

STABLE INTEGRAL SIMPLICIAL VOLUME OF 3-MANIFOLDS

I SIMPLICIAL VOLUME II REGIONALLY FINITE VIEW III DIM 3

I Definition [Gromov] (simplicial volume). If M is an n -mfld, then



singular chain complex

$$\|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} := \inf \left\{ |c|_n \mid c \in C_n(M; \mathbb{R}) \text{ fund. cycle of } M \right\} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

$$|\sum_j a_j \cdot \sigma_j|_n := \sum_j |a_j|$$

Examples: $\|S^1\|_{\mathbb{R}} = 0$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2}$...

gen: If $\pi_1(M)$ is amenable, then $\|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} = 0$ and $\dim \pi_1 \neq 0$ [Gromov, Kanov]

• $\|\Sigma_g\|_{\mathbb{R}} = 4 \cdot g - 4$ if $g \geq 1$ [Gromov]

gen: If M is hyperbolic, then

homotopy invariant

→ $\|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} = \frac{\text{vol}(M)}{V_n}$ [Gromov, Thurston]

II Def. (stable integral simplicial vol.) If M is an n -mfld, then

$$\|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} := \inf \left\{ \frac{\|N\|_{\mathbb{Z}}}{|\deg p|} \mid p: N \rightarrow M \text{ finite covering} \right\}$$

Question: ① For which ^{aspherical} tree wfd M (with res. fr. π_1) do we have

$$\|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} = \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} \quad (?)$$

② Why is ① interesting? ?

Observations: • If $\pi_1(M) \cong 1$, then $\|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} = \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}} \stackrel{+}{=} 0 = \|M\|_{\mathbb{R}}$ ≥ 1

\rightarrow focus on the aspherical case

• For all $k \in \mathbb{N}$: $b_k(M) \stackrel{PD}{\leq} \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$ [Gromov]

$$\rightarrow |\chi(M)| \leq (\dim M + 1) \cdot \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$$

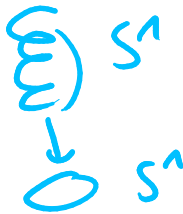
$$\rightarrow: \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} = 0 \rightarrow \chi(M) = 0.$$

Question [Gromov] If M is an tree aspherical wfd, then

$$\|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \chi(M) = 0. \quad (?)$$

Elementary examples:

$$\bullet \|S^1\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} = 0 = \|S^1\|_{\mathbb{R}}$$



$$\| \Sigma_g \|_{\mathbb{Z}} \leq 4g - 2$$



$$\bullet \text{ For all } g \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}: \| \Sigma_g \|_{\mathbb{R}} \stackrel{4}{=} \| \Sigma_g \|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} = 4g - 4$$

Problem: How to compute further examples? ?

Idea: look at other gradient invariants (of groups)
 fin pres., res fin. [Luo] [Gabai]

Betti numbers $b_k(\Gamma)$ \rightarrow $\lim_{\Delta \triangleleft \Gamma} \frac{b_k(\Delta)}{[\Gamma:\Delta]}$ = $b_k^{(2)}(\Gamma) = b_k^{(2)}(\mathcal{R}_{\Gamma}(X, \mu))$
 fin index [Abert, Nitzl]

rank $d(\Gamma)$ \rightarrow $\inf_{\Delta \triangleleft \Gamma} \frac{d(\Delta) - 1}{[\Gamma:\Delta]}$ =: $rg(\Gamma) = \text{cost}(\Gamma \curvearrowright \hat{\Gamma}) - 1$
 min # of gens fin. index rank gradient prof-completeness

\rightarrow can use ergodic theory!

(Rms: $b_k^{(2)}(\Gamma) \leq \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$, $rg \pi_1(\Gamma) \leq \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$)
 [Gow] [L]

III Def. [Gowor, Schmitt] (integral foliated simpl. wt.)

let Γ be an o.c.c. wfd and let $\alpha: \pi_1(\Gamma) \curvearrowright (X, \mu)$ be a p.w.p. action on a (standard Borel) prob. space. Then

$\|M\|^{\alpha} := \|M\|_{L^{\infty}(X, \mu; \mathbb{Z})}$ \leftarrow twisted coeffs!
 flexible \rightarrow rigid

and $\|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}} := \inf \{ \|M\|^{\alpha} \mid \alpha: \pi_1(\Gamma) \curvearrowright (X, \mu) \}$
 $\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$.

Prop. \downarrow

$$\|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} \leq \|M\|_{F, \mathbb{Z}} \leq \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} \leq \|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

Theorem. [L-Pagliantoni, Frigerio-L-Pagliantoni-Sauer]
 If M is an o.e. wfd, then
 with res. for π_1 $\|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} = \|M\|_{\pi_1(M)} \wedge \widehat{\pi_1(M)}$

Theorem. [L-Pagliantoni, FLPS, Fauer-L-Moradlou-Quintanilha]

Let M be an o.e. aspherical 3-wfd.

Then

$$\|M\|_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty} = \|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} = \frac{\text{hypvol}(M)}{V_3}$$

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In general, one cannot drop down 3:

Not true for hyp 4-wfds
 [Franzoni, Frigerio, Martelli]

Sketch proof:

(A) The ^{closed} hyperbolic case: o.e. hyp 3-wfds

(i) geometric input: $\exists (M_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|M_n\|_{\mathbb{Z}}}{\|M_n\|_{\mathbb{R}}} = 1$

② proportionality principle: If M, N are occ hyp n -wfd, then

$$\frac{\|M\|_{\mathcal{F}, \mathbb{R}}}{\text{vol}(M)} \leq \frac{\|N\|_{\mathbb{R}}}{\text{vol}(N)}$$

(uses ergodic theory).

③ more ergodic theory: if $\dim M = 3$, then

$$\|M\|_{\mathcal{F}, \mathbb{R}} = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \pi_n(M) \\ \text{has EFD}^*}}{\|M\|_{\pi_n(M) \rightarrow \widehat{\pi_n(M)}}} = \|M\|_{\mathbb{R}}$$

$\leadsto \|M\|_{\mathbb{R}} = \|M\|_{\mathbb{R}}$ if M is an occ hyp 3-wfd.

④ General case:

① JSJ-decomp. no cut along 2-tori

no

• hyperbolic pieces $\leftarrow \textcircled{A}$

• "Seifert fibered" pieces $\leftarrow \textcircled{0}$

② (Sub) Additivity for gluings along tori

again using ergodic theory

+ specifics on profic neighborhoods of 2-wfd groups. \square

(Bucher): $\|\Sigma_g \times \Sigma_h\|_{\mathbb{R}} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \|\Sigma_g\|_{\mathbb{R}} \cdot \|\Sigma_h\|_{\mathbb{R}}$.