

# Compactification of Siegel's quotient spaces II\*

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In this talk we consider the case of groups that are commensurable to the modular group. The notations  $\Gamma$ ,  $\mathfrak{G}_r^n$ ,  $\Omega_n^*$ ,  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ , ... are the same as in the previous talk [3].

## 1 Additional considerations on the space $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$

Let  $\tilde{\Gamma} = \tilde{\Gamma}_n$  be the "transformation group" of  $\Gamma = \mathrm{Sp}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ , i.e.  $\tilde{\Gamma} = \mathrm{Sp}(n, \mathbb{Q})$ ; we first show how  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  acts on  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ .

For this consider the set  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^*$  constructed by the same method as in [3, Section 2], but using  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  instead of  $\Gamma$ , that is the set of points  $\tilde{M} \cdot Z$  (classes of pairs  $(\tilde{M}, Z)$ ) with  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$ ,  $Z \in \mathfrak{G}_r$  ( $0 \leq r \leq n$ ); moreover, we can assume that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^*$  is endowed with a topology satisfying condition 1° and

2° the actions of  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$  on  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^*$  are continuous maps

(for instance, consider the finest topology satisfying conditions 1° and 2°, defined as in [3, Section 3]); then  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^*$  contains  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$  as a subset; but in fact they are equal. Indeed, for each  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$ , there is a finite number of  $M_i \in \Gamma$  such that

$$\tilde{M} \Omega_n \subset \bigcup_i M_i \Omega_n$$

(because  $\Omega_n$  is a "fundamental open set" for the "Minkowskian" group  $\Gamma$ ); since the topology on  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^*$  induces on  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$  a topology satisfying conditions 1° and 2°, we can take the closure with respect to this topology (which we denote  $\cdot^*$ , notation that does not clash with the notation  $\Omega_n^*$ ) and get

$$\tilde{M} \Omega_n^* = (\tilde{M} \Omega_n)^* \subset \bigcup_i M_i \Omega_n^*,$$

therefore

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^* = \tilde{\Gamma} \Omega_n^* \subset \Gamma \Omega_n^* = \mathfrak{S}_n^*;$$

we conclude that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^* = \mathfrak{S}_n^*$ . In particular, we can view  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  as acting on  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ .

If we decompose  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  into right cosets for  $\tilde{\Gamma} \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n$ , we get a disjoint union decomposition of the space  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^*$  similar to (2.3) in the previous talk [3]; the fact that  $\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^* = \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  means that we can use elements of  $\Gamma$  as representatives of the cosets  $\tilde{\Gamma} / \tilde{\Gamma} \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n$ ; this means that

$$(1.1) \quad \tilde{\Gamma} = \Gamma (\tilde{\Gamma} \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n) \quad (0 \leq r \leq n).$$

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This fact was already indicated by Koecher [2] in the special case  $r = 0$  (and not only for  $\Gamma$ , but for all groups satisfying certain conditions).

The actions of  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$  are  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$ -continuous. Indeed, let  $F$  be a  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$ -closed subset of  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ ; we prove that for any  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$ ,  $\tilde{M}F$  is also  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$ -closed, that is that  $M\tilde{M}F \cap \Omega_n^*$  is closed for all  $M \in \Gamma$ . There exist finitely many  $M_i \in \Gamma$  such that

$$(M\tilde{M})^{-1} \Omega_n^* \subset \bigcup_i M_i \Omega_n^*;$$

then

$$M\tilde{M}F \cap \Omega_n^* = \bigcup_i M\tilde{M}M_i(M_i^{-1}F \cap \Omega_n^*) \cap \Omega_n^*$$

and, since  $M_i^{-1}F \cap \Omega_n^*$  is closed, so is the latter set, by the ‘‘continuity’’ of  $M\tilde{M}M_i$  in  $\Omega_n^*$  (this follows from [3, Lemma 1]).

The actions of  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$  are also  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ -continuous. It suffices to show that if  $U$  is a  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$ -neighborhood of  $x$  and  $\Gamma_x$ -saturated, then  $\tilde{M}U$  (for  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$ ) contains a  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$ -neighborhood of  $\tilde{M}x$  that is  $\Gamma_{\tilde{M}x}$ -saturated. This follows immediately from the fact that  $\tilde{M}U$  is  $\tilde{M}\Gamma_x\tilde{M}^{-1}$ -saturated and that

$$\tilde{M}\Gamma_x\tilde{M}^{-1} = (\tilde{M}\Gamma\tilde{M}^{-1})_{\tilde{M}x}$$

is commensurable to  $\Gamma_{\tilde{M}x}$ .

Now let  $\Gamma' = \Gamma'_n$  be a group commensurable to  $\Gamma$ ; then there are finitely many  $M_i \in \Gamma$  such that

$$(1.2) \quad \Omega'_n = \bigcup_i M_i \Omega_n$$

is a fundamental open for  $\Gamma'$ ; we can take, for instance, those  $M_i$  such that

$$\Gamma = \bigcup_i (\Gamma \cap \Gamma')M_i.$$

We have then  $\mathfrak{S}_n^* = \Gamma'(\Omega'_n)^*$  (where  $*$  denotes the closure with respect to any topology that satisfies conditions 1 $^\circ$  and 2 $^\circ$ ). Indeed, for any  $M \in \Gamma$ , there are finitely many  $M'_j \in \Gamma'$  such that

$$M \Omega_n \subset \bigcup_j M'_j \Omega'_n;$$

hence

$$M \Omega_n^* \subset \bigcup_j M'_j (\Omega'_n)^*,$$

from which we conclude that  $\mathfrak{S}_n^* = \Gamma \Omega_n^* \subset \Gamma'(\Omega'_n)^*$ .

We now consider conditions 1', 2', 3', and 4' that are obtained respectively from conditions 1 $^\circ$ , 2 $^\circ$ , 3 $^\circ$ , and 4 $^\circ$  by replacing  $\Gamma$  and  $\Omega_n^*$  by  $\Gamma'$  and  $(\Omega'_n)^*$  (the ‘‘natural’’ topology on  $(\Omega'_n)^*$  is that induced by any topology on  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$  that satisfies conditions 1 $^\circ$  and 2 $^\circ$ ). It is clear that  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$  satisfies conditions 1' and 2'. Conversely, we can define the topology  $\mathcal{T}^{\Gamma'}$  of  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$  as the finest topology satisfying conditions 1' and 2' (we proceed as in [3, Section 3]); then  $\mathcal{T}^{\Gamma'}$  satisfies conditions 1 $^\circ$  and 2 $^\circ$  (the ‘‘continuity’’ of the actions of  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$  on  $(\Omega'_n)^*$ ); hence  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma = \mathcal{T}^{\Gamma'}$ . We realize then by the same argument that the system of  $\Gamma'_x$ -saturated  $\mathcal{T}^{\Gamma'}$ -neighborhoods of  $x$  is equivalent to the system of  $\Gamma_x$ -saturated  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$ -neighborhoods of  $x$ ; hence, if we define the topology  $\mathcal{T}_0^{\Gamma'}$  in the same way as  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ , we have  $\mathcal{T}_0^{\Gamma'} = \mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{T}_0^{\Gamma'} = \mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$  satisfies conditions 1',

2', 3', and 4'; condition 3' is proved as follows: let  $x, x' \in \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  be two non- $\Gamma'$ -equivalent points, let

$$\Gamma' = \bigcup_i (\Gamma \cap \Gamma') M'_i,$$

and, for each  $i$ , let  $U_i, U'_i$  be neighborhoods of  $x$  and  $(M'_i)^{-1}x'$  such that

- $\Gamma U_i \cap U'_i = \emptyset$  if  $x$  and  $(M'_i)^{-1}x'$  are not  $\Gamma$ -equivalent;
- $((\Gamma - \Gamma_x)U_i) \cap U_i = \emptyset$ ,  $U'_i = MU_i$ , if  $(M'_i)^{-1}x' = Mx$  with  $M \in \Gamma$ ;

then, as  $\Gamma' \cap M\Gamma_x = \emptyset$ , we have  $((\Gamma \cap \Gamma') U_i) \cap U'_i = \emptyset$ ; hence, setting

$$U = \bigcap_i U_i, \quad U' = \bigcap_i M'_i U'_i,$$

we have  $(\Gamma' U) \cap U' = \emptyset$ . It follows that  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$  satisfies condition 3'; we can prove, by the same reasoning as in [3], the uniqueness of the topology satisfying conditions 1', 2', 3', and 4'.

From now on we consider exclusively the topology  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma = \mathcal{T}_0^{\Gamma'}$ ; the results obtained above can be stated as follows:

**Theorem 1.** *The actions of  $\tilde{M} \in \tilde{\Gamma}$  on  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$  are  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ -continuous maps. For any group  $\Gamma'$  that is commensurable to  $\Gamma$ , the topology  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$  satisfies the conditions 1', 2', 3', and 4', and is entirely determined by these conditions.*

## 2 The structure of the compactified spaces $\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$

First, it is clear that Theorem 1 implies the following:

**Theorem 2.** *The quotient space  $\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  is Hausdorff and compact.*

If  $\Gamma''$  is a finite index subgroup of  $\Gamma'$ , obviously there is a canonical map

$$(2.1) \quad \pi_{\Gamma', \Gamma''} : \Gamma'' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^* \longrightarrow \Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$$

that is a “ramified covering” (which we make more precise below);  $\pi_{\Gamma', \Gamma''}$  is continuous and maps open sets to open sets and closed sets to closed sets. If moreover  $\Gamma''$  is a **normal** subgroup of  $\Gamma'$ , then  $\Gamma'' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  is “Galois” over  $\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$ , which means that the finite group  $\Gamma'/\Gamma''$  acts on  $\Gamma'' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  and we have

$$(2.2) \quad (\Gamma'/\Gamma'') \backslash (\Gamma'' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*) = \Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*.$$

We now study the structure of the space  $\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$ . For this we decompose  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  into left  $\Gamma'$ - and right  $(\tilde{\Gamma} \cap \mathfrak{S}_r^n)$ -cosets as follows:

$$(2.3) \quad \tilde{\Gamma} = \bigcup_\lambda \Gamma' M_{r, \lambda} (\tilde{\Gamma} \cap \mathfrak{S}_r^n),$$

where by (1.1) the number of cosets is finite; we have then the corresponding decomposition of  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ :

$$(2.4) \quad \mathfrak{S}_n^* = \bigcup_r \bigcup_\lambda \Gamma' M_{r, \lambda} \mathfrak{S}_r,$$

and therefore

$$\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^* = \bigcup_r \bigcup_\lambda \Gamma' \backslash (\Gamma' M_{r, \lambda} \mathfrak{S}_r);$$

if we set

$$(2.5) \quad \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} = \varpi_r \left( M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \cap \mathfrak{S}_r^n \right),$$

it is easy to see that  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda}$  is a discrete subgroup of  $\mathrm{Sp}(r, \mathbb{R})$  that is commensurable to  $\Gamma_r$ , and that the quotient space  $\Gamma' \backslash (\Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \mathfrak{S}_r)$  is canonically identified with  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda} \backslash \mathfrak{S}_r$ ; hence the last relation can be written

$$(2.6) \quad \Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^* = \bigcup_{r,\lambda} \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} \backslash \mathfrak{S}_r.$$

We should note that if we set in (1.2)

$$M_i = M'_i M_{r,\lambda_i} L_i, \quad M'_i \in \Gamma', \quad L_i \in \tilde{\Gamma} \cap \mathfrak{S}_r^n,$$

then

$$(2.7) \quad \Omega'_{r,\lambda} = \bigcup_{i: \lambda_i = \lambda} \varpi_r(L_i) \Omega_r$$

is a fundamental open for  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda}$ ; this is an immediate consequence of the fact that  $\mathfrak{S}_n^* = \Gamma'(\Omega'_n)^*$ .

We consider the relation between  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda} \backslash \mathfrak{S}_r^*$  and  $\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$ . We first note that there is a canonical injective map from  $\mathfrak{S}_r^*$  to  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$  given by

$$M.Z \longmapsto \iota_n(M).Z \quad (M \in \tilde{\Gamma}_r, Z \in \mathfrak{S}_s, 0 \leq s \leq r),$$

because  $(M, Z) \sim (M', Z')$  is obviously equivalent to  $(\iota_n(M), Z) \sim (\iota_n(M'), Z')$ ; this map, clearly a homeomorphism with respect to  $\mathcal{T}^\Gamma$  or  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ , allows us to identify  $\mathfrak{S}_r^*$  with the closure of  $\mathfrak{S}_r$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ .

Given  $\Gamma'$ , there exists also a map  $\psi_{r,\lambda}$  from  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda} \backslash \mathfrak{S}_r^*$  to  $\Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  given by

$$(2.8) \quad \psi_{r,\lambda} (M.Z \pmod{\Gamma'_{r,\lambda}}) = M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M).Z \pmod{\Gamma'},$$

since, if  $M.Z$  and  $M'.Z'$  are  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda}$ -equivalent, there exists  $M'_0 \in \Gamma'$  such that

$$\varpi_r \left( M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} M'_0 M_{r,\lambda} \right) M.Z = M'.Z',$$

that is

$$\tilde{M}_0 = (M')^{-1} \varpi_r \left( M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} M'_0 M_{r,\lambda} \right) M \in \mathfrak{S}_s^r \quad \text{and} \quad \varpi_s(\tilde{M}_0)Z = Z',$$

which implies that

$$\iota_n(M')^{-1} M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} M'_0 M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M) \in \mathfrak{S}_s^n$$

and

$$\varpi_s \left( \iota_n(M')^{-1} M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} M'_0 M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M) \right) = \varpi_s(\tilde{M}_0),$$

that is that  $M_{r,\lambda} \iota(M).Z$  and  $M_{r,\lambda} \iota(M').Z'$  are  $\Gamma'$ -equivalent.

As the following diagram is commutative, it is clear that the map  $\psi_{r,\lambda}$  is **continuous**:

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{S}_r^* & \xrightarrow{M_{r,\lambda}} & \mathfrak{S}_n^* \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} \backslash \mathfrak{S}_r^* & \xrightarrow{\psi_{r,\lambda}} & \Gamma' \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^* \end{array}$$

but, as we are about to see, it is in general **not injective**.

Indeed, let  $s < r < n$  and consider double coset decompositions

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\Gamma}_n &= \bigcup_{\lambda} \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} (\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n) \\
(2.10) \quad &= \bigcup_{\mu} \Gamma' M_{s,\mu} (\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n), \\
\tilde{\Gamma}_r &= \bigcup_{\nu} \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)} (\tilde{\Gamma}_r \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^r);
\end{aligned}$$

we have then

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n = \bigcup_{\nu} (M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n) \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)}) (\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n),$$

since  $\tilde{\Gamma}_r = \varpi_r(\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n)$  and  $\varpi^{-1}(\mathfrak{G}_s^r) = \mathfrak{G}_r^n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n$ ; therefore

$$(2.11) \quad \tilde{\Gamma}_n = \bigcup_{\lambda,\nu} \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)}) (\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n);$$

this is the decomposition of  $\tilde{\Gamma}_n$  into left- $\Gamma'$  and right- $\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n$  double cosets, a refinement of the second decomposition of (2.10). We write

$$(2.12) \quad (\lambda, \nu) \longrightarrow \mu \quad \text{if} \quad M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)}) \in \Gamma' M_{s,\mu} (\tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n).$$

Then the function  $\psi_{r,\lambda}$  maps

$$\Gamma'_{r,\lambda} \backslash \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)} \mathfrak{G}_s \longmapsto \Gamma' \backslash \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)}) \mathfrak{G}_s = \Gamma' \backslash \Gamma' M_{s,\mu} \mathfrak{G}_s,$$

or, setting

$$\begin{aligned}
(\Gamma'_{r,\lambda})_{s,\nu} &= \varpi_s \left( M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)-1} \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)} \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^r \right), \\
M_{r,\lambda} M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)} &= M' M_{s,\mu} L, \quad M' \in \Gamma', L \in \tilde{\Gamma}_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n,
\end{aligned}$$

$\psi_{r,\lambda}$  maps

$$(2.13) \quad (\Gamma'_{r,\lambda})_{s,\nu} \backslash \mathfrak{G}_s \longrightarrow \Gamma'_{s,\mu} \backslash \mathfrak{G}_s \quad \text{via} \quad Z \pmod{(\Gamma'_{r,\lambda})_{s,\nu}} \longmapsto L.Z \pmod{\Gamma'_{s,\mu}},$$

for  $(\lambda, \nu) \longrightarrow \mu$ . It is possible that two distinct pairs  $(\lambda, \nu)$  and  $(\lambda', \nu')$  (even with  $\lambda = \lambda'$ ) correspond to the same  $\mu$ ; on the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(\Gamma'_{r,\lambda})_{s,\nu} &= \varpi_s \left( M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)-1} \Gamma'_{r,\lambda} M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)} \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^r \right) \\
&= \varpi_s \left( \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)})^{-1} M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)}) \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n \right) \\
&\subset \varpi_s \left( \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)})^{-1} M_{r,\lambda}^{-1} \Gamma' M_{r,\lambda} \iota_n(M_{s,\nu}^{(r,\lambda)}) \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n \right) \\
&= \varpi_s \left( L^{-1} M_{s,\mu}^{-1} \Gamma' M_{s,\mu} L \cap \mathfrak{G}_s^n \right) \\
&= \varpi_s(L)^{-1} \Gamma'_{s,\mu} \varpi_s(L);
\end{aligned}$$

and it is possible that  $(\Gamma'_{r,\lambda})_{s,\nu}$  is strictly smaller than  $\varpi_s(L)^{-1} \Gamma'_{s,\mu} \varpi_s(L)$ . These two possible cases mean that, in general,  $\psi_{r,\lambda}$  is not injective.

**Example** Let us consider the case of the ‘‘Hauptkongruenzgruppe’’:

$$\Gamma_n(q) = \{M : M \in \Gamma_n, M \equiv E_n \pmod{q}\}.$$

In this case any  $\Gamma'_{r,\lambda}$  is equal to  $\Gamma_r(q)$ , hence we are **not** in the second case

$$(\Gamma'_{r,\lambda})_{s,\nu} \subsetneq \varpi_s(L)^{-1} \Gamma'_{s,\mu} \varpi_s(L);$$

let us compute the ‘‘multiplicity’’  $\nu_{n,r}$  of  $\Gamma_r(q)$ . We have obviously

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{n,r} &= [\Gamma_n : \Gamma_n(q)(\Gamma_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n)] \\ &= [\Gamma_n : \Gamma_n(q)] / [\Gamma_n \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n : \Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{G}_r^n] \\ &= [\Gamma_n : \Gamma_n(q)] / [\Gamma_r : \Gamma_r(q)] \cdot [\Gamma_n \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n : \Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n], \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathfrak{N}_r^n$  denotes the kernel of  $\varpi_r$ . But  $\mathfrak{N}_r^n$  decomposes as a semi-direct product

$$(2.14) \quad \mathfrak{N}_r^n = \mathfrak{U}_r^n \rtimes \mathfrak{T}_r^n,$$

where

$$(2.15) \quad \mathfrak{U}_r^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} {}^tU & 0 \\ 0 & U^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : U = \begin{pmatrix} E_r & U_{12} \\ 0 & U_2 \end{pmatrix}, \det(U_2) \neq 0 \right\},$$

$$(2.16) \quad \mathfrak{T}_r^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} E & T \\ 0 & E \end{pmatrix} : T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & T_{12} \\ {}^tT_{12} & T_2 \end{pmatrix}, T_2 \text{ symmetric} \right\},$$

the latter being a normal subgroup of  $\mathfrak{N}_r^n$ . As

$$\Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n = (\Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{U}_r^n) \rtimes (\Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{T}_r^n)$$

and

$$\Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{U}_r^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} {}^tU & 0 \\ 0 & U^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : U = \begin{pmatrix} E_r & U_{12} \\ 0 & U_2 \end{pmatrix} \equiv E_n \pmod{q}, U \text{ unimodular} \right\},$$

$$\Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{T}_r^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} E & T \\ 0 & E \end{pmatrix} : T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & T_{12} \\ {}^tT_{12} & T_2 \end{pmatrix} \equiv E_n \pmod{q}, T \text{ integral, symmetric} \right\},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\Gamma_n \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n : \Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n] &= [\Gamma_n \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n : \Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{U}_r^n] \cdot [\Gamma_n \cap \mathfrak{T}_r^n : \Gamma_n(q) \cap \mathfrak{T}_r^n] \\ &= (2) [\gamma_{n-r} : \gamma_{n-r}(q)] q^{r(n-r)} q^{\frac{(n-r)(n-r+1)}{2} + r(n-r)}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\gamma_{n-r} = \text{SL}(n-r, \mathbb{Z}), \quad \gamma_{n-r}(q) = \{U \in \gamma_{n-r} : U \equiv E_{n-r} \pmod{q}\},$$

and the factor (2) appears if  $n-r \geq 1$  and  $q > 2$ . It is well-known that

$$[\gamma_n : \gamma_n(q)] = q^{n^2-1} \prod_{p|q} \prod_{2 \leq k \leq n} (1 - p^{-k}),$$

$$[\Gamma_n : \Gamma_n(q)] = q^{n(2n+1)} \prod_{p|q} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq n} (1 - p^{-2k})$$

(see [1]). We obtain

$$(2.17) \quad \begin{aligned} \nu_{n,r} &= \frac{q^{n(2n+1)-r(2r+1)} \prod_{p|q} \prod_{r+1 \leq k \leq n} (1 - p^{-2k})}{(2) q^{\frac{(n-r)(n-r+1)}{2} + 2r(n-r) + (n-r)^2 - 1} \prod_{p|q} \prod_{2 \leq k \leq n-r} (1 - p^{-k})} \\ &= q^{\frac{1}{2}(n-r)(n+3r+1)+1} (2)^{-1} \prod_{p|q} \frac{\prod_{r+1 \leq k \leq n} (1 - p^{-2k})}{\prod_{2 \leq k \leq n-r} (1 - p^{-k})} \end{aligned}$$

for  $r < n$ . If  $s < r < n$ , we have therefore

$$\frac{\nu_{n,r}\nu_{r,s}}{\nu_{n,s}} = q^{(n-r)(r-s)+1}(2)^{-1} \prod_{p|q}^{n-r} \frac{\prod_2^{n-s} (1-p^{-k})}{\prod_2^{r-s} (1-p^{-k})} > 1,$$

which shows that the map  $\Gamma_r(q) \backslash \mathfrak{S}_r^* \rightarrow \Gamma_n(q) \backslash \mathfrak{S}_n^*$  is certainly not injective if  $0 < r < n$ .

### 3 A connectedness theorem

Finally we add a theorem that will be useful later.

**Theorem 3.** *Every point of  $\mathfrak{S}_n^* - \mathfrak{S}_n$  has a base of  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ -neighborhoods whose intersection with  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  is connected and open.*

*Proof.* We can assume that the point in question is  $Z_0 \in \Omega_r$  ( $r < n$ ). Let  $U_r$  be a connected,  $(\Gamma_r)_{Z_0}$ -saturated neighborhood of  $Z_0$  in  $\Omega_r$  and let  $U_s = V^{(s)}(U_r, K)$  ( $r \leq s \leq n$ ) be the set defined in [3, p. 3], that is the set of  $Z \in \Omega_s$  such that

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} Z_1^{(r)} & Z_{12} \\ {}^t Z_{12} & Z_2 \end{pmatrix} = X + iY, \quad Y = {}^t W D W, \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_s \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $Z_1^{(r)} \in U_r$ ,  $d_{r+1} > K$ ; then

$$U = \bigcup_{r \leq s \leq n} U_s$$

is a neighborhood of  $Z_0$  in  $\Omega_n^*$  and therefore  $\tilde{U} = \Gamma_{Z_0} U$  is a  $\mathcal{T}_0^\Gamma$ -neighborhood of  $Z_0$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_n^*$ . We will prove that  $\tilde{U} \cap \mathfrak{S}_n$  is connected, that is that  $\Gamma_{Z_0} U \cap \mathfrak{S}_n$  is connected. It is easy to see that  $\Gamma_{Z_0}$  is *finitely generated* (note that  $\Gamma \cap \mathfrak{N}_r^n$  is a finite index subgroup of  $\Gamma_{Z_0}$  and is finitely generated); let  $\{M_i\}$  be a finite generating set for  $\Gamma_{Z_0}$  that contains the identity  $E$ ; we may assume in addition that  $M_i$  is of one of the following forms:

$$(3.1) \quad M_i = \begin{pmatrix} E_r & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & {}^t U_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & U_2^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad U_2 \text{ unimodular,}$$

$$(3.2) \quad M_i = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 & B_1 & B_{12} \\ A_{21} & E_{n-r} & B_{21} & B_2 \\ C_1 & 0 & D_1 & D_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E_{n-r} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(Indeed,  $\Gamma_{Z_0}$  is the semi-direct product of subgroups consisting of matrices of respective forms (3.1) and (3.2), with the latter subgroup being normal.) Decomposing  $Z' = M_i Z$ ,  $Z \in U_n$  as above, we see easily that if  $M_i$  is of the form (3.2), then  $Z'$  belongs to  $\Omega_n(u')$ , where  $u' \geq u$  depends only on  $U_r$ ,  $K$ , and  $M_i$ ; therefore  $M_i U_n \subset \Omega_n(u')$  for  $u'$  sufficiently large. Now let  $M_i$  be of the form (3.1); for an arbitrary but fixed matrix  $Z_i$  in  $U_n$  we can again take  $u'$  such that  $Z'_i = M_i Z_i \in \Omega_n(u')$ ; in this case we have the relations

$$\begin{aligned} X'_1 &= X_1, & X'_{12} &= X_{12} U_2, & X'_2 &= {}^t U_2 X_2 U_2, & W'_1 &= W_1, \\ W'_{12} &= W_{12} U_2, & D'_1 &= D_1, & {}^t W'_2 D'_2 W'_2 &= {}^t U_2 {}^t W_2 D_2 W_2 U_2; \end{aligned}$$

so if we denote by  $Z_i(\lambda)$  and  $Z'_i(\lambda)$  the matrices obtained by replacing  $D_2$  and  $D'_2$  by  $\lambda D_2$  and  $\lambda D'_2$  ( $\lambda \geq 1$ ) inside  $Z_i$ , respectively  $Z'_i$ , we see easily that  $Z_i(\lambda) \in U_n$ ,  $Z'_i(\lambda) \in \Omega_n(u')$ ,  $Z'_i(\lambda) = M_i Z_i(\lambda)$  and hence  $Z'_i(\lambda)$  ( $\lambda \geq 1$ ) belongs to  $M_i U_n \cap \Omega_n(u')$ . Let  $u'$  be such that all the above conditions are satisfied; we define a neighborhood

$$U' = \bigcup_{r \leq s \leq n} U'_s$$

of  $Z_0$  in  $\Omega_n(u')^*$  exactly as above with  $U'_r = U_r$  and  $K'$  large enough that  $U' \subset \tilde{U}$ ; then  $M_i U_n \cap U'_n = \emptyset$  for all  $i$ ; indeed, if  $M_i$  is of the form (3.2), we can take, for a given  $K'$ ,  $K_1$  such that  $M_i V^{(n)}(U_r, K_1) \subset U'_n$ ; on the other hand, if  $M_i$  is of the form (3.1),  $Z'_i(\lambda)$  belongs to  $M_i U_n \subset U'_n$  for sufficiently large  $\lambda$ . Then, since  $U_n$  and  $U'_n$  are connected, so is  $U_n \cup U'_n$ , and  $(U_n \cup U'_n) \cap M_i(U_n \cup U'_n) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $i$ , from which we conclude the connectedness of  $\Gamma_{Z_0} U_n = \Gamma_{Z_0}(U_n \cup U'_n)$ .  $\square$

## Bibliographic note

The two results of Koecher referred to in this talk can be found in [1, 2].

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