

# **DECOUPLING INEQUALITIES IN HARMONIC ANALYSIS AND APPLICATIONS**

# NOTATION AND STATEMENT

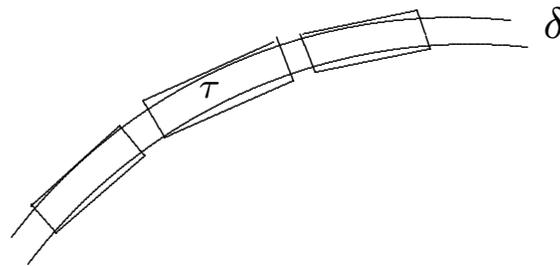
$S$  compact smooth hypersurface in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with positive definite second fundamental form

(Examples: sphere  $S^{d-1}$ , truncated paraboloid

$$\mathcal{P}^{d-1} = \{(\xi, |\xi|^2) \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R}; |\xi| \leq 1\}$$

$S_\delta = \delta$ -neighborhood of  $S$

$S_\delta \subset \bigcup_{\tau} \tau$  where  $\tau$  is a  $\sqrt{\delta} \times \dots \times \sqrt{\delta} \times \delta$  rectangular box in  $\mathbb{R}^d$



For  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $f_\tau = (\widehat{f}|_\tau)^\sim$  is the Fourier restriction of  $f$  to  $\tau$

## **THEOREM (B-Demeter, 014)**

*Assume  $\text{supp } \hat{f} \subset S_\delta$ . Then*

$$\|f\|_p \ll_\varepsilon \delta^{-\varepsilon} \left( \sum_\tau \|f_\tau\|_p^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ for } 2 \leq p \leq \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1}$$

- Range  $p \leq \frac{2d}{d-1}$  obtained earlier (**B, 013**)
- Exponent  $p = \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1}$  is best possible

**EXAMPLE**  $f = \widehat{1_{S_\delta}}$ . Then  $|f| \sim \frac{\delta}{(1+|x|)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}}$  and  $\|f\|_p \sim \delta$

$$|f_\tau| \sim \delta^{\frac{d+1}{2}} \mathbf{1}_{\overset{\circ}{\tau}} \text{ with } \overset{\circ}{\tau} \text{ the polar of } \tau \Rightarrow \|f_\tau\|_p \sim \delta^{\frac{d+1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)^{\frac{d+1}{2p}} = \delta^{\frac{d+3}{4}}$$

$$\left(\sum_{\tau} \|f_\tau\|_p^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sim \left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)^{\frac{d-1}{4}} \delta^{\frac{d+3}{4}} = \delta$$

- **Original motivations**

**PDE** Smoothing for the wave equation (**T.Wolff, 2000**)

Schrödinger equation on tori and irrational tori (**B, 92**→)

**Spectral Theory** Eigenfunction bounds for spheres

- Diophantine applications, new approach to mean value theorems in Number Theory, bounds on exponential sums

# MOMENT INEQUALITIES FOR TRIGONOMETRIC POLYNOMIALS WITH SPECTRUM IN CURVED HYPERSURFACES

$S \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  smooth with positive curvature

$\lambda \gg 1, \mathcal{E} = \mathbb{Z}^d \cap \lambda S =$  lattice points on  $\lambda S$

Let

$$\phi(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{E}} a_{\xi} e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \Rightarrow \phi \text{ is 1-periodic}$$

Apply decoupling theorem to rescaled  $f(y) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{E}} a_{\xi} e^{2\pi i y \cdot \frac{\xi}{\lambda}} \eta(\lambda^{-2} y)$

with  $\delta = \lambda^{-2}$

$$\Rightarrow \|\phi\|_{L^p([0,1]^d)} \ll \lambda^{\varepsilon} \left( \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{E}} |a_{\xi}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ for } p \leq \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1}$$

**COROLLARY** ( $S = S^{d-1}$ )

*Eigenfunctions*  $\phi_E$  of  $d$ -torus  $\mathbb{T}^d$ , i.e.  $-\Delta\phi_E = E\phi_E$ ,  
*satisfy*

$$\|\phi\|_p \ll E^\varepsilon \|\phi\|_2 \text{ for } p \leq \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1}$$

(Known for  $d = 3$  for arithmetical reason, new for  $d > 3$ )

# SCHRODINGER EQUATIONS AND STRICHARTZ INEQUALITIES

Linear Schrödinger equation on  $\mathbb{R}^d$

$$iu_t + \Delta u = 0, u(0) = \phi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$u(t) = e^{it\Delta}\phi = \int \widehat{\phi}(\xi) e^{i(x \cdot \xi + t|\xi|^2)} d\xi$$

**STRICHARTZ INEQUALITY:**  $\|e^{it\Delta}\phi\|_{L_{x,t}^p} \leq C\|\phi\|_2$  with  $p = \frac{2(d+2)}{d}$

Local wellposedness for Cauchy problem for NLS on  $\mathbb{R}^d$

$$\begin{cases} iu_t + \Delta u + \alpha u|u|^{p-2} = 0 \\ u(0) = \phi \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^d) \end{cases}$$

$$s \geq s_0 \text{ with } s_0 \text{ defined by } p - 2 = \frac{4}{d - 2s_0}$$
$$(p - 2 \geq [s] \text{ if } p \notin 2\mathbb{Z})$$

## TORI AND IRRATIONAL TORI

$$\phi \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^d) \quad \phi(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^d} a_\xi e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi}$$

$$e^{it\Delta} \phi = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^d} a_\xi e^{2\pi i(x \cdot \xi + t|\xi|^2)}$$

More generally (irrational tori)

$$e^{it\Delta} \phi = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^d} a_\xi e^{2\pi i(x \cdot \xi + tQ(\xi))} \text{ where } Q(\xi) = \alpha_1 \xi_1^2 + \cdots + \alpha_d \xi_d^2, \alpha_j > 0$$

**PROBLEM** Which  $L^p$ -inequalities are satisfied?  
(periodic Strichartz inequalities)

## EXAMPLES (B, 92)

- $d = 1$  Assume  $\phi(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}, |\xi| \leq R} a_\xi e^{2\pi i x \xi}$

$$\|e^{it\Delta} \phi\|_{L^6_{[|x|, |t| \leq 1]}} \ll R^\varepsilon \|\phi\|_2$$

Moreover, taking  $a_\xi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R}}$  for  $|\xi| \leq R$ ,  $a_\xi = 0$  for  $|\xi| > R$ ,

$$\|e^{it\Delta} \phi\|_6 \sim (\log R)^{1/6}$$

(Classical Strichartz inequality fails in periodic case!)

- $d = 2$   $\|e^{it\Delta} \phi\|_4 \ll R^\varepsilon \|\phi\|_2$

Proven using arithmetical techniques (# lattice points on ellipses)

- $d \geq 3$  Only partial results

**Irrational tori** No satisfactory results for  $d \geq 2$

**THEOREM** *Let  $Q$  be a positive definite quadratic form on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .*

*Then*

$$\left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^d, |\xi| \leq R} a_\xi e^{2\pi i(x \cdot \xi + tQ(\xi))} \right\|_{L^p_{[|x|, |t| \leq 1]}} \ll R^\varepsilon \left( \sum |a_\xi|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

*for  $p \leq \frac{2(d+2)}{d}$ .*

**COROLLARY** *Local wellposedness of NLS on  $\mathbb{T}^d$  for  $s > s_0$*

Recent results of **Killip-Visan**

## Proof

Define  $f(x', t') = \sum_{|\xi| \leq R} a_\xi e^{2\pi i(x' \cdot \frac{\xi}{R} + t' \frac{Q(\xi)}{R^2})} \eta(R^{-2}x', R^{-2}t')$ .

$$\left( \frac{\xi}{R}, \frac{Q(\xi)}{R^2} \right) \in S = \{(y, Q(y)); y \in \mathbb{R}^d, |y| \leq 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$$

From decoupling inequality

$$\|f\|_{L^p(B_{R^2})} \ll R^\varepsilon R^{\frac{2(d+1)}{p}} \left( \sum |a_\xi|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

and setting  $x' = Rx, t' = R^2t$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{L^p(B_{R^2})} &= R^{\frac{d+2}{p}} \left\| \sum a_\xi e^{2\pi i(x \cdot \xi + tQ(\xi))} \right\|_{L^p_{|x| < R, |t| < 1}} \\ &= R^{\frac{2(d+1)}{p}} \left\| \sum a_\xi e^{2\pi i(x \cdot \xi + tQ(\xi))} \right\|_{L^p_{|x| < 1, |t| < 1}} \end{aligned}$$

# MOMENT INEQUALITIES FOR EIGENFUNCTIONS

$(M, g)$  compact, smooth Riemannian manifold of dimension  $d$  without boundary

$$\Delta\varphi_E = -E\varphi_E \quad (E = \lambda^2)$$

**THEOREM** (Hormander, Sogge)

$$\|\varphi_E\|_p \leq c\lambda^{\delta(p)}\|\varphi_E\|_2$$

where

$$\delta(p) = \begin{cases} \frac{d-1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p} \right) & \text{if } 2 \leq p \leq \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1} \\ d \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p} \right) - \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1} \leq p \leq \infty \end{cases}$$

Estimates are sharp for  $M = S^d$

# FLAT TORUS $\mathbb{T}^d$

## CONJECTURE

$$\|\varphi_E\|_p \leq c_p \|\varphi_E\|_2 \quad \text{if } p < \frac{2d}{d-2}$$

*and*

$$\|\varphi_E\|_p \leq c_p \lambda^{\left(\frac{d-2}{2} - \frac{d}{p}\right)} \|\varphi_E\|_2 \quad \text{if } p > \frac{2d}{d-2}$$

## THEOREM (B–Demeter, 014)

$$\|\varphi_E\|_p \ll \lambda^\varepsilon \|\varphi_E\|_2 \text{ if } d \geq 3 \text{ and } p \leq \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1} \quad (*)$$

and

$$\|\varphi_E\|_p \leq C_p \lambda^{\left(\frac{d-2}{2} - \frac{d}{p}\right)} \|\varphi_E\|_2 \text{ if } d \geq 4 \text{ and } p > \frac{2(d-1)}{d-3} \quad (**)$$

(\*\*) follows from (\*) combined with distributional inequality

$$t^{2\frac{d-1}{d-3}} |[\varphi > t]| \ll \lambda^{\frac{2}{d-3} + \varepsilon} \text{ for } t > \lambda^{\frac{d-1}{4}} \quad (\text{B, 093})$$

**(Hardy-Littlewood + Kloosterman)**

# ESTIMATES ON $\mathbb{T}^2$

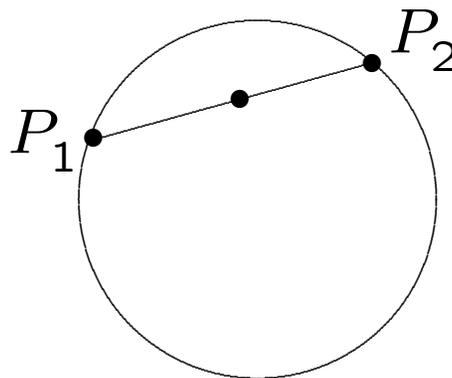
$E$  = sum of 2 squares

multiplicity  $E$  = number  $N$  of representations of  $E$  as sum of two squares

$$E = \prod p_\alpha^{e_\alpha} \Rightarrow N = 4 \prod (1 + e_\alpha)$$

On average,  $N \sim (\log E)^{1/2}$

**THEOREM (Zygmund–Cook)**  $\|\varphi_E\|_4 \leq C \|\varphi_E\|_2$



Estimating the  $L^6$ -norm  $\Leftrightarrow$

number of solutions of  $P_1 + P_2 + P_3 = P_4 + P_5 + P_6$  with

$$P_i \in \mathcal{E} = \{P \in \mathbb{Z} + i\mathbb{Z}; |P|^2 = E\}$$

**COMBINATORIAL APPROACH** Use of incidence geometry

**ANALYTICAL APPROACH:** Use of the theory of elliptic curves  
(conditional)

# THEOREM (Bombieri–B, 012)

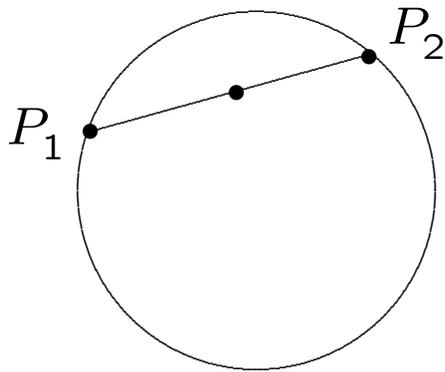
- $\|\varphi_E\|_6 \ll N^{\frac{1}{12} + \varepsilon} \|\varphi_E\|_2$
- *For all  $p < \infty$ ,  $\|\varphi_E\|_p \leq C \|\varphi_E\|_2$  for ‘most’  $E$*
- *Conditional to GRH and **Birch, Swinnerton-Dyer conjecture***

$$\|\varphi_E\|_6 \ll N^\varepsilon \|\varphi_E\|_2 \text{ for ‘most’ smooth numbers } E$$

# THE COMBINATORIAL APPROACH

Consider equation  $P_1 + P_2 + P_3 = (A, B)$  with  $P_j = (x_j, y_j) \in \mathcal{E}$

Set  $u = x_1 + x_2, v = y_1 + y_2$  establishing correspondence between  $\mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{E} + \mathcal{E}$



Introduce curves  $C_{A,B} : (A - u)^2 + (B - v)^2 = E$

$\Rightarrow$  family  $\mathcal{C}$  of circles of same radius  $\sqrt{E}$  (pseudo-line system)

Need to bound

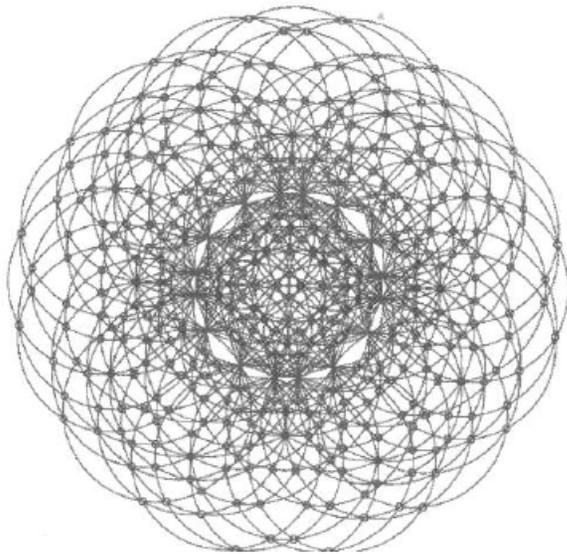
$$\sum_{A,B} |C_{A,B} \cap \mathcal{P}|^2$$

# USE OF SZEMEREDI-TROTTER THEOREM FOR PSEUDO-LINE SYSTEMS

$I(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{C}) =$  number of incidences between point  $\mathcal{P}$  and curves  $\mathcal{C}$

$$\leq C(|\mathcal{P}|^{2/3}|\mathcal{C}|^{2/3} + |\mathcal{P}| + |\mathcal{C}|)$$

$\Rightarrow$  bound  $N^{7/2}$



$$E = 65, |\mathcal{P}| = 112, |\mathcal{C}| = 372$$

**REMARK** Erdős unit distance conjecture would imply  $N^{3+\varepsilon}$

**PROBLEM** *Establish uniform  $L^p$ -bound for some  $p > 2$  for higher dimensional toral eigenfunctions*

Important to PDE's

**Control for Schrodinger operators on tori**

**THEOREM (B-Burq-Zworski, 012)**

*Let  $d \leq 3$ ,  $V \in L^\infty(\mathbb{T}^d)$ ,  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{T}^d$ ,  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$ , an open set. Let  $T > 0$ . There is a constant  $C = C(\Omega, T, V)$  such that for any  $u_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)$*

$$\|u_0\|_{L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)} \leq C \|e^{it(\Delta+V)}u_0\|_{L^2(\Omega \times [0, T])}$$

(uses Zygmund's inequality)

More regular  $V$ : **Anantharaman-Macia (011)**

# INGREDIENTS IN THE PROOF OF DECOUPLING THEOREM

- **Wave packet decomposition**

- **Parabolic rescaling**

- **Multilinear harmonic analysis**

$d = 2$       bilinear square function inequalities      (**Cordoba 70's**)

$d \geq 3$       **Bennett, Carbery, Tao (06)**

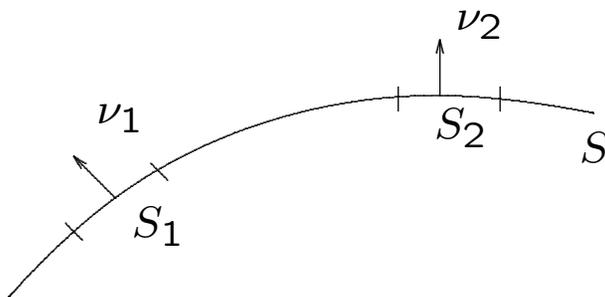
- **Multi-scale bootstrap**

# BENNETT - CARBERRY - TAO THEOREM

$S \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  compact smooth hypersurface

$S_1, \dots, S_d \subset S$  disjoint patches in transversal position

$$|\nu(\xi_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \nu(\xi_d)| > c \text{ for all } \xi_1 \in S_1, \dots, \xi_d \in S_d$$



Let  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_d$  be measures on  $S$ ,  $\mu_j \ll \sigma =$  surface measure and  $\text{supp} \mu_j \subset S_j$

$$d\mu_j = \varphi_j d\sigma, \varphi_j \in L^2(\sigma)$$

Take large ball  $B_R \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ . Then

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^d |\widehat{\mu}_j(x)|^{\frac{1}{d}} \right\|_{L^p(B_R)} \ll R^\varepsilon \prod_{j=1}^d \|\varphi_j\|_{L^2(\sigma)} \text{ with } p = \frac{2d}{d-1}$$

# MEAN VALUE THEOREMS AND DIOPHANTINE RESULTS (FIRST APPLICATIONS)

## (1) Around Hua's inequality

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{1 \leq n \leq N} e(nx + n^3 y) \right|^6 dx dy = I_6(N) < CN^3 (\log N)^c \quad (\text{Hua, 1947})$$

Arithmetically,  $I_6(N)$  is the number of integral points  $n_1, \dots, n_6 \leq N$  on the Segre cubic

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = x_4 + x_5 + x_6 \\ x_1^3 + x_2^3 + x_3^3 = x_4^3 + x_5^3 + x_6^3 \end{cases}$$

**Vaughan-Wooley (95)**       $I_6(N) = 6N^3 + U(N), U(N) = O(N^2(\log N)^5)$

**De La Bretèche (07)**      Precise asymptotic for  $U(N)$

Applications of decoupling inequality to  $S = \{(t, t^3), t \sim 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\int_{B(N^2)} \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(\frac{n}{N}x + \left(\frac{n}{N}\right)^3 y\right) \right|^6 dx dy \ll N^{3+\varepsilon}$$

By change of variables and periodicity

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(nx + \frac{n^3}{N}y\right) \right|^6 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(nNx + \frac{n^3}{N}y\right) \right|^6 \ll N^{3+\varepsilon}$$

which means that

$$\begin{cases} n_1 + n_2 + n_3 - n_4 - n_5 - n_6 = 0 \\ |n_1^3 + n_2^3 + n_3^3 - n_4^3 - n_5^3 - n_6^3| < N \end{cases}$$

has at most  $O(N^{3+\varepsilon})$  solutions with  $n_i \sim N$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(nx + \frac{n^3}{N}y\right) \right|^6 dx dy \ll N^{3+\varepsilon} \text{ is optimal}$$

## CONJECTURE

$$I_8(N) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \leq N} e\left(nx + n^3y\right) \right|^8 dx dy \ll N^{4+\varepsilon}$$

## KNOWN

**Hua (1947)**       $I_{10}(N) \ll N^{6+\varepsilon}$       (optimal)

**Wooley (014)**       $I_9(N) \leq N^{5+\varepsilon}$       (optimal)

$$I_8(n) \ll N^{\frac{13}{9}+\varepsilon}$$

Consequence of (optimal) Vinogradov mean value theorem

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum e(nx + n^2y + n^3z) \right|^{12} dx dy dz \ll N^{6+\varepsilon}$$

## (2) A MEAN VALUE THEOREM OF ROBERT AND SARGOS

### THEOREM (Robert-Sargos, 2000)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(n^2 x + \frac{n^4}{N^3} y\right) \right|^6 dx dy \ll N^{3+\varepsilon}$$

Proof based on Poisson summation (**Bombieri-Iwaniec** method)

Applications to exponential sums and Weyl's inequality

### THEOREM (B-D, 014)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(n^2 x + \frac{n^k}{N^{k-1}} y\right) \right|^6 dx dy \ll N^{3+\varepsilon}$$

## PROOF

Apply *DCT* with  $\delta = N^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  to

$$\int_{\substack{|x| < N^2 \\ |y| < N}} \left| \sum_{n \sim N} e\left(\left(\frac{n}{N}\right)^2 x + \left(\frac{n}{N}\right)^k y\right)\right|^6 dx dy \quad (*)$$

This gives a bound

$$N^\varepsilon \left\{ \sum_I \left( \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \in I} e(n^2 x + N^{-k+1} n^k y) \right|^6 dx dy \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right\}^3$$

where  $\{I\}$  is a partition of  $[\frac{N}{2}, N]$  in intervals of size  $\sqrt{N}$

If  $I = [\ell, \ell + \sqrt{N}]$ ,  $n = \ell + m$ ,  $m < \sqrt{N}$

$$\left| \sum_{n \in I} e(n^2 x + N^{-k+1} n^k y) \right| \sim \left| \sum_{m < \sqrt{N}} e(m(2\ell x + kN^{-k+1} \ell^{k-1} y) + m^2 x) \right|$$

and 6th moment bounded by  $N^{\frac{3}{2} + \varepsilon}$

$$\Rightarrow (*) \ll N^\varepsilon \left( \sqrt{N} \left( N^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^3 = N^{3 + \varepsilon}$$

# DECOUPLING FOR CURVES IN HIGHER DIMENSION

$\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  non-degenerate smooth curve, i.e.

$$\phi'(t) \wedge \cdots \wedge \phi^{(d)}(t) \neq 0$$

with  $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Gamma$  a parametrization

Let  $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_{d-1} \subset \Gamma$  be separated arcs and  $(\Gamma_j)_\delta$  a  $\delta$ -neighborhood of  $\Gamma_j$

Assume  $\text{supp } \hat{f}_j \subset (\Gamma_j)_\delta$

Apply a version of the hypersurface DCT to

$$S = \Gamma_1 + \cdots + \Gamma_{d-1}$$

(Note that second fundamental form may be indefinite)

## THEOREM (\*) (B-D)

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} |f_j|^{1/d-1} \right\|_{L_{\#}^{2(d+1)}(B_N)} \ll N^{\frac{1}{2(d+1)} + \varepsilon} \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} \left[ \sum \|f_{j,\tau}\|_{L_{\#}^p(B_N)}^p \right]^{\frac{1}{2(d+1)}}$$

where  $p = \frac{2(d+1)}{d-1}$  and  $\{\tau\}$  a partition of  $\Gamma_{\delta}$  in size  $\delta^{\frac{1}{2}}$ -tubes,  
 $N = \delta^{-1}$

## THEOREM (\*\*\*) (B)

Let  $d$  be even

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^{d/2} |f_j|^{2/d} \right\|_{L_{\#}^{3d}(B_N)} \ll N^{\frac{1}{6} + \varepsilon} \prod_{j=1}^{d/2} \left[ \sum \|f_{j,\tau}\|_{L_{\#}^6(B_N)}^6 \right]^{\frac{1}{3d}}$$

# MEAN VALUE THEOREMS

Let  $d \geq 3$  and  $\varphi_3, \dots, \varphi_d : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be real analytic such that

$$W(\varphi_3''', \dots, \varphi_d''') \neq 0$$

$I_1, \dots, I_{d-1} \subset [\frac{N}{2}, N] \cap \mathbb{Z}$  intervals that are  $\sim N$  separated

## THEOREM

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} \left| \sum_{k \in I_j} e\left(kx_1 + k^2x_2 + N\varphi_3\left(\frac{k}{N}\right)x_3 + N\varphi_4\left(\frac{k}{N}\right)x_4 + \dots + N\varphi_d\left(\frac{k}{N}\right)x_d\right) \right|^{\frac{1}{d-1}} \right\|_{L^{2(d+1)}([0,1]^d)}$$

$$\ll N^{\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon}$$

## COROLLARY (Bombieri-Iwaniec, 86)

Assume  $\varphi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  real analytic,  $\varphi''' > 0$

Then

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{k \sim N} e(kx_1 + k^2x_2 + N\varphi\left(\frac{k}{N}\right)x_3) \right|^8 dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \ll N^{4+\varepsilon}$$

Essential ingredient in their work on  $\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right)$

## THEOREM (Bombieri-Iwaniec, 86)

$$\left| \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right| \ll t^{\frac{9}{56}} \text{ for } |t| \rightarrow \infty$$

(later improvement by **Huxley, Kolesnik, Watt...** using refinements of the method)

# EXPONENTIAL SUMS (Bombieri-Iwaniec method)

(Huxley Area, lattice points and Exponential Sums, LMSM 1996)

**GOAL** Obtaining estimates on exponential sum

$$\sum_{m \sim M} e\left(TF\left(\frac{m}{M}\right)\right)$$

**EXAMPLE** By approximate functional equation, bounding

$\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + iT\right)$  reduces to sums

$$\sum_{m \sim M} e\left(T \log \frac{m}{M}\right) \text{ with } M < T^{1/2}$$

**STEP 1** Subdivide  $\left[\frac{M}{2}, M\right]$  in shorter intervals  $I$  of size  $N$  on which  $TF\left(\frac{m}{M}\right)$  can be replaced by cubic polynomial

$\Rightarrow$  cubic exponential sums of the form

$$\sum_{n \leq N} e(a_1 n + a_2 n^2 + \mu n^3)$$

with  $a_1, a_2, \mu$  depending on  $I$  and  $\mu$  is small

**STEP 2** Conversion to new exponential sum by Poisson summation (stationary phase) of the form

$$\sum_{h \leq H} e(b_1 h + b_2 h^2 + b_3 h^{3/2} + b_4 h^{1/2})$$

with  $b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4$  depending on  $I$ .

**STEP 3** Understanding the distribution of  $b_1(I), b_2(I), b_3(I), b_4(I)$  when  $I$  varies (the ‘second spacing problem’)

**STEP 4** Use of the large sieve to reduce to mean value problems of the form

$$A_k(H) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{h \sim H} e\left(x_1 h + x_2 h^2 + x_3 H^{\frac{1}{2}} h^{3/2} + x_4 H^{\frac{1}{2}} h^{1/2}\right) \right|^{2k} dx$$

$$k = 4, 5, 6$$

**THEOREM (B)** Assume  $W(\varphi''', \psi''') \neq 0$  and  $0 < \delta < \Delta < 1$ . Then

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{h \sim H} e\left(hx_1 + h^2x_2 + \frac{1}{\delta} \varphi\left(\frac{h}{H}\right)x_3 + \frac{1}{\Delta} \psi\left(\frac{h}{H}\right)x_4\right) \right|^{10} dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 dx_4 \ll$$

$$[\delta \Delta^{3/4} H^7 + (\delta + \Delta) H^6 + H^5] H^\varepsilon$$

**COROLLARY (Huxley-Kolesnik, 1991)**  $A_5(H) \ll H^{5+\varepsilon}$

**THEOREM (Huxley, 05)**  $|\zeta(\frac{1}{2} + it)| \ll |t|^{\frac{32}{205}}, \frac{32}{205} = 0, 1561 \dots$

## PROBLEM (Huxley)

Obtain good bound on  $A_6(H)$

## THEOREM (B, 014)

$$A_6(H) \ll H^{6+\varepsilon}$$

This bound follows from THEOREM (\*\*\*) and is optimal.

Combined with the work of **Huxley** on second spacing problem

## COROLLARY

$$\left| \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right| \ll |t|^{\frac{53}{342} + \varepsilon}, \frac{53}{342} = 0,1549\dots$$

# PROGRESS TOWARDS THE LINDELÖF HYPOTHESIS

$$\mu(\sigma) = \inf \left( \beta > 0; |\zeta(\sigma + it)| = O(|t|^\beta) \right)$$

Bounds on  $\mu(\frac{1}{2})$

$\frac{1}{4}$	<b>(Lindelöf, 1908)</b>	$\frac{173}{1067} = 0,16214\dots$	<b>(Kolesnik, 1973)</b>
$\frac{1}{6}$	<b>(Hardy-Littlewood)</b>	$\frac{35}{216} = 0,16204$	<b>(Kolesnik, 1982)</b>
$\frac{163}{988} = 1,1650\dots$	<b>(Walfisz, 1924)</b>	$\frac{139}{858} = 0,16201\dots$	<b>(Kolesnik, 1985)</b>
$\frac{17}{164} = 0,1647\dots$	<b>(Titchmarsh, 1932)</b>	$\frac{9}{56} = 0,1607\dots$	<b>(Bombieri-Iwaniec, 1986)</b>
$\frac{229}{1392} = 0,164512\dots$	<b>(Phillips, 1933)</b>	$\frac{17}{108} = 0,1574\dots$	<b>(Huxley-Kolesnik, 1990)</b>
$\frac{19}{116} = 0,1638\dots$	<b>(Titchmarsh, 1942)</b>	$\frac{89}{570} = 0,15614\dots$	<b>(Huxley, 2002)</b>
$\frac{15}{92} = 0,1631\dots$	<b>(Min, 1949)</b>	$\frac{32}{205} = 0,15609\dots$	<b>(Huxley, 2005)</b>

## SKETCH OF PROOF OF DECOUPLING IN 2D

(\*)  $K_p(N) \ll C_\varepsilon N^{\gamma+\varepsilon}$  best bound in inequality

$$\|f\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_N)} \leq K_p(N) \left( \sum_{\tau} \|f_{\tau}\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_N)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

for  $\text{supp } \widehat{f} \subset \Gamma_{\frac{1}{N}}, \tau : \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \times \frac{1}{N}$  tube

There is bilinear reduction (B-G argument)

$$\|(|f^1| |f^2|)^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_N)} \leq K_p(N) \prod_{i=1}^2 \left( \sum_{\tau} \|f_{\tau}^i\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_N)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

if  $\text{supp } \widehat{f}^1 \subset (\Gamma^1)_{\frac{1}{N}}, \text{supp } \widehat{f}^2 \subset (\Gamma^2)_{\frac{1}{N}}$  with  $\Gamma^1, \Gamma^2 \subset \Gamma$  separated

By parabolic rescaling, if  $M \leq N$  and  $\tau' : \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \times \frac{1}{M}$  tube

$$\|f_{\tau'}\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_N)} \leq K_p\left(\frac{N}{M}\right) \left( \sum_{\tau \subset \tau'} \|f_{\tau}\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_N)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

(\*\*) From bilinear  $L^4$ -inequality, for  $M \leq \sqrt{N}$ ,  $\tau' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \times \frac{1}{M}$  tubes

$$\left\| \prod_{i=1}^2 \left( \sum_{\tau'} |f_{\tau'}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right\|_{L^4_{\#}(B_M)} \leq \|f^1\|_{L^2_{\#}(B_M)} \|f^2\|_{L^2_{\#}(B_M)} =$$

$$\prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} \|f_{\tau'}^i\|_{L^2_{\#}(B_M)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Interpolation with trivial  $L^\infty - L^\infty$  bound (using wave packet decomposition)

$$\left\| \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} |f_{\tau'}^i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_M)} \ll M^\varepsilon \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} \|f_{\tau'}^i\|_{L^{p/2}_{\#}(B_M)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\ll M^\varepsilon \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} \|f_{\tau'}^i\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_M)}^2 \right)^{\frac{\kappa}{4}} \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau} \|f_{\tau}^i\|_{L^2_{\#}(B_M)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1-\kappa}{4}}$$

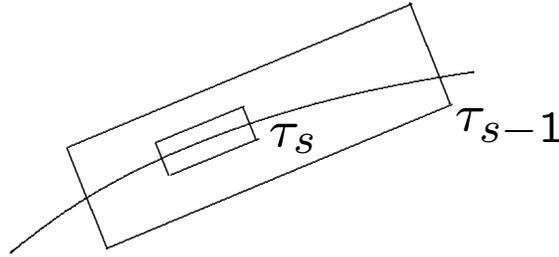
with  $\kappa = \frac{p-4}{p-2}$  and  $\tau : \frac{1}{M} \times \frac{1}{M^2}$  tubes

$$\ll M^\varepsilon \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} \|f_{\tau'}^i\|_{L^2_{\#}(B_M)}^2 \right)^{\frac{\kappa}{4}} \left\| \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau} |f_{\tau}^i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right\|_{L^p_{\#}(B_M)}^{1-\kappa}$$

Writing  $B_N$  as a union of  $M$ -balls

$$\left\| \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} |f_{\tau'}^i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right\|_{L_{\#}^p(B_N)} \ll N^\varepsilon \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau'} \|f_{\tau'}^i\|_{L_{\#}^p(B_N)}^2 \right)^{\frac{\kappa}{4}} \left\| \prod_i \left( \sum_{\tau} |f_{\tau}^i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right\|_{L_{\#}^p(B_N)}^{1-\kappa}$$

(\*) Iterate, considering coverings  $\{\tau_s\}_{1 \leq s \leq \bar{s}}$ ,  $\tau_s : N^{-2^{-s}} \times N^{-2^{-s+1}}$  tubes



$$\Rightarrow K_p(N) \ll N^\varepsilon N^{2^{-\bar{s}-1}} K_p(N^{1-2^{-\bar{s}}})^\kappa K_p(N^{1-2^{-\bar{s}+1}})^{\kappa(1-\kappa)} \dots K_p(1)^{(1-\kappa)^{\bar{s}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma \leq 2^{-\bar{s}-1} + \kappa \gamma \left\{ \frac{1-(1-\kappa)^{\bar{s}}}{\kappa} - 2^{-\bar{s}} \frac{1-(2(1-\kappa))^{\bar{s}}}{2\kappa-1} \right\} \left( 2(1-\kappa) = \frac{4}{p-2} < 1 \text{ for } p > 6 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\kappa}{2\kappa-1} \left( 1 - (2(1-\kappa))^{\bar{s}} \right) \gamma$$

Taking  $\bar{s}$  large enough  $\Rightarrow \gamma \leq \frac{2\kappa-1}{\kappa} \Rightarrow \gamma = 0$  for  $p = 6$