

Classifying Stein's groups

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Def (Stein's group)

$\Lambda \subset (0, \infty)$ countable, multiplicative subgroup

$\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}$ countable, $\mathbb{Z}[\Lambda]$ -module, dense

$\ell \in \Gamma$, positive

$$V(\Lambda, \Gamma, \ell) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{right conti. bijections on } [0, \ell), \\ \text{piecewise linear, slopes } \in \Lambda \\ \text{singular points } \in \Gamma \end{array} \right\}$$

For positive $\lambda \neq 1$,

set $V_\lambda := V(\langle \lambda \rangle, \mathbb{Z}[\lambda, \lambda^{-1}], 1)$.

Example

(1) $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$, V_n is the Higman-Thompson group.

$$V_n \cong V_m \Leftrightarrow n = m$$

Brown '87 V_n is of type F_∞

(2) Stein '92 the same for $V(\langle n_1, \dots, n_k \rangle, \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{n_1, \dots, n_k}], \ell)$.
↳ integers

(3) Cleary '95, '00 the same for V_λ
when $\lambda = \sqrt{2} + 1, \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$

Thm. B (M)

↙ dim of $\Gamma_i \otimes \mathbb{Q}$

$i=1,2$ Λ_i is f.g. $\text{rank } \Gamma_i \geq 2$

T.F.A.E.

$$(1) \quad V(\Lambda_1, \Gamma_1, l_1) \cong V(\Lambda_2, \Gamma_2, l_2)$$

$$(2) \quad \Lambda_1 = \Lambda_2, \quad ,$$

$$\exists s > 0 \quad \Gamma_1 = s\Gamma_2, \quad l_1 - sl_2 \text{ is zero in } H_0(\Lambda_1, \Gamma_1)$$

Rem (2) $\Rightarrow$ (1) is obvious

$$\mathbb{R}_\Gamma := \text{spectrum of } C^*(\{1_{[t,s)} \mid t, s \in \Gamma, t < s\})$$

$$\mathbb{R}_\Gamma = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \Gamma) \sqcup \{t_-, t_+ \mid t \in \Gamma\}$$

Def (Stein groupoid)

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}(\Lambda, \Gamma) := \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \rtimes \Gamma \rtimes \Lambda$$

$\uparrow$ translation $\uparrow$ multiplication

$V(\Lambda, \Gamma, l)$ is isomorphic to the topological full group of $\mathcal{S}(\Lambda, \Gamma) \mid [0_+, l_-]$

Thm (Rubin, M)

$i=1,2$ $\mathcal{G}_i$; minimal ample groupoids
with $\mathcal{G}_i^{(0)}$ compact

$$[\mathcal{G}_1] \cong [\mathcal{G}_2] \iff \mathcal{G}_1 \cong \mathcal{G}_2$$

Goal Classify the Stein groupoids $\mathcal{S}$

Homology groups $H_*(\mathcal{S})$

For $\lambda \neq 1$, $\mathcal{S}_\lambda := \mathcal{S}(\langle \lambda \rangle, \mathbb{Z}[\lambda, \lambda^{-1}])$

$$\lambda = n \in \mathbb{N} \quad H_*(\mathcal{S}_n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/(n-1)\mathbb{Z} & * = 0 \\ 0 & * \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{2} + 1 \quad \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 1 = 0 \quad H_*(\mathcal{S}_\lambda) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & * = 0, 1 \\ 0 & * \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \quad \lambda^2 - \lambda - 1 = 0 \quad H_*(\mathcal{S}_\lambda) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & * = 1 \\ 0 & * = 0, \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{n} \quad (n \neq \text{square}) \quad \lambda^2 - n = 0 \quad H_*(\mathcal{S}_\lambda) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/(n-1)\mathbb{Z} & * = 0 \\ \mathbb{Z}/(n+1)\mathbb{Z} & * = 1 \\ 0 & * \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda : \text{transcendental} \quad H_*(\mathcal{S}_\lambda) = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{Z} \quad \forall *$$

$\exists$ canonical homomorphism

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \rtimes \Gamma \rtimes \Lambda \rightarrow \Gamma \rtimes \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$$

Lem

$\downarrow$ isotropy group $r^i(x) \cap s^i(x)$

(1) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \quad \mathcal{S}_x \rightarrow \Lambda$ is injective

(2) $\forall t \in \Gamma \quad \mathcal{S}_{t\pm} \rightarrow \Lambda$ is isomorphism

Proof

(1) $(x, t, \lambda) \in \text{Ker} \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$

$(x, t, 1) \in \mathcal{S}_x \Rightarrow t = 0$

(2) $\forall \lambda \in \Lambda \quad (t_\pm, (1-\lambda)t, \lambda) \in \mathcal{S}_{t\pm}$

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□

From now on,

we always assume $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^N$ and $\text{rank } \Gamma \geq 2$.

Def

X ; totally disconnected, locally cpt, Hausdorff

$G \curvearrowright X$

$X \rtimes G$ is H^1 -rigid if $X \rtimes G \rightarrow G$ induces isomorphism $H^1(G) \cong H^1(X \rtimes G)$

Prop $\mathcal{S} = \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \rtimes (\Gamma \rtimes \Lambda)$ is H^1 -rigid.

$$\mathcal{H} := \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \rtimes \Gamma$$

Let (Γ_n) be an increasing seq. of f.g. subgrps of Γ such that $\Gamma = \bigcup \Gamma_n$.

$$\mathcal{H}_n := \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \rtimes \Gamma_n$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigcup \mathcal{H}_n$$

Lem

(1) $\text{rank } \Gamma_n \geq 3 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_n \text{ is } H^1\text{-rigid}$

(2) $\text{rank } \Gamma_n = 2$

$$\Rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{H}_n) = H^1(\Gamma_n) \oplus \text{Ker}\left(\bigoplus_{\Gamma/\Gamma_n} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\right)$$

Proof

Suppose $\Gamma_n \cong \mathbb{Z}^k$.

$$F := \mathbb{Z} \text{ span of } 1_{[t_+, \infty)} \quad \forall t \in \Gamma$$

$$0 \rightarrow C_c(\Gamma_n, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow F \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact seq. of $\mathbb{Z}\Gamma_n$ -modules.

Since F is free,

$$H_*(\Gamma_n, F) = \begin{cases} \bigoplus_{\Gamma/\Gamma_n} \mathbb{Z} & * = 0 \\ 0 & * \geq 1 \end{cases}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & H_*(\Gamma_n, C_c(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{Z})) \\ &= \begin{cases} H_1(\Gamma_n) \oplus \ker\left(\bigoplus_{\Gamma/\Gamma_n} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\right) & * = 0 \\ H_{*+1}(\Gamma_n) & * \geq 1 \end{cases}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} H^1(\mathbb{H}_n) &= H^1(\mathbb{H}_n|_{[0, t-]}) \quad \text{some } t \in \Gamma_n \\ &= H^1(\Gamma_n, C_c(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Z})) \\ &= H_{k-2}(\Gamma_n, C_c(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Z})). \end{aligned}$$

When $k \geq 3$,

★ Poincaré duality

$$H^1(\mathbb{H}_n) = H_{k-1}(\Gamma_n) \stackrel{\star}{=} H^1(\Gamma_n).$$

The case $k=2$ is done similarly.

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Lem $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \rtimes \Gamma$ is H^1 -rigid.

Proof

- $\mathcal{H} = \bigcup_n \mathcal{H}_n$, $\mathcal{H}_n$ is H^1 -rigid when $\text{rank } \Gamma \geq 3$.
- $\Gamma_n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}_\Gamma$ is minimal ($\because \text{rank } \Gamma_n \geq 2$).
- extra effort when $\text{rank} = 2$.

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Proof of Prop.

Cohomology long exact seq. implies:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \rightarrow & H^1(\Gamma \rtimes_\lambda \mathbb{Z}) & \rightarrow & H^1(\Gamma) \xrightarrow{\text{id}-H^1(\lambda)} H^1(\Gamma) \\
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow H^1(\pi') & & H^1(\pi) \downarrow \cong \\
 0 & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \rightarrow & H^1(\mathcal{H} \rtimes_\lambda \mathbb{Z}) & \rightarrow & H^1(\mathcal{H}) \xrightarrow{\text{id}-H^1(\lambda)} H^1(\mathcal{H})
 \end{array}$$

Hence $H^1(\pi')$ is also isomorphism.

As $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^N$, we can repeat this argument.

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Remark

$H^1(\mathcal{G}) \cong H^1(\Gamma \rtimes \Lambda) = \text{Hom}(\Gamma \rtimes \Lambda, \mathbb{Z})$ is

isomorphic to $H^1(\Lambda)$ and $H^1(\Gamma)^\Lambda$.

$\cong \mathbb{Z}^N$

may be non-trivial

Lem

Suppose a homo. $\xi: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^N$ satisfies:

- (1) $\ker \xi$ admits a unique inv. measure ν up to scalar multiplication
- (2) The essential range of ξ is $\mathbb{Z}^N$

Then $R(\mathcal{S}, \nu) = \Lambda$.

$$\text{ratio set} := \left\{ \lambda \in (0, \infty) \mid \exists g \in \mathcal{S} \quad g_* \nu = \lambda \nu \right\}$$

Proof

By Prop. $\exists \zeta \in \text{Hom}(\Gamma \rtimes \Lambda, \mathbb{Z}^N)$ s.t.

ξ is cohomologous to $\xi \circ \pi$. $\pi: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \Gamma \rtimes \Lambda$

By (2), ξ is surjective.

By (1), ξ factors through Λ and $\xi|_{\Lambda}$ is injective.

Let $w: \mathbb{Z}^N \rightarrow \Lambda$ be the inverse of $\xi|_{\Lambda}$.

$$\exists f \in C(\mathbb{R}_\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}^N) \quad \xi = \xi \circ \pi + (f \circ r - f \circ s)$$

When μ is an $\mathbb{H}$ -inv. measure on $\mathbb{R}_\Gamma$,

$$d\nu(x) := w(f(x))^{-1} d\mu(x)$$

gives a $\ker \xi$ -invariant measure.

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Thm. A (M)

f.g. rank ≥ 2

$$i=1,2 \quad \mathcal{S}_i = \mathcal{S}(\Gamma_i, \Lambda_i)$$

T.F.A.E.

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{S}_1 \cong \mathcal{S}_2$$

$$(2) \quad \Lambda_1 = \Lambda_2, \quad \exists s > 0 \quad \Gamma_1 = s \Gamma_2$$

Proof

Let $\Phi: \mathcal{S}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_2$ be an iso.

May assume $\Lambda_1 \cong \Lambda_2 \cong \mathbb{Z}^N$.

Let $\xi: \mathcal{S}_1 \rightarrow \Gamma_1 \rtimes \Lambda_1 \rightarrow \Lambda_1 \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}^N$.

Apply the lemma to $\xi \circ \Phi^{-1}$.

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Thm B follows from Thm A.