

## Definition of $G$ -Signature

1.  $A$  is a finitely generated free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of dimension  $n$ .
2.  $G = \mathbb{Z}_m$ ,  $m \geq 2$ , acts on  $A$  as a group of isomorphisms.
3.  $\Phi : A \otimes A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  a symmetric or skew-symmetric, unimodular,  $G$ -invariant, bilinear form.
4.  $V = \mathbb{C} \otimes A$ .  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  a Hermitian  $G$ -invariant inner product on  $V$ .

$$g(\alpha \otimes x) = \alpha \otimes g \cdot x$$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{C}}(\alpha \otimes x, \beta \otimes y) = \alpha \Phi(x, y) \bar{\beta}$$

5. Let  $g$  be a generator of  $G$ .  $\theta_g : V \rightarrow V$ ,  $g \rightarrow g \cdot x$ .  $\theta_g^m = 1$ . Eigenvalues of  $\theta_g$  are powers of  $\lambda = e^{2\pi i/m}$ . Let  $V_j$  be the eigenspace of  $\lambda^j$ .
6.  $V = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{m-1} V_j$ , since minimal polynomial of  $\theta_g$  has roots of multiplicity 1.
7. Define  $L : V \rightarrow V$  by  $\langle Lu, v \rangle = \Phi_{\mathbb{C}}(u \otimes v)$ .
8. If  $\Phi$  is symmetric,  $LV_j \subset V_j$ ,  $L$  is self-adjoint (and hence normal), and  $L$  has only real eigenvalues.
9. If  $\Phi$  is skew-symmetric,  $LV_j \subset V_j$ ,  $-iL$  is skew-adjoint (and hence normal) and  $-iL$  has only real eigenvalues.

10. By the Spectral Theorem,  $V_j$  is the direct sum of eigenspaces of  $L$  (or  $-iL$ ).  $\ker(L) = 0$ , since  $\Phi$  is unimodular.  $V_j^+$  is the subspace corresponding to positive eigenvalues of  $L$  (or  $-iL$ ,  $V_j^-$  is subspace corresponding to negative eigenvalues of  $L$  (or  $-iL$ ).

11. The  $g$ -signature is defined to be:

$$\sigma(g, A, \Phi) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(V_j^+) - \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(V_j^-)) \lambda^j$$

Example: Let  $M = S^1 \times S^1$ ,  $A = H_1(M; \mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $\Phi$  be the intersection number. The mapping class group of the torus, modulo isotopies is  $GL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $g$  be represented by the matrix:

$$\theta_g = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Lemma 1** *With the conventions established above, we have the following:*

1. *The minimal polynomial of  $\theta_g$  divides  $x^m - 1$  but does not necessarily equal  $x^m - 1$ .*
2.  *$\theta_g$  is diagonalizable and for each eigenvalue of  $\theta_g$ , the geometric multiplicity equals the algebraic multiplicity.*
3. *Let  $m_j \geq 0$  be the multiplicity of  $\lambda^j$  as an eigenvalue of  $\theta_g$  for  $0 \leq j \leq m - 1$ . If  $\lambda^k$  is a conjugate of  $\lambda^j$ , then  $m_j = m_k$ .*

4. Let  $\Phi_d(x)$  be the  $d$ -th cyclotomic polynomial and let  $\phi_j(x) = \min_{\chi_j}(x)$ . Then if  $m_j \neq 0$ ,  $\phi_j(x) = \Phi_d(x)$  for some  $d|m$ . Define  $m_d \geq 0$  to be the common multiplicity of all the roots of  $\Phi_d(x)$  in the characteristic polynomial. Thus, the characteristic polynomial of  $\theta_g$  is:

$$\text{char}_{\theta_g}(x) = \prod_{d|m} (\Phi_d(x))^{m_d}$$

5. There is a relationship between  $n$ ,  $m$  and the multiplicities  $m_d$ :

$$n = \sum_{d|m} m_d \varphi(d)$$

where  $\varphi$  is the Euler  $\varphi$  function.

**Theorem 2 (Berend-Katz)** *Let  $A$  be a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module with a finite group  $G$  acting as a group of isomorphisms. Let  $\Phi$  be a unimodular symmetric bilinear form on  $A$ . Then:*

1.  $Sign(g, A, \Phi) \in \mathbb{Z} + 2\mathbb{Z}[\lambda]$

2. *If  $\Phi$  is either positive definite or negative definite, then  $Sign(g, A, \Phi)$  is an integer.*

Definition : A bilinear form  $\beta$  on an  $R$ -module  $X$  is said to be an *inner product* if for all  $R$ -linear maps  $\varphi : X \rightarrow R$ , there exists exactly one  $x_0$  and exactly one  $y_0$  such that  $\beta(x_0, \_) = \varphi$  and  $\beta(\_, y_0) = \varphi$ . Equivalently, each of the following maps from  $X \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, R)$  is a bijection:

$$x \rightarrow \beta(x, \_)$$

$$y \rightarrow \beta(\_, y)$$

Definition : A bilinear form module homomorphism from  $(X, \beta)$  to  $(X', \beta')$  is a  $R$ -module homomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$ :

$$\beta(x, y) = \beta'(f(x), f(y))$$

**Proposition 1** *If  $(X, \beta)$  is an inner product module,  $(X', \beta')$  a bilinear form module and  $(X, \beta) \cong (X', \beta')$ , then  $(X', \beta')$  is an inner product module.*

Definition : If  $(X, \beta)$  is an inner product module and  $X$  is finitely generated of  $R$  and projective, then we will call the pair an *inner product space*.

Let  $X$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module with basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  and  $\beta$  a bilinear form on  $X$ . Let  $B$  be the  $n \times n$  matrix with entries  $\beta(e_i, e_j)$

**Lemma 2**  $(X, \beta)$  is an inner product space if and only if  $B$  is invertible.

$G$  a group.  $A$  a f.g. free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.  $V = \mathbb{C} \otimes A$ .

$$\rho : G \rightarrow GL(V)$$

a representation of  $G$ . Consider triples  $(V, \beta, \rho)$

- $\beta$  is a Hermitian or skew-Hermitian inner-product on  $V$ .
- $\beta$  is  $\rho$ -invariant .

Goal: Give triples  $(V, \beta, \rho)$  the structure of a commutative ring with identity.

1. Addition:  $(V_1, \beta_1, \rho_1), (V_2, \beta_2, \rho_2)$ . Their sum is  $(V_1 \oplus V_2, \beta_1 \oplus \beta_2, \rho_1 \oplus \rho_2)$  where:

$$\beta_1 \oplus \beta_2 : (V_1 \oplus V_2) \times (V_1 \oplus V_2) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\beta_1 \oplus \beta_2(x_1 \oplus x_2, y_1 \oplus y_2) = \beta_1(x_1, y_1) + \beta_2(x_2, y_2)$$

Note: The cup product induces a bilinear form AFTER you compose with the inclusion of the cross product into the tensor product. The literature tends to leave out this detail.

$$\rho_1 \oplus \rho_2 : G \rightarrow GL(V_1 \oplus V_2)$$

$$\rho_1 \oplus \rho_2(g) = \rho_1(g) \oplus \rho_2(g)$$

$$g(x \oplus y) = gx \oplus gy$$

**Lemma 1** *Given triples  $(V_1, \beta_1, \rho_1)$ ,  $(V_2, \beta_2, \rho_2)$ ,*

(a)  $\rho_1 \oplus \rho_2 \in GL(V_1 \oplus V_2)$

(b)  $\beta_1 \oplus \beta_2$  is an inner product

(c)  $\beta_1 \oplus \beta_2$  is  $\rho_1 \oplus \rho_2$ -invariant.

(d)  $V_1 \oplus V_2 \cong V_2 \oplus V_1$

## 2. Multiplication:

Given triples  $(V_1, \beta_1, \rho_1)$ ,  $(V_2, \beta_2, \rho_2)$ , their product is  $(V_1 \otimes V_2, \beta_1 \otimes \beta_2, \rho_1 \otimes \rho_2)$  where

$$\beta_1 \otimes \beta_2 : (V_1 \otimes V_2) \times (V_1 \otimes V_2) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\beta_1 \otimes \beta_2(x_1 \otimes x_2, y_1 \otimes y_2) = \beta_1(x_1, y_1)\beta_2(x_2, y_2)$$

$$\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 : G \rightarrow GL(V_1 \otimes V_2)$$

$$(\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2)(g) = \rho_1(g) \otimes \rho_2(g)$$

$$g(x \otimes y) = gx \otimes gy$$

**Lemma 2** *Given triples  $(V_1, \beta_1, \rho_1)$ ,  $(V_2, \beta_2, \rho_2)$ , with  $\rho_1$   $\epsilon_1$ -Hermitian and  $\rho_2$   $\epsilon_2$ -Hermitian,*

(a)  $\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 \in GL(V_1 \otimes V_2)$

(b)  $\beta_1 \otimes \beta_2$  is an inner product

(c)  $\beta_1 \otimes \beta_2$  is  $\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2$ -invariant.

(d)  $\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2$  is  $\epsilon_1\epsilon_2$ -Hermitian.

$$(e) V_1 \otimes V_2 \cong V_2 \otimes V_1$$

3. Unit: Let  $\langle u \rangle = (\mathbb{C}e_1, \alpha, \tau)$  where  $u = \pm 1$ ,  $\beta(e_1, e_1) = u$ , and  $\tau : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  is the trivial representation:

$$\tau(g) = 1 \forall g \in G$$

**Lemma 3** For all triples  $(V, \beta, \rho)$ ,

$$\langle 1 \rangle \otimes (V, \beta, \rho) \cong (V, \beta, \rho) \otimes \langle 1 \rangle \cong (V, \beta, \rho)$$

4. Witt Equivalence

Definition: Let  $(V, \beta, \rho)$  be a triple and  $W \subset V$  a  $\rho$  invariant submodule. Then the *orthogonal complement*  $W^\perp$  is the  $\rho$ -invariant submodule:

$$\{v \in V : \beta(w, v) = 0 \text{ for all } w \in W\}$$

Note that  $(W, \beta, \rho)$  may not itself be a triple.

Definition: A triple  $(V, \beta, \rho)$  is said to be *split* if  $V$  contains a  $\rho$ -invariant submodule  $W$  such that  $W^\perp = W$ .

**Lemma 4** *Let  $(S_1, \beta_1, \rho_1)$  and  $(S_2, \beta_2, \rho_2)$  be split and let  $(V, \beta, \rho)$  be any triple. Then:*

(a)  $\langle 1 \rangle \oplus \langle -1 \rangle$  is split.

(b)  $S_1 \oplus S_2$  is split.

(c)  $S_1 \otimes V$  is split.

(d)  $(V, \beta, \rho) \oplus (V, -\beta, \rho)$  is split.

Definition: Two triples  $(V_1, \beta_1, \rho_1)$  and  $(V_2, \beta_2, \rho_2)$  are said to be *Witt equivalent* if there exists split triples  $(S_1, \alpha_1, \tau_1)$  and  $(S_2, \alpha_2, \tau_2)$  such that:

$$V_1 \oplus S_1 \cong V_2 \oplus S_2$$

**Theorem 5** *The set of equivalence classes of triples under Witt equivalence form a commutative ring with identity.*

- $M^{2n}$  a closed, orientable,  $2n$ -dim. manifold.
- $g : M \rightarrow M$  a orientation preserving diffeomorphism of finite order  $m$ .
- Let  $M^g$  be the fixed point set of  $g$ .  $\nu$  the normal bundle of the f.p. set of  $M^g$  in  $M$ . Assume:  $\nu$  has a complex structure that is compatible with the  $g$ -action.
- Over each connected component of  $M^g$ ,  $\nu$  is the direct sum of subbundles  $\nu_j$  where  $g$  acts as multiplication by  $\lambda^j$ ,  $0 < j < m$ .
- $\mu_j$  is the complex dimension of  $\nu_j$ . For  $x \in M^g$ , associate an  $(m - 1)$ -tuple (called the normal slice type of  $x$ ):

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{m-1})$$

- $M_\mu^g$  is the set of points in  $M^g$  with normal slice type  $\mu$

Bilinear Form: Let  $A = H^n(M; \mathbb{Z})/Tor$ .

$$\Phi : A \times A \rightarrow H^{2n}(M; \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

$$(a, b) \rightarrow \langle a \cup b, [\xi_M] \rangle$$

### Theorem 1 (Atiyah-Singer)

$$\sigma(g, A, \Phi) = \sum_{\mu} \prod_j \prod_{l=1}^{\mu_j} \frac{\lambda^j e^{2x_{j,l}} + 1}{\lambda^j e^{2x_{j,l}} - 1} \mathcal{L}(M_\mu^g)[M_\mu^g]$$

where  $\{x_{j,l}\}$  are the  $2-d$  Wu classes of  $\nu_j$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(M_\mu^g)$  is the Hirzebruch  $\mathcal{L}$ -class, and  $[M_\mu^g]$  denotes the preferred fundamental cycle of  $M_\mu^g$ .

Let  $p$  be an odd prime,  $M = S_j$ . Let  $P$  denote the set of fixed points of the  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -action.

The slice type of each  $x \in P$  is of the form  $(0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ . The above reduces to:

$$\sigma(g, A, \Phi) = \sum_{\mu} \frac{\lambda^j + 1}{\lambda^j - 1}$$

$$\sigma(g, H^1(S_j), \Phi) = q \frac{\lambda + 1}{\lambda - 1} + \frac{\lambda^j + 1}{\lambda^j - 1}$$

Let  $\alpha_j = (\lambda^j + 1)/(\lambda^j - 1)$  and let  $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{m-1}\}$  be the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module generated by the  $\alpha_j$ 's.

**Lemma 2** *If  $M^{2n}$  is an equivariant boundary, then  $(H^n(M; \mathbb{Z}), \Phi, \rho)$  is split.*

Let  $p$  be an odd prime. Define:

$$ab_{2n} : \mathcal{O}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}_p; \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow W_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}_p; \mathbb{Z})$$

Then  $\sigma \circ ab_{2n} : \mathcal{O}_{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\lambda]$ . Today:  $n = 1$ . Let  $m = (p - 1)/2$ . Define:

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = im(\sigma \circ ab_2)$$

$$\mathcal{R}_2 = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^m a_i(\lambda^k - \lambda^{-k}) \mid a_1 \equiv \dots \equiv a_m \pmod{2} \right\}$$

**Lemma 3**  $\mathcal{M}_2 \subset \mathcal{R}_2$

**Lemma 4**  $\mathcal{M}_2 \subset \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{m-1}\}$

**Lemma 5**  $\mathcal{M}_2 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{m-1}\} \cap \mathcal{R}_2$

Remark: From the above lemma, we can conclude that  $x \in \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{m-1}\}$  is in  $\mathcal{M}_2$  if and only if  $x$  is an algebraic integer.

**Theorem 1** Let  $\mathbb{A}$  be the set of algebraic integers in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $p$  an odd prime, and  $\lambda = e^{2\pi i/p}$ . Then  $\mathbb{A} \cap \mathbb{Q}[\lambda] = \mathbb{Z}[\lambda]$ .

**Lemma 2** Let  $\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n\}$  be a basis for a number field  $K$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  consisting entirely of algebraic integers and let  $d = \text{disc}(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$ . Then every  $\gamma \in \mathbb{A} \cap K$  can be expressed as:

$$\gamma = \frac{m_1\gamma_1 + \dots + m_n\gamma_n}{d}$$

where  $m_j \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $d \mid m_j^2$  for all  $j$ .

**Lemma 3**  $\mathbb{Z}[1 - \lambda] = \mathbb{Z}[\lambda]$  and  $\text{disc}(1 - \lambda) = \text{disc}(\lambda)$

**Lemma 4**  $\text{disc}(\lambda) = p^{p-2}$

**Lemma 5**  $p = \prod_{k=1}^{p-1} (\lambda^k - 1)$

**Lemma 6** Let  $\alpha_j = (\lambda^j + 1)/(\lambda^j - 1)$ . Then:

$$\alpha_j = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^m (2k - p)(\lambda^{jk} - \lambda^{-jk})$$

**Corollary 7** (Ewing)  $x \in \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m\}$  is in  $\mathcal{M}_2$  if and only if  $x$  is an algebraic integer.

**Corollary 8** For  $2 - d$  manifolds,  $\sigma \circ ab_*$  (when defined) is purely imaginary or 0.

Note:  $\alpha_j^{-1} = 2\alpha_{2j} - \alpha_j$  is an algebraic integer but  $\alpha_j$  is not.