

# III. Quantum ergodicity on graphs, perspectives

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Yesterday we focussed on the case of large regular (discrete) graphs.

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a  $(q + 1)$ -regular graph.

Discrete laplacian :  $f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\Delta f(x) = \sum_{y \sim x} (f(y) - f(x)) = \sum_{y \sim x} f(y) - (q + 1)f(x).$$

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## Theorem

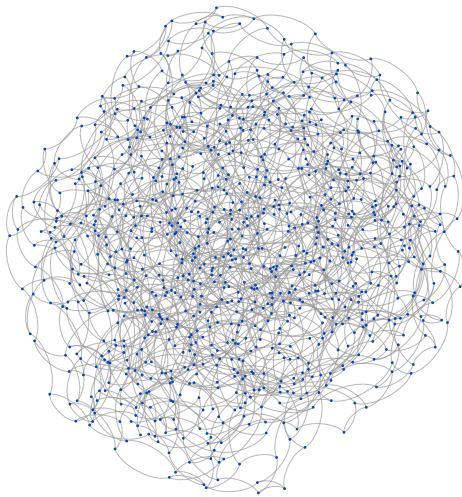
(A-Le Masson, 2013) Assume that  $G_N$  has “few” short loops and that it forms an expander family = **uniform spectral gap for  $\mathcal{A}$** .

Let  $(\phi_i^{(N)})_{i=1}^N$  be an ONB of eigenfunctions of the laplacian on  $G_N$ .  
 Let  $a = a_N : V_N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be such that  $|a(x)| \leq 1$  for all  $x \in V_N$ .  
 Then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left| \sum_{x \in V_N} a(x) |\phi_i^{(N)}(x)|^2 - \langle a \rangle \right|^2 = 0.$$

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Deterministic statement ; applies in particular to random regular graphs



# More general version

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Let  $K = K_N : V_N \times V_N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a matrix such that

$d(x, y) > D \implies K(x, y) = 0$ . Assume  $|K(x, y)| \leq 1$ . Then

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Yesterday's proof yielded the following expression for  $\langle K \rangle_\lambda$  : thanks to Fourier analysis on the  $(q + 1)$ -regular tree, we wrote

$$K = \text{Op}(a)$$

and we obtained

$$\langle K \rangle_\lambda = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}_N} \int_{\partial \mathfrak{X}} a(x, \omega, s) d\nu_x(\omega)$$

if  $\lambda = q^{1/2+is} + q^{1/2-is} = 2\sqrt{q} \cos(s \ln q)$ .



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$$\Phi_\lambda(d) = q^{-d/2} \left( \frac{2}{q+1} \cos(ds \ln q) + \frac{q-1}{q+1} \frac{\sin((d+1)s \ln q)}{\sin(s \ln q)} \right)$$

if  $\lambda = 2\sqrt{q} \cos(s \ln q)$ .

# A third formula for $\langle K \rangle_\lambda$

Write  $G_N = G = (V, E) = \Gamma \backslash \mathfrak{X}$ . Introduce the Hilbert space

$$\mathcal{H}_\Gamma = \left\{ (K(x, y))_{(x, y) \in \mathfrak{X} \times \mathfrak{X}}, K(\gamma \cdot x, \gamma \cdot y) = K(x, y) \forall \gamma \in \Gamma, \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{|\mathcal{D}|} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}, y \in \mathfrak{X}} |K(x, y)|^2 < +\infty \right\}$$

Consider the closed subspace

$$\mathcal{F} = \overline{\text{Vect}\{\mathcal{A}^k, k \geq 0\}} = \{K \in \mathcal{H}_\Gamma, [\mathcal{A}, K] = 0\} \subset \mathcal{H}_\Gamma.$$

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We find  $\langle K \rangle_\lambda = f_K(\lambda)$ .

## 4 line (sketch of) proof

$$\text{Var}(K) = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{i=1}^N \left| \langle \phi_i^{(N)}, K \phi_i^{(N)} \rangle \right|^2$$

- $\text{Var}([\mathcal{A}, K]) = 0$
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(K) &\leq \frac{1}{|V|} \|K\|_{HS(\ell^2(V))}^2 \leq \|K\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\Gamma_N}}^2 \\ &\quad + C(D) \sup |K|^2 \frac{1}{|V|} \#\{x \in V, \rho(x) < D\}. \end{aligned}$$

- By a density argument (using expansion),  $\text{Var}(K) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow +\infty} 0$  if  $K \perp_{\mathcal{H}_{\Gamma_N}} \mathcal{F}$ .

- For general  $K$ , apply the previous line to  $K - P_{\mathcal{F}}(K) = K - f_K(\mathcal{A})$ .

On a regular graph, consider a “weighted” adjacency matrix,

$$\mathcal{A}_p f(x) = \sum_{y \sim x} p(x, y) f(y)$$

with “homogeneous” probability weights.

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Write the spectral decomposition of  $\mathcal{A}_p$  on  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,

$$dP_{(-\infty,\lambda]} = P_\lambda dm(\lambda)$$

$$\langle K \rangle_\lambda = \frac{1}{|V|} \text{Tr}_{\ell^2(\mathfrak{X})} \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{D}} K P_\lambda.$$

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- some non-regular graphs? e.g. percolation graphs based on regular graphs

# Wigner matrices

Hemitian matrices of size  $N \times N$ , random iid entries. Law is centered, has a density and gaussian tails.

Erdős, Schlein, Yau, Yin, Bourgade (2009...), Tao-Vu : for any eigenvector  $\phi$ ,

- 1  $\|\phi\|_\infty \leq N^{-1/2+\epsilon} \|\phi\|_2$  (“full delocalization”, 2009)
- 2  $\exists \eta, \nu > 0$  s.t.

$$B \subset \{1, \dots, N\}, \sum_{x \in B} |\phi(x)|^2 \geq 1 - \eta \implies |B| \geq \nu N.$$

- 3 QUE (2013) : for any fixed  $k$ ,  $a_N : \{1, \dots, N\} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ ,

$$\left| \sum_x a_N(x) |\phi_k^{(N)}(x)|^2 - \langle a_N \rangle \right| \leq \frac{\delta |a_N|}{N}$$

with overwhelming probability.

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Ben Arous–Guionnet have identified the limiting distribution of eigenvalues.

Bordenave–Guionnet have shown :

- If  $1 < \alpha < 2$ , for all but  $o(N)$  of the eigenvectors, there is delocalization in the sense that  $\|\phi\|_{\infty} \leq n^{-\rho} \|\phi\|_2$ .
- If  $0 < \alpha < 2/3$  and eigenvectors with eigenvalue  $\lambda$  large enough, there is localization : the mass of  $(|\phi(x)|^2)_{x=1,\dots,N}$  is carried by at most  $n^{1-\delta}$  entries.



# Random non-symmetric matrices

Vershynin-Rudelson 2014, Tao-Vu 2012. Matrices of size  $N \times N$ , random iid entries. Law is centered and has subexponential tail.

Then with probability  $\geq 1 - n^{1-t}$ , all eigenvectors have

$$\|\phi\|_{\infty} \leq Ct^{3/2} \frac{\ln n^{9/2}}{\sqrt{n}} \|\phi\|_2.$$

# Random band matrices

Erdős-Knowles 2010 : symmetric matrices of size  $N \times N$ ,  
band-width  $W \gg N^{6/7}$ .

Entries are iid, centered random variables, law has sub exponential  
tail.

Then for most eigenvectors, the “localization length” is  $\gg N$ .

# Erdős-Rényi graphs

Random graph with  $N$  vertices. Edges are chosen independently with probability  $p = p(N)$ . The adjacency matrix is then a random  $N \times N$  symmetric matrix (containing only 0 and 1).

Erdős, Knowles, Yau, Yin 2013 : if  $pN \gg (\ln N)^C$ , then with high probability there is full delocalization of all eigenvectors :

$$\|\phi\|_\infty \leq C \frac{(\ln N)^C}{\sqrt{N}} \|\phi\|_2.$$

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# Random regular graphs with $d_N \rightarrow +\infty$ .

Dumitriu-Pal, Tran-Vu-Wang, Geisinger.

Bauerschmidt-Knowles-Yau 2015 : if  $d_N \geq (\log N)^4$ , then with proba  $\geq 1 - e^{-\xi \log \xi}$  all eigenvectors have

$$\|\phi\|_\infty \leq C \frac{\xi}{\sqrt{N}} \|\phi\|_2.$$

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