

# Dynamical zeta functions for geodesic flows and the higher-dimensional Reidemeister torsion for Fuchsian groups

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## Purpose

Study the asymptotic behaviour of the R-torsion for

$$M = \Gamma \backslash \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{2N} = \sigma_{2N} \circ \rho : \pi_1 M \xrightarrow{\rho} \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\sigma_{2N}} \mathrm{SL}_{2N}(\mathbb{C})$$

(a discrete subgr. )  
of finite type

given by the geometric description

$$M = \tilde{\Gamma} \backslash \widetilde{\mathrm{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\pi_1 M \cong \tilde{\Gamma} \subset \widetilde{\mathrm{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathrm{Isom} \widetilde{\mathrm{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

via the Ruelle zeta function  $R_{\rho_{2N}}(s)$

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## Previous works (& Motivation)

W. Müller (2010)

For a closed hyp. 3-mfd  $X = \pi_1 X \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$ , it holds that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(X; p_n)|}{n^2} = \frac{\text{Vol}(X)}{4\pi}$$

where  $\rho_n : \pi_1 X \xrightarrow{\rho} SL_2(\mathbb{C}) \xrightarrow{(n-1)\text{-th symm. prod.}} SL_n(\mathbb{C})$ .

(=  $n$ -dim. irred. rep. of  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$ )

**Note**

$\rho : \pi_1 X \hookrightarrow SL_2(\mathbb{C})$  is a lift of

the holonomy rep.  $\pi_1 X \hookrightarrow PSL_2(\mathbb{C}) \cong \text{Isom}^+ \mathbb{H}^3$   
( $SL_2(\mathbb{C}) / \{\pm I\}$ )

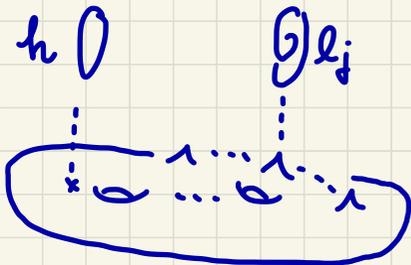
Y.

For a closed Seifert 3-mfd  $M$  ( $S^1$ -b'dle over  $\underbrace{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \hat{1} \dots \hat{1} \\ \circ \dots \circ \end{smallmatrix}\right)}_{\Sigma \text{ genus } g}$ ) m branched pts

it holds that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(M; \rho_{2N})|}{2N} = - \left( 2 - 2g - \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\lambda_j - 1}{\lambda_j} \right) \log 2$$
$$\leq -\chi^{\text{orb}}(\Sigma) \log 2$$

where  $\rho_{2N}: \pi_1 M \longrightarrow SL_2(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow SL_{2N}(\mathbb{C})$   
 $h \longmapsto -I$



$\lambda_j = \frac{1}{2} (\text{order of } \rho(l_j))$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $m$   
 $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$

- Müller showed that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(X; P_n)|}{n^2} = \frac{\text{Vol}(X)}{4\pi}$$

by using the Ruelle & Selberg zeta fcts.

- Y. showed that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(M; P_{2N})|}{2N} &= - \left( 2 - 2g - \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\lambda_j - 1}{\lambda_j} \right) \log 2 \\ &\leq - \chi^{\text{orb}}(\Sigma) \log 2 \end{aligned}$$

by explicit computations on  $\text{Tor}(M; P_{2N})$ .

# Main thm (Y.)

$$\circ |R_{p_{2N}}(0)| = \text{Tor}(M; p_{2N})$$

(R-torsion for  $M = \Gamma \backslash \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  &  $p_{2N}$ )

$$\circ \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(M; p_{2N})|}{2N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |R_{p_{2N}}(0)|}{2N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S' \rightarrow M &= \Gamma \backslash \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) && \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \downarrow &&& \\ \Sigma &= M/S' = \text{hyp. orbifold} && \begin{aligned} &= \frac{\text{Area}(\Sigma)}{2\pi} \log 2 \\ &= \frac{\text{Area}(\Sigma)}{2\pi} \log 2 \quad \text{Gauss-Bonnet} \\ &= -\chi^{\text{orb}}(\Sigma) \log 2 \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \in \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$

In my prev. work,  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(M; p_{2N})|}{2N} \leq -\chi^{\text{orb}}(\Sigma) \log 2$   
upper bound

② On Seifert fibered spaces  $\Gamma \backslash \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

$\Gamma \backslash \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \cong S(T\Sigma)$  : the unit tangent bundle  
over  $\Sigma = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$



$$\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \cong S(T\mathbb{H}^2)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) / S' \cong$$

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathbb{H}^2 \left( \odot \right)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \frac{a\sqrt{-1} + b}{c\sqrt{-1} + d} =: \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \sqrt{-1}$$

the stabilizer of  $z = \sqrt{-1} = S'$   
(  $\{ g \cdot \sqrt{-1} = \sqrt{-1} \mid g \in \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \}$  )

$$\Gamma \backslash$$

$$\Gamma \backslash \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) = S(T\Sigma)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^2 = \Sigma$$

# the geometric description of $M = \Gamma \backslash \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

$$M = \pi_1 M \backslash \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) \quad \text{the univ. cover of } \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$\uparrow$   
 a subgroup of  $\text{Isom } \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R})$

## Fact

$$M \cong \tilde{\Gamma} \backslash \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

where  $\tilde{\Gamma} \subset \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) \subset \text{Isom } \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R})$

$$\cong \Gamma'(\Gamma), \quad p: \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \text{ proj.}$$

## Rem

- $\pi_1 M \cong \tilde{\Gamma}$
- $Z(\tilde{\Gamma}) = Z(\widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}))$

the center  $\cong \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 | \rightarrow & \underbrace{\pi_1 \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})}_{\cong \mathbb{Z}} & \rightarrow & \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) & \rightarrow & \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) & \rightarrow | \\
 & & & \cong & & & \\
 & & & \mathbb{Z} & & & \\
 & & & \uparrow & & & \\
 & & & | \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \rightarrow & \tilde{\Gamma} & \rightarrow & \Gamma & \rightarrow & |
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 1 & \rightarrow & \pi_1 \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) & \rightarrow & \widetilde{\mathrm{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{P} & \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow 1 & \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{central} \\ \text{extension} \end{array} \right) \\
 & & \parallel & & \cup & & \cup & \\
 & & \pi_1(S(\mathbb{H}^2)) & & \tilde{\Gamma} & & \Gamma & \\
 & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & \\
 & & \mathbb{Z} = \langle h \rangle & & P^{-1}(\Gamma) & & \pi_1 \Sigma & \\
 & & \uparrow & & & & & \\
 & & \text{regular fiber} & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & = \langle a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_m \rangle & 
 \end{array}$$

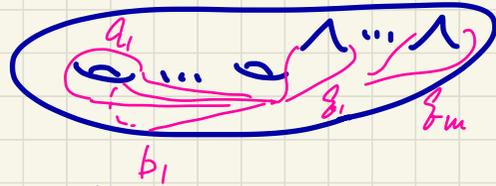
$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_1 M \\
 = \tilde{\Gamma}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \langle a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_m, h \mid$$

$h$ : central,

$$\xi_j^{\alpha_j} h^{\alpha_j - 1} = 1,$$

$$\prod_j \xi_j \prod_i [a_i, b_i] = h^{2-2g} \rangle$$



$$\xi_j^{\alpha_j} = 1, \prod_j \xi_j \prod_i [a_i, b_i] = 1 \rangle$$

For  $M = \widetilde{\Gamma} \backslash \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  
 $(\pi_1 M)$

the restriction of  $P': \widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  to  $\widetilde{\Gamma}$   
 gives

$$\rho = P' \Big|_{\widetilde{\Gamma}} : \widetilde{\Gamma} (= \pi_1 M) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

Lem

$$\rho(\underbrace{Z(\widetilde{\Gamma})}_{Z(\widetilde{\text{PSL}}_2(\mathbb{R}))}) = \{\pm I\} = Z(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})) (= Z(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})))$$

$\leadsto$  the  $\mathbb{R}$ -torsion  $\text{Tor}(M; \underline{\rho}_{2\mathbb{R}})$  is defined for  $\forall \mathcal{N}$ .

$$\sigma_{2\mathbb{R}} \circ \rho : \pi_1 M \rightarrow \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{SL}_{2\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{C})$$

## ⊙ Ruelle zeta functions for geodesic flows

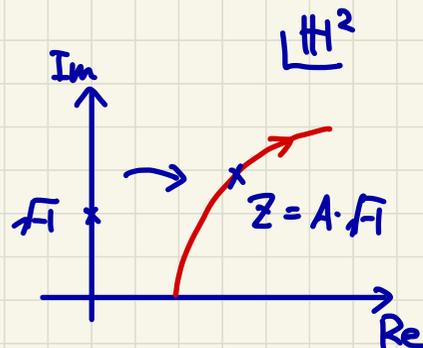
For a Riem. mfd  $(X, g)$ ,

the geodesic flow is the following  $\mathbb{R}$ -action:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_t &: S(TX) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S(TX) \\ (x, v), t &\mapsto (\exp_x(tv), d\exp_x(tv))\end{aligned}$$

Fact

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R} &\rightarrow \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \\ (A, t) &\mapsto A \begin{pmatrix} e^{t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{array}{c} \rightsquigarrow \\ \Gamma \end{array} \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \rightsquigarrow \\ \Gamma \end{array} \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

also gives the geodesic flow on  $\Gamma \backslash \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

Def

◦ the Ruelle zeta function for the geodesic flow

$$R_{\rho_{2N}}(s) = \prod_{\substack{\gamma: \text{prime} \\ \text{closed orbit of } \phi_t}} \det \left( I_{2N} - \rho_{2N}(\gamma) e^{-s \frac{l(\gamma)}{\ell(\gamma)}} \right)$$

the period of  $\gamma$   
(= the length of  $\gamma$ )

◦ the Selberg zeta function for  $\Gamma$

$$Z(s) = \prod_{\{\Gamma\}} \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - N(\Gamma)^{-s-k}) \quad (\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1)$$

the conj. class of a prime hyp.  $T \neq 1$  in  $\Gamma$

$\begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\lambda/2} \end{pmatrix}$       $N(T) = e^{\lambda} (> 1)$

# Relation between the Ruelle and Selberg zeta fct

$$R_{\rho_{2N}}(s) = \prod_{\substack{\gamma: \text{prime} \\ \text{closed orbit of } \phi_t}} \det \left( I_{2N} - \underbrace{\rho_{2N}(\gamma)}_{\text{conj.}} e^{-s \underbrace{\ell(\gamma)}_{\text{the length of } \gamma}} \right)$$

$\rho(\gamma) \underset{\text{conj.}}{\sim} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{\ell(\gamma)}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\frac{\ell(\gamma)}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$  (hyp. elem.)

$\begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{\ell(\gamma)}{2}(-2N+1)} & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & e^{-\frac{\ell(\gamma)}{2}} & \\ & & & e^{\frac{\ell(\gamma)}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \dots e^{\frac{\ell(\gamma)}{2}(2N-1)}$

$$= \prod_{k=1}^N \prod_{\gamma} \left( 1 - e^{-(s + \frac{2k-1}{2})\ell(\gamma)} \right) = \frac{\zeta(s + \frac{2k-1}{2})}{\zeta(s + \frac{2k-1}{2} + 1)}$$

$$\times \prod_{k=1}^N \prod_{\gamma} \left( 1 - e^{-(s - \frac{2k-1}{2})\ell(\gamma)} \right)$$

$$\frac{\zeta(s - \frac{2k-1}{2})}{\zeta(s - \frac{2k-1}{2} + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{\zeta(s + \frac{1}{2})}}{\cancel{\zeta(s + \frac{3}{2})}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{\zeta(s + \frac{3}{2})}}{\cancel{\zeta(s + \frac{5}{2})}} \dots \frac{\cancel{\zeta(s - \frac{1}{2})}}{\cancel{\zeta(s - \frac{3}{2})}} \frac{\cancel{\zeta(s - \frac{3}{2})}}{\cancel{\zeta(s - \frac{5}{2})}} \dots$$

remain  $\downarrow$  //

Prop (Y.)

$$\circ R_{p_{2N}}(s) = \frac{\zeta(s - N + 1/2)}{\zeta(s + N + 1/2)}$$

$$\circ R_{p_{2N}}(0)^{-1} = \frac{\zeta(N + 1/2)}{\zeta(1 - (N + 1/2))} \leftarrow \frac{\zeta(s)}{\zeta(1-s)} \text{ at } s = N + 1/2$$

Functional eq. of  $\zeta(s)$

fct defined by the identity elem.

$$\frac{d}{ds} \log \frac{\zeta(s)}{\zeta(1-s)} = \mu(D) (s - 1/2) \tan \pi(s - 1/2)$$

fct. defined by

hyp. elem.  
in  $\Gamma$

$$+ \sum_{\{R\}} \frac{-\pi}{m(R) \sin \theta(R)} \frac{\cos(2\theta(R)(s - 1/2))}{\cos \pi(s - 1/2)}$$

$R \sim \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta(R) & -\sin \theta(R) \\ \sin \theta(R) & \cos \theta(R) \end{pmatrix}$  of order  $m(R)$   
in  $\Gamma$

$$R_{\rho_{2N}}(0)^{-1} = \exp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{N+\frac{1}{2}} \frac{d}{ds} \log \frac{Z(s)}{Z(1-s)} \quad \text{contrib. of id}$$

$$= \exp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{N+\frac{1}{2}} \mu(\mathcal{J})(s-\frac{1}{2}) \tan \pi(s-\frac{1}{2}) ds$$

$$\cdot \exp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{N+\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{\{R\}} \frac{-\pi}{m(R) \sin \theta(R)} \frac{\cos(2\theta(R)(s-\frac{1}{2}))}{\cos \pi(s-\frac{1}{2})} ds$$

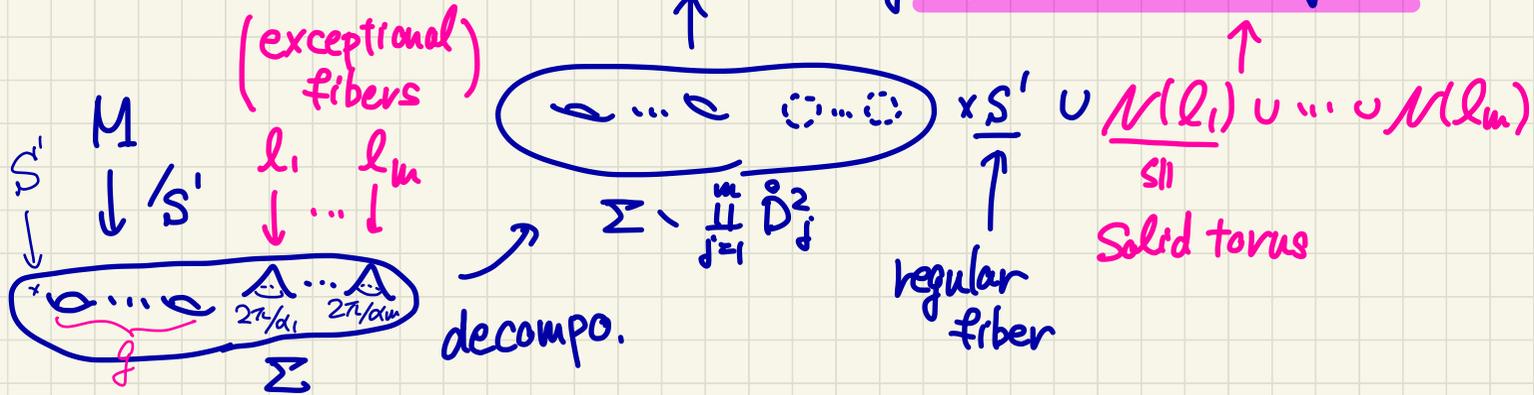
↑ contrib. of elliptic elem.s in  $\Gamma$

Th'm (Y.)

$$|R_{\rho_{2N}}(0)| = \text{Tor}(M; \rho_{2N})$$

☹ This follows by comparing  $|R_{\rho_{2N}}(0)|$  with  $\text{Tor}(M; \rho_{2N})$  in my previous result.

$$\text{Tor}(M; \rho_{2N}) = \underbrace{2^{-2N(2-2g-m)}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{(exceptional} \\ \text{fibers)}}} \prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{k=1}^r \left( 2 \sin \frac{\pi(2k-1)}{2\alpha_j} \right)^{-2}$$



$$\left( \begin{aligned} \text{Tor}(W \times S^1; \rho_{2N}) &= \text{Tor}(S^1; \rho_{2N})^{\chi(W)} \\ &= \det \left( \rho_{2N}(S^1) - I_{2N} \right)^{-\chi(W)} \\ &= (-2)^{-2N\chi(W)} \prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{k=1}^r \left( 2 \sin \frac{\pi(2k-1)}{2\alpha_j} \right)^{-2} \\ &= \underbrace{2^{-2N(2-2g-m)}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{(exceptional} \\ \text{fibers)}}} \prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{k=1}^r \left( 2 \sin \frac{\pi(2k-1)}{2\alpha_j} \right)^{-2} \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$|R_{\rho_{2N}}(0)|^{-1} = \left| \exp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{N+\frac{1}{2}} \frac{d}{ds} \log \frac{Z(s)}{Z(1-s)} ds \right|$$

$$= \left| \exp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{N+\frac{1}{2}} \mu(D) (s-\frac{1}{2}) \tan \pi (s-\frac{1}{2}) ds \right|$$

$$\times \left| \exp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{N+\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{R \in \mathcal{R}} \frac{-\pi}{m(R) \sin \theta(R)} \frac{\cos(2\theta(R)(s-\frac{1}{2}))}{\cos \pi (s-\frac{1}{2})} ds \right|$$

$$= \exp \left( \underbrace{\mu(D)}_{-2\pi \chi^{orb}(\Sigma)} \left( -\frac{N}{\pi} \log 2 \right) \right)$$

$\mu(D)$ : the measure of the fundamental domain  $D$  for  $\Sigma$   
 (i) Gauss-Bonnet

$\chi^{orb}(\Sigma)$

$-2\pi \chi^{orb}(\Sigma)$

$$\times \exp \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \log \prod_{k=1}^N \left( 2 \sin \frac{\pi(2k-1)}{2\alpha_j} \right)^2 - \frac{2N}{\alpha_j} \log 2 \right) \right)$$

$$= 2 - 2g$$

$$- \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\alpha_j - 1}{\alpha_j}$$

$$= 2^{2N(2-2g-m)} \prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{k=1}^N \left( 2 \sin \frac{\pi(2k-1)}{2\alpha_j} \right)^2$$

$$= \text{Tor}(M_j \rho_{2N})^{-1}$$

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⊙ Relation to the asymptotics of  $\text{Tor}(M; \rho_{2N})$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{Tor}(M; \rho_{2N})|}{2N} &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |R_{\rho_{2N}}(0)|}{2N} \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{contrib. of the identity}|}{2N} \\ &\quad + \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{contrib. of elliptic elem.}|}{2N} \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(D) \frac{N}{\pi} \log 2}{2N} \end{aligned}$$

the measure of  
the fundamental domain  $D$   
for  $\Sigma$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\mu(D)}{2\pi}}_{\chi^{\text{orb}}(\Sigma)} \log 2 \quad \text{by Gauss-Bonnet}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{contrib. of the identity}|}{2N}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{(:)} |\text{contrib. of the identity}| \\ = \exp \left( \mu(D) \frac{N}{\pi} \log 2 \right) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(D) \frac{N}{\pi} \log 2}{2N}$$

$$= \frac{\mu(D)}{2\pi} \log 2$$

↑  
We can see that  
the order is  $N$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |\text{contrib. of elliptic elem.}|}{2N}$$

R-torsion  
of the except. fiber  
 $l_j$

$$\left( \textcircled{\ominus} |\text{contrib. of elliptic elem.}| = \exp \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \log \prod_{k=1}^N \left( 2 \sin \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2\alpha_j} \right)^{-2} + \frac{2N}{\alpha_j} \log 2 \right) \right)$$

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^m \left( -\frac{1}{N} \log \prod_{k=1}^N 2 \sin \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2\alpha_j} + \frac{1}{\alpha_j} \log 2 \right)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^m \left( -\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \prod_{k=1}^N 2 \sin \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2\alpha_j}}{N} + \frac{1}{\alpha_j} \log 2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\alpha_j} \log 2$$

$$= 0$$