

Drinfeld cusp forms and harmonic cocycles

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Basic notation

\mathbb{F}_q the field of $q = p^n$ elements

K_∞ a local field with residue field \mathbb{F}_q

\mathcal{O}_∞ the ring of integers of K_∞

π_∞ a uniformizer of K_∞

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Definition (Bruhat-Tits tree)

\mathcal{T} := the simplicial complex of dimension 1 with

set of vertices $\text{Vert}(\mathcal{T}) :=$

homothety classes $[L]$ of rank 2 \mathcal{O}_∞ -lattices $L \subset K_\infty^2$

set of edges $\text{Edge}(\mathcal{T}) :=$

pairs $([L], [L'])$ such that $\pi_\infty L \subsetneq L' \subsetneq L$.

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Lemma

\mathcal{T} is a $q + 1$ -regular tree.

Definition

Particular vertices $\Lambda_i := [\mathcal{O}_\infty \oplus \pi_\infty^i \mathcal{O}_\infty]$, $i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

standard vertex Λ_0 , standard edge $e_0 := (\Lambda_0, \Lambda_1)$

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Group action on \mathcal{T}

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\rightsquigarrow have natural left action of $GL_2(K_\infty)$ on K_∞^2 .

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Definition ($GL_2(K_\infty)$ -action on \mathcal{T})

$$GL_2(K_\infty) \times \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T} : (\gamma, [L]) \mapsto [\gamma L]$$

$$\text{Set } \Gamma_\infty := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in GL_2(\mathcal{O}_\infty) \mid c \in \pi_\infty \mathcal{O}_\infty \right\}.$$

Lemma

$GL_2(K_\infty)$ acts transitively on $\text{Vert}(\mathcal{T})$ and $\text{Edge}(\mathcal{T})$.

$$\text{Vert}(\mathcal{T}) = GL_2(K_\infty) / GL_2(\mathcal{O}_\infty) K_\infty^*,$$

$$\text{Edge}(\mathcal{T}) = GL_2(K_\infty) / \Gamma_\infty K_\infty^*.$$

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$$\mathbb{C}_\infty := \widehat{K_\infty^{\text{alg}}}$$

Definition (Drinfeld's upper half plane)

$$\Omega := \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}_\infty) \setminus \mathbb{P}^1(K_\infty)$$

Definition ($GL_2(K_\infty)$ -action on Ω)

$$GL_2(K_\infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow \Omega : \left(\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, z \right) \mapsto \gamma z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

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$\rho: \Omega \rightarrow |\mathcal{T}|$ such that

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On these charts use Laurent series type expansions to define

(rigid) analytic functions on Ω .

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Examples: The maps

(rank 2 Drinfeld module φ) \mapsto the i -th coefficient of φ_a .

(rank 2 Drinfeld module φ) \mapsto its discriminant.

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Theorem (B.)

(1) *There is a strictly compatible system*

$$\left(\rho_{f,\lambda}: \text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K) \rightarrow \text{GL}_1(\widehat{K}_f^\lambda) \right)_{\lambda \text{ finite}}$$

such that $\rho_{f,\lambda}(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = a_{\mathfrak{p}}(f)$ for almost all \mathfrak{p} .

(2) *The sequence $(a_{\mathfrak{p}}(f))_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is given by a Hecke character!*

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General multiplicity one is wrong!

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$C_{har}(\Gamma, M)$:= the K -vector space of M -valued Γ -invariant **harmonic cocycles** := the set of maps

$$c: \text{Edge}(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow M : e \mapsto c(e),$$

such that:

1. For all edges e one has $c(-e) = -c(e)$.
2. For all vertices v one has $\sum_{e \rightarrow v} c(e) = 0$,
where the sum is over all edges e ending at v .
3. For all $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and $e \in \text{Edge}(\mathcal{T})$ one has $c(\gamma e) = \gamma c(e)$.

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(2) $C_{\text{har}}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}) \cong$ automorphic forms for Γ .

Proposition (Gekeler)

$C_{\text{har}}!(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{F}_p \subset C_{\text{har}}(\Gamma, \mathbb{F}_p)$ describes double cusp forms inside weight 2 cusp forms.

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Recall:

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Theorem (Teitelbaum)

$$\text{Res}_2: S_2^{Dr}(\Gamma, \mathbb{C}_\infty) \longrightarrow C_{\text{har}}(\Gamma, K) \otimes_K \mathbb{C}_\infty$$

is an isomorphism of \mathbb{C}_∞ -vector space

An analogous theorem holds in weight k with $M \approx \text{Sym}^{k-2}$.

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\rightsquigarrow Can (in principle) recover the Fourier coefficients of a Drinfeld modular form f from its associated measure μ_f (in any weight)

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Theorem (Teitelbaum)

Suppose Γ is p' -torsion free. Then:

- ▶ *Any Γ -invariant harmonic cocycle is determined by its values on the Γ -stable orbits of edges.*
- ▶ *Relations: Only those from Γ -stable vertices.*

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For general Γ :

$$\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{T} \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{F}_q[T]) \backslash \mathcal{T}$$

is a finite, highly ramified 'covering' of the above half line.

"Monotonicity of the stabilizers" is inherited by $\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{T}$
 \rightsquigarrow stable simplices only above Λ_i for i small (depends on Γ).

For details on algorithms and some repetition: See Ralf's talk.

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