

# LECTURE N° 2

## SUMMARY

$G = (V, E)$  locally finite :  $\deg(x) < +\infty, \forall x \in V$

$C_c(V) \subseteq \ell^2(V)$  compactly supported vectors of  $\ell^2(V)$

$$(A\psi)(x) = \sum_{e=\{x,y\}} \psi(y), \quad x \in V.$$

$A$  essentially self-adjoint then we can define

$$\phi \in C_c(V) \quad P_G^\phi(E) = \langle \phi, \mathbb{1}_E(A)\phi \rangle \quad E \text{ Borel in } \mathbb{R}.$$

If  $A$  is bounded operator  $\int \lambda^2 dP_G^{\delta_x}(\lambda) = \langle \delta_x, A^2 \delta_x \rangle$

= no of closed walks in  $G$   
of length  $2$  starting at  $x$ .

If  $G$  is finite  $P_G^\phi = \sum_i \delta_{\lambda_i} \langle \phi, u_i \rangle^2$  where  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues and  $(u_i)$  o.n. basis of eigenvectors

$$P_G = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_i \delta_{\lambda_i} = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{x \in V} P_G^{\delta_x}$$

(average) spectral measure

$G = \text{Cay}(\Gamma, S)$

$G$  is transitive

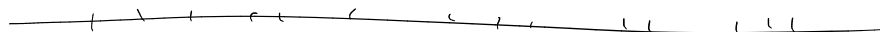
$P_G^{\delta_x}$  does not depend on  $x$

$o \in \Gamma$  it

$$P_G := P_G^{\delta_o}$$

Plancherel measure

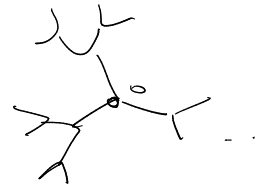
# Examples of spectral measures of Cayley graphs

$\mathbb{Z}$    $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}, \pm 1)$  bi-infinite path

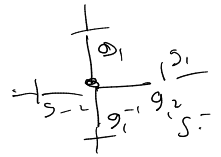
$$d\mu_{\mathbb{Z}}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-\lambda^2}} \mathbb{1}_{|\lambda| \leq 2} d\lambda \quad \text{arcsine law}$$

Eudclidean lattice  $\mu_{\mathbb{Z}^d} = \underbrace{\mu_{\mathbb{Z}} * \dots * \mu_{\mathbb{Z}}}_d$  usual convolution

$\mathbb{T}_d =$  infinite  $d$ -regular tree



$d=2q$  Cayley graph of  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with its natural set of generators.



$\mathbb{F}_2 \Rightarrow \mathbb{T}_4$  |  $g_1, g_2, g_1^{-1}, g_2^{-1}$

$\mathbb{T}_d =$  Cayley graph of  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \dots * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  with its natural free generators.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d\mu_{\mathbb{T}_d} = \frac{d}{2\pi} \frac{\sqrt{4(d-1)-x^2}}{d^2-x^2} \mathbb{1}_{|x| \leq 2\sqrt{d-1}} dx \quad \text{Kesten's formula}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi &= \frac{1}{2} \delta_1 + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{-1} &= \pi \boxplus \dots \boxplus \pi & \text{Rog. Not } \mu_{\mathbb{Z}} = \pi \boxplus \pi \text{ arcsine law.} \\ &= \mu_{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{aligned}$$

# Lamp-lighter group

Grigorduk - Zuk (95)

Lehner - Neuhauser - Woess

give examples of - Plancherel measure  $\mu_G$  which is purely atomic

+  $\mu_G(\{e\})$  any number in  $(0,1)$

disprove a conjecture of Anisot

Austin - Lehner/Woess

$\Gamma$  = finitely generated group "Walk space"

$L = (\mathbb{Z}^n, +)$  "loop space"

$\Lambda = L \wr \Gamma$  lamp-lighter group. on  $\mathbb{H}_e$  at  $L \times \Gamma$

$(\eta, x) \in \Lambda$

$\eta \in L^\Gamma$

configuration  $\eta: \Gamma \rightarrow \Lambda$

$x \in \Gamma$

position of the lamp-lighter

$\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}^n$

$e = \text{unit of } \Gamma$



$$(\eta, x) \cdot (\eta', x') = (\eta + \Theta_x \eta', x \cdot x')$$

$E = (\underline{0}, e)$  unit of  $\Lambda$

$$(\Theta_x \eta)(y) = \eta(x^{-1}y)$$

$\Theta_x \eta$  shifts the configuration  $\eta$  by  $x$

$W_x = (\underline{0}, x)$

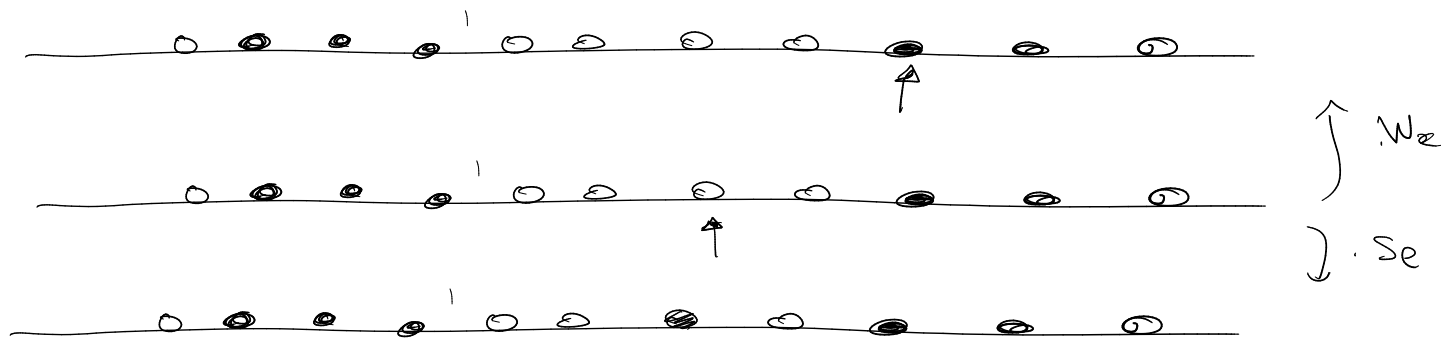
$x \in \Gamma$

$$S_e = (\ell \delta_e, e)$$

where  $\delta_0(y) = 1(y=e)$

$$(\eta, x) W_y = (\eta, xy)$$

$$(\eta, x) \cdot S_e = (\eta + \ell \delta_x, x)$$



Exercise Let  $(S_e, W_z), e \in L$  and  $x \in \underline{D}$  generates  $\Lambda$

$D =$  generating set of  $T$  finite symmetric

$S_W = \{ S_e \cdot W_z, e \in L, z \in \underline{D} \}$  is also a generating set of  $\Lambda$

$W_S = \{ W_z \cdot S_e, \dots \}$

$S_W S = \{ S_e W_z S_{e'}, e, e' \in L, z \in \underline{D} \}$

"  $\mu_{WS} = \mu_{Coy(\Lambda, WS)}$

$G = Coy(T, D)$

Theorem

(LNW)  $p = 1/n$   $perc(G, p)$  site percolation on  $T$  with parameter  $p$

$$\mu_{SW}(1/n) = \mu_{WS}(1/n) = \mu_{SWS}(1/n) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \mu_{perc(G, p)}^{\delta_e} \right]$$

$\nu(1/n)$  is the push-forward of  $\mu$  by the map  $x \rightarrow x/4$

proof

$$\nu = \mu_{WS}(1/n) \quad \mu = \mathbb{E} \left[ \mu_{perc(G, p)}^{\delta_0} \right]$$

it is enough to prove that  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  have the same moments.

$$W_k = \text{set of closed walks of length } k \text{ from } e \text{ to } e \text{ in } \text{Cay}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}) = G$$

$$= \text{set of } \gamma = (\gamma_0, \dots, \gamma_k) \in \Gamma^{k+1} \quad \{\gamma_t, \gamma_{t+1}\} \in E(G), \quad t=0, \dots, k-1$$

The range of  $\gamma$  is the set  $V(\gamma) = \{\gamma_t : t=0, \dots, k\}$

$$\int \lambda^k d\mu_{\text{rec}'(G, P)}^{\text{Se}}(\lambda) = \sum_{\gamma \in W_k} \prod_{t=0}^k \mathbb{1}(\gamma_t \text{ is open}).$$

$$\mathbb{E} \int \lambda^k d\mu_{\text{rec}'(G, P)}^{\text{Se}} = \int d^k \mu(\lambda) = \sum_{\gamma \in W_k} P^{-|V(\gamma)|} = \sum_{\gamma \in W_k} n^{-|V(\gamma)|}.$$

Let  $d = |D|$ . A adjacency operator of  $\text{Cay}(\Lambda, WS)$   $P = \frac{A}{d\mathbb{1}}$  is the corresponding transition kernel of the SRW on  $\text{Cay}(\Lambda, WS)$ .

$$\nu = \mu_{WS}(\cdot/n) \quad \int \lambda^k d\nu = d^k \mathbb{P}_{\varepsilon}^{\text{Se}}(S_k = \varepsilon) \quad S_0 = \varepsilon, S_1, \dots, S_k \text{ SRW}$$

$S_t = (\eta_t, \gamma_t)$   $\eta_t = \text{configuration of lamps}$   
 $\gamma_t = \text{position of the spotlight.}$

$$S_t = X_1, \dots, X_t = (\eta_t, \gamma_t)$$

$(X_t)$  iid  $X_t = W_{\eta_t} \cdot S_{\eta_t}$  with  $\eta_t$  uniform on  $D$   
 $\gamma_t$  uniform on  $L$

$\gamma = (\gamma_0, \dots, \gamma_k)$  is a SRW on  $G$  independent of  $S_{\eta_t}$ 's.

$$\eta_t(\gamma) = \begin{cases} \eta_{t+1}(\gamma) & \text{if } \gamma \neq \gamma_t \\ \eta_{t+1}(\gamma) + \ell_t & \text{if } \gamma = \gamma_t \end{cases}$$

It follows

$$S_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}$$

if  $\delta_k = e$  and

$$\forall x \in V(\mathcal{G})$$

at the last passage time of  $x$ , we have

$$h_{t_{x-1}}(x) + \ell_{t_x} = 0.$$

This agrees with prob  $\frac{1}{n} = p$  independently of the rest

$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}(S_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}) = \frac{1}{d^{\mathbb{Z}}} \sum_{\gamma \in W_{\mathbb{Z}}} P^{|\gamma(\mathbb{Z})|}$$

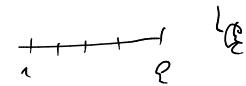
Hence

$$= \frac{1}{d^{\mathbb{Z}}} \int \lambda^{\mathbb{Z}} \mu(\lambda)$$

Casimir Casimir's trick

$$\Gamma = \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{and} \quad n=2 \quad L = \mathbb{Z}/2 \quad p = 1/2$$

$$\mu_{WS}(1/2) = \sum_k p^k (1-p) \mu_{L_k}$$



it is purely atomic!

$$\mu_{L_k} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \delta_{\cos(\frac{2\pi k}{n})}$$

$G = \mathbb{T}_d$  and  $n=2$   $\mu_{WS}(3/4)$  has an explicit form.

quasi-transitive graphs

closed Cayley groups.

$$G = \langle \Gamma, S \rangle$$

$$e_g \in \pi_{\Gamma}(m)$$

$$A_G = \sum_{g \in S} \lambda(g)$$

$$A = \sum_{g \in S} e_g \otimes \lambda(g) \in \mathcal{B}(C^r \otimes \ell^2(V)).$$

is the adjacency of a quasi-transitive graph on  $V$ .

$$V = \Gamma \times \{1, \dots, r\}.$$

# Spectral measure of unimodular graphs

## Benjamini-Schramm topology:

Def  $(G, o)$  rooted graph :  $G$ : connected graph,  $o \in V(G)$  root  
 $t \in \mathbb{N}$   $(G, o)_t$  rooted graph spanned by vertices at distance  $\leq t$  from  $o$ .

$(G_1, o_1)$  and  $(G_2, o_2)$  are isomorphic if  $\phi: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$  bijection  
 $\phi(G_1) = G_2$   $\phi(o_1) = o_2$ .

$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_\bullet$  = set of eq. classes of locally finite rooted graphs.  
unlabeled locally

$V$  countable  $\mathcal{G}_\bullet(V, o) =$  set of locally finite rooted graphs with vertex set  $V$  and root  $o$ .

Rq there is a canonical way to label the vertices of an unlabeled graph

if  $g, g'$  are in  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_\bullet$   $d_{loc}(g, g') = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} 2^{-t} \mathbb{1}(g_t \neq g'_t)$   
" "  $(G, o)$   $\mathcal{G}_\bullet(V, o)$

Lemma

$(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_\bullet, d_{loc})$  separable complete metric space  
 $(\mathcal{G}_\bullet(V, o), d_{loc})$

$\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0)$  probe measures on  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0$  equipped with the weak topology

$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{G}_0(v, \omega))$

$\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}_n \in \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0)$

$$\mathcal{P}_n \xrightarrow{w} \mathcal{P}$$

if and only if

$$\forall t \geq 0, g \in \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_n(g_t) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(g_t)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_n(g_t) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{P}_n} [\mathbb{1}((G, \omega)_t = g_t)]$$

For a finite graph

$$G = (V, E)$$

$$v \in V$$

$$G(v)$$

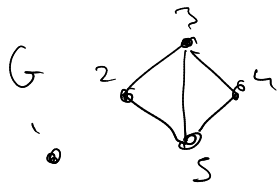
$G$  restricted to the connected component of  $v$

$$g(v) = \text{eq. class of } (G(v), v)$$

$$\in \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0$$

$U(G) =$  Law of  $g(G)$  with  $\omega$  uniform on  $V$

$$= \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{v \in V} \delta_{g(v)} \in \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0)$$



Def

$$g(1) = \text{circle with a dot}$$

$$g(2) = g(4) = \text{diamond with a dot at the top}$$



$$g(3) = g(5) = \text{diamond with a dot at the bottom}$$

a sequence of finite graphs  $(G_n)$

converges in the Benjamini-Schramm sense to  $\mathcal{P} \in \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_0)$  if

$$U(G_n) \xrightarrow{w} \mathcal{P}$$

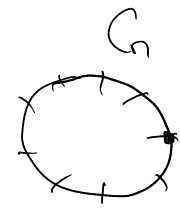


In other words  $G_n \xrightarrow{BS} P$  if for any  $t \geq 0$  and  $g \in \tilde{S}_0$ .

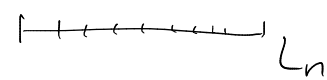
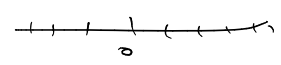
$$\frac{1}{|V(G_n)|} \sum_{u \in V(G_n)} \mathbb{1}((G_n(u, \cdot))_t \cong g_t) \rightarrow P_g((G_{\infty,0})_+ = g_+).$$

By extension if  $P \in \mathcal{P}(S_0(V))$  we say that  $G_n \xrightarrow{BS} P$   
 if  $G_n$  converges to  $\tilde{P}$  where  $\tilde{P} \in \mathcal{P}(\tilde{S}_0) \dots$

Examples



$$G_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{BS} S_{(\mathbb{Z}, 0)}$$



$$L_n \xrightarrow{BS} S_{(\mathbb{Z}, 0)}$$



$$\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} S_{(\mathbb{Z}, 0)}$$

$G_n$   $d$ -regular graph on  $n$  vertices and  $\gamma_n \rightarrow \infty$  girth = length of the shortest cycle



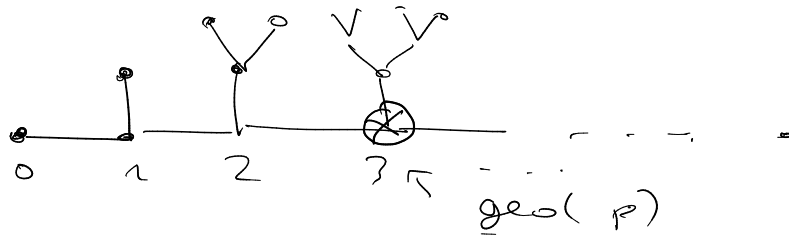
$$(G_n(x, x))_t \cong (\Pi_d, 0)_t \text{ if } t \leq \gamma_n.$$

$$U(G_n) \rightarrow S_{(\Pi_d, 0)}$$



$$G_n = (\Pi_d)_n \quad d \geq 3$$

$U(G_n) \rightarrow$  Cayley tree = random rooted tree



$P$  well-defined.

+  $G_n = ER$  random graph  $G(n, \frac{d}{n})$

$V = \{1, \dots, n\}$  each edge is present  $\uparrow$  with probability  $\frac{d}{n} < 1$

a.s.  $U(G_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} GW(P_{Si}(d))$



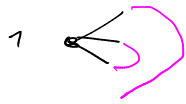
+ More generally  $d^n = (d_1^n, \dots, d_n^n)$

a sequence of degrees

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \xrightarrow{w} P.$$

such that  $\sum d_i$  is even and  $\sup_n \sum d_i^2 < \infty$

configuration model



$d_1$



$d_2$



$d_n$

uniformly styled pairing / matching of the half-edges.

$G_n = CM((d_1, \dots, d_n))$  random multi-graph

where  $\deg(x) = d_x \quad \forall x \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

a.s.  $U(G_n) \rightarrow UGW(P)$



unimodular Galton-Watson tree with degree distribution  $P$ :

$$\widehat{P}(k) = \frac{(k+1)P(k+1)}{\sum l P(l)}$$

Note that  $\widehat{P}(k) = \text{Poi}$

see paragraph by Ramo van der Hofstad.

### Unimodularity

Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{\bullet\bullet}$  be the set of unlabeled doubly rooted graphs  $(G, x, y)$

$(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{\bullet\bullet}, d_{\text{ex}})$  is also a complete separable metric space

### Def

$\mu \in \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{\bullet\bullet})$  is unimodular if for all non-negative measurable functions  $f: \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{\bullet\bullet} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$

Albers-Lyons

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu} \sum_{v \in V} f(G, o, v) = \mathbb{E}_{\mu} \sum_{v \in V} f(G, v, o)$$

"Mass Transport Principle"

$f(G, x, y) = \text{mass sent from } x \text{ to } y$

### Lemma

If  $G$  is finite then  $\mathcal{U}(G)$  is unimodular

proof

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{U}(G)} \sum_{v \in V} f(G, o, v) = \frac{1}{|V_G|} \sum_{u \in V_G} \sum_{\sigma \in V_G} f(G(u), u, \sigma)$$

$$v \in V_G(u) \Leftrightarrow u \in V_G(v)$$

$$= \frac{1}{|V_G|} \sum_{v \in V_G} \sum_{u \in V_G(v)} f(G(v), u, v)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{u \in V} \sum_{u \in V} f(G, u, v)$$

Def  $P \in \mathcal{P}(\vec{\mathcal{G}}_*)$  is satic if there exists a finite sequence of graphs such  $U(G_n) \rightarrow P$ .

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{satic}}(\vec{\mathcal{G}}_*) = \overline{\{U(G) : G \text{ finite}\}}$$

Lemma:  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{uni}}(\vec{\mathcal{G}}_*)$  the set of unimodular measures is closed for the weak topology. In particular  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{satic}}(\vec{\mathcal{G}}_*) \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{\text{uni}}(\vec{\mathcal{G}}_*)$ .

The converse is open!

