

A pot-pourri on Equidistribution

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Definition

A sequence of finite (multi-)sets $(X(N))_{N \geq 1}$, $X(N) \subset \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ becomes uniformly distributed modulo 1 if $\forall 0 \leq a < b \leq 1$,

$$\frac{|\{x \in X(N), x \in [a, b]\}|}{|X(N)|} \rightarrow b - a = \mu_{Leb}([a, b]).$$

Equivalently, for any $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$

$$\frac{1}{|X(N)|} \sum_{x \in X(N)} \varphi(x) \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} \varphi(u) du$$

Über die Gleichverteilung von Zahlen mod. Eins.*)

Von

HERMANN WEYL in Zürich.

§ 1.

Grundlagen. Der lineare Fall.

Es seien auf der Geraden der reellen Zahlen unendlich viele Punkte

$$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots$$

Weyl's equidistribution criterion

Theorem (H. Weyl)

Given $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$ (eg. $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$) the sequence

$$X(\alpha; N) = \{\alpha \pmod{1}, 2\alpha \pmod{1}, \dots, N\alpha \pmod{1}\} \subset \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$$

becomes uniformly distributed modulo 1. For any $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$

$$W(\varphi; N) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n \leq N} \varphi(\alpha \cdot n) \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} \varphi(t) dt. \quad (W)$$

Weyl's equidistribution criterion

It is sufficient to prove (W) for φ of the form

$$\varphi(u) = \exp(2\pi i k u), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Definition

Given X loc. compact Hausdorff and μ a regular Borel probability measure.

A sequence of finite (multi-)sets $(X(N))_{N \geq 1}$, $X(N) \subset X$ becomes uniformly distributed wrt μ if for any $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c(X)$

$$W(\varphi; N) := \frac{1}{|X(N)|} \sum_{x \in X(N)} \varphi(x) \rightarrow \int_X \varphi(u) d\mu(u). \quad (W)$$

Weyl's equidistribution criterion

It is sufficient to prove (W) for φ in an ONB of $L^2(X, \mu)$ contained in $\mathcal{C}(X)$

Equidistribution in Galois groups

Theorem (Dirichlet-Landau)

Given $q \geq 1$. The multiset

$$\mathcal{P}(N; q) = \{p \pmod{q}, p \leq N, (p, q) = 1, \} \subset (\mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z})^\times$$

becomes equidistributed in $(\mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z})^\times$ relative to the uniform probability measure: $\forall a \pmod{q} \in (\mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z})^\times$

$$\frac{|\{p \leq N, p \equiv a \pmod{q}\}|}{|\{p \leq N, (p, q) = 1, \}|} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\varphi(q)}$$

This is a special (initial case) of the

Equidistribution for Galois groups

Let $K/\mathbb{Q}$ be a finite Galois extension with Galois group $G(K/\mathbb{Q})$ and $G(K/\mathbb{Q})^{\natural}$ the set of conjugacy classes equipped with the Sato-Tate probability measure μ_{ST} : for $\sigma^{\natural} \subset G(K/\mathbb{Q})^{\natural}$ be the conjugacy class of $\sigma \in G(K/\mathbb{Q})$

$$\mu_{ST}(\sigma^{\natural}) = \frac{|\sigma^{\natural}|}{|G(K/\mathbb{Q})|}.$$

Theorem (Chebotareff density Theorem)

The multisets

$$\text{Frob}(N; K) = \{\text{Frob}_p, p \leq N, (p, D_K) = 1\} \subset G(K/\mathbb{Q})^{\natural}$$

become equidistributed in $G(K/\mathbb{Q})^{\natural}$ wrt μ_{ST} .

Equidistribution in Galois groups

Chebotareff density theorem admits extensions to not necessarily finite Galois groups over *global fields*. In the number field case most are still conjectures but one is the (feu) **Sato-Tate conjecture** for elliptic curves: given $E/\mathbb{Q}$ an elliptic curve of discriminant D_E , for $p \nmid D_E$ let

$$a_p(E) := p + 1 - |E(\mathbb{F}_p)|; \text{ one has } |a_p(E)| \leq 2\sqrt{p}.$$

Theorem (Clozel/Harris/Shepherd-Barron/Taylor+...)

Suppose that $E/\mathbb{Q}$ is non-CM; the multisets

$$A(N; E) := \left\{ \frac{a_p(E)}{\sqrt{p}}, p \leq N, (p, D_E) = 1 \right\} \subset [-2, 2]$$

becomes equidistributed wrt the Sato-Tate measure

$$\mu_{ST}(u) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{4 - u^2} du$$

Equidistribution for algebraic exponential sums

Over function fields (ie. $\mathbb{F}_q[U]$), many cases have been established by Deligne (on proving the Weil's conjecture) and in the subsequent work of Katz.

Given $q > 2$ a prime and $\chi \in \widehat{\mathbb{F}_q^\times}$ a non trivial multiplicative character modulo q , its normalized Gauss is

$$\varepsilon(\chi) := \frac{1}{q^{1/2}} \sum_{a \in \mathbb{F}_q} \chi(a) e_q(a), \quad e_q(\bullet) = \exp(2\pi i \frac{\bullet}{q}).$$

One has

$$\varepsilon(\chi) = e^{i\theta_\chi}, \quad \theta_\chi \in \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}.$$

Theorem (Deligne)

As $q \rightarrow \infty$ the multiset of angles

$$\Xi(q) := \{\theta_\chi, \chi \pmod{q}, \chi \neq 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$$

becomes uniformly distributed.

Equidistribution for algebraic exponential sums

By Weyl's criterion it suffices to prove that for $k \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$

$$W(k; q) := \frac{1}{q-2} \sum_{\chi \neq 1} \varepsilon(\chi)^k \xrightarrow{?} 0.$$

One has

$$W(k; q) = \frac{q-1}{q-2} \frac{1}{q^{1/2}} \text{Kl}_{|k|}(\pm 1; q) - \frac{(-1)^k}{q^{k/2}}.$$

with for $u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $k \geq 1$

$$\text{Kl}_k(u; q) := \frac{1}{q^{\frac{k-1}{2}}} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_k = u} e_q(x_1 + \dots + x_k)$$

is the hyper-Kloosterman sum in $k-1$ variables.

Equidistribution for algebraic exponential sums

Theorem (Deligne)

One has for $k \geq 1$

$$|\mathrm{Kl}_k(u; q)| \leq k + 1.$$

In particular for $k \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$

$$|W(k; q)| \leq 2 \frac{|k| + 1}{q^{1/2}} \rightarrow 0.$$

When $k = 2$,

$$\mathrm{Kl}_2(u; q) := \frac{1}{q^{1/2}} \sum_{x_1, x_2 = u} e_q(x_1 + x_2)$$

is the usual Kloosterman sum which is ubiquitous in the theory of modular forms.

Equidistribution for algebraic exponential sums

One may then look at the distribution of these exponential sums:
for instance for $k = 2$ (then $\text{Kl}_2(u; q) \in \mathbb{R}$) one has

Theorem (Katz)

The multiset

$$\text{Kl}_2(q) = \{\text{Kl}_2(u; q), u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times\} \subset [-2, 2]$$

becomes equidistributed wrt the Sato-Tate measure

$$\mu_{ST}(u) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{4 - u^2} du$$

Similar Sato-Tate equidistribution laws exist for the
 $\{\text{Kl}_k(u; q), u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times\}$.

Equidistribution for algebraic exponential sums

The key concept for the proof is the existence of an ℓ -adic sheaf ($\ell \neq q$), the **Kloosterman sheaf**, a Galois representation of the function field $\mathbb{F}_q(U)$

$$\mathcal{Kl}_2 : \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_q(U)^{sep}/\mathbb{F}_q(U)) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell) \hookrightarrow \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})$$

with trivial determinant, unramified outside 0 and ∞ and such that

- $\forall u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$

$$\text{tr}(\text{Frob}_{(U-u)}|\mathcal{Kl}_2) = \text{Kl}_2(u; q);$$

- (Katz) its geometric monodromy group is as big as possible:

$$G^{\text{geom}}(\mathcal{Kl}_2) := \mathcal{Kl}_2(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_q(U)^{sep}/\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q(U)))^{\text{Zar}} = \text{SL}_2(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell)$$

Equidistribution for algebraic exponential sums

The Sato-Tate measure μ_{ST} is the push-forward of the Haar measure $\mu_{\mathrm{SU}_2(\mathbb{C})}$ by the trace map

$$\mathrm{tr} : \mathrm{SU}_2(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow [-2, 2] \subset \mathbb{R}.$$

For Hyper-Kloosterman sums $\mathrm{Kl}_k(u; q)$, there exists a similar hyper-Kloosterman Galois representation with trivial determinant such that

- $\forall u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$

$$\mathrm{tr}(\mathrm{Frob}_{(U-u)} | \mathcal{K}\ell_k) = \mathrm{Kl}_k(u; q);$$

- (Katz) its geometric monodromy group is as big as possible:

$$G^{\mathrm{geom}}(\mathcal{K}\ell_k) = \mathrm{SL}_k(\overline{\mathbb{Q}_\ell}).$$

Equidistribution over short intervals

Combining methods from analytic number theory and ℓ -adic cohomology it is possible to obtain further refinements of the above: for instance given $1 \leq N \leq q - 1$ one can consider the truncated set of Kloosterman sums

$$\text{KL}_2(N; q) = \{\text{Kl}_2(n; q) = \text{Kl}_2(n \pmod{q}; q), 1 \leq n \leq N\} \subset [-2, 2].$$

Theorem (M.)

For any $N \geq q^{1/2} \log^2 q$ the multiset $\text{KL}_2(N; q)$ becomes equidistributed on $[-2, 2]$ wrt the Sato-Tate measure μ_{ST} .

Joint Equidistribution

Another refinement is to consider **joint equidistribution**; for instance for $a \neq 1$, the distribution of the pairs

$$\mathrm{KL}_{2,(1,a)}(q) := \{(\mathrm{Kl}_2(u; q), \mathrm{Kl}_2(au; q)), u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times\} \subset [-2, 2]^2.$$

Theorem

As $q \rightarrow \infty$ and $a = a_q \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times - \{\pm 1\}$, the set $\mathrm{KL}_{2,(1,a)}(q)$ becomes equidistributed in $[-2, 2] \times [-2, 2]$ relative to the product measure $\mu_{ST} \otimes \mu_{ST}$

The proof builds in a Goursat type argument (Goursat-Kolchin-Ribet criterion) applied to the Galois representation (sheaf)

$$\mathcal{Kl}_2 \oplus [\times a]^* \mathcal{Kl}_2$$

to show that its geometric monodromy group is as big as possible ($\mathrm{SL}_2 \times \mathrm{SL}_2$).

Equidistribution along the primes

Combining the two results above along with sieve techniques, one can then show that

Theorem (M.)

As $q \rightarrow \infty$ the multiset

$$\{\mathrm{Kl}_2(p; q), 1 \leq p \leq q-1, p \text{ prime}\} \subset [-2, 2]$$

becomes equidistributed on $[-2, 2]$ wrt the Sato-Tate measure μ_{ST} .

Such results with further strengthenings have applications to the study of the low-lying zeros in families of automorphic L -functions.

Summing trace function over short intervals

Hyper-Kloosterman sums

$$\mathrm{Kl}_k(\bullet; q) : u \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times \mapsto \mathrm{Kl}_k(u; q)$$

are example of [trace functions](#) and occur regularly in analytic number theory when studying congruence classes.

Given such a trace function $K : u \mapsto K(u)$ one would like to be able to evaluate its sum over intervals and typically prove that

$$\sum_{n \leq N} K(n) \stackrel{?}{=} o(N) \quad (\text{sub-PV})$$

for N as small compared to q as possible.

Summing trace function over short intervals

Under relatively simple, generic, assumptions on the underlying sheaf $\mathcal{K}$ (being a *Fourier* sheaf), one can show that the above holds as long as $N \geq q^{1/2} \log^2(q)$: this is the [Polya-Vinogradov](#) range. Going below the PV range is a major problem solved only in a very limited number of cases.

Theorem (Burgess)

For $K(u) = \chi(u)$, (Sub-PV) holds for $N \geq q^{1/4} \log^A q$.

Also recent techniques from additive combinatorics allow to pass below the PV range but for very special K .

Summing trace function over short intervals

Using joint equidistribution results for large tuples of exponential sums such as

$$(\mathrm{Kl}_k(a_1 u + b_1), \dots, \mathrm{Kl}_k(a_{2d} u + b_{2d})) \in [-2, 2]^{2d}$$

for $(a_1, \dots, a_{2d}), (b_1, \dots, b_{2d})$ in "general" position allow to pass the PV range "on average":

Theorem (Kowalski-M.-Sawin)

Given $1 \leq M, N \leq q$ such that $MN^2 \geq q^{1+\varepsilon}$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$, one has

$$\sum_{m \leq M} \left| \sum_{n \leq N} \mathrm{Kl}_k(mn; q) \right| = o(MN).$$

For instance if $M = N \geq q^{1/3+\varepsilon}$.

Equidistribution and modular forms

Another important context where equidistribution is ubiquitous are spaces associated with modular forms (more generally automorphic forms) such as the modular surface

$$X_0(1) = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash \mathbb{H} \simeq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) / \mathrm{SO}_2(\mathbb{R}),$$

$$\mathbb{H} = \{z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}, y > 0\}$$

and more generally modular curves $X_0(N)$ that parametrize elliptic curves equipped with a level N structure.

A basic example of equidistribution is that for orbits of [Hecke operators](#).

Equidistribution and modular forms: Hecke orbits

Given $z \in \mathbb{H}$ and q a prime, the q -Hecke orbit of $SL_2(\mathbb{Z}).z$ is

$$T_q(z) := SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash \left\{ \frac{z+b}{q}, 0 \leq b \leq q-1, qz \right\} \subset X_0(1).$$

Theorem

As $q \rightarrow \infty$, the Hecke orbit $T_q(z)$ becomes equidistributed towards the hyperbolic measure $d\mu_{Hyp} := \frac{3}{\pi} \frac{dx dy}{y^2}$: for any $\varphi \in C_c(X_0(1))$

$$\frac{1}{q+1} \left(\sum_{b \pmod{q}} \varphi\left(\frac{z+b}{q}\right) + \varphi(qz) \right) \rightarrow \int_{X_0(1)} \varphi(z) d\mu_{Hyp}(z)$$

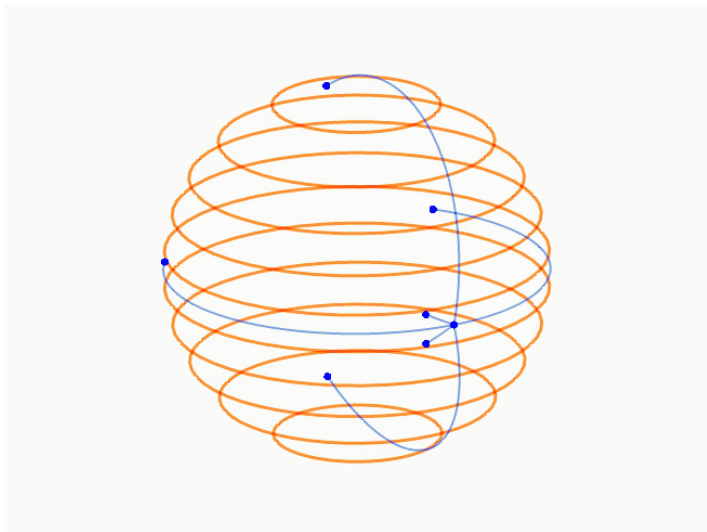
The proof is a consequence of the Petersson-Kuznetsov formula and the Weil's bound for Kloosterman sum

$$|Kl_2(n; q)| \leq 2(\ll q^{1/2-\delta})$$

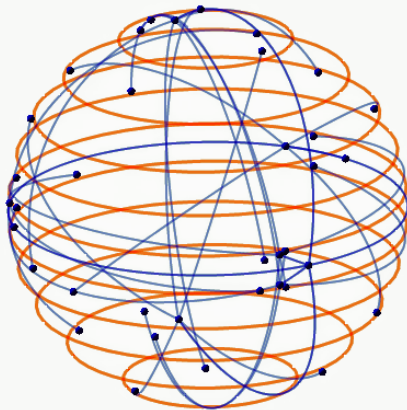
Equidistribution of Hecke orbits

Also q could be composite (for instance a power of a fixed prime q , say $q = 5$) which corresponds to iterating T_q several times; moreover via the [Jacquet-Langlands correspondence](#) there exists similar versions of the equidistribution of Hecke orbits for arithmetic quotients attached to other quaternion algebras/ $\mathbb{Q}$

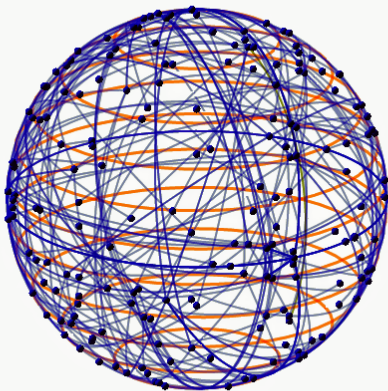
$$q = 5$$



$$q = 5^2$$



$$q = 5^3$$



Algebraically twisted Hecke orbits

Observe that for q a prime, a Hecke orbit is parametrized by the curve $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Combining the above with techniques from ℓ -adic cohomology, it is possible to impose further "algebraic" conditions on $b \pmod{q}$.

For instance (an example amongst many) is:

Theorem (Fouvry-Kowalski-M.)

Let $P(X) \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ be non-constant. As $q \rightarrow \infty$, the algebraically twisted Hecke orbit

$$T_{q,P}(z) := \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash \left\{ \frac{z + P(b)}{q}, 0 \leq b \leq q-1 \right\} \subset X_0(1)$$

becomes equidistributed wrt the hyperbolic measure $d\mu_{\mathrm{Hyp}}$: for any $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c(X_0(1))$

$$\frac{1}{q} \sum_{b \pmod{q}} \varphi\left(\frac{z + P(b)}{q}\right) \rightarrow \int_{X_0(1)} \varphi(z) d\mu_{\mathrm{Hyp}}(z)$$

Prime Hecke orbits

Another possible variant is to impose on b to be a *prime*:

Theorem (Urb-Sarnak)

Assume the Ramanujan-Petterson conjecture for GL_2 .

As $q \rightarrow \infty$, the "prime" Hecke orbit

$$T_{q,\mathcal{P}}(z) := SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \setminus \left\{ \frac{z+p}{q}, 0 \leq p \leq q-1 \right\} \subset X_0(1)$$

becomes dense in $X_0(1)$. More precisely, any "nice" compact set $\mathcal{K} \subset X_0(1)$ contains at least a proportion of $(\frac{1}{6} + o(1))\mu_{Hyp}(\mathcal{K})$ of the "prime" Hecke points $SL_2(\mathbb{Z}).\frac{z+p}{q}$.

In the proof, prime detecting methods lead naturally to the following joint equidistribution problem.

Question

Given $a \pmod{q} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ (possibly varying with q); what is the distribution in $X_0(1) \times X_0(1)$ of the set of Hecke pairs

$$T_{q,(1,a)}(z) := \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})^2 \setminus \left\{ \left(\frac{z+b}{q}, \frac{z+ab}{q} \right), 0 \leq b \leq q-1 \right\}$$

as $q \rightarrow \infty$?

Obviously if $a = 1$, $T_{q,(1,1)}(z)$ equidistribute along the diagonal $X_0(1)^\Delta \subset X_0(1) \times X_0(1)$ toward the diagonal measure μ_{Hyp}^Δ ; more generally, if a is constant with q , $T_{q,(1,a)}(z)$ will equidistribute along the graph of the Hecke correspondence T_a .

Equidistribution and modular forms

Let

$$m(q; a) := \min \Lambda_{q,a} \geq 1$$

where

$$\Lambda_{q,a} = \{(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, m - an \equiv 0 \pmod{q}\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^2.$$

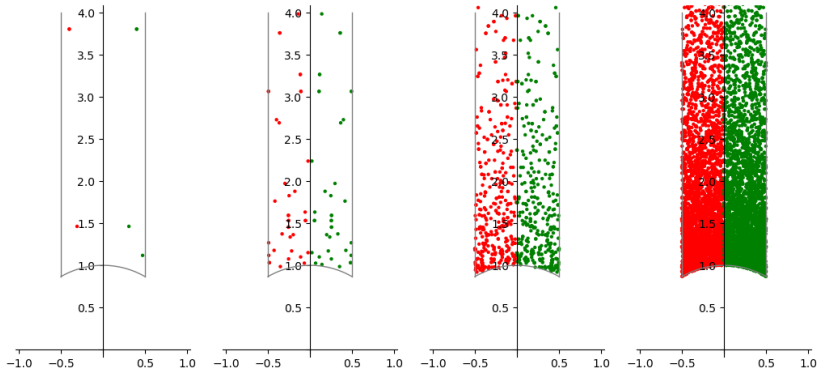
Theorem (Blomer-M.)

If $m(q; a) \rightarrow \infty$, the "joint" Hecke orbit $T_{q,(1,a)}(z)$ equidistribute in $X_0(1) \times X_0(1)$ relative to the product of hyperbolic measures $\mu_{Hyp} \otimes \mu_{Hyp}$.

An example when $m(q; a) \rightarrow \infty$ is for $3|q-1$ and

$$a^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}, \quad a \neq 1$$

$q = 19, 199, 1997, 19997$



Joint equidistribution of Hecke orbits

The Goursat type argument is replaced by a, recent, deep and general classification result due to Einsiedler-Lindenstrauss for [joinings](#) on products of S -arithmetic quotients (here $\mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{Z}[1/S])^2 \backslash \mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_S)^2$ for suitable S) which are invariant under a diagonalizable rank 2 action.

Definition

Given a group A and two measure preserving actions $A \curvearrowright (X, \mu_X)$, $A \curvearrowright (Y, \mu_Y)$. A joining between μ_X and μ_Y is an A -invariant measure μ on $X \times Y$ whose projections to X and Y are μ_X and μ_Y respectively.

Joint equidistribution of Hecke orbits

- The EL classification theorem is applied to any weak- $\star$ limit of the uniform probability measures supported at

$$\{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})^2(\frac{z+b}{q}, \frac{z+ab}{q}), b \pmod{q}\}.$$

- Any such limit is invariant under the action of the two diagonal matrices (in diagonal position)

$$\begin{pmatrix} p_1 & 0 \\ 0 & p_1^{-1} \end{pmatrix}^{\Delta} \in \mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_{p_1})^2, \quad \begin{pmatrix} p_2 & 0 \\ 0 & p_2^{-1} \end{pmatrix}^{\Delta} \in \mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_{p_2})^2$$

for two distinct fixed primes p_1, p_2 coprime with q : this reflects the simple fact that for $i = 1, 2$

$$\{(b, ab), b \pmod{q}\} = \{(p_i^2 b, ap_i^2 b), b \pmod{q}\} \in (\mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z})^2.$$

Joint equidistribution of Hecke orbits

- In this situation, the EL classification theorem says that any weak- $\star$ limit is a convex combination of the full measure $\mu_{Hyp} \otimes \mu_{Hyp}$ and of "diagonal" measures.
- To eliminate the "diagonal" measures, we compute the limit

$$\frac{1}{q} \sum_{b \pmod{q}} \varphi_1\left(\frac{z+b}{q}\right) \varphi_2\left(\frac{z+ab}{q}\right)$$

for $m(q; a) \rightarrow \infty$ and for judiciously chosen Hecke eigenforms:
eg. to rule out the pure diagonal measure μ_{Hyp}^{Δ} we take $\varphi_2 = \overline{\varphi}_1$ and show that the above limit is

$$0 = \left| \int_{X_0(1)} \varphi_1(u) d\mu_{Hyp}(u) \right|^2$$

which is distinct from

$$\mu_{Hyp}^{\Delta}(\varphi_1 \otimes \overline{\varphi}_1) = \int_{X_0(1)} |\varphi_1(u)|^2 d\mu_{Hyp}(u) > 0.$$

Joint equidistribution of Hecke orbits

- To prove that

$$\frac{1}{q} \sum_{b \pmod{q}} \varphi_1\left(\frac{z+b}{q}\right) \overline{\varphi_1}\left(\frac{z+ab}{q}\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m(q; a) \rightarrow \infty$$

we compute the sum using the Fourier expansions

$$\varphi_i(z) = \sum_n \lambda_i(n) W(|n|y) e(nx)$$

and then use the multiplicativity of the Hecke eigenvalue

$$n \mapsto \lambda_i(n)$$

together with sieve type methods along with the fact that the $\lambda_i(p)$, $p \in \mathcal{P}$ satisfy some [Sato-Tate equidistribution law](#).

Equidistribution of CM point

Definition

A point $z = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})z \in X_0(1)$ is CM if the associated elliptic curve

$$E_z = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_z, \quad \Lambda_z = \mathbb{Z} + z\mathbb{Z}$$

has complex multiplications by an order in an imaginary quadratic field K :

$$\text{End}(E_z) = \{\tau \in \mathbb{C}, \tau\Lambda_z \subset \Lambda_z\} = \mathcal{O}_{K,c} = \mathbb{Z} + c\mathcal{O}_K.$$

If q is prime and z has CM by $\mathcal{O}_{K,c}$ then the Hecke orbit $T_q(z)$ is made of CM point (most of which have CM by $\mathcal{O}_{K,cq}$). So the equidistribution of Hecke orbits carries some cases of the equidistribution of CM points.

Equidistribution of CM point

Given $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_{K,c}$ an imaginary quadratic order, let

$$\mathrm{CM}(\mathcal{O}) = \{[z] \in X_0(1), z \text{ has CM by } \mathcal{O}\} \subset X_0(1).$$

This is a principal homogenous space under the action of the ideal class group $\mathrm{Pic}(\mathcal{O})$ so that

$$|\mathrm{CM}(\mathcal{O})| = |\mathrm{Pic}(\mathcal{O})| = |\mathrm{disc}(\mathcal{O})|^{1/2+o(1)} = |D_K c^2|^{1/2+o(1)}.$$

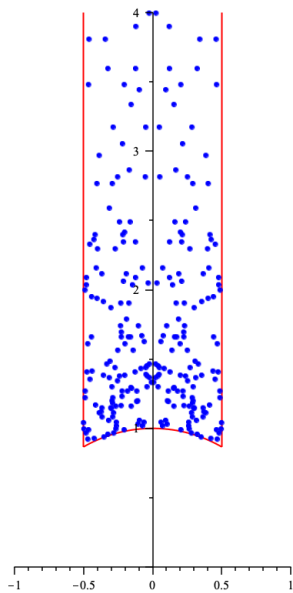
Theorem (Duke)

As $D_K c^2 \rightarrow \infty$ the set $\mathrm{CM}(\mathcal{O}_{K,c})$ becomes equidistributed relative to μ_{Hyp} .

The hard part due to Duke (and Iwaniec) is when $c = |D_K|^{o(1)}$; by now the most "natural" proof is via Weyl equidistribution criterion and **subconvex bounds** for degree 2 L -functions:

$$L(\varphi \times \chi_K, 1/2) \ll |D_K|^{1/2-\delta}, \quad \delta > 0.$$

$$D_K = -4 \times 104729$$



Equidistribution of CM point

Let ℓ be a prime inert in K , then any $E_z \in \text{CM}(\mathcal{O})$ has supersingular reduction (at a(ny) place $\mathfrak{l}|\ell$):

$$\text{red}_\ell : E_z \mapsto E_z \pmod{\mathfrak{l}} \in \text{Ell}^{\text{ss}}(\mathbb{F}_{\ell^2})$$

Theorem (M./Elkies-Ono-Yang)

As $D_K c^2 \rightarrow \infty$ amongst the K for which ℓ is inert, $(\ell, c) = 1$, the multiset

$$\text{red}_\ell(\text{CM}(\mathcal{O}_{K,c})) \subset \text{Ell}^{\text{ss}}(\mathbb{F}_{\ell^2})$$

becomes equidistributed relative to a natural probability (Haar) measure μ_ℓ on $\text{Ell}^{\text{ss}}(\mathbb{F}_{\ell^2})$.

In particular red_ℓ is surjective for $D_K c$ large enough.

The key point is for $c = |D_K|^{o(1)}$. The proof also uses subconvexity for L -functions as $\text{Ell}^{\text{ss}}(\mathbb{F}_{\ell^2})$ is realized as an adelic quotient attached to the quaternion algebra $B_{\infty, \ell}$.

Joint Equidistribution of CM point

Let $\mathbf{l} = (\ell_1, \dots, \ell_s)$ be a tuple of distinct primes all inert in K , then one has a multireduction map

$$\text{red}_{\mathbf{l}} : E_z \mapsto (E_z \pmod{\ell_1}, \dots, E_z \pmod{\ell_s}) \in \prod_j \text{Ell}^{ss}(\mathbb{F}_{\ell_j^2}).$$

We have a Chinese Remainder Theorem for CM elliptic curves:

Theorem (Aka, Luethi, M., Wieser)

As $D_K c^2 \rightarrow \infty$ amongst the K for which all ℓ_j are inert, $(\ell_j, c) = 1$, and p_1, p_2 split in K , the multiset

$$\text{red}_{\mathbf{l}}(\text{CM}(\mathcal{O}_{K,c})) \subset \prod_i \text{Ell}^{ss}(\mathbb{F}_{\ell_j^2})$$

becomes equidistributed relative to the product measure $\otimes_j \mu_{\ell_j}$. In particular $\text{red}_{\mathbf{l}}$ is surjective for $D_K c$ large enough.

Joint Equidistribution of CM point

The proof uses again the classification Theorem of E.L applied to any weak- $\star$ limit of the image by red_1 of the uniform probability measure on $\text{CM}(\mathcal{O}_{K,c})$. For this one uses

- The homogenous space structure $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{O}_{K,c}) \curvearrowright \text{CM}(\mathcal{O}_{K,c})$ and the fact that the action "commutes" with red_1 .
- The fact that such measure projects to μ_{ℓ_j} for every $j = 1, \dots, s$ (by Duke's theorem).
- The splitting condition at p_1, p_2 implies that such measure is invariant under two diagonalisable elements

$$\begin{pmatrix} p_i & 0 \\ 0 & p_i^{-1} \end{pmatrix}^{\Delta} \in \prod_j \text{PB}_{\infty, \ell_j}^{\times}(\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}) \simeq \text{PGL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_{p_i})^s, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Joint Equidistribution of CM point

However the proof is easier than for the distribution of joint Hecke orbits since there is NO diagonal measure to rule out (because the $\text{PB}_{\infty, \ell_j}^\times$ are non-isogenous for distinct ℓ_j).

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