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# On the scarring of eigenstates for some arithmetic hyperbolic manifolds in dimension 2 and 3

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we shall deal with the so-called conjecture of Quantum Unique Ergodicity. In [9], Rudnick and Sarnak showed that there is no *strong scarring* (see definition page 2) on closed geodesics for compact arithmetic congruence surfaces derived from a quaternion division algebra (see Introduction and Theorem 0.1).

First we extend this Theorem to the congruence surface  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  (it is not compact but has finite measure), where  $\Gamma(2)$  is the kernel of the projection of  $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$  into  $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z}_2)$ . Then, after some algebraic and geometric preliminaries – and the establishment of useful technical Lemmas – we extend Theorem 0.1 to a class of Riemannian manifolds  $X_R = \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$ , the so-called  $(K_2^S)$  class, that are again derived from quaternion division algebras. We show that there is no strong scarring on closed geodesics or on  $\Gamma_R$  - closed imbedded totally geodesic surfaces.

# Introduction

A topic of great interest in quantum mechanics is the study of the limit of the quantized systems when  $\hbar \longrightarrow 0$ , which we call the *semi-classical limit* of quantum mechanics. The underlying purpose is to relate classical dynamics to the quantum one, in order to understand better the quantum mechanics. This is the path we follow to study quantum chaos: we consider a classically chaotic system, and we try to identify in the quantized system the influence of the chaotic nature of the classical dynamics.

For M a Riemannian manifold of negative sectional curvature in dimension 2 or 3, it is well known (see [1], [4], [5]) that the geodesic flow on the unitary sphere tangent bundle  $T^1M$  is ergodic and chaotic. After quantization, the wave functions of the stationary Schrödinger equation  $-\hbar^2$ 

 $\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta \phi + V(q)\phi = E \phi \quad \text{with } E \text{ a constant}$  (0.1)

are the  $\mathscr{L}^2$  eigenfunctions or eigenmodes of  $\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta + V(q)$ , where  $\Delta$  is the Laplace-Beltrami operator on M. The potential V(q) is in fact related to the curvature of M. We suppose that this operator has a discrete spectrum  $(\lambda_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  with  $\lambda_k \xrightarrow[k\to\infty]{} \infty$ , which is true at least in the compact case.

We shall denote by  $(\phi_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  the associated eigenfunctions – we assume that they are normalized, so that  $\|\phi_k\|_2 = 1$  – and by  $(\mu_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  the corresponding measures given by

$$d\mu_k(q) = \left|\phi_k(q)\right|^2 d\text{vol}(q) \tag{0.2}$$

The measure  $\mu_k$  is actually the probability of presence of a particle in the state  $\phi_k$  at q. Moreover the semi-classical limit is the limit at large energies *i.e.* when  $k \longrightarrow \infty$ . We shall now state the so-called Quantum Unique Ergodicity Conjecture (see [10]):

Conjecture Let M be a Riemannian manifold of dimension 2 or 3 and of sectional curvature K < 0. Then  $d\mu_k \xrightarrow[k \to \infty]{} \frac{dvol}{vol(M)}$ 

For a compact surface M whose geodesic flow is ergodic, this result was established in [12] for a subsequence of full density of  $(\mu_k)$ . More precisely, we shall consider here quotient manifolds  $M = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$  (n = 2, 3) where  $\Gamma$  is a freely acting discrete subgroup of  $\operatorname{Is}(\mathbb{H}^n)$ , endowed with the projection of the canonical Poincaré metric on  $\mathbb{H}^n$ . In particular (see [3]) all Riemann surfaces are of such a type, apart from  $S^2$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\mathbb{T}^2$ . A first step towards this conjecture was realized in [9] with the following Theorem:

**Theorem 0.1** Let  $X = \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  be an arithmetic congruence surface derived from a quaternion algebra and  $\nu$  a quantum limit on X. If  $\sigma = \text{singsupp } \nu$  is contained in the union of a finite number of isolated points and closed geodesics, then  $\sigma = \emptyset$ .

In other words, there is no strong scarring (cf. [10]) of eigenmodes on closed geodesics. Here  $\Gamma$  is a congruence subgroup of a discrete group derived from an indefinite quaternion division algebra. By a quantum limit  $\nu$  we mean a probability measure on M such that there exists a subsequence  $(\mu_{kj})$  of  $(\mu_k)$  with  $\mu_{k_j} \xrightarrow[j \to \infty]{} \nu$ . All the quantum limits considered in the sequel will implicitly have singsupp  $\nu \neq \emptyset$ .

In [9] a congruence subgroup is implicitly used to get a free action on  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . Thus the canonical projection  $\mathbb{H}^2 \longrightarrow \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  will be a covering; otherwise branching points would appear, at which the projection of the canonical Poincaré metric would be singular.

In this work, we shall extend Theorem 0.1 to the particular arithmetic congruence surface  $X = \Gamma(2)\backslash\mathbb{H}^2$ , where  $\Gamma(2)$  is the congruence group  $\Gamma(2) = \{ \gamma \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z}) \ / \ \gamma \equiv I_2[2] \}$ . This space is not compact anymore, but it has finite measure. The extension is straight forward, we just adapt the techniques and ideas of [9]. Note that  $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$  being derived from the matrix algebra  $\mathrm{M}(2,\mathbb{Z})$ , Theorem 0.1 does not apply to the surface X.

Then we deal with the case of  $X_R = \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$ , where  $\Gamma_R$  is a discrete group derived from a class of division quaternions algebras explicitly defined in sections 3.2 and 4. We show that a non empty set  $\Lambda$  contained in a finite union of isolated points, closed geodesics and  $\Gamma_R$ -closed (see section 4 for definition) imbedded totally geodesic surfaces of  $X_R$  (in this last case, we shall assume that  $\operatorname{area}(\Lambda) \neq 0$ ) cannot be the singular support of a quantum limit on  $X_R$ .

Before giving the proof, we shall recall some useful points of algebra and geometry (cf. section 2 and 3), and establish some arithmetical and geometrical Lemmas (cf. section 3 and 4). Contrary to the previous case, the proof is not a straight adaptation of [9] because the algebraic formalism used there (binary quadratic forms) does not apply to points (or to the imbedded surfaces) anymore.

# 1 The case $\Gamma(2)\backslash \mathbb{H}^2$

Let us recall that

$$\Gamma(2) = \left\{ \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \gamma \equiv I[2] \right\}$$
(1.1)

We define the same way  $\Gamma(N)$  for  $N \geq 2$ . The result obtained is the following:

**Theorem 1.1** If the singular support  $\sigma$  of a quantum limit on  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  is contained in a finite union of isolated points and closed geodesics of X, then  $\sigma = \emptyset$ .

#### 1.1 Correspondences and separation

**Definition** A correspondence  $\mathscr{C}$  of order r on a Riemannian manifold X is a mapping from X to  $X^r/\mathfrak{S}_r$  such that  $\mathscr{C}(x) = (S_1(x), \ldots, S_r(x))$  with  $\forall k = 1 \ldots r, S_k \in I_S(X)$ . Here  $\mathfrak{S}_r$  denote the symmetric group of order r.

We shall denote by  $T_C$  the associated operator of  $\mathscr{L}^2(X)$  defined by  $T_C(f): x \longmapsto \sum_{k=1}^r f(S_k(x))$ .

**Definition** Let  $\Lambda$  be a subset of X. We say that such a correspondence  $\mathscr{C}$  separates  $\Lambda$  if  $\exists z \in X - \Lambda$  such that  $\exists ! k \in \{1, ..., r\}, S_k(z) \in \Lambda$ .

Then we have the following Proposition (proved in [9])

**Proposition 1.1** Let  $\Lambda \subset X$  be a closed subset of zero volume and  $\mathscr C$  be a correspondence on X that separates  $\Lambda$ . Let  $(\phi_j)_{j\in\mathbb N}$  be a sequence of eigenfunctions of  $T_C$  such that  $\forall j \in \mathbb N$ ,  $\|\phi_j\|_2 = 1$  and that  $\mathrm{d}\nu = \lim_{j \to \infty} |\phi_j(z)|^2 \mathrm{d}\mathrm{vol}(z)$  exists. Then singsupp  $\nu \neq \Lambda$ .

Keep in mind than given any measure  $\nu$  on X, its singular support is a closed subset of X.

# 1.2 $\mathbb{H}^2$ , the modular group and modular operators

In the sequel, we shall set  $\Gamma = \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$  and deal with the hyperbolic space  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ .

#### 1.2.1 Some hyperbolic geometry

• The space  $\mathbb{H}^2 = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Im}(z) > 0 \}$  is provided with Poincaré hyperbolic metric  $\mathrm{d}s = |\mathrm{d}z|/\operatorname{Im}(z)$  which becomes in cartesian coordinates  $\mathrm{d}s^2 = (\mathrm{d}x^2 + \mathrm{d}y^2)/y^2$ . As shown on figure 1, the geodesics of  $\mathbb{H}^2$  are half-circles centered on the real axis (like  $\gamma$  who is connecting a to b) or vertical straight half-lines (like  $\gamma_2$  who is connecting c to infinity).

The metric ds induces on  $\mathbb{H}^2$  the volume form  $d\sigma = dx dy/y^2$ . Its Gaussian curvature is K = -1, and the Laplace-Beltrami operator on  $\mathbb{H}^2$  is given by

$$\Delta = y^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

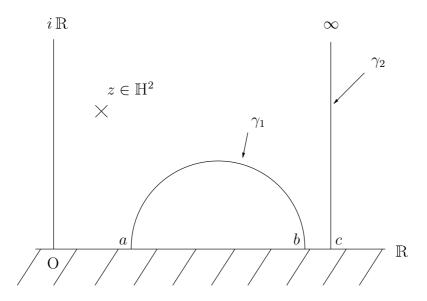


Figure 1:  $\mathbb{H}^2$  and its geodesics

**Definition** A measure  $\nu$  on X is called a quantum limit if there exists a sequence  $(\phi_j)$  of eigenfunctions of  $\Delta$  in  $\mathcal{L}^2(X)$  normalized by the condition  $\|\phi_j\|_2 = 1$  such that the measures  $|\phi_j(z)|^2 dz$  converge weakly to  $d\nu$ .

• We know that  $Is(\mathbb{H}^2)$ , the group isometries of  $\mathbb{H}^2$ , consists of the real linear fractional transformations and fractional reflections. Moreover  $PSL(2,\mathbb{R}) = SL(2,\mathbb{R})/\{\pm I\}$  can be identified with  $Is^+(\mathbb{H}^2)$  (the subgroup of isometries preserving the orientation) via the action

$$\begin{vmatrix}
\operatorname{SL}(2,\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{H}^2 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{H}^2 \\
(\gamma,z) & \longmapsto & \gamma.z
\end{vmatrix}$$
 where 
$$\begin{pmatrix}
a & b \\
c & d
\end{pmatrix} . z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$
(1.2)

The elements of  $\mathrm{Is}^+(\mathbb{H}^2)$  are characterized by their fixed points in  $\mathbb{H}^2 \cup \partial \mathbb{H}^2 = \mathbb{H}^2 \cup \mathbb{R} \cup \infty$ . Moreover  $\gamma.z = z \iff cz^2 + (d-a)z - b$  (discriminant  $(d-a)^2 + 4bc = (d+a)^2 - 4$ ) so that

- if  $Tr(\gamma)^2 \in [0, 4[$ , the isometry  $\gamma$  has a single fixed point (which is a center) in  $\mathbb{H}^2$  and is called *elliptic* (we follow the classical terminology, see [8]).
- if  $\text{Tr}(\gamma)^2 = 4$  and  $\gamma \neq \pm I$ , the isometry  $\gamma$  has a single fixed point (which is attractive) in  $\mathbb{R} \cup \infty$  and is called *parabolic*.
- if  $\text{Tr}(\gamma)^2 \notin [0, 4]$ , the isometry  $\gamma$  has a two distinct fixed points in  $\mathbb{R} \cup \infty$ , one attractive and the other repulsive, and is called *hyperbolic*. The geodesic L connecting this fixed points is called the *axis* of  $\gamma$ . The isometry  $\gamma$  leaves L invariant and acts on it as a translation of the curvilinear abscisse.
- Finally we recall the notion of binary quadratic form and its use in geometry (cf. [9]). Set M = [a, b, c] (with  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ) the (real) binary quadratic form on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  defined by

$$\forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{C}^2$$
  $M(x,y) = ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2$ 

We shall identify M with its (real symmetric) matrix in the canonical basis, and we set  $M \circ g = M[g] = {}^tgMg$  for  $g \in M(2, \mathbb{R})$ . Only non degenerate forms will be considered in the sequel *i.e.* we suppose that det  $M \neq 0$ .

Let M be such a form: it has two distinct roots (x:y) in  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}) \simeq \mathbb{C} \cup \infty$ , the equation  $M(x,y) = ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2 = 0$  having discriminant  $b^2 - ac = -\det M \neq 0$ .

- if det M>0 then M is anisotropic on  $\mathbb{R}$  and M(z,1)=0 has a single root  $z_M\in\mathbb{H}^2$
- otherwise, M being isotropic on  $\mathbb{R}$ , it has two distinct roots in  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R}) \simeq \mathbb{R} \cup \infty$ , and we call  $\gamma_M$  the geodesic connecting them.

Therefore we associate to each non degenerate binary quadratic form M a point  $z_M$  or a geodesic  $\gamma_M$  of  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . Conversely to each point or geodesic we associate a single proportionality class of non degenerate binary quadratic forms.

In this way the action of  $g \in SL(2,\mathbb{R})$  on  $\mathbb{H}^2$  translates into an action  $M \longmapsto M[g^{-1}]$  on the binary quadratic forms.

#### **1.2.2** The quotient space $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$

• Contrary to  $\Gamma$ , its subgroup  $\Gamma(2)$  contains no elliptic element (this is a particular case of a general property of the congruence subgroups  $\Gamma(N)$  for  $N \geq 2$  cf. [6]): it acts therefore freely on  $\mathbb{H}^2$  and  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  is a Riemannian manifold of Gaussian curvature K = -1.

We see (cf. [6]) that 
$$\Gamma(2)\backslash \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z}) = \{1, \sigma, \tau, \tau\sigma, \tau\sigma\tau, \tau\sigma\tau\sigma\}$$
 (1.3)

with  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  representing the classes modulo  $\Gamma(2)$  of the transformations  $S: z \longmapsto -1/z$  and  $T: z \longmapsto z+1$ . They verify  $\sigma^2 = \tau^2 = 1$  and  $(\sigma \tau)^3 = 1$ .

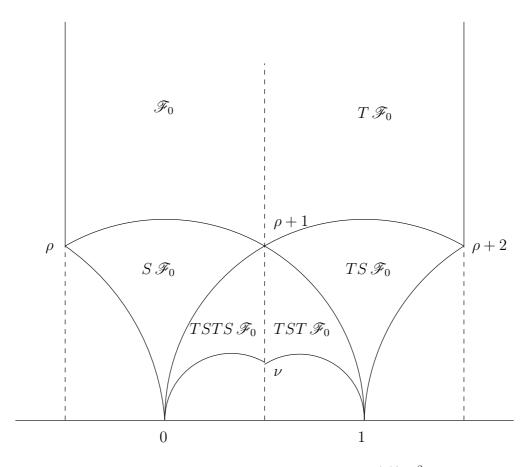


Figure 2: A fundamental domain for  $\Gamma(2)\backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ 

Moreover  $\Gamma(2)$ , being discrete, acts discontinuously on  $\mathbb{H}^2$  (cf. [8]); knowing that  $\Gamma$  admits the geodesic triangle  $\mathscr{F}_0 = (\rho, \rho + 1, \infty)$  as a fundamental domain (where  $\rho = e^{\frac{2i\pi}{3}}$ ), we deduce from (1.3) that  $\mathscr{F} = \mathscr{F}_0 \cup S\mathscr{F}_0 \cup T\mathscr{F}_0 \cup TS\mathscr{F}_0 \cup TST\mathscr{F}_0 \cup TSTS\mathscr{F}_0$  is a fundamental domain for the group  $\Gamma(2)$  (cf. figure 2).

On this figure, we have 
$$\nu = \frac{1}{1-\rho} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2\sqrt{3}}$$
.

• Let us recall that the geodesics of  $\Gamma(2)\backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  are the projections of those of  $\mathbb{H}^2$ .

**Definition** A closed geodesic of a metric space (X, d) is the image of a periodic geodesic line  $\lambda : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow X$ .

**Proposition 1.2** Let  $\mathscr{L}$  be a closed geodesic of  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ . There exists an hyperbolic transformation  $\gamma \in \Gamma(2)$  whose axis L projects onto  $\mathscr{L}$ .

The proof (see [8]) uses only the discontinuity of the action of  $\Gamma(2)$  on  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . In particular, there exists a compact segment l of the geodesic L such that  $L = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma^n l$  and  $\mathscr{L} = \pi(L) = \pi(l)$ , where  $\pi$  is the canonical projection  $\pi : \mathbb{H}^2 \longrightarrow \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ .

**Lemma 1.1** Let F and G be two closed geodesics of X. Then F = G or  $F \cap G$  is finite.

*Proof:* we shall use Proposition 1.2. Let  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2 \in \Gamma(2)$  be two hyperbolic transformations whose axis  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  project onto F and G respectively. Let  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  be compact segments of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  such that  $L_1 = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma_1^n l_1$  and  $L_2 = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma_2^n l_2$ . Then

$$F \cap G = \pi(l_1) \cap \pi(l_2) = \pi\left[\left(\cup_{\gamma \in \Gamma(2)} \gamma l_1\right) \cap \left(\cup_{\gamma' \in \Gamma(2)} \gamma' l_2\right)\right] = \pi\left[\cup_{\gamma \in \Gamma_2} \left(l_1 \cap \gamma l_2\right)\right]$$

because for  $p \in \gamma l_1 \cap \gamma' l_2$ ,  $\gamma^{-1}p \in l_1 \cap (\gamma^{-1}\gamma') l_2$  and  $\pi(\gamma^{-1}p) = \pi(p)$ .

Since the segments  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are compact subsets of  $\mathbb{H}^2$ , we deduce from the discontinuity of the action of  $\Gamma(2)$  on  $\mathbb{H}^2$  that the set  $\Gamma_0 = \{ \gamma \in \Gamma(2) / l_1 \cap \gamma l_2 \neq \emptyset \}$  is finite and that

$$F \cap G = \pi \left[ \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma_0} \left( l_1 \cap \gamma \, l_2 \right) \right] \tag{1.4}$$

Let us assume that  $F \cap G$  is infinite:  $\bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma_0} (l_1 \cap \gamma l_2)$  is infinite so that,  $\Gamma_0$  being finite, there exists  $\gamma \in \Gamma_0$  such that  $l_1 \cap \gamma l_2$  is infinite. Hence  $L_1 \cap \gamma L_2$  is infinite,  $L_1$  and  $\gamma L_2$  being two geodesics of  $\mathbb{H}^2$  *i.e.* half-circles or half-lines: therefore  $L_1 = \gamma L_2$  and F = G.

#### 1.2.3 Modular correspondences

• Let us set  $P(n) = \{M \in M(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \det M = n \}$  and  $R(n) = \{M \in P(n) / M \equiv I[2] \} = \{M \in M(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \det(M) = n \text{ and } M \equiv I[2] \}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Note that  $\Gamma(2) = R(1)$  and  $\Gamma = P(1)$ . As is well-known, we have

**Lemma** 
$$P(1)\backslash P(n) \approx \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{array} \right) \in \mathcal{M}(2,\mathbb{Z}) \ \middle/ \ ad = n, \ a \geq 1, \ 0 \leq b < d \right\}$$

Using the six representants for the cosets of  $R(1)\backslash P(1)$  (cf. previous section) we show that

Lemma 1.2 
$$R(1)\backslash R(n) \approx \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{array} \right) \in R(n) \ \middle/ \ a \geq 1, \ 0 \leq b < d \ \right\}$$

Obviously  $R(n) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if n is odd. We call  $R^{pr}(n)$  the set of the elements of R(n) that are not integer multiples of matrices in  $M(2, \mathbb{Z})$ : these are the *primitive* elements. We can now define the modular correspondence of order  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  for n odd.

**Definition** 
$$\mathscr{C}_n: \left| \begin{array}{ccc} X & \longrightarrow & X^r/\mathfrak{S}_r \\ \Gamma(2)\,x & \longmapsto & \{\Gamma(2)\,\alpha_1 x, \dots, \, \Gamma(2)\,\alpha_r x\} \end{array} \right|$$

where  $R(1)\backslash R(n) = \{\Gamma(2) \alpha_1, \ldots, \Gamma(2) \alpha_r\}$ . Let  $T_n$  be the associated operator, which we call a modular operator:

$$T_n(f)(\Gamma(2)z) = \sum_{\delta \in R(1) \setminus R(n)} f(\Gamma(2)\delta z)$$
(1.5)

- Because  $R(1)\backslash R(n)$  is finite, the modual operators are defined on  $\mathscr{L}^2(X)$ : if  $f \in \mathscr{L}^2(X)$  and  $\alpha \in Is(X)$ , clearly  $f \circ \alpha \in \mathscr{L}^2(X)$ . Moreover  $||f \circ \alpha||_2 = ||f||_2$ : they are bounded operators on  $\mathscr{L}^2(X)$ . They also operators satisfy the classical properties of the modular operators:
  - $T_n$  is self adjoint and commutes with the Laplace-Beltrami operator  $\Delta$ .

. 
$$T_n = \sum_{t^2/n} C_{n/t^2}$$
 where  $C_n f(\Gamma(2)z) = \sum_{\delta \in R(1) \setminus R^{pr}(n)} f(\Gamma(2)\delta z)$ 

Nota Bene: in the sequel we shall consider only operators  $T_p = C_p$  where p is an odd prime. We shall also note  $\mathscr{C}_p = C_p$  for simplicity's sake. Let us denote by  $\mathscr{P}$  the set of all prime numbers.

**Lemma 1.3** Let 
$$p \in \mathscr{P}$$
 and  $R(1) \setminus R(p) = \{\Gamma(2) \alpha_1, \dots, \Gamma(2) \alpha_n\}$ .  
Then  $\forall i, \exists ! j \text{ such that } \alpha_j \alpha_i \in p \Gamma(2) \text{ and } \forall k \neq j, \alpha_k \alpha_i \in R^{pr}(p^2)$ .

*Proof*: we just use the fact that for any odd m, the set R(m) is stable under passage to the comatrix

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in R(m) \implies \operatorname{Com}(\gamma) = m \, \gamma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \in R(m) \quad (1.6)$$

which corresponds actually to the passage to the inverse in  $\operatorname{Is}^+(\mathbb{H}^2) \simeq \operatorname{PGL}^+(2, \mathbb{Z})$ . Let us take  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ : we have  $\operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i) \in R(p)$  and  $\operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i) \alpha_i = \det(\alpha_i) I_2 = p I_2$ . Since  $\Gamma(2) \operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i)$  is a coset of  $R(1) \backslash R(p)$ , there exists  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  such that  $\Gamma(2) \operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i) = \Gamma(2) \alpha_j$ . Therefore  $\Gamma(2) \alpha_j \alpha_i = p \Gamma(2)$  and  $\alpha_j \alpha_i \in p \Gamma(2)$ .

For all  $k \neq j$ , we have  $\Gamma(2) \alpha_k \neq \Gamma(2) \alpha_j$  whence  $\Gamma(2) \alpha_k \alpha_i \neq \Gamma(2) \alpha_j \alpha_i = p \Gamma(2)$  so that  $\alpha_k \alpha_i \in R^{pr}(p^2)$ : this ends the proof of the Lemma. We deduce easily the self adjointness of  $T_p$  from this Lemma.

We shall use in section 3.2 an extension of this Lemma to an order of a quaternion algebra (cf. Proposition 3.7).

## 1.3 Results on binary quadratic forms

In this section we adapt the Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3 of [9] to the discrete group  $\Gamma(2)$ .

**Definition** M = [a, b, c] is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -form if there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $(\lambda a, \lambda b, \lambda c) \in \mathbb{Q}^3$ . Then we have

**Proposition 1.3** Let M and M' be two binary quadratic forms and  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$  and  $p_3$  distinct primes for which either:

- $\exists \alpha_i \in R(p_i)$  such that  $M[\alpha_i] = \lambda_i M' \quad \forall i = 1 \dots 3$ .
- $\exists \alpha_i \in R^{pr}(p_i^2) \text{ such that } M[\alpha_i] = \lambda_i M' \quad \forall i = 1 \dots 3.$

Then M and M' are both  $\mathbb{Q}$ -forms.

*Proof*: let us set M = [A, B, C] and M' = [A', B', C']. M and M' being non degenerate,  $M[\alpha_1] = \lambda_1 M' \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \neq 0$ . As  $\alpha_1 \in GL(2, \mathbb{Q})$ , M is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -form if and only if M' also is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -form.

If M' is isotropic over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , so is M and both split over  $\mathbb{Q}$ : they are proportional to  $M_0[\gamma]$  and  $M_0[\gamma']$ , where  $M_0(x,y)=xy$  and  $\gamma, \gamma' \in \mathrm{GL}(2,\mathbb{Q})$ , thus they are both  $\mathbb{Q}$ -forms. Henceforth we assume that both M and M' are anisotropic over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

For a fixed 
$$n \in \{1, 2\}$$
 
$$\forall i, M[\alpha_i] = \lambda_i M' \quad \text{with } \alpha_i \in R^{pr}(p_i^n)$$
 (1.7)

Taking the determinant of both sides of (1.7) we get  $p_i^{2n} \det M = \lambda_i^2 \det M'$ , so that

$$\lambda_i = \varepsilon_i \kappa p_i^n \quad \text{with} \quad \varepsilon_i = \pm 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \kappa = \sqrt{\frac{\det M}{\det M'}}$$
 (1.8)

Set  $\alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_i & b_i \\ c_i & d_i \end{pmatrix}$ ; as  $M[\alpha_i] = {}^t\alpha_i M\alpha_i$  equation (1.7) can be written as

$$\forall i \quad \lambda_i M' = \begin{pmatrix} Aa_i^2 + 2Ba_ic_i + Cc_i^2 & Aa_ib_i + Cc_id_i + B(a_id_i + b_ic_i) \\ Aa_ib_i + Cc_id_i + B(a_id_i + b_ic_i) & Ab_i^2 + 2Bb_id_i + Cd_i^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.9)

• The identification of the lower right terms in (1.9) gives

$$\lambda_i C' = \varepsilon_i \kappa p_i^n C' = A b_i^2 + 2 B b_i d_i + C d_i^2 \quad \text{for } i = 1 \dots 3$$

$$(1.10)$$

that we will write as

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1^2 & b_1 d_1 & d_1^2 \\ b_2^2 & b_2 d_2 & d_2^2 \\ b_3^2 & b_3 d_3 & d_3^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ 2B \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \kappa C' \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 p_1^n \\ \varepsilon_2 p_2^n \\ \varepsilon_3 p_3^n \end{pmatrix}$$

that is

$$\Psi\begin{pmatrix} A\\2B\\C \end{pmatrix} = \kappa C'N \quad \text{with } \Psi \in \mathcal{M}(3,\mathbb{Z}), \ \det \Psi = \prod_{i < j} (b_i d_j - b_j d_i) \ \text{ and } N \in \mathbb{Z}^3 \quad (1.11)$$

If  $\Psi$  is invertible, then  $\Psi^{-1}N \in \mathbb{Q}^3$  so that M and M' are both  $\mathbb{Q}$ -forms. Otherwise we have  $\det \Psi = 0$ : we may assume without loss of generality that  $b_1d_2 = b_2d_1$ . Therefore  $\exists \mu \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \ \mu(b_1, d_1) = (b_2, d_2)$  because  $\det(\alpha_i) \neq 0$  implies  $(b_i, d_i) \neq (0, 0)$ . Substituting into (1.10) we find

$$\kappa \varepsilon_2 p_2^n C' = \mu^2 \kappa \varepsilon_1 p_1^n C' = M(b_2, d_2) \neq 0$$
 from the anisotropy of  $M$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ 

so that  $p_2^n = \mu^2 p_1^n$ . If n = 1,  $\mu^2 = p_2/p_1$  is a square of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , which cannot happen for two distinct primes  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ . Therefore n = 2,  $\mu = \pm p_2/p_1$  and  $p_2(b_1, d_1) = \pm p_1(b_2, d_2)$ , and we deduce from the Gauss Theorem that

$$b_1 \equiv d_1 \equiv 0 \, [p_1] \quad \text{and} \quad b_2 \equiv d_2 \equiv 0 \, [p_2]$$
 (1.12)

• The identification of the upper left terms in (1.9) gives

$$\lambda_i A' = \varepsilon_i \kappa p_i^n A' = A a_i^2 + 2 B a_i c_i + C c_i^2 \quad \text{for } i = 1 \dots 3$$
 (1.13)

that we will write

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1^2 & a_1c_1 & c_1^2 \\ a_2^2 & a_2c_2 & c_2^2 \\ a_3^2 & a_3c_3 & c_3^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ 2B \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \kappa A' \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 p_1^n \\ \varepsilon_2 p_2^n \\ \varepsilon_3 p_3^n \end{pmatrix}$$

that is

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} A \\ 2B \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \kappa A' \tilde{N} \quad \text{with } \Phi \in \mathcal{M}(3, \mathbb{Z}), \ \det \Phi = \prod_{i < j} (a_i c_j - a_j c_i) \ \text{ and } \tilde{N} \in \mathbb{Z}^3$$

If  $\Phi$  is invertible, as before we can show that M and M' are both  $\mathbb{Q}$ -forms. Otherwise  $\det \Phi = 0$  so that  $\exists i \neq j \in \{1, 2, 3\}, \ \exists \mu' \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \ \mu'(a_i, c_i) = (a_j, c_j)$ . Substituting into (1.13) we see that  $\mu' = \pm p_j/p_i$  because  $A' = \lambda_1^{-1} M(a_1, c_1) \neq 0$  by anisotropy of M. Hence:

$$a_i \equiv c_i \equiv 0 [p_i]$$
 and  $a_j \equiv c_j \equiv 0 [p_j]$  (1.14)

Because  $\{i, j\} \subset \{1, 2, 3\}$ , either  $i \in \{1, 2\}$  or  $j \in \{1, 2\}$ . We may assume that i = 1. From the relations (1.12) and (1.14) we deduce that  $\alpha_1 \in p_1\Gamma(2)$ , which contradicts the assumption  $\alpha_1 \in R^{pr}(p_1^n)$ . This ends the proof of the Proposition.

**Proposition 1.4** Let  $M, M_1, \ldots, M_r$  be binary quadratic forms representing points or closed geodesics of  $\Gamma(2)\backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ . Then there exists infinitely many primes p such that  $\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \ \forall j = 1 \ldots r \ M[\alpha] \neq \lambda_j M_j$  (1.15)

Proof: by Proposition 1.3, if the forms M and M' are not  $\mathbb{Q}$ -forms, then for all primes p except at most 4, we have  $\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2)$ ,  $M[\alpha] \neq \lambda M'$ . Hence we just have to give the proof for  $\mathbb{Q}$ -forms. We shall set M = [A, B, C] with A, B and  $C \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $\forall i = 1 \dots r$ ,  $M_i = [A_i, B_i, C_i]$  with  $A_i$ ,  $B_i$  and  $C_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots r\}$  and  $\alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2)$  such that  $M[\alpha] = \lambda_j M_j$ . Let us note that because  $\alpha \in GL(2, \mathbb{Q})$  and  $M \neq 0$ , then  $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$ . By taking the determinants of both sides in  $M[\alpha] = \lambda_j M_j$ , we get

$$\lambda_j = p^n \kappa_j \text{ with } \kappa_j = \pm \sqrt{\det M \det M_j^{-1}} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$$
 (1.16)

We restrict ourselves in the sequel to primes p such that  $\forall j$ ,  $\operatorname{ord}_p(\kappa_j) = 0$ . As  $\alpha \in \operatorname{GL}(2, \mathbb{Q})$ , the relation  $M[\alpha] = \lambda_j M_j$  implies that M and  $M_j$  are simultaneously isotropic or anisotropic over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Hence we just have to investigate both cases.

• Anisotropic Case: the quadratic form M has for discriminant  $B^2 - AC = d(M) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so that M is anisotropic over a field  $\mathbb{K}$  if and only if d(M) is not a square in  $\mathbb{K}$ . Hence d(M) is not a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$ ; let us consider the primes p satisfying

$$\forall j = 1 \dots r \quad \operatorname{ord}_p(\kappa_j) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{d(M)}{p}\right) = -1$$
 (1.17)

They form (cf. [11]) a set of Dirichlet density 1/2 in  $\mathscr{P}$  – therefore infinite. For such primes p, the form M is still anisotropic over  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ .

If 
$$\exists \alpha \in R^{pr}(p^n)$$
,  $\exists j$ ,  $M[\alpha] = \lambda_j M_j$ , then for  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ 

$$\begin{cases} Aa^2 + 2 Bac + Cc^2 &= \lambda_j A_j &= \kappa_j p^n A_j &= M(a,c) \\ Ab^2 + 2 Bbd + Cd^2 &= \lambda_j C_j &= \kappa_j p^n C_j &= M(b,d) \end{cases}$$

$$(1.18)$$

and, because  $A_j$ ,  $C_j \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_p(\kappa_j) = 0$ , we get  $M(\overline{a}, \overline{c}) \equiv M(\overline{b}, \overline{d}) \equiv 0$  [p]. Therefore, by the anisotropy of M on  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ ,  $\alpha \in pR(1)$  is not primitive, which contradicts the choice of  $\alpha$ . Thus in the anisotropic case, for all  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  satisfying the relation (1.17)

$$\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall j = 1 \dots r \qquad M[\alpha] \neq \lambda_j M_j \tag{1.19}$$

• Isotropic Case: we consider non degenerate quadratic forms with integer coefficients. Thus they split over  $\mathbb{Q}$  as a product of two independent linear forms. Let M be such a form: it has two roots  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Q} \cup \infty$  and let  $\gamma_M$  be the geodesic of  $\mathbb{H}^2$  connecting these two points. We will show that  $\gamma_M$  cannot be a closed geodesic of X.

We look for 
$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma(2)$$
 such that  $\gamma(z_1) = z_1$  and  $\gamma(z_2) = z_2$ .

If  $z_1 = \infty$ ,  $z_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ :  $\gamma(\infty) = \infty \implies c = 0 \implies ad = 1$ . As a and d are integers,  $a = d = \pm 1$  and  $\gamma$  is not hyperbolic.

If  $z_1 \neq z_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ : then  $c \neq 0$  and  $\gamma(x) = x \iff cx^2 + (d-a)x - b = 0$ . The two fixed points of  $\gamma$  are then

$$z_{1,2} = \frac{a - d \pm \sqrt{(a+d)^2 - 4}}{2c}$$

Thus 
$$z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Q} \implies \sqrt{(a+d)^2 - 4} \in \mathbb{Q} \implies \exists y \in \mathbb{Q}, y^2 = (a+d)^2 - 4 \in \mathbb{Z}$$
 so that  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $(a+d+y)(a+d-y) = 4$ 

The integers a+d+y and a+d-y being of same parity, necessarily  $a+d+y=a+d-y=a+d=\pm 2$ :  $\gamma$  cannot be hyperbolic.

Hence  $\gamma_M$  is not the axis of any hyperbolic element of  $\Gamma(2)$ : owing to Proposition 1.2, we can state that the binary quadratic Q-forms isotropic on Q are not associated with closed geodesics of  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ . This ends the proof of the Proposition.

#### 1.4 Separation of points and geodesics

**Proposition 1.5** Let  $\Lambda$  be a non-empty set contained in a finite union of closed geodesics of  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ . There exists a modular correspondence  $\mathscr{C}_p$  separating  $\Lambda$ .

*Proof*: given two points  $z, z' \in \mathbb{H}^2$  and M, M' the associated binary quadratic forms, we have  $z = z' \iff \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, M' = \lambda M$ . The same goes for two geodesics. We recall briefly the proof presented in [9].

•  $\Lambda$  is finite: let us write  $\Lambda = \{z_1, \ldots, z_l\}$ . We take  $\tilde{z}_1, \ldots, \tilde{z}_l$  liftings to  $\mathbb{H}^2$  and  $M_1, \ldots, M_l$  the associated binary quadratic forms. Proposition 1.4 applied to them gives

$$\exists p \in \mathscr{P} \quad \forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall j = 1 \dots l \qquad \alpha \tilde{z}_1 \neq \tilde{z}_j \tag{1.20}$$

We set  $R(1)\backslash R(p) = \{\Gamma(2)\alpha_1, \ldots, \Gamma(2)\alpha_n\}$  and  $w = \Gamma(2)\alpha_1\tilde{z}_1 \in \mathbb{H}^2$ . Then, according to relation (1.20), we have  $\forall j = 1 \ldots l, \ w \neq \Gamma(2)\tilde{z}_j$  so that  $w \notin \Lambda$ . Consider the correspondence  $\mathscr{C}_p(w) = \{\Gamma(2)\alpha_1\alpha_1\tilde{z}_1, \ldots, \Gamma(2)\alpha_n\alpha_1\tilde{z}_1\}$ . From Lemma 1.3, we deduce

$$\mathscr{C}_p(w) = \{z_1\} \cup B \text{ where } B \subset \{\Gamma(2) \alpha \tilde{z}_1, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{pr}(p^2)\} = \mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z_1)$$

As  $\mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z_1) \cap \Lambda = \emptyset$  – cf. (1.20) – then  $\mathscr{C}_p(w) \cap \Lambda = \{z_1\}$ . Hence for this choice of w, we have shown that  $\mathscr{C}_p$  separates  $\Lambda$  in the sense of section 1.1.

•  $\Lambda$  is infinite:  $\Lambda \subset F_1 \cup \cdots \cup F_r$ , where the  $F_i$  are closed geodesics. Besides at least one of the sets  $\Lambda \cap F_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq r$  is infinite: we can assume  $\Lambda \cap F_1$  is infinite. Let  $\tilde{F}_1, \ldots, \tilde{F}_r$  be liftings of those geodesics to  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . As before, we have according to Proposition 1.4

$$\exists p \in \mathscr{P} \quad \forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall j = 1 \dots r \qquad \alpha \tilde{F}_1 \neq \tilde{F}_j$$
 (1.21)

From Lemma 1.1, we know that for two distinct closed geodesics F and G of  $X = \Gamma(2) \backslash \mathbb{H}^2$ , necessarily  $F \cap G$  is finite. Hence the relation (1.21) implies that  $\mu_1 = \mathscr{C}_p(F_1) \cap (F_1 \cup \cdots \cup F_r)$  and  $\mu_2 = \mathscr{C}_{p^2}(F_1) \cap (F_1 \cup \cdots \cup F_r)$  are finite subsets of X. It follows that

$$\nu_1 = \left\{ z \in X \, / \, \mathscr{C}_p(z) \cap \mu_1 \neq \emptyset \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_2 = \left\{ z \in X \, / \, \mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z) \cap \mu_2 \neq \emptyset \right\}$$

are finite subsets of X too and,  $\Lambda \cap F_1$  being infinite, there exists  $z \in \Lambda \cap F_1 \setminus (\nu_1 \cap \nu_2)$ . Let  $\tilde{z}$  be a lifting to  $\mathbb{H}^2$  and  $w = \Gamma(2) \alpha_1 \tilde{z} \in \mathscr{C}_p(z) \subset \mathscr{C}_p(F_1)$ . Because  $z \notin \nu_1$ , we have  $\mathscr{C}_p(z) \cap \mu_1 = \emptyset$  so that  $\mathscr{C}_p(z) \cap \Lambda = \emptyset$  (cf.  $z \in F_1$ ) and  $w \notin \Lambda$ .

As before  $\mathscr{C}_p(w) = \{z\} \cup B'$  where  $B' \subset \mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z)$ . Hence  $z \notin \nu_2$  implies  $\mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z) \cap \mu_2 = \emptyset$  so that  $\mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z) \cap \Lambda = \emptyset$  and  $\mathscr{C}_p(w) \cap \Lambda = \{z\}$ :  $\mathscr{C}_p$  separates  $\Lambda$ . This ends the proof.

#### Conclusion: proof of Theorem 1.1

Let  $\Lambda$  be a non-empty closed set contained in such a finite union of closed geodesics of X, and  $\nu$  a quantum limit on X. Consider  $(\phi_j)_j$  the associated sequence of eigenfunctions of  $\Delta$ . We make the assumption – as in [9], where an orthonormal basis of common eigenfunctions of  $\Delta$  and  $\{T_n\}$  is considered – that they're also eigenfunctions of the modular operators (which commute with  $\Delta$ ) as "all evidence points to the spectrum of  $\Delta$  being simple ...". We shall make a similar assumption in section 9.

So our quantum limit is associated to a sequence of eigenfunctions of  $T_C$ , where  $\mathscr{C} = \mathscr{C}_p$  is a modular correspondence separating  $\Lambda$  (cf. Proposition 1.5): according to Proposition 1.1, we deduce that singsupp  $\nu \neq \Lambda$ . This proves Theorem 1.1.

# 2 Hyperbolic Geometry in dimension 3

#### 2.1 Definition

• We take as model of hyperbolic space the upper half-space  $\mathbb{H}^3 = \{ (x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \ / \ t > 0 \}$ . Using the usual notation  $\mathbf{j} = 1 \land \mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  we have

$$\mathbb{H}^3 = \left\{ z + t \mathbf{j} \ / \ z \in \mathbb{C}, \ t > 0 \right\}$$

Therefore we shall identify  $\mathbb{H}^3$  with the subset  $\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R} i \oplus \mathbb{R}_+ \mathbf{j}$  of the algebra of quaternions of Hamilton  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R}[1, i, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}]$ . The space  $\mathbb{H}^3$  is provided with the Riemannian hyperbolic metric

$$ds^{2} = \frac{|dz|^{2} + dt^{2}}{t^{2}} = \frac{dx^{2} + dy^{2} + dt^{2}}{t^{2}}$$

It is of constant sectional curvature K=-1 and defines the volume form  $dvol=dx\,dy\,dz/t^3$ . Finally the associated Laplace-Beltrami operator is

$$\Delta = t^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) - t \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

• We deduce easily the geodesics of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  from the ones of  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . They are half-circles centered on  $\mathbb{C}$  and half-lines orthogonal to  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Moreover they are uniquely determined by their end points (possibly infinite) *i.e.* two distinct points of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}) \simeq \mathbb{C} \cup \infty$ , that are the roots of a unique proportionality class of non-degenerate binary quadratic form with coefficient in  $\mathbb{C}$ : as in dimension 2, it is a bijection.

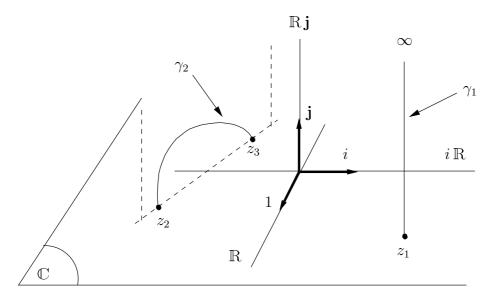


Figure 3: Geodesics of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ 

Let us now turn to the imbedded totally geodesic submanifolds (abbreviated itgs) of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . By definition, an imbedded submanifold S in a manifold X is called totally geodesic if and only if for all  $(M, \vec{u}) \in TS$ , the geodesic of X tangent to  $\vec{u}$  at M is contained in S.

In  $\mathbb{H}^3$ , the geodesics being half-lines and half-circles orthogonal to  $\mathbb{C}$ , the itgs are half-planes orthogonal to  $\mathbb{C}$  and half-spheres centered on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

#### 2.2 Isometries of $\mathbb{H}^3$

We know (cf. results of inversive geometry in [8]) that  $Is(\mathbb{H}^3)$  consists of extensions to  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of the Möbius transformations of  $\mathbb{C}$ 

$$M(\mathbb{C}) = \left\{ z \longmapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d} , \ z \longmapsto \frac{a\overline{z}+b}{c\overline{z}+d} \ \middle/ \ \left( \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \right) \in \mathrm{PSL}(2,\mathbb{C}) \right\}$$

and  $Is^+(\mathbb{H}^3)$ , whose elements are extensions of the complex fractional linear transformations, is isomorphic to  $PSL(2,\mathbb{C})$ : we shall make the identification implicitly in the sequel. More precisely (always identifying  $\mathbb{H}^3$  with a subset of  $\mathbb{H}$ ) we have the following action

$$\forall \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{C}) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{H}^3 \qquad \gamma \cdot x = (ax+b) \cdot (cx+d)^{-1}$$
 (2.1)

This extension is also known as the Poincaré extension. The action of

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{GL}(2,\mathbb{C}) \quad \text{with } ad - bc = n \neq 0$$

is given by : if c = 0

$$\gamma \cdot \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{az+b}{d} \\ \left| \frac{a}{d} \right| t \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2}$$

and if  $c \neq 0$ 

$$\gamma \cdot \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{c} - \frac{n}{c} \frac{\overline{cz+d}}{|cz+d|^2 + |c|^2 t^2} \\ \frac{|n|t}{|cz+d|^2 + |c|^2 t^2} \end{pmatrix}$$
(2.3)

Finally the classification of the elements of  $\mathrm{Is}^+(\mathbb{H}^2)$  extends to  $\mathrm{Is}^+(\mathbb{H}^3)$ : they are elliptic, parabolic or hyperbolic according to their trace. The notion of axis of a hyperbolic element is the same. The only (subtle) difference is that an elliptic element does not have a unique fixed point in  $\mathbb{H}^3$  but a whole geodesic of them. Indeed for  $c \neq 0$  we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} \iff \begin{cases} a+d = \operatorname{Tr}(\gamma) = 2\operatorname{Re}(cz+d) \\ |cz+d|^2 + |c|^2t^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

and there exists solutions in  $\mathbb{H}^3$  (in fact an euclidean ellipse) iff  $\text{Tr}(\gamma)^2 \in [0, 4[$  (elliptic case). For c = 0 we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} \iff \begin{cases} (a-d)z + b = 1 \\ |a| = |d| = 1 \end{cases}$$

and there exists one solution in  $\mathbb{H}^3$  for  $a \neq d \in S^1$  (whence  $\text{Tr}(\gamma)^2 = a^2 + 2 + a^{-2} \in [0, 4]$ ).

In the parabolic case  $(\text{Tr}(\gamma)^2 = 4 \text{ with } \gamma \neq \pm I_2)$  or in the hyperbolic case  $(\text{Tr}(\gamma)^2 \notin [0, 4])$ , the resolution of the equation  $\gamma.z = z$  on  $\mathbb C$  leads again to the existence of a fixed attractive point or two fixed (attractive and repulsive) points in  $\mathbb C$  respectively. In those cases the value of  $c \in \mathbb C$  does not have any importance.

# 3 Algebraic complements

### 3.1 Number theory

We base on [7] in this section.

#### 3.1.1 Extensions and prime ideals

• Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a number field and  $\mathbb{L}$  a finite extension. We shall denote by  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  and  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}}$  their rings of algebraic integers. Let  $\mathfrak{B}$  be a prime ideal of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}}$ . Then  $P = \mathfrak{B} \cap \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  is a prime ideal of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  called the *underlying ideal to*  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Moreover  $[\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}}/\mathfrak{B}:\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}/P] \leq [\mathbb{L}:\mathbb{K}] < \infty$ ; we denote this quantity by  $f_{\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{B})$ : it is the *degree* of  $\mathfrak{B}$  over  $\mathbb{K}$ .

Conversely let us take a prime ideal P of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ . Then we have  $P\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = \mathfrak{B}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{B}_s^{e_s}$ , where the  $\mathfrak{B}_i$  are prime ideals of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}}$ . The quantities  $e_i$  are called ramification indices, and setting  $\forall i, f_i = f_{\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{B}_i)$  we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^{s} e_i f_i = \left[ \mathbb{L} : \mathbb{K} \right] \tag{3.1}$$

If  $\exists i$  with  $e_i > 1$ , we say that P is ramified (there is only a finite number of such ones).

• Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a number field, P a prime ideal of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ ,  $p\mathbb{Z} = P \cap \mathbb{Z}$  its underlying ideal and  $f = f_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}}(P)$ . We define the *norm* of the ideal P by  $N(P) \stackrel{def}{=} |\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}/P| = p^f$ 

Given a set A of prime ideals of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ , we shall say that A is regular with density a in the set of all prime ideals of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  if  $\sum_{n\in A} \mathrm{N}(P)^{-s} \underset{s\to 1^{+}}{\sim} a \log \frac{1}{s-1} \tag{3.2}$ 

• Finally let us take a finite extension  $\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}$  with normal closure  $\mathbb{M}/\mathbb{K}$  and Galois group  $G = \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{M}/\mathbb{K})$ . The set of the prime ideals P of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  satisfying  $P\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = \mathfrak{B}_1 \dots \mathfrak{B}_r$  with  $\forall i = 1 \dots r$ ,  $\mathfrak{B}_i$  prime ideal and  $f_{\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{B}_i) = f_i$  fixed, is regular and its density is the relative frequence in G of the elements of G that, in the left translation representation considered as a permutation group of the set G, are the products of r disjoints cycles of length  $f_1, \dots, f_r$ .

#### 3.1.2 Application to quadratic extensions

• Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a number field and take  $a \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}} \setminus \{1\}$  that is square-free. Then  $\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{K}(\sqrt{a}) \simeq \mathbb{K}[X]/(X^2-a)$  is a quadratic (hence Galois) extension of  $\mathbb{K}$  and its Galois group is  $G = \{\mathrm{Id}, \tau\}$  where  $\tau^2 = \mathrm{Id}$ . Moreover  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}[\alpha]$  with  $\alpha = (1 + \sqrt{a})/2$  if  $a \equiv 1$  [4] and  $\alpha = \sqrt{a}$  otherwise (we just use that an algebraic integer of  $\mathbb{L}$  must have trace and norm in  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ ).

For a prime ideal P of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ , we have  $\mathbb{L}/(P) = \mathbb{K}_{/(P)}[X]/(X^2 - a)$  and  $P\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = \mathfrak{B}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{B}_s^{e_s}$  with  $\sum_i e_i f_i = [\mathbb{L} : \mathbb{K}] = 2$ , so that only three situations occur:

- i)  $P\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = R$ , prime in  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{L}}$ , is inert in iff a is not a square modulo P (density 1/2)
- ii)  $P\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = R\overline{R}$ , with R prime in  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}}$ , splits iff a is a square modulo P (density 1/2)
- iii)  $P\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}} = R^2$ , with R prime in  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{L}}$ , is ramified iff  $a \in P$ . (density 0)
- From now on,  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  where  $d \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{1\}$  is square free, and we consider  $a \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  that is not a square. Let us denote by A the set  $\{P \text{ primes of } \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}} \mid a \text{ is not a square modulo } P\}$  (that is of density 1/2) and by B the set  $\{p\mathbb{Z} = P \cap \mathbb{Z} \mid P \in A\}$  of underlying ideals of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

We shall divide B into three subsets  $B = B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3$  respectively the sets of ideals that are inert, ramified or split.

If 
$$P \cap \mathbb{Z} = p\mathbb{Z} \in B_1$$
 :  $p\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}} = P \in A \text{ so that } N(P) = p^2 \text{ because } f_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}}(P) = 2.$   
If  $P \cap \mathbb{Z} = p\mathbb{Z} \in B_2 \cup B_3$  :  $p\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}} = P^2 \text{ or } P\overline{P} \text{ with } P \in A, \text{ hence } N(P) = p.$ 

An ideal  $p\mathbb{Z}$  of B either splits  $(p\mathbb{Z} \in B_3)$  and there are two prime ideals of A above it, or it is inert or ramified  $(p\mathbb{Z} \in B_1 \cup B_2)$  and there is only one above it. Therefore

$$\sum_{P \in A} N(P)^{-s} = \sum_{p\mathbb{Z} \in B_1} p^{-2s} + \sum_{p\mathbb{Z} \in B_2} p^{-s} + 2 \sum_{p\mathbb{Z} \in B_3} p^{-s} \Longrightarrow \sum_{P \in A} N(P)^{-s} \le 2 \sum_{p\mathbb{Z} \in B} p^{-s}$$

Because A is of density 1/2, B contains a subset of density greater than 1/4. This proves

**Proposition 3.1** Let  $d \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{1\}$  be square-free,  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  a quadratic extension and  $a \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  that is not a square. Then there exists a subset  $\mathscr{C} \subset \mathscr{P}$  of density greater than 1/4 such that for any prime ideal P of  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  satisfying  $P \cap \mathbb{Z} = p\mathbb{Z}$  with  $p \in \mathscr{C}$ , a is not a square modulo P.

#### 3.1.3 A result on Legendre character

**Definition** Let  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  and  $\mathbb{K}$  be a field number. Elements  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n$  of  $\mathbb{K}$  are called p-independent if and only if as soon as  $a_1^{x_1} a_2^{x_2} \ldots a_n^{x_n}$  (with  $x_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) is a  $p^{th}$  power in  $\mathbb{K}$ , necessarily  $\forall i = 1 \ldots n, x_i \equiv 0$  [p].

Applied to quadratic characters, a Theorem from [7] states

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$  be 2-independent integers and  $z_1, \ldots, z_n \in \{\pm 1\}$  fixed. There exists infinitely many  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  such that  $\forall i = 1 \ldots n, \left(\frac{a_i}{p}\right) = z_i$ .

**Proposition 3.2** Let  $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z} \backslash \mathbb{N}$ . There exists infinitely many primes p such that  $\forall i = 1 \ldots n, \quad \left(\frac{a_i}{p}\right) = -1$ .

Proof: let  $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z} \backslash \mathbb{N}$ . If they are 2-independent, the result is immediate by application of Theorem 3.1. Otherwise, let us take a maximal 2-independent subfamily, that – up to relabelling – we may take to be  $a_1, \ldots, a_m$  with  $1 \leq m < n$ . According to Theorem 3.1, there exists infinitely many primes p such that  $\forall i = 1 \ldots m$   $\left(\frac{a_i}{n}\right) = -1$ 

Let p be such a prime satisfying:  $\forall i = m+1...n, \ a_i \not\equiv 0 \ [p]$ , and let  $1 \leq j \leq n-m$ . Because the selected 2-independent family is maximal, the elements  $a_1, \ldots, a_m$  and  $a_{m+j}$  are not 2-independent and, after simplification

$$\exists q \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \exists x_1, \dots, x_m \in \{0, 1\} \qquad a_1^{x_1} \dots a_m^{x_m} a_{m+j} = q^2 > 0$$

As  $a_i < 0$  for all i, then  $\sum_{i=1}^m x_i$  is necessarily odd and

$$a_{m+j} = q^2 \prod_{i=1}^m a_i^{-x_i} \implies \left(\frac{a_{m+j}}{p}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{a_i}{p}\right)^{x_i} = (-1)^{\sum x_i} = -1$$

We can take any j with  $1 \le j \le n - m$ , which ends the proof.

#### 3.2 Quaternion algebras

#### 3.2.1 Definition

We base on [2] in this section.

**Definition** Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ . We call quaternion algebra of type (a, b) on  $\mathbb{Q}$  the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathbb{Q}[1, \omega, \Omega, \omega\Omega]$ , with the multiplication table  $\omega^2 = a, \Omega^2 = b$  and  $\omega\Omega + \Omega\omega = 0$ .

Such an algebra will be denoted by  $\mathfrak{A} = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$ . We may assume without loss of generality that a and b are square free integers. We shall also take  $a \neq 1$  in the sequel.

- The center of  $\mathfrak A$  is  $\mathbb Q$ .  $\mathbb F=\left\{\left.q+r\,\omega\right/q,\ r\in\mathbb Q\right.\right\}$  is a subfield of  $\mathfrak A$  isomorphic to  $\mathbb Q(\sqrt{a})$ . We shall identify  $\mathbb F$  to  $\mathbb Q(\sqrt{a})$ , and write any element of  $\mathfrak A$  as  $\alpha=x_0+x_1\,\omega+x_2\,\Omega+x_3\,\omega\Omega=\xi+\eta\,\Omega$ , with  $\xi=x_0+x_1\,\omega$ ,  $\eta=x_2+x_3\,\omega\in\mathbb F$ . Note that  $\forall\,\xi\in\mathbb F$ ,  $\xi\,\Omega=\Omega\,\overline{\xi}^{\mathbb F}$ . We define:
  - $\overline{\alpha} = x_0 x_1 \omega x_2 \Omega x_3 \omega \Omega = \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} \eta \Omega$  the conjugate of  $\alpha$ .
  - $\operatorname{Tr}(\alpha) = \alpha + \overline{\alpha} = \operatorname{Tr}(\xi) = 2x_0 \in \mathbb{Q}$  the trace of  $\alpha$ .
  - $N(\alpha) = \alpha \overline{\alpha} = \xi \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} b \eta \overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} = (x_0^2 ax_1^2) b(x_2^2 ax_3^2) \in \mathbb{Q}$  its norm.

**Proposition**  $\forall \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathfrak{A}, \overline{\alpha_1.\alpha_2} = \overline{\alpha_2}.\overline{\alpha_1}.$ 

**Theorem**  $\mathfrak{A}$  has zero divisors  $\iff \mathfrak{A} \simeq M(2, \mathbb{Q})$ 

In this case we shall speak of  $matrix\ algebra$ . Otherwise, we have a  $division\ algebra$ , as the one considered here. But after extending the scalars to  $\mathbb{F}$ , we have zero divisors and the mapping

$$\varphi : \alpha = \xi + \eta \,\Omega \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} \xi & \eta \\ b \,\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} & \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (3.3)

provides the identification of  $\mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{F}$  with  $M(2,\mathbb{F})$ . Let us note that  $\varphi$  leaves the trace and the norm (as they are defined on  $\mathfrak{A}$ ) invariant, the norm on  $Im(\varphi) \subset M(2,\mathbb{F})$  being quite simply the determinant.

Finally, we will call a quaternion algebra definite or indefinite whether its norm is definite (a < 0 and b < 0) or indefinite (a > 0 or b > 0) as a quaternary quadratic form on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

• Going back to matrix algebras, we have the following characterization:

**Proposition 3.3** Let  $b \in \mathscr{P}$ . If  $\mathfrak{A} = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$  is a matrix algebra, then  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = 1$ .

*Proof*: given  $\alpha = x_0 + x_1\omega + x_2\Omega + x_3\omega\Omega \in \mathfrak{A}$ , its norm is

$$N(\alpha) = (x_0^2 - ax_1^2) - b(x_2^2 - ax_3^2) = (x_0^2 - bx_2^2) - a(x_1^2 - bx_3^2)$$
(3.4)

If  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$  is a divisor of 0, we have  $\alpha \neq 0$  and  $N(\alpha) = 0$ . Hence by (3.4)

$$x_0^2 - ax_1^2 = b(x_2^2 - ax_3^2)$$
 with  $\forall i = 0...3, x_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ 

After the multiplication by the least common multiple of the denominators of the  $x_i$ , we obtain

$$y_0^2 - ay_1^2 = b(y_2^2 - ay_3^2)$$
 where  $\forall i = 0...3, y_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

Let us deal with this equation:

- (i) If b does not divide  $y_1$ : as  $y_0^2 ay_1^2 \equiv 0[b]$  then  $a \equiv \left(\frac{y_0}{y_1}\right)^2[b]$  and a is a square modulo b.
- (ii) If b divides  $y_1$ : then b divides  $y_0^2$  so that, b being prime, b divides  $y_0$ . By noting  $y_0' = y_0/b$  and  $y_1' = y_1/b$ , we get  $y_2^2 ay_3^2 = b(y_0'^2 ay_1'^2)$

We find in case (ii) an equation in  $y_2$ ,  $y_3$  of the same type as before. Therefore after a finite number of simplifications by b, we are in case (i), unless  $y_1 = y_3 = 0$ . In this last case, we have  $y_0^2 = by_2^2 \neq 0$  as  $\alpha \neq 0$ , so that  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  is a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$  i.e. in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , which cannot happen for  $b \in \mathscr{P}$ . So we have shown

For 
$$b \in \mathscr{P}$$
  $\mathfrak{A}$  matrix algebra  $\Longrightarrow$   $\left(a \text{ is a square modulo } b\right)$ 

#### 3.2.2 Definition of a discrete group of isometries associated to $\mathfrak{A}$

**Definition** An order  $\Im$  in  $\mathfrak A$  is a subring of  $\mathfrak A$  such that

- 1)  $1 \in \Im$ .
- 2)  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{I} \implies N(\alpha) \& Tr(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- 3)  $\mathfrak{I}$  has four linearly independent generators over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Thus  $\mathfrak{I}$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of rank four in  $\mathfrak{A}$ , that is besides stable under the conjugation. For example,  $\mathfrak{I}_0 = \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}} \oplus \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}} \Omega = \{\xi + \eta \Omega \mid \xi, \eta \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}\}$  is a particular order for any quaternion algebra  $\mathfrak{A} = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$ , and  $M(2,\mathbb{Z})$  is an order for the matrix algebra  $\mathfrak{A} = M(2,\mathbb{Q})$ .

**Proposition 3.4** Let  $\Im$  be an order. Then  $\exists D, D' \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$   $D' \Im \subset D \Im_0 \subset \Im$ .

Proof: the orders  $\mathfrak{I}$  and  $\mathfrak{I}_0$  being two free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules of rank four in  $\mathfrak{A}$ , their  $\mathbb{Z}$ -bases are two  $\mathbb{Q}$ -bases of  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Let us call  $M \in GL(4,\mathbb{Q})$  any transition matrix from a basis of  $\mathfrak{I}$  to a basis of  $\mathfrak{I}_0$ . We just have to take two integers D and D' such that  $DM \in M(4,\mathbb{Z})$  and  $D'D^{-1}M^{-1} \in M(4,\mathbb{Z})$  to satisfy the above property. Moreover  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}} \simeq \mathbb{Z}^2$  and  $\mathfrak{I} \simeq \mathbb{Z}^4$  is countable.

• Given  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  we define  $\mathfrak{I}(n) = \{ \alpha \in \mathfrak{I} / N(\alpha) = n \}$  and  $\mathfrak{I}^{pr}(n) = \mathfrak{I}(n) \cap \mathfrak{I}^{pr}$  the subset of primitive elements, where the primitive elements are the ones that cannot be divided in  $\mathfrak{I}$  by a non unit rational integer. Then we have

**Proposition 3.5** Let  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  be a prime such that  $ord_p(2abDD') = 0$  and  $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$ .  $\forall \alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \mathfrak{I}^{pr}, \ N(\alpha) \equiv 0 \ [p] \implies ord_p \ N(\xi) = ord_p \ N(\eta) = 0$ . In particular,  $\xi \eta \neq 0$  for such an  $\alpha$ .

Proof: let  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  and  $\alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \mathfrak{I}$  satisfy the above assumptions; thus we have  $N(\alpha) = \xi \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} - b \eta \overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} = N(\xi) - b N(\eta) \equiv 0 [p]$ . As  $D'\mathfrak{I} \subset D\mathfrak{I}_0 \subset \mathfrak{I}$ , then  $D'\xi = D\xi_1$  and  $D'\eta = D\eta_1$  with  $\xi_1, \eta_1 \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$ . Besides  $\operatorname{ord}_p(DD') = 0$  so that  $\operatorname{ord}_p N(\xi) = \operatorname{ord}_p N(\xi_1) \geq 0$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_p N(\eta) = \operatorname{ord}_p N(\eta_1) \geq 0$  (we follow the classical convention  $\operatorname{ord}_p(0) = +\infty$ ). By taking the norm we get

 $N(D'\alpha) = N[D(\xi_1 + \eta_1 \Omega)] = D^2[N(\xi_1) - b N(\eta_1)] \equiv 0 [p]$ (3.5)

hence, as  $\operatorname{ord}_p(D) = 0$ ,  $\operatorname{N}(\xi_1) - b \operatorname{N}(\eta_1) \equiv 0$  [p] and  $\operatorname{ord}_p(b) = 0$  implies

$$\operatorname{ord}_{p} N(\xi_{1}) > 0 \iff \operatorname{ord}_{p} N(\eta_{1}) > 0$$

Let us assume

$$\operatorname{ord}_{p} N(\xi) = \operatorname{ord}_{p} N(\xi_{1}) > 0 \tag{3.6}$$

$$\operatorname{ord}_{p} N(\eta) = \operatorname{ord}_{p} N(\eta_{1}) > 0 \tag{3.7}$$

 $\underline{a \neq 1[4]}$ : therefore  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}} = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{a}]$  and  $\xi_1 = b_0 + b_1\sqrt{a}$  with  $b_0, b_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The relation (3.6) can be expressed as  $p / b_0^2 - ab_1^2$ .

- . If  $p / b_1$  then  $p / b_0$  and  $\xi_1 = p \, \xi_2$ , with  $\xi_2 \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$ .
- . Otherwise  $a \equiv \left(\frac{b_0}{b_1}\right)^2[p]$  and  $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = 1$ , contradicting the assumption.

$$\underline{a \equiv 1[4]}$$
: in this case  $\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}} = \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{a}}{2}\right]$  and  $\xi_1 = \left(b_0 + \frac{b_1}{2}\right) + \frac{b_1\sqrt{a}}{2}$  with  $b_0, b_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  
We have  $p / N(2\xi_1)$  thus  $p / (2b_0 + b_1)^2 - ab_1^2$ .

- . If  $p/b_1$  then  $p/2b_0+b_1$  and  $p/b_0$ , so that  $\xi_1=p\,\xi_2$  with  $\xi_2\in\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$ .
- . Otherwise  $a \equiv \left(\frac{2b_0}{b_1} + 1\right)^2 [p]$  and  $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = 1$ , contradicting the assumption.

Therefore relation (3.6) leads to  $\exists \xi_2 \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}, \ \xi_1 = p \, \xi_2$ . In the same way, relation (3.7) leads to  $\exists \eta_2 \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}, \ \eta_1 = p \, \eta_2$ . Thus  $D'\alpha = D(\xi_1 + \eta_1 \, \Omega) = pD(\xi_2 + \eta_2 \, \Omega) = p \, D\alpha_2$  where  $\alpha_2 \in \mathfrak{I}_0$ . Because  $p \wedge D' = 1$ ,  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that xD' + yp = 1 (Bézout) and

$$\alpha = xD'\alpha + py\alpha = p(xD\alpha_2 + y\alpha). \tag{3.8}$$

As  $\alpha_2 \in \mathfrak{I}_0$  and  $D\mathfrak{I}_0 \subset \mathfrak{I}$ , then  $D\alpha_2 \in \mathfrak{I}$  and  $\alpha \in p\mathfrak{I}$ :  $\alpha$  is not primitive. This ends the proof of the Proposition.

• Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be an indefinite quaternion algebra of type (a,b) on  $\mathbb{Q}$ ; we shall consider in the sequel orders of type  $(q_1,q_2)$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ , that are principal so that we can us them to define modular correspondences (cf. [2] §3). For  $q_1 = 1$ , these orders are simply the maximal ones.

Let  $\mathfrak{I}$  be such an order of type  $(q_1,q_2)$  and  $R=\varphi(\mathfrak{I})$  its image in  $M(2,\mathbb{F})$ , where  $\varphi$  is defined by (3.3). Implicitely we shall identify  $\mathfrak{I}$  with its image by  $\varphi$ , and denote by  $\alpha=\xi+\eta\Omega$  any element of R. Via Poincaré extension the set  $R^*=\{\alpha\in R \mid \det(\alpha)\neq 0\}$  is identified with a subgroup of  $\mathrm{Is}^+(\mathbb{H}^3)$ . For  $n\wedge q_1q_2=1$  we define

$$R(n) = \{ \alpha \in R / N(\alpha) = n \}$$
(3.9)

$$R^{pr}(n) = \{ \alpha \in R / \alpha \text{ primitive } N(\alpha) = n \}$$
 (3.10)

which are infinite subsets of  $M(2, \mathbb{F})$  for  $n \wedge q_1q_2 = 1$ . Consider for example  $\mathfrak{I}$  a maximal order containing  $\mathfrak{I}_0$ : the Pell-Fermat Theorem applied to the equation  $N(\alpha) = 1$  implies that  $\mathfrak{I}(1)$  is infinite because  $\mathfrak{A}$  is indefinite and at least one of the square-free integers a, b is positive.

Let  $\Gamma_R = R(1)$  be the discrete subgroup of  $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{C})$  induced by R. We shall denote the quotient space by  $X_R = \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$  and the canonical projection by  $\pi_R : \mathbb{H}^3 \longrightarrow \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$ .

To insure that  $X_R$  inherits the Riemannian structure of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ , the group  $\Gamma_R$  may not contain any elliptic element.

**Proposition 3.6** Let us assume that  $b \in \mathcal{P}\setminus\{3\}$ . If  $\Gamma_R$  contains an elliptic element, then necessarily one of the integers a, -a or -3a is a square modulo b.

Proof: if  $\Gamma_R$  contains an elliptic element, there exists  $\alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \mathfrak{I}$  such that  $|\operatorname{Tr}(\alpha)| < 2$  and  $\operatorname{N}(\alpha) = \xi \, \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} - b \, \eta \, \overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} = 1$ . Because  $\mathfrak{I}$  is an order, we have  $\operatorname{Tr}(\alpha) = \operatorname{Tr}(\xi) \in \{-1, 0, +1\}$ . Set  $\xi = x + y\sqrt{a}$  and  $\eta = z + t\sqrt{a} \in \mathbb{F}$ , where x, y, z and  $t \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $\operatorname{N}(\alpha) = x^2 - a y^2 - b(z^2 - a t^2) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Tr}(\alpha) = 2x \in \{-1, 0, +1\}$ . We shall assume that  $a \not\equiv 0 \, [b]$  (otherwise a would be a square modulo b).

If x = 0: then  $-ay^2 = 1 + b(z^2 - at^2)$  and after multiplication by the least common multiple of the denominators of y, z and t, we get  $-ay'^2 = E^2 + b(z'^2 - at'^2)$  with integers y', z' and t' such that  $y' \wedge z' \wedge t' = 1$ .

- . If  $y' \not\equiv 0$  [b] then  $-a \equiv E^2/y'^2$  [b] : -a is a square modulo b.
- . If  $y' \equiv 0$  [b] then b divides E and  $z'^2 at'^2 \equiv 0$  [b] where  $z' \not\equiv 0$  [b] and  $t' \not\equiv 0$  [b] because  $a \not\equiv 0$  [b] and  $y' \land z' \land t' = 1$ . Therefore  $a \equiv z'^2/t'^2$  [b] : a is a square modulo b.

If  $x = \pm 1/2$ : then  $-ay^2 = 3/4 + b(z^2 - at^2)$  and after multiplication by the least common multiple of the denominators of y, z and t, we get  $-ay'^2 = 3E^2 + b(z'^2 - at'^2)$  with integers y', z' and t' such that  $y' \wedge z' \wedge t' = 1$ . As in the case x = 0 we deduce that

- . If  $y' \not\equiv 0 \, [b]$  then  $-3a \equiv 9E^2/y'^2 \, [b]$  and -3a is a square modulo b.
- . If  $y'\equiv 0$  [b] then b divides E because  $|b|\neq 3$ , and  $z'^2-at'^2\equiv 0$  [b] where  $z'\not\equiv 0$  [b] and  $t'\not\equiv 0$  [b] because  $a\not\equiv 0$  [b] and  $y'\wedge z'\wedge t'=1$ . Therefore  $a\equiv z'^2/t'^2$  [b] and a is a square modulo b, which ends the proof of the Proposition.
- $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \wedge q_1q_2 = 1$ ,  $R(1)\backslash R(n)$  is finite (cf. [2] §7): we may consequently define (as in section 1.2.3) the modular correspondences on the quotient space  $X_R = \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$  by

$$T_n f(z) = \sum_{\alpha \in R(1) \setminus R(n)} f(\alpha.z) \qquad C_n f(z) = \sum_{\alpha \in R(1) \setminus R^{pr}(n)} f(\alpha.z)$$
 (3.11)

We call these operators modular operators. They possess the classical properties of the modular operators we have seen in dimension 2 (cf. section 1.2.3): they are bounded linear operators of  $\mathcal{L}^2(X_R)$ . Moreover the proof of Lemma 1.3 can be adapted to an order R: for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  the set R(n) is stable under the passage to the comatrix, which corresponds to the conjugation of the underlying element of  $\mathfrak{I}$ 

$$\varphi(\xi + \eta \Omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi & \eta \\ b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} & \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} \end{pmatrix} \in R(n) \implies \varphi(\overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} - \eta \Omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} & -\eta \\ -b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} & \xi \end{pmatrix} \in R(n)$$
 (3.12)

Then we can prove (exactly as in proof of Lemma 1.3) that for  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  such that  $p \wedge q_1q_2 = 1$  (only such p will be considered thereafter)

**Proposition 3.7**  $|R(1)\backslash R(p)| = m$ . We shall denote  $R(1)\backslash R(p) = \{R(1)\sigma_1, \ldots, R(1)\sigma_m\}$ .  $\forall i, \exists ! j \text{ such that } \sigma_j\sigma_i \in p R(1) \text{ and } \forall k \neq j, \ \sigma_k\sigma_i \in R^{pr}(p^2).$ 

# 4 The quotient space $X_R = \Gamma_R \setminus \mathbb{H}^3$

#### 4.1 Definition of the studied class

We take an indefinite division algebra  $\mathfrak{A} = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$  with a < 0 (for technical reasons), and consider an order  $\mathfrak{I}$  of type  $(q_1, q_2)$  – e.g. a maximal order containing the order  $\mathfrak{I}_0$  – such that  $\Gamma_R$  acts freely on  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . This way we get a class  $(K_2)$  of quotient manifolds  $X_R$ , that are Riemannian and of sectional curvature K = -1 when provided with the metric induced by  $\mathbb{H}^3$ .

This class  $(K_2)$  is far from being empty. Indeed take  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_- \setminus \{-1, -3\}$  and  $b \in \mathscr{P} \setminus \{3\}$  such that a is not a square modulo b: then  $\mathfrak{A}$  is an indefinite division quaternion algebra according to Proposition 3.3. For the action of  $\Gamma_R$  to be free, we just have to impose that -1 and -3 are squares modulo b by Proposition 3.6. Theorem 3.1 shows that, given a fixed, these three conditions modulo b are simultaneously satisfied by infinitely many primes b because the negative integers a, -1 and -3 are obviously 2-independent.

**Definition** The infinite set of  $(K_2)$  - manifolds satisfying the conditions

$$a \in \mathbb{Z}_{-}, \ b \in \mathscr{P}, \ \left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = -1, \ \left(\frac{-1}{b}\right) = 1, \ \left(\frac{-3}{b}\right) = 1$$
 (4.1)

will be called the class  $(K_2^S)$ .

For example, we can take a = -2 and b = 13.

# 4.2 Properties of $(K_2^S)$ - manifolds

• In the sequel of this work we shall consider manifolds  $X_R$  of the class  $(K_2^S)$ . The conjugation in  $\mathbb{F} \simeq \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{a})$  coincides with the complex conjugation because a < 0.

**Lemma 4.1** Let  $\xi \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ . Then  $ord_b |\xi|^2$  is even.

*Proof*: let  $\xi = x' + y' \sqrt{a}$  be any element in  $\mathbb{F}$ . We can write

$$\xi = \frac{p\left(x + y\sqrt{a}\right)}{q}$$

with  $q, p, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \wedge y = 1$  and  $p \wedge q = 1$ . Assume that  $|x + y\sqrt{a}|^2 = x^2 - ay^2 \equiv 0$  [b]. If b divides y, then b divides x, which contradicts  $x \wedge y = 1$ . Therefore  $y \not\equiv 0$  [b] so that

$$a \equiv \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 [b]$$
 i.e.  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = 1$ 

and  $X_R$  cannot be of class  $(K_2^S)$ . Hence  $|x+y\sqrt{a}|^2 \not\equiv 0$  [b] and as  $|\xi|^2 = p^2 q^{-2} |x+y\sqrt{a}|^2$ , we deduce that  $\operatorname{ord}_b |\xi|^2 = 2 \left(\operatorname{ord}_b(p) - \operatorname{ord}_b(q)\right)$  is even. This ends the proof of the Lemma.

**Proposition 4.1** Let  $X_R$  be a  $(K_2^S)$ -manifold. Then  $\Gamma_R$  has no parabolic element.

Proof: let us take a parabolic element  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega$  in  $\Gamma_R$ . By taking its opposite  $-\gamma$  if necessary, we may always assume that  $\xi = 1 + x\sqrt{a}$  and  $\eta = y + z\sqrt{a}$  with x, y and  $z \in \mathbb{Q}$ . As  $N(\gamma) = 1$  we have  $0 = |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 - 1 = -ax^2 - b(y^2 - az^2)$ 

and after multiplication of x, y and z by the least common multiple of their denominators, and after division of the integers obtained by their greatest common divisor, we get

$$aX^2 + b(Y^2 - aZ^2) = 0$$
 with  $X, Y, Z \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $X \wedge Y \wedge Z = 1$  (4.2)

Because  $b \wedge a = 1$ , b divides X. Setting  $X_0 = X/b$  we get after simplification  $ab{X_0}^2 + Y^2 - aZ^2 = 0$  so that a divides Y. Setting  $Y_0 = Y/a$ ,  $Z_0 = Z$  we finally get

$$bX_0^2 + aY_0^2 - Z_0^2 = 0$$
 with  $X_0, Y_0, Z_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $X_0 \wedge Y_0 \wedge Z_0 = 1$  (4.3)

Thus if b divides  $Y_0$ , b divides  $Z_0$  hence  $b^2$  divides  $bX_0^2$  and b divides  $X_0$ , which contradicts  $X_0 \wedge Y_0 \wedge Z_0 = 1$ . Therefore  $Y_0 \not\equiv 0$  [b] so that, by reduction of (4.3) modulo b, we have

$$a \equiv \left(\frac{Z_0}{Y_0}\right)^2 [b]$$
 i.e.  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = 1$ 

and  $X_R$  cannot be of class  $(K_2^S)$ .

• Two geometrical properties of the space  $\Gamma(2)\backslash \mathbb{H}^2$  stated in section 1.2.2 extend directly to the space  $X_R$ , because  $\Gamma_R$  acts freely and discontinuously on  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . Therefore we have

**Proposition 4.2** Let  $\mathscr{L}$  be a closed geodesic of  $X_R = \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$ . There exists an hyperbolic transformation  $\gamma \in \Gamma_R$  whose axis L projects on  $\mathscr{L}$ .

In particular, there exists a compact portion l of L such that  $\mathcal{L} = \Gamma_R . l$ .

**Lemma 4.2** Let F and G be two closed geodesics of  $X_B$ . Then F = G or  $F \cap G$  is finite.

ullet We have similar properties for closed itgs, which are compact itgs of  $X_{\scriptscriptstyle R}.$ 

**Definition** An ites S of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  is closed for  $\Gamma_R$  if its projection in  $X_R$  is closed, that is

$$\exists \mathscr{F} \subset S \quad compact \quad \exists \Gamma' \subset \Gamma_R \qquad S = \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma'} \gamma.\mathscr{F} = \Gamma'.\mathscr{F} \tag{4.4}$$

As  $\Gamma_R$  is countable and S has non empty interior, then Baire's Lemma applied to the complete space S shows that  $\mathscr{F}$  has non empty interior. More precisely we have

**Proposition 4.3** Let  $\tilde{S}$  be a closed itgs of  $X_R$  and S be a lifting to  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . There exists a subgroup  $\Gamma_0$  of  $\Gamma_R$  and a compact subset  $\mathscr{F} \subset S$  with non empty interior such that  $\gamma \in \Gamma_0 \iff \gamma.S = S$  and

$$S = \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma_0} \gamma. \mathscr{F} = \Gamma_0. \mathscr{F}$$

Moreover  $\exists \gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_0$  hyperbolic (and  $\eta \neq 0$ ).

*Proof*: let  $\Gamma_0$  denote the subset

$$\Gamma_0 = \left\{ \gamma \in \Gamma_R \ / \ \gamma.\mathscr{F} \subset S \right\} \supset \Gamma' \tag{4.5}$$

Hence for  $\gamma \in \Gamma_0$ , we have  $\gamma.S \cap S \supset \gamma \mathscr{F}$  which has non zero area. As  $\gamma.S$  and S are both itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  *i.e.* half-planes or half-spheres, then  $\gamma.S = S$ . Conversely  $\gamma.S = S$  implies that  $\gamma.\mathscr{F} \subset \gamma S = S$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma_0$ . Hence  $\Gamma_0 = \{ \gamma \in \Gamma_R \mid \gamma.S = S \}$ . That  $\Gamma_0$  is a group is obvious.

From the definition of the class  $(K_2^S)$  and Proposition 4.1, we know that except for  $\{\pm \mathrm{Id}\}$  the groups  $\Gamma_0$  and  $\Gamma_R$  contain only hyperbolic elements. As  $\Gamma \neq \{\pm \mathrm{Id}\}$  (otherwise  $S = \mathscr{F}$  would be a compact itgs in  $\mathbb{H}^3$ ), we can find a hyperbolic element  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_0$ . Then  $|\xi|^2 \geq \mathrm{Re}^2(\xi) > 1$  and  $b |\eta|^2 = |\xi|^2 - \mathrm{N}(\gamma) = |\xi|^2 - 1 > 0$  so that  $\eta \neq 0$ .

**Lemma 4.3** Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two distinct closed itgs of  $X_R$ .  $S_1 \cap S_2$  has dimension 1 and either  $S_1 \cap S_2$  is the empty set, or it is a closed geodesic of  $X_R$ .

*Proof*: from the definition of an itgs, it is clear that two distinct itgs must intersect transversally, because an itgs is entirely defined by a point and the tangent space at this point. Then the intersection has dimension 1.

Since  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are closed itgs, they are compact. Hence  $L = S_1 \cap S_2$  is a compact subset of  $X_R$ . If  $L \neq \emptyset$ , then it is a complete geodesic because for  $(M, \vec{u}) \in TL$ , the geodesic of  $X_R$  tangent to  $\vec{u}$  at M is contained in both  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ . Moreover L being compact, it is a closed geodesic of  $X_R$ .

## 4.3 The type $S^o$ and $\Gamma_{R}$ - closed itgs

• There is a particular itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  that is invariant under the action of the isometries induced by  $\mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R}$ : it is the half-sphere  $S^o = S(O, 1/\sqrt{b})$ . Given  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R}$  such that  $N(\gamma) = |\xi|^2 - b |\eta|^2 \neq 0$ , we have indeed

$$\forall \theta \in \mathbb{R} \qquad \left| \gamma(b^{-1/2} e^{i\theta}) \right| = \left| \frac{\xi e^{i\theta} b^{-1/2} + \eta}{b \, \overline{\eta} e^{i\theta} b^{-1/2} + \overline{\xi}} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \left| \frac{\xi e^{i\theta} + \eta \sqrt{b}}{\overline{\eta} \sqrt{b} + \overline{\xi} e^{-i\theta}} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}$$
(4.6)

i.e.  $\gamma.(S^o \cap \mathbb{C}) = S^o \cap \mathbb{C}$  whence  $\gamma.S^o = S^o$ . We shall also denote by  $S^o$  the projection of this half-sphere in  $X_R$ . Unfortunately,  $S^o$  is the itgs in  $\mathbb{H}^3$  that is closed for  $\Gamma_R$ : indeed, the subgroup  $\Gamma_0$  of elements of  $\Gamma_R$  leaving an itgs S invariant is generically a one-parameter group (cf.  $\mathfrak{I}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modulus of rank 4) so that  $\Gamma_0 \backslash S$  cannot be compact (for further details, see Appendix A).

• Lacking of closed itgs in  $X_R$ , we shall use instead the weaker notion of  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs and look for modular correspondences separating points, closed geodesics or  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs.

**Definition** An ites S of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  is called  $\Gamma_R$ -closed if there exists  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  hyperbolic such that  $\gamma.S = S$ . Its projection in  $X_R$  is also called a  $\Gamma_R$ -closed ites.

There are infinitely many of them, as we shall see in Proposition 8.3 section 8.

**Lemma 4.4** Let  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Sigma_2$  be to distinct  $\Gamma_R$  - closed it gs of  $X_R$ . Then  $area(\Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2) = 0$ .

*Proof*: it is a straightforward corollary of Lemma 4.3, since every 1-dimensional set has zero area. Just be aware that the notion of area is here inherent to the manifold  $\Sigma_1$  (for example), which is provided with the Riemannian metrics induced by  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . That will be – and has been – always the case: we only mention the area of subsets of two-dimensional manifolds of  $X_R$ .

**Definition** We say that  $\Lambda \subset X_R$  has type  $(S^o)$  if  $\Lambda$  is contained in a finite union of  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs and  $area(\Lambda) = area(\Lambda \cap S^o) \neq 0$ .

## 5 Statement of the result in dimension 3

**Theorem 5.1** Let  $X_R = \Gamma_R \backslash \mathbb{H}^3$  be a 3-dimensional manifold,  $\Gamma_R$  being a discrete subgroup of  $Is^+(\mathbb{H}^3)$  derived from an indefinite quaternion algebra  $\mathfrak{A} = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbb{Q}}\right)$ . We shall assume moreover that  $X_R$  is a manifold of class  $(K_2^S)$ .

If the singular  $\sigma$  of a quantum limit on  $X_R$  is contained in a finite union of isolated points, closed geodesics and  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs of  $X_R$  (we assume in this last case that  $\operatorname{area}(\sigma) \neq 0$ ) and has not type  $(S^o)$ , then it is the empty set.

First we prove a separation result on such a subset  $\Lambda$ :

**Proposition 5.1** Let  $X_R$  be a manifold of class  $(K_2^S)$ . For all non-empty subset  $\Lambda \subset X_R$  contained in a finite union of isolated points, closed geodesics and  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs (with area $(\Lambda) \neq 0$  in this last case) that has not type  $(S^o)$ , there exists a correspondence T separating  $\Lambda$ .

We shall distinguish three cases and treat them separately in sections 6 to 8:

- 1)  $\Lambda$  is finite
- 2)  $\Lambda \subset F_1 \cup \cdots \cup F_r$  a finite union of closed geodesics
- 3)  $\Lambda \subset S_1 \cup \cdots \cup S_l$  a finite union of  $\Gamma_R$  -closed itgs.

and complete the proof in section 9.

Before that, let us state a Proposition that will spare us lots of efforts in the following sections, by simplifying the calculations. By a set of *objects of the same type* of  $X_R$  we mean a set of points, a set of closed geodesics or a set of  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs of  $X_R = \Gamma_R \setminus \mathbb{H}^3$ .

**Proposition 5.2** Let  $F_1, \ldots, F_r$  be objects of the same type of  $X_R$  and consider fixed liftings  $G_1, \ldots, G_r$  of these objects to  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . There exists a finite subset of prime numbers  $\mathscr{F} \subset \mathscr{P}$  such that, given  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$ , the relation

$$\exists \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \qquad \exists i \in \{1 \dots r\}, \quad \alpha \cdot G_1 = G_i$$
 (5.1)

leads to

$$\exists N \in \mathscr{F} \qquad \exists \, \tilde{\alpha} \in R^{pr}(N \, p) \cup R^{pr}(N^2 p^2), \quad \tilde{\alpha}.G_1 = G_1 \tag{5.2}$$

Proof: let us fix n = 1, 2 and assume that  $\exists i \in \{1, ..., r\}$ ,  $\exists p_i \in \mathscr{P}$ ,  $\exists \alpha_i \in R^{pr}(p_i^n)$ ,  $\alpha_i.G_1 = G_i$ . As a consequence  $G_1 = \operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i).G_i$ . Take  $p \neq p_i \in \mathscr{P}$  and  $\alpha \in R^{pr}(p^n)$ :  $\alpha.G_1 = G_i \implies \tilde{\alpha}.G_1 = G_1$  where  $\tilde{\alpha} = \operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i) \alpha \in R(p_i^n p^n) = R(N^n p^n)$ . This element is primitive: otherwise  $\tilde{\alpha} \in pR$  or  $\tilde{\alpha} \in p_iR$  (and n = 2) whence, as  $\operatorname{pgcd}(p_i, p) = 0$ ,

- . if  $\tilde{\alpha} \in pR$ :  $\alpha_i \, \tilde{\alpha} = p_i^2 \alpha \in pR \implies \alpha \in pR$ , a contradiction with  $\alpha \in R^{pr}(p^2)$ .
- . if  $\tilde{\alpha} \in p_i R : \tilde{\alpha} \operatorname{Com}(\alpha) = p^2 \operatorname{Com}(\alpha_i) \in p_i R \Longrightarrow \alpha_i \in p_i R$ , a similar contradiction.

Proceeding the same way with all the indices  $i \in \{1...r\}$  we get to relation (5.2) after exclusion of at most r values of  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ , the forementionned set  $\mathcal{F}$  (here  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  is one of the  $p_i$ ).

# 6 Case of the points

• Let  $\Lambda = \{\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_l\}$  be a set of points of  $X_R$ . We shall denote by  $x_i = (z_i, t_i) \in \mathbb{H}^3$  liftings of the  $\tilde{x}_i$  for  $i = 1 \dots l$  and apply Proposition 5.2 to those points: for n = 1 or 2,  $N \in \mathscr{F}$  and  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  a prime satisfying the assumptions of Proposition 3.5 *i.e.* 

$$\operatorname{ord}_{p}(2abDD') = 0 \text{ and } \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$$
 (6.1)

we consider  $\alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in R^{pr}(N^n p^n)$  such that  $\alpha.x_1 = x_1$ . In that case,  $\operatorname{ord}_p |\xi|^2 = \operatorname{ord}_p |\eta|^2 = 0$ ; in particular  $\xi \neq 0$  and  $\eta \neq 0$ . By relation (2.3), the action of  $\alpha$  as an isometry of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  is

$$\alpha. \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} - \frac{N^n p^n}{b\overline{\eta}} \frac{\xi + b\eta \overline{z}}{|\xi + b\eta \overline{z}|^2 + b^2 |\eta|^2 t^2} \\ \frac{N^n p^n t}{|\xi + b\eta \overline{z}|^2 + b^2 |\eta|^2 t^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

that is well defined for any t > 0 because  $\eta \neq 0$ . The relation  $\alpha x_1 = x_1$  implies

$$N^{n}p^{n} = |\xi + b\eta \overline{z_{1}}|^{2} + b^{2}|\eta|^{2}t_{1}^{2} = |\xi|^{2} - b|\eta|^{2}$$
(6.2)

$$\overline{\eta} \, z_1 + \eta \, \overline{z_1} = 0 \tag{6.3}$$

Note that  $z_1 \neq 0$ , otherwise relation (6.2) gives  $|\xi|^2 + b^2 |\eta|^2 t_1^2 = |\xi|^2 - b |\eta|^2$  so that  $|\eta| = 0$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $-\frac{\overline{z_1}}{z_1} = \frac{\overline{\eta}}{\eta} = \text{constant } \in \mathbb{F}$ 

Fix  $\eta_0 \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$  such that  $\overline{\eta_0}/\eta_0 = -\overline{z_1}/z_i$ . Then we have

$$\frac{\overline{\eta}}{\eta} = \frac{\overline{\eta_0}}{\eta_0}$$
 hence  $\frac{\eta}{\eta_0} = \frac{\overline{\eta}}{\overline{\eta_0}} \in \mathbb{R} \cap \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}$  (because  $a < 0$ )

so that  $\exists m \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\eta = m \eta_0$ . As  $D' \eta \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$  by Proposition 3.4, we get by taking the norms  $m^2 D'^2 N(\eta_0) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , with  $D'^2 |\eta_0|^2$  fixed in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Thus there exists  $E \in \mathbb{N}$  fixed such that  $E m \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ , and by expanding (6.2)

$$p^n = |\xi|^2 + 2bm \operatorname{Re}(\xi_0 \overline{\eta_0} z_1) + b^2 m^2 |\eta_0|^2 (t_1^2 + |z_1|^2) = |\xi|^2 - bm^2 |\eta_0|^2$$

After simplification by  $b m \neq 0$  we get

$$2\operatorname{Re}\left(\xi\,\overline{\eta_0}\,z_1\right) + m\,|\eta_0|^2\left[1 + b\,(t_1^2 + |z_1|^2)\right] = 0\tag{6.4}$$

As  $D'\xi \in \mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$  by Proposition 3.4, we have  $2D'\xi = X + Y\sqrt{a}$  with  $X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The coefficient of m in relation (6.4) being strictly positive because b > 0, then m is obviously a linear function of X and Y. Hence the middle term of (6.2) is a definite positive quadratic form of the two integer variables X and Y, which we will write

$$N^n p^n = c_1 X^2 + c_2 XY + c_3 Y^2 (6.5)$$

A priori  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ ; moreover  $c_2^2 - 4c_1c_3 < 0$  since the quadratic form is definite positive.

• Let us suppose that for all  $N \in \mathscr{F}$ , there are at most two primes  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  satisfying both relations (6.1) and (6.5); let  $\Delta \in \mathbb{N}$  be the product of all those primes p. As a consequence,

for all  $p \in \mathscr{P} \setminus \mathscr{F}$  satisfying relation (6.1) such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p(\Delta) = 0$ , for all  $N \in \mathscr{F}$  and for all  $\alpha \in R^{pr}(N^2p^2) \cup R(Np)$ , we have  $\alpha.x_1 \neq x_1$ . We deduce by Proposition 5.2 that

$$\forall p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F} \text{ such that } \operatorname{ord}_{p}(2abDD'\Delta) = 0 \text{ and } \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$$

$$\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^{2}) \quad \forall i \in \{1 \dots l\} \quad \alpha.x_{1} \neq x_{i}$$

$$(6.6)$$

It is clear that there are infinitely many convenient primes p (they even form a regular subset of  $\mathscr{P}$  of density 1/2).

• Now assume that for some  $N \in \mathscr{F}$ , equation (6.5) is solvable for at least three distinct primes  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  satisfying relation (6.1): we have three points  $(X_i : Y_i)_{i=1,2,3} \in \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$  such that

$$\forall i = 1...3 \qquad N^n \, p_i^n = c_1 X_i^2 + c_2 X_i Y_i + c_3 Y_i^2 \tag{6.7}$$

Using these three relations, we shall show that  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{Q}$ . If  $(X_i : Y_i) = (X_j : Y_j)$  for  $i \neq j$ , then n = 2 and  $p_j(X_i : Y_i) = p_i(X_j : Y_j)$ ; since  $\operatorname{pgcd}(p_i, p_j) = 1$ ,  $\alpha_i \in p_i R$ , a contradiction with relation (6.1) and Proposition 3.4. Thus  $(X_1 : Y_1)$ ,  $(X_2 : Y_2)$  and  $(X_3 : Y_3)$  are three distinct points of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$ . By relation (6.7), we can write

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_1^2 & X_1Y_1 & Y_1^2 \\ X_2^2 & X_2Y_2 & Y_2^2 \\ X_3^2 & X_3Y_3 & Y_3^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = N^n \begin{pmatrix} p_1^n \\ p_2^n \\ p_3^n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{Z}^3$$

The above Vandermonde matrix has a non-zero determinant  $\prod_{i < j} (Y_j X_i - Y_i X_j) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$  so that  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{Q}$  after inversion of the linear system. Thus relation (6.5) becomes

$$\kappa p^n = \alpha X^2 + \beta XY + \gamma Y^2 \quad \text{with} \quad p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F} \quad X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}$$
(6.8)

with  $\kappa$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\delta = \beta^2 - 4\alpha\gamma < 0$  as the quadratic form in the previous relation is positive definite; moreover, by reduction modulo p of relation (6.8), we get

$$\delta$$
 is a square modulo  $p$  (6.9)

Therefore, if  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{ord}_p(2abDD') = 0$$
  $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{\delta}{p}\right) = -1$  (6.10)

we have according to relations (6.1) and (6.9)

$$\forall N \in \mathscr{F} \qquad \forall \alpha \in R(Np) \cup R^{pr}(N^2p^2) \qquad \alpha . x_1 \neq x_1 \tag{6.11}$$

whence, by Proposition (5.2)

$$\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \qquad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, l\} \qquad \alpha \cdot x_1 \neq x_i$$
(6.12)

By Proposition 3.2, a and  $\delta$  being strictly negative integers, there exists infinitely many primes  $p \notin \mathscr{F}$  satisfying relations (6.10) and – as a consequence – (6.12). Together with relation (6.6) this leads to

**Proposition 6.1** Let  $x_1, \ldots, x_l$  be points of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . There exists infinitely many primes p such that

$$\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, l\} \quad \alpha.x_1 \neq x_i \qquad (6.12)$$

# 7 The geodesics

This time, the proof presented in [9] still applies; we shall associate to any geodesic of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  a proportionality class of complex (instead of real) binary quadratic forms. Therefore, using the Proposition (3.1) we obtain

**Proposition 7.1** Let  $L_1, \ldots, L_r$  be geodesics of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . There exists infinitely many primes p such that  $\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall j \in \{1 \ldots r\} \quad \alpha.L_1 \neq L_j$  (7.1)

# 8 Case of the $\Gamma_R$ - closed Itgs

Keep in mind that the itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  are half-spheres centered on (and orthogonal to)  $\mathbb{C}$  and half-planes orthogonal to  $\mathbb{C}$ . Only such half-spheres and half-planes will be considered in the sequel of this section, without need for us to mention it.

**Definition** Given an itgs  $\mathscr S$  of  $\mathbb H^3$ , we define its trace  $\mathscr C$  on  $\mathbb C$  to be the set of its limit points in  $\mathbb C$ , that is  $\mathscr C = \overline{\mathscr S} \cap \mathbb C$  in  $\mathbb R^3$ .

The trace of an itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  is then either a circle, either a straight line of  $\mathbb{C}$  – id est a circle of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ ; moreover each itgs its uniquely defined by its trace on  $\mathbb{C}$  whence

**Proposition** There is a bijection between the itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  and the circles of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ 

As a consequence, the action of an isometry on an itgs in  $\mathbb{H}^3$  will be entirely determinated by the former's action on the latter's trace in  $\mathbb{C}$ , much more easy to deal with. In particular

**Proposition 8.1** Let  $\mathscr{S}_1$  and  $\mathscr{S}_2$  be two itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  whose traces on  $\mathbb{C}$  are  $\mathscr{C}_1$  and  $\mathscr{C}_2$  respectively. Then

$$\forall \gamma \in SL(2, \mathbb{C}) \qquad \gamma.\mathscr{S}_1 = \mathscr{S}_2 \iff \gamma(\mathscr{C}_1) = \mathscr{C}_2$$

Now to obtain a separation result on a finite set of itgs  $\Gamma_R$ -closed of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  – like relations (6.12) or (7.1) – we just have, by application of Proposition 5.2, to deal with the invariance of such an itgs under elements of the form  $\alpha \in R^{pr}(N p) \cup R^{pr}(N^2 p^2)$ , where  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$ ,  $N \in \mathscr{F}$  and  $\mathscr{F}$  is the finite subset of  $\mathscr{P}$  provided by Proposition 5.2.

We shall do this in the two next sections, and prove by the way the existence of infinitely many  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs for a manifold  $X_R$  of class  $(K_2^S)$ .

# 8.1 Of the half-planes

**Proposition 8.2** Let the half-plane  $\mathscr P$  be an itgs of  $\mathbb H^3$  and  $\mathscr D$  be its trace. Consider an

element 
$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2,\mathbb{C})$$
 with  $a+d \neq 0$  and  $c \neq 0$ :

$$\gamma.\mathscr{P} = \mathscr{P} \iff \begin{cases} \frac{a}{c} \in \mathscr{D}, \frac{-d}{c} \in \mathscr{D} : \mathscr{D} \text{ is given by relation (8.1)} \\ (a+d)^2 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

*Proof*: we have, from the considerations of the previous section,

$$\gamma.\mathscr{P} = \mathscr{P} \iff \gamma(\mathscr{D}) = \mathscr{D}$$

. If  $\gamma(\mathscr{D})=\mathscr{D}$  then  $\gamma(\infty)=a/c\in\mathscr{D}$  and  $\gamma^{-1}(\infty)=-d/c\neq a/c\in\mathscr{D}$ ; so

$$z \in \mathscr{D} \iff \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \ z = \lambda \left(\frac{a}{c}\right) + (1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{-d}{c}\right) = \frac{\lambda a + (\lambda - 1) d}{c} = \frac{\lambda (a + d) - d}{c}$$
$$\iff \frac{cz + d}{a + d} \in \mathbb{R} \iff \frac{cz - a}{a + d} \in \mathbb{R}$$

whence

$$\mathscr{D} = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} \ / \ \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{cz}{a+d}\right) = \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{a}{a+d}\right) = \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{-d}{a+d}\right) \right\}$$
(8.1)

Moreover  $a/c \in \mathcal{D}$  so that

$$\gamma\left(\frac{a}{c}\right) \in \mathscr{D} \iff \frac{a^2 + bc}{c(a+d)} \in \mathscr{D}$$

$$\iff \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{a^2 + bc}{(a+d)^2}\right) = \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{a}{a+d}\right) = \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{a^2 + ad}{(a+d)^2}\right)$$

$$\iff \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{ad - bc}{(a+d)^2}\right) = \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{1}{(a+d)^2}\right)$$

$$\iff (a+d)^2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

. Reciprocally, assume that  $a/c \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $-d/c \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $(a+d)^2 \in \mathbb{R}$ : by relation (8.1), we still have  $\gamma(a/c) \in \mathcal{D}$ ; besides

$$\gamma\left(\frac{a}{c}\right) = \frac{a^2 + bc}{c(a+d)} \neq \frac{a}{c}$$
 since  $ad - bc = 1 \neq 0$ 

Therefore the isometry  $\gamma$  takes the three distinct points  $\infty$ , a/c, -d/c of  $\mathscr{D}$  into a/c,  $\gamma(a/c)$  and  $\infty$ , which also are distinct points of  $\mathscr{D}$ : any circle of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$  being uniquely defined by three points, we have de facto  $\gamma(\mathscr{D}) = \mathscr{D}$ , which ends the proof.

Keep in mind for any hyperbolic element  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$ , we have  $\text{Tr}(\gamma) = \text{Tr}(\xi) \neq 0$  and  $\eta \neq 0$  (cf. proof of Proposition 4.3): those elements, which are the only interesting ones for us, will satisfy the hypothesis of the above Proposition.

• We are now able to show easily the existence of infinitely many  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs in  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . Take any hyperbolic element  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$ :  $z_1 = \gamma^{-1}(\infty)$  and  $z_2 = \gamma(\infty)$  are two distinct points of  $\mathbb{C}$ , since  $\text{Tr}(\gamma) \neq 0$ . Let us define the itgs  $\mathscr{P}_{\gamma}$  by  $\mathscr{P}_{\gamma} = \mathscr{D}_{\gamma} \oplus \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}\mathbf{j}$  where

$$\mathscr{D}_{\gamma} = (z_1, z_2) = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} / \operatorname{Im}(b \,\overline{\eta} \, z) = \operatorname{Im}(\xi) \right\}$$
(8.2)

Since  $\operatorname{Tr}(\gamma) \in \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\gamma}) = \mathcal{D}_{\gamma}$  and  $\gamma.\mathcal{P}_{\gamma} = \mathcal{P}_{\gamma}$  by Proposition 8.2 : our half-plane  $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma}$  is a  $\Gamma_{R}$ -closed itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^{3}$ . Furthermore :

**Proposition 8.3** There exist infinitely many  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs in  $\mathbb{H}^3$ , e.g. the half-planes  $\mathscr{P}(t) = \mathscr{D}(t) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j} = \mathbb{R} \left( 1 + t \sqrt{a} \right) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$  for  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Proof: let us fix  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  and look for an arbitrary element  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  of the form  $\gamma = x + y(1 + t\sqrt{a})\Omega$ , with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ : then  $\gamma$  is hyperbolic as  $y \neq 0$ , and relation (8.2) provides  $\mathscr{D}_{\gamma} = \mathbb{R} \left(1 + t\sqrt{a}\right) = \mathscr{D}(t)$ . For such a  $\gamma$ 

$$N(\gamma) = 1 \iff x^2 - b(1 - at^2)y^2 = 1$$
 (8.3)

and by Fermat's Theorem on the Equation of Pell, as soon as  $d = b(1 - at^2)$  is not a square in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , we can solve this equation for non-trivial x, y. But

$$b(1-at^2)$$
 is a square in  $\mathbb{Z} \implies 1-at^2 \equiv 0[b] \implies \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)=1$ 

a contradiction with the definition of the  $(K_2^S)$ -manifolds. So for each  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the rational integer  $d = b(1 - at^2)$  is not a square and we can find  $\gamma_t = \xi_t + \eta_t \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  such that  $\mathscr{D}_{\gamma_t} = \mathscr{D}(t) = \mathbb{R} \left(1 + t\sqrt{a}\right)$ . This fullfills the proof.

Let us take for example a = -2 and b = 13 (cf. section 4):

- . for  $t=0,\ d=13,\ \gamma_0=649+180\Omega\in\Gamma_{\!\scriptscriptstyle R}$  and  $\mathscr{P}(0)=\mathbb{R}\oplus\mathbb{R}_+^*\mathbf{j}.$
- . for t = 1, d = 39,  $\gamma_1 = 25 + 4(1 + i\sqrt{2})\Omega \in \Gamma_R$  and  $\mathscr{P}(1) = \mathbb{R}(1 + i\sqrt{2}) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$ .
- . for  $t=2,\ d=117,\ \gamma_2=649+60(1+2i\sqrt{2})\Omega\in\Gamma_{\!{}_{\!R}}\ {\rm and}\ \mathscr{P}(2)=\mathbb{R}\left(1+2i\sqrt{2}\right)\oplus\mathbb{R}_+^*\mathbf{j}.$

We shall see other examples of  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs in Appendix B, half-planes that do not contain  $\mathbb{R}_+^*$ **j** and miscellaneous half-spheres. Moreover we shall prove that

**Proposition 8.4** There exist infinitely many  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs in  $X_R$ .

• Let us finally state the main result of this section :

**Proposition 8.5** Let  $\mathscr{P}_1$  be a  $\Gamma_R$ -closed half-plane of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  and  $\mathscr{F}$  a finite subset of  $\mathscr{P}$ .

There exists infinitely many primes  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  such that

$$\forall N \in \mathscr{F} \qquad \forall \alpha \in R^{pr}(Np) \cup R^{pr}(N^2p^2) \qquad \alpha.\mathscr{P}_1 \neq \mathscr{P}_1 \tag{8.4}$$

*Proof*: we denote by  $\mathscr{D}_1$  the trace of  $\mathscr{P}_1$  on  $\mathbb{C}$ . As  $\mathscr{P}_1$  is  $\Gamma_R$ -closed, there exists a hyperbolic element  $\gamma_1 = \xi_1 + \eta_1 \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  such that  $\gamma_1.\mathscr{P}_1 = \mathscr{P}_1$  whence  $\gamma.\mathscr{D}_1 = \mathscr{D}_1$ . Moreover  $\eta_1 \neq 0$ ,  $\text{Tr}(\gamma_1) \neq 0$  and we can apply Proposition 8.2: by relation (8.1), we have

$$\mathcal{D}_1 = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} / \operatorname{Im}(b \,\overline{\eta_1} z) = \operatorname{Im}(\xi_1) \right\}$$
(8.5)

Let us consider a prime  $p \in \mathcal{P} \backslash \mathcal{F}$  satisfying the assumptions of Proposition 3.5

$$\operatorname{ord}_{p}(2abDD') = 0$$
 and  $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$  (8.6)

and assume that for n = 1 or 2,

$$\exists N \in \mathscr{F} \quad \exists \alpha = \xi + \eta \, \Omega \in R^{pr}(N^n p^n) \qquad \alpha . \mathscr{P}_1 = \mathscr{P}_1 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \alpha(\mathscr{D}_1) = \mathscr{D}_1 \tag{8.7}$$

Then  $\eta \neq 0$  and relation (8.7) implies that  $\alpha^{-1}(\infty) = -\overline{\xi}/b\overline{\eta} \in \mathcal{D}_1$  which means that

$$-\operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{\overline{\eta_1\,\xi}}{\overline{\eta}}\right) = \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{\eta_1\,\xi}{\eta}\right) = \operatorname{Im}(\xi_1) \quad \text{ and } \quad \exists\, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \ \frac{\xi}{\eta} = \frac{\lambda + i\operatorname{Im}(\xi_1)}{\eta_1}$$

In fact  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Q}$  because all the complex numbers considered belong to the number field  $\mathbb{F}$ . From the norm equation  $N(\alpha) = N^n p^n$  we deduce that

$$N^{n}p^{n} = |\xi|^{2} - b|\eta|^{2} = |\eta|^{2} \left(\frac{|\xi|^{2}}{|\eta|^{2}} - b\right) = \frac{|\eta|^{2}}{|\eta_{1}|^{2}} \left[\lambda^{2} + \operatorname{Im}(\xi_{1})^{2} - b|\eta_{1}|^{2}\right]$$

From  $|\xi_1|^2 - b |\eta_1|^2 = N(\gamma_1) = 1$  we get  $Im(\xi_1)^2 - b |\eta_1|^2 = 1 - Re(\xi)^2$  so that

$$N^{n} p^{n} = \frac{|\eta|^{2}}{4|\eta_{1}|^{2}} \left[ 4\lambda^{2} + 4 - \text{Tr}(\gamma_{1})^{2} \right]$$
(8.8)

By Proposition 3.5,  $\operatorname{ord}_p |\eta|^2 = 0$ ; we shall moreover impose the condition  $\operatorname{ord}_p |\eta_1|^2 = 0$ . As  $\operatorname{Tr}(\gamma_1) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , relation (8.8) provides  $\operatorname{ord}_p(4\lambda^2) \geq 0$  whence  $4\lambda^2 + 4 - \operatorname{Tr}(\gamma_1)^2 \equiv 0$  [p] so that  $\operatorname{Tr}(\gamma_1)^2 - 4$  is a square modulo p.

Assume now that the integer  $\text{Tr}(\gamma_1)^2 - 4$  is a square. Then  $\text{Tr}(\gamma_1) = m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $m^2 - 4 = n^2$ , whence  $m^2 - n^2 = (|m| + |n|) \times (|m| - |n|) = 4 = 2 \times 2 = 4 \times 1$ . Because  $|m| + |n| \ge |m| - |n| > 0$  we have the following alternative:

- . either |m| + |n| = |m| |n| = 2 so that n = 0 and  $m = \text{Tr}(\gamma_1) = \pm 2$ , a contradiction with  $\gamma_1$  hyperbolic.
- . or |m|+|n|=4 and |m|-|n|=1 so that  $|m|=5/2\in\mathbb{N}$ , a contradiction.

Hence  $c = \text{Tr}(\gamma_1)^2 - 4$  is not a square. Moreover  $\gamma_1$  being hyperbolic, c > 0.

Finally, we see that  $\forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $a^x c^y$  square in  $\mathbb{Z} \implies a^x > 0 \implies x \equiv 0$  [2] as a < 0, whence  $c^y$  square in  $\mathbb{Z} \implies y \equiv 0$  [2] because c is not a square in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Thus a and c are 2-independent and there exists by Theorem 3.1 infinitely many primes  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  such that

$$\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{\operatorname{Tr}(\gamma_1)^2 - 4}{p}\right) = -1$$

If we restrict to the primes  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p(2abDD') = 0 = \operatorname{ord}_p |\eta_1|^2$ , we obtain by relation (8.8) infinitely many primes for which relation (8.7) can't be satisfied. Hence they satisfy relation (8.4), which ends the proof of the Proposition.

# 8.2 Of the half-spheres

• We shall begin with a characterization of the half-spheres of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  that are  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs. Let  $\mathscr{S} = S(a_1, r)$  be such an itgs and  $\mathscr{C} = C(a_1, r)$  be its trace on  $\mathbb{C}$ : there exists a hyperbolic element  $\gamma \in \Gamma_R$  such that  $\gamma \mathscr{S} = \mathscr{S}$  whence  $\gamma(\mathscr{C}) = \mathscr{C}$ . Using this relation, we obtain a system of three algebraic equations that lead to

**Proposition 8.6** Let 
$$S(a_1, r) \neq S^o$$
 be a  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs:  $a_1 \neq 0$ . If  $q = 1 + b(|a_1|^2 - r^2) \neq 0$ , then  $\zeta = \frac{a_1}{q} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  and  $\exists (X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $a(1 - 4b|\zeta|^2) = (X^2 - 4)Y^2 > 0$ .

Applying Proposition 8.6 to  $\mathscr{S}_1$ , we obtain relations on  $a_1$  and r (the same notations q and  $\zeta$  are used). Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a finite subset of  $\mathscr{P}$  and n=1,2. Then, for  $N \in \mathscr{F}$  and  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$ , consider  $\alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in R^{pr}(N^np^n)$  such that  $\alpha.\mathscr{S}_1 = \mathscr{S}_1$ . The case  $\eta = 0$  is straightforward. If  $\eta \neq 0$ , we proceed as in the proof of Proposition 8.6 and obtain a similar system of three algebraic equations. From this system we deduce that except for finitely many

primes p: if  $q \neq 0$  then  $a(1-4b|\zeta|^2)$  is a square modulo p; if q = 0 then  $b|\eta_1|^2$  is a square modulo p, where  $\eta_1$  is a fixed non null integer of  $\mathbb{F}$  that depends only on  $a_1$ . Therefore, after proving that the above quantites are not squares in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , we deduce from Theorem 3.1 that

**Proposition 8.7** Let  $\mathscr{S} = S(a_1, r) \neq S^o$  be a  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  and  $\mathscr{F}$  be a finite subset of  $\mathscr{P}$ . There exists infinitely many primes  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  such that

$$\forall N \in \mathscr{F} \qquad \forall \alpha \in R^{pr}(Np) \cup R^{pr}(N^2p^2) \qquad \alpha \cdot \mathscr{S} \neq \mathscr{S}$$
 (8.9)

• First we need a technical lemma for both Propositions:

**Lemma 8.1** Let  $\mathscr{C}_1 = C(a_1, r_1)$  and  $\mathscr{C}_2 = C(a_2, r_2)$  be two circles of  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{pr}(N)$  with  $\eta \neq 0$  such that  $\alpha(\mathscr{C}_1) = \mathscr{C}_2$ . Then

$$\exists \varepsilon = \pm 1 \qquad \begin{cases} b(r_1 \,\overline{\eta} \, a_2 - \varepsilon \, r_2 \, \eta \, \overline{a_1}) &= (r_1 + \varepsilon r_2) \xi \\ b^2 \, r_1^2 \, |\eta|^2 - |\xi + b \, \eta \, \overline{a_1}|^2 &= N \varepsilon \, \frac{r_1}{r_2} \\ |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 &= N \end{cases}$$
(8.15)

*Proof*: assume the hypothesis of the Lemma. We have

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \alpha(z) = \frac{\xi z + \eta}{b\overline{\eta}z + \overline{\xi}} = \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} + \frac{b|\eta|^2 - |\xi|^2}{b\overline{\eta} \left(b\overline{\eta}z + \overline{\xi}\right)} = \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} - \frac{N}{b\overline{\eta} \left(b\overline{\eta}z + \overline{\xi}\right)}$$

so that

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \alpha(z) = \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} + \frac{k}{z - \zeta} \quad \text{where} \quad k = -\frac{N}{b^2\overline{\eta}^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta = -\overline{\xi}/b\overline{\eta}$$
 (8.10)

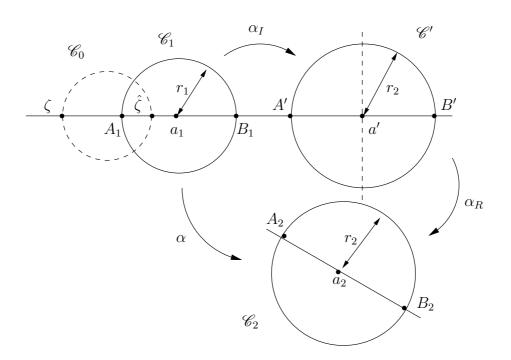


Figure 4: Action of  $\alpha$  on  $\mathcal{C}_1$ 

Note that  $\zeta \notin \mathscr{C}_1$  otherwise  $\alpha(\zeta) = \infty \in \mathscr{C}_2$  and that cannot happen. Relation (8.10) implies that  $\alpha = \alpha_R \circ \alpha_I$  where  $\alpha_I : z \longmapsto \zeta + |k|/(\overline{z} - \overline{\zeta})$  is an inversion of center  $\zeta$  and  $\alpha_R$  is an orientation reversing euclidean isometry of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

First we assume that  $\zeta \neq a_1$ . We denote by  $\operatorname{Inv}_{\mathscr{C}_1}$  the inversion of circle  $\mathscr{C}_1$ . Let us set  $\hat{\zeta} = \operatorname{Inv}_{\mathscr{C}_1}(\zeta) = a_1 + r_1^2/(\overline{\zeta} - \overline{a_1})$ : all the circles passing through  $\zeta$  and  $\hat{\zeta}$  are then orthogonal to  $\mathscr{C}_1$  because they are invariant under  $\operatorname{Inv}_{\mathscr{C}_1}$ . Let  $\mathscr{C}_0$  be such a circle:  $\alpha_I.\mathscr{C}_0$  is a line orthogonal to  $\alpha_I.\mathscr{C}_1 = \mathscr{C}'$ , hence it is a diameter. Therefore  $\alpha_I(\hat{\zeta}) = a'$  – intersection of all the diameters of  $\mathscr{C}'$  – is the center of  $\mathscr{C}'$ , so that  $\alpha(\hat{\zeta}) = a_2$  is the center of  $\mathscr{C}_2$ . Now we set

$$(\zeta, a_1) \cap \mathscr{C}_1 = \{A_1, B_1\} \qquad (\zeta, a_1) \cap \mathscr{C}' = \{A', B'\}$$

We take here as a convention that the points  $A_1$  and  $\zeta$  are on the same side of  $a_1$  on the line  $(\zeta, a_1)$ , and that  $B_1$  and  $\zeta$  are on opposite sides. We have  $A' = \alpha_I(B_1)$ ,  $B' = \alpha_I(A_1)$  and

$$A_1 - \zeta = \frac{a_1 - \zeta}{|a_1 - \zeta|} \left( |a_1 - \zeta| - r_1 \right), \quad B_1 - \zeta = \frac{a_1 - \zeta}{|a_1 - \zeta|} \left( |a_1 - \zeta| + r_1 \right)$$
 (8.11)

whence

$$A' = \zeta + \frac{|a_1 - \zeta|}{\overline{a_1} - \overline{\zeta}} \frac{|k|}{|a_1 - \zeta| + r_1} \quad \text{and} \quad B' = \zeta + \frac{|a_1 - \zeta|}{\overline{a_1} - \overline{\zeta}} \frac{|k|}{|a_1 - \zeta| - r_1}$$
(8.12)

Therefore  $2r_2 = |A' - B'| = 2|k|r_1/||a_1 - \zeta|^2 - r_1^2|$ . We set  $\varepsilon = 1$  if  $\zeta$  is inside of  $\mathscr{C}_1$  and  $\varepsilon = -1$  otherwise, so that  $r_2 = \varepsilon |k|$ 

$$\frac{r_2}{r_1} = \frac{\varepsilon |k|}{r_1^2 - |a_1 - \zeta|^2} \tag{8.13}$$

We have  $\hat{\zeta} - \zeta = a_1 - \zeta + r_1^2/(\overline{\zeta} - \overline{a_1}) = (r_1^2 - |a_1 - \zeta|^2)/(\overline{\zeta} - \overline{a_1}) = \varepsilon |k| r_1/r_2(\overline{\zeta} - \overline{a_1})$ . Thus, according to relation (8.10),  $\alpha(\hat{\zeta}) = \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} + \frac{\varepsilon(\overline{\zeta} - \overline{a_1}) k r_2}{r_1 |k|}$ 

Besides we have  $|k|=N/b^2|\eta|^2$  so that  $k/|k|=-|\eta|^2/\overline{\eta}^2=-\eta/\overline{\eta}$  and

$$\alpha(\hat{\zeta}) = \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} - \varepsilon \frac{\eta}{\overline{\eta}} \frac{r_2}{r_1} (\overline{\zeta} - \overline{a_1}) = a_2$$
 (8.14)

whence

$$b(r_1\overline{\eta}a_2 - \varepsilon r_2\eta\overline{a_1}) = (r_1 + \varepsilon r_2)\xi \tag{8.15}$$

Injecting  $\zeta = -\overline{\xi}/b\overline{\eta}$  and  $|k| = N/b^2|\eta|^2$  in relation (8.13) we deduce that

$$b^{2}r_{1}^{2}|\eta|^{2} - |\xi + b\eta \overline{a}_{1}|^{2} = N\varepsilon \frac{r_{1}}{r_{2}}$$
(8.16)

Finally the computation of the norm of  $\alpha$  provides the relation

$$|\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 = N \tag{8.17}$$

In the case  $\zeta=a_1=-\overline{\xi}/b\overline{\eta}$ , we have  $\varepsilon=1$ ,  $\hat{\zeta}=\infty$  and  $\alpha(\hat{\zeta})=\xi/b\overline{\eta}=a_2$  so that the relation (8.15) is still satisfied. Moreover  $\mathscr{C}'=C(a_1,r_2)$ : as  $\alpha_I.C(a_1,r_1)=C(a_1,r_2)$ , then we have  $|k|=r_1r_2=N/b^2|\eta|^2$  whence relation (8.16). So in each case we finally obtain the system of three equations (8.15), (8.16) and (8.17), which ends the proof of the Lemma. We shall prove a converse in Appendix B.

• Proof of Proposition 8.6: consider a hyperbolic element  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  such that  $\gamma(\mathscr{C}) = \mathscr{C} = C(a_1, r)$ . If  $a_1 = 0$ , then  $\gamma . C(0, r) = C(0, r)$  i.e.  $\forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}, |\gamma(re^{i\theta})| = r$ . Therefore

$$\forall \theta \in \mathbb{R} \qquad \left| \xi \, r \, e^{i\theta} + \eta \right| = r \left| \xi + b \, \eta \, r \, e^{-i\theta} \right| = \left| \xi \, r \, e^{i\theta} + b \, r^2 \, \eta \right| \tag{8.18}$$

By taking the maxima of both sides of this equality considered as functions of  $e^{i\theta} \in S^1$ , we get  $r |\xi| + |\eta| = r |\xi| + b r^2 |\eta|$ . As  $\eta \neq 0$  by hyperbolicity of  $\gamma$ , then  $1 = b r^2$  so that  $r = 1/\sqrt{b}$  and  $\mathscr{S} = S^o$ , a contradiction with the definition of  $\mathscr{S}$ . Hence  $a_1 \neq 0$ . We assume in the sequel that  $q = 1 + b(|a_1|^2 - r^2) \neq 0$ .

By Lemma 8.1, the relation  $\gamma(\mathscr{C}) = \mathscr{C}$  leads to

$$\exists \varepsilon = \pm 1 \qquad \begin{cases} b(\overline{\eta} a_1 - \varepsilon \eta \overline{a_1}) &= (1 + \varepsilon) \xi \\ b^2 r^2 |\eta|^2 - |\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1}|^2 &= \varepsilon \\ |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 &= 1 \end{cases}$$
(8.15')

If  $\varepsilon = 1$ , then from (8.15') we get  $\xi = i b \operatorname{Im}(\overline{\eta} a)$  so that  $\operatorname{Re}(\xi) = 0$ , which contradicts the hyperbolicity of  $\gamma$ . Therefore  $\varepsilon = -1$  and relation (8.15') implies that  $\operatorname{Re}(\overline{\eta} a_1) = 0$ . From relations (8.16') and (8.17') we deduce that

$$|\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1}|^2 - b^2 r^2 |\eta|^2 = 1 = |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2$$

and

$$|\xi|^2 + 2b\operatorname{Re}(\xi \overline{\eta} a_1) + b^2(|a_1|^2 - r^2)|\eta|^2 = |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2$$

As  $2b\operatorname{Re}(\xi \overline{\eta} a_1) = b\left(\xi \overline{\eta} a_1 + \overline{\xi} \eta \overline{a_1}\right) = b\left(\xi - \overline{\xi}\right) \overline{\eta} a_1$  and  $\eta \neq 0$ , we deduce from the above equation that  $\left(\xi - \overline{\xi}\right) a_1 + \left[\underbrace{1 + b\left(|a_1|^2 - r^2\right)}_{a_1}\right] \eta = 0 \tag{8.19}$ 

De facto  $\xi - \overline{\xi} \neq 0$ :  $\zeta = a_1/q = \eta/(\overline{\xi} - \xi) \in \mathbb{F}^*$  and  $\eta = (\overline{\xi} - \xi) \zeta = -2i \operatorname{Im}(\xi) \zeta$ . Injecting this in (8.17') we obtain

$$1 = \text{Re}(\xi)^{2} + (1 - 4b|\zeta|^{2}) \text{Im}(\xi)^{2}$$

Setting  $2 \operatorname{Re}(\xi) = X \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \operatorname{Im}(\xi) / \sqrt{-a} = Y^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ , we get  $X^2 - a (1 - 4b |\zeta|^2) Y^{-2} = 4$  whence

$$\exists (X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q} \qquad a(1 - 4b|\zeta|^2) = Y^2(X^2 - 4) > 0$$
 (8.20)

because  $Y \neq 0$  and  $X^2 = \text{Tr}^2(\gamma) > 4$  as  $\gamma$  is hyperbolic. This ends the proof.

• Proof of Proposition 8.7: fix n=1, 2; let us consider a prime  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p(2abDD') = 0$  and

$$\exists N \in \mathscr{F} \qquad \exists \alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in R^{pr}(N^n p^n) \qquad \alpha \mathscr{S} = \mathscr{S} = S(a_1, r)$$
 (8.21)

Keep in mind that  $\mathscr S$  being a  $\Gamma_{\!\scriptscriptstyle R}$ -closed it gs of  $\mathbb H^3,\ a_1\neq 0$  by Proposition 8.6.

• If  $\eta = 0$ , then  $\alpha.(z,t) = (\xi z/\overline{\xi}t)$  for any  $(z,t) \in \mathbb{H}^3$ :  $\alpha$  acts as an euclidean rotation of the space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Therefore  $a_1 = \alpha.a_1 = \xi a_1/\overline{\xi} \neq 0$  and  $\xi/\overline{\xi} = 1$ : hence  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $\alpha = \xi = \pm Np \in pR$  and cannot be primitive in R, a contradiction.

• Since  $\eta \neq 0$ , we can proceed as in the proof of Proposition 8.6 : we set  $\mathscr{C} = C(a_1, r)$ ; then  $\alpha(\mathscr{C}) = \mathscr{C}$  whence by Lemma 8.1

$$\exists \varepsilon = \pm 1 \qquad \begin{cases} b(\overline{\eta} a_1 - \varepsilon \eta \overline{a_1}) &= (1 + \varepsilon)\xi \\ b^2 r^2 |\eta|^2 - |\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1}|^2 &= \varepsilon N^n p^n \\ |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 &= N^n p^n \end{cases}$$
(8.15")

• If  $\varepsilon = -1$  then from relation (8.15") we get  $\overline{\eta} a_1 + \eta \overline{a_1} = 2 \operatorname{Re}(\eta \overline{a_1}) = 0$ . We proceed as with relation (6.3): there exists  $\eta_1 \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$  fixed (depending only on  $a_1$ ) such that

$$\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{Q} \quad \eta = \lambda \, \eta_1 \tag{8.22}$$

Using the relations (8.16") and (8.17"), we get  $|\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1}|^2 - b^2 r^2 |\eta|^2 = |\xi|^2 - b |\eta|^2$  whence  $2 b \operatorname{Re}(\xi \overline{\eta} a_1) + b |\eta|^2 [1 + b (|a_1|^2 - r^2)] = 0$  i.e.  $2 \operatorname{Re}(\xi \overline{\eta} a_1) + q |\eta|^2 = 0$  and

$$2\operatorname{Re}\left(\xi\,\overline{\eta_1}\,a_1\right) = -\lambda\,q\,|\eta_1|^2\tag{8.23}$$

Let us assume for the moment that  $q \neq 0$ . By Proposition 8.6, we have  $\zeta = a_1/q \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\xi \overline{\eta_1} \zeta \in \mathbb{F}$ , so that  $\exists \mu \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $2i \operatorname{Im}(\xi \overline{\eta_1} \zeta) = \mu \sqrt{a}$ . Therefore  $2\xi \overline{\eta_1} \zeta = -\lambda |\eta_1|^2 + \mu \sqrt{a}$  and  $4|\xi \eta_1 \zeta|^2 = \lambda^2 |\eta_1|^4 - a \mu^2$ . Injecting this in relation (8.17") we get

$$4 N^{n} p^{n} |\eta_{1}|^{2} |\zeta|^{2} = 4 |\xi \eta_{1} \zeta|^{2} - 4 b |\eta|^{2} |\eta_{1}|^{2} |\zeta|^{2}$$
$$= -a \mu^{2} + \lambda^{2} |\eta_{1}|^{4} (1 - 4 b |\zeta|^{2})$$

For  $\lambda = l/r$ ,  $\mu = m/r \in \mathbb{Q}$  with integers l, m, r satisfying  $l \wedge m \wedge r = 1$ , this relation becomes after multiplication of both sides by  $a r^2$ 

$$a (1 - 4b |\zeta|^2) (l |\eta_1|^2)^2 = 4a |\eta_1|^2 |\zeta|^2 r^2 N^n p^n + a^2 m^2$$
(8.24)

We know that  $1 - 4b|\zeta|^2 \neq 0$ . For a prime p such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p(1 - 4b|\zeta|^2) = \operatorname{ord}_p|\zeta|^2 = \operatorname{ord}_p|\eta_1|^2 = 0$ , we see from relation (8.24) that  $l \equiv 0[p]$  if and only if  $m \equiv 0[p]$ . If  $l \equiv 0[p]$  then  $2r\xi\overline{\eta_1}\zeta = \left(-l|\eta|^2 + m\sqrt{a}\right) \in p\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$ , with  $r \not\equiv 0[p]$  because  $l \wedge m \wedge r = 1$ , and  $r\eta = l\eta_1 \in p\mathscr{O}_{\mathbb{F}}$ : hence  $\alpha = \xi + \eta\Omega \in pR$ , which contradicts the choice of  $\alpha$  primitive. Therefore  $l \not\equiv 0[p]$  and relation (8.24) implies that  $a(1 - 4b|\zeta|^2)$  is a square modulo p.

If q=0 then from relation (8.23) we get  $\operatorname{Re}(\xi \overline{\eta_1} a_1) = 0 = -\operatorname{Im}(\xi) \operatorname{Im}(\overline{\eta_1} a_1)$  whence  $\operatorname{Im}(\xi) = 0$  (because  $\overline{\eta_1} a_1 \in i\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ). Therefore we have  $\xi = \mu \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\eta = \lambda \eta_1$  so that  $N^n p^n = \mu^2 - b |\eta_1|^2 \lambda^2$  by relation (8.17") whence

$$\exists (l, m, r) \in \mathbb{Z}^3, \quad l \wedge m \wedge r = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad r^2 N^n p^n = m^2 - b |\eta_1|^2 l^2$$
 (8.25)

Given a prime p such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p |\eta_1|^2 = 0$  we have  $l \equiv 0 [p] \iff m \equiv 0 [p] \iff \alpha \in pR$  as in the case  $q_1 \neq 0$ , in contradiction with the primitivity of  $\alpha$ . Thus  $l \not\equiv 0 [p]$  and relation (8.25) implies that the integer  $b |\eta_1|^2$  is a square modulo p.

• If  $\varepsilon = 1$  then relation (8.15") implies  $\xi = b(\overline{\eta} a_1 - \eta \overline{a_1})/2 = i b \operatorname{Im}(\overline{\eta} a_1) \in i \mathbb{R}$  and  $\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1} = b(\overline{\eta} a_1 + \eta \overline{a_1})/2 = b \operatorname{Re}(\overline{\eta} a_1) \in \mathbb{R}$ . Using relations (8.16") and (8.17") we get  $N^n p^n = b^2 r_1^2 |\eta|^2 - b^2 \operatorname{Re}^2(\eta \overline{a_1}) = b^2 \operatorname{Im}^2(\eta \overline{a_1}) - b |\eta|^2$  so that  $b^2 |\eta|^2 (r_1^2 - |a_1|^2) = -b |\eta|^2 \neq 0$  whence

$$b(|a_1|^2 - r_1^2) = 1$$
 and  $q = 2$  (8.26)

Therefore,  $a_1 = 2 \zeta \in \mathbb{F}^*$  (cf. Proposition 8.6). We can set  $\eta \overline{a_1} = X + Y \sqrt{a}$  with  $X, Y \in \mathbb{Q}$ . After multiplication of both sides by  $|a_1|^2$ , relation (8.17") becomes

$$|a_1|^2 N^n p^n = -a b^2 |a_1|^2 Y^2 - b (X^2 - a Y^2) = b \left[ a (1 - b |a_1|^2) Y^2 - X^2 \right]$$

For a prime p such that  $\operatorname{ord}_p|a_1|^2=0=\operatorname{ord}_p(1-b|a_1|^2)$ , we can as before conclude that  $a(1-b|a_1|^2)=a(1-4b|\zeta|^2)$  is a square modulo p.

• We can now end the proof of the Proposition : if q = 0,  $\eta_1 \in \mathbb{F}^*$  and by Lemma 4.1 that  $\operatorname{ord}_b(|\eta_1|^2)$  is even, whence  $b|\eta_1|^2$  is not a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Therefore there exists infinitely many primes p such that  $b|\eta_1|^2$  is not a square modulo p (cf. section 3.1.2).

If  $q \neq 0$ , we know by Proposition 8.6 that  $a\left(1-4\,b\,|\zeta|^2\right) = (X^2-4)\,Y^2 > 0$  with  $(X,Y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q}$ . As we saw in the proof of Proposition 8.5,  $X^2-4$  is a square in  $\mathbb{Z}$  if and only if  $X=\pm 2$  i.e.  $X^2-4=0$ , which cannot happen here. Hence  $a\left(1-4\,b\,|\zeta|^2\right)$  is not a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and there exists once again infinitely many primes p such that  $a\left(1-4\,b\,|\zeta|^2\right)$  is not a square modulo p.

Therefore, after the exclusion of the prime factors of a finite set of rational numbers, we still have infinitely many primes p for which relation (8.21) cannot be satisfied, whence  $\forall N \in \mathcal{F}, \ \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{pr}(N^np^n), \ \alpha.\mathcal{S} \neq \mathcal{S}$ . This ends the proof of the Proposition.

#### 8.3 Synthesis

• Let us take  $\Sigma_1, \ldots, \Sigma_l$   $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs of  $X_R$  admitting itgs  $\mathscr{S}_1, \ldots, \mathscr{S}_l$  as liftings to  $\mathbb{H}^3$ , with  $\mathscr{S}_1 \neq S^o$ , to which we apply Proposition 5.2. Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be the finite subset of  $\mathscr{P}$  given by this Proposition. We know by Propositions 8.5 and 8.7 – whether  $\mathscr{S}_1$  is a half-plane or a half-sphere – that there are infinitely many primes  $p \in \mathscr{P} \backslash \mathscr{F}$  such that

$$\forall N \in \mathscr{F} \quad \forall \alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in R^{pr}(Np) \cup R^{pr}(N^n p^n) \qquad \alpha \cdot \mathscr{S}_1 \neq \mathscr{S}_1$$
 (8.27)

whence, by Proposition 5.2

**Proposition 8.8** Let  $\mathscr{S}_1, \ldots, \mathscr{S}_l$  – with  $\mathscr{S}_1 \neq S^o$  – be  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . There exists infinitely many primes  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  such that

$$\forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall i \in \{1 \dots l\} \qquad \alpha \cdot \mathcal{S}_1 \neq \mathcal{S}_i$$
 (8.28)

## 9 Conclusion

#### Proof of Proposition 5.1

We consider a manifold  $X_R$  of class  $(K_2^S)$  and  $\Lambda \subset X_R$  a non-empty set that has not type  $(S^o)$  such that  $\Lambda \subset z_1 \cup \ldots \cup z_l \cup L_1 \cup \ldots \cup L_r \cup \Sigma_1 \cup \ldots \cup \Sigma_s$ 

where the  $z_i$  are points, the  $L_j$  are closed geodesics and the  $\Sigma_k$  are  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs of  $X_R$ . We assume moreover that  $\operatorname{area}(\Lambda) \neq 0$  if  $s \geq 1$ . We look for a modular correspondence  $\mathscr{C}_p$  separating  $\Lambda$  (see section 1.1 for definitions).

•  $\Lambda$  is finite: then we have  $\Lambda = \{z_1, \ldots, z_l\}$ . Let us denote by  $\tilde{z}_1, \ldots, \tilde{z}_l$  liftings of these points of  $X_R$  to  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . By Proposition 6.1

$$\exists p \in \mathscr{P} \quad \forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall i = 1 \dots l \qquad \alpha \, \tilde{z}_1 \neq \tilde{z}_i \tag{9.1}$$

As in section 1.4, we deduce that there exists a prime p such that  $\mathscr{C}_p$  separates  $\Lambda$ .

•  $\Lambda$  is infinite and contained in a finite union of closed geodesics: then we can write  $\Lambda \subset L_1 \cup \ldots \cup L_r$  where the  $L_j$  are closed geodesics, and assume that  $\Lambda \cap L_1$  is infinite. Let the geodesics  $\tilde{L}_1, \ldots, \tilde{L}_r$  be liftings to  $\mathbb{H}^3$  of the  $L_j$ . By Proposition 7.1

$$\exists p \in \mathscr{P} \quad \forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall j = 1 \dots r \qquad \alpha . \tilde{L}_1 \neq \tilde{L}_j$$
 (9.2)

As in section 1.4, we deduce that there exists a prime p such that  $\mathscr{C}_p$  separates  $\Lambda$ .

•  $\Lambda$  is contained in a finite union of  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs and  $\operatorname{area}(\Lambda) \neq 0$ : as  $\Lambda$  has not type  $(S^o)$ , we can write  $\Lambda \subset \Sigma_1 \cup \ldots \cup \Sigma_s$  where the  $\Sigma_k$  are  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs,  $\Sigma_1 \neq S^o$  and  $\operatorname{area}(\Sigma_1 \cap \Lambda) \neq 0$ . Let the itgs  $\mathscr{S}_1, \ldots, \mathscr{S}_s$  be liftings of the  $\Sigma_k$  to  $\mathbb{H}^3$ . As  $\mathscr{S}_1 \neq S^o$ , then by Proposition 8.8

$$\exists p \in \mathscr{P} \quad \forall \alpha \in R(p) \cup R^{pr}(p^2) \quad \forall k = 1 \dots r \qquad \alpha \cdot \mathscr{S}_1 \neq \mathscr{S}_k \tag{9.3}$$

Let  $p \in \mathscr{P}$  be such a prime :  $\mathscr{C}_p(\Sigma_1)$  and  $\mathscr{C}_{p^2}(\Sigma_1)$  consist of  $\Gamma_R$  - closed itgs all distinct from the  $\Sigma_k$ . Therefore by Lemma 4.3 the sets

$$\mu_1 = \mathscr{C}_p(\Sigma_1) \cap (\Sigma_1 \cup \ldots \cup \Sigma_l)$$
 and  $\mu_2 = \mathscr{C}_{p^2}(\Sigma_1) \cap (\Sigma_1 \cup \ldots \cup \Sigma_l)$ 

have zero area. Hence

$$\nu_1 = \left\{ \left. z \in X_{\scriptscriptstyle R} \left/ \, \mathscr{C}_p(z) \cap \mu_1 \neq \emptyset \right. \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_2 = \left. \left\{ \left. z \in X_{\scriptscriptstyle R} \left/ \, \mathscr{C}_{p^2}(z) \cap \mu_2 \neq \emptyset \right. \right\} \right.$$

have zero area, so that there exists  $z \in \Lambda \cap \Sigma_1 \setminus (\nu_1 \cup \nu_2)$ . Let  $\tilde{z}$  be a lifting of z to  $\mathbb{H}^3$  and  $w = \Gamma_R \alpha_1 \tilde{z} \in \mathscr{C}_p(z) \subset \mathscr{C}_p(\Sigma_1)$ . As in section 1.4 (infinite case), we show that  $w \notin \Lambda$  and  $\mathscr{C}_p(w) \cap \Lambda = \{z\} : \mathscr{C}_p$  separates  $\Lambda$ . This ends the proof of Proposition 5.1.

#### Proof of Theorem 5.1

Let us take  $\Lambda \subset X_R$  satisfying the statement of Proposition 5.1: there is a modular correspondence  $\mathscr{C}$  separating  $\Lambda$ . Let  $\nu$  be a quantum limit on  $X_R$  which is – we make the same assumption as in section 1.4 – associated to a sequence of eigenfunctions of  $\Delta$  and  $\{T_n\}$ , hence of  $T = T_C$ . From Proposition 1.1, we deduce that singsupp  $\nu \neq \Lambda$ , which finally proves Theorem 5.1.

# A Of closed itgs in $X_R$

Let us assume that  $\mathscr{S} \neq S^o$  is a closed itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  for  $\Gamma_R$ : by Proposition 4.3, there exists a compact subset  $\mathscr{F} \subset \mathscr{S}$  and a subgroup  $\Gamma_0 \subset \Gamma_R$  such that  $\mathscr{S} = \Gamma_0 \mathscr{F}$  *i.e.* 

$$\forall x \in \mathscr{S} \qquad \exists \gamma \in \Gamma_0 \qquad \gamma . x \in \mathscr{F} \tag{1.1}$$

We set  $t_0 = \inf\{t / (z, t) \in \mathscr{F}\} = \min\{t / (z, t) \in \mathscr{F}\} > 0$  since  $\mathscr{F}$  is compact in  $\mathbb{H}^3$ .

## A.1 The half-spheres

We shall write  $\mathscr{S} = S(a_1, r)$ , with  $a_1 \in \mathbb{C}$  and r > 0. By Proposition 8.6,  $a_1 \neq 0$ ; we fix

$$(z,t) = \left(a_1 \left[1 + \frac{\sqrt{r^2 - t^2}}{|a_1|}\right], t\right) \in \mathscr{S} \quad \text{with} \quad 0 < t < t_0$$

Now take any  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_0$ . If  $\eta \neq 0$ , we deduce from relation (8.15') – see the proof of Proposition 8.6 – that  $\overline{\eta}a_1 \in i\mathbb{R}^*$ ; moreover

$$\gamma.(z,t) = (\tilde{z},\tilde{t}) = \left(*, \frac{t}{|\xi + b\eta \overline{z}|^2 + b^2 |\eta|^2 t^2}\right)$$

$$\tag{1.2}$$

by relation (2.3). As  $\eta \overline{z} \in i\mathbb{R}$ , we have  $|\xi + b\eta \overline{z}|^2 \geq \operatorname{Re}(\xi)^2 > 1$  by hyperbolicity of  $\gamma$ : hence  $\tilde{t} < t < t_0$  so that  $\gamma.(z,t) = (\tilde{z},\tilde{t}) \notin \mathscr{F}$ . If  $\eta = 0$  then  $\gamma = \pm I_2$  and  $\gamma.(z,t) = (z,t) \notin \mathscr{F}$ . Therefore  $\exists x \in \mathscr{S} \quad \forall \gamma \in \Gamma_0 \quad \gamma.x \notin \mathscr{F}$ 

a contradiction with relation (1.1).

## A.2 The half-planes

We shall write  $\mathscr{S} = \mathscr{D} \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$ . Let  $\gamma_0 = \xi_0 + \eta_0 \Omega \in \Gamma_0$  with  $\eta_0 \neq 0$ : by relation (8.2) we have

 $\mathscr{D} = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} / \operatorname{Im}(b \, \overline{\eta_0} \, z) = \operatorname{Im}(\xi_0) \right\}$ 

We set

$$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \qquad z_{\lambda} = \frac{-\overline{\xi_0}}{b\overline{\eta_0}} + \frac{\lambda}{b\overline{\eta_0}} \in \mathscr{D}$$

Take any  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_0$ . If  $\eta \neq 0$  then

$$\xi + b\eta \overline{z_{\lambda}} = \xi - \frac{\xi_0 \eta}{\eta_0} + \frac{\lambda \eta}{\eta_0} = \eta \left[ \frac{\xi}{\eta} - \frac{\xi_0}{\eta_0} + \frac{\lambda}{\eta_0} \right]$$
 (1.3)

Since  $\gamma \in R$ ,  $D'^2 |\eta|^2 \in \mathbb{N}$  whence  $D'^2 |\eta|^2 \ge 1$ : therefore

 $N(\gamma) = |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 = 1 \implies \left|\frac{\xi}{\eta}\right|^2 = b + \frac{1}{|\eta^2|} \le b + D'^2$ 

and

$$\forall \gamma \in \Gamma_{R} \qquad \left| \frac{\xi}{\eta} - \frac{\xi_{0}}{\eta_{0}} \right|^{2} \leq 2 \left( b + D^{\prime 2} \right) \tag{1.4}$$

Now fix  $\lambda > \left[\sqrt{2\left(b+D'^2\right)} + D'\right]|\eta_0|$  and  $t \in ]0, t_0[$ ; by relations (1.4) and (1.3) we have  $|\xi + b\eta\overline{z_{\lambda}}|^2 > D'^2|\eta|^2 > 1$ : therefore – by relation (1.2) –  $\gamma.(z_{\lambda},t) \notin \mathscr{F}$ . If  $\eta = 0$  then  $\gamma.(z_{\lambda},t) = (z_{\lambda},t) \notin \mathscr{F}$  and we finally get the same contradiction with (1.1) as before.

## A.3 Synthesis

So we have just proved that for any  $(K_2^S)$ -manifold  $X_R$ , there is only one possible closed itgs, the projection of  $S^o = S(0, 1/\sqrt{b})$  in  $X_R$ .

We shall prove that this itgs is indeed closed:  $\Gamma_R$  acts on the hyperbolic surface  $S^o$  – which is equivalent to  $\mathbb{H}^2$  – as a subgroup of its direct isometries; we proceed exactly the same way as in [2] to prove that  $\Gamma_R \backslash S^o$  is compact for R a maximal order in an indefinite division quaternion algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

• Set  $\mathfrak{I} = \mathbb{Z}[i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4]$  and  $\mathfrak{J} = \mathbb{R}[i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4] = \mathfrak{I} \otimes \mathbb{R} = \mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R}$ ; for the mapping  $\varphi$  defined in section 3.2 we have  $\Gamma_R \stackrel{\varphi}{\simeq} \mathfrak{I}(1)$  and  $G_R \stackrel{\varphi}{\simeq} \mathfrak{J}(1)$  where

$$G_{R} = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} \xi & \eta \\ b\overline{\eta} & \overline{\xi} \end{array} \right) \in \mathcal{M}(2, \mathbb{C}) / |\xi|^{2} - b |\eta|^{2} = 1 \right\}$$

$$(1.5)$$

is the group of isometries induced by  $\mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R}$ . We already know from relation (4.6) that  $\forall \gamma \in \Gamma_R, \ \gamma.S^o = S^o$  whence  $\gamma.\left(0, 1/\sqrt{b}\right) \in S^o$ . Further:

Lemma 1.1 We define by

$$\psi : \left| \begin{array}{ccc} G_{\scriptscriptstyle R} & \longrightarrow & S^o \\ \gamma & \longmapsto & \gamma . \left( 0, \, 1/\sqrt{b} \right) \end{array} \right.$$

a continuous surjection. Set  $\mathcal{M}_c = \{ \xi + \eta \Omega \in G_R / |\xi| \le c, |\eta| \le c \}$ : for every c > 0, the set  $\psi(\mathcal{M}_c)$  is compact.

 $Proof: \text{ For } \gamma = \xi + \eta \, \Omega \in G_{\!\scriptscriptstyle R}, \ |\xi|^2 = 1 + b \, |\eta|^2 \text{ so that}$ 

$$\gamma. \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{b} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} - \frac{1}{b\overline{\eta}} \frac{\xi}{|\xi|^2 + b|\eta|^2} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{b} (|\xi|^2 + b|\eta|^2)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1 + 2b |\eta|^2} \right) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{b} (1 + 2b |\eta|^2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

whence

$$\forall \gamma \in G_{\mathbb{R}} \qquad \psi(\gamma) = \left(\frac{2 \xi \eta}{1 + 2 b |\eta|^2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{b} (1 + 2 b |\eta|^2)}\right) \in S^o$$
 (1.6)

It is easy to see that we obtain all the points of  $S^o$  when  $(|\eta|, \operatorname{Arg} \xi \eta)$  runs  $[0, +\infty] \times [-\pi, \pi]$ , so that  $\psi$  is a surjection. From its above expression, it is moreover obvious that  $\psi$  is continuous on  $G_R$ . For all c > 0,  $\mathscr{M}_c$  is a compact subset of  $\operatorname{M}(2, \mathbb{C})$  so that  $\psi(\mathscr{M}_c)$  is compact.

Note that  $\forall \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in G_R$ ,  $\psi(\gamma_1.\gamma_2) = \gamma_1.\psi(\gamma_2)$  from the definition of  $\psi$ .

- Let us now consider elements  $\xi = x_1i_1 + x_2i_2 + x_3i_3 + x_4i_4$  with  $\forall j, x_j \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $N(\xi) = 1$ , and set  $M_c = \{ \xi \in \mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R} / \forall j, |x_j| \leq c \} \cap \{ \xi : N(\xi) = 1 \}$  for c > 0. Then we have (see [2])
- **Lemma 1.2** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be an indefinite division algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathfrak{I} = \mathbb{Z}[i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4]$  a maximal order of  $\mathfrak{A}$ . There exists c > 0 fixed such that

$$\forall \xi \in \mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R} \text{ with } N(\xi) = 1 \qquad \exists \varepsilon \in \mathfrak{I}(1) \qquad \varepsilon \xi = \eta \in M_c$$

By application of the mapping  $\varphi$ , we obtain from the above relation

$$\exists c > 0 \qquad \forall \gamma \in G_{\mathbb{R}} \qquad \exists \gamma_0 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} \qquad \gamma_0 \gamma = \gamma_1 \in \mathcal{M}_c$$

so that

$$\exists c > 0 \qquad \forall \gamma \in G_{\mathbb{R}} \qquad \exists \gamma_0 \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}} \qquad \gamma_0 \cdot \psi(\gamma) = \psi(\gamma_0 \cdot \gamma) \in \psi(\mathscr{M}_c)$$

By Proposition 1.1

$$\forall x \in S^o \qquad \exists \gamma \in G_{\mathbb{R}} \qquad x = \psi(\gamma)$$

and the set  $\mathscr{F} = \psi(\mathscr{M}_c)$  is a compact subset of  $S^o$  such that

$$\forall x \in S^o \qquad \exists \gamma_0 \in \Gamma_{\!\scriptscriptstyle R} \qquad \gamma_0.x \in \mathscr{F} \qquad i.e. \qquad S^o = \Gamma_{\!\scriptscriptstyle R} \mathscr{F}$$

which leads to

**Proposition 1.1** For any  $(K_2^S)$  - manifold  $X_R$ , the half-sphere  $S^o = S(0, 1/\sqrt{b})$  is the only closed itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  for  $\Gamma_R$ ; its projection in  $X_R$  is then compact.

#### A.4 Complement: the case a > 0

• One could think that the (arbitrary) choice of a < 0 made in section 4 is the cause of the lack of closed itgs in  $X_R$ . But that would be a mistake, as we shall see in the sequel. We define a class  $(K_1^S)$  of quotients manifolds  $X_R$  by taking

$$a \in \mathbb{Z}$$
  $b \in \mathscr{P}$   $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = -1$   $\left(\frac{-1}{b}\right) = 1$   $\left(\frac{-3}{b}\right) = 1$  (1.7)

For example, we can take a=2 and b=13; in fact, we just have to take the opposite of a to get from the  $(K_2^S)$ -manifolds to the  $(K_1^S)$  ones. We have the same properties as in section 4 – they are consequences of relation (1.7) – except that the conjugation in  $\mathbb F$  does not coincide with the complex conjugation anymore. For the definition of the  $\Gamma_R$ -closed itgs, we shall moreover impose that the hyperbolic elements  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega$  considered satisfy  $\eta \neq 0$ .

• This time, the particular itgs that is left invariant under the action of all the isometries induced by  $\mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R}$  is  $P^o = \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j} \simeq \mathbb{H}^2$ . Indeed,  $\mathfrak{A} \otimes \mathbb{R}$  induces the group  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  since  $\sqrt{a} \in \mathbb{R}$ . The action of

$$\gamma = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array}\right) \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{R})$$

on  $P^o$  is given by

$$\forall (x,t) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*} \qquad \gamma \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{ax+b}{d} \\ \frac{at}{d} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{t} \end{pmatrix} \in P^{o}$$

if c=0. Then

$$\tilde{x} + i\tilde{t} = \frac{a(x+it) + b}{d} = \alpha(x+it)$$

and we obtain the fractional linear action of  $SL(2,\mathbb{R})$  on  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . If  $c \neq 0$ 

$$\forall (x,t) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+^* \qquad \gamma \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{c} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{cx + d}{(cx + d)^2 + c^2 t^2} \\ \frac{t}{(cx + d)^2 + c^2 t^2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{t} \end{pmatrix} \in P^o$$

whence

$$\tilde{x} + i\tilde{t} = \frac{a}{c} - \frac{c(x - it) + d}{c |c(x + it) + d|^2} = \frac{a}{c} - \frac{1}{c |c(x + it) + d|}$$

$$= \frac{a [c(x + it) + d] - 1}{c [c(x + it) + d]} = \frac{ac (x + it) + bc}{c [c(x + it) + d]} \text{ since } ad - 1 = bc$$

$$= \frac{a (x + it) + b}{c (x + it) + d} = \alpha (x + it)$$

and we obtain once again the fractional linear action of  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  on  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . Therefore the discrete group  $\Gamma_R \subset SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  has the same action on  $P^o$  and on  $\mathbb{H}^2$ : as a consequence (cf. [2]), for a maximal order R in an indefinite division quaternion algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the quotient  $\Gamma_R \setminus P^o$  is compact: the itgs  $P^o$  is closed for  $\Gamma_R$ . We shall now see that it is the only such itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ .

• For  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  and  $x = (z, t) \in \mathbb{H}^3$  we have

$$\gamma \cdot \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^2 z \\ \xi^2 t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{t} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.8}$$

if  $\eta = 0$ , and

$$\gamma \cdot \begin{pmatrix} z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}}} - \frac{1}{b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}}} \frac{\overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} + b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} \overline{z}}{|\overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} + b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} z|^2 + b(\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}})^2 t^2} \\ \frac{t}{|\overline{\xi}^{\mathbb{F}} + b\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}} z|^2 + b(\overline{\eta}^{\mathbb{F}})^2 t^2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{t} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.9)

if  $\eta \neq 0$ . Since  $\xi, \eta \in \mathbb{F} \subset \mathbb{R}$ , we easily compute that in each case

$$\frac{\operatorname{Im}(\tilde{z})}{\tilde{t}} = \frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)}{t} \stackrel{def}{=} f(x) \tag{1.10}$$

Let us consider an itgs  $\mathscr{S} \neq P^o$  that is closed for  $\Gamma_R$ : there exists a compact subset  $\mathscr{F} \subset \mathscr{S}$  and a subgroup  $\Gamma_0 \subset \Gamma_R$  such that  $\mathscr{S} = \Gamma_0 \mathscr{F}$  i.e.

$$\forall x \in \mathscr{S} \qquad \exists \gamma \in \Gamma_0 \qquad \gamma.x \in \mathscr{F}$$

As  $\mathscr{F}$  is compact and f is continous on  $\mathbb{H}^3$ , this function is bounded on  $\mathscr{F}$ ; we deduce from both previous relations that

$$\exists M > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathscr{S} \quad |f(x)| < M$$
 (1.11)

We can now obtain the desired contradiction:

- . If  $\mathscr{S}$  is a half-plane different from  $P^o$ , whose trace will be denoted by  $\mathscr{D}$ , then there exists  $z_0 \in \mathscr{D} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ : for all t > 0,  $x_t = (z_0, t) \in \mathscr{S}$  and  $|f(x_t)| \to +\infty$  as  $t \to 0$ , a contradiction with relation (1.11).
- . If  $\mathscr{S} = S(a,r)$  is a half-sphere, we have since  $r \neq 0 a + ir \notin \mathbb{R}$  or  $a ir \notin \mathbb{R}$ : we may assume wlog that  $a + ir \notin \mathbb{R}$ . Set  $x_t = (a + i\sqrt{r^2 t^2}, t)$  for  $t \in ]0, r]$ : we have  $f(x_t) \sim |\mathrm{Im}(a) + r|/t \to +\infty$  as  $t \to 0$ , a contradiction again.

Hence we have established

**Proposition 1.2** For any  $(K_1^S)$ -manifold  $X_R$ , the half-plane  $P^o = \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$  is the only closed itgs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  for  $\Gamma_R$ ; its projection in  $X_R$  is then compact.

De facto the lack of closed itgs is not specific to the  $(K_2^S)$ -manifolds, as we could have thought a priori. Moreover, for any  $(K_1^S)$ -manifold, we see from (8.5) that there is only one  $\Gamma_R$ -closed half-plane,  $P^o$ ; the closed geodesics are also particular, they necessarily link either two real points or two conjugate points of  $\mathbb C$ ; we shall also have restrictions on the  $\Gamma_R$ -closed half-spheres; all those considerations justify a posteriori our choice to deal with the  $(K_2^S)$ -manifolds rather with the  $(K_1^S)$  ones.

# B Of $\Gamma_R$ - closed itgs

## B.1 Proof of Proposition 8.4

Let us consider the particular  $\Gamma_R$  - closed half-planes of  $\mathbb{H}^3$  given by Proposition 8.3. To prove Proposition 8.4, we just have to see that the set of their projections in  $X_R$  is still infinite.

Let us take  $t_1$  and  $t_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ ; the half-planes  $\mathscr{P}(t_1)$  and  $\mathscr{P}(t_2)$  have respectively traces  $\mathscr{D}_1 = (1 + t_1 \sqrt{a}) \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathscr{D}_2 = (1 + t_2 \sqrt{a}) \mathbb{R}$  on  $\mathbb{C}$ . A circle of  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$  being entirely defined by three distinct points, we have for  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \Gamma_R$  (so that  $\eta \neq 0$ )

$$\gamma(\mathscr{D}_1) = \mathscr{D}_2 \iff \begin{cases} \gamma(\infty) = \frac{\xi}{b\overline{\eta}} \in \mathscr{D}_2 & (1) \\ \gamma(0) = \frac{\eta}{\overline{\xi}} \in \mathscr{D}_2 & (2) \\ \gamma(1 + t_1\sqrt{a}) \in \mathscr{D}_2 & (3) \end{cases}$$

The relations (1) and (2) are equivalent since  $\eta/\overline{\xi} = (b |\eta|^2/|\xi|^2) \times \xi/b\overline{\eta}$ . By relation (1), we have  $\xi \eta \in \mathcal{D}_2$  and  $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{Q}$   $\xi = \lambda b \overline{\eta} (1 + t_2 \sqrt{a})$ 

Relation (3) provides

$$\frac{\xi (1 + t_1 \sqrt{a}) + \eta}{b \overline{\eta} (1 + t_1 \sqrt{a}) + \overline{\xi}} \in \mathscr{D}_2$$

$$\iff [\xi (1 + t_1 \sqrt{a}) + \eta] [\xi + b \eta (1 - t_1 \sqrt{a})] \in \mathscr{D}_2$$

$$\iff \xi^2 (1 + t_1 \sqrt{a}) + b \eta^2 (1 - t_1 \sqrt{a}) \in \mathscr{D}_2$$

$$\iff \underbrace{\lambda^2 b (1 + t_2 \sqrt{a}) (1 + t_1 \sqrt{a}) \overline{\eta}^2}_{z_1} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{1 - t_1 \sqrt{a}}{1 + t_2 \sqrt{a}}\right) \eta^2}_{z_2} \in \mathbb{R}$$

Note that the complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  have opposite arguments: therefore either they have the same module, either they are both reals. In that case, we would have

$$\lambda^4 b^2 (1 - at_2^2) (1 - at_1^2) |\eta|^4 = \frac{1 - at_1^2}{1 - at_2^2} |\eta|^4 \quad id \ est \quad b \lambda^2 (1 - at_2^2) = 1$$

whence  $\operatorname{ord}_b(1-at_2^2)=\operatorname{ord}_b|1+t_1\sqrt{a}|^2$  is odd, a contradiction with Lemma 4.1. As a consequence,  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are real numbers and

$$\exists \mu \in \mathbb{Q} \qquad \eta^2 = \mu \left( 1 + t_1 \sqrt{a} \right) \left( 1 + t_2 \sqrt{a} \right)$$

By taking the module, we get  $|\eta|^4 = (|\eta|^2)^2 = \mu^2 (1 - at_1^2) (1 - at_2^2)$  with  $|\eta|^2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , so that  $(1 - at_1^2) (1 - at_2^2)$  is a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We have hence proved

$$\exists \gamma \in \Gamma_{R} \quad \gamma. \mathscr{P}(t_1) = \mathscr{P}(t_2) \implies (1 - at_1^2) (1 - at_2^2) \text{ is a square in } \mathbb{N}$$

To fullfill the proof of Proposition 8.4, we have to find an infinite subset  $\mathscr{I} \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\forall t_1 \neq t_2 \in \mathscr{I} \qquad (1 - at_1^2) (1 - at_2^2) \text{ is not a square in } \mathbb{N}$$
 (2.1)

and it seems reasonable to think that it is possible for every negative integer a. Take a=-2 for instance: we easily compute that all numbers between 0 and 24000 statisfy this relation, except from 2, 11, 12, 70, 109, 225, 408, 524, 1015, 1079, 1746, 2378, 2765, 4120, 5859, 8030, 10681, 13860, 16647, 17615, 21994, . More generally, a conjectural theorem states

Conjecture Let A, B, C be integers relatively primes such that A is positive, A+B and C are not both even and  $B^2 - 4AC$  is not a perfect square. Then there are infinitely many primes of the form  $An^2 + Bn + C$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

So, according to this highly probable Conjecture, there are – given a negative integer a – infinitely many primes of the form  $1-at^2$  with  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ , whence the existence of an infinite set of integers  $\mathscr{I}$  satisfying relation (2.1).

# B.2 Of families of $\Gamma_R$ - closed half-planes

We have seen in Proposition 8.3 the existence of infinitely many  $\Gamma_R$  - closed half-planes in  $\mathbb{H}^3$ , denoted by  $\mathscr{P}(t) = \mathbb{R}(1 + t\sqrt{a}) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$  for  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Note that they all contain the particular half-line  $\mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$ .

But it is easy to find other  $\Gamma_R$ -closed half-planes : indeed, for  $\gamma = \xi + \eta \Omega$  hyperbolic, we have  $0 \in \mathcal{D}_{\gamma} \iff \operatorname{Im}(\xi) = 0$  by relation (8.2). Given  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we shall look for an hyperbolic element in  $\Gamma_R$  of the form  $\gamma = x + y\sqrt{a} + z(1 + t\sqrt{a})\Omega$  with  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ . For such a  $\gamma$ 

$$N(\gamma) = 1 \iff x^2 - ay^2 - b(1 - at^2)z^2 = 1$$
 (2.2)

To prove that this equation has infinitely many solutions, we shall fix  $u \in \mathbb{Z}$  and set y = uz: then  $\gamma_{t,u} = x + zu\sqrt{a} + z(1 + t\sqrt{a})\Omega$  and

$$N(\gamma_{t,u}) = 1 \iff x^2 - \left[\underbrace{au^2 + b(1 - at^2)}_{d}\right]z^2 = 1$$
 (2.3)

We have  $d \equiv au^2[b]$  and a is not a square modulo b – since  $X_R$  is a manifold of class  $(K_2^S)$  – whence d cannot be a square in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Moreover  $d = b - a(bt^2 - u^2) > 0$  as soon as  $|t|\sqrt{b} \ge |u|$ : in that case (cf. Pell-Fermat), we can solve the above equation for non-trivial x, z. Finally by relation (8.2)

$$\mathscr{D}_{\gamma_{t,u}} = \mathscr{D}(u,t) = \left(\mathbb{R} + \frac{i\operatorname{Im}(\xi)}{b|\eta|^2}\right)\eta = \left(\mathbb{R} + \frac{u\sqrt{a}}{b(1-at^2)}\right)(1+t\sqrt{a})$$

which proves the following extension of Proposition 8.3:

**Proposition 2.1** There are infinitely many  $\Gamma_R$ -closed half-planes in  $\mathbb{H}^3$  that do not contain  $\mathbb{R}_+^*\mathbf{j}$ , the half-planes  $\mathscr{P}(t,u) = \left(\mathbb{R} + \frac{u\sqrt{a}}{b(1-at^2)}\right)(1+t\sqrt{a}) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^*\mathbf{j}$  for  $t, u \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Let us take for example a = -2 and b = 13 as in section 4.

. 
$$\gamma_{0,1} = 10 + 3i\sqrt{2} - 3\Omega$$
 leaves  $\mathscr{P}(0,1) = \left(\mathbb{R} + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{13}\right) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$  invariant...

. 
$$\gamma_{1,4} = 8 + 12i\sqrt{2} + 3(1+i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $\mathscr{P}(1,4) = \left(\mathbb{R} + \frac{4i\sqrt{2}}{39}\right)(1+i\sqrt{2}) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^*\mathbf{j}$  invariant.

. 
$$\gamma_{2,3} = 10 + 3i\sqrt{2} + (1 + 2i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $\mathscr{P}(2,3) = \left(\mathbb{R} + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{39}\right)(1 + 2i\sqrt{2}) \oplus \mathbb{R}_+^* \mathbf{j}$  invariant.

## B.3 Families of half-spheres

• We shall first complete Lemma 8.1 to obtain

**Proposition 2.2** Let  $\mathscr{C}_1 = C(a_1, r_1)$  and  $\mathscr{C}_2 = C(a_2, r_2)$  be two circles of  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\alpha = \xi + \eta \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{pr}(N)$  with  $\eta \neq 0$ . Then  $\alpha(\mathscr{C}_1) = \mathscr{C}_2$  if and only if

$$\exists \varepsilon = \pm 1 \qquad \begin{cases} b(r_1 \,\overline{\eta} \, a_2 - \varepsilon \, r_2 \, \eta \, \overline{a_1}) &= (r_1 + \varepsilon r_2) \xi \\ b^2 \, r_1^2 \, |\eta|^2 - |\xi + b \, \eta \, \overline{a_1}|^2 &= N \varepsilon \, \frac{r_1}{r_2} \\ |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 &= N \end{cases}$$
(8.15)

*Proof*: we just have to prove the backward implication to fullfill the proof. Keep the notations of Lemma 8.1. Relation (8.16) provides

$$\left|\frac{\overline{\xi}}{b\,\overline{\eta}} + a_1\right|^2 - r_1^2 \neq 0$$
 whence  $\zeta = -\frac{\overline{\xi}}{b\,\overline{\eta}} \notin \mathscr{C}_1$ 

Therefore  $\alpha_I(\mathscr{C}_1) = \mathscr{C}'$  is a circle and  $\alpha(\mathscr{C}_1) = \alpha_R(\mathscr{C}') = \mathscr{C}'' = C(a'', r'')$ . We still have, by relation (8.16),  $\varepsilon = 1$  iff  $\zeta$  is inside of  $\mathscr{C}_1$ . Applying the Lemma to  $\mathscr{C}_1$  and  $\mathscr{C}''$  we get from relation (8.13)  $r'' \qquad \varepsilon |k| \qquad \varepsilon N \qquad r_2$ 

$$\frac{r''}{r_1} = \frac{\varepsilon |k|}{r_1^2 - |a_1 - \zeta|^2} = \frac{\varepsilon N}{b^2 r_1^2 |\eta|^2 - |\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1}|^2} = \frac{r_2}{r_1}$$

since  $|k| = N/b^2 |\eta|^2$ : then  $r'' = r_2$ . Finally  $\alpha_I(\hat{\zeta})$  is the center of  $\mathscr{C}'$  so that  $\alpha(\hat{\zeta}) = a''$ ; as  $(8.15) \iff (8.14) \iff \alpha(\hat{\zeta}) = a_2$  then  $a'' = a_2$  so that  $\alpha(\mathscr{C}_1) = \mathscr{C}_2$ .

• Now we can use of the above Proposition in our quest for  $\Gamma_R$  - closed half-spheres. Let  $\mathscr S$  be an half-sphere of  $\mathbb H^3$ ,  $\mathscr C=C(a_1,r)$  its trace on  $\mathbb C$  and  $\alpha=\xi+\eta\Omega\in\Gamma_R$  a hyperbolic element; then  $\alpha\mathscr S=\mathscr S\iff\alpha(\mathscr C)=\mathscr C$  and we apply Proposition 2.2 to the circle  $\mathscr C=C(a_1,r)$ . Necessarily – as we already saw in the proof of Proposition 8.6 –  $\varepsilon=-1$  by hyperbolicity of  $\alpha$ ; therefore

$$\alpha.\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S} \iff \begin{cases} \overline{\eta} a_1 + \eta \overline{a_1} = 0 \\ |\xi + b \eta \overline{a_1}|^2 - b r^2 |\eta|^2 = 1 \\ |\xi|^2 - b |\eta|^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

whence

$$\alpha.\mathscr{S} = \mathscr{S} \iff \begin{cases} \overline{\eta} a_1 + \eta \overline{a_1} = 0 \\ (\xi - \overline{\xi}) a_1 + \left[1 + b(|a_1|^2 - r^2)\right] \eta = 0 \\ |\xi|^2 - b|\eta|^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$
 (E)

For example, take any  $a_1 \in \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{a}]$ , define  $r \in \mathbb{R}^*$  by  $1 + b(|a_1|^2 - r^2) = 0$  and consider  $\mathscr{S} = S(a_1, r)$ . For  $\xi = X \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\eta = a_1 Y \sqrt{a}$  with  $Y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $\overline{\eta} a_1 + \eta \overline{a_1} = 0$ and  $\xi = \overline{\xi}$ , so that

 $\alpha \cdot \mathscr{S} = \mathscr{S} \iff |\xi|^2 - b |\eta|^2 = X^2 + a b |a_1|^2 Y^2 = 1$ 

From Lemma 4.1, we know that  $\operatorname{ord}_b(|a_1|^2)$  is even, so that the natural integer  $d=-a\,b\,|a_1|^2$ cannot be a square in Q. Therefore the previous Pell equation is solvable for non-trivial integers X and Y. As  $r = \sqrt{|a_1|^2 + 1/b}$ , we have proved

**Lemma 2.1** Given any  $a_1 \in \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{a}]$ , the half-sphere  $S\left(a_1, \sqrt{|a_1|^2 + \frac{1}{b}}\right)$  is  $\Gamma_R$  - closed.

Some examples in the case a = -2, b = 13:

. 
$$\alpha = 64425 + 1666i\sqrt{2}(2 + 5i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $S\left(2 + 5i\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{54 + \frac{1}{13}}\right)$  invariant.

. 
$$\alpha = 96747 + 2318i\sqrt{2}(7 + 3i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $S\left(7 + 3i\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{67 + \frac{1}{13}}\right)$  invariant.

. 
$$\alpha = 561835 + 11074i\sqrt{2}(7 + 5i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $S\left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{7}, \sqrt{\frac{99}{1225} + \frac{1}{13}}\right)$  invariant.

More generally, for  $a_1 \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $r^2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , the resolution of the system (E)leads to

$$\begin{cases} \xi = X - \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + b \left( |a_1|^2 - r^2 \right) \right] Y \sqrt{a} \\ \eta = Y a_1 \sqrt{a} \end{cases} \text{ with } X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}$$

and the norm equation provides

$$1 = X^{2} - \underbrace{\frac{a}{4} \left\{ \left[ 1 + b \left( |a_{1}|^{2} - r^{2} \right) \right]^{2} - 4 b |a_{1}|^{2} \right\}}_{d} Y^{2}$$

For  $r^2 \in \mathbb{Q}$  close enough to  $|a_1|^2$ , we have  $4b|a_1|^2 \ge [1+b(|a_1|^2-r^2)]^2$  and the rational number d is positive. Assume moreover that  $\operatorname{ord}_b |a_1|^2 \ge 0$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_b r^2 \ge 0$ : then  $d \equiv a/4[b]$ , which is not a square modulo b for a  $(K_2^S)$ -manifold, so that d is not a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Therefore the above Pell equation is solvable for non-trivial  $X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}$  – with  $dY^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  – which proves

Given any  $q_1 \in \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{a}]$  and  $r^2 \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $|a_1|^2$  and  $r^2$  are Proposition 2.3 inversible modulo b and  $4b|a_1|^2 \ge [1+b(|a_1|^2-r^2)]^2$ , the half-sphere  $S(a_1,r)$  is a  $\Gamma_{\scriptscriptstyle B}$  -closed it gs of  $\mathbb{H}^3$ .

Let us give some examples in the case a = -2, b = 13:

. 
$$\alpha = 359 + 168i\sqrt{2} + 18i\sqrt{2}(2 + 3i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $S(\frac{2}{3} + i\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$  invariant.

. 
$$\alpha = 19603 - 51480i\sqrt{2} + 2574i\sqrt{2}(5 + 2i\sqrt{2})\Omega$$
 leaves  $S(5 + 2i\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{30})$  invariant.

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