

Lecture 17: Cone square Function V

Centred planks

Recall, last time we introduced plank decompositions of the dyadic truncates $\Gamma(h)$ of Γ_{whole} , which here we will denote by

$$\mathcal{S}(h) := \{ \Theta(h, \nu) : \nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{h^{1/2}} \mathbb{R}^{1/2} \}$$

In particular, when $h=1$, $\mathcal{S} := \mathcal{S}(1)$ is our original plank decomposition of $\Gamma = \Gamma(1)$.

Given $\Theta \in \mathcal{S}$, we also considered the centred plank $\bar{\Theta}$ which contains the Minkowski difference $\Theta - \Theta$. The rationale for this is that

$$\text{supp} (|\hat{f}_\Theta|^2)^\wedge \subseteq \bar{\Theta}. \quad (1)$$

The next step is to consider centred planks at all scales h . In particular, let

$$\bar{\Theta}(h, \nu) := \left\{ \xi \in \hat{\mathbb{R}}^3 : |\langle \vec{c}(\nu), \xi \rangle| \leq \frac{h}{2}, |\langle \vec{n}(\nu), \xi \rangle| \leq 2R, \right. \\ \left. |\langle \vec{e}(\nu), \xi \rangle| \leq 2h^{1/2} R^{-1/2} \right\}$$

so that $\Theta(h, \nu) - \Theta(h, \nu) \subseteq \bar{\Theta}(h, \nu)$. The collection of scale h centred planks is denoted

$$\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}_h := \{ \bar{\Theta}(h, \nu) : \nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{h^{1/2}} \mathbb{R}^{1/2} \}.$$

We will investigate relationships between these centred planks at different scales.

Geometric observation :-

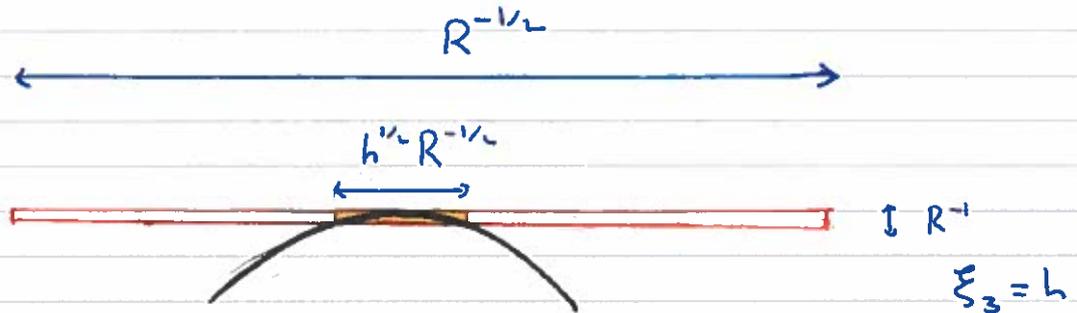
a) Given $\bar{\Theta}(1, \nu) \in \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}_1$, there exists $\bar{\Theta}(h, \nu_h) \in \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}_h$ such that

$$\bar{\Theta}(h, \nu_h) \subseteq \bar{2} \cdot \bar{\Theta}(1, \nu)$$

b) If $\tilde{\nu} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}^{1/2}}$ satisfies $|\nu - \tilde{\nu}| \gtrsim h^{-1/2} P$

then $2 \cdot \Theta(h, \nu_h) \cap 2 \cdot \bar{\Theta}(1, \tilde{\nu}) = \emptyset$.

Proof :- a) This is easy to see by considering slices at $\xi_3 = \pm h$.



On this slice, the large centred plate $\Theta(1, \nu)$ intersects $N_{1/2} \Gamma(h)$ only on a small portion, corresponding to a block of dimension $h^{1/2} R^{-1/2} \times R^{-1}$.



This $h^{1/2} R^{-1/2} \times R^{-1}$ block will intersect some $\Theta(h, \nu_h) \cap \{\xi_3 = h\}$ for some $\nu_h \in \mathcal{F}_{h^{1/2} R^{-1/2}}$. By symmetry & convexity, it follows that

$$\Theta(h, \nu_h) \subseteq 2 \cdot \Theta(1, \nu)$$

as required.

b) Let $\frac{h}{2} \leq h' \leq h$. The block

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\Theta}(1, \nu) \cap \{\xi_3 = h'\} \text{ is centred at } h' \cdot \begin{pmatrix} R^{-1} \nu^{1/2} \\ R^{-1/2} \nu \end{pmatrix} \\ \Theta(1, \tilde{\nu}) \cap \{\xi_3 = h'\} \text{ is centred at } h' \cdot \begin{pmatrix} R^{-1} \tilde{\nu}^{1/2} \\ R^{-1/2} \tilde{\nu} \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| h' \begin{pmatrix} R^{-1} \nu^{1/2} \\ R^{-1/2} \nu \end{pmatrix} - h' \begin{pmatrix} R^{-1} \tilde{\nu}^{1/2} \\ R^{-1/2} \tilde{\nu} \end{pmatrix} \right| &\geq h' R^{-1/2} |\nu - \tilde{\nu}| \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} h \cdot R^{-1/2} |\nu - \tilde{\nu}| \end{aligned}$$

so that, if $|\nu - \tilde{\nu}| \geq 2 \cdot C \cdot h^{-1/2}$, then the centres are separated by

$$C \cdot h^{1/2} R^{-1/2}$$

If C is chosen sufficiently large, then the desired conclusion follows. \square

For each h , we can therefore partition the $\Theta \in \mathcal{S}$ as follows:-

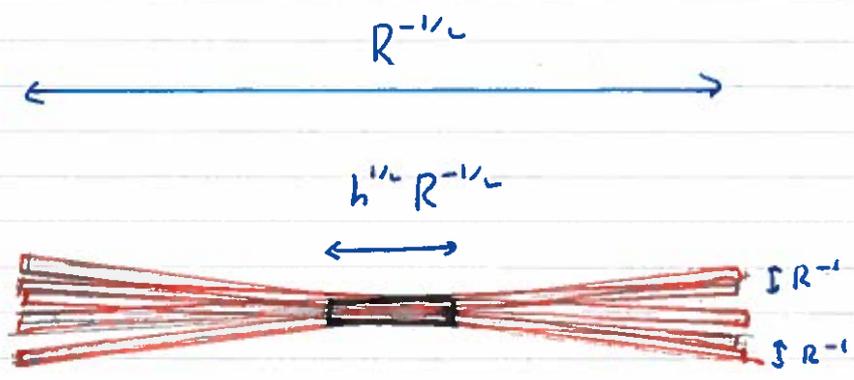
$$\mathcal{S} := \bigcup_{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}_h^D} \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}} \tag{2}$$

where

$$\mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}_h} := \{ \Theta(1, \nu) \in \mathcal{S} : \bar{\Theta}_h \subseteq 2 \cdot \bar{\Theta}(1, \nu) \}$$

It follows that (2) is a 'partition' of \mathcal{S} into finitely-overlapping families of roughly even size:-

$$\# \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}} \sim \frac{\# \mathcal{S}}{\# \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}_h^D} \sim \frac{R^{1/2}}{h^{1/2} R^{1/2}} = h^{-1/2}$$



The family $\mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}$ consists of plates $\Theta(1, \nu)$ such that the slices

$$\bar{\Theta}(1, \nu) \cap \{ \xi_3 = h \}$$

'essentially all agree' with some fixed $R^{-1} \times h^{1/2} R^{-1/2}$ block

Alternative definition:- Alternatively, if we decompose $N_{1/R} \Gamma$ into a finitely-overlapping family of planks z with

$$d(z) = s, \quad s = h^{-1/2} R^{-1/2}$$

then it follows each \mathcal{S}_θ is a set of the form

$$\{ \theta \in \mathcal{S} : \theta \leq \tau \} \quad (3)$$

for some choice of $\tau = \tau_\theta$.

(Note :- the number of such τ is $h^{1-d} R^{1-d}$ which coincides with $\# \mathbb{C}P_h$).

Using (2), we write for any h ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{g}(\xi)| &= \left| \sum_{\theta \in \mathcal{S}} (|f_\theta|^*)^\wedge(\xi) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{\bar{\theta} \in \mathbb{C}P_h} \left| \sum_{\theta \in \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\theta}}} (|f_\theta|^*)^\wedge(\xi) \right| \end{aligned}$$

Using the alternative definition from (3), this is the same as:

$$|\hat{g}(\xi)| \leq \sum_{d(\tau)=s} \left| \sum_{\theta \leq \tau} (|f_\theta|^*)^\wedge(\xi) \right|$$

Partitioning the frequency support.

Define

$$\Omega := \bigcup_{\bar{\theta} \in \mathbb{C}P_1} \bar{\theta}$$

so that, by (1), $\text{supp } \hat{g} \subseteq \Omega$.

We form a partition of Ω as follows:

For $h \in 2^{\mathbb{Z}}$ let

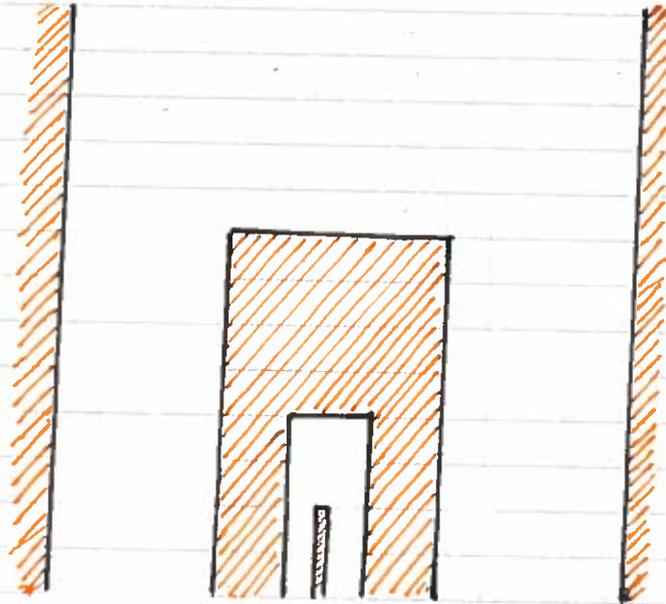
$$\Omega_{\leq h} := \bigcup_{\bar{\theta} \in \mathbb{C}P_h} \bar{\theta}$$

and define

$$\Omega_h := \begin{cases} \Omega_{\leq h} \setminus \Omega_{\leq h/2} & \text{if } R^{-1} < h \leq 1 \\ \Omega_{\leq R^{-1}} & \text{if } h = R^{-1} \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$\Omega = \bigcup_{\substack{h \in 2^{\mathbb{Z}} \\ R^{-1} \leq h \leq 1}} \Omega_h$$



A schematic for the $\{\Omega_h\}$ decomposition.

Key geometric lemmas:-

Lemma 1: If $|\sum_{\theta \in S_{\bar{u}}} (|\mathcal{C}_\theta|)^{\wedge}(\xi)| \neq 0$ for

some $\xi \in \Omega_{\leq h}$ and $\bar{u} \in \mathbb{CP}_h$, then $\xi \in 4 \cdot \bar{u}$.

Lemma 2: If $\xi \in \Omega_h$, then

$$\#\{\bar{u} \in \mathbb{CP}_h : \xi \in 4 \cdot \bar{u}\} \lesssim 1.$$

Assuming these lemmas allows us to write

$$|\hat{g}(\xi)|^2 \lesssim \left(\sum_{\substack{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}_h \\ \xi \in 4 \cdot \bar{\Theta}}} \left| \sum_{\theta \in S_{\bar{\Theta}}} (|f_{\theta}|^2)^{\wedge}(\xi) \right| \right)^2$$

$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}_h \\ \xi \in 4 \cdot \bar{\Theta}}} \left| \sum_{\theta \in S_{\bar{\Theta}}} (|f_{\theta}|^2)^{\wedge}(\xi) \right|^2 \quad \text{if } \xi \in \Omega_h$$

by Cauchy-Schwarz.

For each $\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP} := \bigcup_{\substack{R^{-1} \leq h \leq 1 \\ h \in 2^{\mathbb{Z}}}} \mathbb{CP}_h$ let

$\eta_{\bar{\Theta}} \in \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ be such that $(\eta_{\bar{\Theta}})^{\wedge}$ is a smooth approximation of $\chi_{4\bar{\Theta}}$. Thus, we can write

$$|\hat{g}(\xi)|^2 \chi_{\Omega_h}(\xi) \lesssim \sum_{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}_h} \left| \hat{\eta}_{\bar{\Theta}}(\xi) \sum_{\theta \in S_{\bar{\Theta}}} (|f_{\theta}|^2)^{\wedge}(\xi) \right|^2$$

and thus, summing over all $R^{-1} \leq h \leq 1$,

$$|\hat{g}(\xi)|^2 \lesssim \sum_{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}} \left| \hat{\eta}_{\bar{\Theta}}(\xi) \cdot \sum_{\theta \in S_{\bar{\Theta}}} (|f_{\theta}|^2)^{\wedge}(\xi) \right|^2$$

Integrating in ξ and applying Plancherel,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{d(\theta) = R^{-1/2}} |f_{\theta}|^2 \right\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^3)}^2 & \quad (4) \\ &= \|g\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^3)}^2 \lesssim \sum_{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}} \left\| \hat{\eta}_{\bar{\Theta}} * \sum_{\theta \in S_{\bar{\Theta}}} |f_{\theta}|^2 \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)}^2 \end{aligned}$$

To conclude the argument we use locally-constant properties of the right-hand functions, based on the uncertainty principle.

Since $\hat{\eta}_{\bar{\Theta}}$ is Fourier localized to $\bar{\Theta}$, by the uncertainty principle this function is

L^1 normalized and spatially concentrated in the dual plank $\bar{\Theta}^*$.

Note $\bar{\Theta}$ has dimensions $R^{-1} \times h^{1/2} R^{-1/2} \times h$ so the dual plank $\bar{\Theta}^*$ has dimensions $R \times h^{-1/2} R^{1/2} \times h^{-1}$.

The function $|\eta_{\bar{\Theta}} * \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}} |f_{\Theta}|^2|$ is essentially constant on translates $B \parallel \bar{\Theta}^*$ and, moreover, roughly satisfies

$$|\eta_{\bar{\Theta}} * \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}} |f_{\Theta}|^2(\xi)| \sim \int_B \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}} |f_{\Theta}|^2 \quad (5)$$

for $\xi \in B$.

Substituting (5) into (4),

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left(\sum_{d(b)=R^{-1/2}} |f_b|^2 \right)^{1/2} \right\|_{L^4(\mathbb{R}^3)}^4 \\ & \lesssim \sum_{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}} \sum_{B \parallel \bar{\Theta}^*} \left\| \eta_{\bar{\Theta}} * \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}} |f_{\Theta}|^2 \right\|_{L^2(B)}^2 \\ & \sim \sum_{\bar{\Theta} \in \mathbb{CP}} \sum_{B \parallel \bar{\Theta}^*} |B|^{-1} \left\| \left(\sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}} |f_{\Theta}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \right\|_{L^2(B)}^4 \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

Finally, it remains to rewrite this estimate in the notation of the lemma statement.

- Recall, each $\mathcal{S}_{\bar{\Theta}}$ corresponds to a family of planks satisfying $\Theta \subseteq \tau$ for some s -plate τ where $S = h^{-1/2} R^{-1/2}$.
- The B 's satisfying $B \parallel \bar{\Theta}^*$ have size $R^+ \times h^{1/2} R^{+1/2} \times h^{-1} = R \times R s \times R s^2$ for s as above.

Thus, we can write RHS of (6) as

$$\sum_{R^{-1/2} \leq s \leq 1} \sum_{d(\tau)=s} \sum_{U \parallel U_{\tau, R}} |U|^{-1} \|S_u f\|_{L^2(U)}^4,$$

as required.