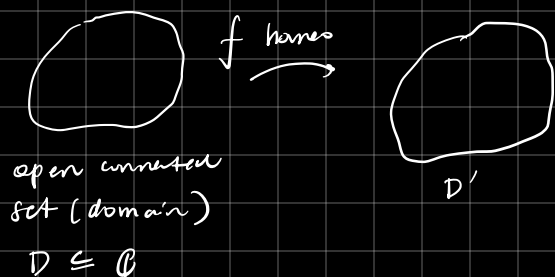


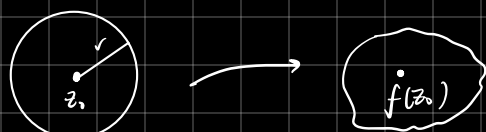
Conformal Maps



Defn. We say that f is CONFORMAL if $\forall z_0 \in D$,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \text{ i.e. } f'(z_0)$$

exists and is nonzero.



$$|f(z) - f(z_0)| \approx |f'(z_0)|$$

if $|z - z_0| = r$ -small

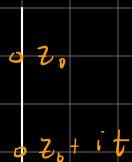
• takes circles to circles instead of circles to ellipses

• f sends infinitesimal circles to infinitesimal circles.

• $z = x + iy$
 $f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$



$$f'(z_0) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)$$



$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_0, y_0 + t) - u(x_0, y_0)}{it} +$$

$$i \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(x_0, y_0 + t) - v(x_0, y_0)}{it}$$

$$= -i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$$

CAUCHY-RIEMANN EQUATIONS

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{cases}$$

• $\begin{cases} z = x + iy \\ \bar{z} = x - iy \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z}) \\ y = \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z}) \end{cases}$

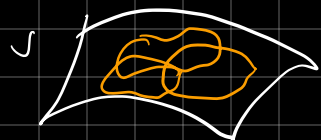
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) & f &= u + iv \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) & \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{z}} \\ & & &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) + i \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \\ & & &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{i}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\ & & &= 0 \quad (\text{by CR}) \end{aligned}$$

Or, equivalently, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$. $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = f' \right)$.

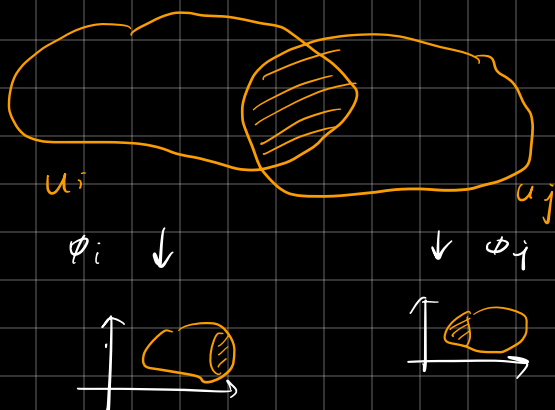
- Conformal maps preserve angles.
- Nonex) constant maps

Surfaces

- Connected, orientable, 2-manifold

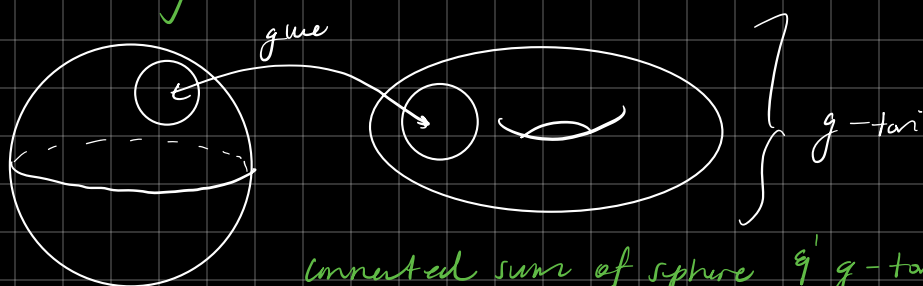


$$\begin{aligned} U_i &\subset S, \quad \bigcup_i U_i = S \\ \text{open} & \\ \phi_i : U_i &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ inj. cont.} \end{aligned}$$



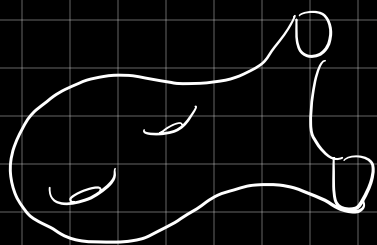
$$\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1} \text{ is } C^\infty.$$

- Defn. A CLOSED SURFACE is a surface S that is compact and has no boundary.



A COMPACT SURFACE is obtained from a closed surface by removing a finite number b of open topological disks.

→ Allowed to have boundary components.



genus $\longleftrightarrow$ handles

A SURFACE WITH PUNCTURES is a compact surface with finitely many points (from interior) removed or marked

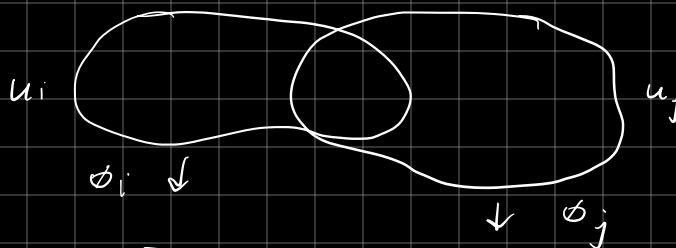
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remains cpt

Riemann Surfaces

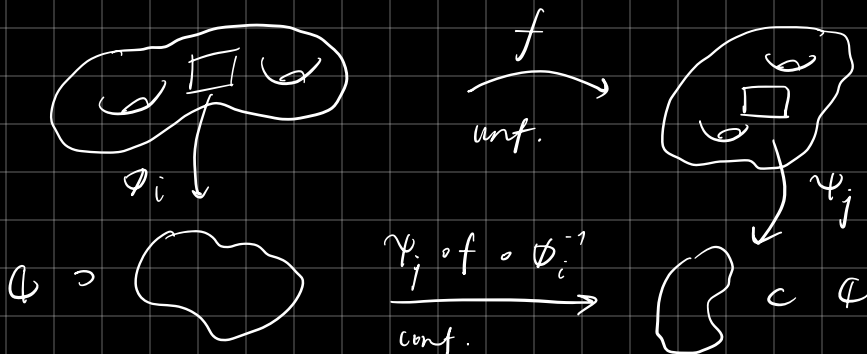
Defn. A surface $\mathcal{S}$ is a RIEMANN SURFACE with the atlas $\mathcal{A} = \{U_i, \phi_i\}$ such that each transition map is conformal.

→ Stronger than C^∞

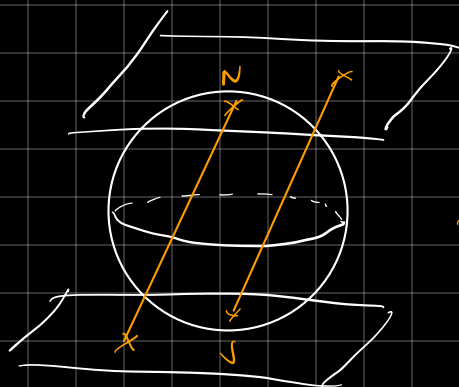


$\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1}$ conformal.

Conformal maps btwn Riemann surfaces



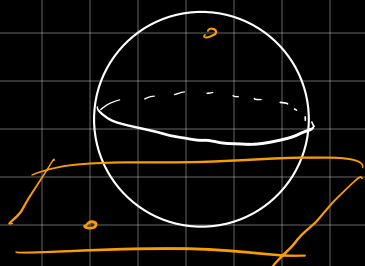
→ Doesn't depend on charts b/c comp of conf. maps is conf.



Stereographic Projection
Riemann.

3 Geometries $\leadsto$ invariant under isometries.

① Spherical $\leadsto$ have a notion of distance b/w pts & angles
 $\leadsto$ use conformal metric (type of Riemannian metric)

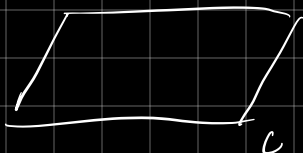


$$\frac{4(dx^2 + dy^2)}{(1 + x^2 + y^2)^2} = ds^2 \quad \left| \quad \left(\frac{2|dz|}{1 + |z|^2} \right)^2 \right.$$

constant (Gaussian) curvature.

* Universal cover of S^2 is itself

② Planar

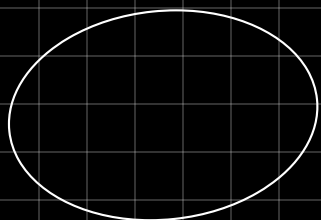


$$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2$$

constant curvature

* Universal cover of T^2 is $\mathbb{R}^2$.

③ Hyperbolic



$\mathbb{D}$ - unit disk
in $\mathbb{C}$

$$ds^2 = \frac{4(dx^2 + dy^2)}{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2} = \left(\frac{2|dz|}{1 - |z|^2} \right)^2$$

diff. 2-forms

action on tangent
space.

$$a dx^2 + 2b dx dy + c dy^2 \longleftrightarrow (u_1 \ u_2) \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{scalar}$$

$\lambda(z)^2 |dz|^2$ CONFORMAL METRIC.

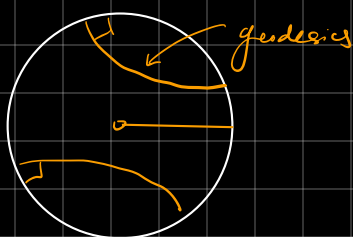
Exercise. Hyperbolic metrics are invariant under isometries.

(orientation-preserving Möbius maps preserving the unit disk)

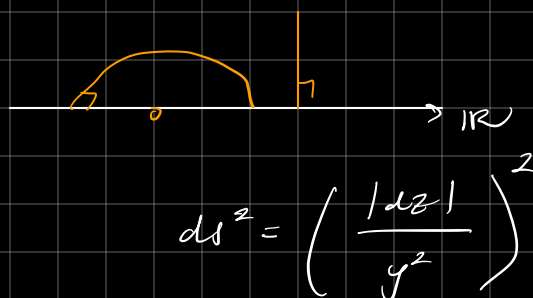
MÖBIUS MAP, or FRACTIONAL LINEAR MAP $\gamma(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$

Hyperbolic Space Models

→ Poincaré disk



→ upper half plane



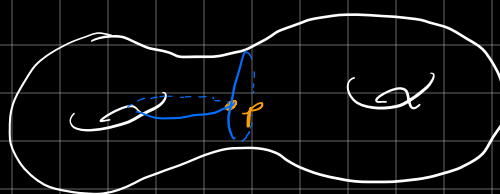
Möbius map
Isometry

Thm. (Riemann Uniformization) Let S be a Riemann surface such that $2S \neq \emptyset$.

$\tilde{S} \xrightarrow{\text{universal cover}} S$
 $\downarrow \text{fund group}$
 $\pi_1(S)$



Defn. FUNDAMENTAL GROUP



$\pi_1(S) \{ [\gamma] \}$

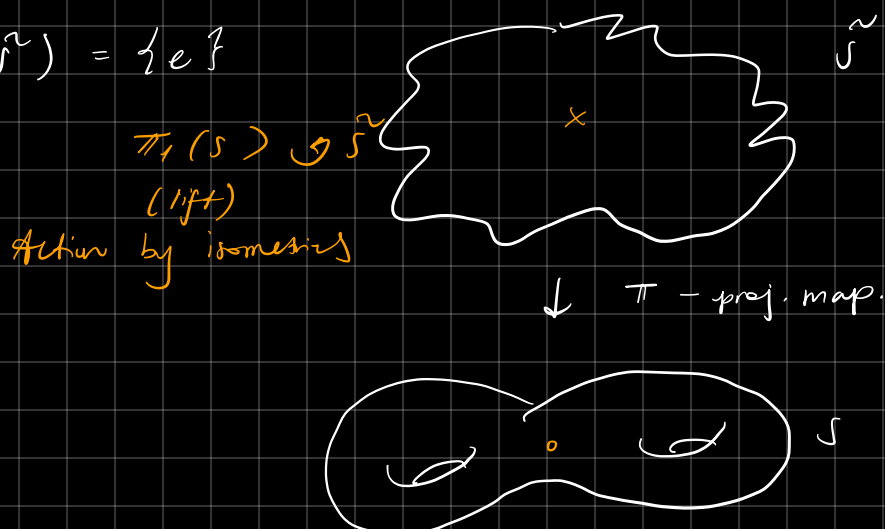
$\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$ if γ_1 is homotopic to γ_2 .

p = base point.

$f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ btwn top. spaces

$f \sim g$ HOMOTOPIC if $\exists F : X \times [0,1] \rightarrow Y$ cont.
 $F(x,0) = f(x)$
 $F(x,1) = g(x)$

• $\pi_1(\tilde{S}) = \{e\}$



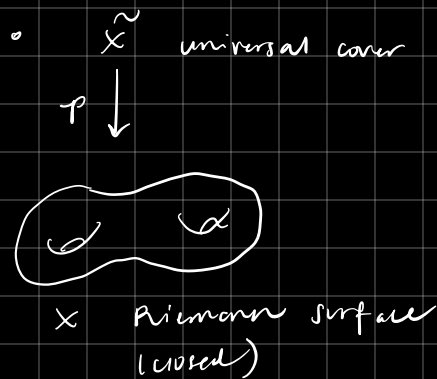
Thm. If $\tilde{S}$ is a simply-connected ($\pi_1(\tilde{S}) = \{e\}$) Riemann surface, then it is conformal to either the Riemann sphere, complex plane or unit disk (mutually exclusive).
 $\uparrow$ open $\uparrow$ in $\mathbb{C}$

Cor. Any S -Riemann surface ($\partial S = \emptyset$) can be endowed with constant curvature conformal metric.

Curvature = $\pm 1, 0$.

Next time... Isometries on $\mathbb{H}^n$ & Teichmüller space (compute for T^2)

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$\pi_1(X)$ fundamental group of X

conformal structure (in terms of charts)

$\tilde{X} \approx \bar{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{C}$ or $\mathbb{D}$

conf equiv.

$\left(\frac{2|dz|}{1-|z|^2} \right)^2$

- $\pi_1(X) \curvearrowright \tilde{X}$ freely (fixed point free), properly discontinuously (discretely),
 (by Möbius trans.)
 & by isometry (by conformal maps).

• $\begin{cases} \tilde{X} = \bar{\mathbb{C}} & \text{only when } X = \bar{\mathbb{C}} \\ \tilde{X} = \mathbb{C} & \text{only when } X = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C} \setminus \{p\} \\ \tilde{X} = \mathbb{H}^2 & \leftarrow \text{constant curvature surface.} \\ \tilde{X} = \mathbb{D} & \text{all other cases.} \end{cases}$

• Euler Characteristic $\chi(X) = 2 - 2g - (b+n) < 0$

g = genus
 b = boundary components
 n = # of punctures or marked pts.

Cor. (to the Riemannian Uniformization Thm)

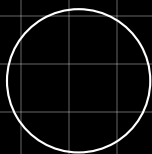
X = arbitrary Riemann surface

It has a constant curvature $(-1, 0, \text{ or } 1)$ metric.

Isometries on the Hyperbolic Plane.
 $(\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{D})$

• $\text{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}) = ?$

$\uparrow$ orientation-preserving isometries of $\mathbb{H}$.



conformal self maps of $\mathbb{D}$?

$\rightarrow$ Use Schwarz lemma.

$\rightarrow$ Möbius transformation

these are all such maps

$(az+b)/(cz+d)$

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(x)$ acts on $\mathbb{D}$ (hyp. surf) by isometries.

* In the hyperbolic space, conformal maps and isometries are the same.

$$\text{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}) = \left\{ \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

By scaling, we may assume $ad-bc=1$.

$$\frac{az+b}{cz+d} \longleftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = A$$

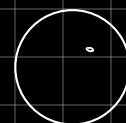
$\det A = 1$.

$$\text{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}) = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

proj. special linear group.
 $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) / \pm I$

Classification of Isometries of $\mathbb{H}$ (or $\mathbb{D}$).

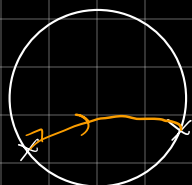
① Elliptic: 1 fixed point in $\mathbb{D}$, conjugate to rotation
($|\text{trace } A| < 2$)



② Parabolic: 1 fixed point on $\partial\mathbb{D}$ ($|\text{trace } A| = \pm 2$)

eg. $z \mapsto z+1$
 ∞ fixed pt.

③ Hyperbolic / loxodromic: 2 distinct fixed pts on $\partial\mathbb{D}$



unique geodesic, fixed pts $\Rightarrow$ fixed geodesic
(translates points along fixed geodesic)

$$(|\text{trace } A| > 2)$$

Exercise. Check the trace characteristics.

$$z \mapsto 2z$$

Teichmüller Space

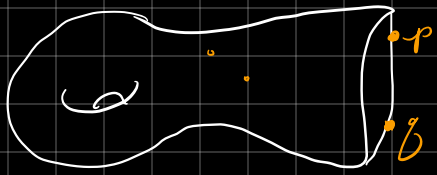
S = topological surface (g, b, n)
 $X(S) \neq \emptyset$

$$S \xrightarrow{f} X \mid (x, f)$$

compact Riemann surface with marked points

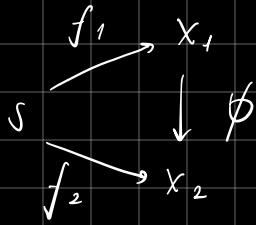
∂X is totally geodesic

conformal structure.



$\forall p, q \in \partial X$ connected component

$\exists \delta$ -geodesic boundary joining p and q in the same component.

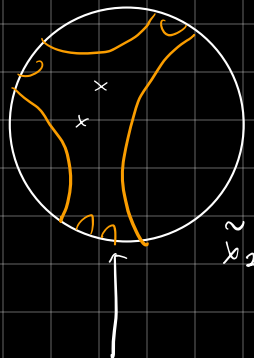
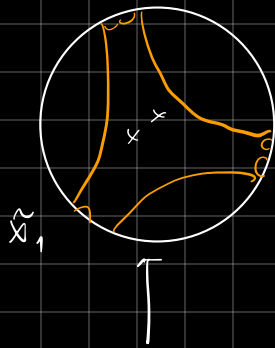


comm. up to homotopy

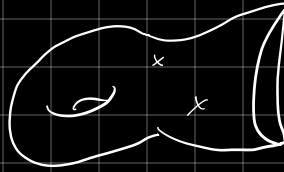
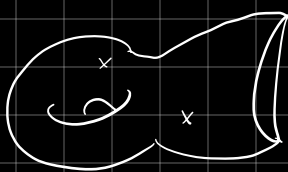
$(X_1, f_1) \sim (X_2, f_2)$ iff $\exists \phi: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ conformal such that $f_1 \sim f_2$ homotopic.

* Orientation-preserving $\Rightarrow$ isometry $\equiv$ homotopy

$$\text{Teich}(S) = \{ (X, f) \} / \sim$$



fundamental domain



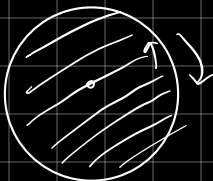
Schottky groups.

$$S \xrightarrow[\text{homoeo}]{f} X \text{ R.S.}$$

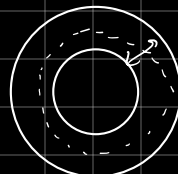
can pullback conformal structure to make X into $\mathbb{P}^1$

• Base point helpful to serve as origin.

• For orientation-preserving maps, we can assume $\sim$ isotopy.



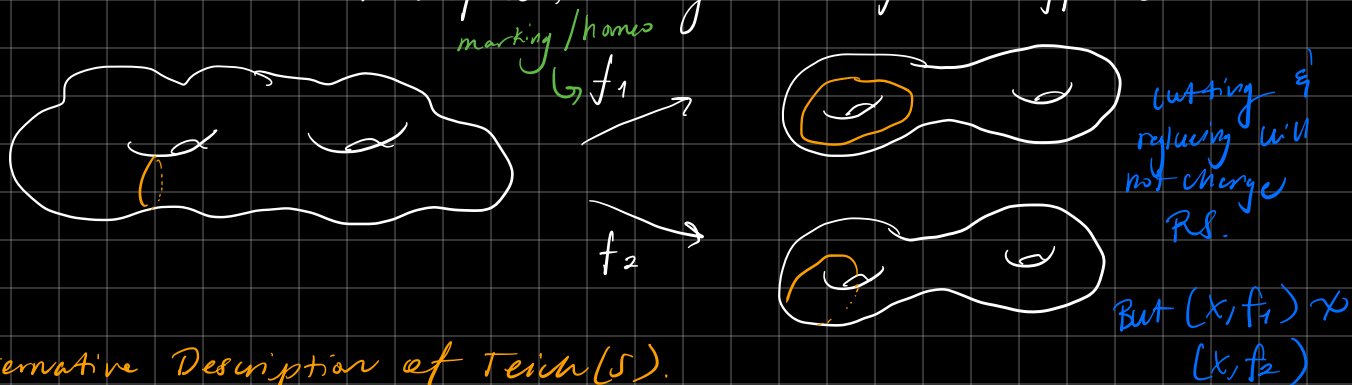
$$F(x, t) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$



inside out

* can homotope mt isotopy

- once S is a Riemann surface, we may assume f is a diffeo (C^∞).

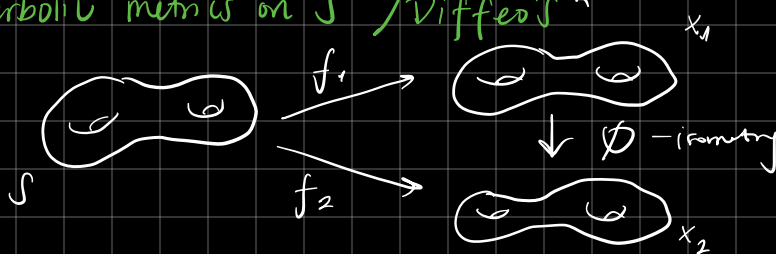


Alternative Description of $\text{Teich}(S)$.

- Pulling back the hyperbolic metric $\rightarrow$ gives an isometry



Hyperbolic metrics on S / Diffeos $\leftarrow$ o.p. diffeo isotopic to id.



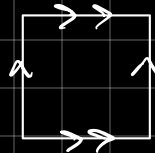
$$f_1^*(dhyp) = (\phi \circ f_1)^*(dhyp) \neq f_2^*(dhyp)$$

$$f_2^{-1} \circ \phi \circ f_1 \underset{\text{isotopic}}{\sim} \text{id.}$$

Equivalence classes of hyperbolic metrics

What is $\text{Teich}(\mathbb{T}^2)$?

- Flat metric (constant curvature) st. $\{ \text{area} = 1 \}$
- Scaling is available in the planar case.



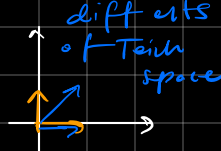
We will show $\text{Teich}(\mathbb{T}^2) = \mathbb{H}$ (or $\mathbb{D}$).

Proof.

Λ -lattice in $\mathbb{R}^2$ if it is a discrete subgroup such that $\mathbb{R}^2/\Lambda$ is compact.

$$\text{Teich}(\mathbb{T}^2) \longleftrightarrow (\overbrace{\Lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2}^{\text{marked at}}) / \sim$$

generators of Λ
marked lattice.



$(\Lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \sim (\Lambda', \lambda'_1, \lambda'_2)$ iff $\exists$ scaling, ordered o.p isometry $(\Lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \rightarrow (\Lambda', \lambda'_1, \lambda'_2)$.

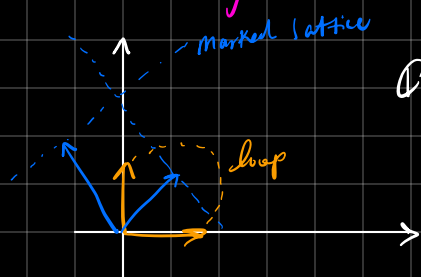
$$f(z) = az + b$$

($\leftarrow$) Start with a lattice $(\Lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$. Define (X, f) , where $f: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow X = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$ diff'ed.

$$\begin{cases} f(1,0) = \lambda_1 \\ f(0,1) = \lambda_2 \end{cases}$$


up to scaling, flat metrics are same

Look at the flat metric on $\mathbb{T}^2$, area 1.



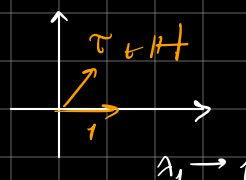
$\mathbb{Q}$

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{T}^2) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\leadsto (\Lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$$

($\rightarrow$) OTOT, take $(\Lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) / \sim$

$\downarrow$
 $\tau \in \mathbb{H}$



□

Think.

$\text{Teich}(\mathbb{S}_2)?$

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- Quasi-conformality $X \rightarrow Y$ closed

Lemma. f a homeomorphism is 1-quasiconformal ($K=1$) if and only if f is conformal.

Proof. ($\Leftarrow$) f conf. means inf circles $\rightarrow$ inf circles, which implies df takes circles to circles.

So $K_f = 1$.

($\Rightarrow$) $K_f = 1 \Rightarrow \mu_f = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{df}{d\bar{z}} = 0$ CR equations.

This implies that f is conformal outside of finitely many points.

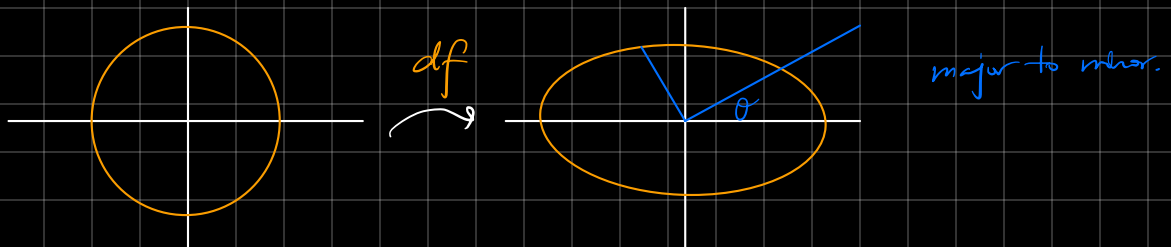
Points are removable for conformal maps.

□

Note $K=1$ -qc $\equiv$ conformal

Properties of q.c. Maps.

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ homes K -qc $\Rightarrow f^{-1}$ is K -qc.



Fact. If L -linear map from $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ takes a circle to an ellipse with $\frac{\text{major axis}}{\text{minor axis}} = K$.

$\Rightarrow L^{-1}$ takes ellipses to circles with same K .

Ex. $L \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 3y \end{pmatrix}$, $L^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x}{2} \\ \frac{y}{3} \end{pmatrix}$
 $K = \frac{3}{2}$

$$\frac{\max}{\min} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{2}.$$

If $x \xrightarrow[k_f]{f} y \xrightarrow[k_g]{g} z$ then $g \circ f$
 $K_{g \circ f} \leq K_f \circ K_g.$

Exercise. Determine the case of equality.

Idea. If both stretch, then they stretch in the same direction.

Teichmüller's Extremal Problem. $f: X \rightarrow Y$ homeo b/w Riemann surfaces.

We want to find an h homotopic to f such that h, h^{-1} differentiable at an but finitely many pts.

$F(x, t)$ continuous.

$$F: X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow Y$$

$$(x, 0) \mapsto f$$

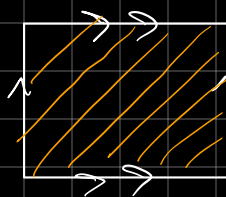
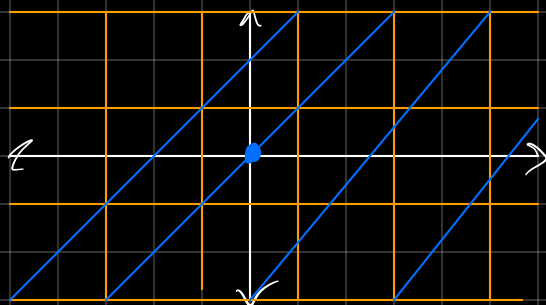
$$(x, 1) \mapsto h$$

K_h - smallest.

(least amount of stretching)

Teichmüller's Existence & Uniqueness Theorem. (goal)

Measured Foliations on $\mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$

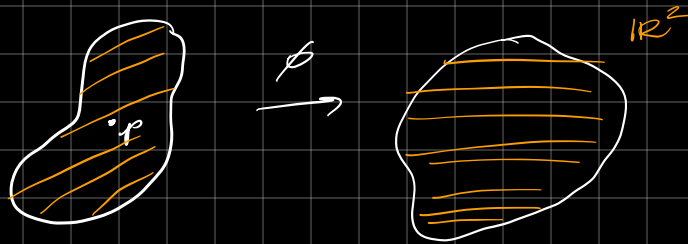


Defn. Let X be a Riemann surface. A FOLIATION of X is a partition

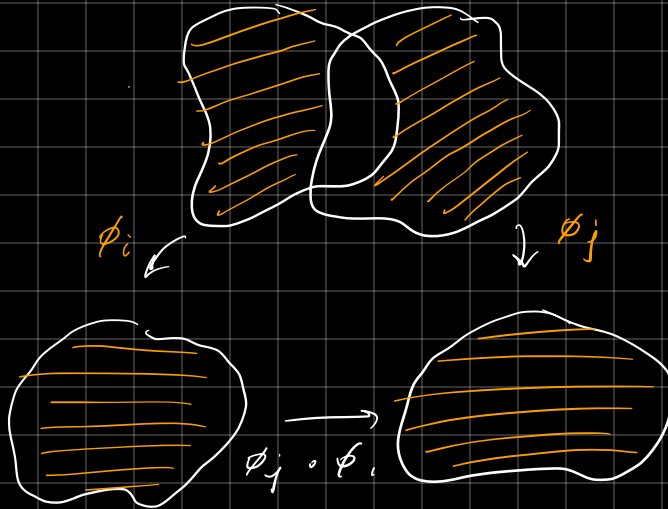
$$X = \bigsqcup F_\alpha$$

↑
LEAVES of $\mathcal{F}$

such that $\forall p \in X \exists (U, \phi)$ that



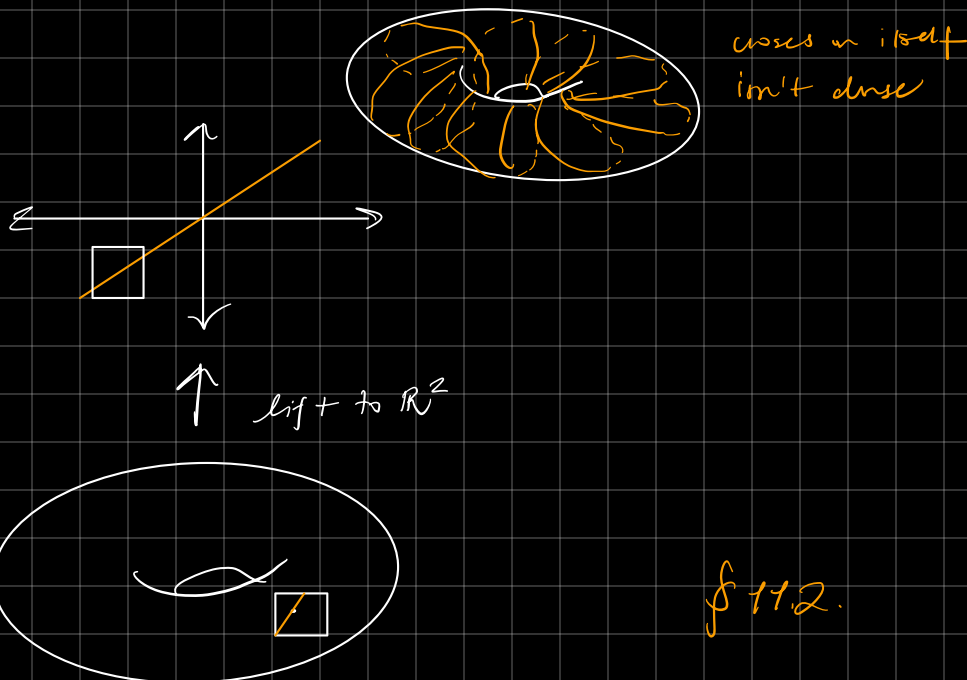
$$\phi(F_x \cap U) = \{(x, y) : y \text{ - int.}\}$$



$$\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1}(x, y) = (f(x, y), g(y)).$$

$$F = \mathcal{C}^k \text{ if } \phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1} = \mathcal{C}^k.$$

If the slope is rational, then the curve will close. SCC on the π^2 .



Ex.

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \downarrow \mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

O.P map $\det = 1$.

induces a map on $\mathbb{T}^2$: proj map.

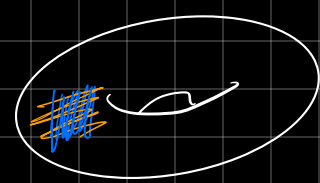
$$\phi_A: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$$


$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} \text{ eigenvalue.}$$

$$\lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 = 1$$

linearly dependent eigenvectors.

eigenspaces are line.



transverse measured foliation.

$$(\phi_A)_* |dv_{e_1}| = \lambda |dv_{e_1}| \text{ contract}$$

$$(\phi_A)_* |dv_{e_2}| = \frac{1}{\lambda} |dv_{e_2}| \text{ expand.}$$

Defn. $(K+2)$ -pronged saddle

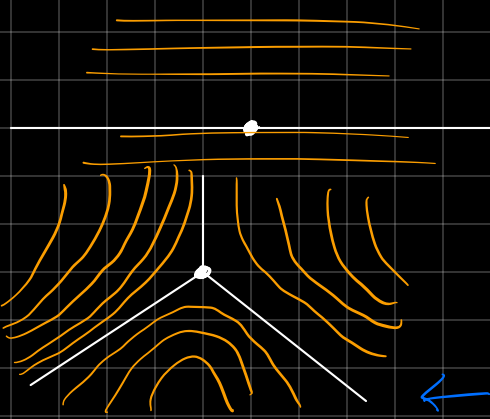
$$\text{Im} (z^{K/2} dz) = 0.$$

$$z = re^{i\theta}, \text{ fix } \theta. \text{ Im}(r^{K/2} e^{\frac{i\theta K}{2}} e^{i\theta} dr) = 0$$

$$\frac{\theta K}{2} + \theta = \pi l, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}$$

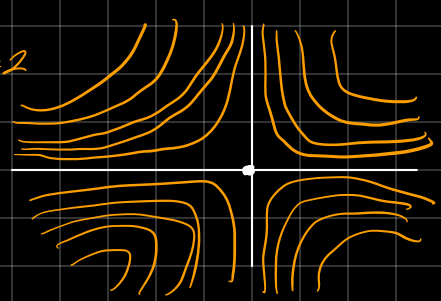
$$\theta = \frac{2\pi l}{K+2}, \quad l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, K+1$$

$K=0$



$K=1$

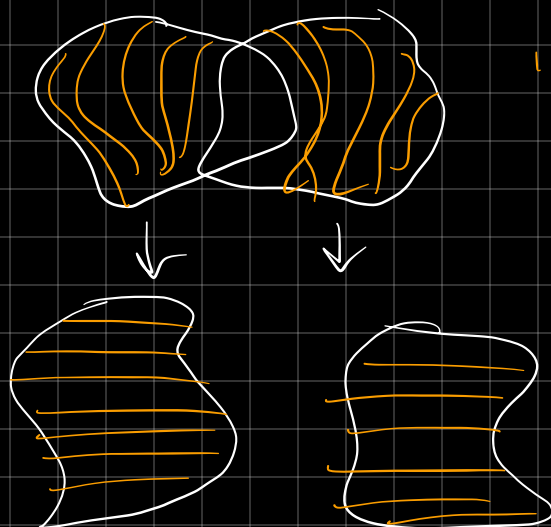
$K=2$



← 3-pronged saddle.

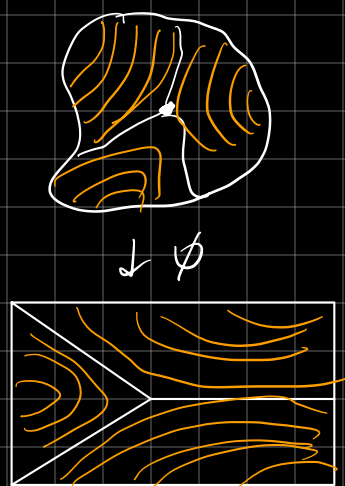
Defn. X = Riemann surface
 F = foliation on X | $X^- = \bigcup_{\alpha} F_{\alpha} \cup \left\{ \text{finitely many points} \right\}$
↑
singularity

$\forall p \in X^-$ not a sing



leaves to horizontal lines

$\forall p\text{-sing} \exists (U, \phi)$



Thm. (Euler - Poincaré formula)

$$\chi(X^-) = \sum_{p \in \text{Sing}} (2 - K_p)$$

Ex. X^- = sphere, $K_p \geq 3$,
 $\chi(X^-) > 0$

X^- = torus
 $\chi(X^-) = 0$

No singular foliations on sphere
 only non singular foliations on torus.

X^- = genus ≥ 2
 $\chi(X^-) < 0 \Rightarrow$ has at least one sing.

Thursday, March 20, 2025

Thm. (Teichmüller's Uniqueness)

Lemma 11.11.

Existence of Teichmüller Maps (indirect proof.)

• $\mathcal{O}b : \mathcal{A}D_1(X) \longrightarrow \text{Teich}(X)$, $g \in \mathcal{A}D_1(X)$, $K = \frac{1 + \|g\|}{1 - \|g\|}$

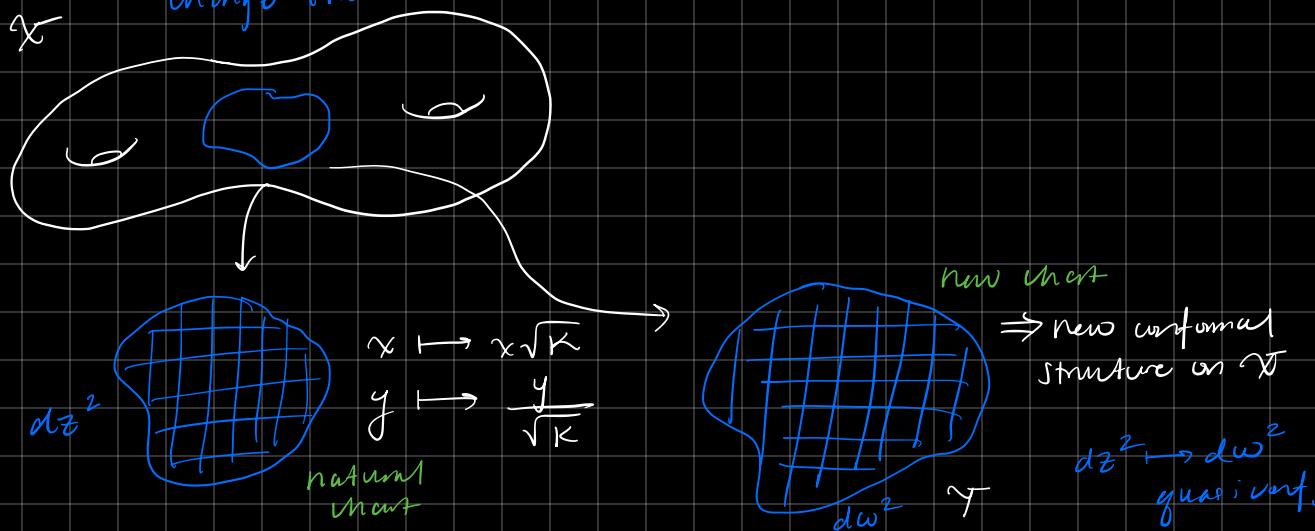
$\uparrow$
holomorphic quadratic differentials

$\|g\| < 1$

$\int_X |g|$

depends on area.

tells you how to change the chart.



$X \rightarrow Y$ Teichmüller map (stretches in one direction, expands in the other)
 $\nwarrow$ isotopy classes of diffeos.
 $[Y] \in \text{Teich}(X)$

It suffices to show that $\mathcal{O}b$ is surjective.

change homotopy class

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- ① $\mathcal{O}b$ cont.
- ② $\mathcal{O}b$ proper
- ③ $\mathcal{O}b$ injective. ✓ from Uniqueness thm.

- Brauer's Invariance of Domain Thm $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}b$ homeo and thus onto.
- Topology on Quadratic Differentials $\|g\| = \int_X |g|$. space of isms
- Topology on $\text{Teich}(X) = \text{DF}(\pi_1(X), \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})) / \text{PGL}(2, \mathbb{R})$
discrete faithful representations

• T^2 case:

2 generators

fund. domains. (same p.ygm)

parallelogram

loop in T^2 lifts to a translation on the plane

isometry

bounded by generators

• H case:

closed to each other in the Hausdorff space.

• $\mathcal{O}_b$ is proper (preimage of a cpt set is cpt)
 let L be compact in $\text{Teich}(X)$

$\{ [Y, f] \}$, $f: X \rightarrow Y$. Consider $K([Y]) = \inf \{ K_h : h \sim f, h: X \rightarrow Y \}$

$[Y]$

g.c dilation.

Claim. $K: \text{Teich}(X) \rightarrow [1, +\infty)$ is cont.

Proof. $f: X \rightarrow Y$, $\exists [K([Y]) + \varepsilon)$ g.c.

$[Y']$ close to $[Y] \Rightarrow \exists h'$ K -g.c. $Y \rightarrow Y'$ s.t. K -close to 1.

$\exists K \cdot (K([Y]) + \varepsilon)$ - g.c. map. $X \rightarrow Y'$

$\varepsilon > 0$ arb $K > 1$ arb close to 1

$\Rightarrow K$ is continuous.

□

Back to L compact in $\text{Teich}(X)$. Let M be the max of $K([X])$, $[X] \in L$.

$\mathcal{O}_b^{-1}(L)$ is compact? Let $g \in \mathcal{O}_b^{-1}(L)$. $h: X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_b(g) \in \text{Teich}(X)$.

$\leftarrow$ in $\mathcal{O}_b(X)$

Teichmüller map

$\in L$.

$$K_h = \frac{1 + \|g\|}{1 - \|g\|} \leq M.$$

$\|g\| \leq \frac{n-1}{n+1}$. Once we show $\mathcal{O}$ is continuous, we have that $\mathcal{O}^{-1}(U)$ is compact.

It remains to show that $\mathcal{O}$ is continuous.

$$\mathcal{O}: \mathcal{AD}_1(X) \rightarrow \text{Teich}(X).$$

We will show that $\mathcal{O}: \mathcal{AD}_1(X) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_1} L^\infty(X) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_2} \text{Teich}(X)$.
 ($\mathcal{O}$ factors/splits)

$\uparrow$ Measurable Riemann Mapping Theorem

$$X \xrightarrow{f} Y \text{ g.u.}$$

$$df_p: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$df = f_z dz + f_{\bar{z}} d\bar{z}$$

$$= f_z dz \left(1 + \frac{f_{\bar{z}}}{f_z} \frac{d\bar{z}}{dz} \right)$$

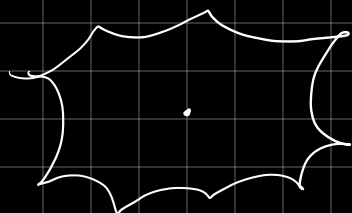
$$|\mu_f| = \left| \frac{f_{\bar{z}}}{f_z} \right|, \quad \text{Beltrami form}$$

$$|\mu_f| \leq K < 1.$$

L^∞ -norm < 1

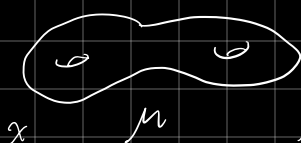
...

"Pullback to the universal cover"



$$\mu(p(z)) \frac{\bar{\phi}'_z}{\phi'_z}$$

$p \downarrow$ conf. map



$$x, \mu, |\mu| < 1$$

⋮

$$\omega = \mathcal{I}(z)$$

$\uparrow$ covering transform.

Thm. (MRM) Given a μ -Beltrami form on $\mathbb{C}$, there exists an $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ quasiconformal, $\frac{f_{\bar{z}} d\bar{z}}{f_z dz} = \mu$.

If $f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1 (f(\infty) = \infty)$, then f is unique.

Moreover, f depends "analytically" on μ .

Goal. Construct $L_1^\infty(X) \xrightarrow{\text{Ob}_2} \text{Teich}(X)$.

Suppose f_μ is the unique solution to $\frac{f_\mu \bar{z}}{f_\mu z} = \mu$.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_\mu(0) = 0 \\ f_\mu(1) = 1 \\ f_\mu(\infty) = \infty \end{array} \right\} \cdot \gamma \in \pi_1(X) - \text{deck transformation of } \mathbb{H}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f_\mu(\gamma(z)) = \gamma'(f_\mu(z))} \text{ Möb of } \mathbb{H}.$$

Show: $f_\mu \circ \gamma \circ f_\mu^{-1}$ is conformal in $\mathbb{C}$.

$$\frac{(f_\mu)_z}{(f_\mu)_{\bar{z}}} = \mu, \mu - \pi_1(X) \text{ equiv.}$$

Exercise. Show $\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} (f_\mu \circ \gamma \circ f_\mu^{-1}) = 0$ in $\mathbb{C}$.

$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma' \text{ isomorphism} \\ \uparrow \pi_1 \\ \pi_1(X) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} X \xrightarrow{\sim} \pi_1(X) \\ \downarrow \\ \Gamma' : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \end{array}$$

acts discretely and freely

$$Y = \mathbb{H} / \Gamma'$$

$f_\mu : X \rightarrow Y$ g.c. descends to quotient bc $(f_\mu \circ \gamma = \gamma' \circ f_\mu)$

$$[(Y, f_\mu)] \in \text{Teich}(X)$$

continuous (moreover part of answer)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Ob}_2(\mu_1) = [(Y, f_\mu)] \\ L_1^\infty(X) \quad \text{Teich}(X) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Ob}_1 : \mathbb{QD}_1(X) \rightarrow L_1^\infty(X) \\ \downarrow \gamma \end{array}$$

$$, g(p(z) \overline{p'(z)})^2$$

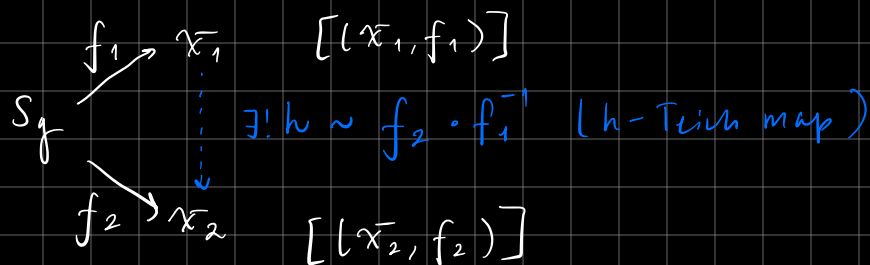
Pull γ back to $\mathbb{H}$.

$$\pi_1(X) - \text{equiv. } g \text{ on } \mathbb{H}. \quad \tilde{g}(w) dw^2 = \tilde{g}(z) dz^2 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} w = \gamma(z) \\ \gamma \in \pi_1(X) \end{array} \right.$$

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• $\frac{1 + \|g\|}{1 - \|g\|} \leadsto$ stretch factor for g .

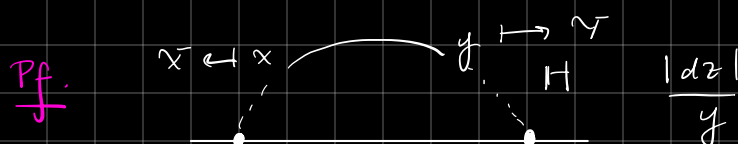
Teichmüller Distance.



Defn. TEICHMÜLLER DISTANCE $d_T([x_1, f_1], [x_2, f_2]) = \frac{1}{2} \ln K_h$.

Thm. $(\text{Teich}(S_g), d_T)$ is a complete (closed balls are compact) metric space.

Thm. $(\text{Teich}(\Gamma^2), 2d_T) \cong (\mathbb{H}, d_{\text{hyp}})$
isometric



* Maps $\hookrightarrow$ Teich(S) by isotopy.

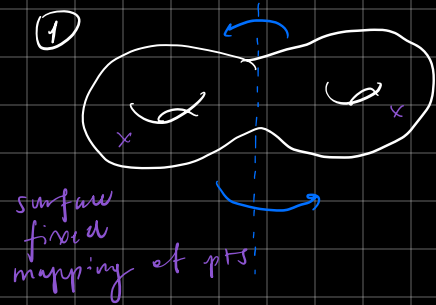
Mapping Class Groups.

- $S_{g,b,n}$. $\text{Homeo}^+(S)$
orientation-preserving homeomorphisms of S
 $\rightarrow f|_{\partial S} = \text{id}$
 $\rightarrow f$: marked pts $\mapsto$ marked points (may shuffle)
 $\rightarrow f_1 \sim f_2$ homotopy

Defn. Mapping Class Group $\text{Mod}(S) = \text{Homeo}^+(S, \partial S) / \text{Homeo}_0(S, \partial S)$

Versions. Homotopy $\longleftarrow$ isotopy
 S with differentiable structure, homeos $\longleftarrow$ diffeos.

Examples.

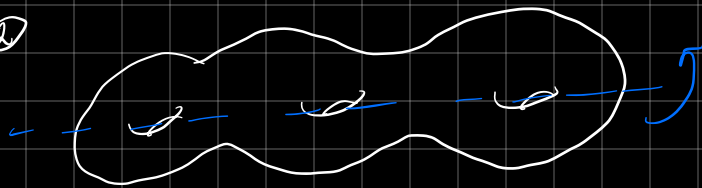


representative of equiv class of mapping class group

order 2.

$\text{Mod}(S_2)$

②



180°
 $\frac{1}{\pi}$

$2g+2$ fixed pts
order 2

hyperelliptic involution.

③

$(4g+2)$ regular polygon
Identify opposite sides.

f -rotation by $\frac{2\pi}{4g+2}$ angle



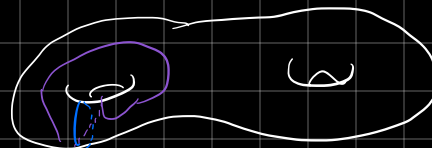
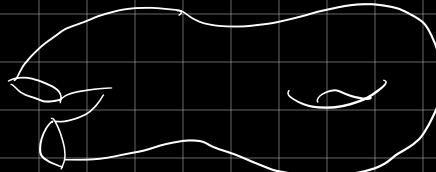
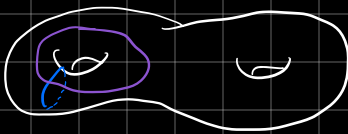
order $(4g+2)$ -elt
of $\text{Mod}(S_g)$

Remark. Rotate by π , hyperelliptic involution.

★

Not all elements of $\text{Mod}(S)$ are of finite order, e.g. Dehn twist

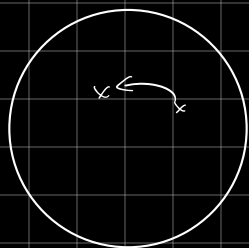
④



infinite order element.

Thm. (Alexander's Trick) $\text{Mod}(D^2) = \{_{pt.}\}$.

Pf.



$$f \in \text{Homeo}^+(D^2)$$

$$f|_{\partial D^2} = \text{id.}$$

$$f(x, t) = \begin{cases} (1-t) f\left(\frac{x}{1-t}\right), & 0 \leq |x| < 1-t \\ x, & 1-t \leq |x| \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \text{Mod}(D^2 / \{pt\}) = \text{trivial.}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \text{Mod}(S^2)^{S_0} = \text{trivial}$$

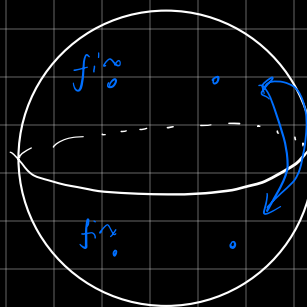
$$\textcircled{7} \quad \text{Mod}(S_{0,1}) = \text{trivial}$$

↑
puncture

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \text{Mod}(S_{0,2}) = \mathbb{Z} / 2\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad \text{Mod}(S_{0,3}) = S_3$$

$$\textcircled{10} \quad S_{0,4}$$



lehn
twist

infinite group.

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Back to Fricke's

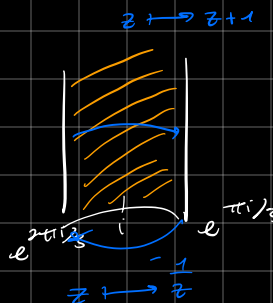
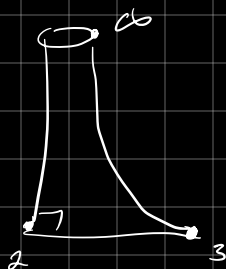
12.2

Thm. $\text{Mod}(S_g) \curvearrowright \text{Teich}(S_g)$ is properly discontinuous.

Cor. The Teichmüller space induces a metric on the moduli space of S_g .

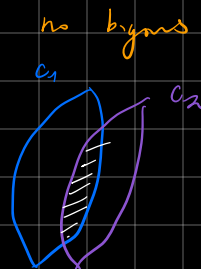
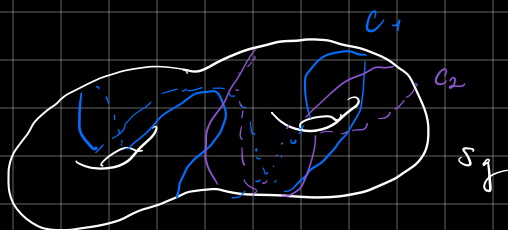
Last time

• $M(L^2)$



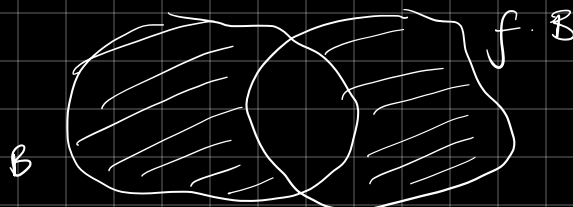
Pf. Fact. There exist 2 simple closed curves c_1, c_2 in S_g

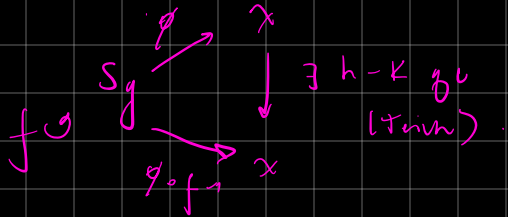
- Minimal position (smallest # of intersection)
- Fill S_g



To fill $S_g : S_g \setminus \{c_1 \cup c_2\} = \cup$ of top. disks

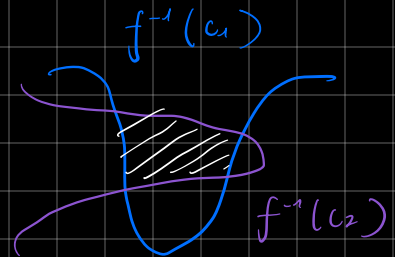
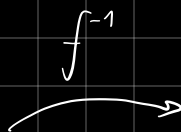
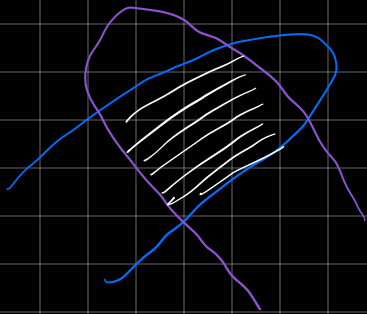
To show. $\forall B \subset \text{Teich}(S_g)$ compact
 $\# \{ [f] \in \text{Mod}(S_g) : f \cdot B \cap B \neq \emptyset \}$ is finite. If
 $x \in \text{Teich}(S_g)$, $f \cdot x = [(x, \phi \circ f^{-1})]$
 $''$
 $[(x, \phi)]$





$$\Rightarrow K \leq e^{4D}$$

By Wolpert's lemma,

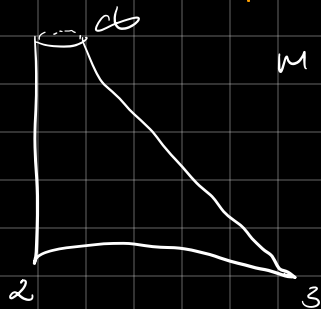


$$f\text{-homom} \Rightarrow c_1, c_2 - f \parallel Sg$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(c_1), f^{-1}(c_2) \text{ f\"ur } s_f.$$

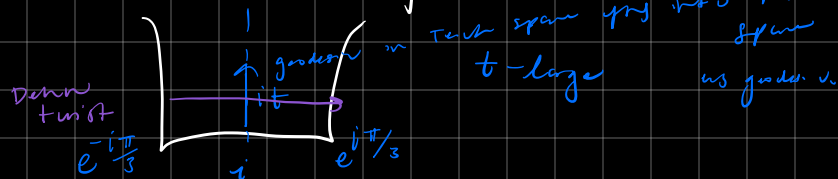
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Mumford's compactness.

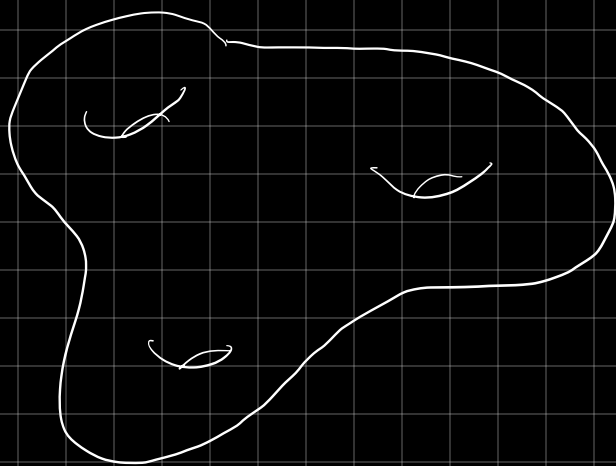
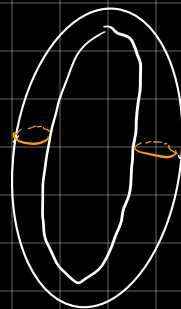
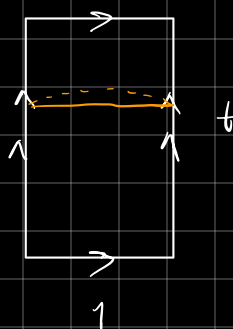


$M(T^2)$ is not compact (has ∞ -diameter).

→ Fundamental domain for T^2



In Teichmüller space, a Dehn twist sends to ∞ , not in Moduli space (need to pinch).



Defn. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then $M_\varepsilon(S_g) = \{x \in M(S_g) : \underbrace{len(x)}_{\text{length of shortest geodesic in } x} \geq \varepsilon\}$

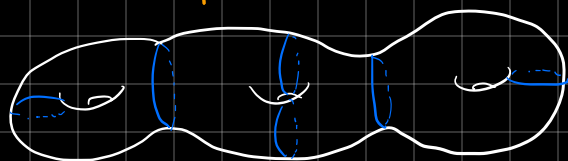
length of shortest geodesic in x .

$M_\varepsilon(S_g)$: ε -thick part of $M(S_g)$
 $M(S_g) = \bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} M_\varepsilon(S_g)$

Thm. (Mumford's compactness) $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $M_\varepsilon(S_g)$ is compact in $M(S_g)$.

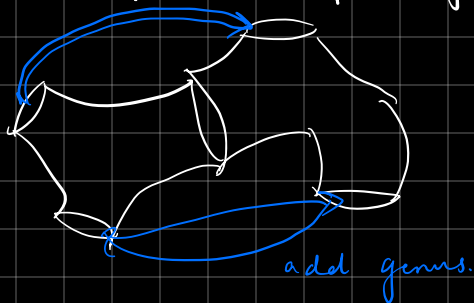
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Pants Decomposition



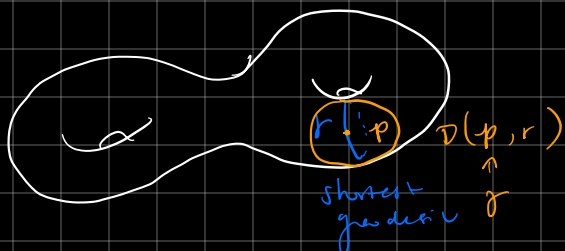
$3g - 3 + b$ curves in pants decomposition of $S_{g,b}$

- T^2 cannot be decomposed into pairs of pants



- Area of a hyperbolic surface $= 2\pi \chi(X)$

χ Euler characteristic



$$r = \frac{1}{2} l_X(\gamma)$$

$$\text{Area}(D) \leq -2\pi \chi(S)$$

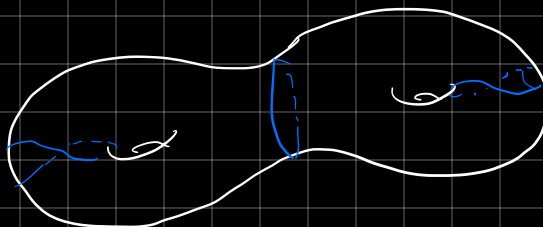
$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^r \sinh(t) dt d\theta$$

Upper bound

$$l_X(\gamma) \leq C(l_X(S))$$

Induction...

Fact. There exist only finitely many topological types of pants decomposition for S_g .



• $\text{Teich}(S_g) \xleftarrow{\text{Riemann surface with markings}} \text{Mod}(S_g)$
 (1:1 + 1 branch covering)
 $\downarrow$
 $\mathcal{M}(S_g)$

Nielsen-Thurston for the Torus T^2

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Teich}(T^2) &= \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \text{Mod}(T^2) &= \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})\end{aligned}$$

$$f \in \text{Mod}(T^2) \quad \text{mapping class}$$

$$f \longleftrightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$$

3 options:

① f has a fixed pt in $\mathbb{H}^2$ **PERIODIC**

② f has one fixed pt on $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ **REDUCIBLE**

③ f has two distinct fixed pts on $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ **ANOSOV** (T^2 has no singularities)

fixed pt $\Rightarrow \frac{az+b}{cz+d} = z$
 solve quadratic

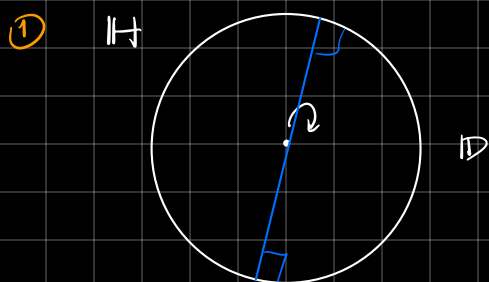
Preserves angles
 Takes circles to circles

Möbius transformation $f = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \in \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$

(isometry of $\mathbb{H}^2$, i.e. $f \in \text{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}^2)$)

$\rightarrow$ Can extend to the boundary

$\rightarrow$ Homes to closed ball (compactification)



By conjugating 0-fixed pt, $f = az$; $|a|=1$

$\text{Mod}(T^2)$ acts discretely

$\Rightarrow f$ - finite order around fixed pt.

② By conjugation, assume fixed pt is ∞

$$\mathbb{H}^2 \quad f = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \quad f(\infty) = \infty \Rightarrow c=0$$

$$f = az+b$$

$$az+b = z \Rightarrow az - z = -b \Rightarrow z(a-1) = -b$$

$$z = \frac{-b}{a-1}$$

$$a \neq 1 \Rightarrow \exists x \text{ fixed pt.} \Rightarrow \gamma = z + b.$$

$$\gamma \longleftrightarrow A = \pm \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

either $\lambda = 1$ or $\lambda = -1$
as eigenvalue.

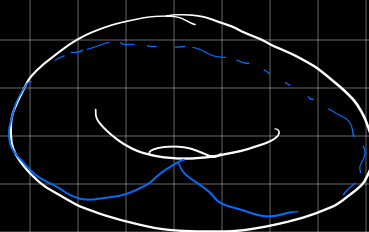
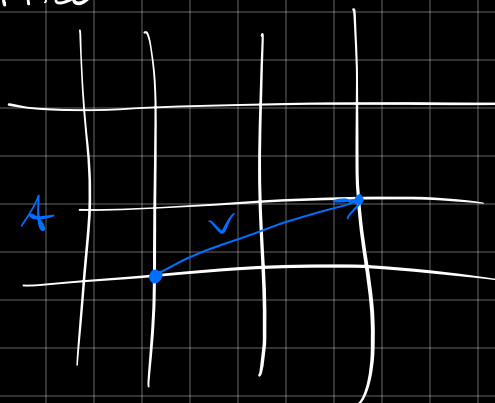
$$\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow Av = v$$

$$\lambda = -1 \Rightarrow Av = -v,$$

Let v be the corresponding
eigenvector.

$$A \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}), \text{ c.v., } c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

↪ Lattice



Simple
closed
curve
(unoriented)

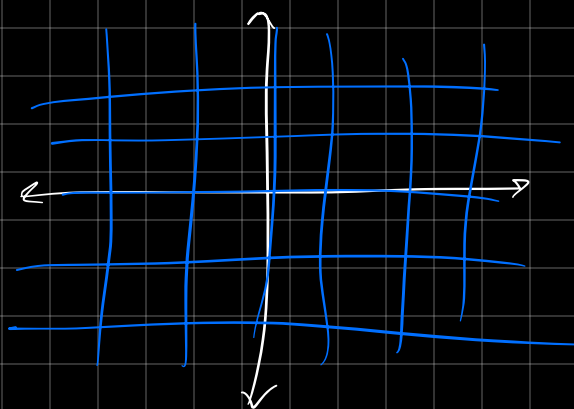
$\exists$ c-simple closed curve on T^2 such that $f[c] = [c]$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \gamma(0) = 0, \quad \gamma(\infty) = \infty, \quad \gamma(z) = a \cdot z, \quad a > 0$$



$$A = \pm \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{a} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \end{bmatrix}$$

preserves transverse foliations
(vertical & horizontal)



$$\frac{\sqrt{a} z}{1} = a z.$$

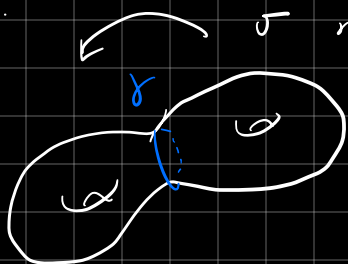
$\lambda = \sqrt{a}$ stretch factor

$A \curvearrowright$
 (F^u, μ^u) unstable (horizontal)
 (F^s, μ^s) stable (vertical)
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- $f \in \text{Mod}(S)$ reducible if $\exists \{C_1, \dots, C_n\}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ homotopy classes of SCS such that $i(C_i, C_j) = 0$ & $f(C_i) = C_i$ $\forall i=1, \dots, n$.

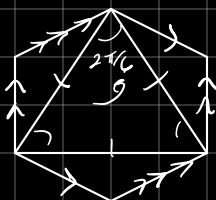
Example.



reduction system

T_γ Dehn twist

σ, T_γ reducible
 σ also periodic
 T_γ not periodic



"Hexagonal" Torus
 Periodic (period = 3)
 Not reducible.

Defn. $f \in \text{Mod}(S)$ is PSEUDO-ANOSOV if $\exists \phi \sim f$ (p -A homeo)
 & $\exists (F^u, \mu^u), (F^s, \mu^s)$ transverse measured foliations
 unstable and stable & $\exists \lambda > 1$ stretch factor

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(F^u, \mu^u) &= (F^u, \lambda \mu^u) \\ \phi(F^s, \mu^s) &= (F^s, \frac{1}{\lambda} \mu^s)\end{aligned}$$

unique up to conjugation.

Natural charts,
 Teichmüller map.

Canonical Form of the NTC.

$f \in \text{Mod}(S_{g,n})$
 $\{C_1, \dots, C_m\}$ canonical reduction system (maybe empty)
 $\exists R_1, \dots, R_m$ closed annular neighborhoods
 $\gamma_1 \in C_1, \dots, \gamma_m \in C_m$
 $R_i \cap R_j = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$
 representatives

embedding

let R_j be the closure of a connected component of
 $S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^m R_i$, $j = m+1, \dots, p$

$\exists \eta: \text{Mod}(R_i) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(S)$
 $\forall i=1, \dots, p$.

$$\exists K \in \mathbb{N}. f^K \sim \prod_{i=1}^m \eta_i(f_i) \prod_{i=m+1}^p \eta_i(f_i), f_i \in \text{Mod}(R_i)$$

$\eta_i(f_i)$ - powers

(+, -, or power of Dehn twist) for $i = 1, \dots, m$

$\eta_i(f_i) = \text{id}$ or p -th for $i = m+1, \dots, p$

$$m=2$$

$$p=5$$



Recall. $\text{Mod}(S) \curvearrowright \text{Teich}(S)$ by isometries.

Defn. $\mathcal{X}$ = metric space. $F \in \text{Isom}(\mathcal{X})$.

$$T(F) = \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{d(x, F(x))\}$$
 TRANSLATION LENGTH of F .

Defn. F is EUCLIDIAN if $T(F) = 0$, realized
 $\inf = \min$.

F is PARABOLIC if $T(F)$ is not realized, $\inf$ but not $\min$.

F is HYPERBOLIC if $T(F) > 0$, not realized.

We will show. ① parabolic $\Rightarrow$ reducible
 ② hyperbolic $\Rightarrow$ pseudo-Anosov.

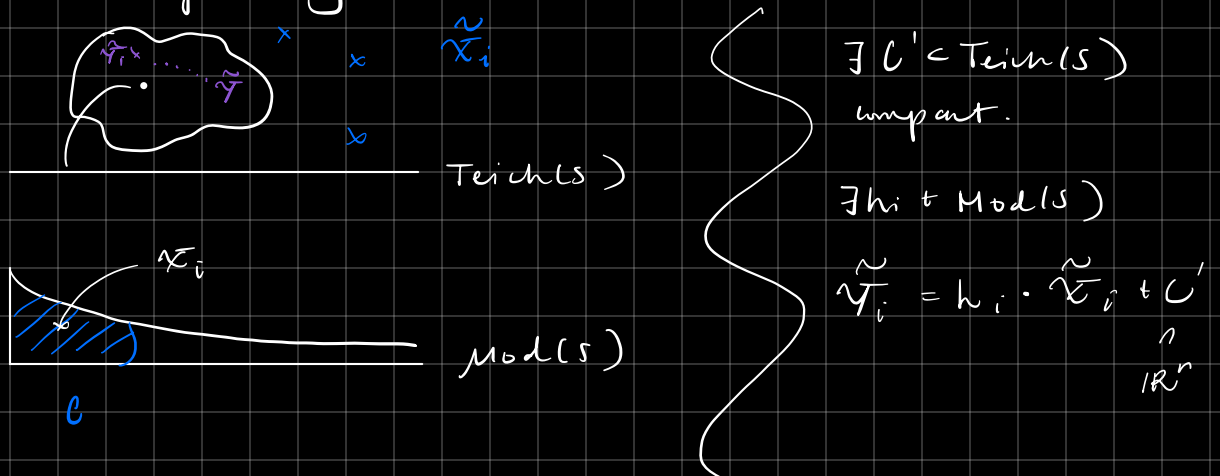
euclidian $\Rightarrow$ periodic (skip)

① $\exists \tilde{x}_i \in \text{Teich}(S = S_{g,n})$. $d_T(x_i, f \cdot x_i)$ converges to $T(f)$

$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{let } x_i = p(\tilde{x}_i) & & \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \\ \mu(S) & \text{Teich}(S) & \end{array}$		$p: \text{Teich}(S) \rightarrow \mu(S)$
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Claim. (x_i) leaves every compact subset of $\mathcal{M}(S)$.

Pf. Suppose not. Then there exists C -compact in $\mathcal{M}(S)$ infinitely-many x_i in C .



$$\exists C' \subset \text{Teich}(S)$$

compact.

$$\exists h_i \in \text{Mod}(S)$$

$$\tilde{\gamma}_i = h_i \cdot \tilde{\gamma} + C' \cap \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists i_k : \tilde{\gamma}_{i_k} \rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} \in C' \subset \text{Teich}(S).$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_T(\tilde{\gamma}_i, h_i f_i h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}_i) &= d_T(h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}_i, f_i h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}_i) \\ &= d_T(\tilde{\gamma}_i, f_i \tilde{\gamma}_i) \\ &\xrightarrow{\text{unwinds}} \tau(f). \end{aligned}$$

Subclaim. $\exists N$ s.t. $d_T(\tilde{\gamma}, h_N \tilde{\gamma} h_N^{-1}) = \tau(f)$

$$d_T(\tilde{\gamma}, h_i f h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma})$$

Pf. $\tau(f) \leq d_T(\tilde{\gamma}, h_i f h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}) \leq \overset{\Delta\text{-ing}}{d_T(\tilde{\gamma}, \tilde{\gamma}_i)} + d_T(\tilde{\gamma}_i, h_i f h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}_i) + d_T(h_i f h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}, h_i f h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma})$

$$\Rightarrow \lim d_T(\tilde{\gamma}, \underbrace{h_i f h_i^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}}_{\in \text{Mod}(S)}) = \tau(f).$$

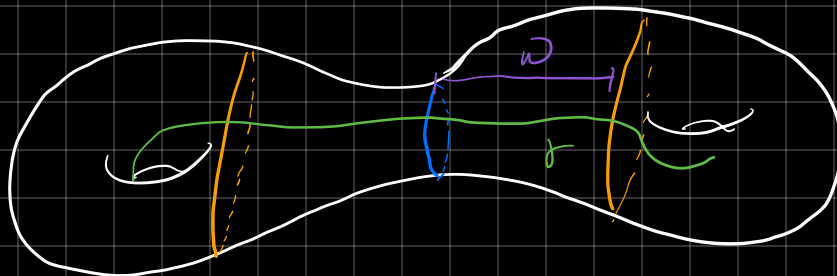
Since $\text{Mod}(S)$ acts properly discontinuously (discretely) on $\text{Teich}(S)$, $\exists N : d_T(\tilde{\gamma}, h_N f h_N^{-1} \tilde{\gamma}) = \tau(f)$. $\square$

$$\text{So } d_T(h_N^{-1}\tilde{\gamma}, f h_N \tilde{\gamma}) = d_T(\tilde{x}_N, f \tilde{x}_N) = \tau(f).$$

Realized $\Leftarrow$

□

Lemma. (Collar)



There is $\mathcal{A}(\delta)$ -annulus embedded in S and the weight

$$\omega \geq \sinh^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sinh^{-1} l^{1/2}(\delta)} \right).$$

Cor. If β is a simple-closed geodesic in S with $i(\delta, \beta) \neq 0$, then $l(\beta)$ -large if $l(\delta)$ -small, quantitatively.

Cor. There exists a $\delta > 0$ such that if $l(\delta), l(\beta) \leq \delta$, then δ, β -disjoint.

Claim. + Mumford's comp. $\Rightarrow l(x_i) \rightarrow 0$
length of short geodesic in X_i

① Let M be so large that

$$\bullet d_T(x_M, f \cdot x_M) < \frac{\tau(f)+1}{3g-3+n}$$

length of isotopy classes of disjoint simple closed curves.

$\bullet l(x_M) < \delta/K$, where $\delta > 0$ is constant from the 2nd cor. to the collar lemma.

Let C_0 be a simple closed curve such that

$$l_{x_M}(C_0) = l(x_M),$$

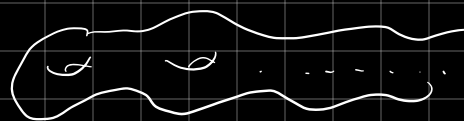
i.e. C_0 int. a s.c.g., shortest in x_M . Look at $C_i = f^{-1}(C_0)$,

$$i = 1, \dots, 3g-3+n.$$

Towards a NTC for Infinite Type Surfaces - Megha Bhat

• Paper by Bestvina, Fatur, Tao

• $S = \text{inf. type surfaces}$
 $\pi_1(S)$ has ∞ generators
 $\text{Teich}(S)$ - bad.



Thm. If $f \in \text{FT}(S) \leq \text{Mod}(S)$, then either

- ① f is periodic
- ② f is a translation (as an isometry of $\mathbb{H}^2/\cdot$)
- ③ f is "reducible"

• S finite type, $f \in \text{Mod}(S)$
 $\forall \alpha, \beta$ simple closed curves

- ① $i(f^n \alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \infty$ (p-A)
- ② $i(f^n \alpha, \beta)$ bdd $\forall n$ (periodic)

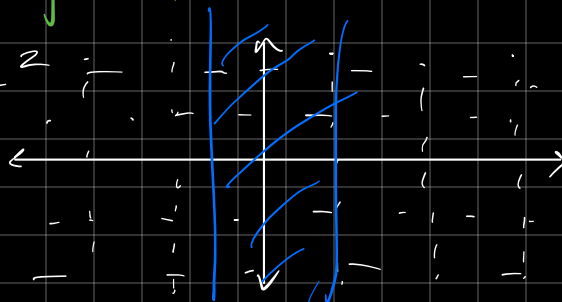
else, reducible.

Defn. $f \in \text{Mod}(S)$ is TAME if $\forall K \in S$ finite type, α SCC
 $f^n \alpha \cap K$ is one of finitely many isotopy classes.

f is EXTRA TAME if it is tame + $\forall \alpha$, the limit set
of α is finite $\{f^n(\alpha)\}$ - limits of seq.

Examples.

$$S = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$$



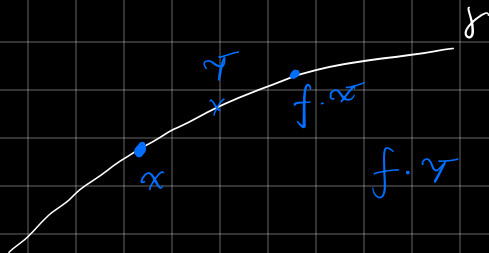
Tame
but
not extra
tame.

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Hyperbolic case.

- $\text{Mod}(S) \curvearrowright \text{Teich}(S)$ by isometries, $f \in \text{Mod}(S)$
 $\tau(f) = \inf d_T(\tilde{x}, f \cdot \tilde{x}), \tilde{x} \in \text{Teich}(S)$

Case: Let $\tilde{x} \in \text{Teich}(S)$, $0 < d_T(\tilde{x}, f \cdot \tilde{x}) = \tau(f)$.



$\exists!$ δ -geodesic in $\text{Teich}(S)$ wrt. $x, f \cdot x$.

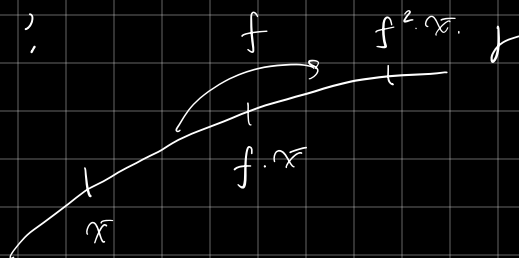
$\forall y$ in geodesic arc connecting $x, f \cdot x$, $f \cdot y \in \delta$ (to show)

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(f) &\leq d_T(y, f \cdot x) \leq d_T(y, f \cdot x) + d_T(f \cdot x, f \cdot y) \\ &= d_T(y, f \cdot x) + d_T(x, y) \\ &= d_T(x, f \cdot x) = \tau(f) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$ First " $\leq$ " is "=", i.e. $f \cdot x \in \delta'$
 geodesic connection $y, f \cdot y$.

$\Rightarrow$ geodesic arc conn.
 $y \in f \cdot x \in \delta, \delta'$

Uniqueness of geo $\Rightarrow \delta = \delta'$



To show: $f \sim \phi$ is pA.

$$\tilde{x} = L(x, \psi)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f \curvearrowright \tilde{x} & \xrightarrow{\psi} & x \\ \uparrow \psi \cdot f^{-1} & & \uparrow \phi \\ \psi \cdot f^{-1} & \xrightarrow{\psi} & x \end{array}$$

$$\phi \sim \psi \circ f \cdot \psi^{-1}$$

Teichmüller map (unique)

$\Rightarrow \phi$ preserves horizontal foliation for $g = g'$ $\mathcal{F}^u$.

$\Rightarrow -g = -g'$ also preserved (vertical foliation) $\mathcal{F}^s$

