

# Applications of the Deligne-Kazhdan philosophy to the Langlands correspondence for split classical groups

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# Outline of the talk

- ① The local Langlands correspondence
- ② An overview of the Deligne-Kazhdan philosophy
- ③ Some results on classical groups

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Here  $\hat{F}^\times \cong \mathcal{O}_F^\times \times \hat{\mathbb{Z}}$  is the profinite completion of  $F^\times$  (Note that  $F^\times \cong \mathcal{O}_F^\times \times \mathbb{Z}$ ).

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The LLC has the property that for each  $(\tau, W)$  of  $GL_r(F)$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq n-1$

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and furthermore, there is a unique map (1) that satisfies this property.

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- Proof over local function fields was done in 1993 (Laumon-Rapoport-Stuhler).
- Proof in characteristic 0 was completed in 2000 (Harris-Taylor, Henniart, Scholze (2013)).

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The LLC has been established for

- For  $GSp_4$  (Gan-Takeda in char 0, (-) in characteristic  $p > 2$ )
- For classical groups (Arthur/Mok/KMSW in char 0, G-Varma for split classical groups in sufficiently large characteristic)

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## Example

The fields  $\mathbb{F}_p((t))$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{1/m})$  are  $m$ -close.

In fact,

$$\mathbb{Z}_p[p^{1/m}]/(p) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[X]/(X^m - p, p) \cong \mathbb{F}_p[X]/(X^m) \cong \mathbb{F}_p[[X]]/(X^m).$$

## Note

*Given a local field  $F'$  of characteristic  $p$  and an integer  $m \geq 1$ , there is a non-archimedean local field  $F$  of characteristic 0 such that  $F'$  is  $m$ -close to  $F$ .*



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# Properties of $\text{Del}_m$ : Local class field theory

The Deligne isomorphism is compatible with local class field theory.

Deligne proved that if the fields  $F$  and  $F'$  are  $m$ -close, then the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\text{Gal } \bar{F}/F)/I_F^m)^{ab} & \xrightarrow{\text{Del}_m} & (\text{Gal}(\bar{F}'/F')/I_{F'}^m)^{ab} \\ \text{LCFT} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{LCFT} \\ (F^\times/(1 + \mathfrak{p}_F^m))^\wedge & \xrightarrow{\text{cl}_m} & (F'^\times/(1 + \mathfrak{p}_{F'}^m))^\wedge \end{array}$$

In the above, we have used that if  $F$  and  $F'$  are  $m$ -close, then

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# Properties of $\text{Del}_m$ : Representations of the Galois group

Now let  $\phi : \text{Gal}(\bar{F}/F) \rightarrow \text{GL}(V)$  be an irreducible  $n$ -dimensional representation such that  $\phi|_{I_F^m} = 1$ . Then  $\phi$  factors through  $\text{Gal}(\bar{F}/F)/I_F^m$ . If the fields  $F$  and  $F'$  are  $m$ -close, then

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Hence

$$\phi' = \phi \circ \text{Del}_m^{-1} : \text{Gal}(\bar{F}'/F')/I_{F'}^m \rightarrow \text{GL}(V).$$

The isomorphism  $\text{Del}_m$  induces a bijection

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Remark: These properties remain true if the  $\text{Gal}(\bar{F}/F)$  is replaced by Weil group  $W_F$  or the Weil-Deligne group  $\text{WD}_F := W_F \times \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})$ .

# Kazhdan isomorphism

Let  $\mathbf{G}$  be split, connected reductive group defined over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $G = \mathbf{G}(F)$  and

$$K_m = \text{Ker}(\mathbf{G}(\mathcal{O}) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p}^m))$$

be the  $m$ -th usual congruence subgroup of  $G$ . Consider the Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(G, K_m)$ . This is spanned as a  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space by  $\{\mathbb{1}_{K_m g K_m} \mid g \in G\}$ .

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Assume  $F$  and  $F'$  are  $(m+1)$ -close and let  $\sigma \xrightarrow{\zeta_{m+1}} \sigma'$ . Lemaire proved that if  $\sigma$  is  $\psi$ -generic then  $\sigma'$  is  $\psi'$ -generic, where  $\psi \leftrightarrow \psi'$  as before.

# Generalizing Howe's and Lemaire's work

For a split reductive group  $\mathbf{G}$ , let  $I$  be the standard Iwahori subgroup of  $G := \mathbf{G}(F)$  and  $I_m$  be its  $m$ -th filtration subgroup.

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known to be commutative when  $\mathbf{G} = \text{GL}_n$  (- (2012), ABPS (2013))  
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## Work for classical groups

For the rest of the talk,  $\mathbf{G} = \mathrm{Sp}_{2n}, \mathrm{SO}_{2n+1}, \mathrm{SO}_{2n}$  (split),  $N = \text{Rank of } \mathbf{G}^\vee$ .

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# The Deligne-Kazhdan theory and Local Langlands Correspondence

Assume  $\text{char}(F') = p > 2$ . Let  $m \geq 1$  and  $F$  be any non-archimedean local field of characteristic 0 that is  $(m + 1)$ -close to  $F'$ . Consider the diagram

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We want to assign the Langlands parameter of  $\sigma'$  using this diagram. To do this, we have to study a set of characterizing properties of the Langlands correspondence over close local fields.

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*(A)  $\phi_\sigma$  does not factor through any proper Levi subgroup of  $G^\vee$ .*

*(B) If  $\sigma$  is generic, then for each irr. ad. supercuspidal  $\tau$  of  $GL_r(F)$ ,  $r \leq N - 1$ , and  $\text{depth}(\tau) \leq 2l$ , we have*

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## Proposition (contd.)

(C) If  $\sigma$  is non-generic, then for each irr. ad. discrete series  $\tau$  of  $\mathrm{GL}_r(F)$ ,  $r \leq N - 1$ , and  $\mathrm{depth}(\tau) \leq m + 1$ , we have

$$\mu(s, \sigma \times \tau, \psi) = \gamma(s, \phi_\sigma \otimes \phi_\tau, \psi) \gamma(-s, \phi_\sigma \otimes \phi_\tau^\vee, \bar{\psi}) \gamma(2s, r_2 \circ \phi_\tau, \psi) \gamma(-2s, r_2 \circ \phi_\tau^\vee, \bar{\psi}).$$

Here

$$r_2 = \begin{cases} \mathrm{Sym}^2 & \text{if } G = \mathrm{SO}_{2n+1}(F) \\ \wedge^2 & \text{if } G = \mathrm{Sp}_{2n}(F), \mathrm{SO}_{2n}(F) \end{cases}.$$

Furthermore,  $\phi_\sigma$  is uniquely characterized by these properties if  $G = \mathrm{Sp}_{2n}(F), \mathrm{SO}_{2n+1}(F)$  and is determined up to  $\mathrm{O}_{2n}(\mathbb{C})$  conjugacy if  $G = \mathrm{SO}_{2n}(F)$ .

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to attach the Langlands parameter to  $\sigma'$ , prove that it has the required properties (i.e. preserves  $L$ - and  $\epsilon$ -factors of pairs and Plancherel measures), and is uniquely characterized by these properties.

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Thank you for your attention!