

LOW ENTROPY METHOD (FOLLOWING
"INVARIANT MEASURES AND ARITHMETIC
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Products with $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

$$G = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times T$$

$T = S\text{-algebraic group}$ (i.e. $T = \mathbb{G}(\mathbb{Q}_S)$)

$\Gamma = \text{discrete subgroup of } G \text{ s.t. } T \cap \Gamma \text{ finite.}$

$X = (\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times T)/\Gamma$

$A = \text{diagonals in } \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

EXAMPLE

$$X = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p) / \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}])$$

Recurrence

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INVARIANT A -inv. probability on X

RECURRENT T -recurrent

ENTROPY $\mu = \int \mu_x^\varepsilon d\mu$ ergodic decomp. then $h_{\mu_x^\varepsilon}(a) > 0$ a.e.

RECURRENCE

For any $B \in \mathcal{B}(X)$, μ -a.e. $x \in B$, $\{t \in T : t.x \in B\}$ unbounded.

Recurrence vs Entropy

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ENTROPY ASSUMPTION TRUE IFF

ENTROPY G_a^- -recurrent

Main Theorem

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THEOREM (LINDENSTRAUSS 2006)

μ is convex combination of $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ -inv. algebraic measures $m_{H_x.x}$

Special Case Theorem

$$X = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p) / \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}])$$

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THEOREM (LINDENSTRAUSS 2006)

μ is Haar

μ is $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ -invariant and since any $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ -orbit is dense ($\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}]) < \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ is dense) it must be Haar

Unstable/Stable groups

WELCOME APPLAUSE FOR OUR ACTORS

$$a = a_t = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \quad G_a^- = \{u_s = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\}$$

THEOREM (LINDENSTRAUSS 2006)

INVARIANT μ A -inv. probability on $X = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times T/\Gamma$

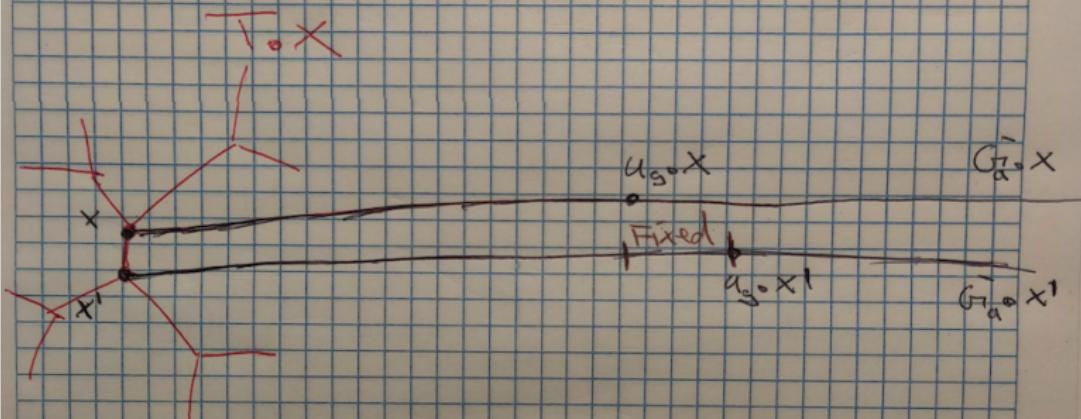
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ENTROPY $\mu = \int \mu_x^\mathcal{E} d\mu$ ergodic decompr. then $h_{\mu_x^\mathcal{E}}(a) > 0$ a.e.

Then μ is G_a^- -invariant.

PROOF OF MAIN THEOREM.

By an involution argument, μ is also $G_a^+ = \{n_s = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 1 \end{bmatrix}\}$ -invariant.
Hence $\langle G_a^-, G_a^+ \rangle = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ -invariant. Ratner/Margulis-Tomanov implies that μ is algebraic. \square



Take $d(x_n, x_n) \rightarrow 0$
 $x \in T \circ X$

$$\lim u_{S_n} \circ x'_n = \bar{u} \cdot \lim u_{S_n} \circ x_n$$

$$|\ll \|\bar{u}\| \ll |$$

$$\boxed{\mu_x^{\bar{G}_{\alpha}} \stackrel{x \in T \circ X}{=} \mu_{x'}^{\bar{G}_{\alpha}}}$$

$$\lim \mu_{u_{S_n} \circ x'_n}^{\bar{G}_{\alpha}} = \bar{u} \cdot \lim \mu_{u_{S_n} \circ x_n}^{\bar{G}_{\alpha}}$$

$$\lim \mu_{u_{S_n} \circ x_n}^{\bar{G}_{\alpha}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_{u_{S_n} \circ x_n}^{\bar{G}_{\alpha}} \quad \lim u_{S_n} \circ x_n$$

in - invariant

Leafwise is Haar zero-one reduction

DEFINITION

$$X_{\text{Haar}} = \{x : \mu_x^{G_a^-} = \text{Haar}\}$$

LEMMA (REDUCTION LEMMA)

If the theorem fails (i.e. $\mu(X_{\text{Haar}}) < 1$) then we may assume $\mu(X_{\text{Haar}}) = 0$.

Hopf property for Leafwise Measures

Suppose $Z = X_{\text{Haar}}$ has $\mu(Z) < 1$.

LEMMA

For any A -invariant Z s.t. $\mu(Z) < 1$, then $\mu' = \mu|_{Z^c}$ is A -invariant and for μ' -a.e. x

$$\mu'^{G_a^-}_x = \mu^{G_a^-}_x$$

PROOF.

Hopf argument: Z^c is G_a^- -invariant. (Pisa 7.20)

Leafwise measure construction: $(\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}})_y^{G_a^-} = \mu_y^{G_a^-}$ if \mathcal{A} a -inv.

Take $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}_{Z^c}$. □

Proof of Haar zero-one reduction

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PROOF OF HAAR ZERO-ONE REDUCTION.

μ' still T-recurrent (since Z^c pos measure).

All ergodic components are positive entropy (since Z^c A -invariant).

So if theorem fails for μ it fails for μ' (same leafwise measures).

Hence " Z for μ' " has $\mu'(Z) = 0$. □

Weaken Z to equivalence classes

LEMMA

$X_{\text{Some-Inv}} = \{x : [\mu_x^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_x^{G_a^-} u_s] \text{ for some } u_s\}$
is conull in $X_{\text{Haar}} = \{x : \mu_x^{G_a^-} = \text{Haar}\}$.

Hence if theorem fails, we may assume $\mu(X_{\text{Some-Inv}}) = 0$.

Weaken Z to equivalence classes

LEMMA

$$Y = X_{\text{Some-Inv}} = \{x : [\mu_x^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_x^{G_a^-} u_s] \text{ for some } u_s\}$$

is conull in X_{Haar} .

PROOF.

- ▶ By Poincare recurrence (on $\{x : [\mu_x^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_x^{G_a^-} u_s], |s| \leq C\}$)
 $\{x : [\mu_x^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_x^{G_a^-} u_s]\}$ for arbitrarily small u_s conull in Y .
- ▶ For $\phi \in C_c(G_a^-)$ define $s \mapsto \kappa(s, x) = \log \frac{\mu_x^{G_a^-}(\phi)}{\mu_x^{G_a^-}(s)}$.
- ▶ Since $\mu_x^{G_a^-} u_s = c \mu_x^{G_a^-}$ implies $\mu_x^{G_a^-} u_{ns} = c^n \mu_x^{G_a^-}$ we have for any s , any n, m , $\exists s' \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\sim} s$, $\kappa\left(\frac{n}{m}s', y\right) = \frac{n}{m}\kappa(s', y)$.
- ▶ By continuity in s , $\kappa(s, y) = s\kappa(1, y)$ for any s .
- ▶ $[a_t * \mu_y^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_{a_t y}^{G_a^-}]$ so
 $\kappa(s, a_t y) = \kappa(e^{-2t}s, y) = e^{-2t}\kappa(s, y) \equiv 0$ (Poincare)

T -leaves are embedded

FINITE INDEX REDUCTION

Assumption: $\Gamma \cap T$ finite.

Find $\Gamma' < \Gamma$ normal finite index subgroup with $\Gamma' \cap T = \{e\}$

Theorem for $(SL_2(\mathbb{R}) \times T) / \Gamma'$ implies statement for X by lifting μ .
So may assume $\Gamma \cap T = \{e\}$.

$T.x$ IS EMBEDDED

Then $t \mapsto t.x$ injective since if $t.x = x = g_1 g_T \Gamma$ then
 $\Gamma = g_T^{-1} t g_T \Gamma$ so $g_T^{-1} t g_T \in \Gamma \cap T$.

$G_a^- \times T$ -LEAVES EMBEDDED ALMOST SURELY

Suppose $u_s \in G_a^-$: $u_s t.x = x$

Poincare recurrence on compact subset:

There is $r_n \rightarrow \infty$ and x_0 s.t. $a_{r_n}.x \rightarrow x_0$. Since $G_a^- = G_{a_{r_n}}^-$,

$$x_0 = \lim a_{r_n}.x = \lim a_{r_n} u_s t.x = t.x_0.$$

Contradiction to T being embedded.

Embedded T -leaves and T -recurrence vs G_a^- -orbits

LEMMA (T-LEAF LEMMA)

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, any $B \in \mathcal{B}_X$, μ -a.e. $x \in B$

$$T.x \cap B \cap B_\varepsilon(x) \setminus B_1^{G_a^- \times T}(x) \quad \text{is non-empty}$$

PROOF.

Let $B_{\varepsilon/2}(x_i)$ countable cover of B .

By T -recurrence, exists $t_n \rightarrow \infty$ s.t.

$t_n.x \in B \cap B_{\varepsilon/2}(x_i) \subset B \cap B_\varepsilon(x)$ for a.e. $x \in B \cap B_{\varepsilon/2}(x_i)$. □

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Theorem and Reduction

NOTATION

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If μ is not G_a^- -invariant then we may assume $\mu(X_{\text{Some-Inv}}) = 0$.

T-recurrence

LEMMA (T-LEAF LEMMA)

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, any $B \in \mathcal{B}_X$, μ -a.e. $x \in B$

$$\exists x' \in T.x \cap B \cap B_\varepsilon(x) \text{ but } x' \notin B_1^{G_a^- \times T}(x)$$

H -property

LEMMA (RATNER '83 (LINDENSTRAUSS '06))

$$x' = g \cdot x, \quad g = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad d(g, e) = \max(|a-1|, |b|, |c|) \leq \varepsilon$$

For any ρ , there is C so that for any $x, x' = g \cdot x$ there is some $r = r_g$ so that for either for any $s \in [\rho r, r]$ or any $s \in [-\rho r, -r]$ there is $1/C \leq |\sigma| \leq C$ s.t.

$$u_s \cdot x' = (u_s g u_{-s}) \cdot u_s \cdot x = g' \cdot u_\sigma u_s \cdot x \quad \text{for some } d(g', e) \leq 2\varepsilon^{1/2}.$$

Proof of H -property. $\|g\| < \varepsilon$

Calculate:

$$u_s.x' = g_s.u_s.X, \quad g_s = u_s g u_{-s} = \begin{bmatrix} a + cs & b + (d - a)s - cs^2 \\ c & d - cs \end{bmatrix}$$

Define:

$$r = \min \left(\frac{C^{1/2}}{|c|^{1/2}}, \frac{C}{|d - a|} \right), \quad C = \rho^{-1}$$

Claim: For either $s \in [\rho r, r]$ or $s \in [-\rho r, -r]$

$$g_s \in B_{\varepsilon^{1/2}}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{p(s)}, \quad p(s) = (d - a)s - cs^2 \in [1/C, 2C]$$

Case 1: $r = (C/|c|)^{1/2}$.

If $\text{sign}(s) = \text{sign}((a - d)c)$ then for $|s| \in [\rho r, r]$

$$|p(s)| \leq C^{1/2} \frac{|d - a|}{|c|^{1/2}} + C \leq 2C$$

$$|p(s)| \geq \rho C^{1/2} \frac{|d - a|}{|c|^{1/2}} + \rho^2 C \geq \rho^2 C = \frac{1}{C}$$

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Case 2: $r = \frac{C}{|d - a|}$.

If $\text{sign}(s) = \text{sign}((a - d)c)$ then for $|s| \in [\rho r, r]$, and $C = \rho^{-1}$

$$|p(s)| \leq C + C \frac{|c|}{|d - a|^2} \leq 2C$$

$$|p(s)| \geq \rho C + \rho^2 C \frac{|c|}{|d - a|^2} \geq \rho C \geq \frac{1}{C}$$

Notation: Points with the H -Property

DEFINITION (GOOD ANNULI FOR H -PAIRS)

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\rho, C, \varepsilon'}(x, x') = \\ \{r : \forall s \in \pm[\rho r, r] \exists |\sigma| \in [1/C, C] : u_s.x' \in B_{\varepsilon'}(u_\sigma u_s.x)\} \end{aligned}$$

We just proved:

LEMMA (H-PROPERTY)

If $x' \in B_\varepsilon(x) \setminus B_1^{G_a^-}.x$ then $H_{\rho, \frac{1}{\rho}, \varepsilon^{1/2}}(x, x') \neq \emptyset$

Maximal Ergodic Theorem for non-invariant Actions

THEOREM (LINDENSTRAUSS-RUDOLPH)

Define $M_\mu(f)(x) = \sup_{r>0} \frac{1}{\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_r^{G_a^-})} \int_{B_r^{G_a^-}} |f(u_s \cdot x)| d\mu_x^{G_a^-}(u_s)$.

Then

$$\mu(x : M_\mu(f)(x) > R) \leq c \frac{\|f\|_1}{R}.$$

COROLLARY (SUPPOSE $\mu(X') > 1 - \varepsilon$.)

There is $X_{u\text{-Erg}(X')} \subset X'$, $\mu(X_{u\text{-Erg}(X')}) > 1 - c\varepsilon^{1/2}$ s.t.

$$\int_{B_r^{G_a^-}} 1_{X'}(u_s \cdot x) d\mu_x^{G_a^-}(u_s) \geq (1 - \varepsilon^{1/2}) \mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_r^{G_a^-})$$

for all $x \in X_{u\text{-Erg}(X')}$, for all $r > 0$.

PROOF OF COROLLARY.

$$f = 1 - 1_{X'}. \quad R = \varepsilon^{1/2}. \quad X_{u\text{-Erg}(X')} = X \setminus \{x : M_\mu(f) > \varepsilon^{1/2}\}$$

□

Maximal Ergodic Theorem: Proof

LEMMA

For all $\varepsilon, r > 0$ there is a G_a^- -subordinate a -descending σ -algebra \mathcal{A} s.t.

$$[x]_{\mathcal{A}} \subset G_a^-.x$$

and

$$\mu(\{x : B_r^{G_a^-}.x \subset [x]_{\mathcal{A}}\}) > 1 - \varepsilon.$$

PROOF.

Let \mathcal{A} be a G_a^- -subordinate a -descending σ -algebra, in particular $B_\delta^{G_a^-}(x) \subset [x]_{\mathcal{A}}$ for some $\delta = \delta_x$. Take δ_0 s.t. $Z = \{x : \delta > \delta_0\}$ has mass $> 1 - \varepsilon$. Then $a^{-n}\mathcal{A}$ on $a^{-n}Z$ has atoms of size $e^{2n}\delta_0 > r$.

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$$M_{\mu,r}(f)(x) = \sup_{r>\rho>0} \frac{1}{\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_\rho^{G_a^-})} \int_{B_\rho^{G_a^-}} |f(u_s \cdot x)| d\mu_x^{G_a^-}(u_s).$$

PROOF.

$$Y = \{x : M_\mu(f)(x) > R\}, \quad Y' = \{x : M_{\mu,r}(f)(x) > R/2\}.$$

Then $\mu(Y') > \mu(Y)/2$ for r large.

Lemma: $\exists X' = \{B_r^{G_a^-} \cdot x \subset [x]_{\mathcal{A}}\}$ such that $\mu(X') > 1 - \mu(Y)/4$.

Then $Y'' = X' \cap Y'$ has $\mu(Y'') \geq \mu(Y)/4$.

Note also:

$$M_{\mu,r}(f)(x) = \sup_{r>\rho>0} \frac{1}{\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(B_\rho^{G_a^-} \cdot x)} \int_{B_\rho^{G_a^-} \cdot x} |f(z)| d\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(z).$$



Maximal Ergodic Theorem: Proof

$$Y'' = X' \cap Y' = \left\{ B_r^{G_a^-} \cdot x \in [x]_{\mathcal{A}} \right\} \cap \left\{ x : M_{\mu, r}(f)(x) > R/2 \right\}$$

PROOF.

$\forall y \in Y_x := Y'' \cap [x]_{\mathcal{A}}$ there is $r_y < r$ s.t.

$$\int_{B_{r_y}^{G_a^-} \cdot y} |f(z)| d\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(z) > \frac{R}{2} \mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(B_{r_y}^{G_a^-} \cdot y).$$

Since $B_{r_y}^{G_a^-} \cdot y \subset [x]_{\mathcal{A}}$, $\{B_{r_y}^{G_a^-} \cdot y\}$ defines a cover of Y_x . By Besicovitch Covering Thm \exists countable subcover $\{B_{r_{y_n}}^{G_a^-} \cdot y_n\}$ with $\leq C = C(G_a^-)$ overlaps over any point.

$$\int_{[x]_{\mathcal{A}}} |f(z)| d\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(z) \geq \frac{1}{C} \sum_n \int_{B_{r_{y_n}}^{G_a^-} \cdot y_n} |f(z)| d\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(z)$$



Maximal Ergodic Theorem: Proof

$$Y_x := Y'' \cap [x]_{\mathcal{A}}, \quad Y'' = X' \cap Y', \quad \mu(Y'') \geq \mu(Y)/4,$$

PROOF.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[x]_{\mathcal{A}}} |f(z)| d\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(z) &\geq \frac{1}{C} \sum_n \int_{B_{r_{y_n}}^{G_a^-} \cdot y_n} |f(z)| d\mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(z) \\ &> \frac{R}{2C} \sum_n \mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(B_{r_{y_n}}^{G_a^-} \cdot y_n) \geq \frac{R}{2C} \mu_x^{\mathcal{A}}(Y_x) \end{aligned}$$

Integrate w.r.t. μ :

$$\|f\|_1 = \mu(|f|) > \frac{R}{2C} \mu(Y'') \geq \mu(Y) R / 8C$$

□

Leafwise Measure properties

EQUIVARIANCE OF ORIGIN

There is $X_{G_A^- \text{-Equi}} \subset X$ co-null such that for $x, u_s.x \in X_{G_A^- \text{-Equi}}$

$$[\mu_x^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_{u_s.x}^{G_a^-} \cdot u_s]$$

NORMALIZATION

May assume $\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_1^{G_a^-}) = 1$ for all $x \in X_{G_A^- \text{-Equi}}$.

PRODUCT STRUCTURE FOR $G_a^- \times T$ IMPLIES

There is $X_{T\text{-Inv}} \subset X$ co-null such that for $x, y \in X_{T\text{-Inv}} \cap T.x$

$$[\mu_x^{G_a^-}] = [\mu_y^{G_a^-}].$$

Continuity of leafwise measures

LEMMA (LUSIN)

For all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $X_{Cont} \subset \{x \mapsto [\mu_x^{G_a^-}] \text{ continuous}\}$ s.t.
 X_{Cont} is compact and $\mu(X_{Cont}) > 1 - \varepsilon$.

UNIFORM INTEGRABILITY (PISA 6.30)

Let $b_n > 0$ be summable and $r_n \rightarrow \infty$. Then $\rho(u) = \frac{b_n^2}{m_{G_a^-}(B_{r_n+5}^{G_a^-}(u))}$

for $u \in B_{r_n}^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{r_{n-1}}^{G_a^-}$ is piecewise constant, strictly positive and
 $\rho \in L^1(\mu_x^{G_a^-})$ for μ -a.e. x .

METRIC

$\{f_n\} \subset C_c(G_a^-) \cap \{f \leq \rho\}$ dense,

$$d([\mu_x^{G_a^-}], [\mu_y^{G_a^-}]) = \sum_n 2^{-n} \left| \frac{\mu_x^{G_a^-}(f_n)}{\mu_x^{G_a^-}(\rho)} - \frac{\mu_y^{G_a^-}(f_n)}{\mu_y^{G_a^-}(\rho)} \right|$$

Doubling Condition

The H-Property gives us an annulus $\{u_s : |s| \in [\rho r, r]\}$. How to make sure that modulo $\mu_x^{G_a^-}$, $\{u_s : |s| \in [0, \rho r]\}$ is negligible?

DEFINITION (DOUBLING RADII)

$$\mathcal{R}_\rho(x) := \left\{ r : \mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_r^{G_a^-}) > 2\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-}) \right\}$$

ADDITIONAL ASSUMPTION

There exists $\rho \in (0, 1)$

$$X_{\rho, \mathbb{R}\text{-Doubling}} = \{x : \mathcal{R}_\rho(x) = \mathbb{R}_{>0}\}$$

has $\mu(X_{\rho, \mathbb{R}\text{-Doubling}}) = 1$

Doubling Condition: Entropy implies Recurrence

What do we actually know about $\mathcal{R}_\rho(x)$ (instead of the Additional Assumption)?

THEOREM (PISA 6.26 & 7.7)

μ is G_a^- -recurrent iff $\mu_x^{G_a^-}$ is infinite a.e. iff $\mu_x^{G_a^-}$ not trivial a.e. iff $D_\mu(a, G_a^-)(x) > 0$ a.e. iff $h_{\mu_x^\varepsilon}(a) > 0$ a.e.

ASSUMPTION

ENTROPY μ is G_a^- -recurrent

Doubling Condition: Entropy implies Weak Doubling

THEOREM

$\mu_x^{G_a^-}$ not trivial a.e. iff $h_{\mu_x^\varepsilon}(a) > 0$ a.e.

COROLLARY (AND DEFINITION)

$$X_{\rho, \text{1-Doubling}} := \left\{ x : \mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_1^{G_a^-}) > 2\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_\rho^{G_a^-}) \right\} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\}$$

For all $\varepsilon > 0$ there is $\rho > 0$ such that

$$\text{ENTROPY } \mu(X_{\rho, \text{1-Doubling}}) > 1 - \varepsilon.$$

PROOF.

$$\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_1^{G_a^-}) \equiv 1 \text{ a.e. and } \mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_\rho^{G_a^-}) \rightarrow_{\rho \rightarrow 0} 0 \text{ a.e.}$$

□

Again, for now assume that $\mu(X_{\rho, \mathbb{R}\text{-Doubling}}) = 1$

Nice set of large measure

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$ LET $X_1 \subset\subset X$, $\mu(X_1) > 1 - \varepsilon$ SUCH THAT

X-1 $X_1 \subset X_{\text{Some-Inv}}^c$

X-2 $X_1 \subset X_{\text{Cont}}$

X-3 $X_1 \subset X_{T\text{-Inv}}$

X-4 $X_1 \subset X_{G_A^- \text{-Equi}}$

X-5 $X_{u\text{-Erg}(X_1)} \subset X_1$ s.t. $\mu(X_{u\text{-Erg}(X_1)}) > 1 - \varepsilon^{1/2}$

X-9000 $X_1 \subset X_{\rho, \mathbb{R}\text{-Doubling}}$

THEOREM (LINDENSTRAUSS 2006)

INVARIANT μ A -inv. probability on $X = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times T/\Gamma$

RECURRENT μ is T -recurrent

ENTROPY $\mu = \int \mu_x^\varepsilon d\mu$ ergodic decompos. then $h_{\mu_x^\varepsilon}(a) > 0$ a.e.

Then μ is G_a^- -invariant.

PROOF.

Goal: Construct $z \in X_1$ and show $z \in X_{\text{Some-Inv.}}$

Contradiction!



Combining H-property and Doubling Radius

LEMMA (EQUAL LEAFWISE MEASURES LEMMA)

For any $C, \delta > 0$, $x, x' \in X_{u\text{-Erg}(X_1)} \cap T.x$ if

$$H_{\rho, C, \varepsilon'}(x, x') \cap \mathcal{R}_\rho(x) \neq \emptyset$$

then there is $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $|\sigma| \in [1/C, C]$ so that

- 1) $y = u_s.x, y' = u_s.x' \in X_1$
- 2) $y' \in B_{\varepsilon'}(u_\sigma.y)$
- 3) $\mu_y^{G_a^+} = \mu_{y'}^{G_a^+}$

PROOF.

- 3) 1) \Rightarrow 3): $y, y' \in X_1 \subset X_{T\text{-Inv}} \cap X_{T\text{-Equi}}$ and since
 $y' = u.x' \in uT.x = T.y$ we have $\mu_y^{G_a^+} = \mu_{y'}^{G_a^+}$.

- 2) In 1) take $|s| \in [\rho r, r]$ for $r \in H_{\rho, C, \varepsilon'}(x, x') \cap \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)$.



Combining H-property and Doubling Radius

Claim: $x, x' \in X_{u\text{-Erg}(X_1)}$, for any $r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)$:

$$\mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-} \cap G_x \cap G_{x'}) > 0$$

where $G_x, G_{x'}$ return times to X_1 under u -flow starting at x, x' .

PROOF OF LEMMA GIVEN CLAIM.

- 1) Let $s \in B_r^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-} \cap G_x \cap G_{x'}$ then $y = u_s.x, y' = u_s.x' \in X_1$.

□

Proof of Claim: Doubling Radius and Maximal Inequality

$x, x' \in X_{u\text{-ERG}(X_1)}$ If $G_z = \{u : u.z \in X_1\}$ for $z = x, x'$ then

$$\mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-} \setminus G_z) \leq \mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-} \setminus G_z) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-})$$

(by Maximal Ergodic Theorem and $\mu_x^{G_a^-} = \mu_{x'}^{G_a^-}$).

$r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)$ $\mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-}) > 2\mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-})$ and therefore

$$\mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-}) > \frac{1}{2} \mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-})$$

COMBINING THESE

$$\mu_x^{G_a^-} \left((B_r^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-}) \cap G_x \cap G_{x'} \right) > 0$$

(since complement has relative measure $\leq 4\varepsilon^{1/2}$).

Proof of Theorem assuming Additional Assumption

PROOF.

Let $\delta > 0$. Let $x \in X_1$.

By T -Leaf Lemma $\exists x' \in T.x \cap B_\delta(x) \cap X_{u\text{-Erg}(X_1)} \setminus B_1^{G_a^- \times T}(x)$

By H -Property Lemma $H(\rho, \rho^{-1}, \delta^{1/2})(x, x')$ non-empty.

Additional Assumption $\mathcal{R}_\rho(x) = \mathbb{R}_{>1}$.

By Equal Leafwise Measures Lemma:

There is s s.t. $y = u_s.x$, $y' = u_s.x'$, $y, y' \in X_1$, $\mu_y^{G_a^-} = \mu_{y'}^{G_a^-}$

$y' \in B_{C\delta^{1/2}}(u_\sigma.y)$ for some $u_\sigma \in B_C^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{1/C}^{G_a^-}$

Apply Continuity of Leaswise measures.

PROOF.

Let $\delta_i \rightarrow 0$. Get $y_i, y'_i \in X_1 \subset X_{\text{Cont}}$

By compactness, may assume

$$y_i \rightarrow z \quad y'_i \rightarrow z' \in \bigcap B_{C\delta_i^{1/2}}(u_{\sigma_i} y_i) = \ddot{u}.z$$

for some $\ddot{u} = \lim u_{\sigma_i} \in B_C^{G_a^-} \setminus B_{1/C}^{G_a^-}$ and $z, z' \in X_1$.
Since

$$\mu_{y_i}^{G_a^-} = \mu_{y'_i}^{G_a^-}$$

we find

$$\mu_z^{G_a^-} = \mu_{\ddot{u}.z}^{G_a^-} = c_{\ddot{u}.z} \mu_z^{G_a^-} \cdot \ddot{u}^{-1}$$

and hence the contradiction

$$z \in X_1 \cap X_{\text{Some-Inv.}}$$

Remove Additional Assumption

TOO MUCH

$$X_{\rho, \mathbb{R}\text{-Doubling}} = \\ \left\{ x : \mathcal{R}_\rho(x) := \left\{ r : \mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_r^{G_a^-}) > 2\mu_x^{G_a^-}(B_{\rho r}^{G_a^-}) \right\} = \mathbb{R}_{>0} \right\}$$

TOO LITTLE

There is ρ s.t. $\mu(x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)) > 1 - \varepsilon$

SO FLOW ALONG TILL DOUBLING RADIUS MATCHES
H-PAIR ANNULUS

For most x , find t such that $\mathcal{R}_\rho(a_t.x) \cap H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, d(x, x')^{1/4}}(a_t.x, a_t.x')$ non-empty.

a_t -invariance and Weak Doubling

APPLY a_t FLOW TO CHANGE DOUBLING RADIUS

Since $[a_t \mu_x^{G_a^-} a_{-t}] = [\mu_{a_t x}^{G_a^-}]$ and $a_t \mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_r^{G_a^-}) a_{-t} = \mu_x^{G_a^-} (B_{e^{2t} r}^{G_a^-})$

$$e^{2t} r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x) \text{ iff } r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(a_t \cdot x).$$

Therefore

$$\mathcal{R}_\rho(x) = \left\{ e^{2t} : a_t \cdot x \in X_{\rho, \text{1-Doubling}} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\} \right\}.$$

Maximal Ergodic Theorem

MAXIMAL ERGODIC THEOREM FOR a_t -ACTION

For any $\mu(Y) > 1 - \delta$,

$$X_{a\text{-Erg}(Y)} = \left\{ x : \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau 1_Y(a_t.x) dt \geq 1 - \delta^{1/2} \right\}$$

$$\mu(X_{a\text{-Erg}(Y)}) \geq 1 - c\delta^{1/2}.$$

APPLY TO $Y = X_{u\text{-ERG}}(X_1) \cap X_{\rho,1\text{-DOUBLING}}$, $\delta = \varepsilon^{1/2}$

Take compact subset

$$X_{\text{Erg}} \subset X_{a\text{-Erg}(X_{u\text{-Erg}}(X_1) \cap X_{\rho,1\text{-Doubling}})} \cap X_{a^{-1}\text{-Erg}(X_{u\text{-Erg}}(X_1) \cap X_{\rho,1\text{-Doubling}})}$$

of mass $\mu(X_{\text{Erg}}) \geq 1 - \varepsilon^{1/4}$.

Preparation: Commutators of opposite horospherical

Goal: Upgrade H -property to hold simultaneously along part of A -orbit.

LEMMA

For any $\delta < 1 < s < 1/\delta$

$$u_s n_\delta \in B_{s\delta}^{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\frac{s}{1+\delta s}}.$$

PROOF.

$$u_s n_\delta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \delta & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+s\delta & s \\ \delta & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+s\delta & 0 \\ \delta & \frac{1}{1+s\delta} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{s}{1+s\delta} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in B_{s\delta}^{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\frac{s}{1+\delta s}}$$



Construction of H-pairs

LEMMA (UNIFORM H-PROPERTY ALONG A -ORBIT)

Fix $\rho \in (0, 1)$, let $\delta \ll 1$, $x, x' \in X_1 \cap B_\delta(x) \setminus B_1^{G_a^-} \cdot x$.

Write

$$x = gt \cdot x', \quad g = a_{s_a} u_{s_-} n_{s_+} \in AG_a^- G_a^+$$

Case 1: $\xi_1 := |s_a|^{-1} < |s_+|^{-10/21}$

$$\xi_1 \in H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, c\delta}(a_t \cdot x, a_t \cdot x') \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$$

Uniform H-property along A-orbit

$$x, x' = gt.x \in X_1 \cap B_\delta(x) \setminus B_1^{G_a^-}.x \quad \|g\|, \|t\| < \delta$$

PROOF.

DECOMPOSE: $g = aun, a = a_{s_a}, u = u_{s_-}, n = n_{s_+}$ such that
 $|s_a|, |s_-|, |s_+| < \delta$

G ISOMETRY ON $T.x$: $d(u_\xi a_t.x', u_\xi a_t g.x) < \delta$ for $|\xi| > 1, t > 0$

REARRANGE $u_\xi a_t a_{s_a} u_{s_-} n_{s_+}.x = u_\xi a_{s_a} u_{e^{-2t}s_-} n_{e^{2t}s_+}.a_t x$
 $= a_{s_a} u_{e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-} n_{e^{2t}s_+}.a_t x$

LEMMA $\in a_{s_a} B_{2\xi e^{2t}|s_+|}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\frac{e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-}{1+e^{2t}s_+(e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-)}} a_t.x$

TAYLOR $\subset B_R^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\xi + 2s_a\xi - e^{2t}s_+\xi^2} a_t.x$

assuming $|\xi^2 e^{2t}s_+|, |2\xi s_a| \leq 1$ and

$$R = 2 \max \left(2\xi e^{2t}|s_+|, e^{-2t}|s_-|, |\xi|^{-1} \right)$$



Uniform H-property along A-orbit

PROOF.

Details for Taylor step:

$$a_{s_a} B_{2\xi e^{2t}|s_+|}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\frac{e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-}{1 + e^{2t}s_+(e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-)}} \subset B_{20R}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\xi + 2s_a\xi - e^{2t}s_+ + \xi^2}$$

assuming $|\xi^2 e^{2t} s_+|, |2\xi s_a| \leq 1$ and

$$R = \max \left(2\xi e^{2t} |s_+|, e^{-2t} |s_-|, |\xi|^{-1} \right)$$

a_{s_a} absorbed by $|s_a| \leq |\xi|^{-1}$

$$e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_- = \xi + 2s_a\xi + e^{-2t}s_- + \mathcal{O}(\xi^{-1})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + e^{2t}s_+(e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-))^{-1} \\ = 1 - e^{2t}s_+\xi + \mathcal{O}(e^{2t}s_+s_a\xi + s_-s_+ + (e^{2t}s_+\xi)^2) \end{aligned}$$

□

Uniform H-property along A-orbit

PROOF.

Details for Taylor step:

$$a_{s_a} B_{2\xi e^{2t}|s_+|}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\frac{e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-}{1+e^{2t}s_+(e^{+2s_a}\xi + e^{-2t}s_-)}} \subset B_{20R}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\xi + 2s_a\xi - e^{2t}s_+\xi^2}$$

assuming $|\xi^2 e^{2t} s_+|, |2\xi s_a| \leq 1$ and

$$R = \max \left(2\xi e^{2t} |s_+|, e^{-2t} |s_-|, |\xi|^{-1} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\xi + 2s_a\xi + e^{-2t}s_- + \mathcal{O}(\xi^{-1})) \\ & (1 - e^{2t}s_+\xi + \mathcal{O}(e^{2t}s_+s_a\xi + s_-s_+ + (e^{2t}s_+\xi)^2)) \\ & = (\xi + 2s_a\xi + R + R) + (-e^{2t}s_+\xi^2 + R + R + R) \\ & + \mathcal{O}((R|\xi s_a| + R) + (R) + (1^2|\xi|^{-1}))) \end{aligned}$$

□

Uniform H-property along A-orbit

PROOF OF CASE 1: $\xi_1 := \frac{1}{2}|s_a|^{-1} < \frac{1}{2}|s_+|^{-10/21}$.

Summary: $u_\xi a_t a_{s_a} u_{s_-} n_{s_+} . x \in B_{20R}^{\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\xi + 2s_a\xi - e^{2t}s_+\xi^2}$

if $|\xi^2 e^{2t} s_+|, |2\xi s_a| \leq 1$ and $R = \max(2\xi e^{2t} |s_+|, e^{-2t} |s_-|, |\xi|^{-1})$

Assume $\xi \in [\rho\xi_1, \xi_1]$, $t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$

Then $|\xi^2 e^{2t} s_+| \leq \xi^{2.02} |s_+| \leq |s_+|^{-20.2/21+1} = |s_+|^{0.08} \leq \delta^{0.08}$
and $R \leq c\delta$.

Also $|\xi + 2s_a\xi - e^{2t}s_+\xi^2 - \xi| \in [\rho, 2]$. Hence

$\xi_1 \in H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, 20c\delta}(a_t.x, a_t.x')$ for all $t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$



Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

LEMMA (FLOW TO DOUBLING H-PAIRS)

Let $x, x' \in X_{Erg} \cap T.x \cap B_\delta(x) \setminus B_1^{G_a^-}.x$.

There is $t \geq 0$ such that

$$a_t.x, a_t.x' \in X_{u-Erg}$$

and

$$H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, \delta^{1/4}}(a_t.x, a_t.x') \cap \mathcal{R}_\rho(a_t.x) \neq \emptyset.$$

This gives the necessary assumptions for the "Leafwise Measure Lemma" and thereby completes the proof of the theorem.

Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

LEMMA (FLOW TO DOUBLING H-PAIRS.)

$$x, x' \in X_{Erg} \cap B_\delta(x)$$

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PROOF FOR CASE 1.

LEMMA $\xi_1 \in H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, c\delta}(a_t.x, a_t.x')$ for all $t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$

RECALL $e^{2\tau} r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(z)$ iff $r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(a_\tau.z)$.

Apply to $z = a_t.x, r = \xi_1 e^{-2\tau}, \tau = \frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1$.

REMAINS TO SHOW

$$a_{t+\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1}.x \in X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\}$$

□

Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

LEMMA (FLOW TO DOUBLING H-PAIRS.)

$x, x' \in X_{Erg} \cap B_\delta(x)$. There is $t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$ such that

$$a_{t+\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1} \cdot x \in X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\}, \quad a_t \cdot x, a_t \cdot x' \in X_{u\text{-Erg}}$$

PROOF FOR CASE 1.

DEFINITION $x, x' \in X_{Erg} \subset$

$$X_{a\text{-Erg}}(X_{u\text{-Erg}} \cap X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}}) \cap X_{a^{-1}\text{-Erg}}(X_{u\text{-Erg}} \cap X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}})$$

ERG. THM

$$\int_0^{0.01 \log \xi_1} 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}}(a_t \cdot x) 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}}(a_t \cdot x') dt$$

$$\geq (1 - 2\varepsilon^{1/4}) 0.01 \log \xi_1$$



Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

PROOF FOR CASE 1.

$$x, x' \in X_{\text{Erg}} \subset X_{a\text{-Erg}}(X_{u\text{-Erg}} \cap X_{\rho,1\text{-Doubling}}) \cap X_{a^{-1}\text{-Erg}}(X_{u\text{-Erg}} \cap X_{\rho,1\text{-Doubling}})$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{0.01 \log \xi_1} 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}}(a_t \cdot x) 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}}(a_t \cdot x') dt \\ & \geq (1 - 2\varepsilon^{1/4}) 0.01 \log \xi_1 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1 + 0.01 \log \xi_1} 1_{X \setminus X_{\rho,1\text{-Doubling}}}(a_t \cdot x) dt \\ & \leq \varepsilon^{1/4} \log \xi_1 \end{aligned}$$

and in particular (by restriction)

$$\int_0^{0.01 \log \xi_1} 1_{X \setminus X_{\rho,1\text{-Doubling}}}(a_{t+\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1} \cdot x) dt \leq \varepsilon^{1/4} \log \xi_1$$



Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

LEMMA (FLOW TO DOUBLING H-PAIRS.)

$x, x' \in X_{Erg} \cap B_\delta(x)$. There is $t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$ such that

$a_{t+\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1} \cdot x \in X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\}$ and $a_t \cdot x, a_t \cdot x' \in X_{u\text{-Erg}}$

PROOF FOR CASE 1.

$$\int_0^{0.01 \log \xi_1} 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}}(a_t \cdot x) 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}}(a_t \cdot x') dt \\ \geq (1 - 2\varepsilon^{1/4}) 0.01 \log \xi_1$$

$$\int_0^{0.01 \log \xi_1} 1_{X \setminus X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}}}(a_{t+\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1} \cdot x) dt \leq \varepsilon^{1/4} \frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1$$

so for $\varepsilon^{1/4}(0.02 + 1) < 0.01$, there is $t \in [0, 0.01 \xi_1]$ such that
 $a_{t+\frac{1}{2} \log \xi_1} \cdot x \in X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}}$ and $a_t x, a_t x' \in X_{u\text{-Erg}}$.



Construction of H-pairs

LEMMA (UNIFORM H-PROPERTY ALONG A -ORBIT)

Fix $\rho \in (0, 1)$, let $\delta \ll 1$, $x, x' \in X_1 \cap B_\delta(x) \setminus B_1^{G_a^-} \cdot x$.

Write

$$x = gt \cdot x', \quad g = a_{s_a} u_{s_-} n_{s_+} \in AG_a^- G_a^+$$

Case 1: $\xi_1 := |s_a|^{-1} < |s_+|^{-10/21}$

$$\xi_1 \in H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, c\delta}(a_t \cdot x, a_t \cdot x') \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 0.01 \log \xi_1]$$

Case 2: Otherwise $\xi_1 := |s_+|^{-1/2}$

$$\xi_1 e^{-t} \in H_{\rho, 2\rho^{-1}, c\delta^{0.495}}(a_t \cdot x, a_t \cdot x') \quad \text{for all } t \in [0.05 \log \xi_1, 0.1 \log \xi_1]$$

Uniform H-property along A-orbit

PROOF OF CASE 2: $\xi_1 := |s_+|^{-1/2}$, $|s_a|^{-1} > |s_+|^{-10/21}$.

Summary: $u_\xi a_t a_{s_a} u_{s_-} n_{s_+} . x \in B_{20R}^{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})} u_{\xi + 2s_a \xi - e^{2t} s_+ \xi^2}$

if $|\xi^2 e^{2t} s_+|, |2\xi s_a| \leq 1$ and $R = \max(2\xi e^{2t} |s_+|, e^{-2t} |s_-|, |\xi|^{-1})$

Assume $\xi \in [\rho \xi_1 e^{-t}, \xi_1 e^{-t}]$, $t \in [0.05 \log \xi_1, 0.1 \log \xi_1]$

Then $|\xi^2 e^{2t} s_+| \leq \xi_1^{0.95} |s_+| \leq |s_+|^{0.475 - 10/12} \leq \delta^{0.001}$

and

$R = \max(\xi e^{2t} |s_+|, e^{-2t} |s_-|, \xi^{-1}) \leq \max(\delta^{0.495}, \delta, \delta^{1/2}) = \delta^{0.495}$.

Also $|\xi + 2s_a \xi - e^{2t} s_+ \xi^2 - \xi| \in [\rho/2, 1]$. Hence

$e^{-t} \xi_1 \in H_{\rho, 2\rho^{-1}, 20\delta^{0.495}}(a_t . x, a_t . x')$ for all $t \in [0.05 \log \xi_1, 0.1 \log \xi_1]$.



Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

LEMMA (FLOW TO DOUBLING H-PAIRS.)

$$x, x' \in X_{Erg} \cap B_\delta(x)$$

$$H_{\rho, \rho^{-1}, \delta^{1/4}}(a_t.x, a_t.x') \cap \mathcal{R}_\rho(a_t.x) \neq \emptyset \quad a_t.x, a_t.x' \in X_{u-Erg}$$

PROOF FOR CASE 2.

LEMMA $\xi_1 e^{-t} \in H_{\rho, 2\rho^{-1}, 20\delta^{0.495}}(a_t.x, a_t.x')$, $t \in [0.05 \log \xi_1, 0.1 \log \xi_1]$

RECALL $e^{2\tau} r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(z)$ iff $r \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(a_\tau.z)$.

Apply to $z = a_t.x$, $r = \xi_1 e^{-t-2\tau}$, $\tau = \frac{1}{2} \log \xi - \frac{1}{2} t$.

REMAINS TO SHOW

$$a_{\frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{2}\log \xi_1}.x \in X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\}$$



Construction of H-pairs with Doubling Condition

LEMMA (FLOW TO DOUBLING H-PAIRS.)

$x, x' \in X_{Erg} \cap B_\delta(x)$. There is $t \in [0.05 \log \xi_1, 0.1 \log \xi_1]$ such that

$a_{\frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{2}\log \xi_1} \cdot x \in X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}} = \{x : 1 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho(x)\}$, $a_t \cdot x, a_t \cdot x' \in X_{u\text{-Erg}}$.

PROOF FOR CASE 2.

$$\int_{0.05 \log \xi_1}^{0.1 \log \xi_1} 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}} (a_t \cdot x) 1_{X_{u\text{-Erg}}} (a_t \cdot x') dt \geq (1 - 4\varepsilon^{1/4}) 0.05 \log \xi_1$$

By restricting again from $\int_0^{\log \xi_1}$ to $\int_{\frac{1}{2}\log \xi_1 + \frac{1}{2}0.05 \log \xi_1}^{\frac{1}{2}\log \xi_1 + \frac{1}{2}0.1 \log \xi_1}$

$$\int_{0.05 \log \xi_1}^{0.1 \log \xi_1} 1_{X \setminus X_{\rho, 1\text{-Doubling}}} (a_{\frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{2}\log \xi_1} \cdot x) dt \leq \varepsilon^{1/4} \log \xi_1$$

The lemma follows for sufficiently small ε . □