )

(SV2) Conjugation by the image of  $h(i)$  in  $G^{\text{ad}} = G/\text{center of } G$  is a Cartan involution.

(SV3) For every  $\mathbb{Q}$ -simple factor  $H$  of  $G^{\text{ad}}$ ,  $H(\mathbb{R})$  is not compact. ↪

There are other "axioms" that simplify situations/discussions.

The question is which generality we will allow.

Remark: By definition,  $X \cong G/K_\infty$  with  $K_\infty = \text{stabilizer of } h(\mathbb{S})$

in practice

$\cong \text{stabilizer of } h(i) \stackrel{(SV2)}{\cong} \text{a max'l compact subgp of } G(\mathbb{R})$

mod center

can be removed as well.  
 e.g. it excludes many important cases.  
 $D/\mathbb{Q}$  quaternion alg,  $D \otimes \mathbb{R} = H$ .  
 For  $G = D^\times$ ,  $H^\times$  is cpt mod center

Example:  $G = \mathrm{GL}_2/\mathbb{Q}$      $h_0: \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

$$z = x+iy \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ -y & x \end{pmatrix}$$

The action of  $\mathrm{Ad} \circ h_0(x)$  acts trivially on  $\mathrm{gl}_2$ ,  $\mathrm{Ad} \circ h_0(yi)$  acts by

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}, \text{ eigenvalues are 2 copies of } 1 \text{ & } -1$$

$$\mathrm{Stab}_{h_0}(\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} (-1) = (-1) \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \underline{\mathrm{O}(2)} \cdot \mathbb{R}^\times$$

$$X = \mathrm{Ad}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})}(h_0) \longrightarrow h_0^\pm \quad \begin{matrix} \text{compact mod center} \\ \Rightarrow (\mathrm{SV}2) \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathrm{Ad}_{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}}(h_0) \mapsto \frac{ai+b}{ci+d}$$

Example:  $G = \mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}$  w.r.t. symplectic form  $(-\mathbb{I}_g, \mathbb{I}_g)$

$$h_0: \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2g}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$x+iy \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x\mathbb{I}_g & y\mathbb{I}_g \\ -y\mathbb{I}_g & x\mathbb{I}_g \end{pmatrix}$$

Example:  $E$  imaginary quadratic field.  $V$  a Hermitian space of  $\dim n/E$ . signature  $(a, b)$

$\mathbb{Q}$  The group  $G = \mathrm{GU}(V)$ , for a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra  $R$ ,

$$G(R) = \left\{ (g, c) \in \mathrm{GL}(V \otimes_R \mathbb{Q}) \times R^\times \mid \langle g_x, g_y \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle \forall x, y \in V \otimes_R \mathbb{Q} \right\}$$

$$h_0: \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow G(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C}) \quad \leftarrow \text{w.r.t. Hermitian matrix}$$

$$z \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} z & \bar{z}^a \\ \cdots & \cdots \\ \bar{z} & \bar{z}^b \\ \cdots & \cdots & \bar{z} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \bar{a} \\ \cdots & \cdots \\ 1 & \bar{b} \\ \cdots & \cdots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \mathrm{Ad}_{G(\mathbb{R})}(h_0) \quad \mathrm{Stab}_{h_0}(G(\mathbb{R})) = G(\mathrm{U}(a) \times \mathrm{U}(b))$$

A typical  $h_0$  for unitary group is  $h'_0: \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow \mathrm{U}(V)(\mathbb{R})$

$$z \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \bar{a} \\ \cdots & \cdots \\ z & \bar{b} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \bar{z} \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark: Somehow,  $h_0$  &  $h'_0$  are not quite the same. e.g.  $h_0$  is not  $\mathbb{S} \xrightarrow{h_0} \mathrm{U}(V)_\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathrm{GU}(V)_\mathbb{R}$

So going from  $\underline{\mathrm{GU}(V)}$  to  $\underline{\mathrm{U}(V)}$  is a bit tricky

$\uparrow$  better moduli problem      better automorphic stories.

\* We now explain the conditions in the definition, especially how it's related to variation of Hodge structure.

Recall: A Hodge structure on a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space  $V$  is the following equivalent structure:

① a homomorphism  $h: S \rightarrow GL_{\mathbb{R}}(V_{\mathbb{R}})$

② a bigrading decomposition  $V_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p,q} V^{p,q}$  s.t.  $\overline{V^{p,q}} = V^{q,p}$

We say  $V$  has pure weight  $n$  if  $V^{p,q} \neq 0 \Rightarrow p+q=n$

Let  $S$  be a complex analytic manifold. A variation of Hodge structure consists of

(1) a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -local system  $\underline{V}$  on  $S$

(2) a decreasing filtration  $F^P \underline{V}$  of  $V := \underline{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_S$  satisfying Griffiths transversality

$$\text{i.e. } \nabla(F^P \underline{V}) \subseteq F^{P-1} \underline{V} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_S} \Omega_S^1.$$

s.t. at each  $s \in S$ , this filtration gives a Hodge structure on  $V_s$ .  $\xrightarrow{\text{injective}}$ .

Theorem Let  $(G, X)$  be a Shimura datum, & let  $G \rightarrow GL(V)$  be a faithful  $\mathbb{Q}$ -rep'n of  $G$ .

(1) The part in (SV1) claiming that the Hodge types of  $\text{Ad} \circ h: S \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{R}}$  are of pure wt 0

$\Rightarrow$  there's a unique complex structure on  $X$  s.t. the filtration on  $V_X$  (as longs of pure wt) defined by the  $h: S \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow GL(V_{\mathbb{R}})$  varies holomorphically.

(2) Under (1), (SV1) (meaning the Hodge types  $\in \{(-1,1), (0,0), (1,-1)\}$ )

is equivalent to that the filtration for the above Hodge structure satisfies Griffiths transversality

(3) (SV2) implies (when  $V$  has pure wt  $n$ ) that there's a polarization

$$\underline{I}^{\pm}: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_X(-n) \text{ for the Hodge structure}$$

Proof: (1) Will only prove existence.

The condition in (1)  $\Rightarrow h|_{G_m}$  acts trivially on  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{R}}$

$\Rightarrow h(G_m) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{G_{\mathbb{R}}}^{\circ} \leftarrow \text{connected component of center of } G_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

May assume that  $V$  is irreducible  $\Rightarrow G_m \xrightarrow{h} \mathbb{Z}_{G_{\mathbb{R}}}^{\circ} \rightarrow GL(V_{\mathbb{R}})$

acts by  $x \mapsto x^{-n}$  for some  $n$ .

Each  $h \in X$  defines a Hodge structure on  $V = V_h$

$$S \xrightarrow{h} G_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow GL(V_{\mathbb{R}})$$

$| V_h$  i.e.  $V_{h,\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} V_h^{pq}$  s.t.  $h(z)$  acts on  $V_h^{pq}$  by  $z^{-p}\bar{z}^{-q}$

$\text{X} \quad$  Define  $F^p V_{h,\mathbb{C}} := \bigoplus_{p' \geq p} V_h^{p'q}$  so that  $V_h^{pq} = F^p V_{h,\mathbb{C}} \cap \overline{F^q V_{h,\mathbb{C}}}$

Easy to see,  $\dim F^p V_{h,\mathbb{C}}$  is independent of  $h$ . (b/c doesn't change by  $GL(\mathbb{R})$ -conj)

As each  $V_h$  is isomorphic to  $V$  abstractly, get a natural map

$\varphi: X \longrightarrow \text{Gr}(V_{\mathbb{C}}; \dim F^p V_{h,\mathbb{C}})$  = Grassmannian of filtrations on  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  
 $h \longmapsto F^p V_{h,\mathbb{C}} \subseteq V$  given dimension data.

Now, we verify that the image of  $X$  is a sub-analytic variety of the Grassmannian

E.g.  $h: S \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightsquigarrow h^\pm \subseteq G/B(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$   
 $z=x+iy \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & -y \\ y & x \end{pmatrix}$

\* The tangent space of the Grassmannian is  $\underline{\text{End}(V_{\mathbb{C}}) / F^0 \text{End}(V_{\mathbb{C}})}$

↑ those endom. preserving the filtration on  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$

The tangent space map of  $\varphi$  factors as

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_h X = \mathfrak{g}/g^{00} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{End}(V)/\text{End}(V)^{00} \\ \cong \downarrow & \searrow d\varphi & \downarrow \text{IIIS} \\ \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}/F^0 g_{\mathbb{C}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{End}(V)/\text{End}(V)^{00} \\ & \text{injective} & \text{when } G \rightarrow GL(V) \text{ is faithful.} \end{array}$$

note: for a Hodge structure  $W$ ,  $W^{00}$  is def'd over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

This defines a natural complex structure on  $X$  so that  $X \rightarrow \text{Gr}$  is holomorphic.

Note: When choosing  $V = (\mathfrak{g}, \text{Ad})$ ,  $d\varphi$  is an isomorphism

$X \hookrightarrow \text{Gr}$  is an open embedding.

(2) The Griffiths transversality translate to that the image of  $d\varphi$  lies in  $F^1 \text{End}(V)/F^0 \text{End}(V)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$  Hodge types on  $(\mathfrak{g}, \text{Ad} \circ h)$  can only be  $(-1, 1), (1, -1), (0, 0)$ .

(3) This is some results from Lie theory. Omit here.

## §2. Classification of Shimura data

- We say that  $(G, X)$  is of Hodge type if  
 $\exists$  embedding  $G \hookrightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2g}$  s.t.  $S \xrightarrow{h} G_R \rightarrow \mathrm{GSp}_{2g, \mathbb{R}}$   
is conjugate to  $z = x + iy \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} xI_g & yI_g \\ -yI_g & xI_g \end{pmatrix}$

i.e.  $\mathrm{Sh}_G$  can be viewed as a moduli space of abelian varieties (with Hodge tensors)

- We say that  $(G', X')$  is of abelian type if  $\exists (G, X)$  of Hodge type s.t.  
 $\star \exists G_{\mathrm{der}} \rightarrow G'_{\mathrm{der}}$  isog. inducing  $G_{\mathrm{ad}}(\mathbb{R}) \cdot X \simeq G'_{\mathrm{ad}}(\mathbb{R}) \cdot X'$

Basically, it means Hodge type up to center, except for one particular case.

Roughly,  $\{\text{All loc. symm. spaces}\} \supset \{\text{Shimura varieties}\} \supset \{\text{abelian type}\} \supset \{\text{Hodge type}\} \supset \{\text{PEL type}\}$

quite a gap.  $\uparrow$  difference not that  
 arithmetically important  $\uparrow$  usually not a problem  $\uparrow$  technical issue,  
 after Kisin's breakthrough.

Classification: By positivity,  $G_{\mathrm{ad}}$  is the product of  $\mathbb{Q}$ -simple factors, which must take the forms of  $\mathrm{Res}_{F/\mathbb{Q}} G'$  for an absolutely simple group  $G'$  over a totally real field  $F$

Type A:  $\hat{G} = \mathrm{GL}_{n/\mathbb{C}}, \mu = (\overset{a}{1, \dots, 1}, 0, \dots, 0), \hat{G} \xrightarrow{\wedge^a} \mathrm{GL}_{(a)}(\mathbb{C})$  PEL type  
 $G = U(a, n-a) \quad h: S \rightarrow G_R \quad z \mapsto \text{diag}\left\{\frac{z}{\bar{z}}, \dots, \frac{z}{\bar{z}}, 1, \dots, 1\right\}$

Type B  $\hat{G} = \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}, \mu \leftrightarrow \text{vector rep'n}$  spin rep'n. Hodge type  
 $G = \mathrm{GSpin}(2, 2n-1) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{GSp}_{2n}$

Type C, D  $\hat{G} = \mathrm{GSpin}_{n/\mathbb{C}}, \mu \leftrightarrow \text{spin rep'n of } \hat{G}$   
 $G = \begin{cases} \mathrm{GSp}(n-1) & n \text{ odd} \\ \mathrm{GSpin}(2, n-2) & n \text{ even} \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\sim} \begin{cases} \text{Siegel case. PEL type} \\ \text{Hodge type} \end{cases}$

Type D<sup>H</sup>  $\hat{G} = \mathrm{SO}_{2n}$  vector rep'n.  
 $G = \mathrm{GSO}_{2n} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{GSp}_{4n}$  Hodge type

\* For Hodge type: can't mix up D & D<sup>H</sup>...

Type E<sub>6</sub>, E<sub>7</sub>,  $\exists$  minuscule repns but not of abelian type.

### §3 Shimura reciprocity law and canonical model

\* Reflex field :  $(G, X) \rightsquigarrow$  a  $G(\mathbb{C})$ -conjugacy class of cocharacters  $\mu: \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{C}}$   
 $\{\mu: \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{C}}\}$  is a natural variety, can be defined over a number field  $E \subseteq \mathbb{C}$   
 $E$  is called the reflex field.

Explicitly,  $X_*(T_{\mathbb{C}}) \xrightarrow[\mu]{\text{dom}} \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}/\mathbb{Q})$  where  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}} = \text{alg. closure of } \mathbb{Q} \text{ inside } \mathbb{C}$   
Then  $E = E(G, X) = \text{subfield of } \mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}} \text{ fixed by } \text{Stab}_{\mu}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}/\mathbb{Q}))$

Note: The reflex field is always a subfield of  $\mathbb{C}$ ! i.e. a number field with a specific cplx embedding.

Theorem. The tower of Shimura variety  $\text{Sh}(G, X) = (\text{Sh}_K(G, X))_{K \subseteq G(A_f)}$   
 $(\text{Sh}_K(G, X)(\mathbb{C}) = G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash X \times G(A_f)/K)$

admits a canonical model over the reflex field  $E = E(G, X)$   
 $\uparrow$  now, explain this.

\* If  $G = T$  is a torus (i.e.  $T_{\mathbb{C}} \approx (\mathbb{G}_m)^n_{\mathbb{C}}$ ),  $h: S \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{R}}$  is invariant under conjugation  
 $\Rightarrow X = \{h\}$  is a singleton

&  $\mu: \mathbb{G}_{m, \mathbb{C}} \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{C}}$  is def'd over the reflex field  $E \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ .

$\rightsquigarrow$  For  $K \subseteq T(A_f)$ ,  $\text{Sh}_K(T)(\mathbb{C}) = T(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash T(A_f)/K$  is a finite set.  
open compact

To define a model of  $\text{Sh}_K(T)$  over  $E$ , it's enough to specify  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}/E)$ -action.

Shimura reciprocity map:  $E = \text{reflex field}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}/E) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Gal}(E^{\text{ab}}/E) & \xleftarrow[\cong]{\text{Art}} & E^{\times} \backslash A_E^{\times} / E_R^{\times, 0} \xrightarrow{\quad} \\
& & & & \downarrow \text{G}_{m, E}(A_f) \\
& & & & \downarrow \text{G}_{m, E}(\mathbb{Q}) \\
& & & & \text{G}_{m, E}(A_f) \\
& & \uparrow \text{sending uniformizer to geom. Frob.} & & \downarrow \mu_E \\
& & & & \text{T}_E(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash T_E(A_f) \xrightarrow{\text{Nm}_{E/\mathbb{Q}}} T(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash T(A_f) \\
& \searrow \text{Prec}_{\mu} & & & \nearrow
\end{array}$$

The canonical model of  $\text{Sh}_K(\mathcal{T})$  over  $\text{Spec } E$  is the  $E$ -scheme structure s.t.

the induced  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{alg}}/\mathbb{E})$  on  $\text{Sh}_K(\mathcal{T})(\mathbb{C})$  is given by right translate by  $\text{Res}_{\mathbb{E}/\mathbb{Q}}(\tau)$ .

- For general  $(G, X)$ , a canonical model of the Shimura variety is an  $E$ -scheme  $\text{Sh}_K(G, X)$  s.t. for every morphism  $(T, \{h\}) \rightarrow (G, X)$  of Shimura data, the natural morphism  $T(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus \{h\} \times T(\mathbb{A}_f) /_{K \cap T(\mathbb{A}_f)} \rightarrow G(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus X \times G(\mathbb{A}_f) /_K$

is induced by a morphism  $\text{Sh}_{K \cap T(\mathbb{A}_f)}(T, \{h\}) \rightarrow \text{Sh}_K(G, X) \times_{\text{Spec } E} \text{Spec } E(T, \{h\})$

(Basically, there are "enough" such  $(T, \{h\}) \rightarrow (G, X)$  to rigidify the scheme structure of  $\text{Sh}_K(G, X)$ )

Example for moduli curves / Siegel modular varieties

$V \simeq \mathbb{Q}^{2g}$ ,  $\{, \}$  non-deg. alternating form

$$\rightsquigarrow \text{GSp}(V) = \{(g, c) \in \text{GL}(V) \times \mathbb{G}_m, \{g \cdot x, g \cdot y\} = c \cdot \{x, y\} \quad \forall x, y \in V\}$$

$$1 \rightarrow \text{Sp}(V) \rightarrow \text{GSp}(V) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow 1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow h: \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \text{GSp}(V_{\mathbb{R}}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{G}_m \quad \text{over } \mathbb{R}, \{, \} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} & I_g \\ x^I_g & y^I_g \\ -y^I_g & x^I_g \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow x^2 + y^2$$

$$\mu: \mathbb{G}_{m, \mathbb{C}} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{G}_{m, \mathbb{C}} \times \mathbb{G}_{m, \mathbb{C}} \xrightarrow{h \times \text{id}} \text{GSp}(V_{\mathbb{C}}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$$

$$z \mapsto (z, 1) \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} z^I_g & \\ & I_g \end{pmatrix}} z.$$

For  $K \subseteq \text{GSp}(V)(\mathbb{A}_f)$  open compact subgroup

Consider  $\text{Sh}_K(\text{GSp}(V), h_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\pm}) \rightarrow \text{Sh}_{c(K)}(\mathbb{G}_m, \{pt\})$

$$\text{GSp}(V)(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus h_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\pm} \times \text{GSp}(V)(\mathbb{A}_f) /_K \xrightarrow{c} \mathbb{Q}^{\times} \setminus \mathbb{A}_f^{\times} /_{c(K)}$$

Reciprocity map:  $\text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\text{ab}} \simeq \mathbb{Q}^{\times} \setminus \mathbb{A}_f^{\times} = \mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus \mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{A}_f) \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus \mathbb{G}_m(\mathbb{A}_f)$

So when  $K = \widehat{\Gamma(N)}$ , the Galois group acts on the

$\pi_0(\text{Sh}_K(\text{GSp}(V), h_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\pm}))$  via the cyclotomic character.

$$\mathbb{Q}^{\times} \setminus \mathbb{A}_f^{\times} /_{c(K)}.$$

