

On Littlewood-type polynomials and exponential sums and applications to spectral theory

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Theorem (Amoroso, Bombieri–Vaaler, Hua, Erdélyi).
There is an absolute $c > 0$ such that every polynomial

$$P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j z^j, \quad |a_j| \leq 1, \quad a_j \in \mathbb{C},$$

has at most

$$c(n(1 - \log |a_0|))^{1/2}$$

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Bernstein inequalities and phase behavior

Theorem (Queffelec, Safari).

For $\varepsilon_n = K_1 n^{-1/96}$ there exist an ε_n -ultraflat $P_n \in \mathcal{G}_n$ such that

$$\frac{\|P'\|_p}{n\|P\|_p} = \gamma_p + O_\eta(\varepsilon_n),$$

where $0 < \eta \leq p \leq \infty$, and P_n can be chosen so that

$$P_n(e^{it}) = |P_n(e^{it})| e^{i\alpha_n(t)},$$

$$\frac{\alpha'_n(t)}{n} = \frac{t}{2\pi} + \frac{1}{2} + O_t(n^{-1/96}).$$

Uniform distribution of the angular speed

The following theorem was conjectured by Saffari (1992).

Theorem (Erdélyi, \sim 2005). Let (P_n) be an ultraflat sequence of polynomials in \mathcal{G}_n . Then the distribution of the normalized angular speed $\alpha'_n(t)/n$ converges to the uniform distribution as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\lambda\{t \in [0, 2\pi]: 0 \leq \alpha'_n(t) \leq nx\} = 2\pi x + \epsilon_n(x),$$

where $\epsilon_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

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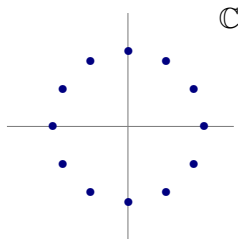
Flatness on a lattice

Example: Let $e(t) = e^{2\pi i t}$ and define polynomials

$$P^{(m)}(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e\left(\frac{mj^2}{n}\right) z^j,$$

where $(m, n) = 1$ and n is prime. Then

$$|P^{(m)}(z)| = 1 \quad \text{if} \quad z^n = 1.$$



Connection between \mathcal{G}_n and \mathcal{M}_n

Consider a polynomial

$$P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} z^{hj+s_j} \in \mathcal{M}_n, \quad s_j \ll h,$$

and for $z = e^{2\pi i t}$ write

$$z^{hj+s_j} = z^{s_j} z^{hj} = a_j^{(t)} w^j,$$

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$$w = z^h = e^{2\pi i ht}, \quad a_j^{(t)} = e^{2\pi i t \cdot s_j}.$$

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Let T be an invertible measure preserving transformation of the standard Lebesgue space (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) , $X = [0, 1]$.

The Koopman operator

$$\widehat{T}: L^2(X, \mu) \rightarrow L^2(X, \mu): f(x) \mapsto f(Tx)$$

Spectral invariants of T are the

- ▶ maximal spectral type σ on $S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C}: |z| = 1\}$ and the
- ▶ multiplicity function $\mathcal{M}(z): S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \sqcup \{\infty\}$.

Usually we study \widehat{T} on the space of functions with zero mean.

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Rank one transformations

Definition. T is called a *rank one* transformation if there exist a sequence of partitions

$$\xi_n = \{B_n, TB_n, T^2B_n, \dots, T^{h_n-1}B_n, E_n\},$$

identified with Rokhlin towers, such that $\mu(\bigcup_{j=0}^{h_n-1} T^j B_n) \rightarrow 1$ and for any measurable set A there exist ξ_n -measurable sets A_n with $\mu(A \triangle A_n) \rightarrow 0$.

Rank one transformations: Symbolic definition

Any rank one transformation can be described in the following way using the language of symbolic dynamics.

Starting from a word W_{n_0} consider the sequence of words W_n given by

$$W_{n+1} = W_n 1^{s_{n,0}} W_n 1^{s_{n,1}} W_n 1^{s_{n,2}} \dots W_n 1^{s_{n,q_n-1}},$$

where symbol “1” is used to create *spacers* between words, and parameters $s_{n,i}$ are fixed in advance.

Generalized Riesz products

Let us define polynomials

$$P_n(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q_n}} \sum_{y=0}^{q_n-1} z^{\omega_n(y)},$$

where

$$\omega_n(y) = yh_n + s_{n,0} + \dots + s_{n,y-1}.$$

If $P_n(z)$ are generated by some rank one map, then $P_1(z) \cdots P_n(z)$ always belongs to \mathcal{M}_{N_n} .

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Theorem. The answer is "yes" in the class $\mathcal{M}_q^{\mathbb{R}}$.

For any $0 < a < b$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a sum $\mathcal{P}(t) \in \mathcal{M}_q$ which is *compact ε -flat* both in $L^1(a, b)$ and $L^2(a, b)$,

$$\left\| \left| \mathcal{P}(t) \right|_{(a,b)} - 1 \right\|_1 < \varepsilon,$$

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and the sums $\mathcal{P}(t)$ are given by the formula

$$\mathcal{P}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{y=0}^{q-1} e^{2\pi i t \omega(y)},$$

where

$$\omega(y) = m \frac{q}{\beta^2} e^{\beta y/q},$$

with appropriate choice of $m > 0$, $\beta^{-1} \in \mathbb{N}$ and q ranging over a set $\mathcal{Q}_{\varepsilon, a, b}(\beta, \varepsilon, m)$ of positive density in \mathbb{Z} .

Exponential staircase flow

We construct a rank one flow with the following parameters:

- ▶ q_n is the number of subcolumns
- ▶ spacers $s_{n,y} = \omega_n(y+1) - \omega_n(y) - h_n$
- ▶ $\omega_n(y) = \mu_n \frac{q_n}{\beta_n^2} e^{\beta_n y / q_n}, \quad h_n = \frac{\mu_n}{\beta_n}$

$\mu_n \rightarrow \infty$ (*slowest*), $\beta_n \rightarrow 0$, $q_n \rightarrow \infty$ (*fastest*).

Theorem. With certain choice of parameters μ_n , β_n and q_n the rank one flow given by the exponential staircase construction has Lebesgue spectral type.

Exponential sums: Van der Corput's method

Lemma. If $k \rightarrow \infty$,

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Van der Corput's method – The concept.

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$$S = \sum_{\alpha < k < \beta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|f''(y_k)|}} e^{2\pi i(f(y_k) - ky_k + 1/8)} + \mathcal{E},$$

where y_k are solutions of the equation

$$f'(y_k) = k, \quad \text{where } k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

and $\alpha = f'(a)$, $\beta = f'(b)$.

Points y_k are called *stationary phases* for the function $f(y)$.

Stationary phase dynamics

Our sum $\mathcal{P}(t)$ generates a family of stationary phases $y_k(t)$ depending on t ,

$$\mathcal{P}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{y=0}^{q-1} e^{2\pi i t \omega(y)},$$

given by the equation

$$t\omega'(y_k(t)) = k,$$

and the law of evolution for $y_k(t)$ **in some cases** is expressed by a dynamical system $\dot{y} = v(t, y)$.

Free quantum particle on a compact space

Remark that the sum $\mathcal{P}(t)$ is connected to a quantum dynamical system given on \mathbb{T} by equation

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi = H \psi,$$

where

$$H = \omega \left(-i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right),$$

and $\mathcal{P} = \hat{\psi}$.

Stationary phase dynamics: Example

Quadratic function $\omega(y) = H_0(y) = \frac{y^2}{2q}$ generates $y_k(t)$ as follows:

$$t \cdot H'_0(y_k) = k, \quad t \cdot \frac{y_k}{q} = k, \quad y_k(t) = \frac{kq}{t},$$

and the dynamical system induced by H_0 acts on \mathbb{R} as follows:

$$R^t: x \mapsto \frac{x}{t}, \quad y_k(t) = R^t y_k(0).$$

Notice that R is an action of the multiplicative group \mathbb{R}_+ .

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Stationary phase dynamics: Calculation

Let us suppose that $\frac{d}{dt}(t\omega(y_k)) = 0$, then

$$\omega(y_k) + t\omega'(y_k)\dot{y}_k = 0.$$

Now differentiating the equation $t\omega'(y_k) = k$ we get

$$\omega'(y_k) + t\omega''(y_k)\dot{y}_k = 0,$$

therefore

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\omega'}{\omega} = 0, \quad \frac{\omega'}{\omega} = \beta q^{-1} = \text{const},$$

and $\omega(y) = \omega_0 e^{\beta y/q}$.

Stationary phase dynamics for exponential $\omega(y)$

Observe that $\omega(y)$ has expansion (with small parameter β)

$$\omega(y) = \frac{q}{\beta^2} + \frac{y}{\beta} + \frac{y^2}{2q} + \beta \frac{y^3}{6q^2} + \dots$$

Let us associate an \mathbb{R}_+ -action to our $\omega(y)$. Solving equation

$$t \cdot \omega'(y) = k = \text{const}$$

we have

$$t \cdot \frac{1}{\beta} e^{\beta y/q} = k, \quad y_k(t) = \frac{q}{\beta} \log \frac{\beta k}{t},$$

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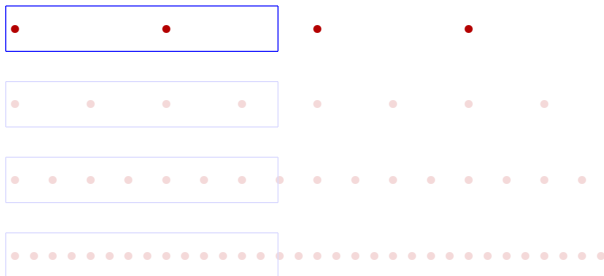


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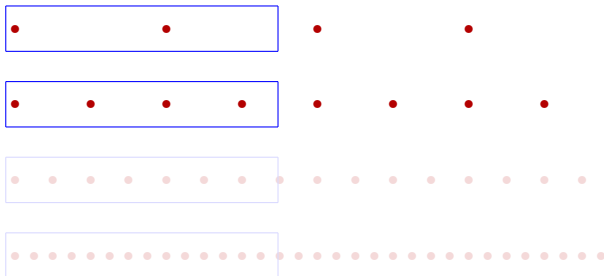


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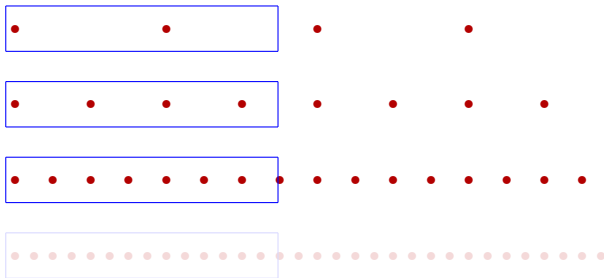


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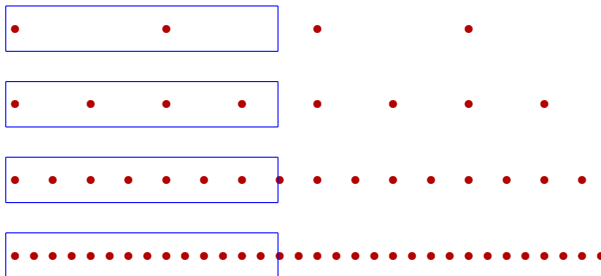


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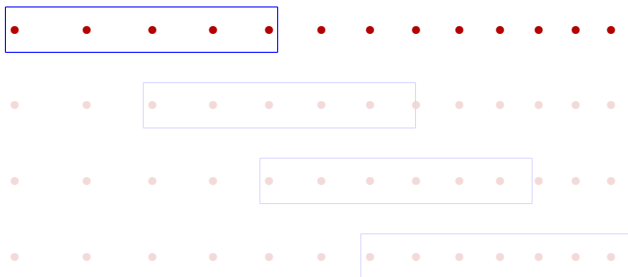


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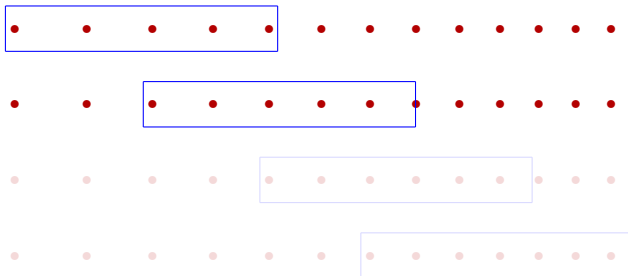


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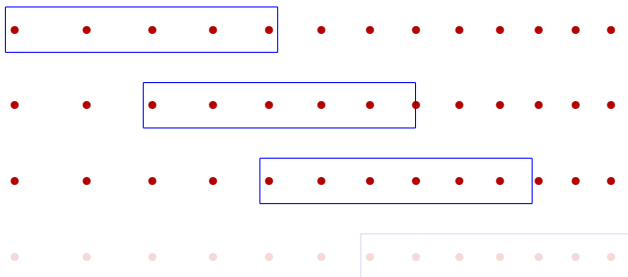
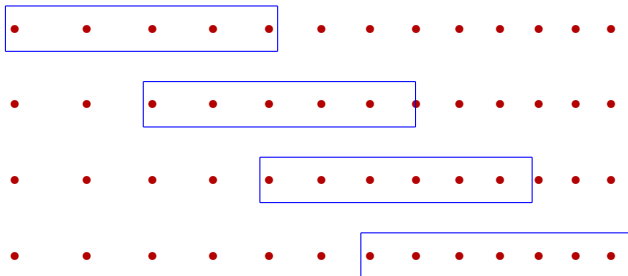
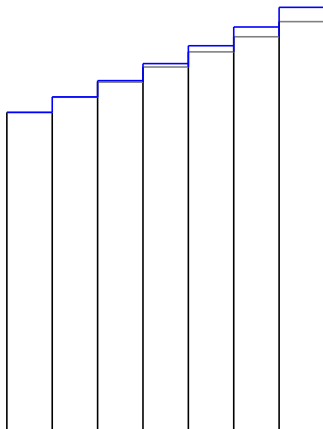


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Exponential staircase flow generated by $\omega(y) = \frac{q}{\beta} e^{\beta y/q}$



“... though careful examination had shown that the height of the steps steadily decreased with the rising gravity. The stair had apparently been designed so that the effort required to climb it was more or less constant at every point in its long curving sweep...”

Arthur C. Clarke, *Rendezvous with Rama*

Outline of the proof: Calculation of $y_k(t)$

We see that

$$y_k(t) = \frac{q}{\beta} \log \frac{\beta k}{t},$$

where the index $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ranges over the interval $(K_0(t), K_1(t))$,

$$K_0(t) = \frac{t}{\beta}, \quad K_1(t) = \frac{t}{\beta} e^\beta,$$

$$K_1(t) - K_0(t) \sim t, \quad \beta \rightarrow 0, \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Outline of the proof: Van der Corput's method

Applying van der Corput approach we have for $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\mathcal{P}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum_{K_0(t) < k < K_1(t)} e^{2\pi i(t\omega(y_k) - ky_k + 1/8)} + \mathcal{E}_1(t).$$

Let us calculate the resulting phase function (minus $1/8$)

$$t\omega(y_k) - ky_k \equiv -ky_k \pmod{1},$$

since

$$t\omega(y_k) = \frac{q}{\beta} \cdot t\omega'(y_k) = \frac{q}{\beta} \cdot k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

if we require that $\beta^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Applying van der Corput's method twice

Continuing calculation of the phase function we have

$$-ky_k = -k \cdot \frac{q}{\beta} \log \frac{\beta k}{t} = x(t)k - q \cdot \Omega(k),$$

where

$$x(t) = \frac{q}{\beta} \log \frac{t}{\beta}$$

do not depend on k , and

$$\Omega(k) = \frac{1}{\beta} k \log k$$

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Theorem (Poincaré recurrence theorem). Given $\varepsilon > 0$ for a sequence of q of positive density

$$-q \cdot \Omega(k) \approx_{\varepsilon} \Omega(k),$$

for the fixed finite set of $k \in (K_0, K_1) \cap \mathbb{Z}$.

Here we apply the recurrence theorem to the torus shift on $\mathbb{T}^{[t]}$

$$T: v \mapsto v + \Omega.$$

Applying van der Corput's method twice

It can be easily seen that

$$\Omega'(K_1(t)) - \Omega'(K_0(t)) = 1 + o(1),$$

as $\beta \rightarrow 0$ and $t \rightarrow \infty$, hence, applying again van der Corput estimate we have

$$\mathcal{P}(t) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum_{K_0(t) < k < K_1(t)} e^{2\pi i(-ky_k + 1/8)} = e^{2\pi i \mathcal{A}(t)} + \mathcal{E}_2(t),$$

where $\mathcal{E}_2(t)$ is L^p -small error term for $p = 1$ and $p = 2$.

Scheme of the approach

Exponential sum with coefficients $\{0, 1\}$

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Quantum free particle on \mathbb{T}

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Dynamical system: \mathbb{R}_+ -action induced by the Hamiltonian $\omega(y)$

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Dynamical system on $\mathbb{T}^{[t]}$ given by a torus shift

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Van der Corput's method (2), reduction: degree t to degree 1

Thank you!