

Lecture 1 Statement of Selberg trace formula

1.1 Laplacian on a Riemannian manifold

undergraduate differential geometry

parametrized surface S : $\mathbf{r}(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$, $(u, v) \in D$, where D is a domain in \mathbb{R}^2

first fundamental form $E du^2 + 2F du dv + G dv^2$

$$E = \mathbf{r}_u \cdot \mathbf{r}_u, \quad F = \mathbf{r}_u \cdot \mathbf{r}_v, \quad G = \mathbf{r}_v \cdot \mathbf{r}_v$$

arclength of parametrized curve $(u(t), v(t))$, $a \leq t \leq b$:

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{E u'(t)^2 + 2F u'(t)v'(t) + G v'(t)^2} dt$$

surface area

$$\iint_D \sqrt{EG - F^2} du dv$$

main theme : express interesting quantities about S in terms of E, F, G (e.g. Gaussian curvature)

Riemannian manifold (M, g) : smooth manifold M equipped with a positive-definite inner product $g_p : T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on the tangent space $T_p M$ at each point $p \in M$.

In local coordinates, $(x^1, \dots, x^n) : U \subset M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, the vectors

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \Big|_p \right\}$$

form a basis of $T_p M$. g is determined by n^2 functions

$$g_{ij}(x^1(p), \dots, x^n(p)) := g_p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \Big|_p \right)$$

g is often specified by $ds^2 = \sum_{j,k} g_{jk} dx^j dx^k$, line element

$dV = \sqrt{\det(g)} dx^1 \dots dx^n$: volume element

Laplace-Beltrami operator (Laplacian) Δ on M : operator taking functions into functions

$$\Delta = - \sum_{j,k} \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \left(\sqrt{g} g^{jk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right)$$

where g^{jk} entries of the inverse of the matrix (g_{jk}) , and $g = \det(g_{jk})$.

Assume M is compact, connected and orientable.

Δ has non-negative discrete eigenvalues

$$0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \rightarrow \infty,$$

with corresponding eigenfunctions

$$\Delta \phi_i = \lambda_i \phi_i$$

which form an orthonormal basis of $L^2(M)$.

Example 1.1 (circle). Laplacian on $S^1 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$: $\Delta = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$
 eigenfunctions $\varphi_m(x) = e^{2\pi i m x}$, $m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
 eigenvalues $4\pi^2 m^2$

Example 1.2 (unit sphere). $\mathbf{r}(\theta, \varphi) = (\sin \theta \cos \varphi, \sin \theta \sin \varphi, \cos \theta)$
 metric $ds^2 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2$
 Laplacian:

$$-\Delta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2}$$

eigenfunctions : spherical harmonics $f = Y_l^m$ for $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, $m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm l$, where

$$Y_l^m(\theta, \phi) = (-1)^m \left[\frac{(2l+1)}{4\pi} \frac{(l-m)!}{(l+m)!} \right]^{1/2} P_l^m(\cos \theta) e^{im\phi}$$

and P_l^m associated Legendre function of the first kind.
 eigenvalues: $\lambda = l(l+1)$ with multiplicity $2l+1$

Example 1.3 (flat torus). flat torus $T = \text{quotient of } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ by any lattice } \Lambda$
 lattice : set of all integral linear combinations of a basis of \mathbb{R}^n
 $f(x) = e^{2\pi i \langle \xi, x \rangle}$, $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is well-defined on T exactly when $\langle \xi, x \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}$ for all $x \in \Lambda$.
 Those ξ form a lattice Λ^\vee , called the dual lattice of Λ .
 eigenfunctions : $e^{2\pi i \langle \xi, x \rangle}$ for $\xi \in \Lambda^\vee$ with eigenvalue $4\pi^2 |\xi|^2$.
 Milnor (1964) : there are non-isomorphic isospectral tori of dimension 16; there two lattices whose number of points having a given norm is always the same

In general, almost always impossible to find explicit eigenvalues and eigenfunctions

Selberg trace formula for compact hyperbolic surfaces : model for other general trace formulas;
 relates eigenvalues of the Laplacian and length spectrum of geodesics

1.2 Hyperbolic plane

two models of hyperbolic plane :

two models : unit disk $\mathbb{D} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ and upper-half plane $\mathbb{H} = \{z : \text{Im } z > 0\}$
 line element ds , volume element $d\mu$, distance $d(z, z')$ between z, z' :

	ds^2	$d\mu$	$\cosh d(z, z')$
\mathbb{D}	$\frac{4(dx^2 + dy^2)}{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2}$	$\frac{4 dx dy}{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2}$	$1 + \frac{2 z - z' ^2}{(1 - z)^2(1 - z')^2}$
\mathbb{H}	$\frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2}$	$\frac{dx dy}{y^2}$	$1 + \frac{ z - z' ^2}{2 \text{Im } z \text{Im } z'}$

Exercise 1.4. Laplacian takes the following form:

	$-\Delta$
\mathbb{D}	$\frac{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2}{4} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$
\mathbb{H}	$y^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$

$\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) = \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) / \{\pm 1\}$ acts on \mathbb{H} :

$$g : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}, \quad z \mapsto gz := \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

An element of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ is an isometry of \mathbb{H} .

$$- K = \mathrm{Stab}_i = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}, \theta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

$$- A = \mathrm{Stab}_{0, \infty} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \lambda > 0 \right\}$$

$$- N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Let $g \in \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ with $g \neq \mathrm{Id}$.

1. $|\mathrm{tr}(g)| < 2$ iff g is conjugated to an element of K iff g fixes a single point in \mathbb{H} .

2. $|\mathrm{tr}(g)| = 2$ iff g is conjugated to an element of N iff g fixes a single point in $\partial\mathbb{H}$.

3. $|\mathrm{tr}(g)| > 2$, iff g is conjugated to an element of A iff g fixes two points in $\partial\mathbb{H}$.

length of g :

$$\ell(g) := \inf_{z \in \mathbb{H}} d(gz, z).$$

$\ell(g) > 0$ only for hyperbolic g and is given by

$$\ell(g) = 2 \operatorname{arccosh}(|\mathrm{tr}(g)|/2).$$

1.3 Selberg trace formula

Let F be a compact Riemann surface of genus $g \geq 2$.

Uniformization theorem : F is conformally equivalent to $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$, where Γ is discrete, torsion-free subgroup of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$.

Each element $\gamma \in \Gamma - \{I\}$ is hyperbolic since Γ is torsion-free (and so does not contain any elliptic elements) and cocompact (and so does not contain any parabolic elements);

metric on \mathbb{H} induces metric on F , and so Laplacian makes sense.

Exercise 1.5. For a hyperbolic $P \in \Gamma$, the centralizer $Z(P) = \{g \in \Gamma : gP = Pg\}$ is an infinite cyclic group.

There exists unique generator P_0 of $Z(P)$ such that $P = P_0^n$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.

Theorem 1.6 (Selberg (195?)). *Let h be an analytic function on $|\mathrm{Im}(r)| \leq \frac{1}{2} + \delta$ such that*

$$h(-r) = h(r) \quad \text{and} \quad |h(r)| \leq A[1 + |r|]^{-2-\delta} \quad (A > 0, \delta > 0).$$

Then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(r_n) = \frac{\mathrm{area}(F)}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r h(r) \tanh(\pi r) dr + \sum_{\{P\}} \frac{\ell(P_0)}{e^{\ell(P)/2} - e^{-\ell(P)/2}} g(\ell(P)),$$

where the sum is over all conjugacy classes of hyperbolic elements; $\{P\}$ denotes the conjugacy class containing P ; $g(u) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r) e^{-iru} dr$.

The sums and integrals are all absolutely convergent.

The sum can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{\{P_0\}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ell(P_0)}{2 \sinh[n\ell(P_0)/2]} g(n\ell(P_0))$$

where the sum is over all conjugacy classes of primitive hyperbolic elements.

Lecture 2 Applications

2.1 Spectrum of the Bolza surface

Use the disk model.

The Bolza surface is defined as the quotient

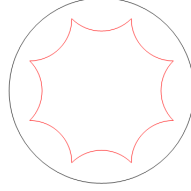
$$\mathcal{M} = G \backslash \mathbb{D}$$

where G is subgroup of $SU(1, 1)/\{\pm 1\}$, generated by

$$g_k = \begin{bmatrix} \xi^2 & e^{ik\pi/4} \sqrt{2} \xi \\ e^{-ik\pi/4} \sqrt{2} \xi & \xi^2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } \xi = \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{2}}.$$

g_k and g_{k+4} are inverses of each other

We can take the regular octagon as a fundamental domain.



This is a compact Riemann surface of genus 2.

The translations g_k all have the same length

$$\ell(g_k) = 2 \operatorname{arccosh}(1 + \sqrt{2}) \approx 3.05714, k = 0, 1, \dots, 7$$

Fact: for any hyperbolic $P \in G$, $\ell(P)$ is of the form $2 \operatorname{arccosh}(m + n\sqrt{2})$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$.

We apply the trace formula.

Choose any $\epsilon > 0$ and define

$$h_z(r) = \exp \left[-(z - r)^2 / \epsilon^2 \right] + \exp \left[-(z + r)^2 / \epsilon^2 \right].$$

For fixed r , $h_z(r)$ is sum of two Gaussians around r as a function of z ; ϵ standard deviation
fourier transform of h_z (as a function of r):

$$g_z(u) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_z(r) e^{-iru} dr = \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cos(zu) \exp \left[-\frac{\epsilon^2}{4} u^2 \right]$$

spectral side:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_z(r_n)$$

As a function of $z \in \mathbb{R}$, it has peaks around r_n .

geometric side: Consider the multiset $\{\ell(P_0) : \{P_0\}\}$ of lengths of conj. classes. of primitive hyperbolic elements.

Order its elements $0 < l_1 < l_2 < \dots$ and let g_n be the multiplicity of l_n .

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r \tanh(\pi r) h_z(r) dr + \frac{\epsilon}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{g_n l_n}{\sinh(k l_n/2)} \cos(z k l_n) \exp\left[-\frac{\epsilon^2}{4} (k l_n)^2\right]$$

By evaluating RHS for many z , we can plot it as a graph of z .

From all words of length ≤ 11 , we find 206796230 primitive hyperbolic conjugacy classes; need 2.5 GB to save words; See <https://github.com/chlee-0/bolza>.

2.2 Weyl's law

Let $F = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$, $\Gamma \subseteq \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ as before.

Let

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

Weyl's law:

$$N(\lambda) \sim \frac{\text{Area}(F)}{4\pi} \lambda, \quad \lambda \rightarrow \infty.$$

2.3 Prime geodesic theorem

Let $\pi(x)$ be the number of prime closed geodesics γ such that $e^{\ell(\gamma)} \leq x$.

Prime geodesic theorem:

$$\pi(x) \sim \frac{x}{\log(x)}, \quad x \rightarrow \infty$$

Lecture 3 Sketch of proof

Assume $F = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ so that F is a compact Riemann surface of genus ≥ 2 .

\mathfrak{F} : compact fundamental domain of Γ (one can take this as a geodesic polygon)

inner product on $L^2(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H})$:

$$(f_1, f_2) = \int_{\mathfrak{F}} f_1(z) \overline{f_2(z)} d\mu(z),$$

where

$$d\mu(z) = \frac{dx dy}{y^2}$$

Recall

$$\Delta u = y^2 (u_{xx} + u_{yy})$$

$$0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \lambda_3 \leq \dots$$

$$\Delta \varphi_n = \lambda_n \varphi_n$$

$$L^2(F) = \oplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{C} \varphi_n$$

We can assume that φ_n is real-valued.

For a careful treatment of analytical issues, see Spectral Theory and the Trace Formula by Bump (<http://sporadic.stanford.edu/bump/match/trace.pdf>).

3.1 point-pair invariant and integral operator

Let $\Phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a smooth function with compact support. Define $k : \mathbb{H} \times \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$k(z, w) = \Phi \left[\frac{|z - w|^2}{\text{Im}(z) \text{Im}(w)} \right].$$

The function $k(z, w)$ is called a point-pair invariant.

Define an integral operator L with kernel k :

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

Fact: An eigenfunction $f : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of Δ is also an eigenfunction of L . In particular, if $\Delta f = \lambda f$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{H}} k(z, w) f(w) d\mu(w) = h(r) f(z)$$

where $\lambda = \frac{1}{4} + r^2$ and h is the Selberg/Harish-Chandra transform of k defined by

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= \int_x^{\infty} \frac{\Phi(t)}{\sqrt{t-x}} dt, \quad x \geq 0 \\ g(u) &= Q(e^u + e^{-u} - 2), \quad u \in \mathbb{R}. \\ h(r) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) e^{iru} du. \end{aligned}$$

Then g and h are even functions; g has compact support and h decays faster than any polynomial.

Define automorphic kernel

$$K(z, w) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{T \in \Gamma} k(Tz, w) \quad \text{for } (z, w) \in \mathbb{H} \times \mathbb{H}$$

and restrict the domain of integral operator L to functions in $L^2(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H})$.

Compute the trace of L two different ways.

First,

$$L\varphi_n = h(r_n) \varphi_n$$

implies $\text{tr}(L) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(r_n)$.

3.2 spectral expansion of kernel

Claim:

$$K(z, w) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(r_n) \varphi_n(z) \varphi_n(w)$$

Proof. Let $G(z) = K(z, w)$ for w fixed. Since $G \in C^\infty(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H})$, it follows that $G(z) = \sum c_n \varphi_n(z)$, where

$$c_n = (G, \varphi_n) = \int_{\mathbb{H}} k(z, w) \varphi_n(z) d\mu(z).$$

The integral is

$$(L\varphi_n)(w) = h(r_n) \varphi_n(w).$$

□

From $K(z, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(r_n) \varphi_n(z) \varphi_n(z)$

$$\int_{\mathfrak{F}} K(z, z) d\mu(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(r_n).$$

3.3 geometric side

The integral can be written as a sum over the conjugacy classes:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathfrak{F}} K(z, z) d\mu(z) &= \sum_{T \in \Gamma} \int_{\mathfrak{F}} k(Tz, z) d\mu(z) \\ &= \sum_{\{P\}} \sum_{T \in \{P\}} \int_{\mathfrak{F}} k(Tz, z) d\mu(z) \end{aligned}$$

The inner sum can be rewritten as a single integral: note that $T = \tau^{-1}P\tau$ for unique $\tau \in Z(P) \backslash \Gamma$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{T \in \{P\}} \int_{\mathfrak{F}} k(Tz, z) d\mu(z) &= \sum_{\tau \in Z(P) \backslash \Gamma} \int_{\mathfrak{F}} k(\tau^{-1}P\tau z, z) d\mu(z) \\ &= \sum_{\tau \in Z(P) \backslash \Gamma} \int_{\mathfrak{F}} k(P\tau z, \tau z) d\mu(z) \\ &= \sum_{\tau \in Z(P) \backslash \Gamma} \int_{\tau(\mathfrak{F})} k(Pw, w) d\mu(w) \\ &= \int_{FD[Z(P)]} k(Pw, w) d\mu(w) \end{aligned}$$

where $FD[Z(P)]$ denotes a fundamental domain for $Z(P)$.

P identity :

$$\int_{\mathfrak{F}} k(w, w) d\mu(w) = \int_{\mathfrak{F}} \Phi(0) d\mu(w) = \text{area}(F) \Phi(0) = \frac{\text{area}(F)}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} rh(r) \tanh(\pi r) dr.$$

The final integral allows to remove Φ in the statement.

P hyperbolic:

Let $P = P_0^k$ for P_0 primitive and $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.

Let $\lambda_0 = e^{\ell(P_0)}$ and $\lambda = e^{\ell(P)}$.

Inside $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$, P_0 is conjugate to $Q_0(z) = \lambda_0 z$ and we can replace the integral:

$$\int_{FD|Z(P)|} k(Pw, w) d\mu(w) = \int_{FD|\langle Q_0 \rangle} k(Qw, w) d\mu(w).$$

$$\int_{FD|Z(P)|} k(Pw, w) d\mu(w) = \frac{\ln \lambda_0}{\lambda^{1/2} - \lambda^{-1/2}} g(\ln \lambda)$$

This proves a weaker version of Selbert trace formula with the assumption that g has compact support and h is its inverse Fourier transform. From here, one can use an approximation argument to upgrade this to the version stated before.

Lecture 4 Advanced topics

4.1 Selbert trace formula for $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$

$\Gamma = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$

$\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ is no longer compact, and the spectrum has a continuous part

$$K(z, w) = \sum_j h(r_j) u_j(z) \overline{u_j(w)} + \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r) E\left(z, \frac{1}{2} + ir\right) \overline{E\left(w, \frac{1}{2} + ir\right)} dr$$

$E(z, s)$ is the Eisenstein series

Geometric side : parabolic, elliptic conjugacy classes

parabolic conj. class: power of $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

elliptic conj. class: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (order 2), $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (order 3)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} h(r_j) &= \frac{1}{12} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} r h(r) \tanh(\pi r) dr \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(r) dr}{\cosh(\pi r)} + \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{9} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r) \frac{\cosh(\pi r/3)}{\cosh(\pi r)} dr \\ &+ \sum_{\{P\}} \frac{\ell(P_0)}{e^{\ell(P)/2} - e^{-\ell(P)/2}} g(\ell(P)) \\ &+ g(0) \log(\pi/2) + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n} g(2 \log n) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(r) \left[\frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}\left(\frac{1}{2} + ir\right) + \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(1 + ir) \right] dr \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Lambda(n) = \begin{cases} \log(p) & \text{if } n = p^k \text{ with } p \text{ prime and } k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

4.2 Jacquet-Langlands correspondence

Let F be a field and let $a, b \in F^\times$. The quaternion algebra $D_{a,b}(F)$ is the ring

$$\{x_0 + x_1i + x_2j + x_3k \mid x_0, \dots, x_3 \in F\}$$

with multiplication

$$i^2 = a, j^2 = b, ij = k = -ji.$$

Example 4.1. $D_{-1,-1}(\mathbb{R})$: Hamilton's quaternions.

The conjugate of α is

$$\bar{\alpha} = x_0 - x_1i - x_2j - x_3k,$$

and the reduced norm of α is $N_{\text{red}}(\alpha) := \alpha\bar{\alpha} = \bar{\alpha}\alpha$; trace $\text{Tr}(\alpha) = \alpha + \bar{\alpha}$.

A quaternion algebra is a division algebra if every non-zero element α admits an inverse (iff $N_{\text{red}}(\alpha) \neq 0$)

A subring \mathcal{O} of $D_{a,b}(\mathbb{Q})$ is an order when $1 \in \mathcal{O}$ and \mathcal{O} is a free \mathbb{Z} -module of rank 4, i.e.,

$$\mathcal{O} = \{x_1e_1 + x_2e_2 + x_3e_3 + x_4e_4 \mid x_1, \dots, x_4 \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

where (e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4) is a basis of A over \mathbb{Q} .

The discriminant of an order $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Z}[e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4]$ is defined to be:

$$d(\mathcal{O}) = \left| \det [\text{Tr}(e_i e_j)]_{1 \leq i, j \leq 4} \right|.$$

This is of the form r^2 for a positive integer r .

Fact : Every order is contained in a maximal order, i.e., an order which is not strictly contained in any other one.

Example 4.2. Assume

$$\begin{cases} ab > 1 \\ a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, b \text{ odd} \\ \left(\frac{b}{p}\right) = -1 \text{ for every prime } p \text{ dividing } a \\ \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1 \text{ for every prime } p \text{ dividing } b. \end{cases}$$

$D_{a,b}(\mathbb{Q})$ is a division algebra and

$$\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Z} \cdot 1 + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \frac{1+i}{2} + \mathbb{Z} \cdot j + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \frac{j+k}{2}$$

is a maximal order, and $d(\mathcal{O}) = (ab)^2$.

Fix two positive integers a, b , relative prime and square-free.

Let $D_{a,b}(\mathbb{R})^1 := \{g \in D_{a,b}(\mathbb{R}) \mid N_{\text{red}}(g) = 1\}$.

There exists an isomorphism $\Phi : D_{a,b}(\mathbb{R})^1 \rightarrow \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$.

Let \mathcal{O} be an order in $D_{a,b}(\mathbb{Q})$ and $\mathcal{O}^1 := \mathcal{O} \cap D_{a,b}(\mathbb{R})^1$.

Fact : $\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}} = \Phi(\mathcal{O}^1)$ is cocompact (i.e. $\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}} \backslash \mathbb{H}$ is compact) iff $D_{a,b}(\mathbb{Q})$ is a division algebra iff $(0, 0, 0)$ is the unique solution in integers of the Diophantine equation $x^2 - ay^2 - bz^2 = 0$.

Theorem 4.3. *Let \mathcal{O} be a maximal order in a division algebra $D_{a,b}(\mathbb{Q})$ with $d(\mathcal{O}) = r^2$. Then the set of non-zero eigenvalues for $\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}} \backslash \mathbb{H}$, counted with multiplicity, coincides with the set of eigenvalues associated with primitive Maass forms for the group $\Gamma_0(r) \backslash \mathbb{H}$,*

$$\Gamma_0(N) = \left\{ \gamma \in \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) \mid \gamma \equiv \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix} \pmod{N} \right\}$$

This is a special case of the Jacquet-Langlands correspondence.

Lecture 5 Exercises

Exercise 5.1. Compute the Laplacian Δ for \mathbb{D} and \mathbb{H} .

	ds^2	$-\Delta$
\mathbb{D}	$\frac{4(dx^2 + dy^2)}{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2}$	$\frac{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2}{4} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$
\mathbb{H}	$\frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2}$	$y^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$

Exercise 5.2. Consider the following subgroups of $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$:

- $K = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \theta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$
- $A = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \lambda > 0 \right\}$
- $N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

For any $g \in \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ there exists a unique $(k, a, n) \in K \times A \times N$ such that $g = kan$.

Exercise 5.3. Let Γ be a discrete subgroup of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$. For a hyperbolic $P \in \Gamma$, the centralizer $Z(P) = \{g \in \Gamma : gP = Pg\}$ is an infinite cyclic group.

Exercise 5.4. The video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajDx_HCMIBg is intended to visualize the action of two hyperbolic elements g_0 and $g_0 g_3 g_4$ on the unit disk, where

$$g_k = \begin{bmatrix} \xi^2 & e^{ik\pi/4} \sqrt{2} \xi \\ e^{-ik\pi/4} \sqrt{2} \xi & \xi^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \xi = \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{2}}.$$

Explain the computations required to produce it.

Exercise 5.5. Let $F = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ be a compact hyperbolic surface. A geodesic of F is obtained as the image under the canonical projection of a geodesic of \mathbb{H} . A closed geodesic on F is the projection of a geodesic of \mathbb{H} preserved by a non-trivial element $\gamma \in \Gamma$. Two constant speed parametrizations $\alpha, \alpha' : S^1 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow F$ of a closed geodesic are equivalent if $\alpha'(t) = \alpha(t + c)$ for some constant c . An oriented closed geodesic is an equivalence class of closed parametrized geodesics. Then there is a bijection between the set of conjugacy classes of hyperbolic elements in Γ and the set of oriented closed geodesics on F .

The video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=06pv6X8gaQQ> shows an oriented prime closed geodesic on the Bolza surface. What is the corresponding primitive hyperbolic conjugacy class? Find a representative.

Exercise 5.6 (optional). Let $F = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ be a compact hyperbolic surface of genus $g \geq 2$. Check that $\mathrm{area}(F) = 4\pi(g - 1)$.

Exercise 5.7. Derive Weyl's law:

$$N(\lambda) \sim \frac{\mathrm{area}(F)}{4\pi} \lambda, \quad \lambda \rightarrow \infty,$$

where

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

Exercise 5.8 (optional). Prove that

$$\Phi(0) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} rh(r) \tanh(\pi r) dr.$$

Exercise 5.9. Let $P_0(z) = \lambda_0 z$, $\lambda_0 > 1$ and $P(z) = \lambda z$ with $\lambda = \lambda_0^n$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$.

1. The fundamental domain for the cyclic group $\langle P_0 \rangle$ is $\{z \in \mathbb{H} : 1 < y < \lambda_0\}$.

2. Show that

$$\int_{[1 \leq \text{Im}(z) \leq \lambda_0]} k(\lambda z, z) d\mu(z) = \frac{\ln \lambda_0}{\lambda^{1/2} - \lambda^{-1/2}} g(\ln \lambda).$$