

Motives and Automorphic

Representations

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# 1. Motives (pure); Grothendieck (c 1965)

2 simultaneous roles:

(i) Fundamental (but hidden) building blocks of smooth, projective, alg. varieties

(ii) Universal cohomology theory,

through which all other cohom. theories in algebraic geom. factors. (Betti, deRham,  $\ell$ -adic, crystalline, Hodge theory, etc.)

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- $F, Q$ : fields of char 0,  $F \subset \mathbb{C}$ .  
(Usually  $F$  is number field &  $Q = \mathbb{Q}$ )
- Expect: a semi-simple,  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear category  $\text{Mot}_{F, \mathbb{Q}}$ ,  
pure motives over  $F$  with coeffs in  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- Would come with 2 functors

$$(\text{S Proj})_F \xrightarrow{M_F} \text{Mot}_{F, \mathbb{Q}}$$

(smooth proj. varieties over  $F$ )

and

$$\text{Mot}_{F, \mathbb{Q}} \xrightarrow{R_B} \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

(vector spaces over  $\mathbb{Q}$ )

whose composition

$$H_B = R_B \circ M_F$$

$$(\text{S Proj})_F \longrightarrow \text{Mot}_{F, \mathbb{Q}} \longrightarrow (\text{Vect})_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

building blocks                          universal cohomology

is first Betti (singular) cohom. of  
complex manifolds with  $\mathbb{Q}$ -coefficients!

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- $M_{F, \mathbb{Q}}$  would be a Tannakian category with fibre functor  $H_B$ ; this means that  $M_{F, \mathbb{Q}}$  is (anti)isomorphic to the category  $\text{Rep}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{G}_{F, \mathbb{Q}})$  of finite dim. representations of a reductive, proalgebraic gp  $\mathcal{G}_{F, \mathbb{Q}}$  defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$

- Assume now  $F$  is a number field +  $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}$ .

Then  $\mathcal{G}_F = \mathcal{G}_{F, \mathbb{Q}}$  would be a <sup>(reductive)</sup> group over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , with a canonical mapping

$$\mathcal{G}_F \longrightarrow \Gamma_F,$$

$$\Gamma_F = \text{Gal}(\bar{F}/F)$$

What is it!

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(cuspidal)

## 2. Automorphic Representations, Langlands (1961)

- letters to Weil.

$G$  reductive algebraic gp  
over  $F$ .

Recall:  $G(F)$  (discrete)  $\subset G(A)$  (locally compact)

- Informal def: An automorphic rep.  $\pi \in \widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\text{aut}}(G)$  is an irreducible representation that "occurs in" the decompos. of  $L^2(G(F) \backslash G(A))$

- $\pi = \bigotimes_n \pi_n$  - (restricted) direct product of wired reps  $\pi_n \in \widehat{\mathcal{I}}(G_n)$  of the local comple-

tions  $G_n = G(F_n)$ , almost all of which,

$$\{\pi_n : n \notin S\},$$

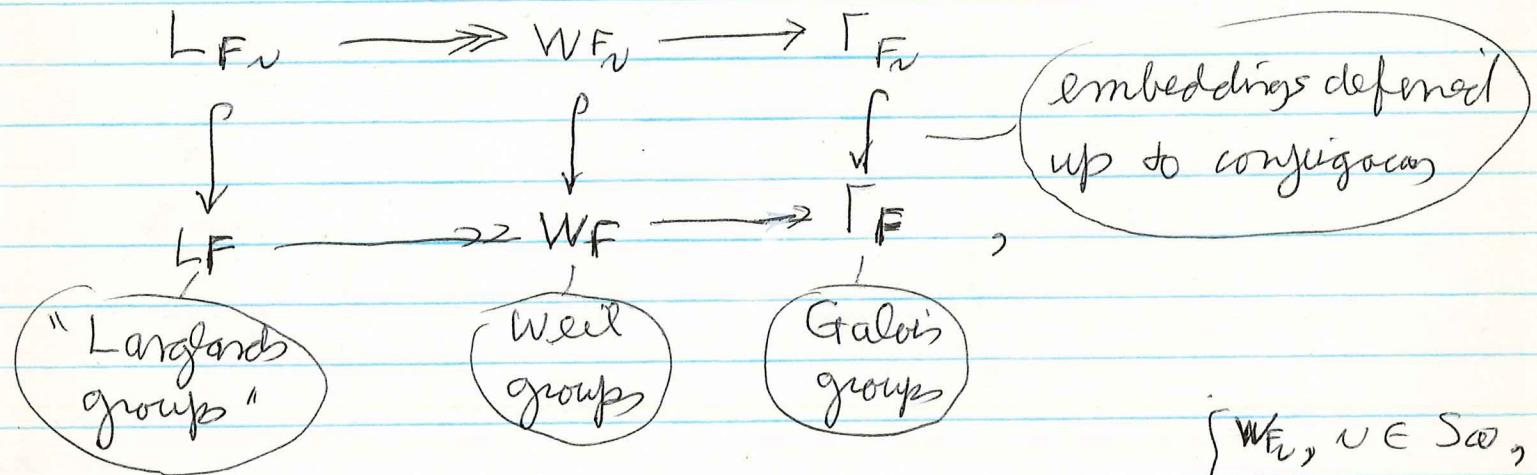
↑ finest set of valuations  
including archimedean places  $S_\infty$

are unramified.

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They should be governed / classified by certain loc.  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  groups attached to  $F +$  its local completions.



for the local Langlands groups  $L_{Fv} = \begin{cases} WF_v, v \in S_\infty, \\ WF_v \times \mathrm{SU}(2), v \notin S_\infty, \end{cases}$

— well understood —, and the hypothetical global Langlands gp LF (automorphic Galois group)  
— not well understood —, a precursor to the native Galois gp.

These locally compact gp's are ingredients for a conjectured classification of irreduc. rep's of  $G_v = G(F_v)$ , and aut. rep's

$$\pi = \bigotimes_v \pi_v,$$

$$\pi_v \in \Pi_{\mathrm{ind}}(G_v),$$

of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  — very deep.

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### 3. Conjectural candidate for aut. Galois gp $L_F$

2 ingredients

(i) An indexing set  $G_F = \{(G, c)\}$

where  $G/F$  is a quasisplit, simple, simply connected gp over  $F$ , and  $c = \{c_v : v \notin S\}$  is a concrete

datum attached to a primitive aut. rep  $\pi$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})$   
 (the set of conj. classes  $\{c_{v(\pi)} = c(\pi_v) : v \notin S\}$  in

the local Langlands "L-group"  ${}^L G_v = \widehat{G} \times \Gamma_{F_v}$   
 that classifies unramified rep's  $\{\pi_v : v \notin S\}$ )

(ii) For each  $c \in (G, c)$  in  $G_F$ , an ad<sup>m</sup>

$$1 \rightarrow K_c \rightarrow L_c \rightarrow W_F \rightarrow 1$$

of  $W_F$  (the global Weil gp) by a compact,  
 simply connected gp  $K_c$  (a compact real form  
 of the s.c. cover  $\widehat{G}_{sc}$  of the complex dual gp  $\widehat{G}$ ).

Note: Both (i) + (ii) depend on Langlands' conjectural

Principle of Functoriality

(for the values of global L-functions  $L^S(s, c, r)$   
 near  $s=1$ , in order to define primitive aut. rep  $\pi$ )

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Given (i) + (ii), we define Automorphic Galois group

$$L_F = \prod_{c \in C_F} (L_c \rightarrow W_F), \quad - \text{fiber product over } W_F -$$

a loc.  $\mathbb{C}^{P^0}$  gp, with local embeddings

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L_{F_2} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & W_{F_2} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ L_F & \xrightarrow{\quad} & W_F \end{array}$$

Conjecture 1 : That is a bijection

$\{ \text{Irred. rep}^S r : L_F \rightarrow GL(N, \mathbb{C}) \} \longrightarrow \{ \text{cuspidal aut rep}^S \text{ of } GL(N, \mathbb{A}) \},$

which is compatible with the localizations  $F_r$ .

Conjecture 2 : A more general mapping

$$\{ \phi : L_F \rightarrow {}^L G \} \xrightarrow{\sim} \{ \Pi_\phi \subset \Pi_{\text{aut, temp}}(G) \}$$

for any G/F quasisplit, from bounded, global, Langlands parameters, to disjoint, global L-packets, whose union is  $\Pi_{\text{aut, temp}}(G)$  — the set of tempered, aut. rep<sup>S</sup> of  $G(\mathbb{A})$ .

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#### 4. Conjectural candidate for motivic Galois gp $b_F$

The const<sup>n</sup> of  $L_F$  leads to a complet, pro- $\text{alg}$ .  
reductive

$GP_{b_F}$ , depending on the embedding  $F \subset \mathbb{C}$ , with maps

$$L_F \longrightarrow W_F \longrightarrow \Gamma_F \rightsquigarrow (\text{loc. compact gp})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \parallel \\ b_F & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_F \end{array}$$

complex, proalgs.  $GP^S$ ,  
 where reps.  
 $r: b_F \rightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{C})$   
 would parametrize motives

fibre product  
 of complexifications  
 of those  $L_c$  of  
 Hodge type - in

e.g.  $\forall r: L_c \rightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{C})$ ,

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the

rest<sup>n</sup> of  $r$  to the subgrps

$$\mathbb{C}^\times \subset W_{F_n} = L_{F_n} \hookrightarrow L_c$$

is a Hodge structure

Langlands Taniyama  
group (Corallis conf.

proceedings, 1979)

- the "algebraic hull"

of the motivic part  
 of  $W_F$ "

This would be a general form of the Shimura-Taniyama-Weil conjecture, whose proof we can hope is tied up in the (future) proof of Langlands' Princ. of Functoriality

rephrase More work needed on the conjectural gp  $b_F$

- (i) The motivic Gal. gp  $b_F$  is supposed to be defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , while our const<sup>2</sup> had is for its gp of complex points. Determine its structure over  $\mathbb{Q}$  explicitly from the families  $(G, c)$  in  $b_F$  that parametrize factors of  $L_F$  — or rather the subset that parametrize factors of  $b_F$ .
- (ii) Construct the cohomological realizations of  $b_F$ , again explicitly in terms of the families  $(G, c)$  attached to  $b_F$ .
- (iii) Descent periods.

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## 5. Mixed motives

We should also have the mixed motivic Galois group  $b_F \times \mathcal{R}_F = b_F^+$ , with

$$b_F \times \mathcal{R}_F = b_F^+ \longrightarrow b_F \longrightarrow \mathcal{R}_F \longrightarrow \Gamma_F,$$

which plays role of  $\mathcal{G}_F$  in singular/open varieties

Problem : Find explicit (conjectural) const<sup>n</sup>

for its unip. radical  $\mathcal{R}_F$ , as a prounipotent

alg. gp with an action of  $b_F$ .

~ closely related to Beilinson conjectures & BSD-conj

- Could we also think of a purely automorphic version  $L_F^+ = L_F \times U_F$ , constructed in terms of Eisenstein series?

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## 6. Exponential motives

An important generalization of motives, which

- (i) gives periods (such as  $\pi, e$ ) not attached to old motives,
  - (ii) is needed for fund. physics (Kontsevich-Sorinian),
  - (iii) plays role of diff. eq  $q^{+nr}$  with irregular singular points in Riemann-Hilbert corresp. (Deligne, Katz, Bloch, Esnault).
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They give (conjectural) exponential motivic Galois gp

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{$\tilde{b}_F$ + its mixed ext $= \tilde{b}_F^+$; } \\ \text{with $\tilde{b}_F \times \tilde{\tau}_F = \tilde{b}_F^+$} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{ext $m$ of $\mathcal{T}_F$ defined} \\ \text{by Greg Anderson}}} \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_F \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_F$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \parallel$$

$$b_F \times \tau_F = b_F^+ \longrightarrow b_F \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_F \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_F.$$

Problem: Find explicit construction (conjectural)

for  $\tilde{b}_F$  like that of  $b_F$ . For this, would need further generalization of S-T-W conjecture

i.e. an exponential automorphic Galois group

$$L_F \rightarrow E_F$$

What could it possibly be??