

Radius of convergence function of p -adic differential equations

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Part 1 : The Berkovich space of a K -affinoid

- $(K, |\cdot|)$ = complete ultrametric field of characteristic 0.
- $X = 1$ -dimensional, connected, affinoid sub-space of \mathbb{A}_K^1 of the form :

$$X = D^+(c_0, R_0) - \bigcup_{i=1}^n D^-(c_i, R_i).$$

For technical reasons we assume $c_0, \dots, c_n \in K$, $R_0 < +\infty$, and $D^-(c_i, R_i) \subset D^+(c_0, R_0)$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$.

We call it a **K -affinoid** for simplicity.

Analytic functions over X

- Let $H_K^{rat}(X) \subset K(T)$ be the sub-ring of rational functions without poles over X , together with the **sup-norm** $\|\cdot\|_X$.
- The Banach algebra of **analytic functions over X** is the completion

$$(\mathcal{H}_K(X), \|\cdot\|_X) = (H_K^{rat}(X), \|\cdot\|_X)^\widehat{}$$

(also called Krasner's analytic elements over X).

$$X = D^+(c_0, R_0) - \cup_{i=1}^n D^-(c_i, R_i).$$

- If Ω/K is a complete valued field extension, then

$$X(\Omega) := \{x \in \Omega \mid |x - c_0| \leq R_0, |x - c_i| \geq R_i, \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n\}$$

- So, for $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$, the sup-norm is given by

$$\|f\|_X := \sup_{\Omega/K} \sup_{x \in X(\Omega)} |f(x)|_\Omega$$

This has a meaning since there exists a field Ω_* , and a finite family of points $t_{c_0, R_0}, \dots, t_{c_n, R_n} \in X(\Omega_*)$ (Shilov boundary) such that for all Ω/K one has $\sup_{x \in X(\Omega)} |f(x)|_\Omega \leq \max(|f(t_{c_0, R_0})|, \dots, |f(t_{c_n, R_n})|)$. So that $\|f\|_X = \max(|f(t_{c_0, R_0})|, \dots, |f(t_{c_n, R_n})|)$. For simplicity we write

$$\|f\|_X := \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|.$$

Berkovich space attached to X

Definition

The Berkovich Space $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{H}_K(X)) = \mathcal{M}(X)$ is the set of all bounded multiplicative semi-norms

$$|\cdot| : \mathcal{H}_K(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

satisfying $|1| = 1$, $|0| = 0$ and

- $|f \cdot g| \leq |f| \cdot |g|$
- $|f + g| \leq \max(|f|, |g|)$
- There exists $C > 0$ such that $|f| \leq C \|f\|_X$, for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$.

Topology of $\mathcal{M}(X)$

The topology of $\mathcal{M}(X)$ is the finest one (i.e. that with less open subset) making continuous each function of the type

$$|\cdot| \mapsto |f| : \mathcal{M}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$.

Semi-norms of type $|\cdot|_t$.

Connection with Dwork's terminology

Let $(\Omega, |\cdot|)/(K, |\cdot|)$ be a complete valued field extension, and let $t \in X(\Omega)$. We set

$$|f|_t := |f(t)|_\Omega, \quad f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X).$$

This semi-norm lies in $\mathcal{M}(X)$.

- All semi-norms in $\mathcal{M}(X)$ are of type $|\cdot|_t$ for a convenient Ω/K , and $t \in X(\Omega)$.
- We call such a point $t \in X(\Omega)$ a **Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|$** .
Notice that t is not unique.

Paths in $\mathcal{M}(X)$ and semi-norms of type $|\cdot|_{c,R}$

- Let Ω/K be a c.v.f.e. Let $c \in \Omega$, $R \geq 0$.
- For a polynomial $P(T) \in K[T]$, we write P as $\sum a_n(T - c)^n$, with $a_n \in \Omega$, then we set

$$|P(T)|_{c,R} := \sup_n |a_n| R^n = \sup_{|x-c|=R} |P(x)|$$

- We set $|P/Q|_{c,R} := |P|_{c,R}/|Q|_{c,R}$, then we have a semi-norm on $K(T)$ and hence on $H_K^{rat}(X)$.
- NOTE : $|P/Q|_{c,R} \neq \sup_{|x-c|=R} |P(x)/Q(x)|$.

FACT

$$X = D^+(c_0, R_0) - \cup_{i=1}^n D^-(c_i, R_i) .$$

The semi-norm $|\cdot|_{c,R}$ extends to a semi-norm of $\mathcal{H}_K(X)$ in $\mathcal{M}(X)$ if and only if one of the following conditions is fulfilled

- $c \in X(\Omega)$ and $R \leq R_0$;
- $c \in D^-(c_i, R_i)$ and $R_i \leq R \leq R_0$ for some $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Continuous paths

- If $c \in D^-(c_i, R_i)$ (resp. if $c \in X(\Omega)$), then the path

$$R \mapsto |\cdot|_{c,R} : [R_i, R_0] \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(X)$$

(resp. $R \mapsto |\cdot|_{c,R} : [0, R_0] \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(X)$)

is continuous. That is, for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$, the function

$$R \mapsto |f|_{c,R}$$

is continuous.

- NOTE : Of course there is a Dwork generic point $t_{c,R}$ for $|\cdot|_{c,R}$ so that

$$|\cdot|_{c,R} = |\cdot|_{t_{c,R}}$$

i.e. $|f|_{c,R} = |f(t_{c,R})|$, for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$.

FACT

$$|c_1 - c_2| \leq R \implies |\cdot|_{c_1,R} = |\cdot|_{c_2,R}$$

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$\mathcal{M}(X)$ is archwise connected

In fact for all $|\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ there is a path connecting $|\cdot|$ to $|\cdot|_{c_0, R_0}$:

- First choose a Dwork generic point t for $|\cdot|$ so that $|\cdot| = |\cdot|_t = |\cdot|_{t, 0}$
- Then consider the path $R \mapsto |\cdot|_{t, R}$: for $R = R_0$ we have

$$|\cdot|_{t, R_0} = |\cdot|_{c_0, R_0}$$

We always have a path connecting $|\cdot|$ to $|\cdot|_{c_0, R_0}$:

$$|\cdot| = |\cdot|_{t, 0} \text{ --- } |\cdot|_{t, R_0} = |\cdot|_{c_0, R_0}$$

Log-properties

- We say that a given function g has logarithmically a given property if the function $(\ln \circ g \circ \exp)$ has that property.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}_{>0} & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathbb{R}_{>0} \\ \exp \uparrow \wr & & \wr \downarrow \ln \\ \mathbb{R} & \xrightarrow{\ln \circ g \circ \exp} & \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

Piecewise Log-affinity

- For $c \in X(\Omega)$ and $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$ the function $R \mapsto |f|_{c,R}$ is piecewise of the form aR^b i.e. logarithmically **affine** of the form

$$\rho \mapsto \ln(a) + \ln(b) \cdot \rho,$$

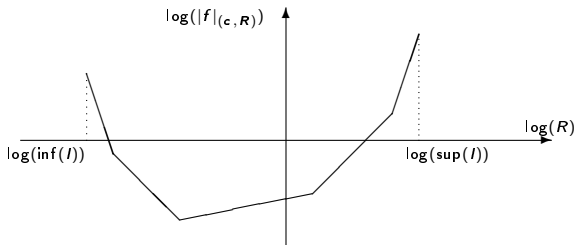
where $\rho = \ln(R)$.

Log-properties

Let $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$. Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval.

Let $c \in X(\Omega/K)$, (resp. c lies in a hole of X).

If the path $R \mapsto |\cdot|_{c,R}$, $R \in I$, **does not encounter any holes of X** (i.e. if there is no holes of X in the annulus $|x - c| \in I$), then $R \mapsto |f|_{c,R}$ is **Log-convex** :



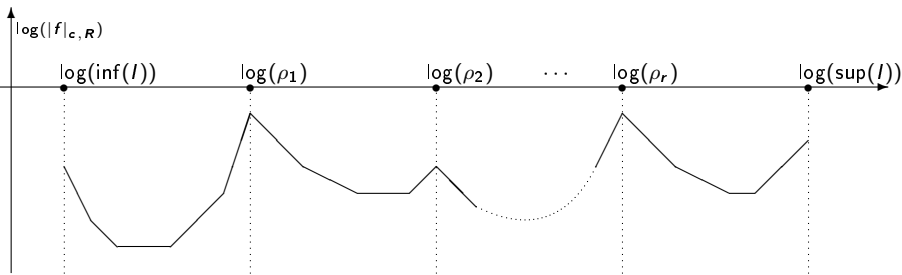
The **breaks** are in correspondence of the values of R equal to the distance of a zero z of f from c : $R = |z - c|$. The **difference of two consecutive slopes** is equal to the number of zeros of f "at that distance from c ".

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If the path $R \mapsto |\cdot|_{c,R}$, $R \in I$, encounters some hole of X (i.e. if there is some hole of X in the annulus $|x - c| \in I$), then $R \mapsto |f|_{c,R}$ has the following shape :



where ρ_i are the distances of the holes of X from c .

Maximal skeleton

There is a natural order relation in $\mathcal{M}(X)$ (induced by the order of \mathbb{R}) :

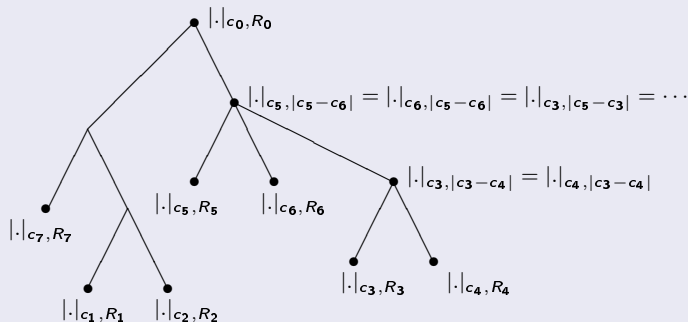
$$|\cdot|_1 \leq |\cdot|_2 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{\iff} |f|_1 \leq |f|_2, \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X).$$

Maximal skeleton

$$X = D^+(c_0, R_0) - \cup_{i=1}^n D^-(c_i, R_i).$$

The set of *maximal points* with respect to the above order is

$$\mathcal{S}_X := \cup_{i=1}^n \{ |\cdot|_{c_i, R} \}_{R \in [R_i, R_0]}$$



The function $|\cdot| \mapsto \rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$

For $c \in X(\Omega)$ we possibly have

$$|\cdot|_{c,0} = |\cdot|_{c,R} \text{ for some } R > 0.$$

As an example if $X = D^+(c_0, R_0) - \cup_{i=1}^n D^-(c_i, R_i)$, and if t_{c_i, R_i} is a Dwork generic point of a semi-norm $|\cdot|_{c_i, R_i}$ in the Shilov boundary, then

$$|\cdot|_{t_{c_i, R_i}, 0} = |\cdot|_{t_{c_i, R_i}, R} \text{ for all } 0 \leq R \leq R_i.$$

Definition of $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$.

We call $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$ the **supremum of the $R \geq 0$** such that $|\cdot| = |\cdot|_{t,R}$ for some unspecified Dwork's generic point $t \in X(\Omega)$.

Equivalent definitions

Let $t \in X(\Omega)$ be a fixed Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|$, then

- $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen} = \sup(R \text{ s.t. } |\cdot| = |\cdot|_{t,R})$ (i.e. the def. is indep. on the choice of t).
- $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen} = \text{dist}(t, K^{alg}) = \inf(|T - c| \text{ s.t. } c \in K^{alg})$.
- Every point in $D^-(t, \rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen})$ is a Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|$.

The function $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$ is not continuous

Proof.

Assume that K is algebraically closed. Let x_1, x_2, \dots be a sequence in \mathcal{O}_K such that the residual classes are different $\bar{x}_i \neq \bar{x}_j$ for all $i \neq j$.

Let $X = D^+(0, 1)$ be the closed unit disk. Then

- 1 $\lim_n |\cdot|_{x_n} = |\cdot|_{0,1}$ in $\mathcal{M}(X)$
- 2 $\rho_{|\cdot|_{x_n}}^{gen} = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$.
- 3 $\rho_{|\cdot|_{0,1}}^{gen} = 1$.

We now prove these three facts.

- 1 Indeed each $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$ has a finite number of zeros. If there is no zeros in the disk $D^-(x_n, 1)$ then $|f|_{x_n} = |f|_{x_n, R}$ for all $R < 1$ (see properties of slide 11), hence by continuity one has $|f|_{x_n} = |f|_{x_n, 1} = |f|_{0,1}$ (see FACT of slide 9). This proves that $\lim_n |\cdot|_{x_n} = |\cdot|_{0,1}$.



Continuation of the proof.

- ② One has $\rho_{|\cdot|_{x_n}}^{gen} = 0$ because the function $f := (T - c)$ verifies $|f|_{x_n} = |x_n - c|$ so that for all $R > 0$ we choose c such that $|x_n - c| < R$ so

$$|T - c|_{x_n, R} = |(T - x_n) + (x_n - c)|_{x_n, R} = \max(R, |x_n - c|) = R$$

so $|f_c|_{x_n} \neq |f_c|_{x_n, R}$. Then $\rho_{|\cdot|_{x_n}, X}^{gen} = \max(R \text{ s.t. } |\cdot|_{x_n} = |\cdot|_{x_n, R}) = 0$

- ③ Now let $t_{0,1}$ be a Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|_{0,1}$. The same proof does not hold for $|\cdot|_{0,1}$ because $\rho_{|\cdot|_{0,1}, X}^{gen} = \text{dist}(t_{0,1}, K)$, so t is transcendental over K .

– The equality $|P|_{t_{0,1}} = |P|_{0,1}$ holds for all polynomial P of degree 1 by a similar computation.

– The equality hence holds for all polynomial because the semi-norm is multiplicative.

– The equality hence holds for all for all rational fraction and by density it holds also for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X)$.

The function $|\cdot| \mapsto \rho_{|\cdot|, X}$

Let $t \in X(\Omega)$, then we set

$$\rho_{t, X} := \text{dist}(t, \mathbb{A}^1 - X) = \sup(\rho > 0 \text{ s.t. } D^-(t, \rho) \subset X).$$

Definition of $|\cdot| \mapsto \rho_{|\cdot|, X}$

Let $|\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ and let t be a Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|$: $|\cdot| = |\cdot|_t$. Then

$$\rho_{|\cdot|, X} := \rho_{t, X}$$

Continuity of $|\cdot| \mapsto \rho_{|\cdot|, X}$

If $X = D^+(c_0, R_0) - \cup_{i=1}^n D^-(c_i, R_i)$, then (clearly)

$$\rho_{t, X} = \min(R_0, |t - c_1|_\Omega, \dots, |t - c_n|_\Omega).$$

NOTE : $|t - c_i|_\Omega = |T - c_i|$ because t is Dwork generic point. So

- This proves that the def. of $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}$ does not depend on the choice of t .
- The function $|\cdot| \mapsto \rho_{|\cdot|, X}$ is **continuous** because it is the minimum of a finite family of continuous functions

$$|\cdot| \mapsto R_0 \quad \text{and} \quad |\cdot| \mapsto |T - c_i|, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

these functions are continuous by the definition of the topology of $\mathcal{M}(X)$.

continuity

- The function ρ^{gen} is upper semi-continuous (because it is the infimum of an (infinite) family of continuous functions, see slides 15).
- The function ρ is continuous.

increasing

Assume that $|\cdot|_1, |\cdot|_2 \in \mathcal{M}(X)$, with $|\cdot|_1 \leq |\cdot|_2$, then

- $\rho_{|\cdot|_1}^{gen} \leq \rho_{|\cdot|_2}^{gen}$ (increasing function), and $\rho_{|\cdot|_t}^{gen} = 0$ if $t \in \widehat{K^{alg}}$.
- $\rho_{|\cdot|_1} = \rho_{|\cdot|_2}$: So that $|\cdot| \mapsto \rho_{|\cdot|}$ is completely determined by its values on the maximal skeleton.

Equality on the maximal skeleton

If $|\cdot|$ belongs to the maximal skeleton of $\mathcal{M}(X)$, then

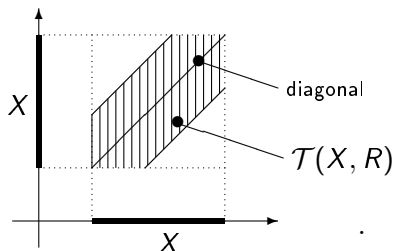
$$\rho_{|\cdot|}^{gen} = \rho_{|\cdot|}, \quad (\rho_{|\cdot|_{c_j, R}} = \rho_{|\cdot|_{c_j, R}}^{gen} = R)$$

Part 2 : Differential equations and (Elementary) Stratifications

Analytic functions on tubes around the diagonal

- *Tube* around the diagonal of $X \times X$:

$$\mathcal{T}(X, R) := \{ (x, y) \in X \times X \mid |x - y| < R \},$$



- $\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R)) :=$ Analytic functions on the tube.

If $R > 0$ is small enough then $\mathcal{T}(X, R) \cong X \times D^-(0, R)$. The isomorphism is given by $(x, y) \mapsto (y, x - y)$.

In term of functions this gives

$$\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R)) = \{ \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(y)(x - y)^n \text{ such that } f_n \in \mathcal{H}_K(X) \text{ and } \lim_n \|f_n\|_X \cdot \rho^n = 0, \forall \rho < R \}$$

(Elementary) Stratifications

A *stratification* over X is the data of a finite free module M over $\mathcal{H}_K(X)$, together with an *unspecified* $R > 0$, and a $\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R))$ -linear isomorphism

$$\chi : p_1^*M \xrightarrow{\sim} p_2^*M$$

where $p_i : \mathcal{H}_K(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R))$ are the projections $p_1, p_2 : \mathcal{T}(X, R) \rightrightarrows X$, and where $p_i^*M := M \otimes_{\mathcal{H}_K(X), p_i} \mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R))$.

–We ask moreover that χ satisfies :

(Δ) $\Delta^*(\chi) = \text{Id}_M$, where $\Delta : X \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(X, R)$ is the diagonal.

(C) χ satisfies a certain *cocycle relation* (see slide 26).

Morphisms are $\mathcal{H}_K(X)$ -linear maps $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$ satisfying

$$p_2^*(\alpha) \circ \chi^M = \chi^N \circ p_1^*(\alpha).$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} p_2^*M & \xleftarrow[\sim]{\chi^M} & p_1^*M \\ p_2^*(\alpha) \downarrow & & \downarrow p_1^*(\alpha) \\ p_2^*N & \xleftarrow[\sim]{\chi^N} & p_1^*N \end{array}$$

Differential modules

A **differential module over X** is a finite free $\mathcal{H}_K(X)$ -module together with a **connection $\nabla : M \rightarrow M$** , that is a linear map satisfying

$$\nabla(f \cdot m) = f' \cdot m + f \cdot \nabla(m), \text{ for } f \in \mathcal{H}_K(X), m \in M.$$

a morphism between differential equations is a $\mathcal{H}_K(X)$ -linear map commuting with the ∇ 's. We call **$d\text{-Mod}(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$** the category of differential modules over $\mathcal{H}_K(X)$.

Once a basis of M is chosen, then the connection defines a diff. eq.

$$Y' = G(T)Y, \quad G(T) \in M_n(\mathcal{H}_K(X)).$$

Indeed we have the diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\nabla} & M \\ \wr \uparrow & & \uparrow \wr \\ \mathcal{H}_K(X)^n & \xrightarrow{\frac{d}{dT} - G(T)} & \mathcal{H}_K(X)^n \end{array}$$

Differential equations VS (Elementary) Stratifications

The notion of Stratification comes back to A.Grothendieck, P.Berthelot, L.Illusie, N.M.Katz, [...]. They was trying to find a **substitute to the notion of Diff. Eq. in characteristic p** (see P.Berthelot's Talk).

Theorem :

The category $d - \text{Mod}(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$ is equivalent to $\text{Strat}(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$.

The basic idea of the correspondence is the following :

- To give the **connection** $\nabla : M \rightarrow M$ means to give the matrix $G(T) \in M_n(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$ for the differential equation $Y' = G(T)Y$.
- To give the **stratification** $p_1^*M \xrightarrow{\sim} p_2^*M$ means to give the two variable matrix $Y(x, y) \in GL_n(\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R)))$ of the stratification.

The relations between them is that $Y(x, y)$ is the solution of the equation : it verifies

$$\frac{d}{dx} Y(x, y) = G(x) \cdot Y(x, y) .$$

Definition of Generic Taylor solution

- Consider a diff. eq. $Y' = G(x)Y$, $G(x) \in M_n(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$.
- We have a Taylor solution at a given point $x_0 \in X$:

$$Y(x) := \sum_{n \geq 0} Y^{(n)}(x_0) \frac{(x - x_0)^n}{n!}, \quad Y(x_0) = \text{Id}.$$

- We consider it as a function of x and of x_0 .
- We choose the Taylor solution equal to Id at x_0 : $Y(y) = \text{Id}$, $\forall y \in X$.
- If $Y^{(n)} = G_n(x)Y$, we consider the "GENERIC" Taylor solution :

$$Y(x, y) := \sum_{n \geq 0} G_n(y) \frac{(x - y)^n}{n!}$$

It verifies

$$\frac{d}{dx} Y(x, y) = G(x) \cdot Y(x, y).$$

$$Y(x, y) := \sum_{n \geq 0} G_n(y) \frac{(x - y)^n}{n!}$$

- **FACT** : This function converges on a certain tube $\mathcal{T}(X, R)$, for some $R > 0$ and it verifies :

$$\frac{d}{dx} Y(x, y) = G(x) Y(x, y)$$

(Δ) $Y(x, x) = \text{Id}$, for all $x \in X$;

(C) $Y(x, y)Y(y, z) = Y(x, z)$ (cocycle relation), for all $(x, y), (y, z) \in \mathcal{T}(X, R)$;

- In fact a matrix $Y(x, y) \in GL_n(\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R)))$ is the matrix of a stratification χ **if and only if it verifies (Δ) and (C).**

From Stratifications to Diff.Eq.

- Reciprocally from a stratification χ with matrix $Y(x, y)$ one gets the differential equation by considering

$$G(x) := \frac{d}{dx}(Y(x, y)) \cdot Y(x, y)^{-1} .$$

It happens that $G(x) \in M_n(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$ does not depend on y **because of the cocycle relation**.

– The idea is the following. Write

$$Y(x, y) = \sum_{n \geq 0} H_n(y)(x - y)^n \in GL_n(\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R)))$$

then :

- $H_1 = G$,
- The cocycle relation implies that H_n , $n \geq 1$, are totally determined by the dominant term $H_1 = G$.

Part 3 : Definition and properties of the radius of convergence function of an analytic function around the diagonal

Radius of convergence function (History)

Historical note

- Firstly Dwork found a p -adic proof of the **rationality of the Zeta function** of a variety in char. $p > 0$. The proof involved a particular p -adic **diff.eq.** then he defined a framework for a de Rham cohomology theory (overconvergent functions, differential modules, ...) today called **Dwork's cohomology**.
- Christol, Dwork, Robba, [...] worked with diff. eq. on **annulus** $\{r < |x| < r'\}$.
- For a diff.mod. M over the annulus they have defined the **Radius of convergence of M** at a Dwork generic point t_ρ for $|\cdot|_\rho = |\cdot|_{0,\rho}$, $\rho \in]r, r'[$ as
$$Rad(M, t_\rho) := \min(\rho, Rad(Y(x, t_\rho))) .$$

where $Rad(Y(x, t_\rho))$ is the minimum radius of the entries of the Taylor solution matrix $Y(x, t_\rho)$ at t_ρ .

- ρ was there to make the definition invariant by base changes

Radius of convergence function (History)

Historical note

- In [CD94] Christol and Dwork study the **continuity of the function** $\rho \mapsto \text{Rad}(M, t_\rho)$ on the segment $]r, r'[_$.
- Some years later F.Baldassarri and L.Di Vizio [BV07] defined the **radius of convergence function** for a differential module over a Berkovich space.
As observed by them there was a lack of definitions : even the case of a disk was missing in the literature. In this paper they prove
 - the **continuity** of the radius function in the case of a 1-dim affinoid
 - the **upper semi-continuity** in the general case.
- Finally F.Baldassarri proved the **continuity over a curve** in a recent paper (to appear in Inventiones).

Motivation

The radius of convergence function is an **invariant (by isomorphisms)** of the diff. module. It encodes **numerical invariants** like the **p -adic irregularity** (Christol-Mebkhout), and the **formal irregularity** (B.Malgrange).

Radius of convergence (definition).

- $X = K$ -affinoid
- $\nabla : M \rightarrow M =$ connection
- $\chi : p_1^*M \xrightarrow{\sim} p_2^*M =$ stratification attached to ∇
- $G(T) =$ matrix of ∇ ($Y' = G(T)Y$, $G \in M_n(\mathcal{H}_K(X))$)
- $Y(x, y) =$ matrix of χ ($Y(x, y) \in GL_n(\mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R)))$)
- $Y^{(n)} = G_n Y$ iterated matrices
- Then
$$Y(x, y) = \sum_{n>0} G_n(y) \frac{(x - y)^n}{n!}$$

Definition of Radius

For all $|\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ we set

$$Rad(M, |\cdot|) := \min(\rho_{|\cdot|, X}, Rad(Y(x, t)))$$

where $t =$ Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|$, and where

$$Rad(Y(x, t)) = \liminf_n \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{|G_n(t)|/|n!|}}$$

clearly it does not depend on the choice of t but only on $|\cdot| = |\cdot|_t$.

Comments to the definition

$$Rad(M, |\cdot|) := \min(\rho_{|\cdot|, X}, Rad(Y(x, t)))$$

- The use of $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}$ in the definition was introduced by Baldassarri - Di Vizio.
- In the context of Christol-Dwork [CD94] over an annulus we have
$$\rho_{|\cdot|, \rho} = \rho_{|\cdot|, \rho}^{gen}.$$
- Some authors (namely Kedlaya's recent Book) still uses the definition of radius with the $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$ instead of $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}$. This could be, for other reasons, a convenient choice, because in this case the definition of the radius (using ρ^{gen}) results to be equal to a **spectral norm of ∇** so the definition seems more intrinsic.

We now list some differences :

- The definition of $Rad(M, |\cdot|)$ using $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$ is **not invariant by base field extension of K** , because $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$ measures the distance from K^{alg} of a Dwork generic point for $|\cdot|$.
- The definition of $Rad(M, |\cdot|)$ using $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}$ is **invariant by base field extension** because it measures the distance of $|\cdot|$ from the holes of X .

Invariance by pull-back over a Berkovich point

- As an example consider the case of the annulus $\{r < |x| < r'\}$ and the norm $|\cdot| = |\cdot|_{c,\rho}$, $c \in K$. Let $\mathcal{A}_K(]r, r'[) :=$ Tate algebra

$$\mathcal{H}(|\cdot|_{c,\rho}) := (\text{Frac}(\mathcal{A}_K(]r, r'[)), |\cdot|_{c,\rho})^\wedge$$

be the complete valued field attached to the Berkovich point $|\cdot|_{c,\rho}$. We have a morphism of Berkovich spaces

$$\iota : \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{H}(|\cdot|_{c,\rho})) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}_K(]r, r'[))$$

FACT : If $\rho > 0$ then d/dx extends to $\mathcal{H}(|\cdot|_{c,\rho})$.

We then can consider the **pull-back over $\mathcal{H}(|\cdot|_{c,\rho})$** of a differential module over the annulus.

Then

- The definition of $\text{Rad}(\mathbb{M}, |\cdot|)$ using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}^{\text{gen}}$ is **invariant** by pull-back by ι .
- The definition of $\text{Rad}(\mathbb{M}, |\cdot|)$ using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}$ is **not invariant** by pull-back by ι because $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}$ is the “distance from the holes of X ” and it highly depends on the base space X .

Invariance by pull-back by an inclusion of affinoids.

The same phenomena arises for an inclusion of two affinoids :

$$X' \subseteq X$$

- The radius function defined using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}^{gen}$ is **invariant** by this pull-back
- The radius function defined using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}$ is **not invariant** by this pull-back

The reasons are the same that in the above slide.

See the recent Inventiones paper of F. Baldassarri to see how to obtain a global intrinsic/normalized definition of the Radius function using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}$ in a way such that **it glues**.

In this talk we are mainly concerned with a fixed K -affinoid X . In this case

- The radius function defined using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}^{gen}$ is **not continuous**,
- The radius function defined using $\rho_{|\cdot|,X}$ is **continuous**,

Radius of a function around the diagonal

We consider a function $f(x, y) \in \mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R))$, $R > 0$:

$$f(x, y) := \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(y)(x - y)^n, \quad f_n \in \mathcal{H}_K(X).$$

Definition of Radius of $f(x, y)$:

Let $|\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$, then

$$Rad(f(x, y), |\cdot|) = \min(\rho_{|\cdot|, X}, \liminf_n \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{|f_n|}})$$

Transfer theorem

Let $|\cdot|_1, |\cdot|_2 \in \mathcal{M}(X)$, then the radius function is **decreasing**

$$|\cdot|_1 \leq |\cdot|_2 \implies Rad(f(x, y), |\cdot|_1) \geq Rad(f(x, y), |\cdot|_2).$$

Again this theorem is false using ρ^{gen} in the definition. Because

$$\rho_{|\cdot|_1, X}^{gen} \leq \rho_{|\cdot|_2, X}^{gen}, \text{ while } \rho_{|\cdot|_1, X} = \rho_{|\cdot|_2, X}$$

Convergence locus of $f(x, y)$, x -radius and y -radius

Notice that $f(x, y)$ converges on a tube $\mathcal{T}(X, R)$, but usually **the convergence locus of $f(x, y)$ is larger than $\mathcal{T}(X, R)$.**

NOTE : Considering the Radius means considering **y -sections** of the convergence locus : one **specializes $y \rightarrow t$** ($t = \text{Dwork generic point for } |\cdot|$) and one checks the Radius of convergence of the 1-variable function around t

$$f(x, t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(t)(x - t)^n$$

So we call $Rad_x(f(x, y), |\cdot|) := Rad(f(x, y), |\cdot|)$ the **x -radius**. One can define the **y -radius** by specializing x at t . In general

$$Rad_x(f(x, y), |\cdot|) \neq Rad_y(f(x, y), |\cdot|).$$

Proposition

$$Rad_x(f(x, y), |\cdot|) \leq \rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen} \iff Rad_y(f(x, y), |\cdot|) \leq \rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen}$$

In this case they are equal.

Proposition

If $Y(x, y)$ is the generic Taylor solution of an equation $Y' = GY$, then (without any assumption on the radius) one always has

$$\text{Rad}_x(Y(x, y), |\cdot|) = \text{Rad}_y(Y(x, y), |\cdot|).$$

(intended as the minimum radius of the entries). This result is no longer true for its entries.

Examples of radius functions

$$X = D^+(0, 1)$$

$$\rho_{|\cdot|, X} = 1, \text{ for all } |\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$$

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(y)(x - y)^n, \quad f_n(y) = y/p^n$$

$$\text{Rad}_x(f(x, y), |\cdot|) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |\cdot| = |\cdot|_0 \\ |p| & \text{if } |\cdot| \neq |\cdot|_0 \end{cases},$$

$$\text{Rad}_y(f(x, y), |\cdot|) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |\cdot| = |\cdot|_p \\ |p| & \text{if } |\cdot| \neq |\cdot|_p \end{cases}.$$

Examples of radius functions

$$X = D^+(0, r), \quad r > 1$$

$$\rho_{|\cdot|, X} = r, \quad \text{for all } |\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$$

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(y)(x - y)^n, \quad f_n(y) = y^n$$

$$\text{Rad}_x(f(x, y), |\cdot|_t) = \min\left(\frac{1}{|t|}, r\right)$$

$$\text{Rad}_y(f(x, y), |\cdot|_t) = \begin{cases} \min\left(\frac{1}{|t|}, 1\right) & \text{if } |t| \neq 1 \\ \geq \min\left(\frac{1}{|t|}, 1\right) & \text{if } |t| = 1 \end{cases} .$$

In particular $\text{Rad}_x \neq \text{Rad}_y$ on the whole $D^-(0, 1)$.

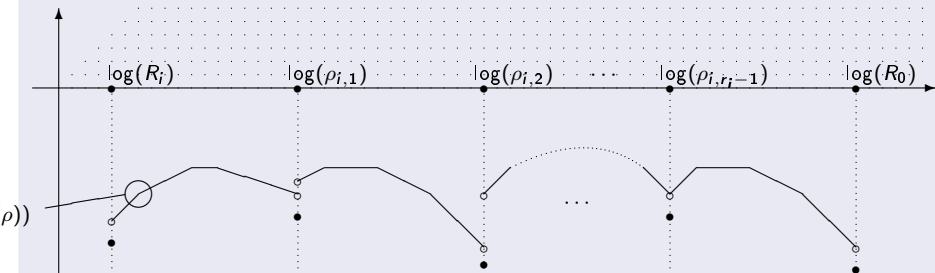
Log-concavity on the maximal skeleton

For all $f(x, y) \in \mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R))$, we consider the radius function

$$|\cdot| \mapsto \text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|) : \mathcal{M}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

Behavior on the maximal skeleton

The function $\text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|)$ has the following log-shape on a branch $R \mapsto |\cdot|_{c_i, R}$ of the maximal skeleton



- $\rho_{i,j}$ corresponds to the distances of c_i from the holes of X .
- The function is **log-concave** on the annuli not intersecting the holes.

This is a general fact about concave functions :

theorem

I =interval of \mathbb{R} . A concave function

$$f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is continuous on the interior of I .

- Each function $R \mapsto |f_n|_{C,R}$ is log-convex
- Then each $R \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt[p]{|f_n|_{C,R}}}$ is log-concave
- inflim of (log-)concave functions is a (log-)concave function hence use the theorem

Theorem

For all $f(x, y) \in \mathcal{A}_K(\mathcal{T}(X, R))$, the radius function

$$|\cdot| \mapsto \text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|) : \mathcal{M}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

is **LSC** on each point $|\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ satisfying $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{\text{gen}} > 0$. This form an open subset of $\mathcal{M}(X)$ containing the skeleton.

Recall that $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{\text{gen}} = 0$ if and only if a Dwork generic points for $|\cdot|$ lies in $\widehat{K^{\text{alg}}}$.

Idea of the Proof :

One distinguishes the points of the maximal skeleton from the others.

Points in the maximal skeleton :

- Log-concavity on the skeleton implies that **the restriction of Rad on it is LSC** (easy). Actually we have continuity if no holes in the path.
- **Transfer theorem** implies the LSC on the skeleton (because the values the radius is minimal on the points of the maximal skeleton).

If $|\cdot|$ is another point (not in the skeleton), then $|\cdot| = |\cdot|_{c,R}$ with $R > 0$.

- Then the annulus $A := \{R - \delta < |x - c| < R + \delta\}$ is an open neighborhood of $|\cdot|$,
- If $\delta > 0$ is small, the restriction of $Rad(f, |\cdot|)$ is **continuous on the path** $\rho \mapsto |\cdot|_{c,\rho}$, $\rho \in]R - \delta, R + \delta[$ because there is "no holes of X "
- So for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there is $\delta > 0$ small such that

$$Rad(f, |\cdot|_{c,\rho}) \geq Rad(f, |\cdot|_{c,R}) - \varepsilon,$$

for all $\rho \in]R - \delta, R + \delta[$. (this is the LSC on this path).

- **by transfer this also holds for the other points of this annulus** (the radius is minimal in this path). So the inequality is true for all $|\cdot|$ of A .

proposition

If $Y(x, y)$ is the Taylor solution of a diff.eq. then

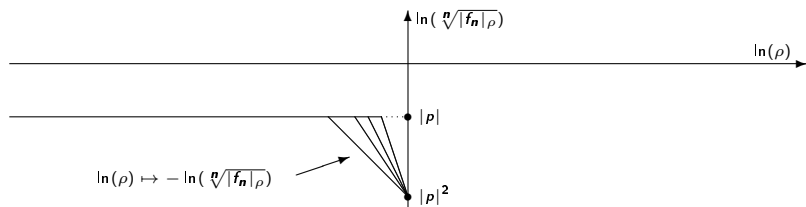
$$|\cdot| \mapsto \text{Rad}(Y(x, y), |\cdot|) : \mathcal{M}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

is LSC on the whole $\mathcal{M}(X)$.

The reason is that the radius of a differential equation is locally constant on the $\widehat{K^{alg}}$ -rational points (i.e. those for which $\rho_{|\cdot|, X}^{gen} = 0$).

Example of non continuous radius

$X := D^+(0, 1)$ be the closed unit disk. Let r_n be a sequence of real numbers satisfying : (a) $r_n < 0$, (b) $\lim_n r_n = 0$, (c) $r_n \in \frac{n \ln(|\rho|)}{\mathbb{N}}$. Let now $\alpha_n := \frac{\ln(|\rho|^n)}{r_n} \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the function $f(x, y) := \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(y)(x - y)^n$, with $f_n := \rho^{-n} + \rho^{-2n} x^{\alpha_n}$ verifies $|f_n|_\rho = \sup(|\rho|^{-n}, |\rho|^{-2n} \rho^{\alpha_n})$, in particular $|f_n|_1 = |\rho|^{-2n}$ for all $n \geq 0$. Then $\sqrt[n]{|f_n|_\rho} = \sup(|\rho|^{-1}, |\rho|^{-2} \rho^{\frac{\ln(|\rho|)}{r_n}})$.



Hence $Rad_x(f(x, y), |\cdot|_\rho) := \min(1, \liminf_n \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{|f_n|_\rho}}) = \liminf_n \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{|f_n|_\rho}} =$

$$\begin{cases} |\rho| & \text{if } \rho < 1 \\ |\rho|^2 & \text{if } \rho = 1 \end{cases}.$$

A criterion for the continuity

The above example proves that we need a sort of UNIFORM CONVERGENCE result in the sense of LSC functions.

- We have to ask to the sequence of functions

$$|\cdot| \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{|f_n|}}$$

to be “*superiorly uniformly convergent*” to $\text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|)$.

Criterion of continuity

If $f(x, y) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n(y)(x - y)^n$ verifies

- $\text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|)$ is **locally constant on the K^{alg} -rational points** (rigid points) (i.e. those for which $\rho^{\text{gen}} = 0$),
- There exists a sequence C_n such that $\lim_n C_n = 1$, $C_n \geq 1$ for all large values of n such that

$$|f_n| \cdot \text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|)^n = C_n, \quad \text{for all } n \geq 0, \forall |\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$$

then $\text{Rad}(f(x, y), |\cdot|)$ is a continuous function on the whole $\mathcal{M}(X)$.

Dwork-Robba's Theorem

$$\text{Rad}(M, |\cdot|) := \min(\rho_{|\cdot|, X}, \liminf_n \frac{1}{\sqrt[s]{|G_s|/|s!|}})$$

where G_s is the matrix of $\nabla^s : Y^{(s)} = G_s Y$. Recall that the Taylor solution is

$$Y(x, y) = \sum_{s \geq 0} G_s(y) \frac{(x - y)^s}{s!}.$$

Dwork-Robba's Theorem

Let $t \in X(\Omega)$, with Ω/K an arbitrary complete valued field extension. Then for all $0 < \rho \leq \text{Rad}(M, |\cdot|_{t,0})$ one has

$$\frac{|G_s|_{t,\rho}}{|s!|} \leq \rho^{-s} \cdot \{s, n-1\}_\rho \cdot \max_{0 \leq i \leq n-1} (|G_i|_{t,\rho} \cdot \rho^i)$$

where $\{s, n\}_\rho := \sup_{1 \leq \lambda_1 < \dots < \lambda_n \leq s} |\lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n|^{-1}$

The Dwork-Robba's theorem in their form asserts that the asymptotic growth of the coefficients **is controlled by the first n coefficients** of the Taylor solution matrix.

Dwork-Robba's Theorem revisited

There exists constants $\mu > 0$ and $\kappa > 1$ such that

$$\frac{|G_s|}{|s!|} \cdot \text{Rad}(M, |\cdot|)^s \leq s^{\mu(n-1)}$$

for all $|\cdot| \in \mathcal{M}(X)$.

Corollary

The radius of convergence function of a differential module is continuous :)

The above version of the Dwork-Robba's theorem is exactly the above criterion of continuity (see slide 46).

NOTE : the idea of considering the Dwork-Robba's goes back to Christol-Dwork [CD94]. The same idea have been taken up also by [BV07] who have been able to generalize the **Dwork-Robba's theorem** in many variables. So the **upper semi-continuity holds in higher dimensional spaces**, but the lower semi-continuity (that should hold for all funtions around the diagonal) is an open problem since the base space is actually much more complicated.

NOTE : The proof we have presented here is supposed to **separate the obstructions** to the continuity of topological nature from those coming from differential equation.

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NOTE : All the computations of this talk can be found in the last version of [Pu10] which will be available in a few week on arxiv. The older version already present in arxiv does not contain any of these computations.

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