

WITTEN HELLFER SJÖSTRAND THEORY

1. DeRham Hodge Theorem

2. WHS-Theorem

3. Mathematics behind WHS-Theorem

4. WHS-Theorem in the presence of

symmetry

Notations

M closed smooth manifold,

$(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_V)$ euclidean space

$\rho : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow O(V)$ orth. representation

g a Riemannian metric and ρ

$\Rightarrow (\Omega^*(M, \rho), \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_g)$

$\rho \Rightarrow d_\rho : \Omega^*(M, \rho) \rightarrow \Omega^{*+1}(M, \rho)$

$\rho, g \Rightarrow d_\rho^\sharp : \Omega^{*+1}(M, \rho) \rightarrow \Omega^*(M, \rho)$

and $\Delta^q : \Omega^q(M, \rho) \rightarrow \Omega^q(M, \rho)$,

$\Delta = d_\rho \cdot d_\rho^\sharp + d_\rho^\sharp \cdot d_\rho$

$\mathcal{H}^q := \{\omega \mid \Delta^q \omega = 0\}$

τ smooth triangulation

$\tau \Rightarrow (C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho)$ f.d. cochain complex

$\Rightarrow H_\tau^q(M, \rho)$

ρ and $\tau \Rightarrow (C^*(\tau, \rho), \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_\tau)$.

Theorem (deRham- Hodge).

g and τ induce an orthogonal decompositions

$$\Omega^q(M, \rho) = \mathcal{H}^q \oplus \Omega'^q(M, \rho), \quad \mathcal{H}^q \text{ f.d. vect. space}$$

$$(\Omega'^q(M, \rho) = d(\Omega^{q-1}(M, \rho)) \oplus d^\sharp(\Omega^{q-1}(M, \rho)))$$

and an isomorphism

$$J^q : H_\tau^q(M, \rho) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^q \subset \Omega^q(M, \rho)$$

Theorem (Witten Hellfer-Sjöstrand).

g and τ induce (for $t \in \mathbb{R}_+, t \gg 0$.) a decomposition

$$(\Omega^*(M, \rho), d_\rho(t)) = (\Omega_0^*(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t)) \oplus (\Omega_1^*(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t))$$

with $(\Omega_0^*(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t))$ is a f.d. cochain complex,

and an isomorphism

$$J^q(t) : C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho \rightarrow (\Omega_0^*(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t))$$

so that, for $S^q(t) = (\pi/t)^{(n-2q)/4} e^{-tq} \cdot Id$, the composition

$$(C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho(t)) \rightarrow (C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho) \rightarrow (\Omega_0^*(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t))$$

is an $O(1/t)$ - isometry.

Both the decomposition and $J^*(t)$ are canonical.

TRIANGULATIONS

τ smooth triangulation

σ open simplex

x_σ baricenter of σ

$\mathcal{X}_q := \{\sigma \mid \dim(\sigma) = q\}$

pair $(g, h : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$

$X = -grad_g h$

$W_x^\pm = \{y \in M \mid \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \gamma_y(t) = x\}$ for $x \in Cr(h)$.

Observation

Any smooth triangulation τ is given by a pair (g, h) .

Theorem 1(Pozniak).

Given the Riemannian metric g and the smooth

triangulation τ there exists $h : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a self

indexing Morse function so that :

a) $Cr(h)_q = \{x_\sigma \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{X}_q\}$, and $h(x_\sigma) = \dim(\sigma)$

b) $x, y \in Cr(h) \Rightarrow W_x^- \cap W_y^+$

c) $W_{x_\sigma}^- = \sigma$

Generalized triangulation $\tau = (g, h)$

- a) $h : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a selfindexing Morse function
- b) $x, y \in Cr(h) \Rightarrow W_x^- \cap W_y^+$.
- c) g is flat in the neighborhood of the critical points

The definition is justified because of the following

Theorem 2 (Morse theory).

If $\tau = (g, h)$ is a generalized triangulation, then:

- 1) $M = \cup_{x \in Cr(h)} W_x^-$
- 2) W_x^- are submanifolds diffeomorphic to $\mathbb{R}^{index(x)}$
(i.e. open cells) which have canonical compactification
to compact smooth manifolds with corners \hat{W}_x^- .
- 3) The inclusion $i_x : W_x^- \rightarrow M$ has a smooth extension
 $\hat{i}_x : \hat{W}_x^- \rightarrow M$, with $\hat{i}_x(\partial\hat{W}_x^-)$ a union of (open cells)
 W_y^- 's.

WITTEN DEFORMATION

Let $(M, \rho, \tau), \tau = (g, h)$

$$(\Omega^*(M, \rho), d_\rho(t)), d_\rho(t) := e^{-th} \cdot d \cdot e^{th}$$

$$E^* := e^{th} \cdot Id : (\Omega^*(M, \rho), d_\rho(t)) \rightarrow (\Omega^*(M, \rho), d_\rho)$$

ρ, g induce the **Witten Laplacians** $\Delta^q(t)$

$$\Delta^q(t) := d(t) \cdot d^\sharp(t) + d^\sharp(t) \cdot d(t)$$

$$\Delta^q(t) = \Delta^q + t(L_X + L_X^\sharp) + t^2 \|\text{grad}_g h\|^2 Id$$

Theorem 3 (Witten).

There exists positive constants C_1, C_2, C_3, T so that:

- 1) $\text{Spec} \Delta^q(t) \subset [0, C_1 e^{-C_2 t}] \cup [C_3 t, \infty), t > T$
- 2) $\sharp(\text{Spect} \Delta^q(t) \cap [0, C_1 e^{-C_2 t}]) = \sharp(Cr_q(h)) \cdot \dim V$

Observation:

For $t \gg 0$ Theorem 3 implies that $(\Omega(M, \rho), d_\rho(t)) =$

$$(\Omega^*(M, \rho)_{sm}(t), d_\rho(t)) \oplus (\Omega(M, \rho)_{la}(t), d_\rho(t))$$

$$(\Omega^*(M, \rho)_{sm}(t), d_\rho(t)) \subset (\Omega^*(M, \rho), d_\rho(t)) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow (C^*(\tau, \rho)\partial_\rho) \rightarrow (C^*(\tau, \rho)\partial_\rho)$$

Theorem 4(Helffer- Sjöstrand).

1) For t large enough, $S^*(t) \cdot Int^* \cdot E^*(t)$ restricted to $(\Omega(M, \rho)_{sm}(t), d_\rho(t))$ is an isomorphism of f.d. cochain complexes.

2) $R^*(t) := (S^*(t) \cdot Int^* \cdot E^*(t))^{-1}$ is an

$O(1/t)$ -isometry.

3) If $\tau_1 = (g, h_1)$ and $\tau_2 = (g, h_2)$ are two generalized triangulations with the same critical points and the same unstable sets then $\|R_1^*(t) - R_2^*(t)\| = O(1/t)$.

MATHEMATICS

Gap in the spectrum of $\Delta^q(t) : \Omega^*(M, \rho)_{L^2} \rightarrow \Omega^*(M, \rho)_{L^2}$

Lemma.

Suppose $A : H \rightarrow H$ is a selfadjoint positive operator

(not necessary bounded), $W_i \subset H$, $i = 1, 2$ closed

subspaces and $C_1 < C_2$ two positive constants so that:

$$i) W_1 \cap W_2 = 0, \text{ and } W_1 \oplus W_2 = H,$$

$$ii) \langle A(x), x \rangle \leq C_1 \|x\|^2, x \in W_1 \text{ and}$$

$$iii) \langle A(x), x \rangle \geq C_2 \|x\|^2, x \in W_2.$$

Then, $\text{Spec} A \cap (C_1, C_2) = \emptyset$.

Construct W_1 and W_2

Harmonic Oscillator=

the operator $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \alpha x^2 + \beta$, $\alpha > 0$ on $L_2(\mathbb{R})$

Consider (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0, h_k) with

$$h_k(x_1 \cdots x_n) = k - 1/2(\sum_{i=1}^k x_i^2) + 1/2(\sum_{i=k+1}^n x_i^2)$$

$$\Delta_k^q(t) : \Omega_{L^2}^q(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \Omega_{L^2}^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

the Witten Laplacians associated with h_k

Proposition (Harmonic oscillator).

1) $\text{Spec}\Delta_k^q(t) \subset 2t\mathbb{Z}$

2) $\ker \Delta_k^q(t) = 0$ iff $k \neq q$

3) $\ker \Delta_q^q(t) = \{\omega_q\}$ with

$$\omega_q = (t/\pi)^{n/4} e^{-t\|x\|^2} dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_q$$

4)....Estimates about ω_q multiplied but cutoff (away from zero) functions.

G-symmetry

G -compact Lie group

ξ irreducible representation of G .

$\mu : G \times M \rightarrow M$, G -manifold

(compatible with ρ)

g invariant Riemannian metric

τ is a G -smooth triangulation

with G -simplexes σ 's,

$\sigma : G/H_\sigma \times \Delta(k(\sigma)) \rightarrow M$, G equivariant

$(C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho)$ is defined by:

$$C^*(\tau, \rho) = \sum_{\sigma} (\Omega^{*+k(\sigma)}(G/H))$$

$$\partial_\rho = \partial'_\rho + \partial''_\rho$$

∂'_ρ given by exterior differential in $\Omega^*(G/H)$

∂''_ρ given by ρ and the incidence of cells

$\Omega^*(M, \rho, d)$ and $(C^*(\tau, \rho))$ are

G -cochain complexes

$$Int^* : (\Omega^*(M, \rho), d) \rightarrow (C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho)$$

decomposes as $\bigoplus_\xi Int_\xi$ with

$$Int_\xi : (\Omega_\xi^*(M, \rho), d_{\rho, \xi}) \rightarrow (C_\xi^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_{\rho, \xi})$$

$(C^*(\tau, \rho)_\xi, \partial_{\rho, \xi})$ is f.d.

WHS Theorem holds for Int_ξ .

There are only finitely many G -simplexes σ .

The representation ξ and the subgroups H'_σ s

provide a finite collection of explicitly computable

real numbers say $\lambda_1^\xi, \lambda_2^\xi, \dots, \lambda_N^\xi$

Theorem 3'.

There exists positive constants $C_1(\xi), C_2(\xi), C_3(\xi), T(\xi)$

so that:

$$1) \text{Spec}\Delta^q(t) \subset \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq N} [\lambda_i - C_1 e^{-C_2 t}, \lambda_i + C_1 e^{-C_2 t}] \\ \cup [C_3 t, \infty) \text{ if } t > T(\xi)$$

$$2) \#(\text{Spect}\Delta^q(t) \cap [\lambda_i - C_1 e^{-C_2 t}, \lambda_i + C_1 e^{-C_2 t}])$$

can be specified in terms of the number of G simplexes
in each dimension

What WHS-Theorem was good for?

Prove equality of invariants defined combinatorially

(i.e. using a smooth (generalized) triangulation and

analytically (i.e. using a Riemannian metric)

Theorem Witten Helffer-Sjöstrand (reformulation).

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$$(\Omega^q(M, \rho), d_\rho(t)) = (\Omega_{sm}^q(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t)) \oplus (\Omega_{la}^q(M, \rho), d_\rho(t))$$

and an isomorphism

$$R^*(t) \cdot S^*(t) : (C^*(\tau, \rho), \partial_\rho) \rightarrow (\Omega_{sm}^q(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t)) \subset (\Omega^q(M, \rho)(t), d_\rho(t))$$