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Title: An Example-Based Introduction to Shimura Varieties and Their Compactifications

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Modular Curves

$$G \overline{\diagup \diagup \diagup \diagup \diagup} \quad \mathbb{H} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Im} z > 0\}$$

$\Gamma \subset \operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$
Congruence

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} az+b \\ cz+d \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \gamma z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbb{H} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$$

$$\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H} \hookrightarrow \overset{\text{compact Riemann surface}}{\Gamma \backslash (\mathbb{H} \cup \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q}))}$$

{modular curves} varying Γ

Hecke symmetry

"Galois symmetry" (these curves are in fact / some # field)

More generally

("double coset spaces")

setup: $G = \text{"reductive alg. group"}/\mathbb{Q}$

s.t. we can talk about $G(\mathbb{A})$

$A = \underbrace{A_{\infty}}_{\mathbb{R}} \times \underbrace{A_{\infty}}_{\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}}$ away from ∞

$$A = \underbrace{A_{\infty}}_{\mathbb{R}} \times \underbrace{A_{\infty}}_{\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}}, \quad \widehat{\mathbb{Z}} = \varprojlim_N \left(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z} \right)$$

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For simplicity, we'll define G as a group functor over \mathbb{Z} .

(assign $G(\mathbb{R})$ to R , functorially).

e.g. $GL_n(R) \stackrel{\text{any comm. ring}}{=} \begin{matrix} \text{invertible elts} \\ \cup \quad \text{in } \text{End}_R(R^{\oplus n}) \end{matrix}$

n integer $SL_n(R)$ elts of $\det 1$

$$J_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ -I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$2n \times 2n$

$$S_{P_{2n}}(R) = \left\{ g \in GL_{2n}(R) : {}^t g J_n g = J_n \right\}$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = {}^t x J_n y$$

$\hookrightarrow SO_{p,q}(R)$ $\det \underline{\underline{x}} = 1$

p, q integers

$$I_{p,q} = \begin{pmatrix} I_p & 0 \\ 0 & -I_q \end{pmatrix} \quad O_{p,q}(R) = \left\{ g \in GL_{p+q}(R) : {}^t g I_{p,q} g = I_{p,q} \right\}$$

Suppose $G(\mathbb{R})$ acts on some D
Consider, for each open cpt. subgroup

$$U \subset G(A^\infty)$$

$$X_U := \underbrace{G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash (D \times G(A^\infty))}_{\text{acts diagonally}} / U$$

\hookrightarrow acts on $G(A^\infty)$

Now consider $\{X_U\}_U$
 \searrow varying

$G(A^\infty)$ action permutes the collection of U 's

[with reasonable D] $U \mapsto g U g^{-1}$

$$S_0, \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ U}} H^*(X_U) \not\hookrightarrow G(A^\infty) \quad \text{"Hecke Symm."}$$

What D 's should we consider?

e.g. $SL_n(\mathbb{R}) \stackrel{\cup}{\hookrightarrow} \begin{cases} \text{nxn real matrices} \\ S_n = \begin{cases} \text{pos. def.} \\ (\text{symm.}) \end{cases} \end{cases}$

$$g \quad X \mapsto {}^t g X g$$

action transitive

$$\text{stab. of } 1_n = \text{SO}_n(\mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow S_n = \text{SL}_n(\mathbb{R}) / \text{SO}_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\text{For } n=2, \text{ get } \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) / \text{SO}_2(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{H}$$

For gen. n , might get odd dim. space/ \mathbb{R}
(e.g. $n=3$)

We'll give "nice" D s.t. quotients of D by some Γ is "algebraic".

Fact $\#(G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash G(\mathbb{A}^\infty) / U) < \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow X_U &= G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash (D \times G(\mathbb{A}^\infty)) / U \\ &= G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash (D \times (\coprod_i G(\mathbb{Q}) g_i U)) / U \\ &\stackrel{\text{(exercise)}}{=} \coprod_i \Gamma_i \backslash D, \quad \Gamma_i = G(\mathbb{Q}) \cap g_i U g_i^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Want $\Gamma_i \backslash D$ to be algebraic var

(\Rightarrow Galois symm
& nontrivial congruences)

We'll want D to be (finite unions of) Hermitian symm. domains

Remark: Will focus first on "connected components".

What D 's should we consider?

e.g. ("Siegel case") $G = \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathbb{H}_n$

$$\mathbb{H}_n = \{z \in \text{Sym}_n(\mathbb{C}): \text{Im}(z) > 0\}$$

Siegel upper-half space

$$g \in \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

$$gz = (Az + B)(Cz + D)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Az + B \\ Cz + D \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} gz \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

div by $(Cz + D)$

$$J_n = \left\{ z \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}) : {}^t \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ -I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{J_n} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \Leftrightarrow {}^t z = z \\ {}^t \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ -I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} < 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Im}(z) > 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{preserved} \\ \text{by } \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R}) \end{array} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R}) \hookrightarrow J_n$$

To show transitivity:

(move all pts to iI_n)

$$Z = X + iY$$

\leftarrow can choose A s.t.
 \leftarrow this is iI_n

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -X \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} iY \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & {}^t A^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} iY \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} {}^t A Y A \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{stab. at } iI_n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ -B & A \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$$

$$\cong U_n(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ g \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{C}) : {}^t \overline{g} I_n g = I_n \right\}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ -B & A \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow A + iB$$

$$\Rightarrow J_n \cong \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R}) / U_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$U_n = \text{Cent. of } h_0 : U_1(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\Downarrow \quad a+bi \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} aI_n & -bI_n \\ bI_n & aI_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J_n \cong G(\mathbb{R}) \cdot h_0 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Stab. under conj. action of } \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{R}) \\ \text{on } h_0 \end{array} \right)$$

$J = h_0(i)$ defines a "complex str"
on \mathbb{R}^{2n}

$$\text{Consider } A_{h_0} = \underbrace{(\mathbb{R}^{\oplus 2n})}_{\mathbb{C}\text{-v. sp.}} / \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 2n}}_{\text{lattice}}$$

$$(\text{for } z = iI_n) \quad \cong \mathbb{C}^{\oplus n} / (\mathbb{Z}^{\oplus n}_z + \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus n})$$

If $h = gh_0$, then for $z = g \cdot (iI_n)$

$$A_h = \mathbb{R}^{\oplus 2n} / \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 2n}$$

"polarized" $\xrightarrow{\text{complex str. } J = h(i)}$

$$\cong \mathbb{C}^{\oplus n} / (\mathbb{Z}^{\oplus n}_z \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus n})$$

Fact: $(A_h, \text{polar.}) \cong (A_{h'}, \text{polar.})$

$\Leftrightarrow h = \gamma h'$ for some

$$\gamma = \text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$$

\Rightarrow points of $\frac{\Gamma}{\text{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})}$ param. (principal)
polarized ab. var/ \mathbb{C}

Γ congr. subgroup def'd by
cond. mod n

\Rightarrow cond. on "n-torsion pts" on ab. var.'s
("level str.'s")

tomorrow

- ① "PEL type"?
- ② "Hodge/ab. type"?
- ③ "exceptional type"?