

# Projection constants of Banach spaces of multivariate polynomials on domains with generic group structures

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Today





**Back to mathematics ...**

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## Meeting the team ...



## **Projection constants:**

### **The definition**

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### Absolute projection constant

$$\lambda(X) := \sup \lambda(X, Y),$$

the supremum taken over all  $Y$  containing  $X$  as an isometric copy

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and then there is a so-called **minimal projection**  $P \in \mathcal{L}(C(K))$  onto  $S$ , that is,

$$\lambda(S) = \|P : C(K) \rightarrow S\|$$

**A first orientation:**

**The theorem of Kadets-Snobar**

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### Hahn-Banach theorem

$$\lambda(\ell_{\infty}^n) = 1$$

## **Aims of our project**

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Our program includes applications to spaces of

- polynomials on fin.-dim. Hilbert spaces,
- trigonometric polynomials,
- functions on Boolean cubes,
- Dirichlet polynomials,
- polynomials on  $\mathcal{L}(\ell_2^n)$ , ...

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- D-Frerick 2011: For  $1 \leq r \leq \infty$  and in the real/complex case

$$\lambda(\mathcal{P}_d(\ell_r^n)) \sim_{C^d} \left(1 + \frac{n}{d}\right)^{d(1 - \frac{1}{\min\{r, 2\}})}$$

**A conceptual scenario:  
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An extension of this setting to so-called homogeneous compact Hausdorff spaces is possible ...

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$$\lambda(S) = \|\pi_S : C(G) \rightarrow S\| = \int_G |\mathbf{k}_S(e, \cdot)| dm$$

### Reproducing kernel

There is a unique continuous function  $\mathbf{k}_S : G \times G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that for all  $x \in G$

$$(\pi_S f)(x) = \langle f, \mathbf{k}_S(x, \cdot) \rangle_{L_2(G)} \quad \text{for all } f \in L_2(G)$$

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- Prove that

$$\pi_S = \int_G \int_G \Phi_{g,h}^{-1} \circ \mathbf{Q} \circ \Phi_{g,h} \, dg \, dh : C(G) \rightarrow S$$

- Then the conclusion follows by the 'triangle inequality'.

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and, fixing  $d$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lambda(\mathcal{B}_{\leq d}^N)}{\sqrt{\dim \mathcal{B}_{\leq d}^N}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|h_d(t)|}{\sqrt{d!}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \\ &= \frac{2^{7/4}}{\pi^{5/4}} \frac{1}{d^{1/4}} \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{d^2}\right) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $h_d$  is the  $d$ -th Hermite polynomial

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The asymptotic order of the integral is a recent deep result of Harper from 2019 in probabilistic analytic number theory ...

## Two non-Abelian examples

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$$\mathcal{S}_1(\ell_2^n) = \mathcal{L}(\ell_2^n)^* \hookrightarrow C(\mathcal{U}_n), \quad V \mapsto [U \mapsto \text{tr}(VU)] \quad \text{isometrically}$$

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We so far don't know the analog result for  $d = 3, 4, 5, \dots$

## Team work:

- Projection constants for spaces of Dirichlet polynomials; Mathematische Annalen 2024
- Asymptotic insights for projection, Gordon-Lewis, and Sidon constants of Boolean Cube function spaces; International Mathematical Research Notices 2024
- An integral formula for the projection constant of the trace class; Analysis&PDE 2024
- Minimal projections onto spaces of polynomials on real euclidean spheres; submitted 2025
- Projection constants of spaces of bihomogeneous polynomials on complex euclidean spheres; submitted 2025
- Local constants and Bohr's phenomenon for Banach spaces of analytic polynomials; submitted 2025
- Projection constants of spaces of multivariate polynomials; an arXiv manuscript 2022 that is gradually improved ...