

# Modular shadows

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## Noncommutative geometry and the boundary of modular curves

- Elliptic curves and NC tori (moduli spaces)
- Limiting modular symbols (Manin-M.)
- Levy-Mellin transform (Manin-M.)
- $\mathbb{Q}$ -lattices (moduli space and compactification): rational subalgebra (from Connes-M.)
- Classical theory of modular symbols associated with cusp forms as modular pseudomeasures (Manin-M.)
- “Quantum modular forms” (Zagier)

## Pseudomeasures ( $W$ abelian group)

$$\mu : \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q}) \times \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow W$$

satisfying:  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$ ,

$$\mu(\alpha, \alpha) = 0,$$

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) + \mu(\beta, \alpha) = 0,$$

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) + \mu(\beta, \gamma) + \mu(\gamma, \alpha) = 0.$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \mapsto \mu(\alpha, \beta)$  from Boolean alg of finite unions of positively oriented intervals to  $W$ , total mass zero

Abelian group:  $(\mu_1 + \mu_2)(\alpha, \beta) := \mu_1(\alpha, \beta) + \mu_2(\alpha, \beta)$

$R$ -module  $W \Rightarrow R$ -module of pseudomeasures

## Universal pseudomeasure

$\nu : \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})]$  tautological map

$$\mu^U(\alpha, \beta) := \nu(\beta) - \nu(\alpha)$$

values in  $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})]_0 = \text{Ker}(\epsilon)$

augmentation ideal  $\epsilon(\sum_i m_i \nu(\alpha_i)) = \sum_i m_i$

$\forall \mu, \exists$  homomorphism  $w : \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})]_0 \rightarrow W$

$$\mu = w \circ \mu^U, \quad w(\nu(\beta) - \nu(\alpha)) = \mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

## Fractional linear transformations

$\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Q})$  acting on  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$

$$(\mu g)(\alpha, \beta) := \mu(g(\alpha), g(\beta))$$

$z \mapsto -z$ : even/odd pseudomeasures

## Primitive segment:

$$I = (g(\infty), g(0)), \text{ for } g \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$$

principal homogeneous space over  $\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$

Infinite:  $(-\infty, m)$  and  $(n, \infty)$ ,  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Finite:  $(\alpha, \beta)$  with  $|\alpha - \beta| = n^{-1}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n \geq 1$

## Primitive chain: from $\alpha$ to $\beta$

ordered family of primitive segments  $I_1, \dots, I_n$ ,  
cyclically matched ends

$g(I_1), \dots, g(I_n)$  primitive chain from  $g(\alpha)$  to  $g(\beta)$ , for  
 $g \in \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$

## Convergents

$$I_k(\alpha) := \left( \frac{p_k(\alpha)}{q_k(\alpha)}, \frac{p_{k+1}(\alpha)}{q_{k+1}(\alpha)} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  primitive chain from  $\infty$  to  $\alpha$

⇒ Pseudomeasures completely determined by values on primitive segments:

primitive chain  $I_1, \dots, I_n$  from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$  ⇒

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) = \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(I_k)$$

**Premeasure:**  $W$ -function of primitive segments satisfying  $\tilde{\mu}(\alpha, \alpha) = 0$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}(I) + \tilde{\mu}(-I) = 0$ , and  $\tilde{\mu}(I_1) + \tilde{\mu}(I_2) + \tilde{\mu}(I_3) = 0$  on length 3 loop

Uniquely defines pseudo-measure

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) := \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\mu}(I_k)$$

Well defined: *elementary moves* on primitive chains

## Modular pseudomeasures: $M_W(\Gamma)$

$\Gamma \subset SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$  subgroup of finite index

$W$  left  $\Gamma$ -module  $\omega \mapsto g\omega$

$$\mu g(\alpha, \beta) = g\mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

twisted versions:  $R$ -valued characters of  $\Gamma$ ,  $W$   $R$ -module

$$\mu g(\alpha, \beta) = \chi(g) \cdot g\mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

- $\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ :

$$\mu(\infty, \alpha) = \sum_{k=-1}^{n-1} g_k(\alpha) \mu(\infty, 0)$$

$$g_k(\alpha) := \begin{pmatrix} p_k(\alpha) & (-1)^{k+1} p_{k+1}(\alpha) \\ q_k(\alpha) & (-1)^{k+1} q_{k+1}(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$$

$\mu$  determined by  $\mu(\infty, 0)$ .

- $\{h_k\}$  representatives coset  $\Gamma \backslash SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

$\Rightarrow \mu$  determined by  $\mu(h_k(\infty), h_k(0))$

## **A description of $M_W(SL_2(\mathbb{Z}))$**

$$M_W(SL_2(\mathbb{Z})) \rightarrow W \quad \mu \mapsto \mu(\infty, 0)$$

injective group homomorphism

Image in  $W_+ = \text{Fix}(-id)$  by modularity:

$$(-id)\mu(\infty, 0) = \mu(\infty, 0)$$

Under generators of  $\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ :

$$(1 + \sigma)\mu(\infty, 0) = 0 \quad (1 + \tau + \tau^2)\mu(\infty, 0) = 0$$



Complex

$$0 \rightarrow M_W(SL(2, \mathbb{Z})) \rightarrow W_+ \rightarrow W_+ \times W_+$$

first arrow injective, last arrow  $(1+\sigma, 1+\tau+\tau^2)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  exact:  $\mu \mapsto \mu(\infty, 0)$  isomorphism

$$M_W(SL(2, \mathbb{Z})) = \text{Ker}(1+\sigma) \cap \text{Ker}(1+\tau+\tau^2)|_{W_+}$$

Set  $\tilde{\mu}(g(\infty), g(0)) := g\omega$  for  $\omega \in W$   
premeasure from  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ -modular pseudomeasure

$$\mu(g(\alpha), g(\beta)) = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\mu}(g(I_k)) = \sum_{k=1}^n g\tilde{\mu}(I_k) = g\mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(\alpha, \beta) + \tilde{\mu}(\beta, \alpha) = g\omega + g\sigma\omega = 0.$$

for  $(\beta, \alpha) = g(0, \infty) = g\sigma(\infty, 0)$

Inducing pseudomeasures: reduce  $\Gamma \subset SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$   
to  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

$\Omega$  totally disconnected compact Hausdorff space

Analytic  $W$ -valued pseudo-measure

$$\mu : C(\Omega, W) \rightarrow W$$

$C(\Omega, W) = C(\Omega, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} W$  locally constant

$W$  abelian group

- $\mu(V \cup V') = \mu(V) + \mu(V')$  for  $V, V' \subset \Omega$  clopen  
 $V \cap V' = \emptyset$ .

- $\mu(\Omega) = 0$

(fin.additive function on Boolean alg.gen.by a basis of clopen sets)

Case  $\Omega = \partial\mathcal{T}$  boundary of a tree

**Currents on a tree**  $\mathcal{T}$  locally finite tree

$$\mathfrak{c} : \mathcal{T}^{(1)} \rightarrow W$$

function on set of oriented edges with

- Momentum conservation at vertices:

$$\sum_{s(e)=v} \mathfrak{c}(e) = 0$$

$s(e), t(e)$  = source and target

- Orientation reversal:

$$\mathfrak{c}(\bar{e}) = -\mathfrak{c}(e)$$

$\bar{e}$  = reverse orientation

Canonical isomorphism: Currents  $\Leftrightarrow$  Analytic pseudomeasures

$$\mu(V(e)) = \mathfrak{c}(e)$$

## The tree of $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ (embedded in $\mathbb{H}$ )

Vertices: elliptic points  $\tilde{I} \cup \tilde{R}$

$$\tilde{I} = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) \cdot i$$

$$\tilde{R} = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) \cdot e^{2\pi i/3}$$

Edges: geodesic arcs

$$\{\gamma(i), \gamma(e^{2\pi i/3})\}, \text{ for } \gamma \in \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$$

**Boundary  $\partial\mathcal{T}$ :**

$\exists$  continuous  $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ -equivariant surjection

$$\Upsilon : \partial\mathcal{T} \rightarrow \partial\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})$$

one-to-one on  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R}) \cap (\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q})$

two-to-one on  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$

Proof: Farey tessellation of hyperbolic plane  $\mathbb{H}$

## Disconnection space

For  $U \subset \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})$  abelian  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}_U$   
gen. by  $C(\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R}))$  and characteristic functions  
of intervals w/ endpoints in  $U$ .

$$\mathcal{A}_U = C(D_U)$$

$U$  dense  $\Rightarrow D_U$  totally disconnected

$\Upsilon : \partial\mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})$  factors: homeomorphism

$$\tilde{\Upsilon} : \partial\mathcal{T} \rightarrow D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})}$$

followed by surjection

$$D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R}) \Leftrightarrow C(\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})) \hookrightarrow C(D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})})$$

## Pseudomeasures and currents

Natural bijection:

$W$ -pseudomeas. on  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R}) \Leftrightarrow$  analytic on  $D_{\mathbb{P}^1}(\mathbb{Q})$

$$\mu_{an}(V(e)) := \mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$\mu(\beta, \alpha) = -\mu(\alpha, \beta) \Rightarrow \mu_{an}(\partial T) = 0$$

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) + \mu(\beta, \gamma) + \mu(\gamma, \alpha) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_{an}(V \cup V') = \mu_{an}(V) + \mu_{an}(V') \text{ for } V \cap V' = \emptyset$$

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) := \mu_{an}(V(e)) \quad \text{for} \quad \Upsilon V(e) = [\alpha, \beta]$$

$$\mu_{an}(V \cup V') = \mu_{an}(V) + \mu_{an}(V') \text{ for } V \cap V' = \emptyset \text{ and} \\ \mu_{an}(\partial T) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(\beta, \alpha) = -\mu(\alpha, \beta) \text{ and } \mu(\alpha, \beta) + \mu(\beta, \gamma) + \mu(\gamma, \alpha) = 0$$

$\Gamma$ -modular  $W$ -valued

**Cohomology**  $\mu \in M_W(\Gamma)$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$

$$c_\alpha^\mu = c_\alpha : \Gamma \rightarrow W \quad c_\alpha(g) := \mu(g\alpha, \alpha)$$

1-cocycle  $Z^1(\Gamma, W)$

$$c_\alpha(gh) = c_\alpha(g) + gc_\alpha(h).$$

changing  $\alpha$  cohomologous

$$c_\alpha(g) - c_\beta(g) = g\mu(\alpha, \beta) - \mu(\alpha, \beta)$$

$\Gamma_\alpha$  fixing  $\alpha \Rightarrow c_\alpha|_{\Gamma_\alpha} = 0$

**cuspidal**  $c \in H^1(\Gamma, W)$  if all  $c|_{\Gamma_\alpha} = 0$

$$M_W(\Gamma) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, W)_{cusp}$$

Bijection

$$M_W(\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})) \cong Z^1(\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z}), W_+)_{\text{cusp}}$$

using bijection

$$Z^1(\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z}), W_+) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ker}(1+\sigma) \times \mathrm{Ker}(1+\tau+\tau^2)$$

in  $W_+ \times W_+$  given by

$$c \mapsto (c(\sigma), c(\tau))$$

and  $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ -modular pseudomeasures have

$$c_\infty^\mu(\sigma) = c_\infty^\mu(\tau) = -\mu(\infty, 0) \in W_+$$



**Generalized Dedekind symbols:** (Fukuhara)

$$V := \{(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid p \geq 1, \gcd(p, q) = 1\}$$

$W$ -valued generalized Dedekind symbol:

$D : V \rightarrow W$  with functional equation

$$D(p, q) = D(p, q + p)$$

Associated *reciprocity function*:

$$R(p, q) := D(p, q) - D(q, -p)$$

on  $V_0 := \{(p, q) \in V \mid q \geq 1\}$ , satisfying functional equation

$$R(p + q, q) + R(p, p + q) = R(p, q)$$

$R(1, 1) = 0$  if  $D$  even under  $(p, q) \mapsto (p, -q)$

$D$  determined by  $R$  (when no 2-torsion)

## Reciprocity functions

$\Pi =$  set of primitive segments in  $[0, 1]$

$$\Pi \rightarrow V_0 \quad I = [a/p, b/q] \mapsto (p, q)$$

bijection

$W$ -valued pseudomeasure  $\mu$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$R_{\mu, n}(p, q) := \mu \left( n + \frac{a}{p}, n + \frac{b}{q} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  reciprocity functions with  $R_{\mu, n}(1, 1) = 0$  iff  $\mu(n, n+1) = 0$

To check functional equation: for  $n = 0$ ,  
properties of pseudomeasure

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) + \mu(\beta, \gamma) + \mu(\gamma, \alpha) = 0$$

applied to the Farey triple

$$\alpha = \frac{a}{p}, \quad \beta = \frac{a+b}{p+q}, \quad \gamma = \frac{b}{q}$$

Then shift this triple by  $n$

Also have  $R_{\mu, 0}(1, 1) = \mu(0, 1)$

The other way:

Given sequence of reciprocity functions  $R_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and a  $\omega \in W$

$$\tilde{\mu}(-\infty, 0) := \omega$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(-\infty, n) := \omega + R_0(1, 1) + R_1(1, 1) + \cdots + R_{n-1}(1, 1)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(-\infty, -n) := \omega - R_{-1}(1, 1) - \cdots - R_{-n}(1, 1)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(-n, \infty) := R_{-n}(1, 1) + R_{-n+1}(1, 1) + \cdots + R_{-1}(1, 1) - \omega$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(n, \infty) := -R_{n-1}(1, 1) - R_{n-2}(1, 1) - \cdots - R_0(1, 1) - \omega$$

Positively oriented finite segments:

$$\tilde{\mu}(n + \alpha, n + \beta) := R_n(p, q)$$

if  $0 \leq \alpha = a/p < \beta = p/q \leq 1$

Negatively oriented primitive segments:

$$\tilde{\mu}(\beta, \alpha) = -\tilde{\mu}(\alpha, \beta)$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\mu}$  premeasure  $\Rightarrow$  pseudomeasure

## Holomorphic functions vanishing at cusps:

$\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{H})_{cusp}$ : holomorphic functions  $f(z)$  along geodesics to cusp  $\alpha \in \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$  vanish faster than  $\exp(\ell_{(z_0, z)})^{-N}$ , all  $N$

$$(\alpha, \beta) \mapsto \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(z) dz$$

integration along geodesic

Element in linear dual  $\mathbb{W} := (\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{H})_{cusp})^*$

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{W}$ -valued pseudomeasure  $\mu$

**Action of Hecke operators on pseudomeasures** If  $W$  has left  $GL_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$  action

$GL_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$ -bimodule  $M_W(\Gamma)$  with right action

$$(\mu g)(\alpha, \beta) := \mu(g(\alpha), g(\beta))$$

and left action

$$(g\mu)(\alpha, \beta) := g(\mu(\alpha, \beta))$$

$\Delta$  finite union of double cosets in  $\Gamma \backslash GL_2^+(\mathbb{Q}) / \Gamma$  with  $\{\delta_i\}$  complete finite family of representatives

$$\Rightarrow T_\Delta : M_W(\Gamma) \rightarrow M_W(\Gamma)$$

$$T_\Delta : \mu \mapsto \mu_\Delta := \sum_i \delta_i^{-1} \mu \delta_i$$

depends only on  $\Delta$

Classical Hecke operators  $T_n$  for  $\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ :

$\Delta_n$  double coset classes from integer matrices with  $\det = n$  have complete system of representatives

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, \quad ad = n, \quad 1 \leq b \leq d$$

$$T_n := T_{\Delta_n}$$

## Pseudomeasures from cusp forms

Right action of weight  $w + 2$  on holomorphic (or meromorphic) functions on  $\mathbb{H}$ :

$$f|[g]_{w+2}(z) := (\det g)^{w+1} f(gz) j(g, z)^{-(w+2)}$$

with  $j(g, z) := cz + d$  and

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Right action of  $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$  on polynomials in two variables:  $(Pg)(X, Y)$  given by

$$P((\det g)^{-1}(aX + bY), (\det g)^{-1}(cX + dY))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{g\alpha}^{g\beta} f(z)P(z, 1)dz &= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(gz)P(gz, 1)d(gz) = \\
\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f|[g]_{w+2}(z)P((\det g)^{-1}(az + b), (\det g)^{-1}(cz + d))dz &= \\
\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f|[g]_{w+2}(z)(Pg)(z, 1)dz &
\end{aligned}$$

If for a finite family of  $g_k \in GL_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$  and  $c_k \in \mathbb{C}$  have

$$\sum_k c_k f|[g_k]_{w+2}(z) = \lambda f(z)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_k c_k \int_{g_k\alpha}^{g_k\beta} f(z)P(z, 1)dz &= \\
\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(z)\lambda \sum_k c_k (Pg_k)(z, 1)dz &
\end{aligned}$$

## Shadows of modular symbols

$\Gamma \subset \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  finite index,  $w \in \mathbb{N}$   
cusp form  $f(z)$  of weight  $w + 2$  for  $\Gamma$ :  
holomorphic on  $\mathbb{H}$ , vanishing at cusps with

$$\sum_k c_k f|[g_k]_{w+2}(z) = f(z)$$

( $\lambda = 1$  or  $\lambda = \chi(g)$  with character)

$S_{w+2}(\Gamma) = \mathbb{C}$ -vector space of cusp forms  
 $F_w =$  space of polynomials of degree  $w$  in two  
variables

$\mathbb{W} =$  linear functionals on  $S_{w+2}(\Gamma) \otimes F_w$

$$\mu(\alpha, \beta) : f \otimes P \mapsto \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(z)P(z, 1)dz$$

$\mathbb{W}$ -valued pseudomeasure *shadow* of the modular symbol



## Lévy functions and Lévy–Mellin transform

Classical Lévy function

$$L(f)(\alpha) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(q_n(\alpha), q_{n+1}(\alpha))$$

$q_n(\alpha)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , denominators of convergents of  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$f$  function of pairs  $(q', q) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $1 \leq q' \leq q$ ,  $\gcd(q', q) = 1$ ,  
valued in top group, rapidly decreasing

$L(f)(\alpha)$  continuous on irrationals and period 1

For  $(q', q) \neq (1, 1)$  as above all  $\alpha \in [0, 1/2]$  with  $(q', q) = (q_n(\alpha), q_{n+1}(\alpha))$  fill primitive  $I$  length  $(q(q + q'))^{-1}$  and symmetric  $1 - I$

$\Rightarrow$  (formal) infinite linear combinations of characteristic functions of primitive segments  $I$

$$L(f) := \sum_I f(I) \chi_I$$

$I \mapsto f(I)$  Lévy function

Formal Dirichlet series:

$A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n, \dots\}$  sequence of elements of abelian group  $\mathcal{A}$

$$L_A(s) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$$

Composition

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n, \dots) \cdot (b_1, \dots, b_n, \dots) = (c_1, \dots, c_n, \dots)$$

$$c_n := \sum_{d_1, d_2: d_1 d_2 = n} a_{d_1} \cdot b_{d_2}$$

$$L_C(s) = L_A(s) \cdot L_B(s).$$

Set  $L$ : pairs  $(c, d)$ ,  $1 \leq c < d \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\gcd(c, d) = 1$

Set  $R$ : pairs of reduced matrices  $(g^-, g^+)$  same lower row,  $\det g^\pm = \pm 1$

Set  $S$ : pairs of primitive segments  $(I^-, I^+)$ , length  $< 1/2$ ,  $I^- \subset [0, \frac{1}{2}]$ ,  $I^+ = 1 - I^- \subset [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ . Map  $R \rightarrow S$ :

$$(g_{c,d}^-, g_{c,d}^+) \mapsto (I_{c,d}^- := [g_{c,d}^-(0), g_{c,d}^-(1)], I_{c,d}^+ := [g_{c,d}^+(0), g_{c,d}^+(1)])$$

$W$  left  $GL_2^+(\mathbb{Q})$ -module and  $\mu \in M_W(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}))$

Lévy function

$$f_\mu(I_{c,d}^-)(s) := \frac{1}{|I_{c,d}^-|d^s} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -cd^{-1} \\ 0 & d^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mu(\infty, \frac{c}{d})$$

supported on prim segments in  $[0, 1/2]$

values in grp formal Dirichlet series w/ coefficients in  $W$  one non-vanishing term

**Lévy–Mellin transform** (shadows of classical Mellin transforms)

Def: Lévy–Mellin transform

$$LM_{\mu}(s) := \int_0^{1/2} L(f_{\mu})(\alpha, s) d\alpha$$

Formal Dirichlet series w/ coeffs in  $\mathbb{Z}[\mathrm{GL}_2^+(\mathbb{Z})]$ :

$$Z_{-}(s) := \sum_{d_1=1}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d_1^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{d_1^s}$$

$$Z_{+}(s) := \sum_{d_2=1}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} d_2^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{d_2^s}$$

Lévy–Mellin transform and Hecke operators:

$$Z_{+}(s) \cdot Z_{-}(s) \cdot LM_{\mu}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(T_n \mu)(\infty, 0)}{n^s}$$

$T_n$  = Hecke operator

Observations:

- Lévy–Mellin applied to pseudomeasures from cusp form  $\Rightarrow$  usual Mellin transform: integral on boundary instead of imaginary line
- Generalization: iterated Lévy–Mellin transforms for Manin’s iterated Shimura integrals (iterated integrals)

## Pseudomeasures and boundary geometry (K-theory)

$\mathcal{A} = C(\partial\mathcal{T} \times \mathbb{P})$  with action  $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$

$K_0(\mathcal{A} \rtimes G) = \mathrm{Coker}(\alpha), \quad K_1(\mathcal{A} \rtimes G) = \mathrm{Ker}(\alpha),$

$\alpha : C(\partial\mathcal{T} \times \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow C(\partial\mathcal{T} \times \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Z})^{G_2} \oplus C(\partial\mathcal{T} \times \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Z})^{G_3}$

$$\alpha : f \mapsto (f + f \circ \sigma, f + f \circ \tau + f \circ \tau^2)$$

$\sigma$  and  $\tau$  generators of  $G_2 = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  and  $G_3 = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$

Proof: PV exact sequence,  $\partial\mathcal{T}$  totally disconnected

## Pseudomeasures and integration

Analytic pseudomeasure:

$$f \mapsto \int f d\mu \in W \quad f \in C(D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})}, \mathbb{Z})$$

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \chi_{I_i} \text{ with } \gamma I_i = g_i(\infty, 0) \subset \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\int f d\mu = \sum_i a_i \mu(I_i) \in W.$$

Change of variable formula

$$\int f \circ g d\mu = \int f d(\mu \circ g^{-1}).$$

- $G$ -modular  $W$ -valued pseudomeasure  $\mu$   
 $h \in K_1(\mathcal{A} \rtimes G) \Rightarrow$

$$\mu_h(\infty, 0) := \int h d\mu$$

$G$ -modular  $W$ -valued pseudomeasure

Proof:

$\int h d\mu$  annihilated by  $1 + \sigma$  and  $1 + \tau + \tau^2$ :

$$K_1(\mathcal{A} \rtimes G) = \text{Ker}(\alpha)$$

$$h + h \circ \sigma = 0 \text{ and } h + h \circ \tau + h \circ \tau^2 = 0$$



- $G$ -modular  $W$ -valued pseudo-measure  $\mu$   
 $\Rightarrow$  group homomorphism  $\mu : K_0(\mathcal{A} \rtimes G) \rightarrow W$

Proof:  $\mu : C(\partial\mathcal{T}, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow W$

$$\mu(f) = \int f d\mu$$

descends to quotient of  $C(\partial\mathcal{T}, \mathbb{Z})$  by  $f + f \circ \sigma$   
and  $f + f \circ \tau + f \circ \tau^2$ :

$$\int (f + f \circ \sigma) d\mu = \int f d\mu + \int f d\mu \circ \sigma = (1 + \sigma) \int f d\mu$$

$$\int \chi_{(g(\infty), g(0))} d\mu = \int \chi_{(\infty, 0)} \circ g^{-1} d\mu = \int \chi_{(\infty, 0)} d\mu \circ g$$

$$\sigma \int \chi_{(\infty, 0)} d\mu \circ g = \int \chi_{(\infty, 0)} d\mu \circ g \circ \sigma = \int \chi_{(g\sigma(\infty), g\sigma(0))} d\mu,$$

$$(1 + \sigma) \int \chi_{(g(\infty), g(0))} d\mu = g(1 + \sigma)\mu(\infty, 0) = 0.$$

similar for  $f + f \circ \tau + f \circ \tau^2$

## Shift space and boundary NCG

Generalized Gauss shift:

$$\hat{T} : x \mapsto -\text{sign}(x)T(|x|),$$

with

$$T(x) = \frac{1}{x} - \left[ \frac{1}{x} \right].$$

finite index subgroup  $\Gamma \subset G = \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$

$$\hat{T}_{\mathbb{P}} : \mathcal{I} \times \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{I} \times \mathbb{P}, \quad (x, s) \mapsto (\hat{T}(x), [gST^k]),$$

with  $\mathcal{I} = [-1, 1] \cap (\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q})$  and  $k = \text{sign}(x)n_1$   
 $n$ -th iterate of  $\hat{T}_{\mathbb{P}}$  acts on  $\mathbb{P}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\text{sign}(x_1)p_{k-1}(x) & (-1)^k p_k(x) \\ q_{k-1}(x) & (-1)^{k+1} q_k(x) \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Countable alphabet  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathbb{Z}^\times \times \mathbb{P}$  and *admissible sequences*

$$\Sigma_\Gamma = \{((x_1, s_1), (x_2, s_2), \dots) \mid A_{(x_i, s_i), (x_{i+1}, s_{i+1})} = 1\},$$

with  $A_{(x, s), (x', s')} = 1$  if  $xx' < 0$  and

$$s' = \tau_x(s) := [gST^{x_1}] \in \mathbb{P}, \quad \text{where } s = \Gamma g$$

and  $A_{(x, s), (x', s')} = 0$  otherwise

action of  $\widehat{T}_\mathbb{P}$  one-sided shift  $\sigma : \Sigma_\Gamma \rightarrow \Sigma_\Gamma$

$$\sigma : ((x_1, s_1), (x_2, s_2), \dots) \mapsto ((x_2, s_2), (x_3, s_3), \dots)$$

NCG of boundary of modular curves:

- $C(\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})) \rtimes G$

- $C(D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})}) \rtimes G$

- Exel-Laca algebra: countably infinite alphabet  $\mathfrak{A}$  and admissibility matrix  $A$

- $S_a^* S_a$  and  $S_b^* S_b$  commute for all  $a, b \in \mathfrak{A}$
- $S_a^* S_b = 0$  for  $a \neq b$
- $(S_a^* S_a) S_b = A_{ab} S_b$  for all  $a, b \in \mathfrak{A}$
- For any pair of finite subsets  $X, Y \subset \mathfrak{A}$  with

$$A(X, Y, b) := \prod_{x \in X} A_{xb} \prod_{y \in Y} (1 - A_{yb}) = 0$$

for all but fin many  $b \in \mathfrak{A} \Rightarrow$

$$\prod_{x \in X} S_x^* S_x \prod_{y \in Y} (1 - S_y^* S_y) = \sum_{b \in \mathfrak{A}} A(X, Y, b) S_b S_b^*$$

$\mathcal{J} = \Upsilon^{-1}[-1, 1] \subset D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})}$ ,  $\mathcal{J}_{+1} = \Upsilon^{-1}[0, 1]$ ,  $\mathcal{J}_{-1} = \Upsilon^{-1}[-1, 0]$ ,  
and

$$\mathcal{J}_k = \{x \in \mathcal{J} \mid \Upsilon(x) = \text{sign}(k)[a_1, a_2, \dots], a_1 = |k|, a_i \geq 1\}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{k,s} := \mathcal{J}_k \times \{s\},$$

for  $s \in \mathbb{P} = \Gamma \backslash G$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^\times$ , and  $\chi_{k,s} = \text{char function of } \mathcal{J}_{k,s}$

Subalgebra of  $C(D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})} \times \mathbb{P}) \rtimes G$  gen by

$$S_{k,s} := \chi_{k,s} U_k,$$

with  $U_k = U_{\gamma_k}$  and  $\gamma_k = T^k S \in \Gamma$

isomorphic to Exel–Laca algebra  $O_A$  of the shift  $(\Sigma_\Gamma, \sigma)$

## Limiting modular pseudomeasures

Lyapunov exponent of the Gauss shift:

$$\lambda(\theta) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \log q_n(\theta)}{n}$$

defined away from an exceptional set  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R})$

Limiting modular symbol

$$\{\{*, \theta\}\} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \{x_0, y(t)\}_\Gamma$$

computed by the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda(\theta)n} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \{g_{k-1}(0), g_{k-1}(\infty)\}_\Gamma \in H_1(X_\Gamma, \mathbb{R})$$

with  $g_k = g_k(\theta)$  action of  $k$ -th power of Gauss shift

$W$ -valued pseudomeasure  $\mu$   
(analytic pseudom. on  $D_{\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})}$ )

Define  $\mu^{lim}(\infty, \theta)$  as

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda(\theta)n} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \mu(g_{k-1}(\infty), g_{k-1}(0)) \in W$$

away from an exc. set  $\Omega \supset \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$

$$\mu^{lim}(\theta, \infty) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda(\theta)n} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \mu(g_{k-1}(0, \infty))$$

$$\mu^{lim}(\theta, \eta) := \mu^{lim}(\theta, \infty) + \mu^{lim}(\infty, \eta)$$

satisfying

$$\mu^{lim}(\eta, \theta) = -\mu^{lim}(\theta, \eta)$$

$$\mu^{lim}(\theta, \eta) + \mu^{lim}(\theta, \zeta) + \mu^{lim}(\zeta, \theta) = 0$$

$\mu^{lim}$  is  $G$ -modular if  $\mu$  is  $G$ -modular

Current

$$\mu^{lim}(\infty, \theta) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda(\theta)n} \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{c}(e_k)$$