

# Jaget-Langlands correspondence & (Spectral Side of the) Trace Formula

Over the last weeks we discussed and proved the local Langlands conjecture for  $GL_2$ . In the last two talks we want to give an outlook towards more general Langland's-type phenomena: The **Jaget-Langlands correspondence**.

This is a special instance of Langland's functoriality. It will require us to consider both the global world and more general reductive groups.  
Here is the statement:

## 1. Jaget-Langlands Correspondence

### Theorem (Local Jaget-Langlands)

Let  $D_v$  be the unique non-split quaternion algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}_v$ ,  $v$  some place of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then

$\exists! \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{irred. smooth rep's of } D_v^\times(\mathbb{Q}_v) \\ \text{of dim } \neq 1 \end{array} \right\} \xleftarrow{1:1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{irred. discrete series rep's of } GL_2(\mathbb{Q}_v) \\ (\text{cuspical or } \phi. \text{StG}) \end{array} \right\}$

$D_v$  is a skew-field with centre  $\mathbb{Q}_v$ ,  
 $[D_v : \mathbb{Q}_v] = 2^2 = 4$

### Theorem: (Global Jaget-Langlands)

Let  $D$  be a quaternion algebra /  $\mathbb{Q}$ , let  $S$  be the finite(!) set of places  $v$  s.t.  $D \otimes \mathbb{Q}_v \not\cong M_2(\mathbb{Q}_v)$ . Then there is a unique bijection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{irreducible automorphic} \\ \text{(automatically cuspical) rep's of} \\ D^\times(A) \\ \text{of dim } \neq 1 \end{array} \right\} \xleftarrow{1:1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{irred. automorphic cuspical rep's } \pi \text{ of} \\ GL_2(A) \\ \text{s.t. } \pi_v \text{ belongs to the discrete series } \forall v \in S \end{array} \right\}$$

s.t.  $\pi_v \xlongequal{\sim} \pi_v$

## Remarks:

- $A := \prod_p \mathbb{Q}_p \times \mathbb{R} := \{(x_v) \in \prod_v \mathbb{Q}_v \mid x_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p \text{ for all but fin. many } p\}$  is called the ring of **adeles** of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . With the subspace topology inherited from  $A \subseteq \prod_v \mathbb{Q}_v$ ,  $A$  becomes a locally compact Hausdorff topological space  $\uparrow$   $\prod_v \mathbb{Q}_v$  is not locally compact, hence no good for our purposes
- $\pi$  (irred.) rep' of  $G(A)$   $\longleftrightarrow$   $\pi = \bigotimes \pi_v$ ,  $\pi_v \in \text{Rep}(G_v)$   
The terminology regarding representations of  $G(A)$  will be discussed later
- (2) It is true that  $\{\text{Characters of } D^\times(A)\} = \{\text{Characters of } GL_2(A)\}$ .  
The reason we exclude them in the Global JL-correspondence is that characters of  $GL_2(A)$  are never cuspidal
- (3) We will stick with  $\mathbb{Q}$  for concreteness, however all statements in this talk hold true over any number field
- (4) There are similar statements for the groups  $SL_2$ ,  $PGL_2$  resp.  $SD^\times$  (= units of norm one),  $PD^\times$ . In fact, for the rest of the talk we will stick to  $SL_2$ . This doesn't simplify anything significantly but gets rid of some technicalities in some definitions.  
In any case, note that <sup>in</sup> dealing with  $SL_2$  instead of  $GL_2$  we don't lose much:  $GL_2$  is basically just  $SL_2 + \text{a central torus} \hookrightarrow$  always adds via a character  
 $\Rightarrow$  rep's of  $GL_2$  are essentially just twists of rep's of  $SL_2$  by characters

## 2. Spectral theory

Fix  $\circ G$  locally compact, unimodular top. group

$\circ \Gamma \subseteq G$  a discrete subgroup

We consider  $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) := \{ f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f(gg') = f(g) \forall g' \in \Gamma, \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} |f|^2 d\mu < \infty \}$

$\uparrow$   
Hilbert space

$$\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p) \subseteq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$$

$$\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{A})$$

Ex:

Haus. on  $G$

and the regular rep'  $R$  of  $G$  on  $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$ ,  $(R(g) \cdot f)(h) = f(hg)$   
 $\uparrow$  unitary, i.e. preserves the inner product!

Spectral theory: Study of how  $R$  decomposes into subrep's?

Def: An irred. representation  $(\pi, V)$  of  $G$  is

- smooth automorphic  $\Leftrightarrow (\pi, V) \subseteq \mathcal{H}(\Gamma \backslash G) = \{ f: \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ 'smooth'} \}$
- discrete series  $\Leftrightarrow (\pi, V) \subseteq L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) \cap \mathcal{H}(\Gamma \backslash G)$
- cuspidal  $\Leftrightarrow (\pi, V) \subseteq \mathcal{H}_0(\Gamma \backslash G) = \{ f: \Gamma \backslash G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ decays rapidly at } \infty \}$

Ex.:  $G = \mathbb{R}, \Gamma = \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{S}^1) = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C} e^{2\pi i n(-)} \cong L^2(\mathbb{R}), f = \sum_n a_n e^{2\pi i n(-)} \mapsto (a_n)$

Observe:  $L^2(\mathbb{S}^1)$  decomposes discretely, all rep's of  $\mathbb{S}^1$  appear

$G = \mathbb{R}, \Gamma = \{1\} \Rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}) = \bigoplus_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} e^{2\pi i x(-)} \cong L^2(\mathbb{R}), f = \int_{\mathbb{R}} a(x) e^{2\pi i x(-)} dx \mapsto a$

Note:  $\mathbb{R} \cap L^2(\mathbb{R})$  is irreducible

Observe:  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  'decomposes' continuously, all rep's of  $\mathbb{R}$  appear

Slogan:  $\mathbb{R}$  knows essentially everything about the rep's of  $G$

## 2.1. Compact case

Assume that  $\Gamma \backslash G$  is compact (Ex:

$$\begin{aligned} SD^*(\mathbb{Q}) &\subseteq SD^*(A) \\ \mathbb{S}^1 &\subseteq \mathbb{S}^3 \subseteq \mathbb{H}^1 \\ \mathbb{S}^1 &\subseteq SD_P^*(\Theta_P) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: (Peter-Weyl)

$$L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) = \widehat{\bigoplus}_{\pi} m_{\pi} \cdot \pi := \widehat{\bigoplus}_{\pi} V_{\pi}^{\oplus m_{\pi}}$$

where  $\pi$  runs through (iso-classes) of irreducible (unitary) rep's of  $G$ . Moreover,  $m_{\pi} < \infty$

Proof: (Sketch)

Given  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$  we have  $R(f) : L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) \rightarrow L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } (R(f)\phi)(x) &:= \int_G f(y) (R(y)\phi)(x) dy = \int_G f(y) \phi(xy) dy \\ &= \int_G f(x^{-1}y) \phi(y) dy = \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \sum_{y \in \Gamma} f(x^{-1}y) \phi(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

is an 'integral operator with kernel'

$$K_f(x,y) := \sum_{y \in \Gamma} f(x^{-1}y) \quad x, y \in \Gamma \backslash G$$

sum is <sup>T</sup> really finite because  $\text{supp } f$  is cpt.

(i.e. a limit of lin. operators  
with fin. dim. image)

In this case  $R(f) : L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) \longrightarrow L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$  is a 'compact operator'.

(This is true more generally provided that  $K_f \in L^2(\Gamma \backslash G \times \Gamma \backslash G) \leftarrow$  violated e.g. for  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ )

Fact: (Spectral thm for cpt. operators)

(i) If  $R(f) \neq 0$  then  $R(f)$  has an eigenvalue  $\lambda \neq 0$

(ii) Each eigenspace  $E_{\lambda}$  of  $R(f)$  for  $\lambda \neq 0$  is fin. dim.

Now:  $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) = \bigoplus_{\pi} m_{\pi} \pi :$

Since  $G \cap L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$  is unitary, it suffices to show that there exists a min. closed  $G$ -invariant subspace  $V \subseteq L^2$

Indeed, pick  $f$  s.t.  $R(f) \neq 0$ , let  $\lambda \neq 0$  be an eigenvalue.

Consider the set  $\{P \in L^2 \text{ closed } G\text{-inv.} \mid P \cap E \neq 0\}$

and pick  $P$  s.t.  $M := E \cap P$  is of min. dim. (possible because  $\dim E < \infty$ )

Pick  $\varphi \in M \setminus \{0\}$  and set  $V := \overline{\langle G \cdot \varphi \rangle_C} \cong \text{closed, } G\text{-invariant}$

Claim:  $V$  is minimal

Proof: Suppose  $W \subseteq V$  is closed and  $G$ -invariant  $\Rightarrow V = Q \oplus Q^\perp$

Note:  $\varphi \in M \subseteq P \Rightarrow G \cdot \varphi \subseteq P \stackrel{(*)}{\Rightarrow} V \subseteq P \Rightarrow \varphi \in V \cap E \subseteq P \cap E = M \Rightarrow V \cap E = M$

Now:  $M = V \cap E = \underset{V, Q, Q' \in E}{(Q \cap E)} \oplus \underset{Q(Q')\text{-invariant}}{(Q' \cap E)}$

Thus  $\circ Q \cap E = M \stackrel{\text{as in } (*)}{\Rightarrow} V \subseteq Q \Rightarrow V = Q$  □

or  $\circ Q' \cap E = M \Rightarrow V \subseteq Q' \Rightarrow V = Q'$  □

$m_\pi < +\infty$ : Pick  $f$  s.t.  $R(f)|_{V_\pi} \neq 0$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\text{Eig}(\lambda, R(f))}_{\text{fin. dim}} \supseteq \bigoplus_{m_\pi} \text{Eig}(\lambda, R(f)|_{V_\pi})$  □

Remark: Conversely, assume that  $G$  is compact. Then any irreducible rep'  $(\pi, V)$  of  $G$  occurs in  $L^2(G) = \bigoplus_{\pi'} m_{\pi'} \pi'$

Proof: Take: Fix  $v \in V$

$\Rightarrow V \xrightarrow{\text{irred.}} L^2(G)$

$$v \longmapsto (g \longmapsto \langle v, \pi(g)v \rangle)$$

(matrix coefficients)

cont. +  $\pi(G)$  cpt.  $\Rightarrow \in L^2$

Why?  $\rightsquigarrow$  Being in  $L^2$  is no issue but in general the matrix coeff. have no reason to be left- $\Gamma$ -invariant?

Warning: However, appearing in  $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$  is a strong condition

↳ Being automorphic is more than just being a  $\otimes$ -product  
of smooth rep's of the local factors

## 2.2. Non-compact case

From now on we will stick to the arithmetic situation, e.g.

- $\{1\} \subseteq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$

- $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \subseteq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

- $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{A})$

How does  $L^2(r \backslash G)$  decompose?

$$\sim L^2 = L^2_{\text{disc}} \oplus L^2_{\text{cont}} = L^2_{\text{cusp}} \oplus L^2_{\text{disc/cusp}} \oplus L^2_{\text{cont}}$$

Theorem: (Gelfand, Piatetski-Shapiro)

$R(f)|_{L^2_{\text{cusp}}}$  is a compact operator for all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ .

In particular,  $L^2_{\text{cusp}} = \bigoplus_{\substack{\pi \\ \text{cusp.}}} m_\pi \cdot \pi$  and  $m_\pi < +\infty$

Theorem: (Langlands)

$$L^2(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{A})) = \bigoplus_{x=[P,\rho]} L_x^2,$$

where  $x=[P,\rho]$  runs through pairs  $P \subseteq G$  parabolic  
 $\rho$  cuspidal rep' of  $P/R_u P$   
modulo conjugation

~ There are two options:

- $P = G$ ,  $\rho = \pi$  cuspidal rep' of  $G$ ,  $L_x^2 = m_\pi \cdot \pi$
- $P = (* *)$ ,  $\rho = \mu$  (cuspidal) rep' of  $T$ ,  $T = (* *)$

Upshot:  $L^2 = L^2_{\text{cusp}} \oplus \bigoplus_{\mu \in \mathrm{Rep}(T)} L_\mu^2$

Slogan: All complications stem from parabolic subgroups

Rem:  $R(f)|_{L^2_\mu}$  can be described in terms of so-called **Eisenstein-series**

$e^{2\pi i x(-)}$   
analogues of  
for  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

### 3. The trace formula

#### 3.1. Compact Case

Assume that  $\Gamma \backslash G$  is compact  $\Rightarrow L^2(\Gamma \backslash G) = \bigoplus_{\pi} m_{\pi} \pi$

Recall: • Key part of the proof: Check that  $R(f)$  is compact

$$\circ (R(f)\phi)(x) = \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} K_f(x, y) \phi(y) dy, \quad K_f(x, y) = \sum_j f(x^{-1} j y)$$

Note:  $\text{tr}(R(f)) = \sum_{\pi} m_{\pi} \text{tr}(R(f)|_{\pi}) = \sum_{\pi} m_{\pi} \text{tr}(\pi(f))$ ; on the other hand

Fact for integral operators

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(R(f)) &= \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} K_f(x, x) dx = \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \sum_{\gamma} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx \\ &= \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \sum_{\substack{\gamma \in \Gamma \\ \text{conjugacy class}}} \sum_{\delta \in \Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash \Gamma} f(x^{-1} \delta^{-1} \gamma \delta x) dx \quad \Gamma_{\gamma} := \text{centraliser of } \gamma \text{ in } \Gamma \\ &= \sum_{\gamma} \int_{\Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{Tubini}}{=} \sum_{\gamma} \int_{G_{\gamma} \backslash G} \int_{\Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash G_{\gamma}} f(x^{-1} \underbrace{u \gamma}_{=\gamma} u x) du dx \\ &= \sum_{\gamma} \text{vol}(\Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash G_{\gamma}) \int_{G_{\gamma} \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx \end{aligned}$$

Conclusion:  $\text{tr}(R(f)) = \sum_{\gamma} \text{vol}(\Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash G_{\gamma}) \int_{G_{\gamma} \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx = \sum_{\pi} m_{\pi} \text{tr}(\pi(f)) = \hat{f}(\pi)$

Ex:  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{R} = G$ ;  $\Gamma_{\gamma} = \Gamma$ ,  $G_{\gamma} = G$ ,  $\text{vol}(\Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash G_{\gamma}) = \text{vol}(\mathbb{S}^1) = 1$ ,  $m_{\pi} = 1, \dots$

$$\implies \text{tr}(R(f)) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n)$$

### 3.2. Non-cpt. case

Want:  $\sum_{\gamma} \mathcal{J}_{\gamma}^T(f) = \sum_{\pi} \mathcal{J}_{\pi}^T(f) \quad \forall f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{Z}(A) \backslash GL_2(A))$

\$T\$ some truncation parameter  
obtained by integrating some function \$k\_f^T\$ on \$\Gamma \backslash G \times \Gamma \backslash G\$ over the diagonal  
[agrees with \$k\_f\$ on a big open subset \$U \subseteq G\$ depending on \$T\$]

Geometric side

Def.:  $\gamma \in SL_2(\mathbb{Q})$  is called

- **elliptic** if the eigenvalues of  $\gamma$  are not rational ( $\Rightarrow \gamma$  is semisimple)
  - **hyperbolic** if the eigenvalues of  $\gamma$  are rational and distinct
  - **unipotent** if the eigenvalues of  $\gamma$  are rational and coincide
- $\Leftrightarrow \gamma$  not contained in a parabolic

Theorem: (Arthur's (not so) simple trace formula)

Let  $f = \prod_v f_v \in C_c^\infty(SL_2(A))$  s.t.

$$\int_{G_{\gamma}(\mathbb{Q}_{v_1}) \backslash G(\mathbb{Q}_{v_1})} f(x^{-1}\gamma x) dx \stackrel{(*)}{=} 0 \quad \forall \gamma \in SL_2(\mathbb{Q}) \text{ hyperbolic for at least two places } v_1, v_2.$$

Then

$$\text{tr}(R(f)|_{L^2_{\text{cusp}}}) = \text{vol}(SL_2(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash SL_2(A)) f(1) + \sum_{\substack{\gamma \\ \text{elliptic}}} \text{vol}(\Gamma_{\gamma} \backslash G_{\gamma}) \int_{G_{\gamma} \backslash G} f(x^{-1}\gamma x) dx$$

$$- \text{vol}(SL_2(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash SL_2(A)) \sum_{\substack{\mu \in \text{Rep}(T) \\ \mu^2 = 1}} \mu(f)$$

### Proof Idea:

Spectral side: (\*) forces all integrals over Eisenstein series to vanish, only those with residues contribute (as for Dirichlet L-fcts, most Eisenstein series are holomorphic) and these are precisely those with  $\mu^2 = 1$

Geometric side: (\*) forces all extra contributions to vanish except that for  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .