

Locally Symmetric Varieties.

Study Herm. Sym. Dom. quotient by discrete subgroups.

Slogan: $\Gamma \backslash D$ is alg. variety, $\Gamma \subset \text{Hol}(D)^+$ torsion free arithmetic.

Quotients of Hermitian Symmetric Domains by Discrete Groups.

Prop. Let D be a HSD, $\Gamma \subset \text{Hol}(D)^+$ discrete. If Γ torsion free, then Γ acts freely on D and there is a unique complex structure on $\Gamma \backslash D$ s.t.

$\pi: D \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash D$ is a local isom. Then any $\varphi: \Gamma \backslash D \rightarrow Y$, Y complex manifold, φ hol. $\Leftrightarrow \varphi \circ \pi$ hol.

Pf. $\text{Hol}(D)^+ / K_p \cong D$ so

• $\{g \in \Gamma \mid gP = P\}$ is finite

• \exists nbhd U of P s.t. $\forall g \in \Gamma - \{1\}$, $gU \cap U = \emptyset$

• $\forall P, Q \in D$, $P \notin \Gamma Q$, \exists nbhd U of P , V of Q s.t. $\forall g \in \Gamma$, $gU \cap V = \emptyset$.

$\Rightarrow \Gamma \backslash D$ Hausdorff, has a manifold structure.

$U \subset \Gamma \backslash D$ open, $\mathcal{O}(U) = \{f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \circ \pi \text{ hol. on } \pi^{-1}U\}$. \mathcal{O} structure sheaf of hol. functions. //

Γ torsion free, write $D(\Gamma) = \Gamma \backslash D$. D is universal covering of $D(\Gamma)$ and Γ fundamental group: $\forall P \in D$, $\Gamma \cong \pi_1(D(\Gamma), \pi(P))$.

$$g \mapsto \pi \left(\int_P^g \omega \right)$$

D has Riemannian metric g hence volume form Ω which in local coordinates

$$\Omega = \sqrt{\det g(x)} dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \text{ and invariant under } \Gamma \rightsquigarrow \int_{\Gamma \backslash D} \Omega.$$

Ex. $D = \mathcal{H}$, $\Gamma = \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$, $\int_{\Gamma \backslash D} \Omega = \iint_F \frac{dx dy}{y^2} \leq \int_{\sqrt{3}/2}^{\infty} \frac{dy}{y^2} < +\infty$, F fundamental domain $\{z \in \mathcal{H}, -\frac{1}{2} < \text{Re } z < \frac{1}{2}, |z| > 1\}$.

G real Lie group has a left invariant Haar measure μ , $\Gamma \subset G$ discrete is said to have finite covolume if $\Gamma \backslash G$ has finite volume. For $\Gamma \subset \text{Hol}(D)^+$ torsion free discrete, $|\Gamma \backslash \text{Hol}(D)^+| < +\infty \stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{\Leftrightarrow} |\Gamma \backslash D| < +\infty$.

Arithmetic subgroups

Two subgroups S_1, S_2 of H are called commensurable if $S_1 \cap S_2$ has finite index in both S_1, S_2 . Commensurability is an equiv. relation.

G/\mathbb{Q} alg. grp., $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ is called arithmetic if it is commensurable with $\underline{G(\mathbb{Q}) \cap \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})}$ for some embedding $G \hookrightarrow \text{GL}_n$
 \Leftrightarrow any embedding $G \hookrightarrow \text{GL}_{n'}$.

Prop. Let $p: G \rightarrow G'$ be surj. map of alg. grps / \mathbb{Q} . If $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ arithmetic so is $p(\Gamma) \subset G'(\mathbb{Q})$.

Thm. G/\mathbb{Q} reductive, $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ arithmetic.

(a) $|\Gamma \backslash G(\mathbb{R})| < +\infty \Leftrightarrow \text{Hom}(G, \text{GL}_m) = 0$. In particular holds for G semisimple.

(b) $\Gamma \backslash G(\mathbb{R})$ compact $\Leftrightarrow \text{Hom}(G, \text{GL}_m) = 0$ and $G(\mathbb{Q})$ has no nontrivial unipotent rational unipotent elements correspond to cusps element.

Ex. B quaternion algebra / \mathbb{Q} s.t. $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \cong M_2(\mathbb{R})$ and G/\mathbb{Q} alg. grp

s.t. $G(\mathbb{Q}) = \{b \in B \mid \text{Nm } b = 1\}$. The choice of $B \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \cong M_2(\mathbb{R})$ determines an isom.

$G(\mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ hence an action of $G(\mathbb{R})$ on \mathcal{H} . Let $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ arithmetic.

$B \cong M_2(\mathbb{Q})$, $G \cong \text{SL}_2$ semisimple, $\Gamma \backslash \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$, $\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{H}$ has finite volume. But

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q})$ unipotent $\Rightarrow \Gamma \backslash \mathcal{H}$ not compact.

B division algebra, $G(\mathbb{Q})$ contains no nontrivial unipotent element otherwise

B^* would have a nilpotent element. $\Gamma \backslash G(\mathbb{R})$ compact.

Let K be a subfield of \mathbb{C} . An automorphism of a K -v.s. V is called neat

if its eigenvalues in \mathbb{C} generate a torsion free subgroup of \mathbb{C}^* . For example,

no nontrivial automorphism of finite order is neat.

G/\mathbb{Q} alg. group, $g \in G(\mathbb{Q})$ is called neat if $p_0(g)$ is neat for some faithful

rep. $G \hookrightarrow \text{GL}(V)$, in which case $p(g)$ neat for every rep. p of G over

a subfield of \mathbb{C} as all rep. of G can be constructed from p_0 .

A subgroup of $G(\mathbb{Q})$ is called neat iff all elements are.

• neat \Rightarrow torsion free

• $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ neat $\Rightarrow \forall \Gamma' \subset \Gamma$ neat

• $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ neat, $\forall K \subset \mathbb{C}$ subfield, $h: G(K) \rightarrow H$, $h(\Gamma)$ torsion free

• $g \in G(\mathbb{Q})$ neat $\Rightarrow \pi(g) \in G^{\text{ad}}(\mathbb{Q})$ neat.

Prop. G/\mathbb{Q} alg. group, $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ arith. Then Γ contains a neat subgroup Γ' of finite index, and Γ' can be defined by congruence condition $\{g \in \Gamma \mid g \equiv 1 \pmod{N}\}$ for some embedding $G \hookrightarrow GL_n$ and N .

Let H be a connected real lie group, $\Gamma \subset H$ is called arithmetic if there exists G/\mathbb{Q} alg. grp, $G(\mathbb{R})^+ \twoheadrightarrow H$ with compact kernel and $\Gamma_0 \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ arithmetic s.t. $\Gamma_0 \cap G(\mathbb{R})^+ \twoheadrightarrow \Gamma$. Note that if H semisimple, we can take G semisimple.

Prop. Let H be a semisimple real lie group admitting a faithful finite dimensional rep. Every arithmetic $\Gamma \subset H$ is discrete of finite covolume and it contains a torsion free subgroup of finite index.

Pf. $\alpha: G(\mathbb{R})^+ \twoheadrightarrow H$, $\Gamma_0 \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$.

$\ker \alpha$ compact $\Rightarrow \alpha$ proper $\Rightarrow \alpha$ closed.

$\Gamma_0 \subset G(\mathbb{R})$ discrete $\Rightarrow \exists U \subset G(\mathbb{R})^+$ open, $U \cap \Gamma_0 \ker \alpha = \ker \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha(G(\mathbb{R})^+ - U)$

closed in H , whose complement intersects Γ in $\emptyset \Rightarrow \Gamma$ discrete in H .

$\Gamma_0 \backslash G(\mathbb{R})^+ \twoheadrightarrow \Gamma \backslash H \Rightarrow$ finite volume.

$\Gamma_i \subset \Gamma_0$ neat of finite index, image of Γ_i in H has finite index in Γ . ///

$$1 \rightarrow \ker \alpha \rightarrow G(\mathbb{R})^+ \xrightarrow{\alpha} H \rightarrow 1$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma_i \cap G(\mathbb{R})^+ & & \\ \downarrow \alpha & \longrightarrow & \bar{a} \end{array}$$

$$\bar{a}^n = 1 \Rightarrow a^n \in \ker \alpha \cap \Gamma_i \text{ discrete}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{n^k} = 1, a \in \Gamma_i \text{ torsion free} \Rightarrow a = 1.$$

Algebraic varieties and complex manifolds.

Prop. $\exists!$ functor $(V, \mathcal{O}_V) \mapsto (V^{\text{an}}, \mathcal{O}_{V^{\text{an}}})$ from nonsingular varieties $/\mathbb{C}$ to complex manifolds satisfying

(a) $V = V^{\text{an}}$ as sets, every Zariski open subset is open for complex topology and every regular function is hol.

(b) $V = \mathbb{A}^n$ then $V^{\text{an}} = \mathbb{C}^n$

(c) $V \rightarrow W$ etale then $V^{\text{an}} \rightarrow W^{\text{an}}$ local isom.

Pf. \mathbb{A}^n , opens in \mathbb{A}^n , any V admits an etale map to some open in \mathbb{A}^n .

Every nonsingular variety has a Zariski open covering by such V . ///

RMK. The functor is faithful, but not full or essentially surjective. It can be extended to all alg. varieties, valuing in complex analytic space, i.e. a ringed space locally of the form (V, \mathcal{O}_V) where $V = V(f_1, \dots, f_r)$ is the zero locus of hol. f_i on connected open $U \subset \mathbb{C}^n$.

Thm. (Chow) Every proj. complex analytic space has a unique structure of a proj. alg. variety and every hol. map of proj. complex analytic spaces is regular for these structures. Complex manifolds give rise to nonsingular alg. varieties.

the group



Thm. (Barly & Borel) Let $D(\Gamma) = \Gamma \backslash D$ be the quotient of a Herm. Sym. Dom. D by a torsion free arith. $\Gamma \subset \text{Hol}(D)^+$. Then $D(\Gamma)$ has a canonical realization as Zariski open of a proj. alg. variety $D(\Gamma)^*$ hence has a canonical struc. of an alg. variety. *auto. form of high enough weight gives closed immersion into proj. space*

Smooth quasi-proj.

Rmk. In case Γ has torsion, $\Gamma \backslash D$ is a normal complex analytic space and has the structure of a normal alg. variety.

$D(\Gamma)^* = \text{Proj} \left(\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} A_n \right)$ where A_n is the v.s. of auto. forms for n th power of canonical automorphy factor, and if PGL_2 is not a quotient of G , then $D(\Gamma)^* = \text{Proj} \left(\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} H^0(D(\Gamma), \omega^n) \right)$, ω sheaf of differentials of max deg.

An alg. variety $D(\Gamma)$ arises in this way is called a (arithmetic) locally symmetric variety.

Thm. (Borel) Let $D(\Gamma) = \Gamma \backslash D$ be quotient of a Herm. Sym. Dom. D by torsion free arith. $\Gamma \subset \text{Hol}(D)^+$ and V be a nonsingular quasi-proj. variety over \mathbb{C} , then every holo. $f: V^{an} \rightarrow D(\Gamma)^{an}$ is regular.

The proof is to embed V in a proj. nonsingular variety V^* s.t. $V^* - V$ is divisor with normal crossing. Then extend f to $V^{*, an}$ hence regular by Chow.

Cor. The alg. variety structure on $D(\Gamma)$ is unique.

Rmk. Torsion-freeness is necessary. $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H} = \mathbb{A}^1$, $\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\exp} \mathbb{C}$.

Finiteness of the group $\text{Aut}(D(\Gamma))$.

Def. A semisimple group G/\mathbb{Q} is said to be of compact type iff $G(\mathbb{R})$ is compact, of noncompact type iff it does not contain a nontrivial normal subgroup of compact type.

G/\mathbb{Q} semisimple, \exists isogeny $G_1 \times \dots \times G_r \rightarrow G$, G_i simple. Then G is of compact type iff each $G_i(\mathbb{R})$ is compact. In particular a simply connected or adjoint group is of noncompact type iff no simple factor is of compact type.

Thm. (Borel Density) G/\mathbb{Q} semisimple of noncompact type, then every arithmetic $\Gamma < G(\mathbb{Q})$ is Zariski dense in G .

Cor. G/\mathbb{Q} semisimple of noncompact type, $Z = Z(G)$. The centralizer in $G(\mathbb{R})$ of any arith. Γ of $G(\mathbb{Q})$ is $Z(\mathbb{R})$.

Thm. Let $D(\Gamma) = \Gamma \backslash D$, D HSD, Γ torsion free arith. $\subset \text{Hol}(D)^+$. Then $D(\Gamma)$ has only finitely many automorphisms as a complex manifold.

Pf.

Γ torsion free $\Rightarrow D$ universal covering of $\Gamma \backslash D$ and Γ transformation group

$\Rightarrow \alpha: \Gamma \backslash D \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash D$ auto. lifts to $\tilde{\alpha}: D \rightarrow D$ auto.

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\alpha} \gamma \tilde{\alpha}^{-1} \in \Gamma, \forall \gamma \in \Gamma.$

Conversely any auto. of D normalizing Γ gives an auto. of $\Gamma \backslash D$. Hence

there is a surj. $\Gamma \backslash N(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\Gamma \backslash D)$, $N(\Gamma)$ normalizer in $\text{Aut}(D)$.

G/\mathbb{Q} semisimple alg. grp, $G(\mathbb{R})^+ \twoheadrightarrow \text{Hol}(D)^+$ with compact kernel, $\Gamma_0 \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$

arith. s.t. $\Gamma_0 \cap G(\mathbb{R})^+ \twoheadrightarrow \Gamma$. We may discard any compact isogeny factors

of G and suppose G is of noncompact type. Let N^+ be the identity comp.

of $N(\Gamma)$. As Γ discrete, $N(\Gamma)$ acts trivially and N^+ is contained in the image

of $Z(\mathbb{R})$ hence finite, $N(\Gamma)$ discrete. $\Gamma \backslash \text{Aut} D$ has finite volume, $\Gamma \backslash N(\Gamma)$ is

then finite. //