

# A brief introduction to the trace formula and its stabilization (1/2)

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- Plan**
- (1) Trace formula and its stab for  $G$  anisotropic red gp
  - (2) The same for  $G$  general.
  - (3) Application: Classical groups

$G$  Conn red /  $\mathbb{Q}$ , anisotropic

Assume (for simplicity)

- $G_{\text{der}}$  derived subgroup of  $G$  is simply conn
- $G$  satisfies the Hasse principle.

↑  $\mathbb{O}$ : doesn't satisfy;  $\mathbb{U}$ : satisfies

## § Trace formula

$$L^2([G]) = \hat{\bigoplus}_{\pi} \pi^{\oplus m(\pi)}, \text{ finite } m(\pi)$$

$$f \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A})), R(f) \in L^2([G])$$

↑ action of right regular rep

$$\text{tr } R(f) = \sum_{\pi} m(\pi) \cdot \text{tr}(\pi(f)) \quad \text{spectral info}$$

Write 
$$I(Rf) \phi I(x) = \int_{G(\mathbb{A})} f(y) \phi(yx) dy.$$

$$= \int_{G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} \sum_{\gamma \in G(\mathbb{Q})} \underbrace{f(x^{-1}\gamma) \phi(\gamma)}_{K(x, \gamma) \text{ kernel operator}} dy$$

geometric info

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \text{tr } R(f) &= \int_{G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} K(x, x) dx \\ &= \sum_{\gamma \in I_G(\mathbb{Q})} \text{vol}(G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})) \int_{G(\mathbb{A}) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})} f(x^{-1}\gamma x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

$G_{\text{or}} := \text{Cent}_G(\gamma).$

Thm (TF)  $\sum_{\pi} m(\pi) \text{tr } \pi(f) = \sum_{\sigma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \tau(G_{\sigma}) O_{\sigma}(f)$

spec side geom side

↖ invariant distributions ↗

w/ Tamagawa measure &  $\tau(G_{\sigma})$ : Tamagawa number.

### § Stable conjugacy

Def'n Let  $R$  be a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -alg ( $R = \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}_v, \mathbb{A}$ ).

- (1) Two elts  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in G(R)$  are called stably conjugate if  $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$  conj in  $G(\bar{R})$ ,  $\bar{R} = R \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \bar{\mathbb{Q}}$ .
- (2) The stable conj class of  $\gamma$  is  $[\text{Ad}(G(\bar{R})) \cdot \gamma] \cap G(R)$ .

E.g.  $G = \text{SL}_2 / \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\gamma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos x & \sin x \\ -\sin x & \cos x \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x \\ \sin x & \cos x \end{pmatrix}$$

$\hookrightarrow \gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$  in  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})$  but not in  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

$\Rightarrow \gamma_1 \underset{\text{stab}}{\sim} \gamma_2$  stably conj.

Fact Given  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in G(R)$  stably conj. Let  $g \in G(\bar{R})$ ,  $g\gamma_1 g^{-1} = \gamma_2$ .

Then

- (1) the class in  $G(\bar{R})$  of

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}}, R = \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{A} \\ \text{Gal}_{\mathbb{Q}_v}, R = \mathbb{Q}_v \end{array} \right\} = \bigoplus_{\mathbb{Q}} \sigma \mapsto g^{-1} \sigma g \text{ in } H^1(\Gamma, G_{\gamma_1}(\bar{R})) \text{ is indep of } g,$$

and will be denoted by  $\text{inv}(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$ .

- (2)  $\gamma_2 \mapsto \text{inv}(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  (fixing  $\gamma_1$ ) is a bijection  $\{ \text{stab conj class of } \gamma_1 \} / G(R)$

$$\longleftrightarrow \ker(H^1(\Gamma, G_{\gamma_1}(\bar{R})) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, G(\bar{R}))).$$

Def  $R = \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{A}$ .  $f \in C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A}))$ ,  $\gamma \in G(R)$  semi-simple.

(1)  $O_\gamma(f) := \int_{G_\gamma(R) \backslash G(R)} f(x^{-1}\gamma x) dx$

(2) When  $\gamma$  is regular,

$$SO_\gamma(f) := \int_{(G_\gamma \backslash G)(\mathbb{A})} f(x^{-1}\gamma x) dx = \sum_{\gamma' \sim \gamma} O_{\gamma'}(f).$$

(3)  $d: C_c^\infty(G(\mathbb{A})) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is stable

if  $d(f) = 0$  whenever  $SO_\gamma(f) = 0, \forall \gamma$ .

### § Pre-stabilization

$$V = V_{st} \oplus \Xi, \quad \Xi = \bigoplus_H \Xi_H, \quad \text{with } \Xi_H \rightarrow V_{st}^H.$$

Write  $TF_{geom}^G(f) = \sum_{\gamma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \tau(G_\gamma) O_\gamma(f)$

geom side of TF  $= \sum_{\gamma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \sum_{\substack{\gamma' \in [G(\mathbb{Q}) \\ \gamma' \sim \gamma}} \tau(G_{\gamma'}) O_{\gamma'}(f)$

$[ \dots ]$  stab classes  
 $[ \dots ]$  conj classes

Kottwitz If  $\gamma, \gamma'$  are stab conj.

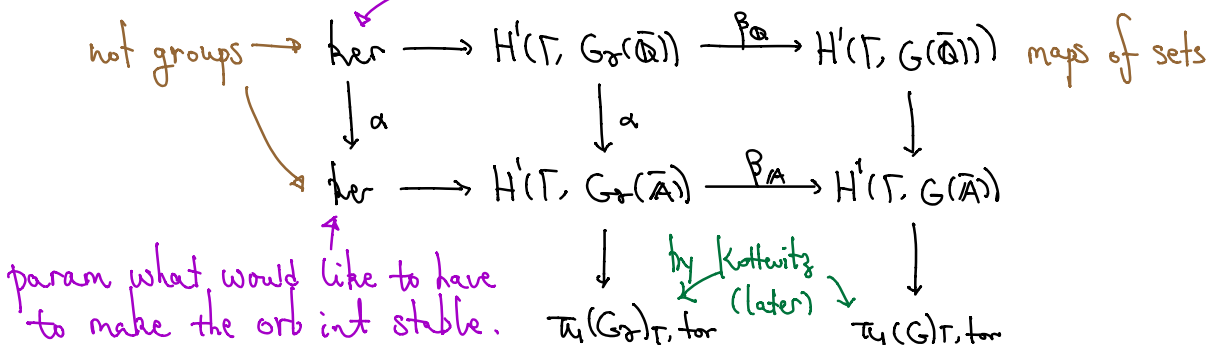
then the Tamagawa numbers  $\tau(G_\gamma) = \tau(G_{\gamma'})$ .

$$\rightsquigarrow TF_{geom}^G(f) = \sum_{\gamma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \sum_{\substack{\gamma' \sim \gamma}} O_{\gamma'}(f)$$

adelic orb int.

By the fact before,

param the sum  $\sum_{\gamma' \sim \gamma} O_{\gamma'}(f)$



Assume  $\sigma$  regular ( $\Rightarrow G_\sigma = T$  torus)

$$1 \rightarrow T(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}) \rightarrow T(\bar{A}) \rightarrow T(\bar{A})/T(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}) \rightarrow 1.$$

$$\hookrightarrow 1 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}(\Gamma) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, T(\bar{\mathbb{Q}})) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, T(\bar{A}))$$

$$\rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, T(\bar{A})/T(\bar{\mathbb{Q}})) \cong \chi_{**}(\Gamma)_{\Gamma, \text{tor}}$$

↑  
Tate-Nakayama

Borovoi ab fundamental group  $\pi_1(H)$

fin gen'd ab grp with  $F$ -action

for any conn red gp  $H$  over a field.

( $T \subset H$  any max. torus,

$$\uparrow \pi_1(H) := \chi_{**}(\Gamma) / \chi_{**}(\Gamma_{\text{sc}}).$$

Canonical, up to isoms.

Kottwitz  $H/\mathbb{Q}$ ,

$$1 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}(H) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, H(\bar{\mathbb{Q}})) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, H(\bar{A})) \rightarrow \pi_1(H)_{\Gamma, \text{tor}} \text{ is exact}$$

Def  $\kappa(\sigma) := \ker(\pi_1(G_\sigma)_{\Gamma, \text{tor}} \rightarrow \pi_1(G)_{\Gamma, \text{tor}})^*$ .

$$\hookrightarrow \text{TFgeom}^G(f) = \sum_{\sigma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \tau(G_\sigma) \cdot \# \mathbb{H}(G_\sigma)$$

$$\cdot |\kappa(\sigma)|^{-1} \sum_{\gamma \in \kappa(\sigma)} \sum_{\substack{\sigma' \in [G(\mathbb{A})] \\ \sigma' \sim \sigma}} \chi(\text{inv}(\sigma, \sigma')) \cdot O_{\sigma'}(f)$$

$$= \tau(G) \cdot \sum_{\sigma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \sum_{\gamma \in \kappa(\sigma)} \sum_{\substack{\sigma' \in [G(\mathbb{A})] \\ \sigma' \sim \sigma}} \chi(\text{inv}(\sigma, \sigma')) \cdot O_{\sigma'}(f)$$

$e(G_\sigma)$  Kottwitz's sign of centralizer

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= O_\sigma^k(f)}.$$

Final result of pre-stabilization:

$$\text{TFgeom}^G(f) = \tau(G) \cdot \sum_{\sigma \in [G(\mathbb{Q})]} \sum_{\gamma \in \kappa(\sigma)} O_\sigma^k(f)$$

"SO $_\sigma(f)$ " when  $\sigma=1$ .

Remark Kottwitz proved that the global sign  $e(G_2) = 1$ .  
 & when  $\kappa = 1$ .

$$\tau(G) \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma(G(\mathbb{Q}))} \delta O_{\gamma}^{\kappa}(f) = \text{STF}_{\text{geom}}^G(f).$$

$$O_{\gamma}^{\kappa}(f).$$

### § Transfer

Bij:  $(\gamma, \kappa) \longleftrightarrow (H, \kappa_H, \gamma_H)$

where  $(H, \kappa_H) =$  endoscopic elliptic grp data

$\gamma_H \in H(\mathbb{Q})$   $(G, H)$ -reg elliptic.

$H$  quasi-split  $\mathbb{Q}$ -grp

a very strict condition  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{w/ fixed isom } T^G \xrightarrow{\sim} T^H \\ \text{s.t. the } \Gamma\text{-str is twisted by Weyl grp.} \end{array} \right.$

$\kappa$  clear of  $\ker(\pi_1(H) \rightarrow \pi_1(G))_{\Gamma, \text{tor}}$ .

Then There exists  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(H(\mathbb{A}))$  s.t.

$$O_{\gamma}^{\kappa}(f) = \delta O_{\gamma_H}^{\kappa_H}(f^H).$$

pf: contains fund lemma

$\hookrightarrow$  passing to Lie algs and use an observation of Waldspurger

$$\hookrightarrow \text{TF}_{\text{geom}}^G(f) = \tau(G) \cdot \sum_{(H, \kappa_H) \in \text{Eell}(G)} |\text{Out}(H)|^{-1} \cdot \sum_{\substack{\gamma_H \in \Gamma(H(\mathbb{Q})) \\ \text{ell } (G, H)\text{-reg}}} \delta O_{\gamma_H}^{\kappa_H}(f^H).$$

$$= \sum_{(H, \kappa_H) \in \text{Eell}(G)} \tau(G, H) \cdot \underbrace{\text{STF}_{\text{geom}}^H(f^H)}_{\in V_{\text{st}}^H}.$$

## § Stabilization of the spectral side

$$\mathrm{TF}_{\mathrm{Spec}}^G(f) = \sum_{\pi} m(\pi) \cdot \mathrm{tr}(\pi(f)).$$

Remember  $G$  is still anisotropic.

$$\text{Conj (Arthur)} \quad L^2(\Gamma G) = \bigoplus_{\psi} \bigoplus_{\pi} \pi^{m(\psi, \pi)}.$$

$$\text{where } \psi: \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{Q}} \times \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow {}^L G$$

$$\pi \in (\Pi_{\psi}) \leftarrow L\text{-packet } \Pi_{\psi} \langle \pi, - \rangle.$$

$$m(\psi, \pi) = \mathrm{mult}(\mathcal{E}_{\psi}, \langle \pi, - \rangle)$$

$$= |S_{\psi}|^{-1} \sum_{x \in S_{\psi}} \mathcal{E}_{\psi}(x) \cdot \langle \pi, x \rangle.$$

When both  $S_{\psi}$ ,  $S_{\psi^H}$  are abelian,

$$m(\psi, \pi) = \begin{cases} 0, & \langle \pi, - \rangle \neq \mathcal{E}_{\psi} \\ 1, & \langle \pi, - \rangle = \mathcal{E}_{\psi} \end{cases}$$

$$L^2(\Gamma G) = \bigoplus_{\psi} \bigoplus_{\pi: \langle \pi, - \rangle = \mathcal{E}_{\psi}} \pi.$$

$$\hookrightarrow \mathrm{TF}_{\mathrm{Spec}}^G(f) = \sum_{\psi} \sum_{\pi} |S_{\psi}|^{-1} \cdot \sum_{x \in S_{\psi}} \mathcal{E}_{\psi}(x) \langle \pi, x \rangle \mathrm{tr} \pi(f)$$

$$\text{Take } S_{\psi} \ni S_{\psi} = \psi(1, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix})$$

and consider the summand on RHS with  $x = S_{\psi}$ .

$$= \sum_{\psi} |S_{\psi}|^{-1} \sum_{x \in S_{\psi}} \mathcal{E}_{\psi}(x, S_{\psi}) \prod_{\pi_{\psi} \in \Pi_{\psi}} \langle \pi_{\psi}, x \cdot S_{\psi} \rangle \mathrm{tr} \pi_{\psi}(f_{\psi}).$$

$$\text{Using Bij: } (\psi, S) \longleftrightarrow (H, K, \psi^H),$$

$$\hookrightarrow \sum_{\pi_{\psi} \in \Pi_{\psi}} \langle \pi_{\psi}, x \cdot S_{\psi} \rangle \mathrm{tr} \pi_{\psi}(f_{\psi}) = \sum_{\pi_{\psi}^H \in \Pi_{\psi^H}} \langle \pi_{\psi}^H, S_{\psi^H} \rangle \cdot \mathrm{tr} \pi_{\psi}^H(f_{\psi}^H).$$

def'n:  $S_{\psi^H}^H(f_{\psi}^H)$  Stable character of the parameter  $\psi_{\psi}^H$ .

$$\hookrightarrow \mathrm{TF}_{\mathrm{Spec}}^G(f) = \sum_{(H, K) \in \mathrm{Eell}(G)} \mathcal{L}(G, H) \cdot \sum_{\psi^H} \mathcal{E}_{\psi^H}(S_{\psi^H}) S_{\psi^H}^H(f_{\psi}^H).$$

⇒ get the stabilization of spectral side.

Conj (Stable multiplicity formula, Arthur).

$$\mathrm{STF}_{\mathrm{geom}}^G(f) = \mathrm{STF}_{\mathrm{spec}}^G(f) := \sum_{\mathcal{F}} E_{\mathcal{F}}(S_{\mathcal{F}}) S_{\mathcal{F}}(f).$$