

Notes for talk "Flag Area Measures" by Susanna Dann (joint w/ Y. Abardia, A. Bernig) ①

$$S_k^{(p)}(P, \cdot) \sim \cos^2(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) \quad \text{Hilbert's flag area measures}$$

$$S_k^{(p); i}(P, \cdot) \sim \sigma_i(\cos^2 \theta_1, \dots, \cos^2 \theta_{n-1})$$

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 principal angles
 between subspaces

We consider $(\mathbb{R}^n, SO(n))$, $\mathcal{K}^n \leftarrow$ space of convex bodies in \mathbb{R}^n

Def: $\mu: \mathcal{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a valuation if

$$\mu(K \cup L) + \mu(K \cap L) = \mu(K) + \mu(L)$$

holds for all $K, L \in \mathcal{K}^n$ with $K \cup L \in \mathcal{K}^n$.

Properties of valuations: Let $K \in \mathcal{K}^n$, let $\mu: \mathcal{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a valuation.

(i) $\mu(K+y) = \mu(K)$, $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

(ii) $\mu(gK) = \mu(K)$, $g \in SO(n)$

$\text{Val}^{SO(n)} = \text{span} \{ \mu_0, \dots, \mu_n \}$ \swarrow k-hom.

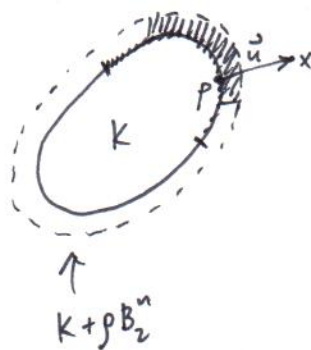
$\text{vol}(K + \rho B_2^n) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_{n,k} \overbrace{\mu_k(K)}^{\text{k-hom.}} \rho^{n-k}$

Let $\eta \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times S^{n-1}$. Put $\mathcal{M}_\rho(K, \eta) := \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n : 0 < d(K, x) \leq \rho, (p, u) \in \eta \}$.

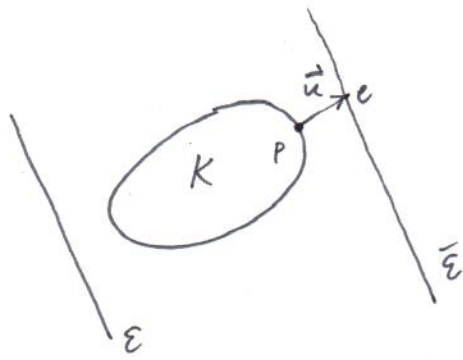
Then $\text{vol}(\mathcal{M}_\rho(K, \eta)) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} c_{n,k} \underbrace{\theta_k(K, \eta)}_{\text{support measures}} \rho^{n-k}$

$\beta \subset S^{n-1}$, $S_k(K, \beta) := \theta_k(K, \mathbb{R}^n \times \beta)$

$K \mapsto S_k(K, \cdot)$



• $Gr_p^n, \overline{Gr}_p^n$



$\eta \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times S^{n-1} \times Gr_p^n$

$M_p^{(p)}(K, \eta) = \{ \bar{E} \in Gr_p^n : 0 < d(K, \bar{E}) \leq p, (p, u, \bar{E}) \in \eta \}$

• $vol(M_p^{(p)}(K, \eta)) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-p-1} c_{n,p,k} \underbrace{=}_k^{(p)}(K, \eta) p^{n-p-k}$
 flag (type) support measure

• $\beta \subset S^{n-1} \times Gr_p^n, \sum_k^{(p)}(K, \beta) := \sum_k^{(p)}(K, \mathbb{R}^n \times \beta)$
 flag type area measures

$K \mapsto \sum_k^{(p)}(K, \cdot)$

• flag manifold $\mathcal{F}_{1,p+1} := \{ (v, E) \in S^{n-1} \times Gr_{p+1}^n : v \in E \}$
 $\mathcal{F}_{1,p}^\perp := \{ (v, E) \in S^{n-1} \times Gr_p^n : v \perp E \}$

Define a mapping $\mathcal{F}_{1,p}^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{1,p+1}$ by
 $(v, E) \mapsto (v, \text{span}\{v, E\})$

Theorem (Hinderer-Hug-Weil): Let $0 \leq p \leq n-1, 0 \leq k \leq n-p-1, P$ polytope, $\beta \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F}_{1,p}^\perp)$.

Then $\sum_k^{(p)}(P, \beta) = c_{n,p,k} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_k(P)} vol(F) \int_{n(P,F)} \int_{Gr_{p+1}(v)} \mathbb{I}_{(v, E, v^\perp) \in \beta} \cos^2(E^\perp, F) dE dv.$

Principal angles

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Sigma \in Gr_p^n, e_1, \dots, e_p \text{ orthonormal basis (ONB)} \\ F \in Gr_k^n, f_1, \dots, f_k \text{ ONB} \end{array} \right\} i \neq j : \langle e_i, f_j \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle e_i, f_i \rangle = \cos \theta_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq M := \min\{k, n-k, p, n-p\}$$

$\theta_1, \dots, \theta_M$ principal angles between Σ and F

$$\sigma_i(\Sigma, F) = \sigma_i(\cos^2 \theta_1, \dots, \cos^2 \theta_M)$$

Def: $\mathcal{P} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \text{Meas}(\mathcal{F}_{1,p+1})$ is a flag area measure if it is a continuous translation-invariant valuation, $\text{Flag Area}^{(p)}$.

Thm 1: $\forall 0 \leq k, p \leq n-1, 0 \leq i \leq M := \min\{k, n-1-k, p, n-1-p\}, \exists!$ flag area measure s.t.

for any polytope $P, \beta \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F}_{1,p+1}),$

$$S_k^{(p),i}(P, \beta) = c_{n,p,k,i} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_k(P)} \text{vol}_k(P) \int_{n(P,F) \in Gr_{p+1}(v)} \int_{(v,\varepsilon) \in \beta} \sigma_i(\cos^2 \theta_1, \dots, \cos^2 \theta_M) d\varepsilon dv.$$

• If n is odd, $p = k = \frac{n-1}{2}$, then $\tilde{S}(P, \beta) = \dots = \tilde{\sigma}(\Sigma^\perp, F) \dots$

Thm 2: (i) $S_k^{(p),\eta}(K, \eta) = S_k^{(p)}(K, \eta)$

(ii) $S_k^{(p),i}(\cdot, \beta), \tilde{S}(\cdot, \beta)$ are cont. trans.-inv. valuation, hom. of $k, \frac{n-1}{2}$

(iii) $S_k^{(p),i}(gK, g\beta) = S_k^{(p),i}(K, \beta), g \in O(n)$

(iv) $\tilde{S}(gK, g\beta) = \det(g) \tilde{S}(K, \beta), g \in O(n)$

(v) Let $\pi : \mathcal{F}_{1,p+1} \rightarrow S^{n-1}, (v, \varepsilon) \mapsto v, \beta \subset \mathcal{B}(S^{n-1}).$ Then

$$S_k^{(p),i}(K, \pi^{-1}(\beta)) = S_k(K, \beta) \text{ and } \tilde{S}(K, \pi^{-1}(\beta)) = 0.$$

Def: $\mathcal{P} \in \text{Flag Area}^{(p)}$ is smooth if \exists trans.-inv. form $\tau \in \Omega^k(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{F}_{1,p+1})$ s.t.

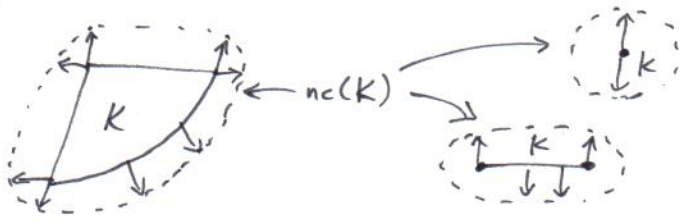
$$\int_{\mathcal{F}_{1,p+1}} f d\mathcal{P}(k, \cdot) = \int_{nc(k)} \pi_* (f \wedge \tau), \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{R}^n, f \in C^\infty(\mathcal{F}_{1,p+1}).$$

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 normal cycle of k

Thm 3: If $(p, k) \neq (\frac{n-1}{2}, \frac{n-1}{2})$ then $S_k^{(p), i}$ forms a basis for $\text{Flag Area}_k^{(p), SO(n), \text{smooth}}$

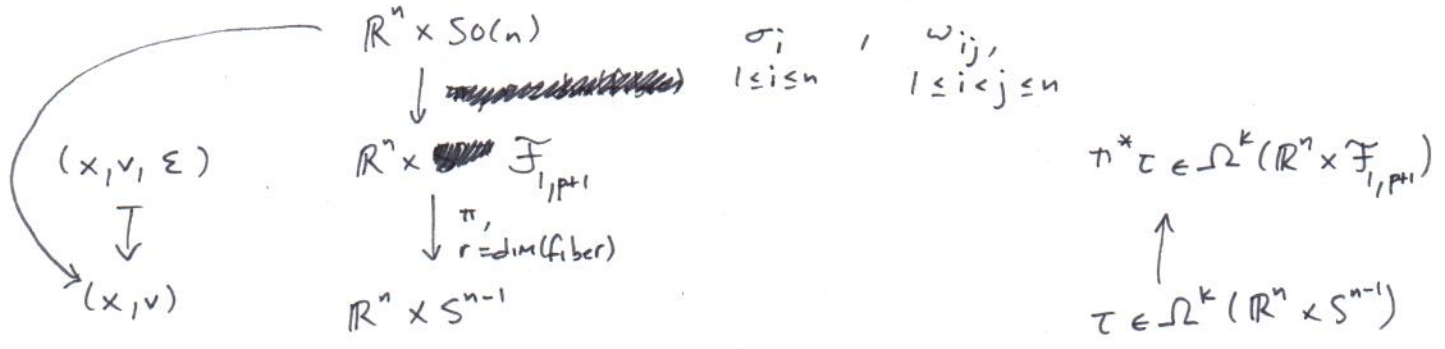
If n is odd, $p = k = \frac{n-1}{2}$, then $S_{\frac{n-1}{2}, i}$ and \tilde{S} forms a basis for $\text{Flag Area}_k^{(p), SO(n), \text{smooth}}$

$$K \subset \mathbb{R}^n, nc(K) \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times S^{n-1}, \dim(nc(K)) = n-1$$



Ex] $\omega \in \Omega^{n-1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times S^{n-1}), K \mapsto \int_{nc(K)} \omega \in \mathbb{R}$ smooth valuation

$$\eta \subset S^{n-1}, \int_{nc(K) \cap \eta} \omega \text{ smooth area measure}$$



$$\tau \in \Omega^{k+r}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{F}_{1,p+1})$$

$$\pi_* \tau \in \Omega^k(\mathbb{R}^n \times S^{n-1})$$