

Dynamics and Geometry on Homogeneous Spaces

An Introduction

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we start by defining Riemann surfaces, holomorphic and meromorphic functions on them and also holomorphic maps between two Riemann surfaces.

Riemann surface :

- two dimensional real manifolds
- additional structure that we will define next

n -dimensional manifold = Hausdorff topological space X such that every point $a \in X$ has an open neighbourhood which is homeomorphic to an open neighbourhood of $\mathbb{R}^n$

Def:

Let X be a two-dimensional real manifold. A complex chart on X is a homeomorphism

$$\varphi : U \rightarrow V$$

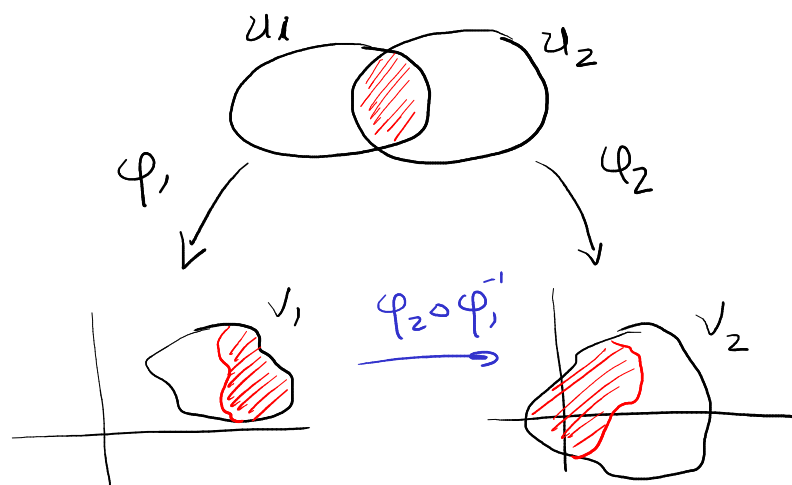
$$\begin{pmatrix} U \subseteq X \\ V \subseteq \mathbb{C} \end{pmatrix}$$

of an open subset U of X onto an open subset of $\mathbb{C}$.

Two complex charts $\varphi_i : U_i \rightarrow V_i$, $i=1,2$, are said to be holomorphically compatible if the map

$$\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : \varphi_1(U_1 \cap U_2) \rightarrow \varphi_2(U_1 \cap U_2)$$

is biholomorphic.



Def:

Let X be a two-dimensional real manifold. A complex atlas on X is a system

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ (U_i, \varphi_i : U_i \rightarrow V_i) : i \in I \}$$

of charts which are holomorphically compatible and which cover X , i.e. $\bigcup_{i \in I} U_i = X$

Two complex atlases $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{A}'$ on X are called analytically equivalent if every chart of $\mathcal{A}$ is holomorphically compatible with every chart of $\mathcal{A}'$.

Rem:

1. $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$ complex chart on X
 $U_i \subseteq U$, U_i open $\left\{ \Rightarrow \varphi|_{U_i} \text{ is a complex chart on } X \text{ that is holomorphically compatible with } \varphi \right.$

2. Since the composition of biholomorphic maps is again biholomorphic, the notion of analytic equivalence of complex atlases is an equivalence relation



Def:

A complex structure on a two-dimensional real manifold X is an equivalence class of analytically equivalent atlases on X .

Every complex structure Σ on X contains a unique maximal atlas $\mathcal{A}^*$



If $\mathcal{A}$ is an arbitrary atlas in Σ , then $\mathcal{A}^*$ consists of all complex charts on X which are holomorphically compatible with every chart of $\mathcal{A}$.

Def:

A Riemann surface is a pair $(X, \bar{Z})$, where X is a connected two-dimensional real manifold and $\bar{Z}$ is a complex structure on X .

usually we will write X instead of $(X, \bar{Z})$
(if it is clear which is $\bar{Z}$)

Rmk:

Locally, a Riemann surface X is nothing but an open subset of the complex plane $\mathbb{C}$

$$\varphi: U(\subseteq X) \longrightarrow V(\subseteq \mathbb{C}) \quad \text{bijection}$$

$\Rightarrow$ we may carry over Riemann surfaces the notions from complex analysis in the plane that remain invariant under biholomorphic mappings

$\Downarrow$
i.e. notions not depending on the choice of a particular chart.

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \mathbb{R}^2 & \simeq & \mathbb{C} \\ (u, v) & & z = u + iv \end{array}$$

1. The complex plane $\mathbb{C}$

we have that $\mathbb{C}$ is a two-dimensional real manifold and the complex structure on $\mathbb{C}$ is the one whose atlases contain a unique chart given by the identity map

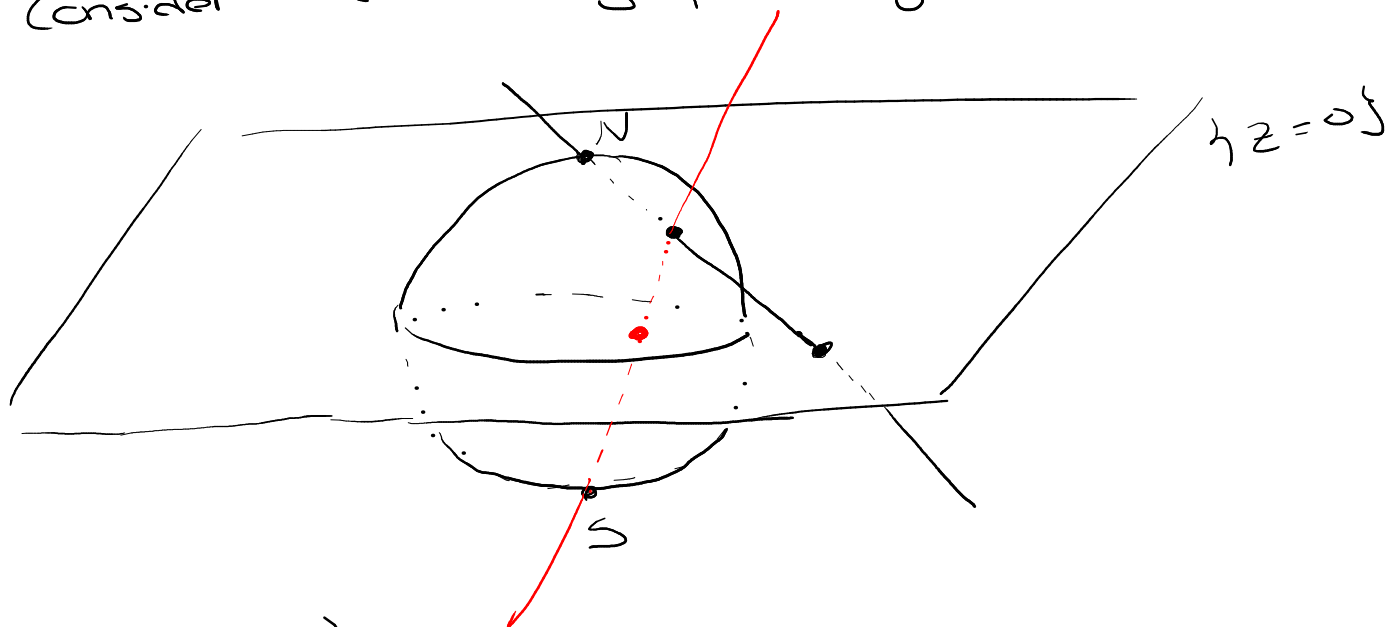
$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ (\mathbb{C}, \varphi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}) \right\}$$
$$z \mapsto z$$

2. Open subsets of $\mathbb{R}^2$

3. The 2-sphere S^2

$$S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$$

Consider the stereographic projection



$$N = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$S = (0, 0, -1)$$

we will cover S^2 by the following two open sets

$$U_1 = S^2 \setminus \{(0, 0, 1)\} \quad \text{and} \quad U_2 = S^2 \setminus \{(0, 0, -1)\}$$

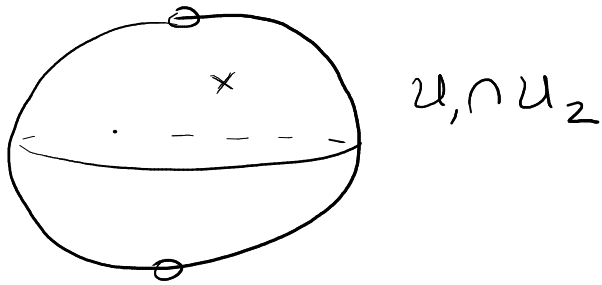
$$(U_1 \cup U_2 = S^2)$$

and we will consider the following two charts on these open sets:

$$\varphi_1 : U_1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$
$$(x, y, z) \longmapsto \left(\frac{x}{1-z}, \frac{y}{1-z} \right)$$

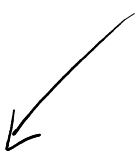
$$\varphi_2 : U_2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$
$$(x, y, z) \longmapsto \left(\frac{x}{1+z}, -\frac{y}{1+z} \right)$$

change of sign is related
with the conjugation on
the complex plane
 $\mathbb{C} \simeq \mathbb{R}^2$

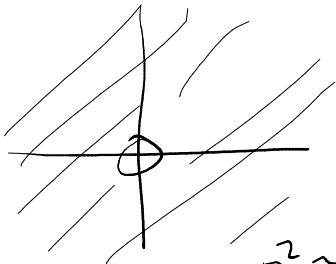


$U_1 \cap U_2$

φ_1



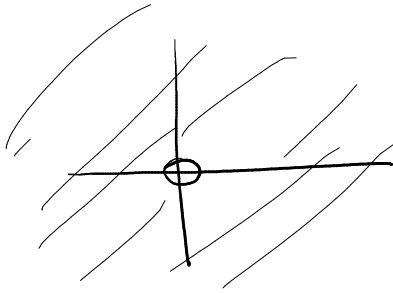
φ_2



$\mathbb{R}^2 \simeq \mathbb{C}$

$$z \simeq (x, y)$$

$$z = x + iy$$



$\mathbb{R}^2 \simeq \mathbb{C}$

$$\tilde{z} \simeq (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$$

$$\tilde{z} = \tilde{x} + i\tilde{y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x + iy) \cdot (\tilde{x} + i\tilde{y}) &= \left(\frac{x}{1-z} + i \frac{y}{1-z} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{x}{1+z} - i \frac{y}{1+z} \right) \\ &= \frac{x^2 + y^2}{1-z^2} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 &= 1 - z^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$z \cdot \tilde{z} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \tilde{z} = \frac{1}{z}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : \mathbb{C}^* &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \\ z &\longmapsto \frac{1}{z} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$ is (clearly) biholomorphic, we have presented a complex structure on S^2 . So S^2 is a Riemann surface.

4. The projective line $\mathbb{CP}(1)$

$$\mathbb{CP}(1) = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$$

Let us equip $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ with the following topology: the open sets are

- the usual open sets $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and
- $V \cup \{\infty\}$ where $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is the complement of a compact set $K \subseteq \mathbb{C}$

with this topology, $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ is a compact Hausdorff topological space homeomorphic to the 2-sphere S^2 .

Set

$$U_1 = \mathbb{CP}(1) \setminus \{\infty\} = \mathbb{C}$$

$$U_2 = \mathbb{CP}(1) \setminus \{0\} = \mathbb{C}^* \cup \{\infty\}$$

on these sets we define the following charts

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_1 : U_1 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ z &\longmapsto z \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_2 : U_2 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ z &\longmapsto \begin{cases} \frac{1}{z} & \text{if } z \in \mathbb{C}^* \\ 0 & \text{if } z = \infty \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : \mathbb{C}^* &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \\ z &\longmapsto \frac{1}{z} \end{aligned}$$

This is biholomorphic. Thus $\mathbb{C}P(1)$ is a Riemann surface.

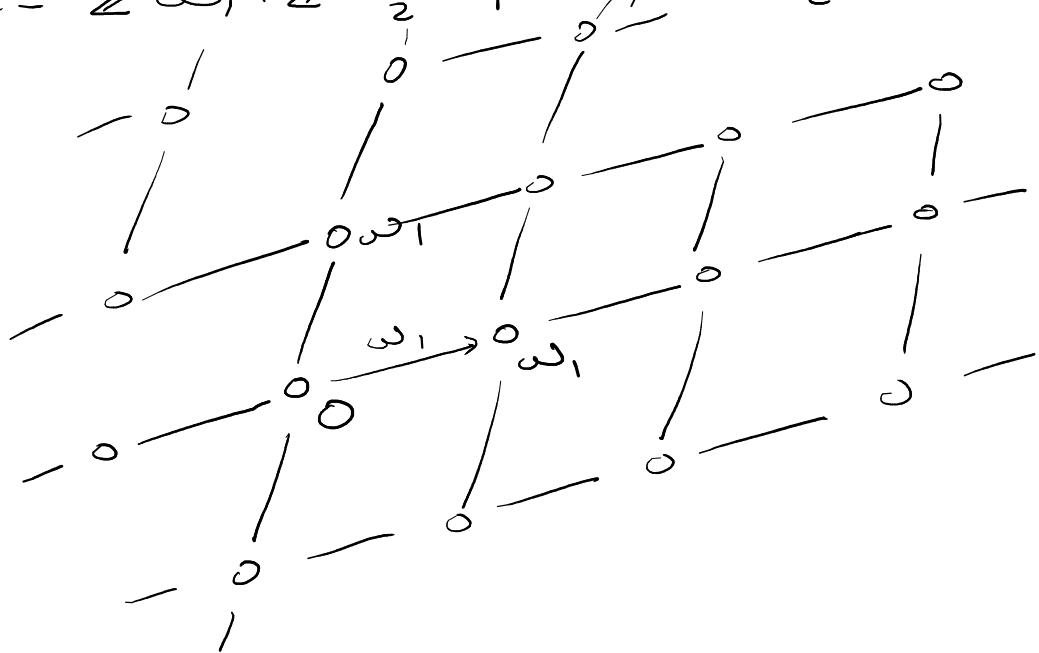
5. The tori

$\mathbb{R}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1 &= (\omega_1, \gamma_1) \\ \mu_2 &= (\omega_2, \gamma_2) \end{aligned} \quad \text{L.I.}$$

Consider $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ that are linearly independent over $\mathbb{R}$. Let the

$$\Pi := \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2 = \{ n\omega_1 + m\omega_2 : n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$



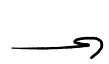
Π is called the lattice spanned by ω_1 and ω_2

$$z, z' \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$z \sim z' \iff z - z' \in \Pi$$

$\sim$ is an equivalence relation on $\mathbb{C}$
 their equivalence classes are denoted by $\mathbb{C}/\Pi$

canonical
projection



$$\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}/\pi$$

$$z \mapsto [z]$$

← equivalence
class of z

Let us introduce on $\mathcal{C}/\pi$ the following topology

$$U \subseteq \mathcal{C}/\pi \text{ open} \iff \pi^{-1}(U) \subseteq \mathcal{C} \text{ is open}$$

with this topology, $\mathcal{C}/\pi$ is a Hausdorff topological space (and the quotient map $\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}/\pi$ is continuous)

Remark:

- $\mathcal{C}$ connected $\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}/\pi$ connected
- $\mathcal{C}/\pi$ compact : it is covered by the image under π of the following compact subset of $\mathcal{C}$
 $K = \{ \lambda \omega_1 + \beta \omega_2, \lambda, \beta \in [0, 1] \}$

- π is an open map



the image of every open set $V \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ is open.



we have to check that $\hat{V} = \pi^{-1}(\pi(V))$ is open whenever V is open. we have

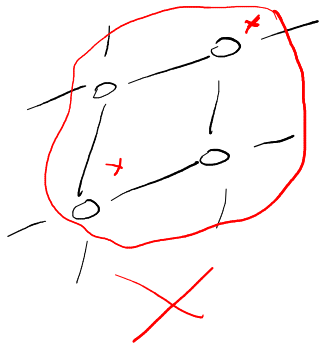
$$\hat{V} = \bigcup_{\omega \in \pi^{-1}} (\omega + V)$$

$$V \text{ open} \Rightarrow \omega + V \text{ open} \quad \forall \omega \in \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{V} \text{ open}$$

The complex structure on $\mathbb{C}/\pi$ is then defined as follows:

- Let V be an open set of $\mathbb{C}$ admitting no points equivalent under π

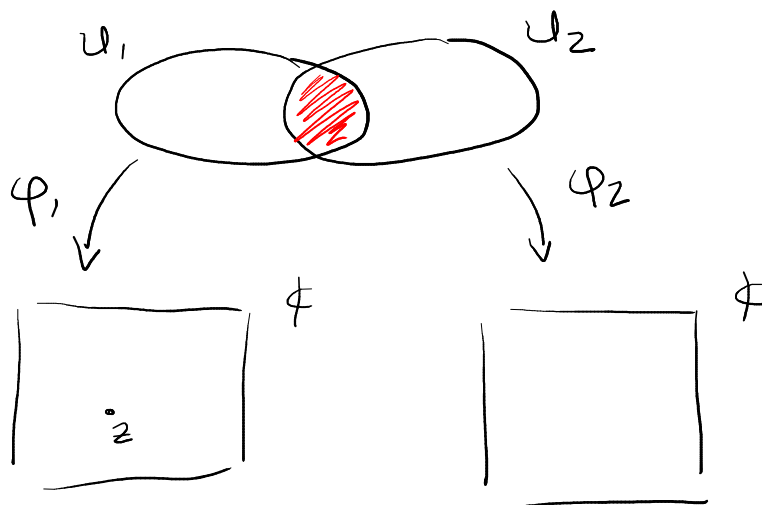


$$\Rightarrow U := \pi(V) \text{ is open}$$

$$\pi|_V \text{ homeomorphism}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi = \pi^{-1} : U \rightarrow V \text{ is a complex chart on } \mathbb{C}/\pi$$

- Consider then the set of all charts obtained as before. We just to show that every two charts φ_1, φ_2 as above are holomorphically compatible.



$$\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : \varphi_1(U_1 \cap U_2) \rightarrow \varphi_2(U_1 \cap U_2)$$

Recall : $\varphi_i = \pi^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \forall z \in \varphi_1(U \cap U_2), \quad \pi(\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}(z)) = \varphi_1^{-1}(z) = \pi(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}(z) - z \in \Gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}(z) - z \equiv \text{cte} \quad \text{on every connected component of } \varphi_1(U \cap U_2)$$

π is discrete
 $\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$ is continuous

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} \text{ is holomorphic}$$

The same argument allows us to say that $(\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1})^{-1}$ is holomorphic, and so $\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$ is biholomorphic so that φ_1 and φ_2 are holomorphically compatible.

Remark:

$$S' = \{ (\omega, \gamma) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \omega^2 + \gamma^2 = 1 \}$$

we have that $\mathbb{C}/\pi$ is homeomorphic to $S' \times S'$

$$S' \simeq \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1 \}$$

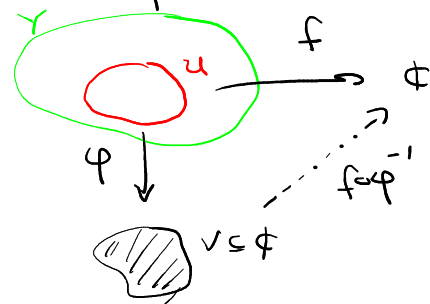
$$\lambda \omega_1 + \beta \omega_2 \in \mathbb{C}/\pi \quad \longmapsto \quad (e^{2\pi i \lambda}, e^{2\pi i \beta})$$

Definition:

Let X be a Riemann surface and $Y \subseteq X$ an open subset of X . A function $f: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is said to be holomorphic if for every chart $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$ (where $U \subseteq Y$, $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$) on Y , the function

$$f \circ \varphi^{-1}: V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is holomorphic in the usual sense.



The set of all holomorphic functions on Y will be denoted by $\mathcal{O}(Y)$.

Every chart $\varphi: U(\subseteq X) \rightarrow V(\subseteq \mathbb{C})$ is clearly holomorphic. We call φ a local coordinate on (U, φ) . Usually it is used z instead of φ .

$\mathcal{O}(Y)$ is $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra: the sum and the product of holomorphic functions of Y is also holomorphic.
the constant function is holomorphic.

An immediate consequence of the Riemann Removable Singularities Theorem on the complex plane is:

Thm:

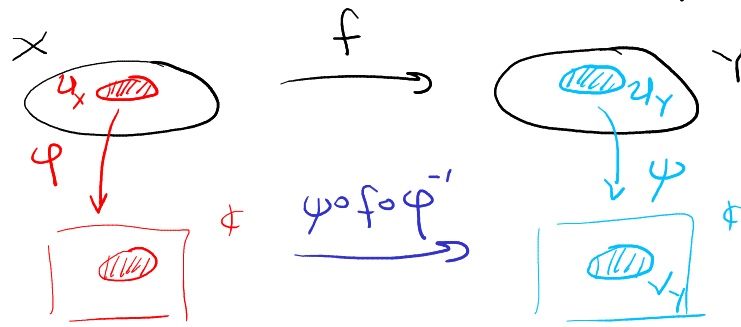
Let U be an open subset of a Riemann surface X and $p \in U$. Suppose that $f \in \mathcal{O}(U \setminus \{p\})$ is bounded in a neighbourhood of p . Then f can be extended to a unique function $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{O}(U)$.

Def:

Let X and Y be two Riemann surfaces. A continuous mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said holomorphic if for every pair of charts in X and Y ($\varphi: U_X \rightarrow V_X$ and $\psi: U_Y \rightarrow V_Y$) satisfying $f(U_X) \subseteq U_Y$, the mapping

$$\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1}: V_X \rightarrow V_Y$$

is holomorphic in the usual sense ($\forall_x, \forall_y \in \mathbb{C}$)
 $(U_x \subseteq X, U_y \subseteq Y)$



A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called biholomorphic if it is injective and both $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ are holomorphic.
 (surjective)

Two Riemann surfaces X, Y are called isomorphic if there is a biholomorphism map $f: X \rightarrow Y$.

A biholomorphic map from a Riemann surface X to itself, $f: X \rightarrow X$, is said an automorphism of X .

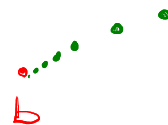
Theorem: (Identity Theorem)

Let X, Y be two (connected) Riemann surfaces and $f_1: X \rightarrow Y, f_2: X \rightarrow Y$ two holomorphic maps. Assume that f_1 and f_2 coincide on a set $U \subseteq X$ having a limit point $q \in X$. Then f_1 and f_2 coincide on all X .

Proof: (consequence of the identity theorem for holomorphic functions on $\mathbb{C}$)

Let $G = \{ p \in X : \exists U \text{ neighbourhood of } p : f_1|_U \equiv f_2|_U \}$

G is clearly an open set. Let us check that G is also closed. So, let $b \in X$ be a point in ∂G .



Since f_1 and f_2 are continuous, it follows that $f_1(b) = f_2(b)$.
Consider then charts

$$\varphi: U \longrightarrow V$$

$$b \in U \subseteq X, V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$

$$\varphi': U' \longrightarrow V'$$

$$f(b) \in U' \subseteq Y, V' \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$

such that $b \in U$, $f_1(U) \subseteq U'$ and U is connected. The maps

$$\overline{f}_i := \varphi' \circ f_i \circ \varphi^{-1}: V \longrightarrow V' \quad V, V' \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$

is (by definition) holomorphic and since $\varphi'^{-1}(b)$ is an accumulation point of V of points where $\overline{f}_1$ and $\overline{f}_2$ coincide, the Identity theorem for holomorphic functions on domains in $\mathbb{C}$ implies that $\overline{f}_1$ and $\overline{f}_2$ coincide on V .
There follows that

$$f_1|_U \equiv f_2|_U$$

so G is closed.

Being X connected and G simultaneously open and closed, we have

$$G = \emptyset \quad \text{or} \quad G = X$$

However $q \in G$, so that $G = X$ and, consequently, $f_1 \equiv f_2$.

Consequence:

Thm:

Let X be a compact and connected Riemann surface. Then every holomorphic function $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ must be constant.

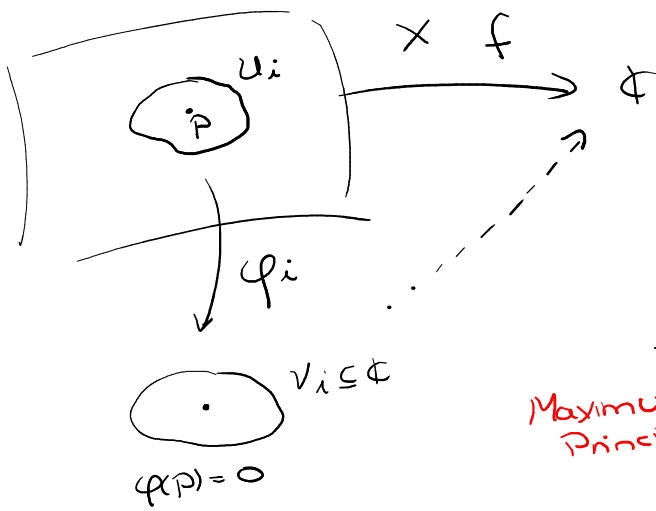
Proof:

Consider the function $|f|: X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Since S is compact

compact

$$\exists p \in X : |f(p)| \text{ is maximum on } X$$

Consider then an atlas for X , $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_i, \varphi_i)\}$ and let $i: p \in U_i$



consider the map
 $f \circ \phi^{-1}: V_i \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
 which is, by definition, holomorphic

$\Rightarrow$ Maximum Modulus Principle
 $\Rightarrow f \circ \phi^{-1}$ is constant on V_i
 $\Rightarrow f$ is constant on U_i

The previous Theorem ensures that f is constant on X .

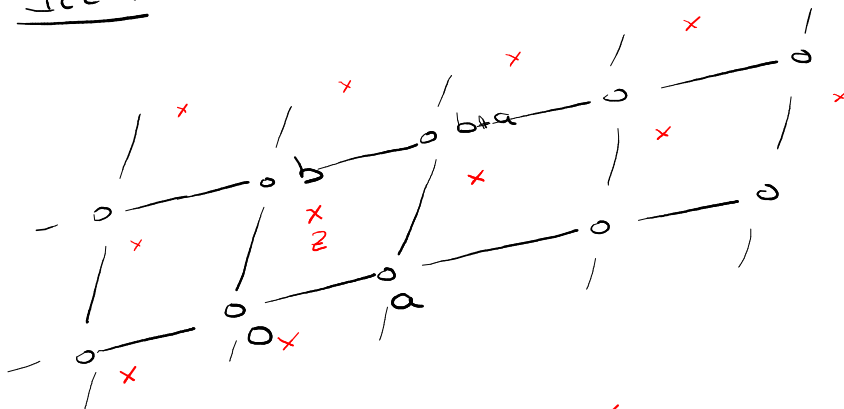
Example:

we have that $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ admit no non-constant holomorphic functions.

Exercise:

Let $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function that is 2-periodic in the following sense. There exist $a, b \in \mathbb{C}^*$ ($b/a \notin \mathbb{R}$) such $f(z) = f(z+a) = f(z+b)$ for every $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Then f must be constant.

Idea:



f defined on $\mathbb{C}$
 has natural projection $\bar{f}$
 on $\mathbb{C}/\pi$

$\bar{f}$ is then a holomorphic function on $\mathbb{C}/\pi$

$$\pi = \{ \lambda a + \beta b : \lambda, \beta \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{f}$ is constant
 $\mathbb{C}/\pi$ is compact
 $\Rightarrow f$ is constant

Def:

Let X be a Riemann surface. By a meromorphic function on X we mean a holomorphic function $f: X' \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, where X' is an open subset of X satisfying the following conditions

- (i) $X \setminus X'$ contains only isolated points
- (ii) $\forall p \in X \setminus X'$ we have $\lim_{\omega \rightarrow p} |f(\omega)| = \infty$

The points of $X \setminus X'$ are called the poles of f and the set of meromorphic functions on X is denoted by $\mathcal{M}(X)$.

Def:

Let X be a Riemann surface and $p \in X$. Let $f: X \setminus \{p\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function. We say that p is an essential singularity if p is neither a pole nor a removable singularity (i.e. if f does not admit a holomorphic extension to p).

Consider a polynomial function on $\mathbb{C}$

$$f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ z \mapsto z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n, \quad a_n \in \mathbb{C}$$

• $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$

• $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} |f(z)| = \infty \implies f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\})$

- $\bar{f}$ is a holomorphic function from $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\}$ to $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\}$

$$z^n \left(1 + \frac{a_1}{z} + \frac{a_2}{z^2} + \dots + \frac{a_n}{z^n} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{C} \\ \cap & & \cap \\ \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\} & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}} & \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\} \end{array}$$

Thm:

Let X be a Riemann surface and $f \in M(X)$. Denote by $\mathcal{P}$ the set of poles of f . Consider then the function $\bar{f}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P(1)$ defined as

$$\bar{f}(p) = \begin{cases} f(p) & , \text{ if } p \in X \setminus \mathcal{P} \\ \infty & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then $\bar{f}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P(1)$ is a holomorphic map. Conversely, if $\bar{f}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P(1)$ is holomorphic map, then $\bar{f}$ is either identically equal to ∞ or $\bar{f}^{-1}(\infty)$ consists of isolated points and $f: X \setminus \bar{f}^{-1}(\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined as $f(p) = \bar{f}(p) \quad \forall p \in X \setminus \bar{f}^{-1}(\infty)$, is a meromorphic function on X .

Proof:

$$f \in M(X)$$

$\mathcal{P}(\subseteq X)$ set of poles of f

$\bar{f}$ as in the statement of the theorem

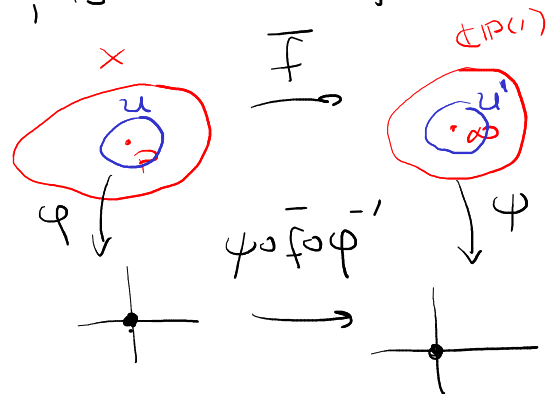
- $\bar{f}$ is clearly continuous

Fix $p \in \mathcal{P}$, consider a chart $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$, where $p \in U \subseteq X$, $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. Consider also a chart $\psi: U' \rightarrow V'$ for $\mathbb{C}P(1)$ where $\infty \in U' \subseteq \mathbb{C}P(1)$, $V' \subseteq \mathbb{C}P(1)$. Assume also $\bar{f}(U) \subseteq U'$. For simplification, assume $\varphi(p) = 0$ and $\psi(\infty) = 0$

we have to show that

$$g: \psi \circ \bar{f} \circ \varphi^{-1}: V \rightarrow V'$$

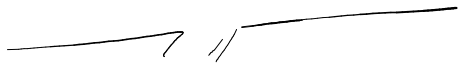
is holomorphic (for every charts as above).



- $g(v \log)$ is bounded
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} g(z) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \bar{f}$ is holomorphic by the Riemann Removable Singularity theorem.

The converse follows from the identity theorem.



Examples:

1. $P(z) = z^3 - 3z^2 + 3$
 $P: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic

2. $F: \mathbb{C} \setminus \{1, i, -i\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$F(z) = \frac{z^2 + 2}{z^3 - 1} \quad (z-1)(z^2+1)$$

F is holomorphic on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{1, i, -i\}$

F admits a holomorphic extension viewed as a holomorphic function from $\mathbb{C}$ to $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$

$$\lim_{\substack{z \rightarrow 1 \\ z \rightarrow i \\ z \rightarrow -i}} |F(z)| = \infty$$

poles: $1, i, -i$

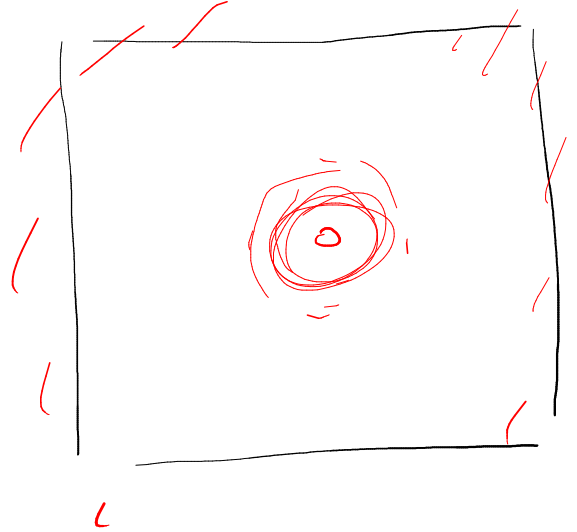
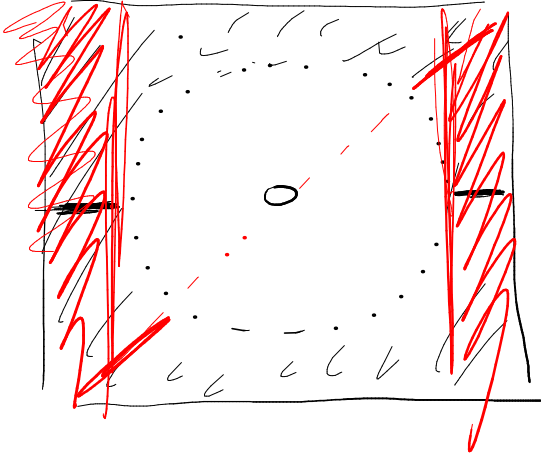
3.

$$F: \mathbb{C}^* \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$F(z) = e^{1/z}$$

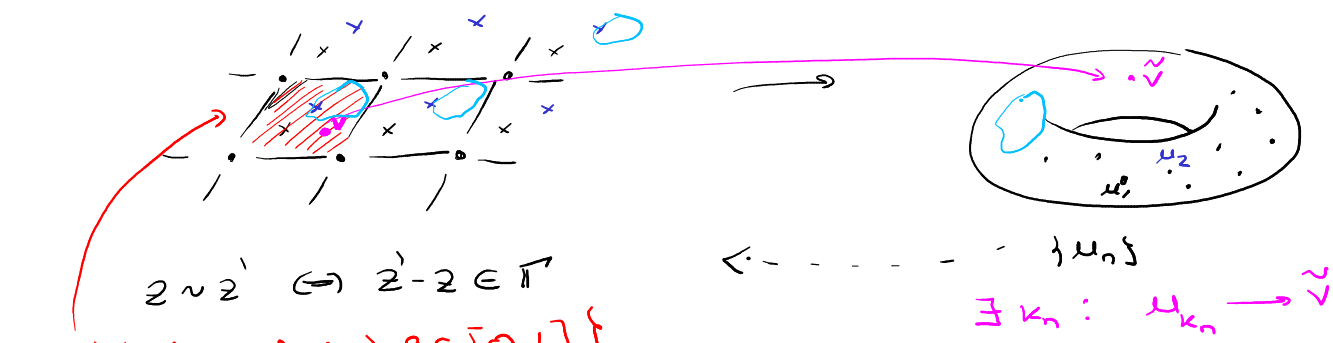
F is holomorphic on $\mathbb{C}^*$

0 is an essential singularity for F

 $1/2$


$$e^{a+ib} = e^a (\cos b + i \sin b)$$

$$z \rightarrow 0 \implies \frac{1}{z} \rightarrow \infty$$



$$z \sim z' \Leftrightarrow z' - z \in \Gamma$$

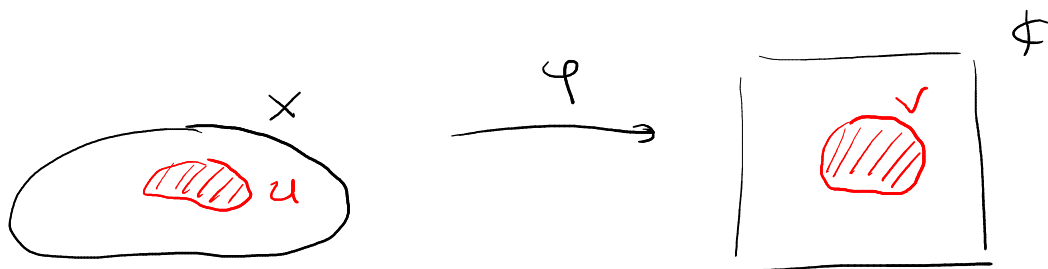
$$\Lambda = \{ \lambda \omega_1 + \beta \omega_2 : \lambda, \beta \in [0, 1] \}$$

compact on Φ

$\{v_n\} \subseteq \Lambda$
 Λ compact $\Rightarrow \{v_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence
 $v \leftarrow$ limite

φ complex chart $\Rightarrow \varphi$ is holomorphic

$$\varphi: U(\subseteq X) \rightarrow V(\subseteq \mathbb{C})$$



$S = \{ \varphi: U_i \rightarrow V_i \}$ complex charts such that $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$
 φ is holomorphic $\Leftrightarrow \varphi \circ \varphi^{-1}$ is holomorphic in the usual sense
def

φ is a chart : $\varphi \circ \varphi^{-1} = \text{id}$ that is clearly holomorphic

$\varphi \circ \psi^{-1}$ with $\psi \in S$
 it is holomorphic by the compatibility condition of a complex atlas

$$f: X \rightarrow Y$$

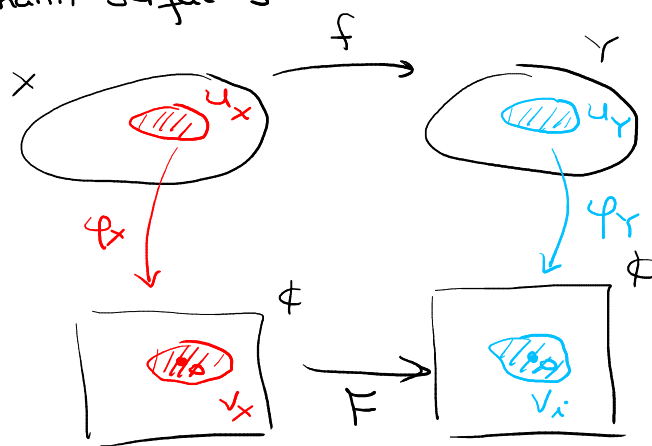
X, Y Riemann surfaces

$$\varphi_x: U_x \rightarrow V_x$$

$$\mathcal{A}_x = \{(U_x, \varphi_x)\}$$

$$\varphi_y: U_y \rightarrow V_y$$

$$\mathcal{A}_y = \{(U_y, \varphi_y)\}$$



$$F = \varphi_y \circ f \circ \varphi_x^{-1}$$

$$F(0) = 0$$

- F holomorphic at 0

$$\Rightarrow \text{Laurent series: } F(z) = \sum_{j \geq k} a_j z^j, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}$$

- F meromorphic at 0

$$\Rightarrow \text{Laurent series: } F(z) = \sum_{j \geq -k} a_j z^j, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$a_{-k} \neq 0 \Rightarrow k$ is called the order of the pole

- F has an essential singularity at 0

$$\Rightarrow \text{Laurent series: } F(z) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_j z^j$$

$$\underline{\text{and}} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \exists j < k : a_j \neq 0$$

In the case of the previous examples

1. $P(z) = 3 - 3z^2 + z^3$ holomorphic ($a_j = 0, \forall j < 0$)

2. $F(z) = \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^3 - 1}$ singular at $z = 1$
 $w = z - 1$

$$\tilde{F}(w) = \frac{(w+1)^2 + 1}{(w+1)^3 - 1} = \frac{w^2 + 2w + 2}{w^3 + 3w^2 + 3w}$$

$$= \frac{w^2 + 2w + 2}{w(3 + 3w + w^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{w} (2 + 2w + w^2) (3 + 3w + w^2)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{w} (2 + 2w + w^2) \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}w + \frac{2}{9}w^2 - \frac{1}{9}w^3 + \dots \right)$$

Pole of order 1

3. $G(z) = e^z$ holomorphic on $\mathbb{C}$

L.S.E.
at $0 \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$G(z) = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$F(z) = e^{1/z} = G\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{3!} \cdot \frac{1}{z^3} + \frac{1}{4!} \cdot \frac{1}{z^4} + \dots$$

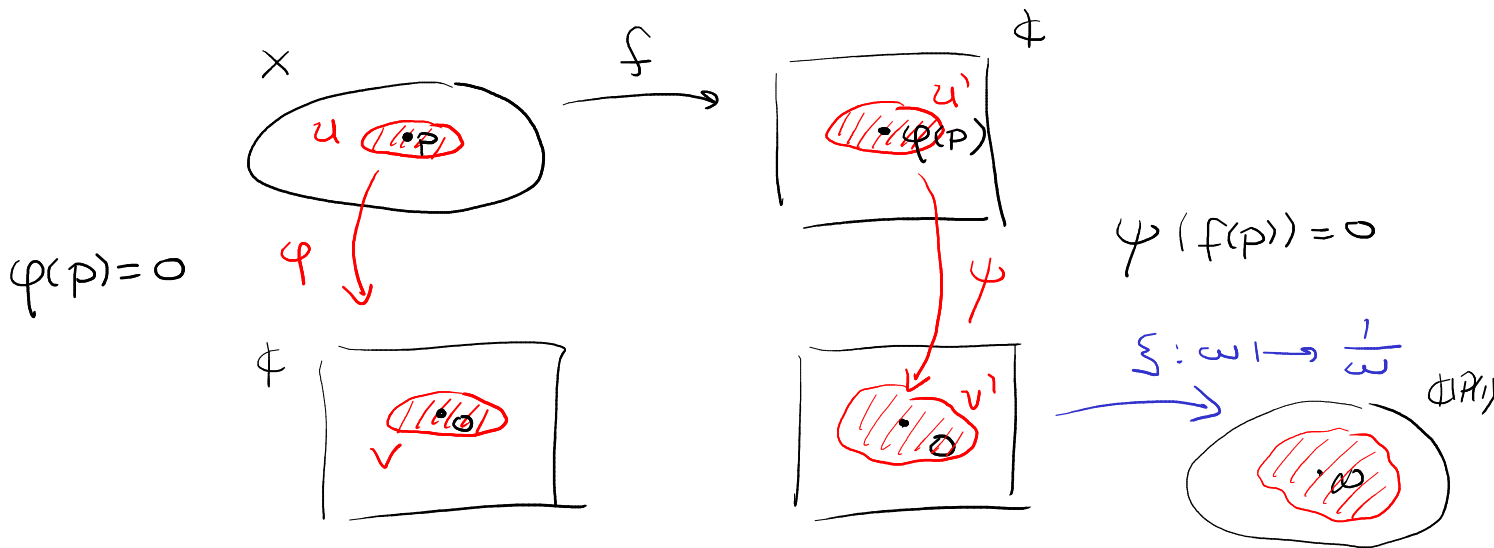
$$\forall N \in \mathbb{N} \quad \exists k < N : a_k \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow 0$ is an essential singularity of F .

Rmk (w.r.t. respect to the previous Thm)

f meromorphic with a pole at $\boxed{p \in X}$ ($f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$)

Consider charts $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$ $U \subseteq X, V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$
 $\psi: U' \rightarrow V'$ $U' \subseteq \mathbb{C}, V' \subseteq \mathbb{C}$



$$\Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{N} : (\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1})(z) = \frac{a_0}{z^k} + \frac{a_1}{z^{k-1}} + \frac{a_2}{z^{k-2}} + \dots$$

with $a_0 \neq 0$

$$= \frac{1}{z^k} (a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots)$$

↑
pole of order k at 0

Consider on V' the map $\xi: \omega \mapsto \frac{1}{\omega}$.

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi \circ \psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1})(z) &= \xi \left(\frac{1}{z^k} (a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots) \right) \\ &= z^k (a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

holomorphic nearby $z=0$
since $a_0 \neq 0$

Exercise:

Show that meromorphic functions on $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ are rational functions (i.e. quotient of polynomial function).

Local behaviour of holomorphic mappings

X, Y Riemann surfaces

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ non-constant holomorphic map

Thm:

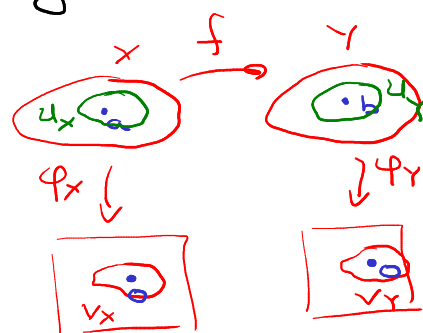
Let $a \in X$ and $b = f(a)$. Then, there exist $k \geq 1$ ($k \in \mathbb{N}$) and charts $\varphi_x: U_x \rightarrow V_x$ and $\varphi_y: U_y \rightarrow V_y$ (with $U_x \subseteq X$, $U_y \subseteq Y$, $V_x, V_y \subseteq \mathbb{C}$) satisfying the following:

i) $a \in U_x$, $\varphi_x(a) = 0$
 $b \in U_y$, $\varphi_y(b) = 0$

ii) $f(U_x) \subseteq U_y$

iii) $F = \varphi_y \circ f \circ \varphi_x^{-1}: V_x \rightarrow V_y$ takes on the form

$$F(z) = z^k$$

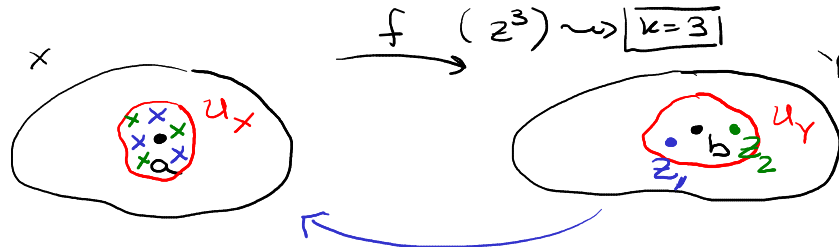


Interpretation:

The value of k corresponds to the following: for every neighbourhood U of $\underline{a}$ that we fix, there exist neighbourhoods U_x of a and neighbourhoods U_y of $\underline{b = f(a)}$ such that

$$\# f^{-1}(z) \cap U_x = k$$

for every $z \in U_y$, $z \neq b$.



k is called the multiplicity of f at a .

($k=1 \implies f$ locally injective)

Picard Theorem $\implies$ f has an essential singularity at a
 $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
 Then, for all $w \in \mathbb{C}$ except perhaps one value, the equation $f(z) = w$ has infinitely many solutions in $U \subseteq X$

Calculation of the automorphism groups of some Riemann surfaces

1. $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}) = \{ z \mapsto az + b : a, b \in \mathbb{C}, a \neq 0 \}$

Let $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an automorphism of $\mathbb{C}$. Let then $f^*: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the function defined as

$$f^*(z) = f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$$

(i) f^* is also injective

In fact:

$$f^*(z_1) = f^*(z_2)$$

$$\implies f\left(\frac{1}{z_1}\right) = f\left(\frac{1}{z_2}\right)$$

$$\text{injective} \implies \frac{1}{z_1} = \frac{1}{z_2}$$

$$\implies z_1 = z_2$$

② f^* is clearly holomorphic on $\mathbb{C}^*$

It then follows that 0 is not an essential singularity of f^* (recall the interpretation of essential singularity). More precisely, one of the following holds

- f^* has a pole at $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ (and the order of the pole must be 1)
- f^* admits a holomorphic and injective extension to $\mathbb{C}$

f holomorphic and then

$$f(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow f^*(z) = a_0 + \frac{a_1}{z} + \frac{a_2}{z^2} + \dots$$

we know that 0 is not an essential singularity for f^*
so that there exist $N \in \mathbb{N} : a_n = 0 \quad \forall n \geq N$

$\Rightarrow f$ is polynomial

$\Rightarrow f$ is polynomial of degree 1.
 f is injective

□

2. $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}P(1)) = \left\{ z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d} : a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}, ad-bc \neq 0 \right\}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{Möbius transformations}}$

Let us first note that all Möbius transformations are clearly automorphisms of $\mathbb{C}P(1)$. So, let

$$f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

for some constants $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$ with $ad-bc \neq 0$

- Injectivity

$$f(z_1) = f(z_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{az_1 + b}{cz_1 + d} = \frac{az_2 + b}{cz_2 + d}$$

$$\Rightarrow (az_1 + b)(cz_2 + d) = (az_2 + b)(cz_1 + d)$$

$$\Rightarrow (z_1 - z_2)(ad - bc) = 0$$

$$ad - bc \neq 0 \Rightarrow z_1 - z_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 = z_2$$

- surjectivity

$$w = f(z)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w(cz + d) = az + b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (cw - a)z = b - wd$$

$$\Leftrightarrow z = \frac{-dw + b}{cw + a}$$

$$\forall w \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \left\{ -\frac{a}{c} \right\} \text{ we have } w = f\left(\frac{-dw + b}{cw + a}\right)$$

$$\text{In turn, } \frac{a}{c} = f(\infty)$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z \left(a + \frac{b}{z} \right)}{z \left(c + \frac{d}{z} \right)} = \frac{a}{c}$$

- f is holomorphic and the inverse is also holomorphic. The inverse takes on the form

$$w \mapsto \frac{-dw + b}{cw + a}$$

which is clearly a Möbius transformation as well. So the Möbius transformations are automorphisms of $\mathbb{D}(1)$.

Rmk: The set of Möbius transformations is closed under composition (exercise) $\rightarrow$ it is a group

Let us then prove that the group of Möbius transformations is, in fact, the automorphism group of $\mathbb{CP}(1)$. We are thus going to prove the following:

Proposition:

Let $f: \mathbb{CP}(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}(1)$ be holomorphic. Then f is a rational function, i.e.

$$f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}$$

where p and q are polynomials (with complex coefficients) and q is not identically zero.

The fact that the automorphisms are reduced to the Möbius transformations immediately follows. In fact, they are the unique bijective functions among the rational functions.

$$\omega = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} \Leftrightarrow \underline{p(z) - \omega q(z) = 0}$$

So it remains to prove the proposition.

Proof of the Proposition:

Since the Riemann sphere is compact, we have that f can have only finitely many poles. Furthermore, unless f is constant (case that can be excluded from our discussion since in that case f is clearly rational), f possesses at least one pole. Indeed, assume without loss of generality that $\infty \in \mathbb{CP}(1)$ is not a pole for f . Consider then $\bar{f}$ the restriction of f to $\mathbb{C} \subseteq \mathbb{CP}(1)$.

$$\bar{f}: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}(1)$$

Liouville's theorem guarantees that there exists a sequence $\{z_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ such that $|f(z_n)| \rightarrow \infty$. Since $f(\infty) \neq \infty$ and $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ is compact, the sequence $\{z_n\}$ contains a convergent subsequence $\{z_{k_n}\} \rightarrow z^*$. Clearly

$f(z^*) = \infty$, i.e. f has a pole at z^* (and $z^* \neq \infty$).

Let $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}$ stands for the poles of f
and let $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n$ be their associated multiplicities,
order of the pole

Next, consider the polynomial function

$$q(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (z - z_j)^{k_j}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$

(that can also be seen as a function $q: \mathbb{C}P(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P(1)$)
and also the function $p: \mathbb{C}P(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P(1)$ defined by

$$p(z) = f(z) \cdot q(z)$$

We intend to prove that p is a polynomial function.

- p is holomorphic on $\mathbb{C}$ $\Leftrightarrow$ each z_i is a removable singularity for p
(the zeros of q are the poles of f and they have the same multiplicity)

- p is meromorphic at ∞ since so are f and q .

$\Rightarrow p$ is polynomial

□

Rmk:

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}P(1)) &= \left\{ z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d} : a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}, ad-bc \neq 0 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d} : a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C} : ad-bc = 1 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\cong \text{PGL}_2(\mathbb{C})$$

$$\cong \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{C})$$

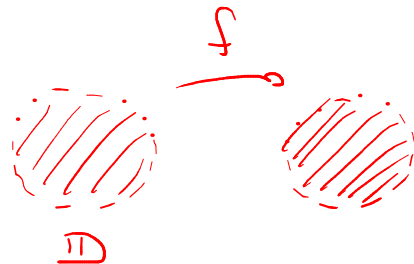
3. $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} : a, b \in \mathbb{C}, |a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1 \right\}$

$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ is a subgroup of Möbiustransformations.

Let then f be a Möbius transformation taking on the form
 $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}}$ for some constants $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfying

$$|a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1.$$

Fix then $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|z|=1$. we have



$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)|^2 &= f(z) \cdot \overline{f(z)} \\ &= \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} \cdot \frac{\bar{a}\bar{z}+\bar{b}}{bz+a} \\ &= \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} \cdot \frac{\bar{a}z^{-1}+\bar{b}}{bz^{-1}+a} \\ &= \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} \cdot \frac{\bar{a}+\bar{b}z}{b+az} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |z| &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow z \cdot \bar{z} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \bar{z} &= z^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

(I am sending $\partial\mathbb{D}$ into $\partial\mathbb{D}$)

we have that f takes the unit to itself. The interior of the unit disc, $\mathbb{D}$, is then taken to itself or the exterior of the unit disc. Since

$$|f(0)|^2 = f(0) \cdot \overline{f(0)} = \frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{\bar{b}}{\bar{a}} = \frac{|b|^2}{|a|^2} < 1$$

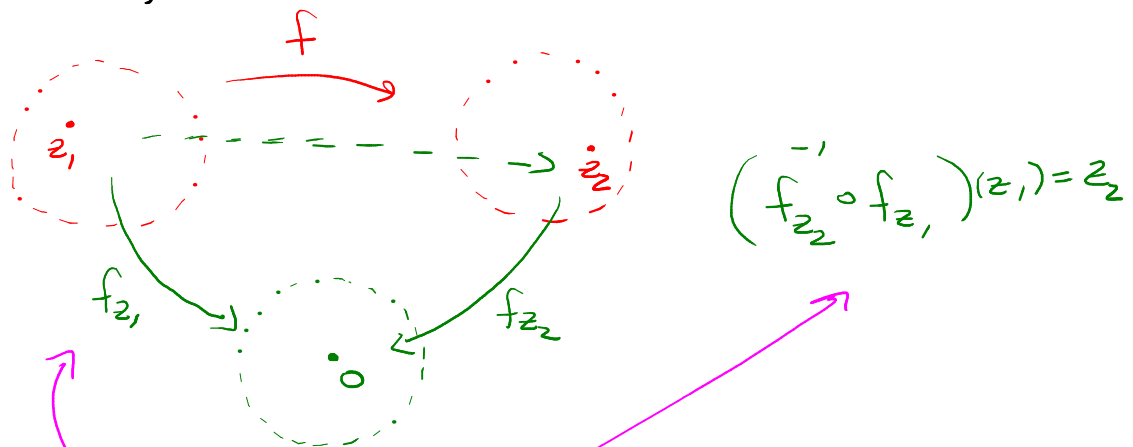
because $|a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1$

we have then that $f(\mathbb{D}) \subseteq \mathbb{D}$.

f is an automorphism of $\mathbb{D}$ and we have to check that all automorphisms of $\mathbb{D}$ take on this form.

This is based on the following two facts:

- (1) The subgroup of Möbius transformation in question acts transitively on $\mathbb{D}$. In other words, for every pair of points $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ that we fix, there exists an element f as above such that $f(z_1) = z_2$.



To prove this fact, it suffices to show that for every $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ that we fix, there exists an element f_{z_0} in the group taking z_0 to the origin. The element in question is clearly

$$f_{z_0}(z) = \frac{z - z_0}{\bar{z}_0 z + 1}$$

$$\frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}}$$

Qmk: Since $f_{z_0}(0) = -z_0$, we have that

$$f_{z_0}^{-1} = f_{-z_0}$$

(2) Thm:

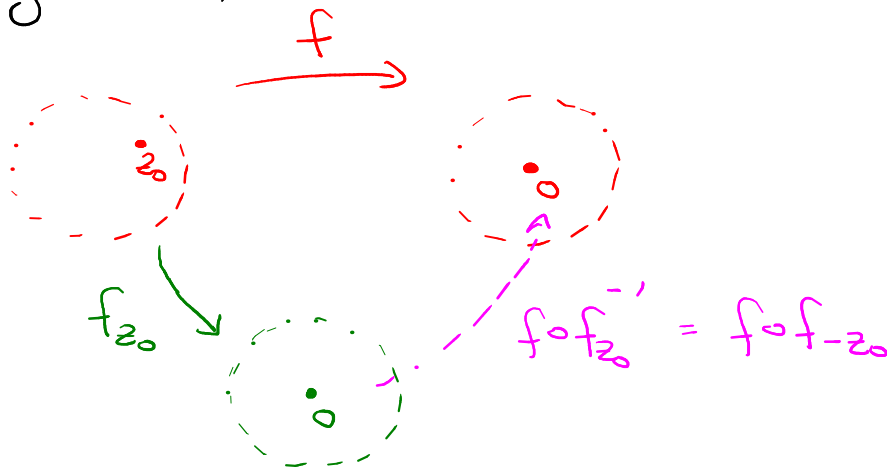
Let f be an endomorphism of $\mathbb{D}$ fixing the origin. Then f is an automorphism if and only if f is a rotation, i.e. f takes on the form

$$f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$$

for some $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$.

So, let then f be an arbitrary automorphism of $\mathbb{D}$ and let $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ be the element such that $f(z_0) = 0$. We have that

$f \circ f_{-z_0}$ is an automorphism of $\mathbb{D}$ fixing the origin. Thus, according to the above theorem, $f \circ f_{-z_0}$ is a rotation of some angle θ ; $R_\theta(z) = e^{i\theta} z$



$$\Rightarrow f(z) = (R_\theta \circ f_{z_0})(z)$$

Since both R_θ and f_{z_0} are elements of the group in question, so is f

$$R_\theta(z) = e^{i\theta} z = \frac{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} z}{e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}} = \frac{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} z}{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}}$$

$$(b=0) \\ (a=e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}})$$

It then follows that $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ can also be written in the form

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ z \mapsto e^{i\theta} \frac{z-a}{-\bar{a}z+1} : \begin{array}{l} a \in \mathbb{D} \\ \theta \in [0, 2\pi[\end{array} \right\}$$

Proof of the Theorem:

It is clear that a rotation is an automorphism of the disc fixing the origin. We have to prove that all automorphisms with this property are rotations.

Fix $f: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ an automorphism fixing the origin. Let

$$g: \mathbb{D}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

be the function on the puncture disc defined by

$$g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z}$$

we have that g is holomorphic in $\mathbb{D}^*$. Furthermore, we have that 0 is a removable singularity of g .

In fact

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} g(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z)}{z} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z) - f(0)}{z - 0} = f'(0)$$

Then g admits an analytic extension to the entire disc, namely

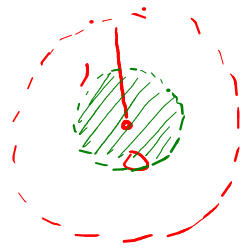
$$g(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(z)}{z} & , \text{ if } z \neq 0 \\ f'(0) & , \text{ if } z = 0 \end{cases}$$

For every radius $0 < r < 1$ that we fix, we have

$$\sup_{|z| \leq r} |g(z)| = \sup_{|z|=r} |g(z)| = \sup_{|z|=r} \frac{|f(z)|}{|z|}$$

$$= \sup_{|z|=r} \frac{|f(z)|}{r} \leq \frac{1}{r}$$

Maximum Principle



and, by letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$, we get that

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |g(z)| \leq 1$$

and, consequently, $|g(z)| \leq 1$ for every $z \in \mathbb{D}$.

Rmk: If $|g(z)|=1$ for some $z \in \mathbb{D}$, then g is constant. More precisely, $g(z) \equiv e^{i\theta}$ for some $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$.

$\Rightarrow f$ is a rotation in this case

$$g(z) = e^{i\theta} \quad (\Rightarrow) \quad \frac{f(z)}{z} = e^{i\theta}$$

$$(\Rightarrow) f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$$

It is then sufficient to prove that $|f'(0)|=1$.

Let us prove that this occurs.

f automorphism $\Rightarrow f^{-1}$ automorphism
we can apply the argument above to both f and f^{-1}

$$\Rightarrow |f'(0)| \leq 1 \quad \wedge \quad |(f^{-1})'(0)| \leq 1$$

However

$$(f^{-1} \circ f)(w) = w$$

$$|(f^{-1})'(0)| = \frac{1}{|f'(0)|}$$

$$(f^{-1})'(f(w)) \cdot f'(w) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |(f^{-1})'(0)| = |f'(0)| = 1$$

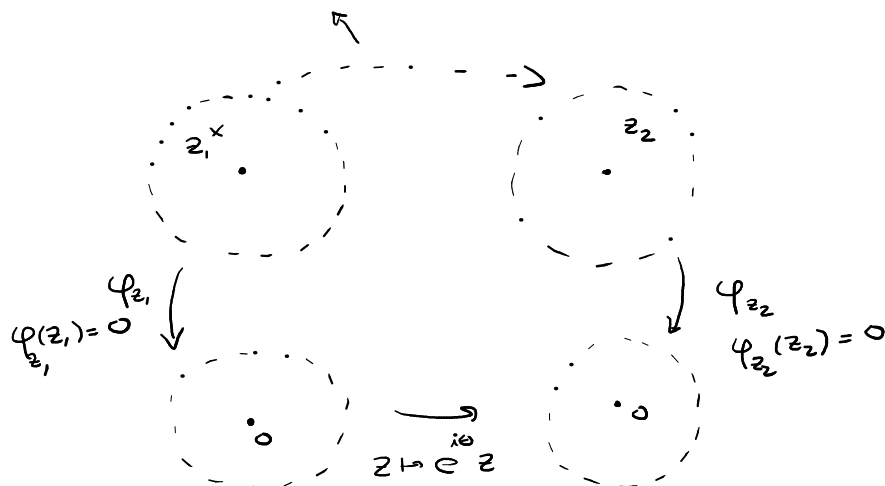
$\Rightarrow f$ is a rotation from the remark

□

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) \simeq \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ \bar{b} & \bar{a} \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{C}, |a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1 \right\}$$

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} : a, b \in \mathbb{C}, |a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ e^{i\theta} \frac{z-b}{-\bar{b}z+1} : \theta \in [0, 2\pi[, b \in \mathbb{D} \right\}$$



Def:

Let A and B be two domains of $\mathbb{C}$ (open and connected subsets of $\mathbb{C}$). We say that A and B are biholomorphically equivalent if there is a biholomorphic map $\phi: A \rightarrow B$.

Example:

The unit disc $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ is biholomorphically equivalent to the upper half plane $\mathbb{H} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) > 0\}$. In fact, there is a biholomorphic function $\varphi: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ between these two domains, namely

$$\varphi(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$$

- φ is clearly injective (it is a Möbius transformation)

$$\frac{z-i}{z+i} = \frac{\omega-i}{\omega+i}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \omega$$

- we need to show that it maps $\mathbb{H}$ onto $\mathbb{D}$

we have $(\varphi(z) \in \mathbb{D})$

$$|\varphi(z)| < 1 \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{z-i}{z+i} \right| < 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |z-i| < |z+i|$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |z-i|^2 < |z+i|^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \cancel{|z|^2} + iz - i\bar{z} + 1 < \cancel{|z|^2} - iz + i\bar{z} + 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -2\operatorname{Im}(z) < 2\operatorname{Im}(z)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Im}(z) > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow z \in \mathbb{H}$$

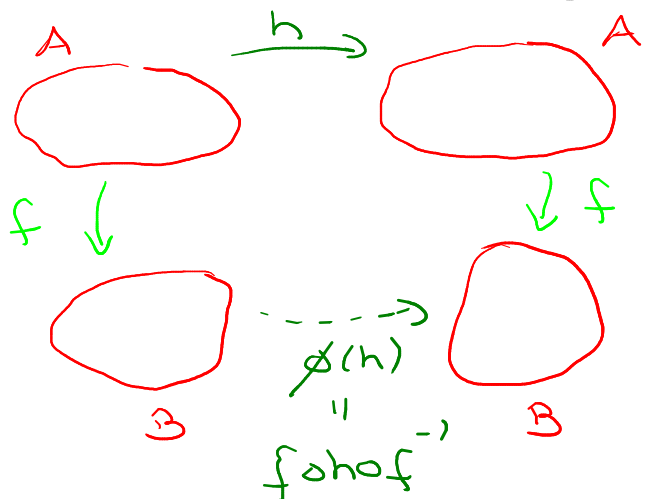
The result follows. □

Thm:

Let A and B be two biholomorphically equivalent domains. Denote by f a biholomorphic map between A and B . Then $\phi: \operatorname{Aut}(A) \rightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(B)$ defined by

$$\phi(h) = f \circ h \circ f^{-1}$$

is an isomorphism between the automorphisms groups.



Corollary:

The group of automorphisms of the upper half plane is isomorphic to the group of automorphisms of the disc. More precisely, we have

$$\text{Aut}(H) = \left\{ \varphi^{-1} \circ h \circ \varphi : h \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) , \right. \\ \left. \varphi(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i} \right\}$$

Proof of the thm:

- ϕ is a homomorphism : $(h_1, h_2 \in \text{Aut}(A))$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(h_1 \circ h_2) &= f \circ (h_1 \circ h_2) \circ f^{-1} \\ &= (f \circ h_1 \circ f^{-1}) \circ (f \circ h_2 \circ f^{-1}) \\ &= \phi(h_1) \circ \phi(h_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall h_1, h_2 \in \text{Aut}(A)$$

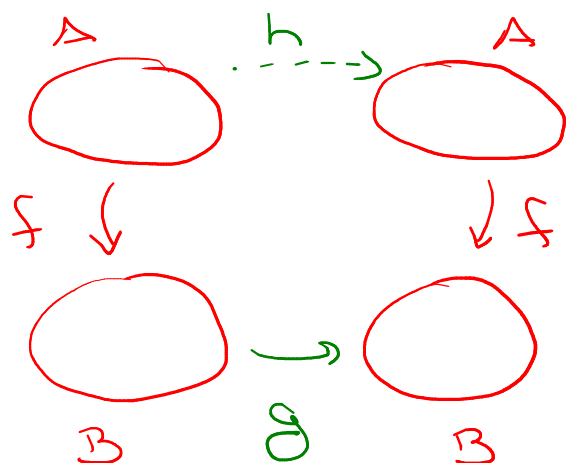
- ϕ is injective

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(h_1) &= \phi(h_2) \\ \Leftrightarrow f \circ h_1 \circ f^{-1} &= f \circ h_2 \circ f^{-1} \\ \Leftrightarrow f^{-1} \circ f \circ h_1 \circ f^{-1} \circ f &= f^{-1} \circ f \circ h_2 \circ f^{-1} \circ f \\ \Leftrightarrow h_1 &= h_2 \end{aligned}$$

- ϕ is surjective

Remark : given $h \in \text{Aut}(A)$, since f, f^{-1} and h are all biholomorphic maps, we have that $\phi(h)$ is biholomorphic as well, so $\phi(h) \in \text{Aut}(B)$.

Fix $g \in \text{Aut}(B)$. From the argument above we have that



$$h = f^{-1} \circ g \circ f \in \text{Aut}(A)$$

and, clearly,

$$\phi(h) = g$$

Hence, ϕ is an isomorphism.

□

Uniformization Theorem

Let us start to recall the following:

- $\mathbb{D}$ is not biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{C}$ or $\mathbb{H}$. In fact, they are not even topologically equivalent.
- Also, $\mathbb{C}$ and $\mathbb{H}$ are not biholomorphically equivalent by Liouville's theorem.
- The 3 above mentioned Riemann surfaces are simply connected. We also talked about another simply connected Riemann surface, namely $\mathbb{H}$, and we have proved that it is biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{D}$.



In fact, up to biholomorphic equivalence, $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{D}$ and $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ are the unique simply connected Riemann surfaces.

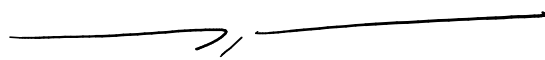
Thm:

Let S be a simply connected Riemann surface. Then S is biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ or $\mathbb{D}$.

- S biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{C} \leadsto$ parabolic
- " " " $\mathbb{CP}(1) \leadsto$ elliptic
- " " " $\mathbb{D} \leadsto$ hyperbolic

Thm:

Every Riemann surface S is biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{D}/G$, where $\mathbb{D}$ is $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ or $\mathbb{D}$ and G is a freely acting discontinuous group of Möbius transformations that preserves $\mathbb{D}$.



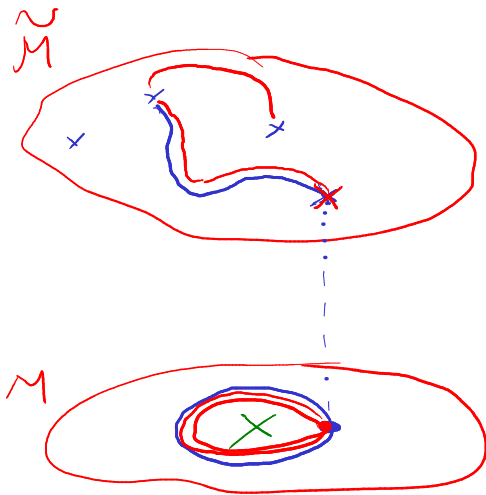
Given a topological manifold M (in our case we are interested in Riemann surfaces), a new manifold $\tilde{M}$ can be constructed so that the following properties are satisfied:

- (1) There exists a surjective local homeomorphism

$$\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$$

- (2) $\tilde{M}$ is simply connected

(3) every closed curve on M that is not homotopically trivial can be lifted to an open curve on $\tilde{M}$ that is uniquely determined by the the closed curve on M and the initial point on $\tilde{M}$.



$\tilde{M}$ is said the universal covering of M

Rmk :

M Riemann surface $\Rightarrow$ it can be introduced a Riemann surface structure on $\tilde{M}$ in such a way that

$$\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$$

is holomorphic. Furthermore there is a group G of automorphisms of $\tilde{M}$ such that

$$M \cong \tilde{M}/G$$

Let us precise some notions.

Homotopy of curves and Fundamental Group

A curve α on a topological space X is a continuous map $\alpha: I \rightarrow X$, where $I = [0, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$\alpha(0) \mapsto$ initial point of α

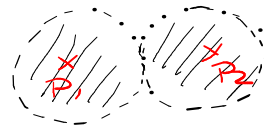
$\alpha(1) \mapsto$ end point of α

Def:

A topological space is called pathwise connected if any two points $p_1, p_2 \in X$ can be joined by a curve, i.e. there exists a curve $\alpha: I \rightarrow X$ such that $\alpha(0) = p_1$ and $\alpha(1) = p_2$.

pathwise connected $\implies$ connected

$$\begin{array}{l} X = U_1 \cup U_2 \\ U_1, U_2 \text{ open sets} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \implies U_1 = \emptyset \text{ or} \\ U_2 = \emptyset \end{array} \right.$$



we say that X is locally pathwise connected if for every point $p \in X$, there exists a neighbourhood of p that is pathwise connected

connected
locally pathwise connected $\left\{ \implies \text{pathwise connected} \right.$

Def:

Let X be a topological space and consider $P_1, P_2 \in X$. Let $\alpha, \beta: I \rightarrow X$ be two curves such that $\alpha(0) = \beta(0) = P_1$ and $\alpha(1) = \beta(1) = P_2$. We say that α and β are homotopic, and we write $\alpha \sim \beta$ if there exists a continuous map

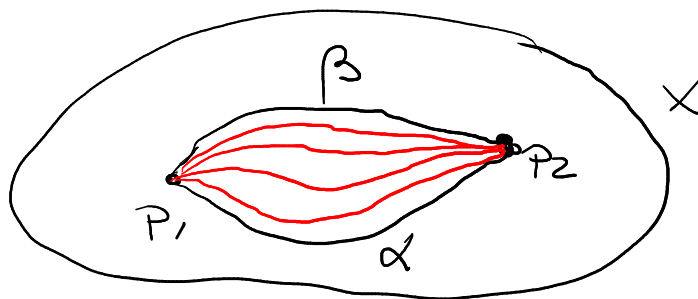
$$F: I \times I \rightarrow X$$

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such that

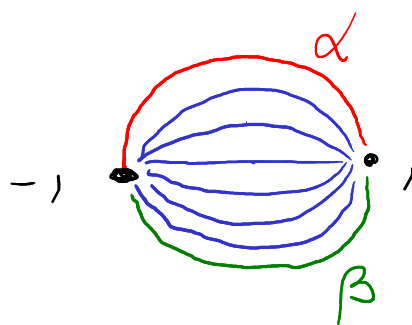
$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} F(t, 0) &= \alpha(t) \\ F(t, 1) &= \beta(t) \end{aligned} \quad \text{for every } t \in I$$

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} F(0, s) &= P_1 \\ F(1, s) &= P_2 \end{aligned} \quad \text{for every } s \in I$$

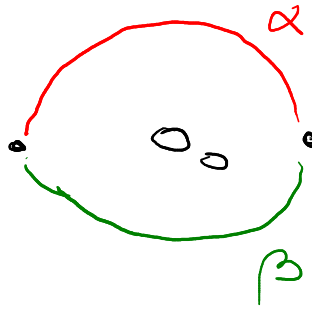


Example:

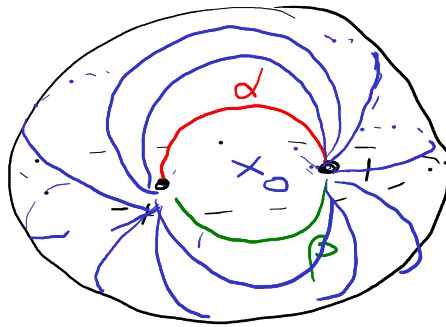
On $\mathbb{C}$, the curve $\alpha(t) = e^{\pi i t}$ is homotopic to the curve $\beta(t) = e^{-\pi i t}$.



However the two curves are not homotopic on ϕ^* .



The curves α and β are homotopic on $\mathbb{CP}(1) \setminus \{0\}$



The notion of homotopy between two curves, with p_1 and p_2 as initial and final points, respectively, defines an equivalence relation in the space of curves with the mentioned property. In this case

$$\gamma_1 \text{ homotopic to } \gamma_2 : \gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$$

So

- $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_1$,
- $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2 \Leftrightarrow \gamma_2 \sim \gamma_1$,
- $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$ and $\gamma_2 \sim \gamma_3 \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \sim \gamma_3$

In fact :

- $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_1$: it suffices to take

$$F(t, s) = \gamma_1(t) \quad \forall s \in I$$

- $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2 \Leftrightarrow \gamma_2 \sim \gamma_1$

$$\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2 \longmapsto \begin{aligned} F: I \times I &\rightarrow X \\ F(t, 0) &= \gamma_1(t) \\ F(t, 1) &= \gamma_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

The homotopy map from γ_2 to γ_1 is

$$\begin{aligned} G: I \times I &\rightarrow X \\ G(t, s) &= F(t, 1-s) \\ &\forall t, s \in I \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_2 \sim \gamma_1$$

- $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$ and $\gamma_2 \sim \gamma_3$

$$\begin{aligned} F: I \times I &\rightarrow X \text{ homotopy map from } \gamma_1 \text{ to } \gamma_2 \\ G: I \times I &\rightarrow X \text{ homotopy map from } \gamma_2 \text{ to } \gamma_3 \end{aligned}$$



Define $H: I \times I \rightarrow X$ in the following way

$$H(t, s) = \begin{cases} F(t, 2s) & , \text{ if } s \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ G(t, 2s-1) & , \text{ if } s \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$$

The map H is clearly continuous since

$$F(t, 1) = \gamma_2(t) = G(t, 0) \quad \forall t \in I$$

H is a homotopy map from γ_1 to γ_3
 $\Rightarrow \gamma_1 \sim \gamma_3$

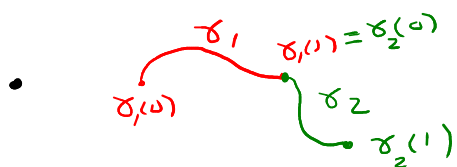
The equivalence classes of the homotopy equivalence relation are called homotopy classes and the homotopy class of $\gamma: I \rightarrow X$ will be denoted by $[\gamma]$.

Def:

The product of two curves $\gamma_1: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ and $\gamma_2: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ such that $\gamma_1(1) = \gamma_2(0)$ (i.e. final point of γ_1 = initial point of γ_2), commonly denoted by $\gamma_1 * \gamma_2$, is the curve defined as follows:

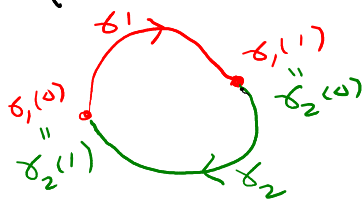
$$\gamma_1 * \gamma_2(t) = \begin{cases} \gamma_1(2t) & , t \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ \gamma_2(2t-1) & , t \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$$

Remark: The product of curves is not a commutative operator



In this case $\gamma_2 * \gamma_1$ is not even defined since $\gamma_2(1) \neq \gamma_1(0)$.

- A necessary condition for $\gamma_2 * \gamma_1$ to be defined (assuming that $\gamma_1 * \gamma_2$ is defined) is that $\gamma_1 * \gamma_2$ is a closed curve (to be defined)



Def:

A curve $\gamma: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ is said closed if $\gamma(0) = \gamma(1) = \omega_0$. The point ω_0 is called the base point of the closed curve.

Prop:

The set of equivalence classes for the closed curves with base point $\omega_0 \in X$ on to a topological space X equipped with the product

$$[\gamma_1] \cdot [\gamma_2] = [\gamma_1 * \gamma_2]$$

forms a group.

Proof:

To begin with, let us check that the product in question is well defined:

γ_1, γ_2 closed curves with base point ω_0

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_1(0) = \gamma_1(1) = \omega_0 \\ \gamma_2(0) = \gamma_2(1) = \omega_0 \end{cases}$$

In particular, $\gamma_1(0) = \gamma_2(0) = \omega_0$ so that $\gamma_1 * \gamma_2$ is well-defined

Furthermore, $(\gamma_1 * \gamma_2)(0) = \gamma_1(0) = \omega_0$

$$(\gamma_1 * \gamma_2)(1) = \gamma_2(1) = \omega_0$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma_1 * \gamma_2$ is a closed curve with base point ω_0 .

Now:

(a) associativity: exercise

(b) identity element:

Consider the "constant curve" α given by
 $\alpha(t) = \omega_0 \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$

(Notation: for simplicity, we will denote it by ω_0)

For every closed curve α with base point ω_0 , we clearly have $\gamma * \omega_0 \sim \gamma$. In fact the homotopy map is:

$$\gamma * \omega_0(t) = \begin{cases} \gamma(2t) & , t \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ \omega_0 & , t \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases} \quad F: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$$

$$F(t, s) = \begin{cases} \gamma\left(\frac{2t}{1+s}\right) & , t \in [0, \frac{s+1}{2}] \\ \omega_0 & , t \in [\frac{s+1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$$

$$y = a\omega + b$$

$$\omega = 0 \mapsto y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\omega = 1 \mapsto y = 1$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}\omega + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$F(t, 0) = (\gamma * \omega_0)(t)$$

$$F(t, 1) = \gamma(t)$$

$$F(0, s) = F(1, s) = \omega_0$$

$$\forall s \in [0, 1]$$

$$\omega = 0 \mapsto y = 1$$

$$\omega = 1 \mapsto y = 2$$

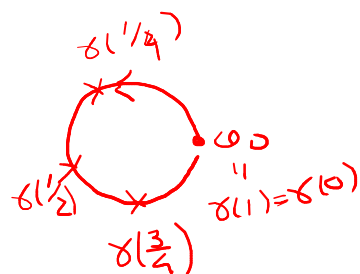
$$y = \omega + 1$$

(c) existence of an inverse for every element

$$\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow X \quad : \quad \gamma(0) = \gamma(1) = \omega_0$$

Consider then the curve $\bar{\gamma} : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$

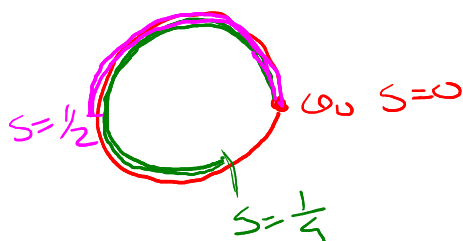
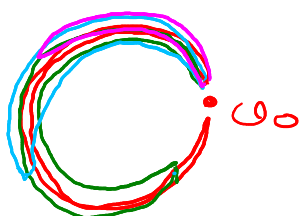
$$\text{defined as: } \bar{\gamma}(t) = \gamma(1-t) \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$$



Exercise : construct the homotopy map of

$$[\gamma * \bar{\gamma}] = [\omega_0]$$

$$\gamma * \bar{\gamma} \sim \omega_0$$



Def:

The set of equivalence classes of closed curves on a topological space X with base point $\omega_0 \in X$, equipped with the product $[\gamma_1] \cdot [\gamma_2] = [\gamma_1 * \gamma_2]$ is called the fundamental group of X with base point ω_0 and it is denoted by $\pi_1(X, \omega_0)$.

Proposition:

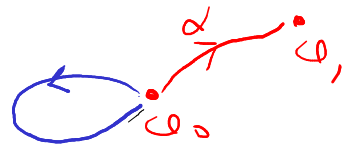
Let X be a topological space and assume that X is pathwise connected. For every two points $\omega_0, \omega_1 \in X$, there exists an isomorphism between $\pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ and $\pi_1(X, \omega_1)$.

Proof:

By assumption X is pathwise connected. So, by fixing two points $\omega_0, \omega_1 \in X$ let $\alpha : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ stands

for the (continuous) curve joining ω_0 to ω_1 . Consider then

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_\alpha : \pi_1(X, \omega_0) &\longrightarrow \pi_1(X, \omega_1) \\ [\beta] &\longmapsto [\alpha^{-1} * \beta * \alpha]\end{aligned}$$



- γ_α is homeomorphism

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_\alpha [\beta_1 * \beta_2] &= [\alpha^{-1} * \beta_1 * \beta_2 * \alpha] \\ &= [(\alpha^{-1} * \beta_1 * \alpha) * (\alpha^{-1} * \beta_2 * \alpha)] \\ &= [\alpha^{-1} * \beta_1 * \alpha] \cdot [\alpha^{-1} * \beta_2 * \alpha] \\ &= \gamma_\alpha [\beta_1] \cdot \gamma_\alpha [\beta_2]\end{aligned}$$

- The inverse is given by

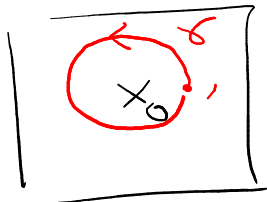
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_\alpha : \pi_1(X, \omega_1) &\longrightarrow \pi_1(X, \omega_0) \\ [\beta] &\longmapsto [\alpha * \beta * \alpha^{-1}]\end{aligned}$$

Def:

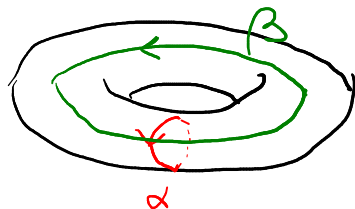
A topological space X is called simply connected if it is pathwise connected and its fundamental group is trivial, i.e. every closed curve is homotopic to a constant curve (e.g. to the base point).

Examples:

- $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{D}$ and $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{p\}$ are simply connected
- $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{p\}$ is simply connected $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{p\} \setminus \{q\} \simeq \mathbb{C}$
- $\mathbb{C}^*$, $\mathbb{C}/\pi$ (tori) are not simply connected

ϕ^* 

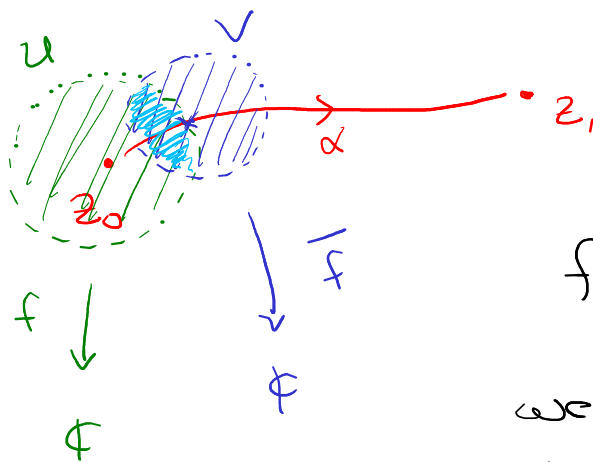
γ is not homotopic
to a constant curve



Let us prove that ϕ^* is not simply connected

Proposition: (Monodromy principle)

Let $A(\phi)$ be simply connected and let $z_0 \in A$. Let f be an analytic function in a neighbourhood of z_0 . Suppose that f can be analytically continued along any path joining z_0 to another point $z_1 \in A$. Then this continuation defines a (single-valued) analytic continuation of f on A .



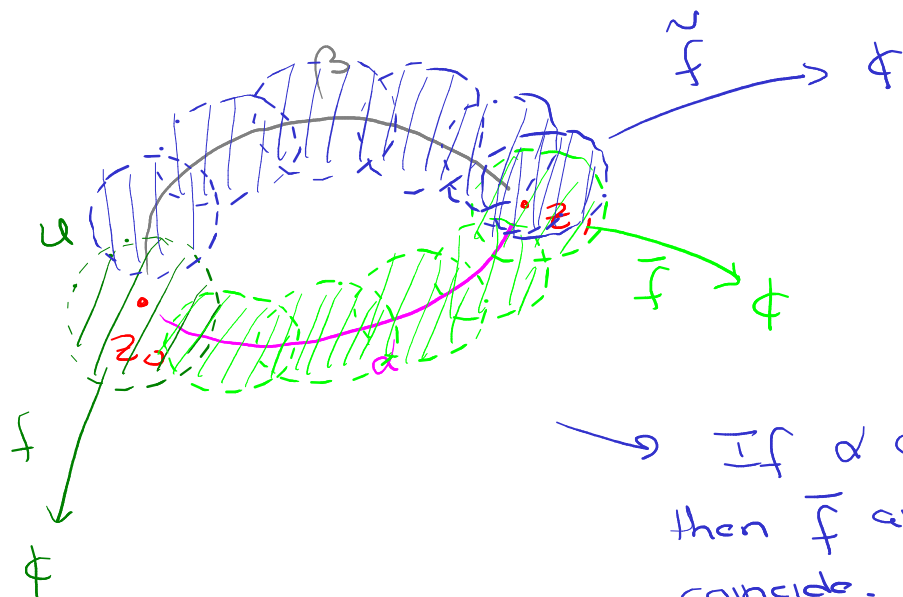
$$f(unv) = \bar{f}(unv)$$

we say that $\bar{f}$ is an analytic continuation of f

Suppose there exists $g: V \rightarrow \phi$ that is

- analytic on V
- $g(unv) = f(unv) = \bar{f}(unv)$

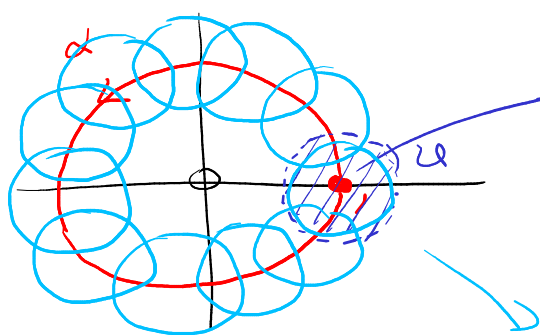
Since unv is a non-empty open set, from the Identity Theorem we know that g and $\bar{f}$ coincide in the entire V .



→ If α and β are not homotopic, then $\bar{f}$ and f may not coincide.

Example :

$$\mathbb{C}^*, \quad \alpha(t) = e^{2\pi i t}, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$



$$\arg(1) = 0$$

$$f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ z \mapsto \ln z (= \ln|z| + i \arg z)$$

$$\int_{\alpha} \frac{1}{z} \neq 0$$

when I go back the argument differs by 2π

If I denote by $\bar{f}$ the analytic continuation along α at a small neighbourhood of $1 \in \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$\bar{f}(z) - f(z) = 2\pi i$$

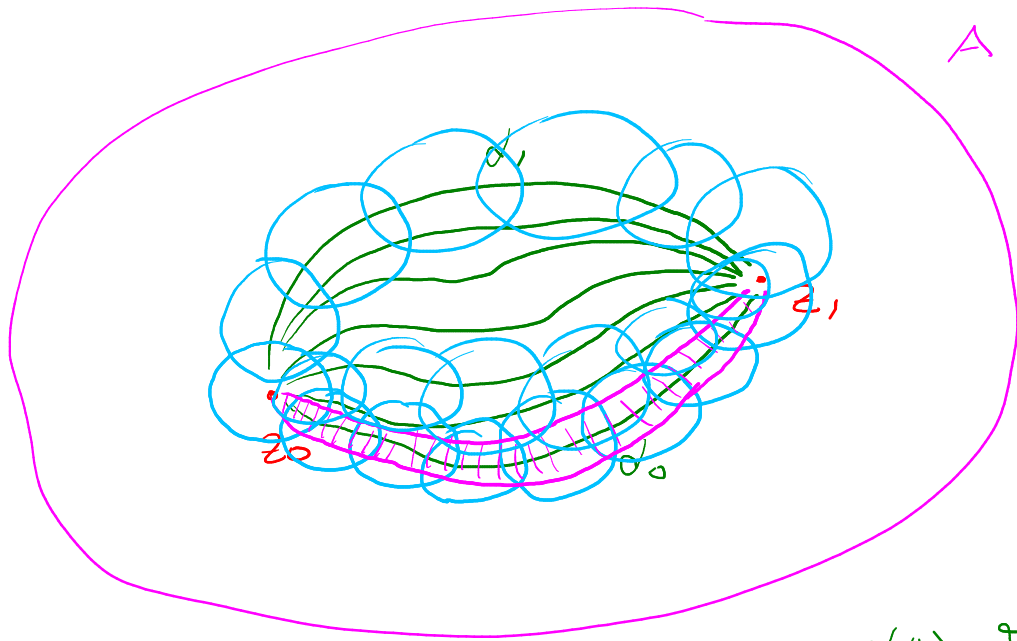
This means that the analytic continuation of f along α is not single-valued, it is multivalued.

⇒ $\mathbb{C}^*$ is not simply connected
Monodromy Principle

Exercises :

1. Prove that $\pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$
2. Prove that $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ is simply connected
3. $\pi_n(S^n)$ is trivial, $\forall n \geq 2$
4. $\mathbb{C}/\pi$ (tori) is not simply connected

Idea of the proof:



$$s_0, s_{k_1}, s_{k_2}, \dots, s_{k_n} = 1$$

$$\alpha'_s(t) = F(t, s)$$

↓
homotopy map between α_0 and α_1

Induced Homomorphisms

Let X, Y be two topological spaces and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ a continuous mapping between X and Y . There is an induced homomorphism

$$f_* : \pi_1(X, \omega_0) \longrightarrow \pi_1(Y, \gamma_0) \\ [\alpha] \longmapsto [f \circ \alpha]$$

where $f(\omega_0) = \gamma_0$

- Note that f_* is well-defined. In fact, if $\alpha_1, \alpha_2: I \rightarrow X$ are two closed curves with base point ω_0 that are homotopic, then $f \circ \alpha_1, f \circ \alpha_2: I \rightarrow Y$ are two homotopic closed curves on Y with base point γ_0

$\Downarrow$
Let $F: I \times I \rightarrow X$ be the homotopy mapping between α_1, α_2 i.e.

$$F(t, 0) = \alpha_1(t), \quad \forall t \in I$$

$$F(t, 1) = \alpha_2(t), \quad \forall t \in I$$

$$F(0, s) = F(1, s) = \omega_0, \quad \forall s \in I$$

F is, in particular continuous. Since f is continuous, the composition

$$f \circ F: I \times I \rightarrow Y$$

is an homotopy mapping between $f \circ \alpha_1$ and $f \circ \alpha_2$

$$(f \circ F)(t, 0) = (f \circ \alpha_1)(t) \quad \forall t \in I$$

$$(f \circ F)(t, 1) = (f \circ \alpha_2)(t) \quad \forall t \in I$$

$$(f \circ F)(0, s) = (f \circ F)(1, s) = f(\omega_0) = \gamma_0 \quad \forall s \in I$$

$$\Rightarrow [\alpha_1] = [\alpha_2] \in \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$$

- f_* is a group homomorphism since $f_*(\alpha * \beta) = (f \circ \alpha) * (f \circ \beta)$

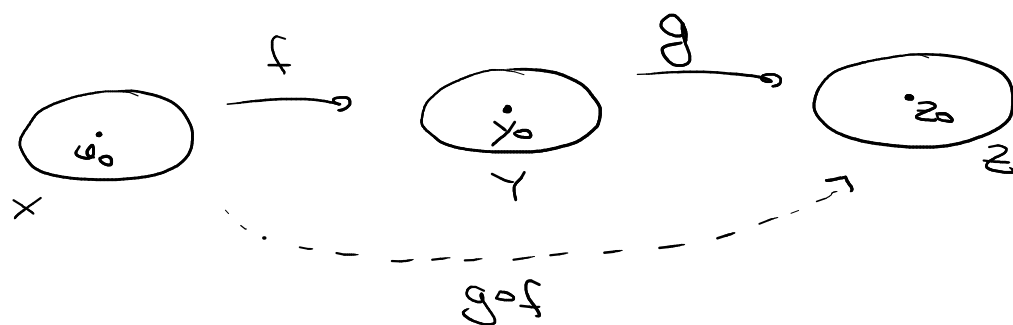
$$\begin{aligned} f_*([\alpha] \cdot [\beta]) &= f_*([\alpha * \beta]) \\ &= [f(\alpha * \beta)] \\ &= [(f \circ \alpha) * (f \circ \beta)] \\ &= [f \circ \alpha] \cdot [f \circ \beta] \\ &= f_*[\alpha] \cdot f_*[\beta] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha * \beta) &= \begin{cases} f(\alpha(2s)) & s \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ f(\beta(2s-1)) & s \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases} \\ &= (f \circ \alpha) * (f \circ \beta) \end{aligned}$$

Properties:

$$\begin{aligned} i) \quad & f: X \rightarrow Y \\ & g: Y \rightarrow Z \end{aligned}$$

f, g continuous
 X, Y, Z topological spaces



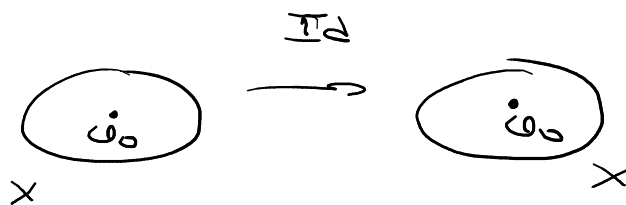
$$(g \circ f)_* = g_* \circ f_*$$

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)_*([\alpha]) &= [(g \circ f) \circ \alpha] \\ &= [g \circ (f \circ \alpha)] \\ &= g_*[f \circ \alpha] \\ &= (g_* \circ f_*)[\alpha] \end{aligned}$$

$[\alpha] \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$

$$ii) \quad Id_* = Id$$

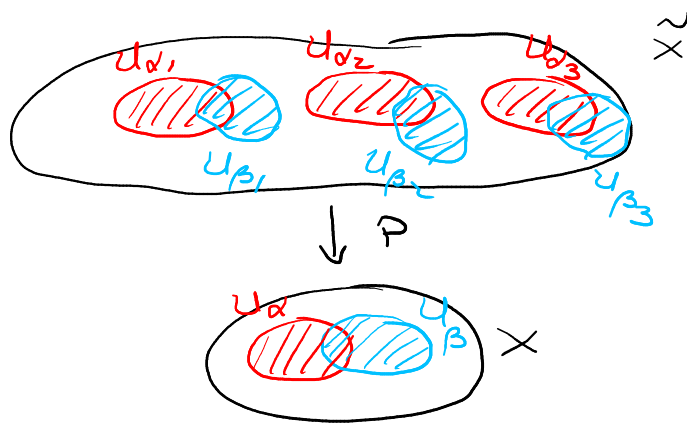
$$\begin{aligned} Id_*[\alpha] &= [Id \circ \alpha] \\ &= [\alpha] \end{aligned}$$



Covering spaces:

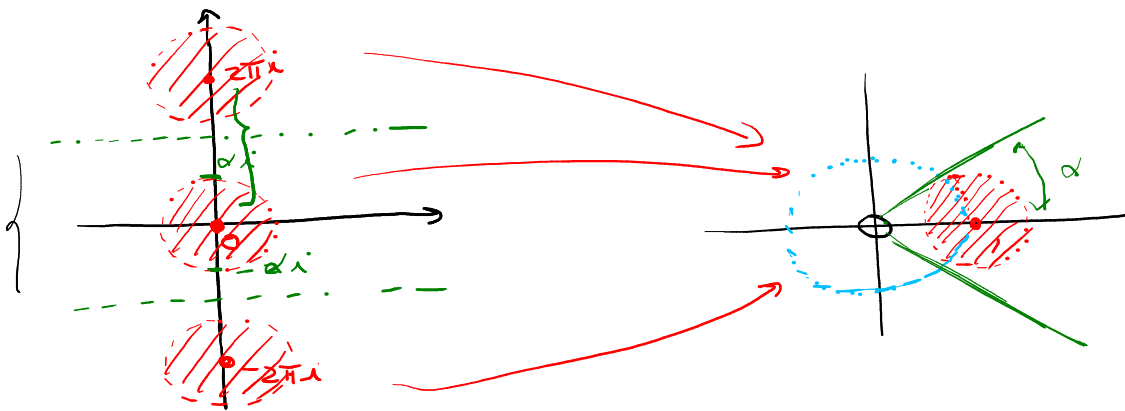
Def:

Let $X, \tilde{X}$ be two topological spaces. We say that $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering map if there exists an opening covering of X by open sets $\{U_\alpha\}$ such that for every α , $p^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ is a disjoint union of open sets $\{\tilde{U}_{\alpha,j}\}$ in $\tilde{X}$ and $p|_{\tilde{U}_{\alpha,j}}: \tilde{U}_{\alpha,j} \rightarrow U_\alpha$ is a homeomorphism for every j .



Examples:

1. $p: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ is a covering map
 $z \mapsto e^z$



Fix $a \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and let $b \in \mathbb{C}$ be such that $p(b) = a$, i.e. $e^{2\pi i b} = a$. Since f is a local homeomorphism, there exists open neighbourhoods V_0 of b and U of a such that $p|_{V_0}: V_0 \rightarrow U$ is a homeomorphism. Then

$$p^{-1}(U) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \underbrace{(V_0 + 2\pi i n)}_{V_n}$$

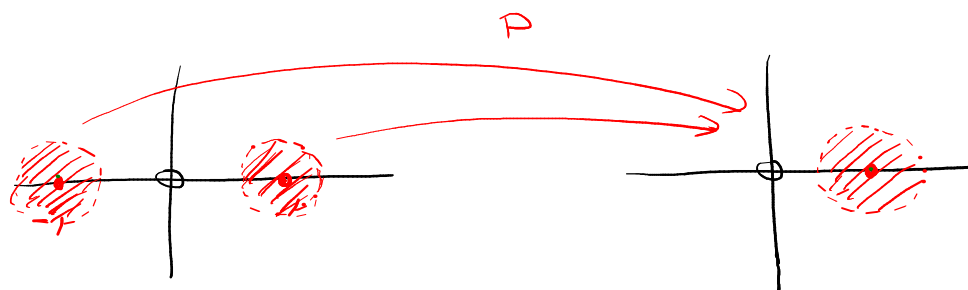
The open sets V_n are clearly disjoint in the case where V is contained in a ball of radius smaller than π .

2. Fix $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $k \geq 2$ and let

$$p: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \\ z \mapsto z^k$$

p_k is a covering map

$$\boxed{k=2}$$

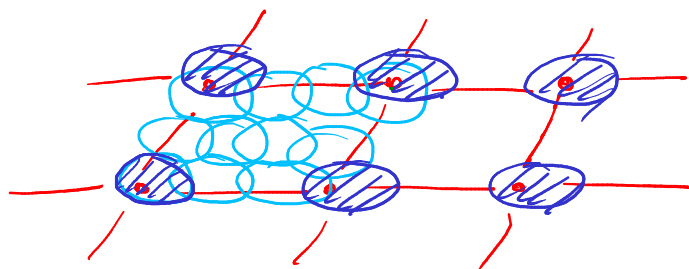


Proof: Exercise

3. Let $\Gamma \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a lattice and let

$$\pi: \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Gamma$$

be canonical quotient map. Prove that π is a covering map



4. Let $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ and let

$$p: \mathbb{D} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ z \longmapsto z$$

be the canonical injection. Although p is a local homeomorphism, it is not a covering map. In fact there is no neighbourhood of the point $1 \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfying the required properties

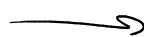
5. what about $p: \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 2$
 $z \longmapsto z^k$?

It is not a covering

$$\boxed{k=2}$$

$$p(\sqrt{\varepsilon}) = \varepsilon$$

$$p(-\sqrt{\varepsilon}) = \varepsilon$$



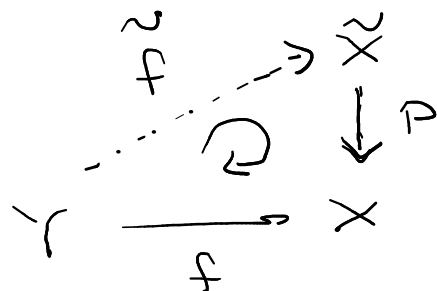
$p|_U$ is not injective !!!

Thm:

Suppose that X is a Riemann surface, $\tilde{X}$ is a Hausdorff topological space and $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a local homeomorphism. Then there is a unique complex structure on $\tilde{X}$ such that p is holomorphic.

Def:

Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering map for the topological spaces / manifolds X and $\tilde{X}$. Let Y be another topological space / manifold and let $f: Y \rightarrow X$ be a continuous map. A lift of f is a continuous map $\tilde{f}: Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ such that $f = p \circ \tilde{f}$.



Thm (Uniqueness of Lifting)

Let X, Y be (connected) topological spaces and $p: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow Y$ a local homeomorphism. Let Z be another (connected) topological space and $f: Z \rightarrow X$ a continuous map. If $\tilde{f}_1$ and $\tilde{f}_2$ ($\tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2: Z \rightarrow \tilde{Y}$) are two liftings of f such that $\tilde{f}_1(z_0) = \tilde{f}_2(z_0)$ for some $z_0 \in Z$, then $\tilde{f}_1$ and $\tilde{f}_2$ coincide on the entire Z .

Proof:

Let $A = \{ z \in Z : \tilde{f}_1(z) = \tilde{f}_2(z) \}$

1st : A is closed

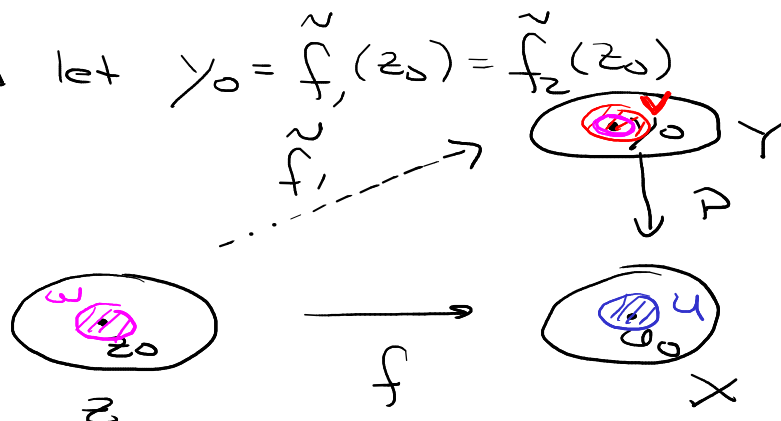
↪ In fact, A is the pre-image of the diagonal

$\Delta = Y \times Y$ under the map

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{F} : Z &\longrightarrow Y \times Y \\ z &\longmapsto (\tilde{f}_1(z), \tilde{f}_2(z)) \end{aligned}$$

2nd : A is open

Fix $z_0 \in A$ and let $y_0 = \tilde{f}_1(z_0) = \tilde{f}_2(z_0)$



Let $x_0 = p(y_0)$. Recalling that p is a local homeomorphism there exist V (neighbourhood of y_0) and U (neighb. of x_0) such that $p(V) = U$

Consider next ω , neighbourhood of z_0 , such that

$$\tilde{f}_i(\omega) \subseteq V \quad i=1,2$$

we have that $\tilde{f}_1$ and $\tilde{f}_2$ coincide on ω . In fact, denoting by φ the inverse of the restriction of p to V

$$\varphi = (p|_V)^{-1} : U \longrightarrow V$$

we get that

$$\tilde{f}_i = \varphi \circ (f|_\omega) \quad \forall i=1,2$$

Thus $\omega \subseteq A$ and, hence, A is open.

Finally, Since A is non-empty ($z_0 \in A$)

- open
- closed
- Z connected

↑ in the statement
of the result

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{A = Z}}$$

Prop:

X, Y, Z Riemann surfaces, $p: Y \rightarrow X$
holomorphic map. If p is a local homeomorphism
then every lifting $g: Z \rightarrow Y$ of a holomorphic
function $f: Z \rightarrow X$ is also holomorphic.

Proof: Follows from an argument of the
proof of the previous theorem.

Particular case of lifting that will be considered:

lifting of curves $\alpha: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$



By the uniqueness lifting thm, if a
lifting $\tilde{\alpha}: [0, 1] \rightarrow Y$ exists, that it is
uniquely determined by the initial point
of the lifting that we choose.

Def:

A continuous map $p: Y \rightarrow X$ is said to have the lifting property if for every curve $u: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ and every point $y_0 \in Y$ such that $p(y_0) = u(0)$, there exists a curve $\tilde{u}: [0,1] \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\tilde{u}(0) = y_0$$

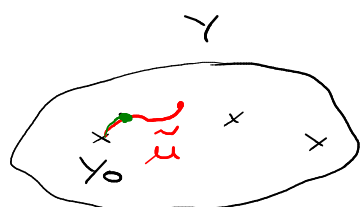
$$p \circ \tilde{u} = u$$

Thm:

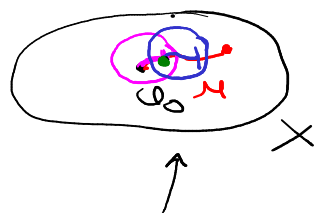
Every covering map $p: Y \rightarrow X$ of (connected) topological spaces X, Y has the curve lifting property.

Proof:

Let $u: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ be a curve and let $y_0 \in Y$ such that $p(y_0) = u(0)$



$p \downarrow$



Since $[0,1]$ is compact, there exists a partition of it

$$0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n = 1$$

and open sets $U_k \subseteq X$, $k=1, \dots, n$ satisfying the following properties

$$(i) \quad u([t_{k-1}, t_k]) \subseteq U_k$$

$$(ii) \quad p^{-1}(U_k) = \bigcup_j V_{k,j}$$

$V_{k,j} \subseteq Y$ open sets such

that $p|_{V_{k,j}}$ are homeomorphisms

Induction on k will be used to prove the existence of the lifting

- $k=0 \rightarrow$ it suffices to take the pre-image of $\mu|_{[0,t]}$ through $P|_{V_{1,j}}$, where $V_{1,j}$ is the open set of Y on (ii) containing the point y_0 .

- $k \geq 1$, and let $\tilde{\mu} : [0, t_{k-1}] \rightarrow Y$ be the lift of $\mu|_{[0, t_{k-1}]}$ already constructed. Let $y_{k-1} = \tilde{\mu}(t_{k-1})$. There exists j such that $y_{k-1} \in V_{k,j}$. we take $P|_{V_{k,j}}$, which is a local homeomorphism,

and

$$\tilde{\mu}|_{[t_{k-1}, t_k]} = \varphi \circ \mu|_{[t_{k-1}, t_k]}$$

where $\varphi = (P|_{V_{k,j}})^{-1}$.

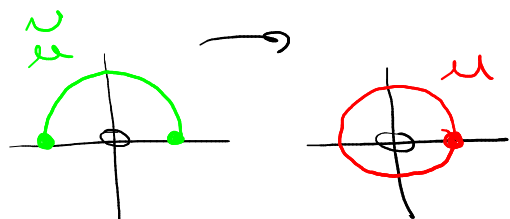
□

Remark:

The lift of closed curves can be an open curve.

Example:

$$p : \mathbb{C}^* \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \\ z \longmapsto z^2$$



$$\mu(t) = e^{2\pi i t}, \quad t \in [0, 1] \\ \text{(closed curve)}$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(t) = e^{\pi i t}, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

$\hookrightarrow$ open curve

Lifting of homotopies of curves

Thm:

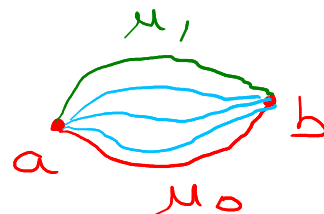
X, Y Hausdorff top. spaces and $p: Y \rightarrow X$ local homeomorphism. Fix $a, b \in X$ and $\tilde{a} \in Y$ such that $p(\tilde{a}) = a$. Let

$$\mu_s: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$$

a family of homotopic curves where

$$\mu_s(t) = F(t, s) \quad ; \quad F: I \times I \rightarrow X$$

F is the homotopy map (in particular $\mu_s(0) = a$, $\mu_s(1) = b$, $\forall s \in I$). If every curve μ_s can be lifted to a curve $\tilde{\mu}_s$ with $\tilde{\mu}_s(0) = \tilde{a}$, then $\tilde{\mu}_s(1)$ coincide for every $s \in [0, 1]$ and the curves $\tilde{\mu}_s$ are all homotopy.



if p is a covering map we can always lift the curves.

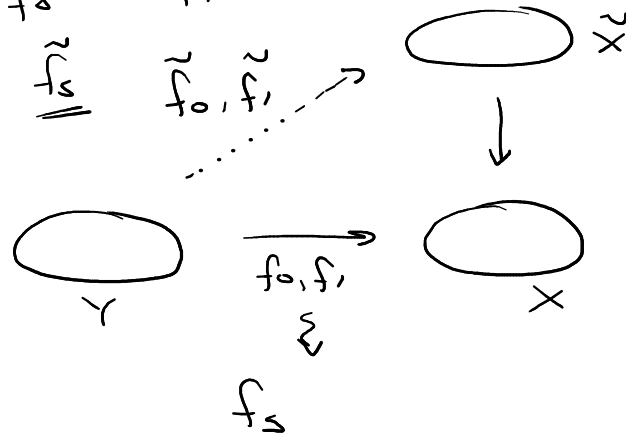
Rmk : p covering

$\Rightarrow$ the lift of homotopic curves are always homotopic !!!

More generally:

Thm:

Suppose $X, \tilde{X}$ are two manifolds, $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ local homeomorphism. If we have a homotopy between two maps $f_0, f_1: Y \rightarrow X$, where Y is another manifold, and if these maps can be lifted to maps $\tilde{f}_0, \tilde{f}_1: Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$, then $\tilde{f}_0$ and $\tilde{f}_1$ are homotopic as well.



Remark: curves is a particular case of functions
we saw that lift of curves is always possible if p is a covering map
what about lift of functions? when can we lift them?

Thm (lifting of maps)

Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering where $X, \tilde{X}$ are two manifolds. Let $f: Y \rightarrow X$ be a continuous map, where Y is a manifold. Then, for every choice of points $y_0 \in Y$ and $\tilde{w}_0 \in \tilde{X}$ such that $f(y_0) = p(\tilde{w}_0) =: w_0$, there exists a lifting $\tilde{f}: Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ such that $\tilde{f}(y_0) = \tilde{w}_0$ if and only if

$$f_* (\pi_1(Y, y_0)) \subseteq p_* (\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{w}_0))$$

The lift is unique.

Corollary 1:

Every covering map $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$, where $X, \tilde{X}$ are manifolds, has the curve lifting property.

Proof :

curves : $\alpha : I \rightarrow X$

In that case $Y = I = [0, 1]$ simply connected

$$\pi_1(I, 0) = \text{id} \quad (\text{trivial})$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_* (\pi_1(I, 0)) = \text{id} \subseteq P_* (\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{c}_0))$$

Corollary 2 :

$X, \tilde{X}, Y$ manifolds

$p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ covering map

$f : Y \rightarrow X$

If we assume Y to be simply connected, then there exists a (unique) lifting $\tilde{f} : Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$.

Remarks :

1.

$X, \tilde{X}$ manifolds

$p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ covering map

$$p_* : \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{c}_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, c_0)$$

$$p(\tilde{c}_0) = c_0$$

claim : p_* is injective

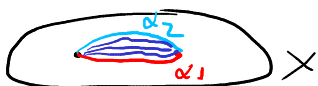
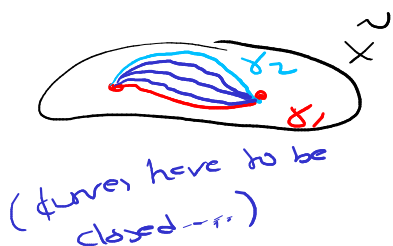
$$[\gamma_1], [\gamma_2] \in \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{c}_0)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \alpha_1 = p(\gamma_1) & \alpha_2 = p(\gamma_2) \end{matrix}$$

If $p_*([\gamma_1]) = p_*([\gamma_2]) \Rightarrow \alpha_1, \alpha_2$ are homotopic loops (closed curves)

$\Rightarrow$ Lift homotopy then γ_1, γ_2 are homotopic loops

$$\Rightarrow [\gamma_1] = [\gamma_2]$$



2.

 $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ covering map ($X, \tilde{X}$ manifolds)

Consider then the map

$$\begin{aligned} \# : X &\rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\} \\ \omega &\mapsto \# p^{-1}(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

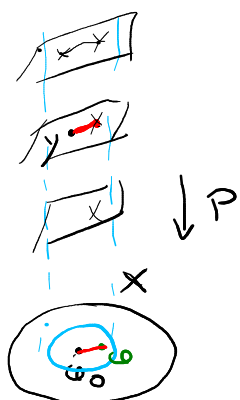
Claim: $\#$ is locally constant

X manifold $\Rightarrow \# p^{-1}(\omega)$ is constant on X



The cardinality of $p^{-1}(\omega)$ is called the number of sheets of the covering

ex: $p: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ is a 2-sheet covering
 $z \mapsto z^2$



Proof

choose a curve $\alpha: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ joining ω_0 to ω .

If $y \in p^{-1}(\omega_0)$ is an arbitrary point, there exists a unique lifting $\tilde{\alpha}: [0,1] \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ of α such that $\tilde{\alpha}(0) = y$.

By taking the map

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi: p^{-1}(\omega_0) &\rightarrow p^{-1}(\omega) \\ y &\mapsto \tilde{\alpha}(1) \end{aligned}$$

This map is bijective by the uniqueness of lifts.

4. The number of sheets of a covering map
 $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ ($X, \tilde{X}$ manifolds)

is the index of $P_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{\omega}_0))$ over $\pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ ($p(\tilde{\omega}_0) = \omega_0$)



Recall that $P_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{\omega}_0))$ is a subgroup of $\pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ so that the index is well defined.

Exercise:

To prove that there exists a bijective map between $p^{-1}(w_0)$ and the equivalence classes of g , where g is a closed curve with base point at w_0 .

Example: $p: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ $z \mapsto z^2$ 2-sheet covering

Fix $1 \in \mathbb{C}^*$. we have $\pi_1(\mathbb{C}^*, 1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

In fact, $\pi_1(\mathbb{C}^*, 1) = \langle \alpha \rangle$, $\alpha(t) = e^{2\pi i t}$

$$p_*(\pi_1(\mathbb{C}^*, 1)) = \langle \alpha * \alpha \rangle$$

$\uparrow$
2-turns around the origin

Thus $[\alpha] \in \pi_1(X, w_0)$

$$[\alpha] \notin p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{w}_0))$$

5. X manifold
 Y Hausdorff topological space
 $p: Y \rightarrow X$ local homeomorphism with the curve lifting property
 $\Rightarrow p$ is a covering

Classification of covering spaces

From now on, let X be a manifold (or a Riemann surface)

Question: How many covering spaces of X do we have?

(we will see that we will have a "largest" one, called the universal covering of X , and the other covering spaces can be obtained from the universal covering as quotients.)

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Let us precise.

Let X be a manifold and $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ a covering map. Fix a point $x_0 \in X$ and $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$

$\Rightarrow p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ is a subgroup of $\pi_1(X, x_0)$

we have then a map

$$\varphi: \tilde{X} \longrightarrow \text{subgroups of } \pi_1(X, x_0)$$

Question: Is that map surjective?

I.e. for every subgroup $G < \pi_1(X, x_0)$ that we fix, does there exist $\tilde{X}$ and a covering map $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)) = G$$

↓

Pontryagin case: Does there exist $\tilde{X}$ and $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ covering map such that $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ is trivial?

p_* injective $\Rightarrow$ if such $\tilde{X}$ exists, then $\tilde{X}$ is simply connected.

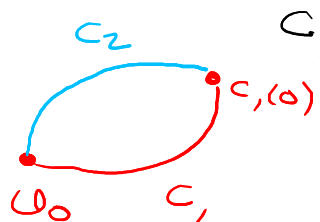
Thm:

Let X be a manifold and fix a point $\omega_0 \in X$.
 Fixed a subgroup $H < \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$, then there exists
 a covering $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ such that $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{\omega}_0)) = H < \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ with $p(\tilde{\omega}_0) = \omega_0$.

Proof:

We begin by considering the set of all paths
 $c: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ with $c(0) = \omega_0$. On this set, we
 introduce the following equivalence relation

$$\begin{aligned} c_1: [0, 1] &\rightarrow X \\ c_2: [0, 1] &\rightarrow X \end{aligned} \quad , \quad c_1(0) = c_2(0) = \omega_0$$

$$c_1 \sim c_2 \Leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad c_1(1) = c_2(1) \\ \textcircled{2} \quad [c_2^{-1} * c_1] \in H < \pi_1(X, \omega_0) \end{array} \right.$$


We call $\tilde{X}$ the set formed by the equivalence
 classes described above. A point of $\tilde{X}$ is an equivalence
 class of a path $c \in X$. In particular, there is a
 natural map

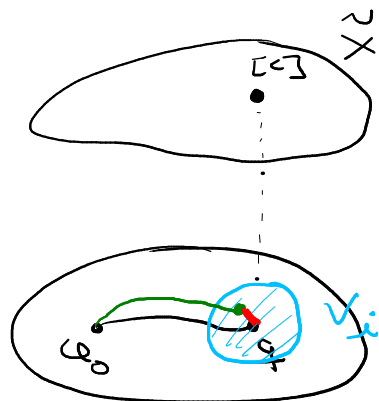
$$\begin{aligned} p: \tilde{X} &\longrightarrow X \\ c &\longmapsto c(1) \end{aligned} \quad \text{well defined by } \textcircled{1} !!$$

[To have structure of a manifold, we use p to define
 the charts of the structure]

The remainder of the proof consists of endowing $\tilde{X}$ with a structure of differential manifold for which $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is the desired covering map.

(1) Topology on $\tilde{X}$

Let us fix a point $[c] \in \tilde{X}$ and consider the point $q = c(1) \in X$.

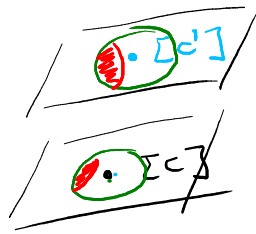


A base of neighbourhoods $\{U_i\}$ for $[c]$ is defined as follows. Denote by $\{V_i\}$ a basis of neighbourhoods for the point $q \in X$. The ^(open) sets U_i are defined by setting

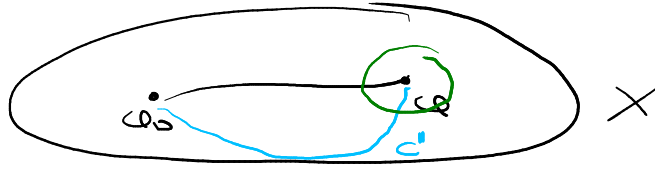
$$[c] \in U_i \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} c(1) \in V_i \\ \text{if } \beta \text{ is a path (on } V_i) \text{ joining } \\ c(1) \text{ to } q, \text{ then } [c^{-1} * \beta * c] \in H \end{cases}$$

[Rmk: union of open sets are open
finite intersection of open sets is open]

By construction, p yields a homeomorphism from U_i to V_i . In particular p is continuous (the pre-image of open sets is open). Moreover, the V_i can be used to have " U_i " around each point lying in the fiber $p^{-1}(q) \subseteq \tilde{X}$. and the map p satisfies the conditions to be a covering map



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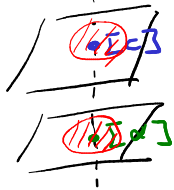
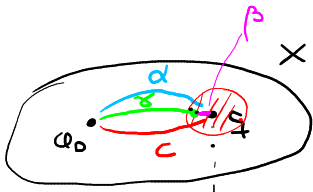


$$[(c')^{-1} * c] \notin H$$

Let us then prove that for a neighbourhood arbitrarily small of $\omega \in X$, the pre-images are pairwise disjoint.

Fix $c : c(1) = q$, $[c] \in U_j$ for some j

Fix then $\alpha : \alpha(1) = q$, $[\alpha] \notin U_j$ (this means that $[\alpha^{-1} * c] \notin H$)
 $([\alpha] \in U_k \text{ for some } k \neq j)$



Assume now that $U_j \cap U_k \neq \emptyset$. Let then $[\gamma] \in U_j \cap U_k$.
 we have that

- $\gamma(1) \in V_i$
- if β joins in V_i , $\alpha(1)$ to q , then the loops

$$[c^{-1} * \beta * \gamma] \in H$$

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Since H is a subgroup, we must have that

$$[(\alpha^{-1} * \beta * \gamma) * (c^{-1} * \beta * \gamma)^{-1}] \in H$$

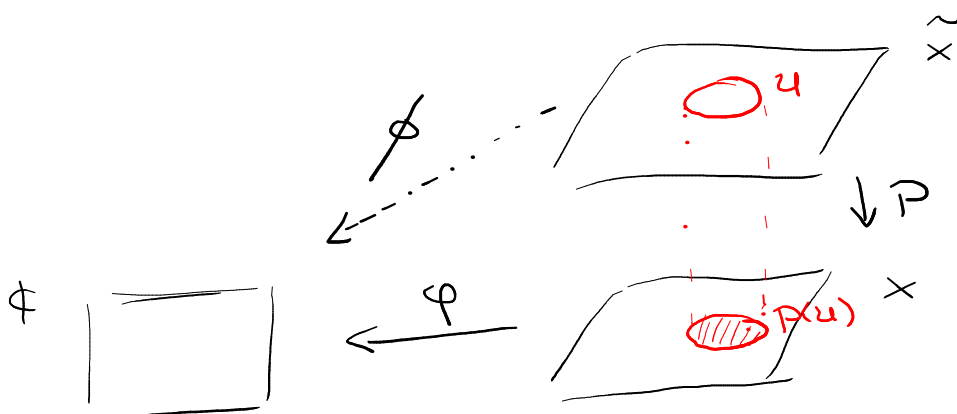
i.e.

$$[\alpha^{-1} * c] \in H$$

contradicting our assumption. The result follows.

To have the structure of a manifold on $\tilde{X}$, we use p to define the charts of the structure.

Let $U \subseteq \tilde{X}$ be an open set such that $p : U \rightarrow p(U) \subseteq X$ is a homeomorphism. Up to reducing U , we can assume that $p(U)$ is contained in the domain of definition of a chart ϕ of X



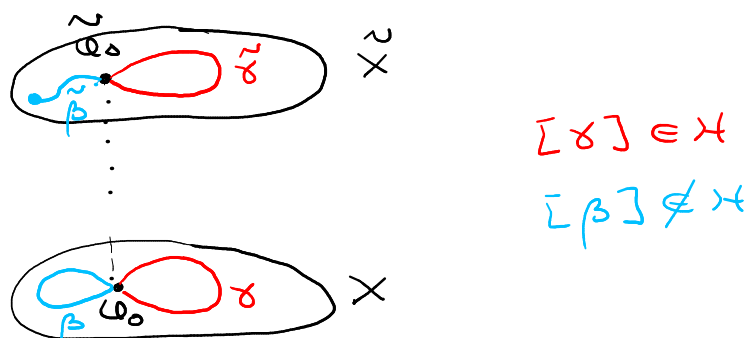
we then define charts ψ on U by letting

$$\psi = \phi \circ p$$

In particular $\tilde{X}$ has the same structure of X and p is compatible with this structure.

- if X is differentiable manifold, so is $\tilde{X}$ and $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is differentiable
- if X is a Riemann surface, so is $\tilde{X}$ and $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is holomorphic.

It only remains to show that $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{w}_0)) = \mathcal{H}$. Fix a point $\tilde{w}_0 \in p^{-1}(w_0)$. Since p_* is injective, it suffices to show that a loop $c: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ ($c(0)=c(1)=w_0$) lifts in a loop at $\tilde{X}$ if and only if $[c] \in \mathcal{H}$



Fix a loop $c: [0,1] \rightarrow X$. Let $\tilde{c}$, $\tilde{c}(0) = \tilde{w}_0$, a lift of the loop c . If $\tilde{c}(1) \neq \tilde{w}_0$ (i.e. if $\tilde{c}$ is not a loop) then $\tilde{c}$ represents a point in $\tilde{X}$ different from the $[\tilde{w}_0]$ ($\tilde{w}_0$ identified with the constant curve). In particular

$$[c] = [\tilde{w}_0' * c] \notin \mathcal{H}.$$

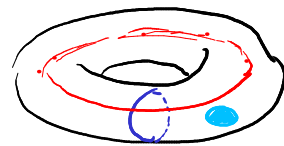
Conversely, if $\tilde{c}(1) = \tilde{w}_0$ (i.e. if $\tilde{c}$ is a loop) then $\tilde{c}$ defines the same point in $\tilde{X}$ than $\tilde{w}_0$ (the constant curve) and this means, by definition, that $[c] \in \mathcal{H}$. This completes the proof of the theorem. □

Examples:

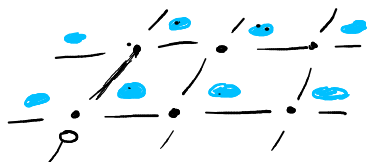
$\mathbb{C}/\pi$ tori

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{C}/\pi) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$$

Subgroups of $\pi_1(\mathbb{C}/\pi) \begin{cases} \{0\} \\ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \{0\} \end{cases}$



- $P_1: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\pi$
 $P_1(s, t) = (e^{2\pi i s}, e^{2\pi i t})$



the natural projection is a covering such that

$$P_{1*}(\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^2, 0)) = \{0\}$$

$\mathbb{R}^2$ is simply connected

- $P_2: S^1 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\pi$ (cylinder)
 $P_2(z, t) = (z, e^{2\pi i t})$

P_2 is a covering map such that

$$P_{2*}(\pi_1(S^1 \times \mathbb{R})) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \{0\}$$

Corollary:

Suppose that X is a manifold. Then there is a simply connected manifold $\tilde{X}$ and a covering map $P: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$.

Remark:

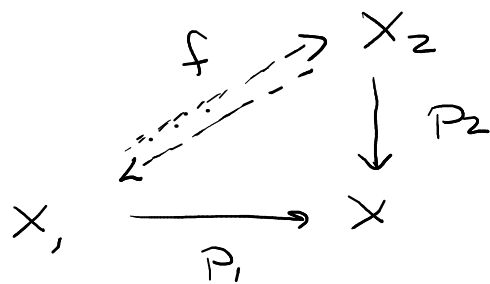
Given X manifold, $\omega_0 \in X$, $H < \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$. Let X_1, X_2 be two manifolds and $P_i: X_i \rightarrow X$ two coverings such that

$$P_{i*}(\pi_1(\tilde{X}_i, \tilde{\omega}_0)) = H$$

Then there is an isomorphism between X_1 and X_2 .

Def

A simply connected manifold covering X is called the universal covering of X .



$$f: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$$

$$g: X_2 \rightarrow X_1$$

$f \rightsquigarrow$ lifting of p_1 through p_2 : $p_1 = p_2 \circ f$

$g \rightsquigarrow$ lifting of p_2 through p_1 : $p_2 = p_1 \circ g$

$$p_1 = p_1 \circ g \circ f$$

$$(\text{locally}) \Rightarrow g \circ f = \text{id}$$

$$\Rightarrow g \circ f = \text{id} \text{ everywhere}$$

Identity thm.

Deck Transformations

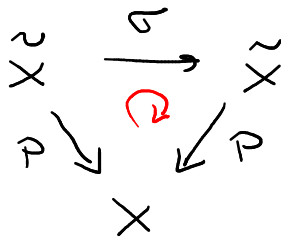
Let the X and $H < \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ be as before. we know that

$$p^{-1}(\omega_0) \text{ is in bijection with the equivalence classes } \pi_1(X, \omega_0)/H$$

Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering

Def:

A deck transformation $\sigma: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ is a homeomorphism (diffeo, hol) such that the diagram below commutes.



$$p \circ \sigma = p$$

we have that σ preserves the fibers of p ($p^{-1}(y), y \in X$)

Examples:

1. $p: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2/\pi$ canonical projection
 $\pi = \{ \alpha(1,0) + \beta(0,1) : \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

$$\sigma: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$
$$\sigma(x, y) = (x+m, y+n) \quad m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

2. $p: \phi^* \rightarrow \phi^*$
 $z \mapsto z^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $k \geq 2$

ω a k -root of the unit

$$\sigma: \phi^* \rightarrow \phi^*$$
$$z \mapsto \omega z$$

$p \circ \sigma = p$

$$(\omega z)^k = \omega^k z^k = z^k$$

$$(p \circ \sigma)(z) = p(\sigma(z)) = p(\omega z)$$
$$= (\omega z)^k = \omega^k z^k = z^k = p(z)$$

The interest of this definition arises from the following proposition.

Prop:

Let $H < \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ and denote by $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ the covering map associated to H . Then:

- (1) $\pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ acts on $\tilde{X}$ by deck transformations
- (2) An element $[c] \in \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ acts trivially on $\tilde{X}$ if and only if $[c] \in H$.

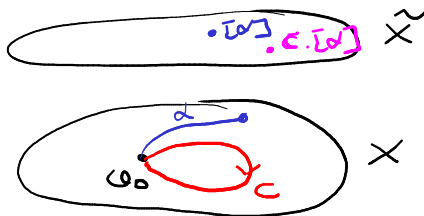
Proof:

It amounts to properly define the action, which is done as follows. Recall that $\tilde{X} = \{ [\alpha] : \alpha: [0,1] \rightarrow X, \alpha(0) = \omega_0 \}$ with

$$[\alpha] = [\beta] \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha(1) = \beta(1) \\ [\beta^{-1} * \alpha] \in H \end{cases}$$

Given $[c] \in \pi_1(X, \omega_0)$ we define $c: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ by letting

$$c.[\alpha] = [\alpha * c^{-1}]$$



$[\alpha], c.[\alpha]$ projects on the same point of X since the end point of the curve α and $\alpha \circ c^{-1}$ are the same

$\Rightarrow c$ sends fibers to fibers. It is also straightforward to check that c is a homeomorphism of $\tilde{X}$ to $\tilde{X}$.

$\Rightarrow c: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ is a deck transformation.

we have

$$\rho: \pi_1(X, \omega_0) \rightarrow \text{Deck transformations}$$

Note that $c: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ coincides with the identity if and only if $[c] \in H$. Indeed

$$c.[\alpha] = [\alpha * c^{-1}]$$

and

$$c.[\alpha] = [\alpha] \Leftrightarrow [\alpha * c^{-1}] = [\alpha]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \alpha^{-1} \circ \alpha \circ c^{-1} \in H$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c^{-1} \in H$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c \in H$$

Finally, we have that the assignment

$$c \in \pi_1(X, \omega_0) \rightsquigarrow c: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$$

is indeed an action, i.e. it satisfies

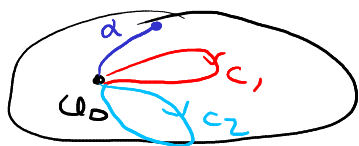
$$c_2 * c_1 \in \pi_1(X, \omega_0) \rightsquigarrow c_2 \circ c_1: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$(c_2 * c_1)[\alpha] = [\alpha * (c_2 * c_1)^{-1}] = [\alpha * \underbrace{c_1^{-1}} * c_2^{-1}]$$

$$= c_2.[\alpha * \underbrace{c_1^{-1}}] = c_2(c_1.[\alpha])$$

$$= (c_2 \circ c_1)[\alpha]$$



Let $(\Gamma \in) \text{Aut}(\tilde{X})$ denote the set of deck transformations arising from $\pi, (X, \omega_0)$. Clearly each element in $(\Gamma) \text{Aut}(\tilde{X})$ corresponds to an equivalence class in $\pi, (X, \omega_0)/H$ since H is the kernel of the action.

In other words, there is

$$\rho: \pi, (X, \omega_0) \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(\tilde{X}, \omega_0)$$

whose kernel is precisely H .

Quotients of Group actions

* Free action: we say that Γ acts freely on $\tilde{X}$ if the following is satisfied:
if there is $\tilde{c} \in \tilde{X}$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$ such that $\gamma(\tilde{c}) = \tilde{c}$, then $\gamma = \text{id}$.

(i.e. there is no element of Γ with fixed points bar the identity)

* Properly discontinuous: we say that the action of Γ is properly discontinuous if for any compact set $K \subseteq \tilde{X}$ and for every point $\tilde{c} \in \tilde{X}$, the cardinality of the set

$$\{ \gamma \in \Gamma : \gamma(\tilde{c}) \in K \}$$
 is finite.

Assume that Γ acts freely and properly discontinuously on a manifold $\tilde{X}$.

Exercise

every point $\tilde{c} \in \tilde{X}$ admits a neighbourhood $U \subseteq \tilde{X}$ such that
 $\{ \gamma(U) \}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ are pairwise disjoint, i.e. $\gamma_1(U) \cap \gamma_2(U) = \emptyset \quad \forall \gamma_1 \neq \gamma_2$

$\Updownarrow$

every point $\tilde{c} \in \tilde{X}$ admits a neighbourhood $U \subseteq \tilde{X}$ such that
 $\forall \gamma \in \Gamma, \gamma \neq \text{id} \quad \text{we have } \gamma(U) \cap U = \emptyset$

Idea: Assume for a contradiction that this is not true



$$\exists \gamma_1'', \gamma_2'' : \gamma_1''(U) \cap \gamma_2''(U) \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\underbrace{\gamma_1'' \circ (\gamma_2'')^{-1}}_{\gamma_3''}(U) \cap U \neq \emptyset$$

$$\gamma_3'' \in \Gamma : \gamma_3''(U) \cap U \neq \emptyset$$

$$\text{action is free} \Rightarrow \gamma_3''(p) \neq p$$

I repeat the process for U_2

$$\exists \gamma_1^{(2)}, \gamma_2^{(2)} : \gamma_1^{(2)}(U_2) \cap \gamma_2^{(2)}(U_2) \neq \emptyset$$

$$\underbrace{\gamma_1^{(2)} \circ (\gamma_2^{(2)})^{-1}}_{\gamma_3^{(2)}}(U_2) \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$\gamma_3^{(2)} \in \Gamma : \gamma_3^{(2)}(U_2) \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$$

$$\text{action is free} \Rightarrow \gamma_3^{(2)}(p) \neq p$$

Exercise : Continue the argument and arrive to a contradiction.

Γ acting freely and properly discontinuously



$\Gamma \cdot \omega = \{ \gamma \cdot \omega : \gamma \in \Gamma \}$ is a closed subset of $\tilde{X}$

Rmk:

$\tilde{X}$ compact metric

Γ acts properly discontinuously and freely on $\tilde{X}$

} $\Rightarrow \Gamma$ is finite

} in fact

there is a bijection between the orbit of ω ($\Gamma \cdot \omega$) and Γ and $\Gamma \cdot \omega$ is closed.

$y \notin \Gamma \cdot \omega \Rightarrow \exists U$ neighbourhood of y such that $\Gamma \cdot \omega \cap U = \emptyset$



Suppose that $\forall U$ neighbourhood of y we have $\Gamma \cdot \omega \cap U \neq \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow \gamma_n \in \Gamma : \gamma_n \cdot \omega \rightarrow y$

Let $y_n = \gamma_n \cdot \omega$ ($\Leftrightarrow \omega = \gamma_n^{-1} \cdot y_n$). we must have

$\# \{ y_n \} < \infty$ since the action is properly discontinuous

$\Leftrightarrow \exists n_0 : \forall n \geq n_0, \gamma_n \cdot \omega = y$

$\Rightarrow y \in \Gamma \cdot \omega$

contradiction !!

⊛ $\Rightarrow \tilde{X} \setminus (\Gamma \cdot \omega)$ is open

$\Rightarrow \Gamma \cdot \omega$ is closed

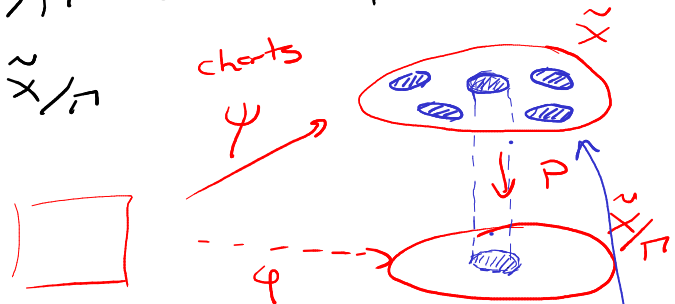


Prop:

Assume that Γ acts freely and properly discontinuously on a manifold $\tilde{X}$. Then the quotient $\tilde{X}/\Gamma$ is a manifold and the canonical projection

$$p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}/\Gamma$$

is a covering map.



Proof:

Fix $y \in p(u)$, $u \in \tilde{X}$, $y \in \tilde{X}/\Gamma$ and let U be an arbitrarily small neighbourhood of u (in the sense that U does not contain two points of any orbit of Γ)

Since p is an open map, $V = p(U)$ is an open set and, consequently, an open neighbourhood of y . We have that

$$p^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{g \in \Gamma} g \cdot U$$

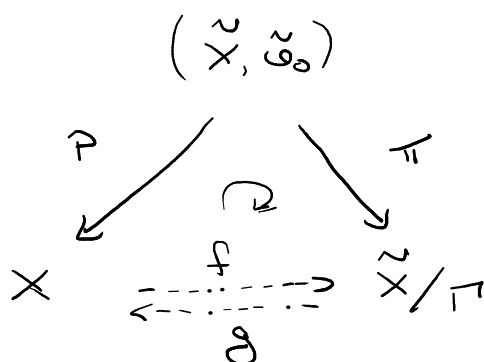
union of disjoint open sets

$\Rightarrow p|_{g \cdot U}$ is a homeomorphism onto V

Examples:

For a given covering $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$, $p(\tilde{u}_0) = u_0$, the action of $\Gamma = p(\pi, (X, u_0)) \in \text{Aut}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{u}_0)$ is free and properly discontinuous

Corollary: $X = \tilde{X}/\Gamma$



locally p, π are homeomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \pi \circ p^{-1} &= f \\ \hookrightarrow p \circ \pi^{-1} &= g \end{aligned}$$

Corollary:

Assume that Γ acts freely and properly discontinuously on a simply connected manifold $\tilde{X}$. Then the quotient $\tilde{X}/\Gamma$ is a manifold, the canonical projection

$$p: \tilde{X} \longrightarrow \tilde{X}/\Gamma$$

is a covering map and the fundamental group of $\tilde{X}/\Gamma$ identifies with Γ .

$$\rho: \pi_1(\tilde{X}/\Gamma, \tilde{x}_0) \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$$

injective when $\tilde{X}$ is simply connected

$$\underline{H = \text{id}}, \quad \underline{H = \ker \rho}$$



Recall that:

Thm:

Every simply connected Riemann surface is isomorphic to one of the following Riemann surfaces: $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{C}P(1)$, $\mathbb{D}$.

Thm:

Every Riemann surface S is biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$, where $\mathbb{D}$ is $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{C}P(1)$ or $\mathbb{D}$ and Γ is a group acting freely and properly discontinuously on $\mathbb{D}$.

To understand all Riemann surfaces, we have to understand all subgroups acting freely and properly discontinuously on the simply connected Riemann surfaces $\mathbb{C}$, $\mathbb{C}P(1)$ and $\mathbb{D}$.

$\mathbb{C}P(1)$

The only Riemann surface covered by $\mathbb{C}P(1)$ is $\mathbb{C}P(1)$ itself.

Let S be a Riemann surface and assume that S is covered by $\mathbb{CP}(1)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \sigma & \\ \mathbb{CP}(1) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{CP}(1) \\ & \searrow \quad \swarrow & \\ & S & \end{array}$$

$p \quad p$

σ is a deck-transformation

$$\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{CP}(1))$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \text{ takes on the form } \sigma(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} : ad-bc=1$$

Every element $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{CP}(1))$ has a fixed point

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma = \{ \text{id} \}$$

Γ acts
freely

$$\Rightarrow S = \mathbb{CP}(1) / \Gamma = \mathbb{CP}(1)$$

$$\boxed{\mathbb{C}}$$

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}) = \{ z \mapsto az+b : a, b \in \mathbb{C}, a \neq 0 \}$$

$$\Gamma \subseteq \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}) \text{ acts freely} \Rightarrow \sigma \in \Gamma, \sigma \neq \text{id}$$

σ cannot have fixed points

assume $a=1$

$$\sigma(z) = z$$

$$\Leftrightarrow z + b = z$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underline{z = -b}$$

So, we restrict ourselves to the subgroup of $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C})$ given by the translations.

$$\Gamma < \{ z \mapsto z+b : b \in \mathbb{C} \}$$

However, Γ acts properly discontinuously $\Rightarrow \Gamma$ is discrete

Discrete subgroups : ① $\Gamma = \{ \text{id} \}$ $\nearrow c \neq 0$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+c \rangle = \{ z \mapsto z+nc : n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

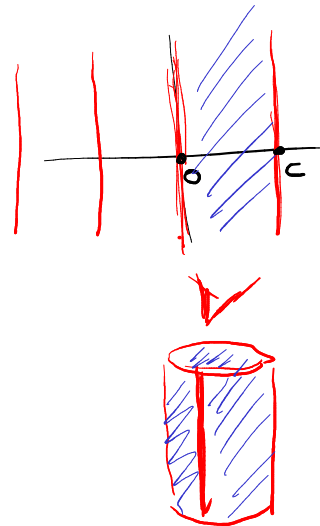
$$\textcircled{3} \quad \Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+\alpha, z \mapsto z+\beta \rangle \quad \alpha/\beta \notin \mathbb{R}$$

$$= \{ z \mapsto z+n\alpha+m\beta : n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$① \mapsto \mathbb{C}$$

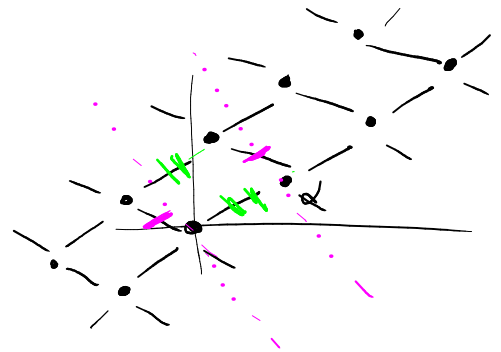
$$② \mapsto \Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+c \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma \quad \text{cylinder}$$



$$③ \mapsto \Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+\alpha, z \mapsto z+\beta \rangle \quad \alpha/\beta \notin \mathbb{R}, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}^*$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma \quad \text{tori}$$



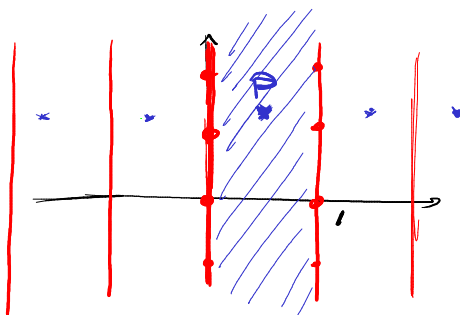
Questions:

Topologically, the tori are all the same and the cylinders are all the same as well. what about the analytic point of view? Are they the same?

Cylinders: analytically, they are all the same:

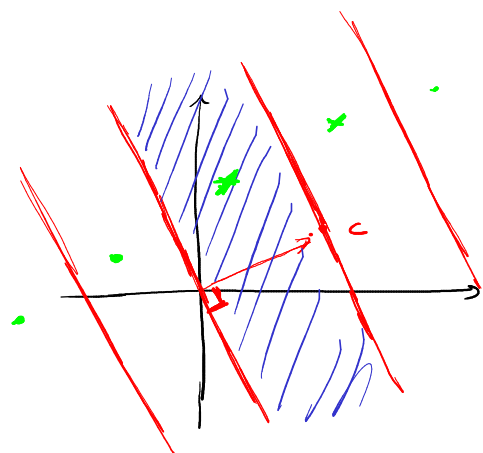
$$C_1 = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma_1, \quad \Gamma_1 = \langle z \mapsto z+1 \rangle$$

$$C_2 = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma_2, \quad \Gamma_2 = \langle z \mapsto z+c \rangle$$



$$f(z) = z+1$$

$$\Gamma(z) = cz$$



$$g(z) = z+c$$

we can check that

$$g \circ T = T \circ f$$
$$\Rightarrow g' \circ T = T \circ f'$$

This passes to the quotient

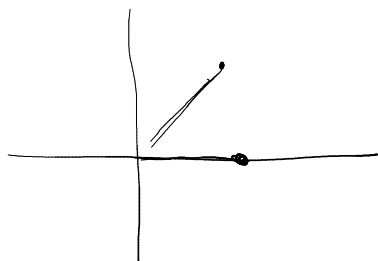
p on the fundamental domain $\leadsto q = f^k(p)$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{T(q)} &= T \circ f^k(q) \\ &= g^k \circ T(q) \\ &= g^k(\underline{T(q)}) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow T$ induces a (holomorphic) map on the cylinders.

$\Rightarrow$ the cylinders are analytically the same.

Exercise : To look for the case of tori.



$$z \mapsto z+1$$

$$z \mapsto z+\tau$$

$$\tau \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$$

It remains to decide when $\tau_1 \neq \tau_2$ define the same torus

Answer : They define the same tori



$$\exists M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : \frac{a\tau_1 + b}{c\tau_1 + d} = \tau_2$$

$\cap$
 $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

Let us then check that the discrete subgroups of Γ of the group of translations $\{z \mapsto z+b : b \in \mathfrak{d}\}$ are

① $\Gamma = \{id\}$

② $\Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+a \rangle = \{z \mapsto z+na : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, $a \in \mathfrak{d}^*$

③ $\Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+a, z \mapsto z+b \rangle$
 $= \{z \mapsto z+na+mb : n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ $a, b \in \mathfrak{d}^*$
 $a/b \notin \mathbb{R}$

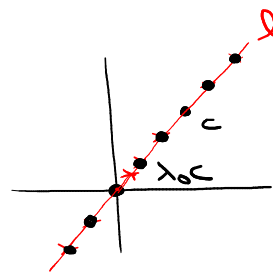
To begin with, assume that $\Gamma \neq \{id\}$. Let then φ be an element of Γ , $\varphi \neq id$. We have that φ takes on the form

$$\varphi : z \mapsto z+c$$

for some $c \in \mathfrak{d}^*$. Consider now the elements of Γ (1-parameter family) taking on the form

$$\varphi_\lambda(z) = z + \lambda c \quad \text{where } \underline{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$$

Since Γ is discrete, there exists $0 < \lambda_0 \leq 1$ such that $\varphi_{\lambda_0} \in \Gamma$ and for all $\varphi_\lambda \notin \Gamma$ for all $0 < \lambda < \lambda_0$.



In that case

$$\langle z \mapsto z + \lambda_0 c \rangle \subseteq \Gamma$$

If $\Gamma \subseteq \langle z \mapsto z + \lambda_0 c \rangle$ as well, then we are in case ②. Let us then prove that if we are not in case ② (i.e. $\Gamma \not\subseteq \langle z \mapsto z + \lambda_0 c \rangle$) then we are in case ③. To simplify notation, let $a = \lambda_0 c$ and denote by ℓ the straight line passing through the origin and a .

Consider then the subset of $\mathfrak{d}$ defined as

$$A = \{d \in \mathfrak{d} : \{z \mapsto z+d\} \in \Gamma\}$$

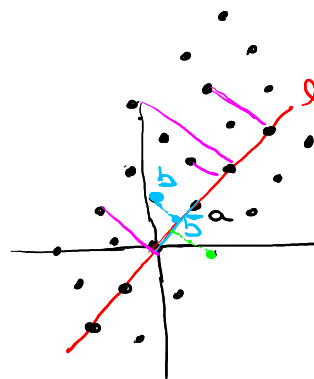
This set has to be a discrete subset of $\mathfrak{d}$ from the fact that Γ is a discrete subset of the translation group. Let

$$\bar{A} = \{d \in A : d \text{ has minimum distance to } \ell\}$$

(the mentioned distance above is strictly positive since A is discrete). Let b be the element of $\bar{A}$ whose projection on ℓ takes on the form

$$\bar{b} = \lambda a \quad \text{for some } 0 \leq \lambda < 1$$

(angle between a and b is positive)



Then

$$\Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+a, z \mapsto z+b \rangle$$

otherwise, there would exist an element $z \mapsto z+\alpha \in \Gamma$ whose α has distance to l less than the distance of b , contradicting our assumption. $\square$

All the other Riemann surfaces are covered by the disc.

Questions:

- How many Riemann surfaces covered by the disc do we have?
- How many groups acting freely and properly discontinuously on the disc do we have?

Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) &= \left\{ \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} : a, b \in \mathbb{C}, |a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ e^{i\theta} \frac{z-a}{-\bar{a}z+1} : a \in \mathbb{D}, \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Classification of the elements of $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$

To begin with, recall the following theorem:

Brouwer's Fixed point theorem:

Let $\mathbb{D}$ be the closed unit ball in $\mathbb{R}^n$ and $f: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ a continuous map. Then there exists $\omega \in \mathbb{D}$ such that

$$f(\omega) = \omega$$

Since the Möbius transformations on $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ can be (continuously) extended to $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$, we have that their extensions

$$\bar{f}: \bar{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{D}}$$

possesses at least one fixed point on $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$.

1st case

If f has a fixed point in $\mathbb{D}$, then f is called elliptic.

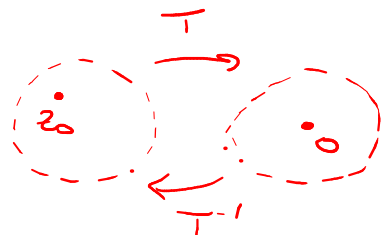


Let $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ stands for the fixed point of f . Let T be the element of $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ taking z_0 to the origin. Recall that T is given by

$$T(z) = \frac{z - z_0}{\bar{z}_0 z + 1}$$

Consider then

$$R = T \circ f \circ T^{-1}$$



The map R has the origin as a fixed point. Furthermore, R is the composition of elements in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$, so that $R \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$. We have already checked that R is a rotation, i.e.

$$R(z) = e^{i\theta} z$$

for some $\theta \in [0, 2\pi[$.

Being f conjugated to a rotation, z_0 is the unique fixed point of f .

Möbius transformation

$$\frac{az+b}{cz+d} = z$$

$$\Leftrightarrow az+b = z(cz+d)$$

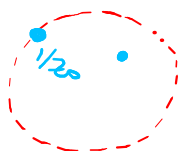
2nd case

Assume that f has no fixed points in $\mathbb{D}$. The fixed points are in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$, $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$. Since f is a Möbius transformation, it may have at most 2 fixed points in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$.

If f has two distinct fixed points in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$, then f is called hyperbolic or loxodromic.

$$z \mapsto \frac{1}{z} = w$$

$$g = f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$$



g fixes one point in the interior of $\mathbb{D}$
 $\Rightarrow$ we are in the 1st case

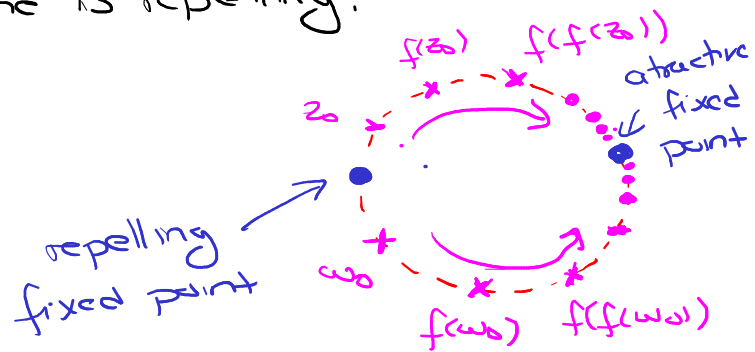
$\Rightarrow$ we cannot have fixed points in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$

Conclusion: If we have a fixed point in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$, then all fixed points will be in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$.

f hyperbolic

$\Downarrow$

In terms of the dynamics of f , one of the fixed points is attractive and the other one is repelling.



Idea of the proof:

$$f(z) = \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}} \quad a, b \in \mathbb{C} \quad |a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1$$

$\Downarrow$

f is identified with the matrix given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ \bar{b} & \bar{a} \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark:

$$|a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1$$

$$|A| = 1$$

$z = \alpha + i\beta$ is a fixed point iff

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ \bar{b} & \bar{a} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

the fixed points are then the eigenvectors of A

fixed points: z_1, z_2

$f'(z_1), f'(z_2)$

$$|f'(z_1)| \cdot |f'(z_2)| = 1$$

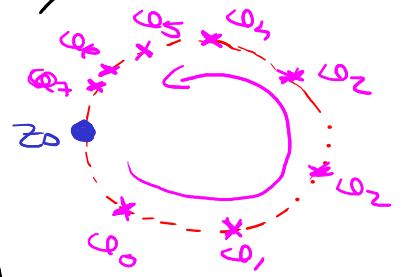
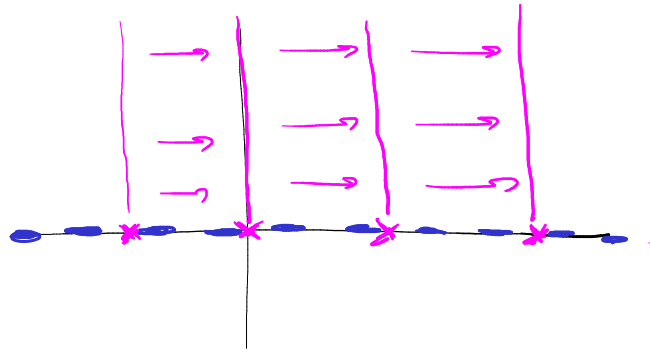
we can also check that $|f'(z_i)| \neq 1$ so that one of them will be > 1 and the other one < 1 .

If f has a unique fixed point in the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$, then f is called parabolic



Recall that $\mathbb{D}$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{H}$, the upper half-plane. The map f viewed in $\mathbb{H}$ is conjugated to the translation

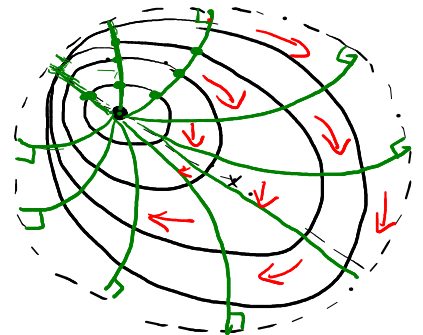
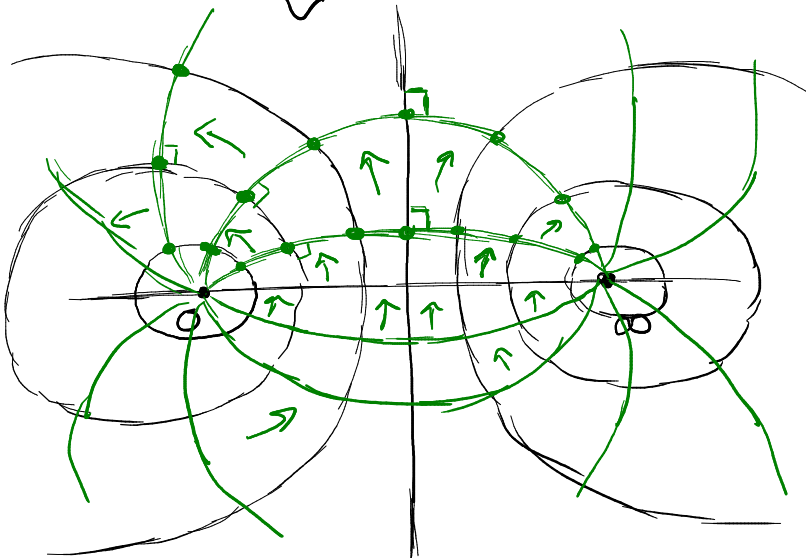
$$z \mapsto z + 1$$



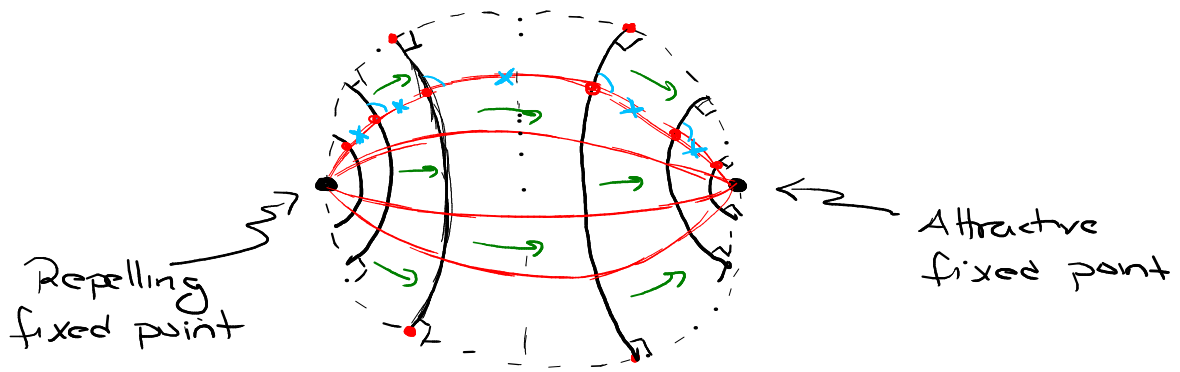
$$w_i = \underbrace{(f \circ \dots \circ f)}_{i \text{ times}}(w_0)$$

Pictures

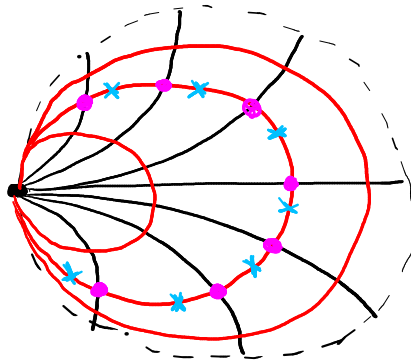
Elliptic case :



Hyperbolic case



Parabolic case



Thm:

Consider the transformations

$$f(z) = \frac{az + b}{\bar{b}z + \bar{a}}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ \bar{b} & \bar{a} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{trace}(A) = 2\text{Re}(a)$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{C}^*$, $|a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1$, we have that

- f is hyperbolic iff $|\text{Re}(a)| > 1$
- f is elliptic iff $|\text{Re}(a)| < 1$
- f is parabolic iff $|\text{Re}(a)| = 1$

Remarks:

- Recall that a cylinder may be covered by $\mathbb{C}$. More precisely a cylinder may be given as

$$\mathbb{C}/\Gamma, \text{ where } \Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z + c \rangle \quad c \in \mathbb{C}^*$$

In particular we have proved that any two cylinders with the complex structure obtained from this quotient are isomorphic.

However, a cylinder can also be covered by the disc.

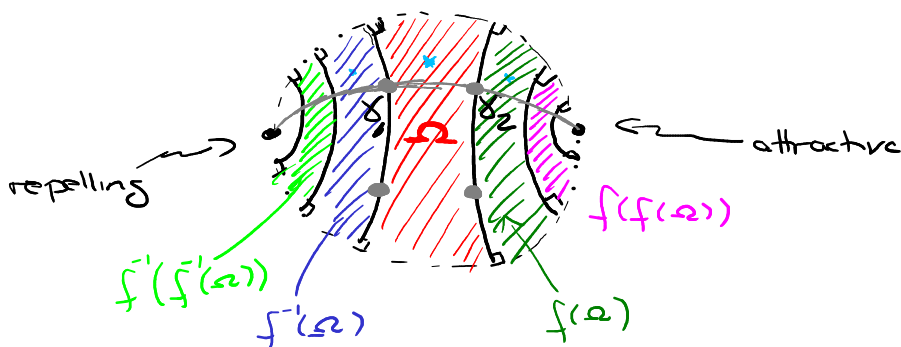


Consider a hyperbolic element

$$f(z) = \frac{az+b}{\bar{b}z+\bar{a}}$$

$$a, b \in \mathbb{C}, |a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1, |\operatorname{Re}(a)| > 1$$

Being f an hyperbolic element, f has two fixed points (distinct fixed points) on the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$, one being attractive and the other one repelling.



Let then Ω be a fundamental domain for f

$$\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f^k(\Omega) = \mathbb{D} \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{int}(f^k(\Omega)) \cap \operatorname{int}(f^j(\Omega)) = \emptyset$$

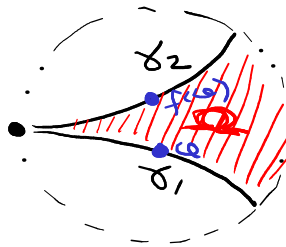
If we identify the two boundaries ∂_1 and ∂_2 of the fundamental domain ($\partial_2 = f(\partial_1)$) by associating one element of ∂_1 to its image through f , we obtain a manifold that is, topologically a cylinder C . A complex structure can naturally be defined on C by means of the quotient $\mathbb{D}/\langle f \rangle$. This complex structure is, however, completely different from the one obtained by taking the quotients of $\mathbb{C}$.

More than that, if we take different hyperbolic maps f_1, f_2 , the complex structure arising from $\mathbb{D}/\langle f_1 \rangle$ and $\mathbb{D}/\langle f_2 \rangle$ may be different.



This will be seen later.

- Furthermore, a cylinder can also be obtained as the quotient of the disc by the group generated by a parabolic element. The idea is the same as in the case of hyperbolic elements.



The complex structure obtained as the quotient of $\mathbb{D}$ by the action of $\langle f \rangle$, f is parabolic, is distinct from the previous complex structures.

- The cylinder is the unique surface admitting complex structures of different nature, in the sense that it is covered by distinct surfaces.



to be seen later

Classification of compact (orientable) surfaces

Let S_1 and S_2 be two surfaces. The connected sum of S_1 and S_2 , $S_1 \# S_2$, is obtained as follows. We "delete" an open ball from each surface S_1 and S_2 , B_1 and B_2 . The surfaces $S_1 \setminus B_1$ and $S_2 \setminus B_2$ have boundaries, denoted by ∂B_1 and ∂B_2 , respectively, that are diffeomorphic to S^1 .



Define then an orientation preserving diffeo
 $g: \partial B_1 \rightarrow \partial B_2$

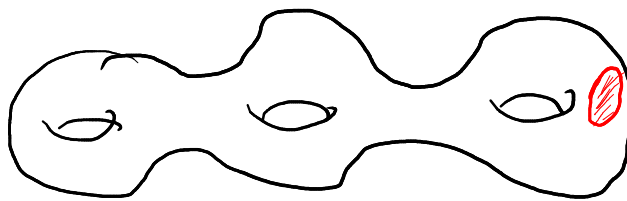
The sum is obtained by taking the disjoint union
 $(S_1 \setminus B_1) \cup_g (S_2 \setminus B_2)$, where we identify the points in ∂B_1
 and ∂B_2 by g .

genus-0 torus $\leadsto$ surfaces homeomorphic to a sphere

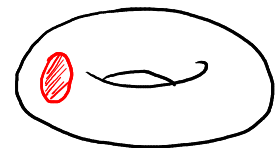
genus-1 torus $\leadsto$ surfaces homeomorphic to a
 torus ($\mathbb{R}/\pi$)

$\vdots$

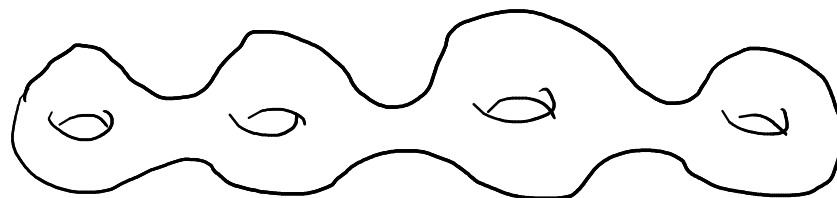
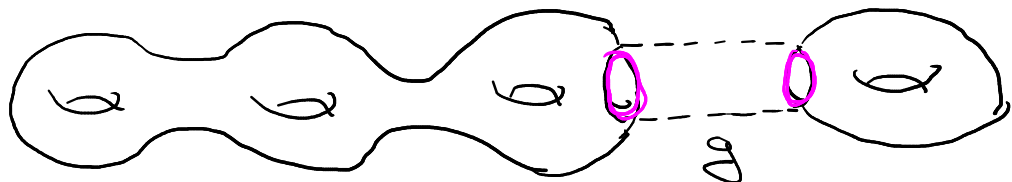
genus- k torus $\leadsto$ a surface obtained as the sum
 of a genus- $(k-1)$ torus with a
 genus-1 torus.
 ($k \geq 2$)



3-torus



1-torus



Classification Theorem:

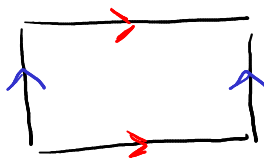
Let S be a compact surface. Then S is diffeomorphic to a g -torus, for some $g \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Question:

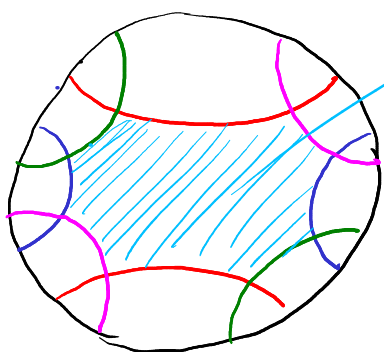
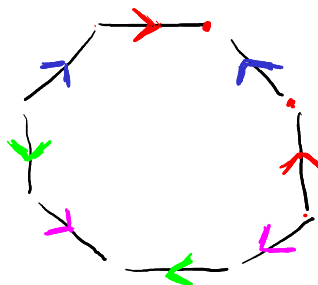
Does exist a Riemann surface of genus 2? In other words, there exists a genus-2 torus admitting a complex structure?

Topologically:

genus 1



genus 2



fundamental domain

f_1 (hyperbolic)

f_2 (hyperbolic)

f_3 "

f_4 "

$$\mathbb{D} / \langle f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \rangle$$

$\leadsto$ genus 2
Riemann surface

Riemannian Metrics

M = differentiable manifold

↳ we want to be able to measure the lengths of and angles between vector tangent to M

TM = total space of the tangent bundle

$p \in M$, $T_p M$ carries the structure of a vector space.

Def:

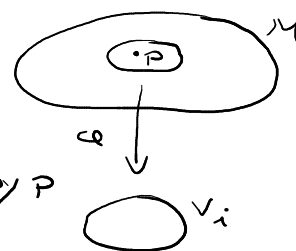
A Riemannian metric on a differentiable manifold M is a correspondence that associates to every point $p \in M$ a scalar product on the tangent space $T_p M$ (i.e. a positive definite and symmetric bilinear form)

$$p \mapsto \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$$

which depends smoothly on the base point p .

A Riemannian manifold is a differentiable manifold, equipped with a Riemannian metric.

If $\omega = \omega(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$ are local coordinates near p



$$q = \omega(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i}(q) = d\omega(0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

↙ position i

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i}(q), \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_j}(q) \right\rangle = g_{ij}(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$$

is a differentiable function

$$G = [g_{ij}(\omega)]$$

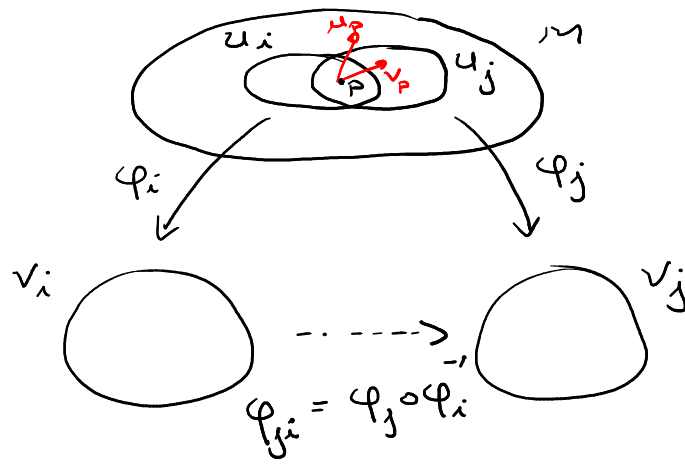
definite positive and symmetric matrices whose coefficients depend smoothly on ω

$$v = \sum v_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i}$$

$$u = \sum u_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i}$$

$$\langle u_p, v_p \rangle_p = u^T G v$$

Compatibility condition:



$$\mu_p, v_p \in T_p M$$

$$\mu_p, v_p \xrightarrow{\varphi_i} \mu, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\mu_p, v_p \xrightarrow{\varphi_j} \bar{\mu}, \bar{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

and

$$\bar{\mu} = D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji} \mu$$

$$\bar{v} = D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji} v$$

$$\langle \mu_p, v_p \rangle_p = \mu^T G_{\varphi_i(p)} \cdot v = (\mu, G_{\varphi_i(p)} \cdot v)$$

$$\langle \mu_p, v_p \rangle_p = \bar{\mu}^T H_{\varphi_j(p)} \cdot \bar{v} = (\bar{\mu}, H_{\varphi_j(p)} \bar{v})$$

$$= (D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji} \mu, H_{\varphi_j(p)} \cdot D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji} v)$$

$$= (\mu, (D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji})^T H_{\varphi_j(p)} \cdot D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji} v)$$

$$\Rightarrow G_{\varphi_i(p)} = (D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji})^T H_{\varphi_j(p)} \cdot D_{\varphi_i(p)} \varphi_{ji}$$

$$\boxed{G_i(\omega) = (D\varphi)^T H_j D\varphi (\omega)}$$

$$\varphi = \varphi_{ji}$$

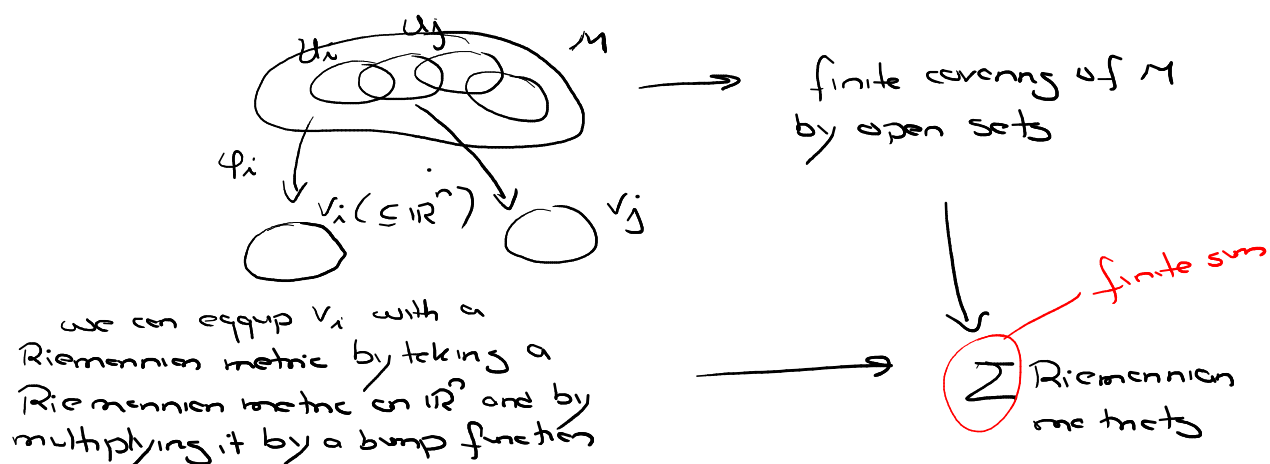
Given $v \in T_p M$, the length of v is given by

$$\|v\| := \langle v, v \rangle_p^{1/2} = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle_p}$$

Thm.:

Every differentiable manifold may be equipped with a Riemannian metric.

Idea:



Let now $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M$ be a smooth curve on M ($[a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$).
The length of γ is defined as follows:

$$L(\gamma) := \int_a^b \left\| \frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t) \right\| dt$$

(depends only on the "curve" $\gamma([a, b]) \subseteq M$ and not on the choice of the parametrization)

In local coordinates:

Assume that, in local coordinates, $\gamma(t)$ is given by

$$\gamma(t) = (\varphi_1(t), \dots, \varphi_n(t))$$

then

$$\frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t) = (\dot{\varphi}_1(t), \dots, \dot{\varphi}_n(t))$$

so that

$$L(\gamma) = \int_a^b \sqrt{\sum_{ij} g_{ij}(\varphi_1(t), \dots, \varphi_n(t)) \cdot \dot{\varphi}_i(t) \cdot \dot{\varphi}_j(t)} dt$$

Def.:

Let M be a Riemannian manifold and let p, q be two points on M . The distance between p and q is defined as

$$d(p, q) := \inf \{ L(\gamma) : \gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M \text{ smooth}, \gamma(a) = p, \gamma(b) = q \}$$

↓

Note that since M is connected, it is also path-connected (connected open sets of $\mathbb{R}^n$ are path-connected). Thus, for every pair of points $p, q \in M$, there exists a path $c: [a, b] \rightarrow M$ joining p to q .

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we can thus define a metric on M by letting

$$d(p, q) = \inf \{ L(\gamma) : \gamma \text{ paths joining } p \text{ to } q \}$$

It is straightforward to check that (M, d) is a metric space (i.e. d is a metric). Namely, we clearly have

$$* \quad d(p, q) \geq 0 \quad \forall p, q \in M$$

$$* \quad d(p, q) = 0 \Leftrightarrow p = q$$

$$* \quad d(p, q) = d(q, p)$$

$$* \quad d(p, q) \leq d(p, w) + d(w, q)$$

Purpose: study / investigate the geometry of (M, d)

3 fundamental notions $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} * \text{ geodesics} \\ * \text{ Levi-Civita connection} \\ * \text{ curvature} \end{array} \right\}$ to be seen later as they become necessary

Geodesics:

Def:

A parametrized curve $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M$ is said to be a geodesic if and only if it satisfies

(1) $\|\gamma'(t)\| = 1$

(2) for every $t \in [a, b]$

there is a partition
 $[a, b] = \cup [t_i, t_{i+1}]$

so that

$$d(\gamma(t_i), \gamma(t_{i+1})) = L(\gamma|_{[t_i, t_{i+1}]})$$

$$d(\gamma(t), \gamma(a)) = L(\gamma|_{[a, t]}) \quad (=t)$$

going along the curve

A natural way to think about geodesics joining p to q is to think on a curve having minimum distance among the curves joining p to q .

Remark: γ curve, $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M$. There exists parametrizations of γ satisfying condition (1). The length of γ and of its reparametrization is the same.

Def/Proposition:

Let $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Riemannian manifold. A diffeomorphism $f: M \rightarrow M$ is called an isometry if it verifies one (and hence both) of the following equivalent conditions

(1) For every pair of points $p, q \in M$ we have
$$d(f(p), f(q)) = d(p, q)$$

(2) For every point $p \in M$ and tangent vectors $u, v \in T_p M$ we have

$$\langle u, v \rangle_p = \langle D_p f \cdot u, D_p f \cdot v \rangle_{f(p)}$$

The isometry group of M will be denoted by $\text{Iso}(M)$.

Example:

$$M = \mathbb{R}^2 (\simeq \mathbb{C})$$

$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \text{Euclidean metric}$

we have that a rotation is an isometry.

we have mentioned that every differentiable manifold can be equipped with a Riemannian metric. For the case of the (open) disc $\mathbb{D}$ a little more can be said.

Prop:

There exist a Riemannian metric on $\mathbb{D}$ such that $\boxed{\text{Iso}(\mathbb{D}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})}$

Proof:

Recall that

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ e^{i\theta} \frac{z - z_0}{-\bar{z}_0 z + 1} : z_0 \in \mathbb{D}, \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \right\}$$

composition of the rotation (at $0 \in \mathbb{C}$) of angle θ with the Möbius transformation preserving the disc and sending z_0 to $0 \in \mathbb{C}$

So, we have:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} * \text{ given } z_0 \in \mathbb{D}, \exists f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) : f(z_0) = 0 \\ * \text{ if } g \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}), g(0) = 0 \Rightarrow g(z) = e^{i\theta} z, \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \end{array} \right.$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\text{Stab}(0) = \{ g \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) : g(0) = 0 \}$$

Up to a constant, let us define the scalar product on the tangent space $T_0 \mathbb{D}$ as the Euclidean one. In other words, given $u, v \in T_0 \mathbb{D}$

$$\langle u, v \rangle_0 := (u, v)$$

where (u, v) stands for the Euclidean scalar product on $\mathbb{R}^2$.

Let us then see how to define a Riemannian metric on $\mathbb{D}$

so that $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) \subseteq \text{Iso}(\mathbb{D})$.

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Fix $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$. we have $T_{z_0} \mathbb{D} \cong \mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$

Fixed $u, v \in T_{z_0} \mathbb{D}$ we define

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u, v \rangle_{z_0} &:= \langle D_{z_0} f \cdot u, D_{z_0} f \cdot v \rangle_0 \\ &= \langle D_{z_0} f \cdot u, D_{z_0} f \cdot v \rangle \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} f: f(z_0) &= 0 \\ f &\in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) \end{aligned}$$

Note that this metric is well-defined. In fact, let $f_1, f_2 \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ such that $f_1(z_0) = f_2(z_0) = 0$. we know that

$$f_1 \circ f_2^{-1} = \text{Rot} \quad (\text{rotation})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f_1 = \text{Rot} \circ f_2$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D_{z_0} f_1 \cdot u, D_{z_0} f_1 \cdot v \rangle_0 &= \langle D_{z_0} f_1 \cdot u, D_{z_0} f_1 \cdot v \rangle \\ &= \langle D_{z_0} (\text{Rot} \circ f_2) \cdot u, D_{z_0} (\text{Rot} \circ f_2) \cdot v \rangle \\ &= \langle \text{Rot}' \cdot D_{z_0} f_2 \cdot u, \text{Rot}' \cdot D_{z_0} f_2 \cdot v \rangle \\ &= \langle D_{z_0} f_2 \cdot u, D_{z_0} f_2 \cdot v \rangle \\ &= \langle D_{z_0} f_2 \cdot u, D_{z_0} f_2 \cdot v \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

Rotations are isometries $\rightarrow$

The metric in question is unique up to a multiplicative constant, and it is called the hyperbolic metric. Let us present its expression.

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Recall that an element $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ sending z_0 to 0 is given by

$$f(z) = \frac{z - z_0}{-\bar{z}_0 z + 1}$$

Let $u, v \in T_{z_0} \mathbb{D}$. we have then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u, v \rangle_{z_0} &= \langle D_{z_0} f \cdot u, D_{z_0} f \cdot v \rangle_0 \\ &= \langle D_{z_0} f \cdot u, D_{z_0} f \cdot v \rangle \end{aligned}$$

up to a constant and the constant can be chosen so that

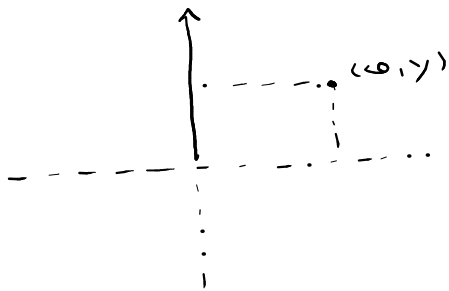
$$= \frac{4}{(1 - |z_0|^2)} \cdot (u, v)$$

which means that the curvature of the metric is constant equal to -1 .

The hyperbolic metric in the upper half-plane can be deduced by using the isomorphism between the two Riemann surfaces by pulling it back.

$$\text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$$

we have then



$$z = u + iv \quad (u, v)$$

$$u, v \in T_z \mathbb{H}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\langle u, v \rangle_z = \frac{1}{y^2} (u, v)$$

Let us now try to understand the geodesics of these models. we will do it first on the upper half-plane model.

Rmk:

$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$ is simply transitive in $T, \mathbb{H}$ (where $T, \mathbb{H}$ stands for the unit tangent bundle)

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Fixed (p, v) and (q, u)

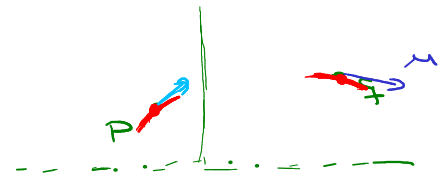
$$p, q \in \mathbb{H}$$

$$v \in T_p \mathbb{H} \quad (\|v\| = 1)$$

$$u \in T_q \mathbb{H} \quad (\|u\| = 1)$$

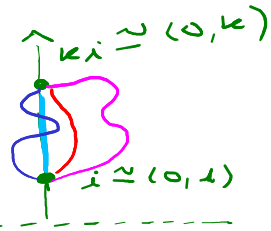
Then, $\exists ! f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$ such that

$$\begin{cases} f(p) = q \\ D_p f \cdot v = u \end{cases}$$



This remark allows us to say that it is sufficient to us to describe the geodesics through a sole point of $\mathbb{H}$ (or, more precisely, a geodesic through a sole point of $\mathbb{H}$)

Understanding geodesics



Fix the point $i \in \mathbb{H}$. Let c be a curve joining i and ki for some $k \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \{1\}$ such that $\|c'(t)\| = 1$.

Suppose that $c(t) = (x(t), y(t)) \in \mathbb{H} \quad (\forall t \in [a, b])$

$$\rightarrow c'(t) = (x'(t), y'(t))$$

We intend to deduce the expression (or the image) of the curve c minimizing the distance between i and ki for metric in question (hyperbolic metric)

Recall that

$$L(c) = \int_a^b \|c'(t)\| dt$$

Furthermore, the norm $\|c'(t)\|$ with respect to the hyperbolic metric is given by

$$\|c'(t)\|^2 = \frac{1}{y^2(t)} \cdot (\overset{\rightarrow 0}{\dot{x}^2(t)} + \dot{y}^2(t)) \geq \frac{\dot{y}^2(t)}{y^2(t)}$$

for every $\omega = \omega(t)$ that we consider. we get then

$$\int_a^b \|c'(t)\| dt \geq \int_a^b \frac{\|\dot{y}(t)\|}{y(t)} dt = L(\gamma)$$

$\uparrow$
recall that $y(t) > 0$

where γ is the curve contained in the imaginary axis of $\mathbb{H}$ joining i and ki .

$$\gamma(t) = i + t(k-1)i \approx (0, 1 + t(k-1))$$

Furthermore, recall that γ does not necessarily satisfy $\|\gamma'(t)\| = 1$, so that γ is not necessarily the geodesic

joining the two points. Let us deduce the expression of the geodesic (by reparametrizing γ). We must have

$$\alpha(t) = (0, \gamma(t))$$

$$\alpha(a) = (0, 1)$$

$$\alpha(b) = (0, k)$$

$$\boxed{k > 1}$$

$$\|\alpha'(t)\| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\alpha'(t)\|^2 = 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{(\gamma'(t))^2}{(\gamma(t))^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma'(t) = \gamma(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma(t) = k e^t$$

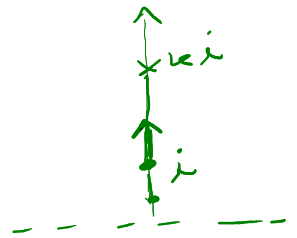
$$\Rightarrow \gamma(t) = e^t$$

assuming, for simplicity, $a=0$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma(0) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 1$$

$$\alpha(t) = (0, e^t) \simeq i e^t$$



Geodesics passing through i (for $t=0$) and satisfying $\alpha'(0)=i$
 $(\alpha'(0) \simeq (0, 1))$

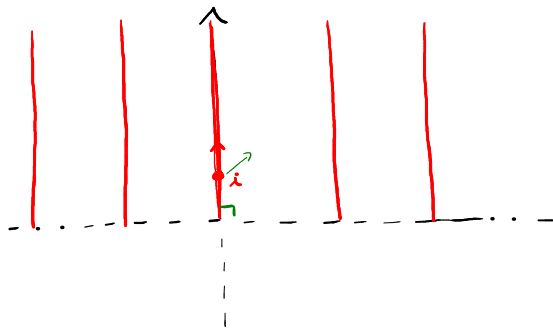
$$\Downarrow$$

$$\boxed{\alpha(t) = i e^t}$$

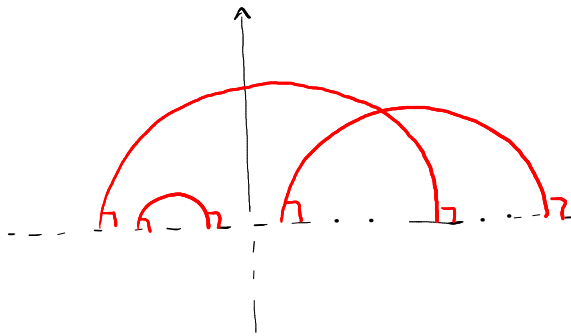
This geodesic parametrizes all the other geodesics by using the action of the isometry group ($= \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$)

Pictures:

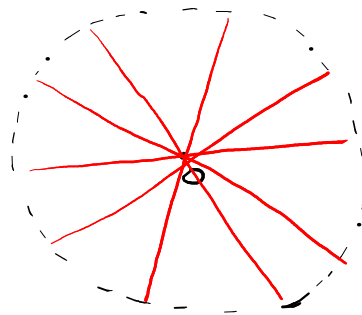
Geodesics (like unparametrized curves) on $\mathbb{H}$



← vertical lines (obtained from $\alpha(t) = ie^t$ by translations $z \mapsto z + \alpha$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$)



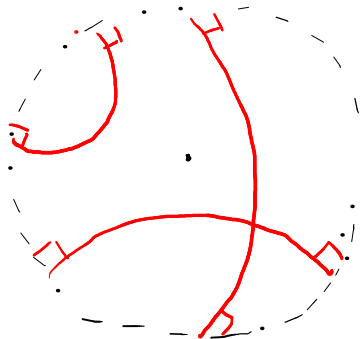
Geodesics on $\mathbb{D}$



"straight lines" through the origin



- all lines through $0 \in \mathbb{D}$



- Images of these lines by Möbius transformations (preserving the disk)



preserve the class of euclidean circles (including lines in this class)

Recall that $T_1 \mathbb{H} \cong \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$ (bijection, different, ...)

$\uparrow$
 unit tangent space

$$T_1 \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$$

$$(p, v) \longmapsto g \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H}) : \begin{aligned} g(p) &= i \\ D_p g \cdot v &= i \end{aligned}$$

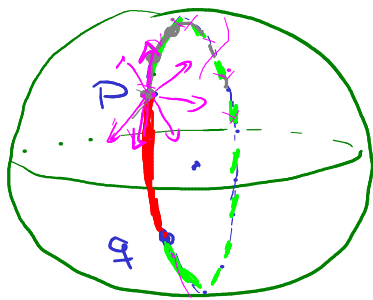
Let γ be the geodesic satisfying $\begin{aligned} \gamma(0) &= i \\ \gamma'(0) &= i \end{aligned}$. We checked that $\gamma(t) = ie^t$. This geodesic is globally minimizing

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in the sense that for every points p, q on the image of γ , γ is the curve minimizing the distance between the two points

$$\begin{aligned} p &= \gamma(a) & \gamma([a, b]) \\ q &= \gamma(b) \end{aligned}$$

Example:



- the red line is globally minimizing
- the green line is locally minimizing

Distance between two points

Choose two points on the image of the geodesic $\gamma(t) = ie^t$: i and ye^i for some $y \in \mathbb{R}^+$. We have

$$\gamma(0) = i$$

$$\gamma(t) = \gamma i$$

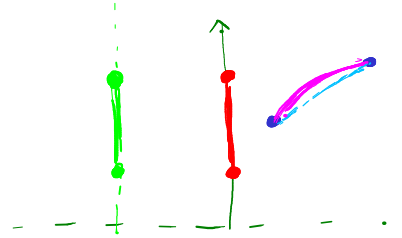
Since $\gamma(t) = \gamma i$, we have $i e^t = \gamma i \Leftrightarrow e^t = \gamma \Leftrightarrow t = \ln \gamma$.

Since γ is a geodesic

$$\text{dist}_H(\gamma(t), \gamma(0)) = L(\gamma|_{[0,t]}) = t$$

So,

$$\boxed{\text{dist}_H(i, \gamma i) = \ln \gamma}$$

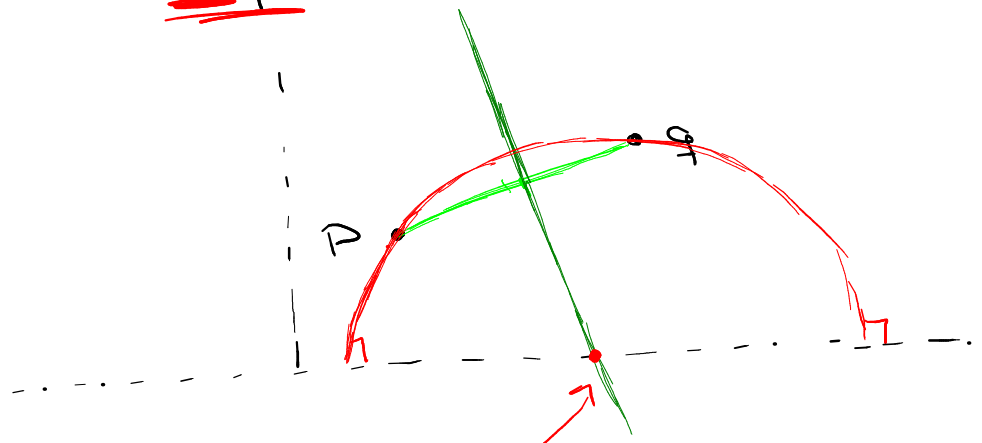


Remark:

$\text{Aut}(H)$ is simply transitive in the space of geodesics, the latter being identified to $\mathbb{T}, H$

$\Rightarrow$ all geodesics on H are globally minimizing
Since they are obtained from the previous one by isometries.

Besides: Given two points $p, q \in H$, $p \neq q$, there is a unique geodesic through p and q



center of the circle of the geodesic through p and q

Given now $p, q \in \mathbb{H}$

$$\text{dist}_{\mathbb{H}}(p, q) = ?$$

$$p = \omega_1 + i\gamma_1$$

$$q = \omega_2 + i\gamma_2$$

$$\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$\text{dist}_{\mathbb{H}}(p, q) = 2 \ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{(\omega_2 - \omega_1)^2 + (\gamma_2 - \gamma_1)^2} + \sqrt{(\omega_2 - \omega_1)^2 + (\gamma_2 + \gamma_1)^2}}{2\sqrt{\gamma_1 \gamma_2}} \right)$$

In the particular case where $\omega_2 = \omega_1$, we get:

$$\text{dist}_{\mathbb{H}}(p, q) = 2 \ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{(\gamma_2 - \gamma_1)^2} + \sqrt{(\gamma_2 + \gamma_1)^2}}{2\sqrt{\gamma_1 \gamma_2}} \right)$$

assumption

$$\gamma_2 > \gamma_1$$

$$= 2 \ln \left(\frac{\gamma_2 - \cancel{\gamma_1} + \gamma_2 + \cancel{\gamma_1}}{2\sqrt{\gamma_1 \gamma_2}} \right)$$

$$= 2 \ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\gamma_2}{\gamma_1}} \right)$$

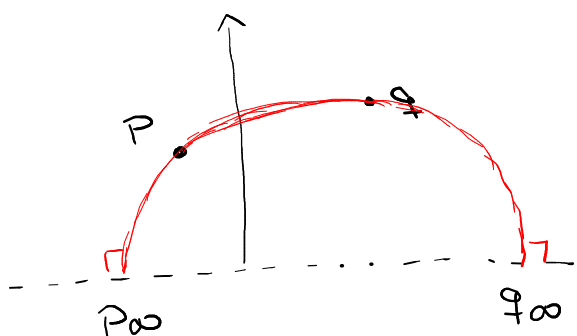
$$= 2 \ln \left(\frac{\gamma_2}{\gamma_1} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{\gamma_2}{\gamma_1} \right)$$

$$= \ln(\gamma_2) - \ln(\gamma_1)$$

In general: $\text{dist}_{\mathbb{H}}(p, q) = |\ln(\gamma_2) - \ln(\gamma_1)|$

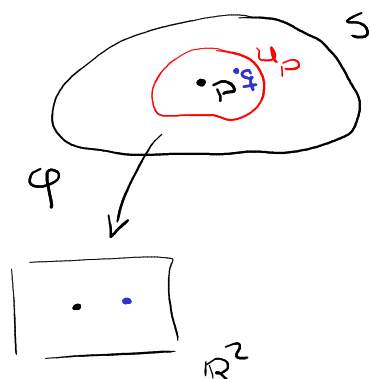
Furthermore:



$$\text{dist}_{\mathbb{H}}(p, q) = \left| \ln \left(\frac{|pq_\infty| \cdot |q \cdot p_\infty|}{|pp_\infty| \cdot |q \cdot q_\infty|} \right) \right|$$

where $|pq|$ stands for the Euclidean distance between p and q .

More examples (many examples) of Riemann surfaces:



\$S\$ orientable surface
 $\langle , \rangle_R$ Riemannian metric

Gauss: $\forall p \in S$ (negative)
 $\exists \varphi: U_p \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ such that
 $\langle , \rangle_R = f \cdot \varphi^* [\langle , \rangle_{Euc.}]$

function $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{diff.} \leadsto \text{with the same} \\ \text{regularity as the metric} \end{array} \right.$

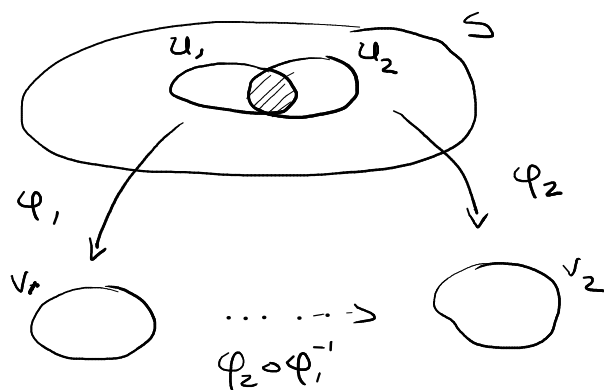
φ called isothermal coordinates

Prop:

The Riemannian metric $\langle , \rangle$ naturally determines a Riemann surface structure on \$S\$.

Proof / Construction:

Define an atlas of a Riemann surface structure for \$S\$ as follows:
 for every point \$p \in S\$, consider isothermal coordinates \$\varphi\$ around \$p\$.



φ_1, φ_2 isothermal coordinates

$$\varphi_{1*} [\langle , \rangle] = f \cdot (,)_{Euc.}$$

where $f: V_1 = \varphi(U_1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\varphi_{2*} [\langle , \rangle] = g \cdot (,)_{Euc.}$$

where $g: V_2 = \varphi(U_2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

Thus

$$(\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1})_* [f \cdot (,)_{Euc.}] = g \cdot (,)_{Euc.}$$

it sends the Euclidean metric to a function times itself. In other words, it preserves angles

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$$

is conformal

with respect to the Euclidean metric

$$\angle(u, v) = \angle(D(\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}) \cdot u, D(\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}) \cdot v)$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$ is holomorphic or anti-holomorphic

Since S is orientable, we can choose coordinates so as to be holomorphic.

Question: when two Riemannian metrics on S yield the same Riemann surface structure on S ?

Summary:

S Riemann surface

$\Downarrow$

S can be covered by $\mathbb{CP}(1)$, $\mathbb{C}$ or $\mathbb{D}$

- $\mathbb{CP}(1)$ only covers $\mathbb{CP}(1)$
- $\mathbb{C}$ covers $\mathbb{C}$, cylinders, torus

$\mathbb{C}/\Gamma$

$$\Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z + c \rangle \quad c \in \mathbb{C}^* \\ \text{(cylinder)}$$

or

$$\Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z + a, z \mapsto z + b \rangle \\ a, b \in \mathbb{C}^*, \quad a/b \notin \mathbb{R} \\ \text{(torus)}$$

- any other Riemann surface is covered by $\mathbb{D}$

Furthermore: Every Riemann surface S is biholomorphically equivalent to $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ where $\mathbb{D} = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{CP}(1)$ or $\mathbb{D}$ and Γ is a group acting freely and properly discontinuously on $\mathbb{D}$.

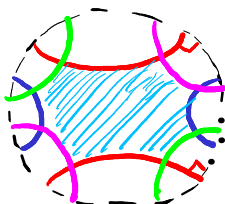
$\Downarrow$

we gave an example of a genus-2 Riemann surface

How we did it? • we classified elements of $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$

- * elliptic (fixed point in $\mathbb{D}$)
- * hyperbolic (2 fixed points in $\partial\mathbb{D}$)
- * parabolic (just one fixed point in $\partial\mathbb{D}$)

- we looked to its dynamics



$$S = \mathbb{D} / \langle f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \rangle$$

f_i hyperbolic

acting freely and properly discontinuously on $\mathbb{D}$

M = diff. manifold

TM = total space of tangent bundle

$p \in M$, $T_p M \rightsquigarrow$ structure of vector space



Riemannian
metric

$$p \mapsto \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$$

scalar product on $T_p M$

(positive definite and symmetric
bilinear form)

depending smoothly on p

* Every diff. manifold may be equipped with a Riemannian metric

$$\gamma \text{ curve on } M \rightsquigarrow L(\gamma) = \int_a^b \left\| \frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t) \right\| dt$$

M manifold

$p, q \in M$

$$d(p, q) = \inf \{ L(\gamma) : \gamma \text{ smooth paths joining } p \text{ to } q \}$$



metric on M

- $d(p, q) \geq 0$ and $d(p, q) = 0 \Leftrightarrow p = q$
- $d(p, q) = d(q, p)$
- $d(p, q) \leq d(p, w) + d(w, q) \quad \forall w \in M$

• Notion of geodesic

$\hookrightarrow$ curve having minimum distance among the curves joining two points

$$(1) \quad \|\gamma'(t)\| = 1$$

$$(2) \quad d(\gamma(t_1), \gamma(t_2)) = L(\gamma|_{[t_1, t_2]}) = t_2 - t_1$$

when $|t_1 - t_2| < \varepsilon$

Isometry : $f: M \rightarrow M$ such that

$$d(f(p), f(q)) = d(p, q) \quad \forall p, q \in M$$

$$\left(\Leftrightarrow \langle u, v \rangle_p = \langle D_p f \cdot u, D_p f \cdot v \rangle_{f(p)} \right)$$

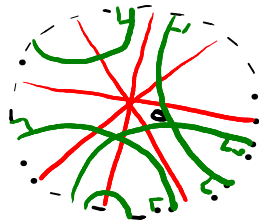
$$\forall p \in M \quad \forall u, v \in T_p M$$

Prop : $\exists$ Riemannian metric on $\mathbb{D}$: $\text{Iso}(\mathbb{D}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$

$\Downarrow$
hyperbolic metric

$$\langle u, v \rangle_{z_0} = \frac{4}{1 - |z_0|^2} (u, v)$$

Geodesics :



$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ e^{i\theta} \frac{z - z_0}{-\bar{z}_0 z + 1} : \theta \in [0, 2\pi], z_0 \in \mathbb{D} \right\}$$

$$= \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{D}$$

$\Downarrow$
Everything deduced in the upper-half plane model

$\exists$ Riemannian metric on $\mathbb{H}$: $\text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$

$\Downarrow$

$$\langle u, v \rangle_z = \frac{1}{y^2} (u, v)$$

$(z = x + iy)$

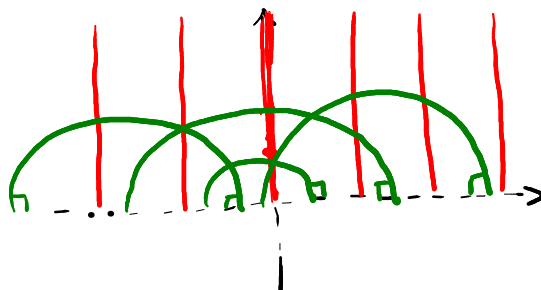
$\Downarrow$

$$\simeq \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

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$$\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) / \{\pm \text{Id}\}$$

Geodesics :



$$\alpha: \alpha(i) = i$$

$$\alpha'(i) = i$$

Distance

$$p, q \in \mathbb{H}$$

$$\text{dist}_H(p, q) = 2 \ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{(w_1 - w_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2} + \sqrt{(w_1 - w_2)^2 + (y_1 + y_2)^2}}{2 \sqrt{y_1 y_2}} \right)$$

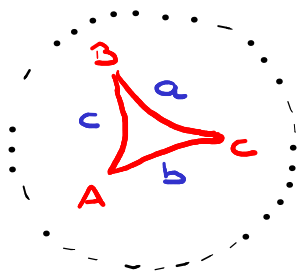
$$p = w_1 + iy_1, \quad q = w_2 + iy_2$$

$$\boxed{w_1 = w_2}$$

$\downarrow$

$$\text{dist}_H(p, q) = |\ln(y_2) - \ln(y_1)|$$

Rmk



geodesic triangle
(all edges are geodesics)

hyperbolic metric is conformal to the Euclidean metric: they measure the same angles.

Law of sines : $\frac{\sin(A)}{\sinh(a)} = \frac{\sin(B)}{\sinh(b)} = \frac{\sin(C)}{\sinh(c)}$

Law of cosines I: $\cosh(a) = \cosh(b) \cosh(c) - \sinh(b) \sinh(c) \cos(A)$

Law of cosines II: $\cos(B) = -\cos(A) \cos(C) + \sin(A) \sin(C) \cdot \cosh(b)$

Consequence: Two geodesic triangles with the same angles are congruent !!

Many examples of Riemann surfaces

$\Downarrow$
 $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_R$

Riemannian metric
on oriented surface

$\rightsquigarrow$ it determines on
 S a Riemann surface
structure

Idea: Gauss: $\exists$ isothermal coordinates



$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_R = f \cdot \varphi^*[(\cdot, \cdot)_{\mathbb{R}^2}]$$

Question: when two Riemannian metrics on S (oriented surface) yields the same Riemann surface structure on S ?

Def:

Two metrics $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2$ are said to be conformal if they yield the same notion of angle between vectors. In other words, if there is a function $h: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{1,p} = h(p) \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{2,p}$$

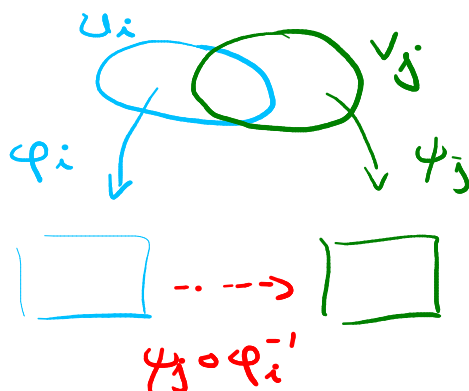
Lemma:

If $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2$ are conformal metrics on the (oriented) surface S , then they induce the same Riemann surface structure on S .

Proof:

Let $\mathcal{A}_1 = \{(U_i, \varphi_i)\}$ be a Riemann surface atlas induced by $\langle, \rangle_1$, while $\mathcal{A}_2 = \{(V_j, \psi_j)\}$ is the Riemann surface atlas induced by $\langle, \rangle_2$. To check that both Riemann surfaces are the same, it is enough to check that the union of the two atlas is still a Riemann surface atlas.

More precisely,



if U_i and V_j are such that $U_i \cap V_j \neq \emptyset$, then the map

$$\psi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1} : \varphi_i(U_i \cap V_j) \longrightarrow \psi_j(U_i \cap V_j)$$

is holomorphic.

Rmk:

$$\varphi_i^*(,)_{\text{Euc}} = u_i \langle, \rangle_1, \quad u_i: \text{function on } U_i \cap V_j$$

$$\psi_j^*(,)_{\text{Euc}} = v_j \langle, \rangle_2, \quad v_j: \text{function on } U_i \cap V_j$$

Since $\langle, \rangle_1$ and $\langle, \rangle_2$ are conformal, there exists h such that $\langle, \rangle_2 = h \langle, \rangle_1$. Hence

$$\psi_j^*(,)_{\text{Euc}} = v_j h \langle, \rangle_1$$

$$\Rightarrow (,)_{\text{Euc}} = v_j h \cdot \varphi_{j*} \langle, \rangle_1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\psi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1})_* (,)_{\text{Euc}} = \frac{v_j h}{u_i} (,)_{\text{Euc}}$$

In other words, $\psi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1}$ is conformal. Moreover, they are both compatible with the orientation of S so that the composition $\psi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1}$ preserves the orientation. Hence it is holomorphic. $\square$

Def:

Two Riemann surfaces $(S, \langle, \rangle_1)$ and $(S, \langle, \rangle_2)$ are said to be conformally equivalent if there is a diffeomorphism $f: S \rightarrow S$ such that

$$f^* \langle, \rangle_2 \text{ and } \langle, \rangle_1 \text{ are conformal}$$

In other words,

$$f^* \langle, \rangle_2 = h \langle, \rangle_1 \text{ for some function } h: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

The diffeo f is said to be a conformal diffeo between the (Riemann) surfaces in question.

Rmk:

Two metrics $\langle, \rangle_1$ and $\langle, \rangle_2$ are conformal in the sense of the previous definition if and only if the identity is a conformal diffeo between them.

Given S , let us define the class of conformal Riemannian structures on S as the collection of Riemannian metrics $(S, \langle, \rangle)$ up to conformal equivalence. In other words

$$(S, <, >,) \cong (S, <, >_2)$$



there is a conformal diffeo

$$f: (S, <, >,) \rightarrow (S, <, >_2)$$

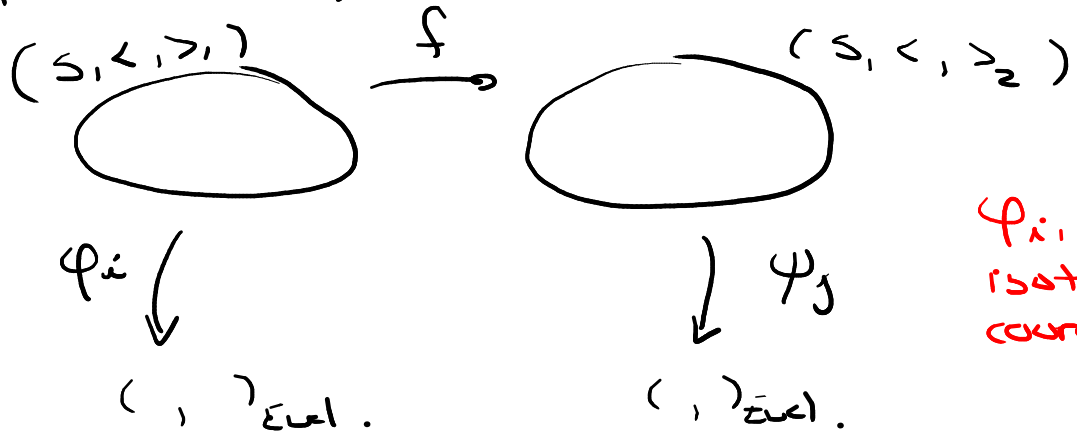
Proposition:

The collection of Riemann surface structures on S are in 1-1 correspondence with the collection of conformal Riemannian structures on S .

(everything is oriented with ϕ and f respect the orientation)

Proof:

Let f be a conformal diffeomorphism



ϕ_i, ψ_j are isothermal coordinates

Since f is a conformal diffeo, we have

$$f^* <, >, = h <, >_2$$

h function

so, we have $(\phi_i^{-1})^* (,)_{Eucl.}$

$$\bullet (\phi_i)^* (,)_{Eucl.} = u <, >,$$

$$\bullet f^* <, >, = h <, >_2$$

u, v, h functions

$$\bullet (\psi_j)_* \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2 = v(\cdot, \cdot)_{\bar{v}el}$$

Therefore :

$$\begin{aligned} (\psi_j \circ f \circ \varphi_i^{-1})_* \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\bar{v}el} &= (\psi_j \circ f)_* [(\varphi_i^{-1})_* \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\bar{v}el}] \\ &= (\psi_j \circ f)_* (\mu \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle) \\ &= (\psi_j)_* (f_* (\mu \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)) \\ &= (\psi_j)_* (\mu h \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2) \\ &= \mu h v(\cdot, \cdot)_{\bar{v}el}. \end{aligned}$$

we have then that $\psi_j \circ f \circ \varphi_i^{-1}$ is holomorphic or anti-holomorphic. Since orientation is preserved, it is holomorphic.

□

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{conformal structures} \\ \text{on } S \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ \xleftarrow{\quad} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Riemann surface} \\ \text{structures on } S \end{array} \right\}$$

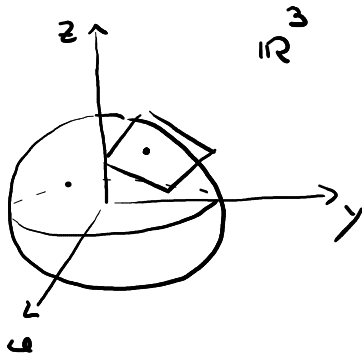
Prop:

There exists a preferred (canonical) metric on S whose conformal class induces the initial Riemann surface structure on S

Proof:

Let $\tilde{S}$ be the universal covering of S

$$(1) \quad \tilde{S} = \mathbb{D}(1) (\cong S^2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad S = \mathbb{D}(1) (\cong S^2)$$



The scalar product on $T_p S^2$ is the restriction of the (global) Euclidean scalar product on $\mathbb{R}^3$.

$$u, v \in T_p S^2$$

$$(u, v)$$



Euclidean s.p.

Consider the stereographic proj. $\rightsquigarrow$ used for defining the complex atlas on S^2



this is a conformal map
(preserves angles)



hence, they are isothermal coordinates



they induce the original R.S. structure on $S^2 \cong \mathbb{D}(1)$

$$(2) \quad \tilde{S} = \mathbb{C}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \mathbb{C} / \Gamma \quad \text{where } \Gamma \text{ is deck transformation group.}$$

In particular

$$\Gamma \subseteq \{ z \mapsto z + c \} \quad (\text{translations of } \mathbb{C})$$

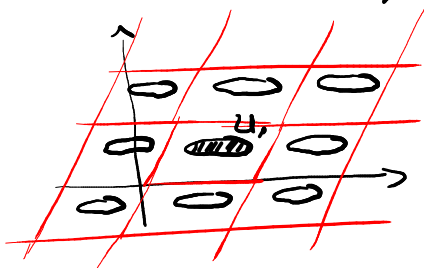
$\Rightarrow \pi$ preserves the Euclidean structure of $\mathbb{C}$

$\Rightarrow$ the Euclidean metric on $\mathbb{C}$ descends to $S = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma$

$\Rightarrow S$ has a Euclidean metric

flat Riemannian metric
(curvature zero)

(conversely, this Euclidean metric yields the same R.S. structure on S . More precisely:



$\pi : U_i \rightarrow U$ local diffeo

Let $\pi_i^{-1} : U \rightarrow U_i$,



the atlas they provide is the atlas for $\mathbb{C}/\Gamma \cong S$. It therefore coincides with the initial structure on S

Furthermore :

$\hookrightarrow$ they are isothermal coordinates
(as said before, the Eucl. metric descends to S)

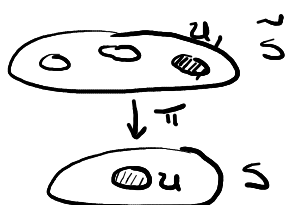
(3) $\tilde{S} = \mathbb{D} \Rightarrow S = \mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ Γ is a certain discrete subgroup of $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$

$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ preserves the hyperbolic metric on $\mathbb{D}$.

$\Rightarrow S = \mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ inherits a Riemannian metric of curvature -1
(hyperbolic metric)

$\downarrow$
Riemannian

Claim : The hyperbolic metric induces the same R.S. structure on $S = \mathbb{D}/\Gamma$



$\pi : U_i \rightarrow U$ local diffeo



$\pi_i^{-1} : U \rightarrow U_i$ coordinate
(the atlas they define $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$)

Furthermore

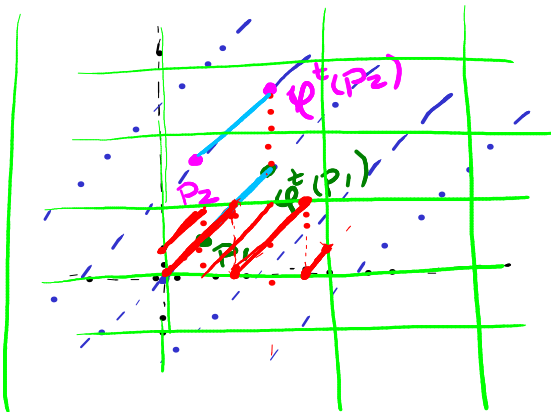
the coordinate is isothermal



$$\langle , \rangle_{z_0} = \frac{4}{1 - |z_0|^2} \langle , \rangle_{\text{Euc.}}$$

(conformal w.r.t. Euclidean metric)

why Riemann surfaces?



$$\mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$$

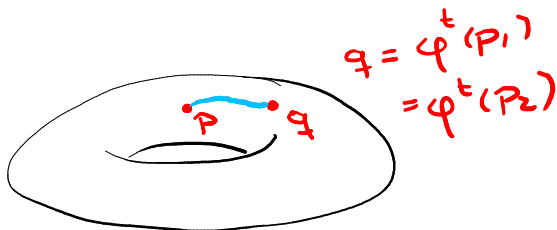
$$v = (v_1, v_2)$$

$$v \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad (v \neq 0)$$

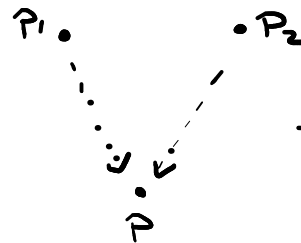


$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^t : \mathbb{R}^2 &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \\ (p_1, p_2) &\mapsto (p_1, p_2) + t v \end{aligned}$$

Rmk The flow commutes with the projection $\pi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$



$$\begin{aligned} q &= \varphi^t(p_1) \\ &= \varphi^t(p_2) \end{aligned}$$



$$\pi[\varphi^t(p_1)] = \pi[\varphi^t(p_2)]$$

$\Rightarrow$ the flow descends to a flow on $\mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$

Kronecker system

Furthermore: Dynamics on $\mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{Z}^2$ is rather simple

- (1) All orbits are dense (if the slope of v is irrational)
- (2) Otherwise all orbits are periodic with the same period (if the slope of v is rational)

From the perspective of ergodic theory.



Lebesgue measure is invariant and, if the slope is irrational, then the flow is uniquely ergodic.

Generalization of this result

Setting : Homogeneous spaces

$$\hookrightarrow G/\Gamma$$

G Lie group

Γ lattice

(lattice : discrete subgroup
such that G/Γ has finite
Haar measure)

$G = \text{Lie group } (\mathbb{R}^2)$

$\Gamma = \text{lattice}$

$G/\Gamma \leadsto$ manifold endowed with a finite volume measure

Given $H < G$

H acts on G/Γ on the left

$$\boxed{SL(2, \mathbb{R})}$$

Q_1 : Are there lattices on $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$? Many, few?

Q_2 : what is the nature of the subgroups H that will
act on $SL(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma$?

$\leadsto H \leadsto 1$ -parameter subgroup (flow)

$\Downarrow$

$$H = \exp(tM)$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R} ; M \in \mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

$\hookrightarrow$ matrix with $\text{tr}(M) = 0$

$$\left(\exp(M) = I + M + \frac{M^2}{2!} + \frac{M^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

To generalize the Kronecker system, we shall ask the orbits

to split as slow as possible.

↳ The eigenvalues of M will be zero

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} : M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leadsto \exp(tM) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(polynomial behavior)

↳ the split of the trajectories is polynomial in t as opposed to exponential.

Def:

In a matrix group (Lie group) a unipotent flow is the 1-parameter subgroup of the form $\exp(tM)$ where M is a matrix all of whose eigenvalues are equal to zero.

Thm (Roughly speaking)

Dynamics of unipotent flows in homogeneous spaces G/Γ are as in the Kronecker system.

Our aim : To understand the situation for $G = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$

- * Describe $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ homogeneous spaces
essentially equivalent to Riemann surfaces
- * Then try to understand the dynamics

$$\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) / \{\text{Id}, -\text{Id}\}$$

$$\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow[\text{degree 2}]{\text{covering}} \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

$$\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \simeq \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H}) (= \text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}))$$

↙ w.r.t. hyperbolic metric.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Lattices in } SL(2, \mathbb{R}) & \rightsquigarrow & \text{Lattices in } PSL(2, \mathbb{R}) \\ \overline{\Gamma} & & \overbrace{\Gamma} \\ M, -M & \longleftarrow & \begin{array}{c} \psi \\ M \end{array} \end{array}$$

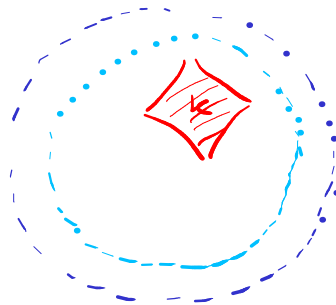
$$SL(2, \mathbb{R}) / \overline{\Gamma} = PSL(2, \mathbb{R}) / \Gamma$$

Prop:

$\Gamma \subseteq SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ is discrete $\Leftrightarrow \Gamma$ acts on $\mathbb{H}$ in a properly discontinuously manner.

$\downarrow$
 Given K compact of $\mathbb{H}$, the set
 $\{ \gamma \in \Gamma : \gamma(K) \cap K \neq \emptyset \}$
 is finite

$$PSL(2, \mathbb{R}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) = S^1 \times \mathbb{D}$$



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$$\text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H})$$

$\Uparrow$

we have constructed a Riemannian metric on $\mathbb{H}$ and the construction allowed us to prove that

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{H}) \subseteq \text{Iso}(\mathbb{H})$$

$\Downarrow$

The converse was not proved

Use $\mathbb{D}$ instead of $\mathbb{H}$

$\Downarrow$

Take $f \in \text{Iso}(\mathbb{D}) \rightsquigarrow f(0) = q \in \mathbb{D}$

Take now $f_q \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) : f_q(q) = 0 \in \mathbb{D}$

$$f_q(z) = \frac{z - q}{-\bar{q}z + 1}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$f_q \circ f(0) = 0$$

Isometry

$$\underbrace{(R_0^{-1} \circ f_q \circ f)(0)}_{\text{Isometry}} = 0, \quad (R_0^{-1} \circ f_q \circ f)'(0) = 1$$

$$(f_q \circ f)'(0) \rightsquigarrow R_0$$

$\Downarrow$

$$R_0^{-1} \circ f_q \circ f = \text{id}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$f = f_q^{-1} \circ R_0 \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$$

G = group

Γ = subgroup of G

$G/\Gamma \rightsquigarrow$ set of the equivalence classes

$$\{g_1 = g_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists \gamma \in \Gamma : g_2 = g_1 \gamma\}$$

$\Gamma \backslash G$
 $\downarrow$

$$g_1 = g_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists \gamma \in \Gamma : g_2 = \gamma g_1$$

Remark: If G is a Lie group and Γ is discrete, then G/Γ is a manifold

Let H be another subgroup of G

$\Downarrow$
we have that H acts on the left on G/Γ and the action is given as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \rho : H \times G/\Gamma &\rightarrow G/\Gamma \\ (h, g) &\mapsto h.g \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow$ $\downarrow$
 $[g]$ $[hg]$

Claim: ρ is well defined in the sense that it does not depend on the choice of the representative g . In fact, if $g.\gamma$ is another representative ($\gamma \in \Gamma$) then

$$\rho(h, g\gamma) = h(g\gamma) = (h.g).\gamma$$

$\uparrow$
associativity

and $(h.g).\gamma$ belongs to the same class of $h.g$ on G/Γ

Let now

G = Lie group

Γ = lattice

$\Downarrow$
to precise letter

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \text{Lie group} \\ \Gamma = \text{lattice} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow G/\Gamma \text{ manifold}$$

Volume on G : Haar measure

$\Downarrow$



Take $e \in G$ and $T_e G$ ($e = \text{identity of } G$)



- every n -dimensional vector space possesses a unique (up to multiplicative constant) n -linear alternate and non-identically zero form

$$\omega : \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^n \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^n}_{n \text{ times}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

(1) Linear in each coordinate

(2) alternate in the sense that

$$\omega(v_1, \dots, v_i, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_n) = -\omega(v_1, \dots, v_{i+1}, v_i, \dots, v_n)$$

- choose a non-identically zero alternate n -form ω and normalize it by taking $\omega(e, \dots, e_n) = 1$

$\Rightarrow \omega$ is the determinant, i.e.

$$\omega(v_1, \dots, v_n) = \det \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

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columns

Choose a base $(u_1, \dots, u_n)$ of $T_e G$ and take a n -form. Then we normalize by taking $\omega(u_1, \dots, u_n) = 1$

Note that ω is just defined on $T_e G$ and we need to extend it to a volume on G .



we will extend ω to a volume form on G by making it invariant by left/right translations



ω becomes a differential n -form

$$p \in G : \quad \omega(p) : \underbrace{T_p G \times \dots \times T_p G}_{(u_1, \dots, u_n) \mapsto} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad (n = \dim G)$$

$$\omega(p)[u_1, \dots, u_n] = \omega_e(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$$

where $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n$ are the elements in $T_e G$ defined by

$$D_e T_p \cdot \omega_i = u_i$$

being T_p the translation map that sends e to p .

T_p can be



$$T_p: G \rightarrow G$$

$$z \mapsto \underline{p \cdot z} \text{ or } \underline{z \cdot p}$$

Haar measure:

$U \subseteq G$, open set. The Haar measure of U is defined by

$$\int_U \omega$$

with ω as above.

⑤ we will more generally denote the mentioned translations by

$$R_p: g \mapsto g \cdot p \quad \text{or} \quad L_p: g \mapsto p \cdot g$$

we will then have

$$R_p^* \omega = \omega \quad \text{or} \quad L_p^* \omega = \omega$$

Summarizing:

Let G Lie group and consider a non-degenerated alternate multilinear n -form $\det$ on $T_e G$

$$\det: \underbrace{T_e G \times \dots \times T_e G}_{n \text{ times}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$n = \dim(G)$

we know that $\det$ can uniquely be extended into a (right) invariant volume form ω on G . In fact, this extension is determined by letting

$$\omega(p)(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \det \left((D_e R_p)^{-1} u_1, \dots, (D_e R_p)^{-1} u_n \right)$$

where $R_p: G \rightarrow G$ is defined by $R_p(g) = g \cdot p$
(right translation by p)

The (right-invariant) Haar measure is defined by setting

$$\mu(U) = \int_U \omega$$

for every open set $U \subseteq G$. (and then μ has a unique extension as measure on G)

In particular, we can define lattices on G as follows:

Def :

A subgroup $\Gamma < G$ is called a lattice if

- Γ is discrete
- the right quotient G/Γ has finite Haar measure

The manifold G/Γ is defined on the equivalence classes on G by the right action of Γ . Since the Haar measure on G is invariant by right translations, ω - the volume form - is, in particular, invariant by the action of Γ on G and descends to a volume form $\hat{\omega}$ on the right quotient. The quotient G/Γ is said to have finite Haar measure if

$$\int_{G/\Gamma} \hat{\omega} < \infty$$

Remark : This is always the case if G/Γ is compact.

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Example : $G = \mathbb{R}^2$ ($\mathbb{R}^2$ is an additive Lie group that acts on itself by translations)

$$\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}^2 = \text{lattice}$$

$\Downarrow$
the quotient $\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2$ is compact so that the condition on finiteness of the Haar measure is automatically satisfied.

The problem of bi-invariance

Recalling that ω was constructed as a right-invariant volume form, we can ask whether or not ω happens to be invariant by left translations as well.

$$r_p^* \omega = \omega$$

$$l_p^* \omega = \omega$$

$\rangle$ simultaneously

$\Downarrow$

this leads us to the notion of modular function on G .
Let me start with a simple (yet important) lemma :

Lemma:

For every fixed $p \in G$, the left translations $l_p: G \rightarrow G$ defined as $l_p(g) = p \cdot g$ is such that $l_p^* \omega = \text{const.} \cdot \omega$, i.e. $l_p^* \omega$ is a constant multiple of ω

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this constant may depend on the point p .

Proof:

Note that the associativity of a Lie group implies that the automorphisms l_p and r_g commute for arbitrary $p, g \in G$. In fact, we have

$$(l_p \circ r_g)(g) = l_p(gg) = p \cdot (gg) = (p \cdot g) \cdot g = r_g(pg) \\ = (r_g \circ l_p)(g) \quad \forall g \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow l_p \circ r_g = r_g \circ l_p$$

$$(l_p \circ r_g)^* \omega = r_g^* (l_p^* \omega)$$

$$\stackrel{''}{=} (r_g \circ l_p)^* \omega = l_p^* (r_g^* \omega) = l_p^* \omega$$

Thus

$$r_g^* (l_p^* \omega) = l_p^* \omega$$

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In other words, the volume form $l_p^* \omega$ is right invariant on G . Thus, it is fully determined by the alternate n -linear form

$$(l_p^* \omega)(e) : \underbrace{T_e G \times \dots \times T_e G}_{n\text{-times}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Since on a n -dimensional vector space there is only one alternate n -linear form, up to multiplication by a constant, there follows that $l_p^* \omega$ is a constant multiple of ω

The constant in question will be denoted by $\frac{l_p^* \omega}{\omega}$.

□

Def

The modular function Δ on a Lie group G is defined as the function $\Delta: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$\Delta(p) = \frac{l_p^* \omega}{\omega}$$

Clearly, the Haar measure of a group G is bi-invariant if and only if the resulting modular form is constant equal to 1. For this reason, Lie groups with a bi-invariant Haar measure are called unimodular groups.



The existence of lattices ensure that a group must be unimodular. More precisely, we have

Lemme:

If G contains a lattice Γ , then G is unimodular.

Proof:

Let Γ be a lattice and set $M = G/\Gamma$ which is equipped with the (projection of) the Haar measure μ satisfying $\mu(M) < \infty$. Now, consider an element $p \in G$ and the associated left translation $l_p: G \rightarrow G$. We know already that l_p commutes with the right action of Γ so that l_p descends to a diffeo

$$\hat{l}_p: M \rightarrow M$$

(In particular, $\mu(\hat{l}_p(M)) = \mu(M)$). However, as previously seen, l_p , and hence $\hat{l}_p$, multiply the Haar measure by the constant $\Delta(p)$. Thus, we obtain

$$\mu(\hat{l}_p(M)) = \int_M l_p^* \omega = \Delta(p) \cdot \int_M \omega = \Delta(p) \cdot \mu(M)$$

However, since $\mu(\hat{l}_p(M)) = \mu(M)$, we conclude that

$$\Delta(p) = 1.$$

The lemma is proved. □

The actions of Γ

To begin to answer the above questions we consider two actions of Γ :

(1) the action of Γ on $\mathbb{H}$ (by projective transformations)

(2) the "tangent action" of Γ on $T'\mathbb{H} \cong S^1 \times \mathbb{H}$ given by

$$\gamma(p, v) = (\gamma(p), \gamma'(p) \cdot v)$$

for $(p, v) \in T'\mathbb{H}$

Recall the identification

$$\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow T'\mathbb{H} \cong S^1 \times \mathbb{H}$$

Given by

$$\sigma(p, v) = \gamma, \quad \gamma = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\frac{ax+b}{cx+d} = p$$

$$\gamma'(i) \cdot i = v$$

$$\gamma'(i) = \frac{1}{(cx+d)^2}$$

Furthermore, γ is convenient in the following sense

$$\text{if } \sigma(p, v) = \gamma_0, \text{ then for every } \gamma \in \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \\ \gamma \cdot \gamma_0 = \sigma(\gamma(p, v))$$

Aim: to "see" the quotient $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma$

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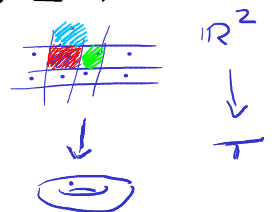
we begin by considering the simpler quotient $\mathbb{H}/\Gamma$. As mentioned

$$p: \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}/\Gamma$$

is a covering map such that deck transformation group $\cong \Gamma$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{H}/\Gamma \cong \text{Fundamental domain}$$

(tiling $\mathbb{H}$ by the action of Γ
which coincides with the Deck
transformations)



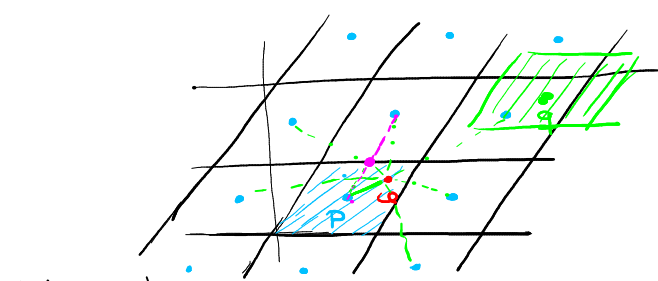
Determining a fundamental domain for $\mathbb{H}/\Gamma$

The Dirichlet region

Def:

The Dirichlet region centered at a point $p \in \mathbb{D}/\mathbb{H}$ is defined by

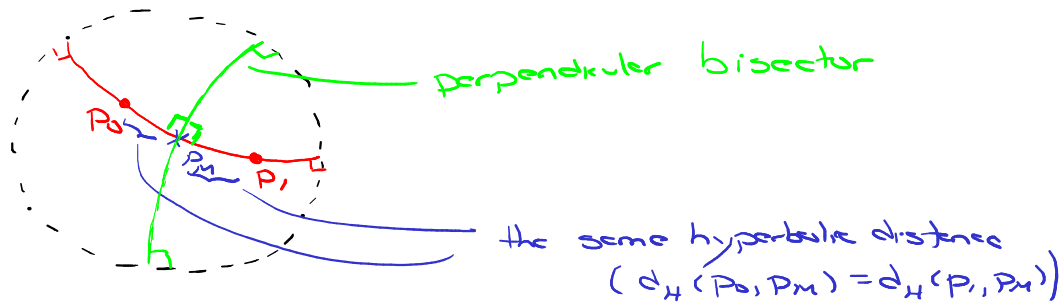
$$D_\Gamma(p) = \{ \omega \in \mathbb{D}/\mathbb{H} : d_{\mathbb{H}}(\omega, p) \leq d_{\mathbb{H}}(\omega, \gamma \cdot p) \text{ for every } \gamma \in \Gamma \}$$



exemplification in the case of $\mathbb{R}^2$ with the Euclidean distance

Return to ID

Consider a segment of geodesic limited by points $[P_0, P_1]$. The perpendicular bisector of the segment $[P_0, P_1]$ is by definition the geodesic orthogonal to $[P_0, P_1]$ and passing through its mid point



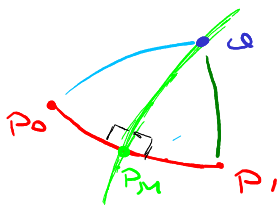
Lemma:

the perpendicular bisector of the geodesic segment $[P_0, P_1]$ is nothing but the set of point $u \in \mathbb{D}$ satisfying

$$d_H(u, P_0) = d_H(u, P_1)$$

Proof:

It is clear that a point u lying in the bisector of $[P_0, P_1]$ satisfies $d_H(u, P_0) = d_H(u, P_1)$. Indeed, we have the geodesic triangles



Hyperbolic cosine law:

$$\cosh(d_H(u, P_0)) = \cosh(\underbrace{d_H(P_M, P_0)}_{/2}) \cdot \cosh(\underbrace{d_H(P_M, u)}_{/2}) - \sinh(\underbrace{d_H(P_M, P_0)}_{/2}) \cdot \sinh(\underbrace{d_H(P_M, u)}_{/2}) \cdot \cos(\frac{\pi}{2})$$

and the same holds for $d_H(u, P_1)$ and hence

$$d_H(u, P_0) = d_H(u, P_1)$$

For the converse, just note that the geodesic triangles

$\triangle P_0 P_M u$ and $\triangle P_1 P_M u$

have equal sides. This determines the cosines of the angles $\angle P_0 P_M u$ and $\angle P_1 P_M u$ so that the angles must be equal (and equal to $\pi/2$)

Thm:

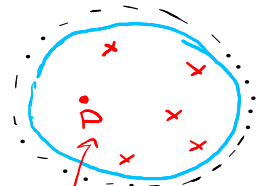
If Γ is a discrete subgroup of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ as above, then $D_\Gamma(p)$ is a fundamental domain for the action of Γ on $\mathbb{H}(\mathbb{D})$. Furthermore, $D_\Gamma(p)$ is connected.

Lemma:

If Γ is a discrete group, then for every point $p \in \mathbb{H}(\mathbb{D})$ and every non-trivial sequence $\{\gamma_n\} \subseteq \Gamma$, the sequence $\{\gamma_n(p)\}$ escapes of every compact set of $\mathbb{H}(\mathbb{D})$.

Proof:

Recall that $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \cong S^1 \times \mathbb{D}$. Thus, if there is a compact set $K \subseteq \mathbb{D}$ such that $\{\gamma_n(p)\} \subseteq K$ ($\gamma_n(p) \in K, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$), it follows that $\{\gamma_n\}$ is contained in a compact subset of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$. This contradicts the assumption that Γ is discrete.



only finite number of elements

Proof of the Theorem:

Consider a point u and denote by $\Gamma \cdot u$ its orbit. Since $\{\Gamma \cdot u\} \subseteq \mathbb{D}$ is a discrete set (previous lemma), there exists $w_0 \in \Gamma \cdot u$ such that

$$d(p, w_0) \leq d(p, \gamma \cdot u) \quad \forall \gamma \in \Gamma$$

(i.e. w_0 has minimum distance to p among points in $\Gamma \cdot u$). By definition, there follows that $w_0 \in D_\Gamma(p)$ and hence $D_\Gamma(p)$ contains at least one point for every orbit under Γ .

To prove that $D_\Gamma(p)$ is a fundamental region, it only remains to check that the interior of $D_\Gamma(p)$, $\text{Int}(D_\Gamma(p))$ contains at most one point of an orbit (in general the minimal point $w_0 \in \Gamma \cdot u$ is unique, but when it is not unique, they all lie in $D_\Gamma(p) \setminus \text{Int}(D_\Gamma(p))$).

Suppose that $q_0, q_1, q_1 = \gamma_0(q_0)$ ($\gamma_0 \in \Gamma$), are both in $\text{Int}(D_\Gamma(p))$

$$\Rightarrow d(q_0, p) = d(q_1, p)$$

$$\Rightarrow p \text{ lies in the bisector of } [q_0, q_1]$$

However, if $\{u_n\} \rightarrow q_0 \Rightarrow \gamma_0 \cdot \{u_n\} \rightarrow q_1$,

$$\Rightarrow \text{in particular, they are still in } \text{Int}(D_\Gamma(p))$$



Thus

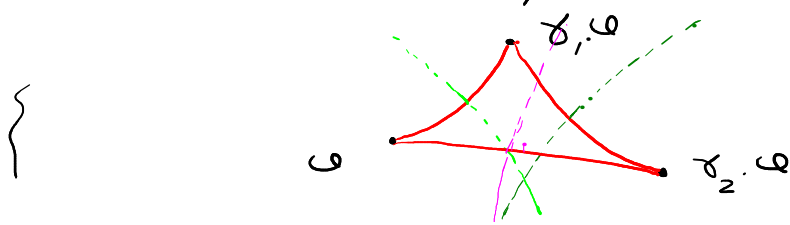
$\forall n$ suff. large, p lies in the bisector of u_n and $\gamma_0 u_n$

This intersection being empty, the theorem follows.

Exercise: check that $D_\Gamma(p)$ is connected!

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The boundary $\partial D_\Gamma(p) = \overline{D_\Gamma(p)} \setminus \text{Int}(D_\Gamma(p))$ contains in general two, and exactly 2, points of each orbit.

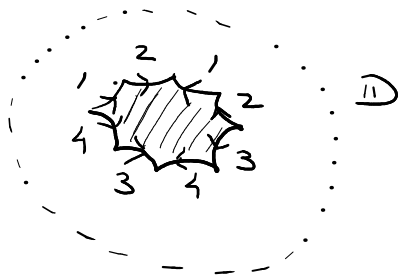


They do not intersect in general (intersect, for example, when the geodesic

triangle has sides with the same length)

Identifying these points (i.e. gluing these pairs of points) allows us to recover the Riemann surface)

Example:



Fundamental region for $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$

Since $PSL(2, \mathbb{R}) \cong T'\mathbb{D} = S' \times \mathbb{D}$ and the action is fibered (tangent) we immediately see that the homogeneous space

$$PSL(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma \cong S' \times \underbrace{D_\Gamma(p)}$$

Dirichlet region for the action of Γ on $\mathbb{D}$

This gives a "geometric vision" of the quotient $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma$.

Question: when is Γ a lattice?

To answer this question, we need to know when the Haar measure on $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma$ is finite. For this, the key is to provide the formula for the Haar measure (or, more precisely, of the invariant volume form) on the coordinate $T'\mathbb{D}$.

Remark: when the fundamental domain $D_\Gamma(p)$ of the action of Γ on $\mathbb{D}$ is compact, then the Haar measure in question is the integral of some volume form on the compact region $S' \times D_\Gamma(p)$. It is therefore necessarily finite



The above question aims therefore at deciding on the existence of discrete groups Γ for which $D_\Gamma(p)$ is not compact but still $S' \times D_\Gamma(p)$ has finite Haar measure.

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The formula below clarifies this issue
(it is nicer to work on $\mathbb{H}$)

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Consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma: \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H} &\longrightarrow \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \\ (p, v) &\longmapsto \gamma = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

$$\gamma(i) = \frac{ai+b}{ci+d} = p$$

$$\gamma'_x(i) = v$$

Denote by ω the (bi)-invariant volume form on $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ defined up to a multiplicative constant.

Prop:

The volume form $\sigma^* \omega$ is given in coordinates (θ, φ, y) for $S' \times \mathbb{H}$ by

$$\frac{1}{y^2} dy d\varphi d\theta$$

(up to a multiplicative constant)

Proof: calculations depending on diff. geometry

Corollary:

By Fubini's theorem, we have

$$\int_{S' \times D_\Gamma(p)} \frac{1}{y^2} dy d\varphi d\theta = 2\pi \int_{D_\Gamma(p)} \frac{1}{y^2} dy d\varphi$$

hyperbolic
area form

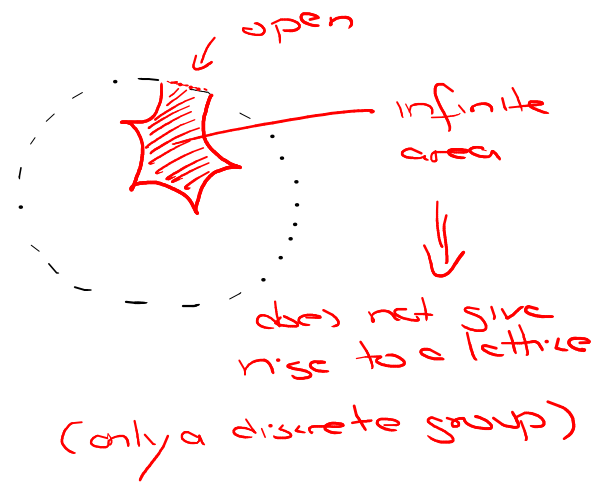
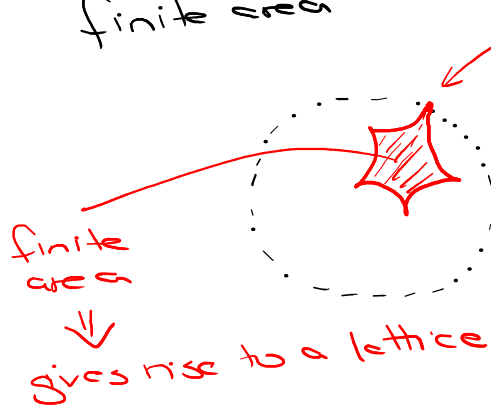
Prop: (Summing)

A discrete subgroup $\Gamma \subseteq \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ is a lattice if and only if the hyperbolic area of a fundamental domain $D_\Gamma(p)$ is finite

□

Complement (follows from Gauss-Bonnet)

Non-compact regions with "cusps" at infinity are of finite area



Lattices in $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ - Introduction to Teichmüller spaces

Consider a lattice $\Gamma \subseteq \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ (or $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$). We have seen that Γ acts properly discontinuously on $\mathbb{D}(\mathbb{H})$ and that $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ is a Riemann surface. In particular, the fundamental domain (Dirichlet region) for $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ contains some information about the lattice / Riemann surface.



For example, whether or not it is compact and, in the compact cases, the genus of the Riemann surface in question
(and hence topological / C^∞ -classification)



Question: fixed these topological constants, how many "different" lattices in $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ realizing them there exists?

To make the question more accurate, recall that a lattice $\Gamma \subseteq SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ (or $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$) is, in particular, a subgroup. If g is an arbitrary element of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ (or $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$) then the conjugate

$$\Gamma' = g\Gamma g^{-1}$$

is again a discrete subgroup of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$

Since, moreover, the Haar measure is bi-invariant, it immediately follows that the volume of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma'$ equals the volume of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})/\Gamma$. Thus, Γ' is a lattice as well, which basically shares all geometric characteristics of Γ .

Def:

Two lattices Γ, Γ' in $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ are conjugate if there exists $g \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ such that

$$\Gamma' = g\Gamma g^{-1}.$$

we will look for describing lattices on $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ up to conjugation in the above sense.

Remark: If $\Gamma' = g\Gamma g^{-1}$, then the actions of Γ and Γ' on $\mathbb{D}$ (or $\mathbb{H}$) are also conjugate by automorphisms of $\mathbb{D}$ (or $\mathbb{H}$) induced by g . In particular, the Riemann surfaces

$$\mathbb{D}/\Gamma \text{ and } \mathbb{D}/\Gamma'$$

are the same (i.e. there exists a local holomorphic diffeomorphism from $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ to $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma'$).



Somewhat we will look for a converse for this statement.

To simplify, let us only consider the case of co-compact lattices, i.e. the Riemann surface $\mathbb{H}/\Gamma$ is compact.



In terms of topological / smooth classification, we have

$$\mathbb{H}/\Gamma = \text{[diagram of a genus } g \text{ surface]} \quad \text{genus } g \text{ surface}$$

we fix then g (the genus).

moduli space : $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Parametrize the space of all} \\ \text{distinct Riemann surfaces structures} \\ \text{on a genus } g \text{ surface} \end{array} \right\}$

• $g=0 \rightarrow$ this space is reduced to a single point (the Riemann sphere)

• $g=1 \rightarrow$ this space is parametrized as in the proposed exercise



Exercise : $\Gamma = \langle z \mapsto z+1, z \mapsto z+\tau \rangle$
 $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$
 $\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$

τ_1 and τ_2 define the same tor.

$$\begin{array}{c} \Downarrow \\ \exists M \in \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : \frac{a\tau_1 + b}{c\tau_1 + d} = \tau_2 \\ \cap \\ \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) \end{array}$$

• $g \geq 2$: more complicated

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related to the problem of classifying lattices in $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ up to conjugation

The mapping class group

From now on we fix the genus g and we talk about compact surfaces Σ_g of genus g .

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Let $\text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$ the group of C^∞ -diffeomorphisms of Σ_g preserving orientation

Def:

An isotopy between two elements $f_1, f_2 \in \text{Diff}(\Sigma_g)$ is a continuous map

$$I: [0,1] \times \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$$

Satisfying the following conditions

$$(1) \quad I(0, \cdot) = f_1 : \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$$

$$I(1, \cdot) = f_2 : \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$$

$$(2) \quad \forall t \in [0,1], \text{ the map}$$

$$I(t, \cdot) : \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g \quad \text{defines an element of } \text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$$

It is straightforward to see that isotopy defines an equivalence relation on $\text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$ and we consider the classes of equivalence for this relation.

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More precisely, denote by $\text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ the set of elements in $\text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$ that are isotopic to the identity. Then we have:

Lemma:

$$(1) \quad \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g) \text{ is a subgroup of } \text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g) \text{ is actually a normal subgroup of } \text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$$

Proof:

To check (1) we have to show that $f_1, f_2 \in \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ provided that $f_1, f_2 \in \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$. Consider then isotopies

$$I_1 : f_1 \sim \text{id}$$

$$I_2 : f_2 \sim \text{id}$$

we define an isotopy $\tilde{I}_3$ between f, f_2 and the identity by letting

$$\tilde{I}_3(t, \cdot) = \begin{cases} f, (\tilde{I}_2(2t, \cdot)) & , \text{ if } t \leq 1/2 \\ \tilde{I}_1(2t-1, \cdot) & , \text{ if } t \geq 1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{I}_3(0, \cdot) = f, (\tilde{I}_2(0, \cdot)) = (f, \circ f_2)(\cdot)$$

$$\tilde{I}_3(1/2, \cdot) \begin{cases} f, (\tilde{I}_2(1, \cdot)) = f, \circ \text{id} = f, (\cdot) \\ \tilde{I}_1(0, \cdot) = f, (\cdot) \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{I}_3(1, \cdot) = \tilde{I}_1(1, \cdot) = \text{id}(\cdot)$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{I}_3$ is an isotopy map between f, f_2 and id and
(1) is proved

To check (2), we need to show that $g \circ f \circ g^{-1} \in \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ for any $f \in \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ and any $g \in \text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g)$. Denote by

$$\tilde{I} : [0, 1] \times \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$$

the isotopy map starting at f and going to the identity. The map

$$\tilde{I}_g : [0, 1] \times \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g \\ (t, u) \mapsto g(\tilde{I}(t, g^{-1}(u)))$$

is an isotopy starting at $g \circ f \circ g^{-1}$ and ending at $g \circ \text{id} \circ g^{-1} = \text{id}$. Hence $g \circ f \circ g^{-1}$ lies in $\text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ and this proves the lemma. □

Corollary / Definition:

The set of equivalence classes $\text{Diff}_+(\Sigma_g) / \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ is itself a group. It is called the mapping class group of the genus g surface.

Tierchmüller spaces

is a simplification of the moduli space ; ^{where} moduli problem admit a much nice answer

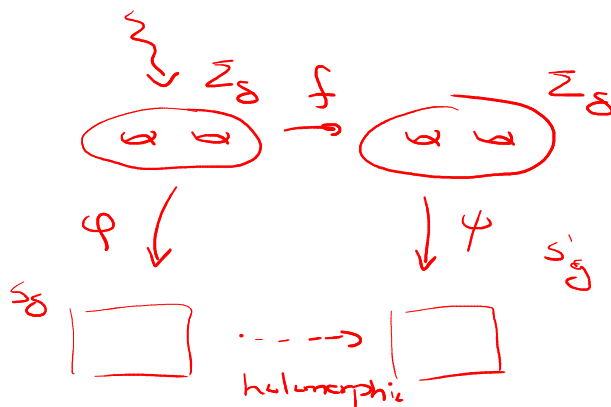
it is well adapted to our initial problem about conjugate lattices.

Def:

Fixed g (genus), the Tierchmüller-space $\mathcal{T}_g$ associated with Σ_g consists of all Riemann surface structures on Σ_g modulo the following equivalence relation: two structures S_g and S'_g on Σ_g are said to be equivalent if there exists a holomorphic diffeomorphism

$$f: S_g \rightarrow S'_g$$

that is isotopic to the identity

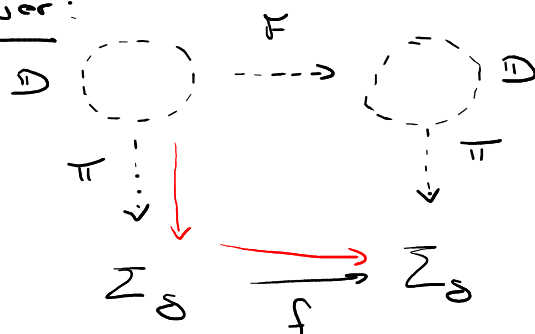


Rmk: There are distinct points in $\mathcal{T}_g$ that actually define the same structure of Riemann surface on Σ_g and, hence, a unique point in the moduli space.

$f: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ such that f is not isotopic to the identity

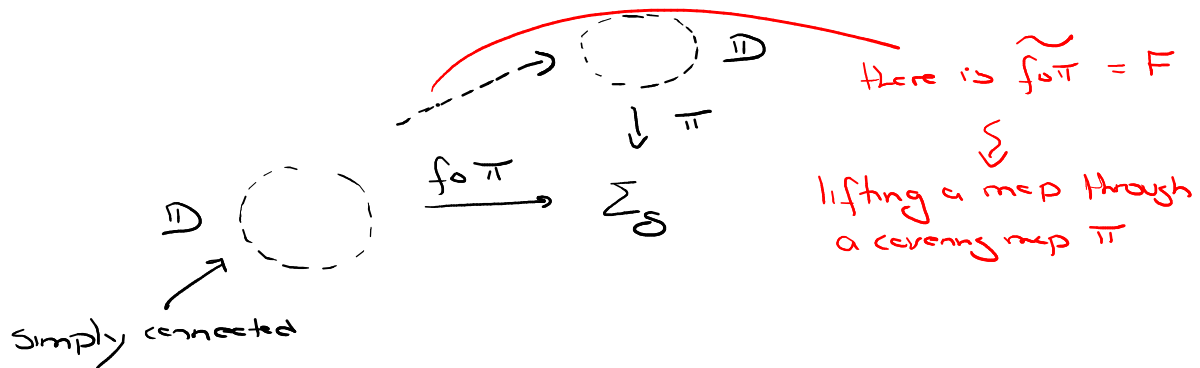
So, what is the advantage brought by imposing that diffeomorphisms should be isotopic to the identity?

Here is the answer:



Can we lift $f: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ to a diffeomorphism $F: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$?

yes, but...



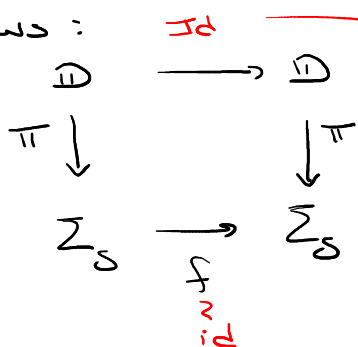
However, there are plenty of lifts

they depend on choosing an initial point in D

This poses a problem to lift groups: if F_1 and F_2 are lifts of f_1 and f_2 (respectively) then $F_1 \circ F_2$ may not be "prescribed" lift of $f_1 \circ f_2$

one needs to find a way to "select a preferred lift"

This problem is solved by the condition of being isotopic to the identity: given $f: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ isotopic to the identity, we proceed as follows:



canonical lift of Id

then choose a lift $\tilde{f}$ of f by lifting through π the homotopy/isotopy between f and id .

this yields a lift of f that does not depend on any choice: with this lift we obtain in particular

$$f_1 \circ f_2 = \tilde{f}_1 \circ \tilde{f}_2$$

and this enables us to work with group actions!!

This action is well adapted to the "lattice problem".

Lemma:

If $\Gamma, \Gamma' \subseteq \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ are two conjugated lattices, then $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma$ and $\mathbb{D}/\Gamma'$ define the same point in the Teichmüller space $\mathcal{T}_g$. The converse also holds.

Proof:

Given $g \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$, let $\delta_{\text{hom}} : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ denote the corresponding automorphism of $\mathbb{D}$. Next, note that $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ is connected (or $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$). Thus, every element $g \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ can be linked to the identity by a path

$$\sigma : [0, 1] \rightarrow SL(2, \mathbb{R})$$

$$\sigma(0) = \text{id}$$

$$\sigma(1) = g$$

Setting

$$\sigma^t = \sigma(t), \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

we get that

$$\delta_{\text{hom}}^t : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

(the corresponding element in automorphisms of $\mathbb{D}$ associated with σ^t .)

defines an isotopy from δ_{hom} and id ($\text{id} : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$). Furthermore, by construction $\delta_{\text{hom}} = \delta_{\text{hom}}^1$ is a holomorphic diffeo that is isotopic to the identity on $\bar{\Sigma}_g$

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they represent the same point on $\bar{\Sigma}_g$.

The converse: let $f : \mathbb{D}/\pi \rightarrow \mathbb{D}/\pi'$ be holomorphic map that is isotopic to the identity. Then, by lifting an isotopy between f and id to $\mathbb{D}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{D} & \xrightarrow{\text{lift}} & \mathbb{D} \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathbb{D}/\pi & \xrightarrow[f]{\text{id}} & \mathbb{D}/\pi' \end{array}$$

we obtain of maps

$$\tilde{f}_t : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$$

$$\tilde{f}_0 = \text{id}$$

$$\tilde{f}_1 = \text{lift of } f$$

that extend to a diffeomorphisms of $S^1 \times \mathbb{D}$ (tangent action)
 $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$

Identifying $S^1 \times \mathbb{D}$ with $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$, we produce a path of elements $\bar{\sigma}$ in $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$ such that $\bar{\sigma}_1 = g, \bar{\sigma}_0 = \text{id}$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{T' = g T g^{-1}}$$

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Parametrizing Teichmüller space
 $g=2$ as example

Let us start by introducing a topology on $\bar{T}_g$. For this note that the space of Riemann surface structures on Σ_g is the same as the space of hyperbolic metrics on Σ_g (denote by $\mathcal{H}$)

this space is a closed subset of the space of sections

$$\Sigma_g \rightarrow T^*\Sigma_g \otimes T^*\Sigma_g$$

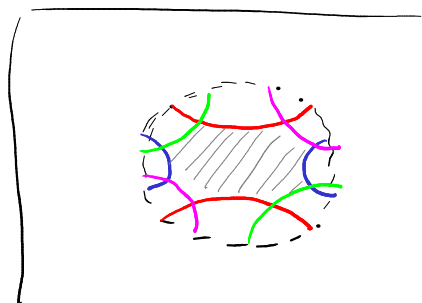
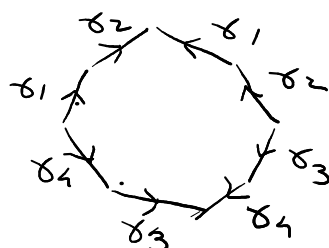
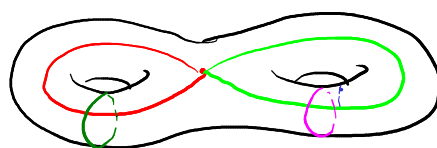
and hence can be endowed with the C^∞ -topology.

Next, $\text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ operates in $\mathcal{H}$ as a group of homeomorphisms: each $f \in \text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ induces a homeomorphism from $\mathcal{H}$ to $\mathcal{H}$ by pulling-back metrics.

this space $\mathcal{H}/\text{Diff}_0(\Sigma_g)$ can be endowed with the quotient topology.

Our purpose : to construct a homeomorphism from $\bar{T}_g$ to $\mathbb{R}_+^{3(g-1)} \times \mathbb{R}^{3(g-1)}$ (without all the details ...)
 (Fenchel-Nielsen coordinates)

set, for example, $g=2$ and look at the standard generators of $\pi_1(\Sigma_g)$



we are going to choose "geometric" representatives for the curves $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4$, in the following form

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introduce the notion of freely-homotopic loops.

Def:

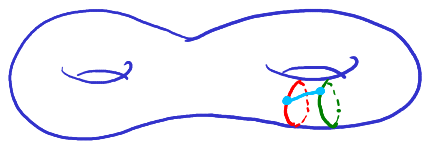
Two loops $\alpha, \beta: [0,1] \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ are said to be freely-homotopic if there is a continuous map $F: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ such that

$$F(t, 0) = \alpha(t)$$

$$F(t, 1) = \beta(t)$$

$$F(0, s) = F(1, s) \quad \rightsquigarrow \text{i.e. for each } s \in [0,1], \text{ the map } t \mapsto F(t, s)$$

defines a loop in Σ_g



Now: Let γ be a homotopically non-trivial loop in Σ_g (endowed with some (fixed) hyperbolic metric). Consider the set $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$\mathcal{L} = \{ l \in \mathbb{R} : \exists \text{ loop } c \in \Sigma_g, c \text{ freely-homotopic to } \gamma \text{ and } \text{length}(c) = l \}$$

- $\mathcal{L}$ is bounded from below by some strictly positive $\lambda > 0$

$$\begin{matrix} * & \gamma \text{ non-contractible} \\ * & \gamma' \text{ freely-homotopic to } \gamma \end{matrix} \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} * \\ * \end{matrix}} \right\} \Rightarrow \gamma' \text{ not contractible}$$

$$\begin{matrix} * & \text{if length is too small} \Rightarrow \text{it is contained in a chart} \\ & \Rightarrow \text{it is contractible} \end{matrix}$$

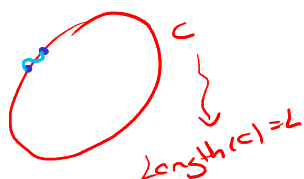
- Set $L = \inf \mathcal{L}$, $L > 0$

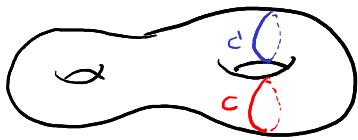
$\Downarrow$
by using uniform convergence it can be shown that L is attained, i.e. $\exists c \in \Sigma_g$ freely-homotopic to γ and such that $\text{length}(c) = L$.

In particular, c is a geodesic



if c did not locally minimize distance, then we could replace c by a shorter loop still freely-homotopic to c . This clearly contradicts the assumption the L is attained with c .



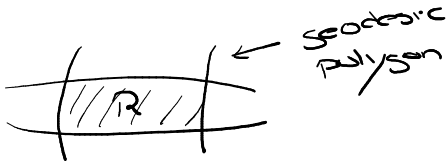


Claim: In fact, $\underline{c}$ is the unique geodesic loop freely homotopic to γ



This claim follows from applying Gauss-Bonnet theorem

Remark: General Gauss-Bonnet formula



$$\int_R K dA = (2-n)\pi + \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i$$

θ_i = internal angles of the polygon

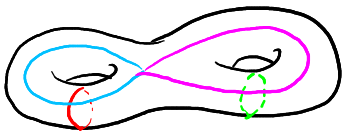


If c and c' are freely-homotopic, they bound a region $R \subseteq \Sigma_g$. Since the integral

$$\int_R K dA < 0 \quad (K = -1)$$

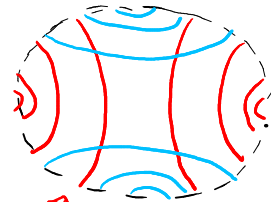
we immediately obtain a contradiction.

Now



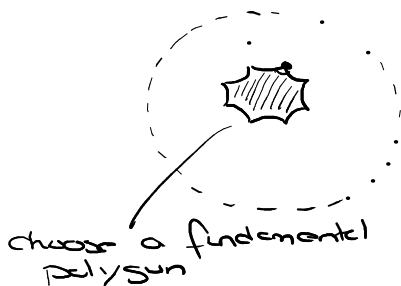
we can choose geodesic representatives for the fundamental group of Σ_g

lift all these $4 (= 2g)$ geodesics to $\mathbb{D}$

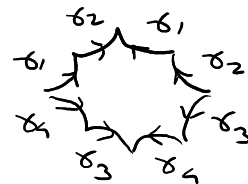


all lifts of the red geodesic

the total geodesics define a tiling of $\mathbb{D}$



choose a fundamental polygon



- the length of sides match in pairs
- sum of the angles is 2π
(condition for tiling - they have to wrap around any vertex)

If two Riemann surfaces S and S' define the same point in the Teichmüller space, i.e. if there exists homotopic diffeomorphism $f: S \rightarrow S'$ isotopic to the identity, then we have:

- (1) f lift to $F: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$, which is an isometry
- (2) Since f is isotopic to the identity, it sends each geodesic loop to a loop still freely-homotopic to the initial one (i.e. the action of f on $H_1(\Sigma_S)$ is trivial). Thus the polygon representing S' is still an octagon with "the same sides".

Thus, we have obtained:

Prop:

Having fixed the initial loops, two Riemann surfaces structures on Σ_g define the same point in the Teichmüller space if and only if their geodesic polygons are isometric.



In order to obtain the desired parametrization of $\mathcal{T}_g$, it remains to describe the set of the resulting polygons (arising from Riemann surfaces).

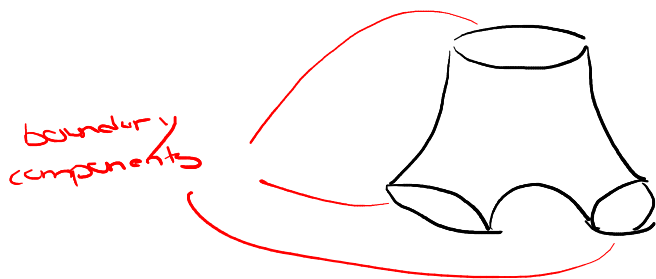
Pants decomposition

A surface Σ_g can be cut in "smaller" pieces called pants (or pair of pants) which, in turn, allows one to split the problem in two parts:

- (1) Understand hyperbolic structures of pants (i.e. understand the Teichmüller space of a pant)
- (2) Glue back together the pants with their hyperbolic structure to understand hyperbolic structures on Σ_g .

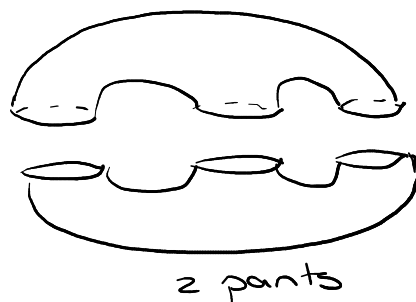
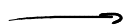
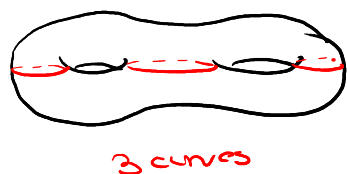
Def:

A pant (or pair of pants) is a compact surface of genus 0 with 3 boundary components. In other words, it is the surface indicated below:

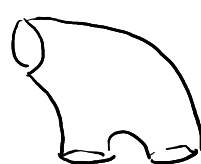
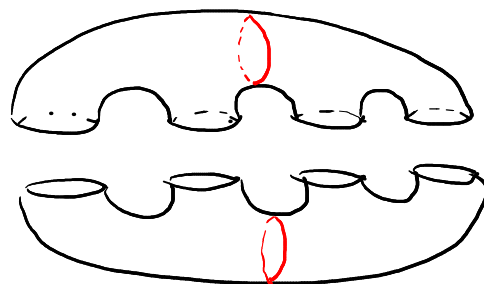
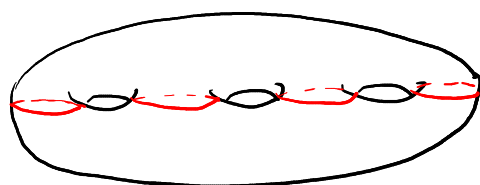


Every surface can be cut up in a number of pants.

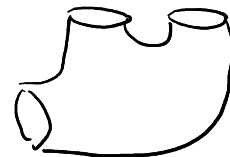
- for genus 2, we simply do the following



- For genus 3:



4 pants



total: 4 pants ($4 = 2g - 2$)

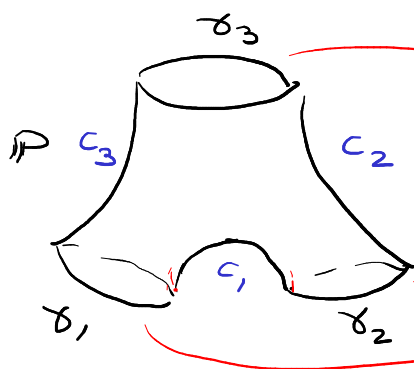
6 curves ($6 = 3g - 3$)

Now suppose that Σ_g is endowed with a hyperbolic structure. Then choose the representative loop to be the unique geodesic in the corresponding homotopy class.



we get $(2g - 2)$ pants

each pant has a hyperbolic structure with geodesic boundaries



boundaries are geodesics

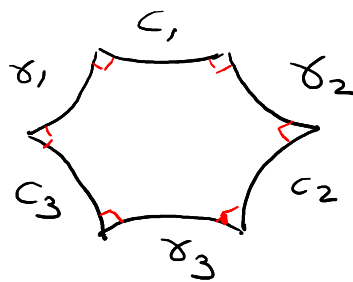
Teichmüller space of pants

Let c_i be the geodesic segment realizing $\text{dist}(\gamma_i, \gamma_j)$
 c_2 be the " " " " $\text{dist}(\gamma_2, \gamma_3)$
 c_3 " " " " $\text{dist}(\gamma_1, \gamma_3)$

In particular ,

- c_1 is orthogonal to both γ_1, γ_2
- c_2 " " " " γ_2, γ_3
- c_3 " " " " γ_1, γ_3

The polygon defining $\mathcal{H}$ is then a hexagon



$\leadsto$ all angles of this hexagon are $\pi/2$

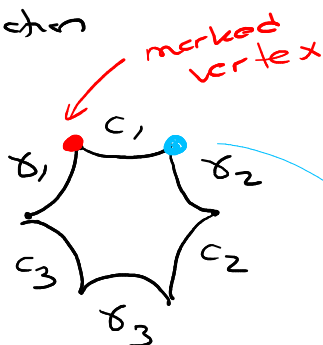
Def:

A marked hexagon means an hexagon as above but having a distinguished vertex. Two marked hexagons are said to be equivalent if there is an isometry of $\mathcal{H}$ sending one hexagon into the other along with the distinguished vertices.

$\mathcal{H} \rightarrow$ the space of marked hexagons.

Prop:

The map $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^3$ defined by taking the length of every other side and starting from the marked vertex is a bijection



$\rightarrow (l(\gamma_1), l(\gamma_3), l(\gamma_2))$

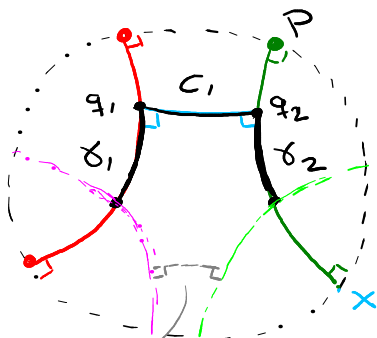
$\rightarrow (l(c_1), l(c_3), l(c_2))$

The hexagon is uniquely determined

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up to isometry we can fix a geodesic supporting say δ_1 ,

marked vertex at it



this length need not to coincide with $l(\delta_3)$

$PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$ transitive in simplex

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fix the two points in the red geodesic (where δ_1 will be contained) and we also fix a point in green through which will pass a geodesic where δ_2 will be contained

to be checked: $\exists!$ geodesic through P such that an hexagon with the corresponding sides may be constructed

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the point is that this length varies with the point X and the variations is monotonous from zero to ∞ . So, the length is attained exactly once.

Prop:

$\text{Teich}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow (l(c_1), l(c_2), l(c_3)) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3$ is homeomorphism

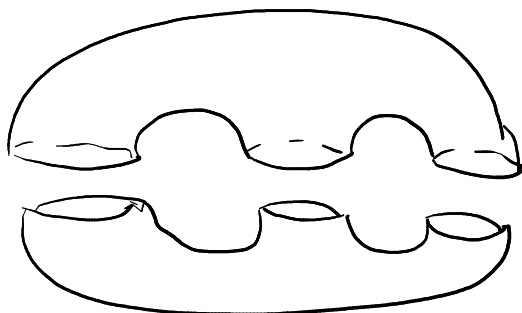
Gluing back pants

(Fenchel-Nielsen coordinates)

Prop:

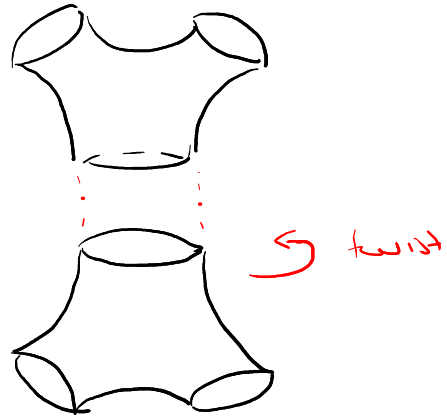
For $g \geq 2$, $\mathcal{T}_g$ isomorphic $\mathbb{R}^{6g-6}$

$g=2$



gluing back pants

Freedom of the sling procedure :



$$\varphi: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{D} \quad \text{Given by} \quad \varphi(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$$

$$\varphi^{-1}: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{H} \quad \varphi^{-1}(z) = \frac{i(z+1)}{1-z}$$

Hyperbolic metric $\mathbb{H}$ is

$$\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle_{\omega+iy} = \frac{1}{y^2} \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle_{\text{Euc.}}$$

v_1, v_2 viewed as elements of $\mathbb{R}^2$

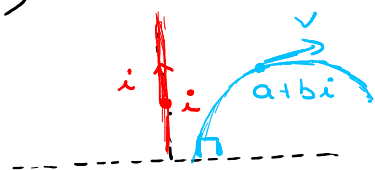
In particular, the vertical semi-line $\{iy \mid y \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$ is a geodesic

An explicit parametrization (with speed of constant modulus equal to 1) is given by

$$\gamma(t) = ie^t \quad (\gamma(0) = i; \gamma'(0) = i)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Note that } \gamma'(t) = ie^t \text{ so that} \\ \|\gamma'(t)\| = \sqrt{\langle \gamma'(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle_{\gamma(t)}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{(e^t)^2} \langle (0, e^t), (0, e^t) \rangle} = 1 \end{array} \right)$$

φ sends the vertical semi-line $\{iy \mid y \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$ to the horizontal diameter of $\mathbb{D}$



Summarizing the identification $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \cong \Gamma' \backslash \mathbb{H}$

The map $z \mapsto a+bz$ sends i to $a+bi$ and in terms of matrices in $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{b} & a/\sqrt{b} \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{b} \end{bmatrix} \quad \boxed{b > 0}$$

$$= \frac{b2 + a}{\sqrt{b}2 + \frac{a}{\sqrt{b}}}$$

$$f(z) = \frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\lambda z + \delta} \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{H}) = \text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}) \quad \alpha, \beta, \lambda, \delta \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \lambda & \delta \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \alpha/c & \beta/c \\ \lambda/c & \delta/c \end{bmatrix}$$

The stabilizer of i , $\text{Stab}(i)$, consists of the homographies

$$g(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \quad \text{such that } g(i) = i \quad a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(i) = i \Leftrightarrow \frac{ai+b}{ci+d} = i \Leftrightarrow ai+b = di-c$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a=d \\ b=-c \end{cases}$$

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$$g(z) \in \text{Stab}(i) \text{ iff } g \text{ takes on the form } \boxed{g(z) = \frac{az+b}{-bz+a}}$$

Furthermore, in terms of matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}$

and since we can assume the determinant to be equal to 1, we have $\boxed{a^2 + b^2 = 1}$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \cos \theta \\ b &= \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

for some $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$

i.e.

$$g(z) \in \text{Stab}(i) \rightsquigarrow g(z) = \frac{\cos \theta z + \sin \theta}{-\sin \theta z + \cos \theta}$$

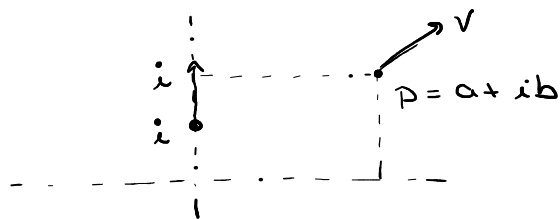
$$(\tan \theta = b/a)$$

In particular,

$$g'(z) = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{(-bz + a)^2} = \frac{1}{(-\sin \theta z + \cos \theta)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(i) = e^{2i\theta}$$

We can now write an identification of T^1H with $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ explicitly as follows:



The pair $(p, v) \in T^1H$ will be associated with the unique matrix $\{m_{ij}\} \in \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ satisfying the following two conditions:

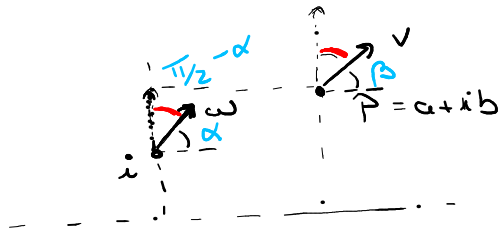
$$(i) \quad f(i) = p (= a + ib)$$

$$(ii) \quad f'(i) \cdot i = v$$

$$f(z) = \frac{m_{11}z + m_{12}}{m_{21}z + m_{22}}$$

- To construct $f \approx \{m_{ij}\}$, recall first the map $z \mapsto bz + a$ sends i to $a + ib$

- Furthermore, its derivative preserves the vertical direction



$$f'(i) \cdot i = ib$$

$$\boxed{f'(i) = b}$$

Thus, $f'(i) = b$ sends the vector w to v if and only if the angles α and β are equal. Thus, we have to take an element $g \in \text{Stab}(i)$ so that w is the image of i by the derivative of this element w we have to rotate i by an angle $\pi/2 - \beta$ in the clockwise direction

Now, since

$$g(z) = \frac{\cos \theta z + \sin \theta}{-\sin \theta z + \cos \theta}$$

and

$$g'(i) = e^{2i\theta}$$

we must have

$$e^{2i\theta} = e^{-i(\frac{\pi}{2} - \beta)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\theta = \frac{\beta}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}}$$

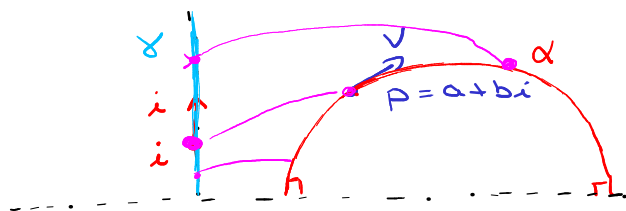
For this value of θ we obtain

$$(p, v) \simeq \underbrace{\{z \mapsto bz + a\} \circ g}_{\text{in terms of matrices of } \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \text{ is given by}}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{b} & a/\sqrt{b} \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{b} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}}_{M = [m_{ij}]}$$

The geodesic flow on $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ coordinates

Let us now try to express the action of the geodesic flow on the Lie group $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ by means of the identification previously described.



$$\gamma(t) = ie^t$$

$$\downarrow \text{geodesic} \quad \begin{cases} \gamma(0) = i \\ \gamma'(0) = i \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha \text{ geodesic s.t. } \begin{cases} \alpha(0) = p \\ \alpha'(0) = v \end{cases}$$

In terms of matrices

$$\gamma \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} e^{t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(it is associated to the map $z \mapsto ze^t$)

If f is the automorphism of $\mathbb{H}$ such that $\begin{cases} f(i) = p \\ f'(i) \cdot i = v \end{cases}$

then

$$\alpha(t) = f(\gamma(t))$$

Hence, the homography $f \circ \{z \mapsto ze^t\}$ sends (i, i) to $(\alpha(t), \alpha'(t))$

In terms of matrices, the point $(\alpha(t), \alpha'(t)) \in T'\mathbb{H}$ is identified with the matrix

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} m_{ij} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{represents initial point } (p, v)} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} e^{t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

point in $T'\mathbb{H}$ after time t

Thus, in $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$, the geodesic flow corresponds simply to the flow

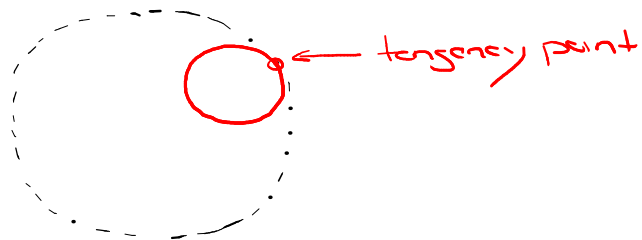
$$(t, [m_{ij}]) \mapsto [m_{ij}] \begin{bmatrix} e^{t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

The horocyclic flow

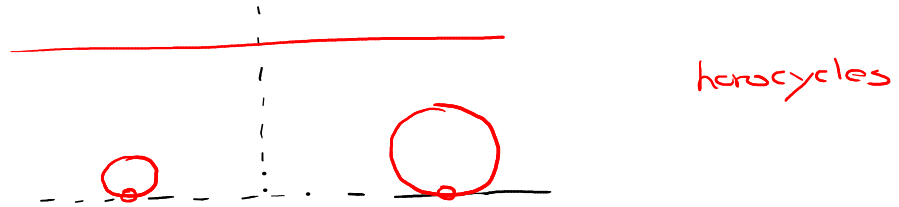
Along similar lines, we are going to introduce the horocyclic flows on $T'\mathbb{H}$ and then to compute its expressions in $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ -coordinates.

Def :

On the disc model, horocycles are Euclidean circles that are tangent to the boundary of $\mathbb{D}$.

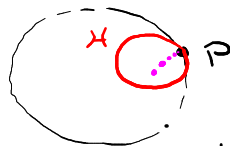


In the upper half-plane model, they become either circles tangent to the real axis, or horizontal lines (tangency point at ∞)



Remark

horocycles are also natural limits of hyperbolic circles (so-called Hausdorff-Gromov topology). More precisely, let $H \subseteq \mathbb{D}$ be a horocycle tangent to $S' = \partial\mathbb{D}$ at a point p



then, there is a sequence $\{z_n\} \rightarrow p$ and a sequence of radii $\{r_n\} \rightarrow \infty$ such that the hyperbolic circles

$$S_{r_n}(z_n) = \{z \in \mathbb{D} : d_H(z, z_n) = r_n\}$$

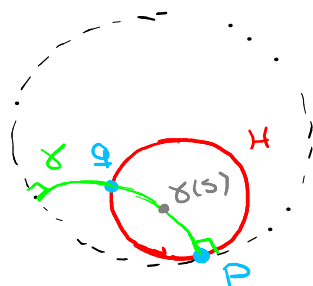
converges to H



p is often referred to "the center of the horocycle" (and we do not talk about the radii of the horocycle)

The choice of $\{z_n\}$ and $\{r_n\}$ can be made explicitly as follows.

Give: the center $p \in \partial\mathbb{D}$
a point $q \in H \subseteq \mathbb{D}$



Note that there exists a unique geodesic γ satisfying

$$\gamma(0) = q$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \gamma(t) = p$$

For $s \in \mathbb{R}^+$, consider the point $\gamma(s)$ and note that

$$\text{dist}(\gamma(s), q) = \text{Length}(\gamma(t)) = s$$

$$t \in [0, s]$$

Geodesics in $\mathbb{D}$ are globally minimizing

Set : $\begin{cases} z_n = \gamma(n) \\ r_n = n \end{cases}$ (taking $s = n \in \mathbb{N}$)

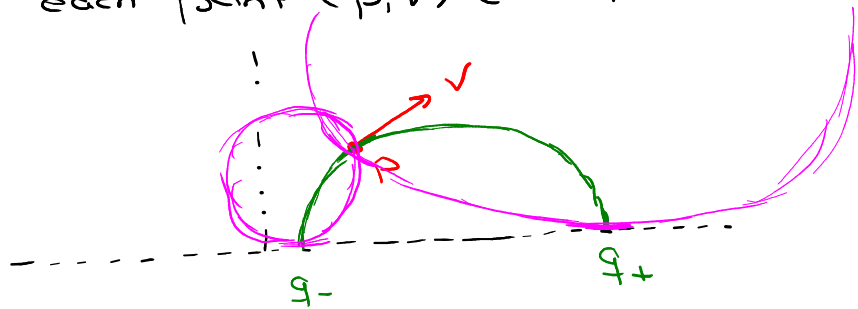
For every $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, the point q belongs to the hyperbolic circle

$$S_n(z_n) = \{ z \in \mathbb{D} : d(z, z_n) = n \}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, the hyperbolic circles $S_n(z_n)$ naturally converges towards H .

Horocycles determined by points $(p, v) \in T' H$

There is a natural pair of horocycles that can be associated with each point $(p, v) \in T' H$. This is as follows



γ geodesic satisfying $\gamma(0) = p$, if we set $\gamma'(0) = v$

$$q_+ = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \gamma(t) ; \quad q_- = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \gamma(t)$$

Def:

The positive horocycle H^+ defined by (p, v) is the horocycle of center q_+ and passing through p . Analogously, the negative horocycle H^- is the horocycle of center q_- and passing through p .

Rmk 1: Clearly, the negative horocycle defined by (p, v) becomes the positive horocycle defined by $(p, -v)$ and conversely.

Rmk 2:

Every horocycle $H \in \mathcal{H}$ has two natural lifts in $T'\mathcal{H}$, namely the ones defined by unit vectors orthogonal to H and pointing outwards of H (which will be called unstable horocycles) and pointing inwards of H (which will be called stable horocycles).

Lemma:

The family of all stable horocycles (resp. unstable horocycles) in $T'\mathcal{H}$ defines a foliation on $T'\mathcal{H}$.

Proof: Exercise: it amounts to showing the following

- (i) two stable horocycles in $T'\mathcal{H}$ cannot intersect unless they coincide.
- (ii) every point $(p, v) \in T'\mathcal{H}$ belongs to one and only one stable horocycle.

Lemma:

An isometry of $\mathbb{H}$ takes horocycles to horocycles.

Proof: It's immediate since they preserve Euclidean circles and angle/tangency points.

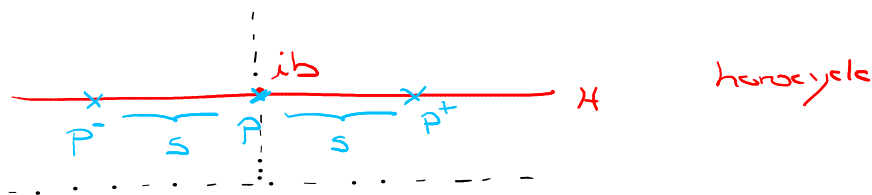
Lemma:

The metric on a horocycle H that is obtained by restricting the hyperbolic metric is a constant multiple of the Euclidean metric of $\mathbb{R}$.

Proof

Since the statement is invariant by isometries, we can consider a particular horocycle and prove the statement for this particular horocycle.

Consider the horocycle H given by an horizontal line



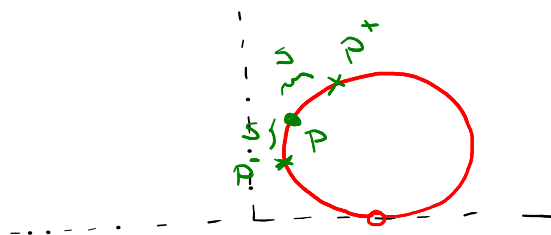
The metric along H is nothing but $\frac{1}{b^2} (,)_{\text{Euc.}}$, so it differs from the Euclidean metric by a constant multiple. $\square$

Corollary:

Given any point p in a horocycle H and given any $S \in \mathbb{R}^+$, there are points p^+ and p^- on the right and on the left of p on H such that

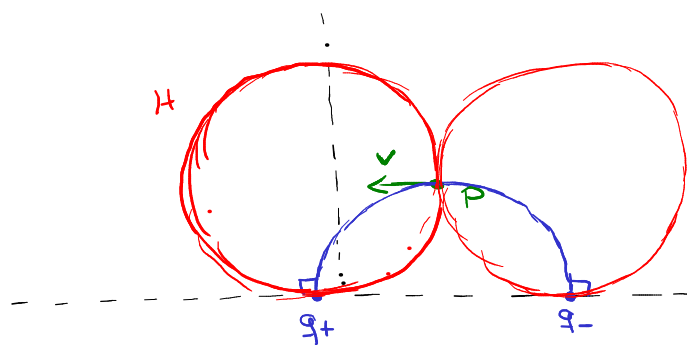
$$d_{\mathbb{H}}(p^+, p) = d_{\mathbb{H}}(p^-, p) = S$$

where $d_{\mathbb{H}}$ stands for the induced distance on H



Geometric definition of the horocycle flows
(along with the correct orientation)

Let $(p, v) \in T^1H$, we want to define $h_+^s(p, v) \in T^1H$, i.e. the image of (p, v) by the positive horocyclic flow at the time s



Let H be the positive horocycle defined by (p, v) . Then "slide" (p, v) along H in the indicated direction until the point that has distance s to the initial point.

↓
Induced distance on H

$$h_+^s(p, v)$$

Similarly $h_-^s(p, v)$ is conjugate to h_+ by sending v to $-v$. In other words, to compute

$$h_-^s(p, v) \text{ we compute } h_+^s(p, -v) = (q, w) \in T^1H$$

$$\text{and thus } h_-^s(p, v) = (q, w)$$

The horocyclic flow in $PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$ -coordinates

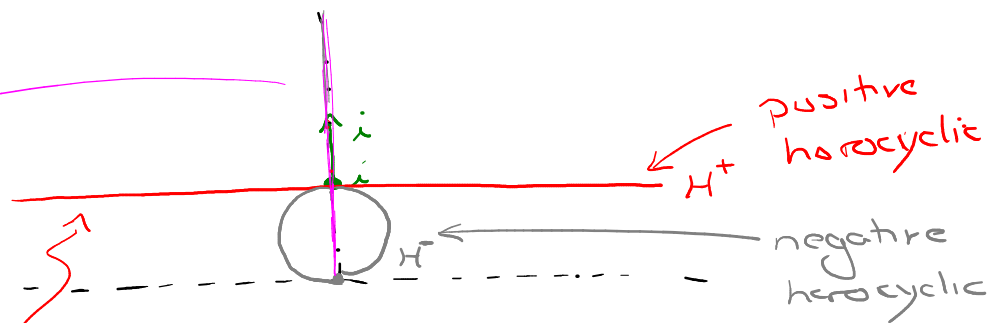
Recall that points $(p, v) \in T^1H$ are associated with the unique matrix $[m_{ij}] \in PSL(2, \mathbb{R})$ which corresponds to the homographic map f satisfying

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(i) = p \\ f'(i) \cdot i = v \end{array} \right\}$$

and we want to compute $h_+^s(p, v)$.

- f sends the positive horocycle defined by (i, i) to the positive horocycle defined by (p, v)

Geodesic
 $f_+ = \infty$
 $f_- = 0$



the induced metric on H^+ coincides with the Euclidean metric

so
$$h_s^+(i, i) = (i+s, i) \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$$

$z \mapsto z+s$

Thus the homography f taking (i, i) to (p, v) will take $(i+s, i)$ to $h_+^s(p, v)$

Thus, the homography taking (i, i) to $h_+^s(p, v)$ is

$$\{ z \mapsto z+s \}$$

$\mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$[m_{ij}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Positive

Horocyclic flows

in $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ becomes: $(t, [m_{ij}]) \mapsto [m_{ij}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

As to the negative horocyclic flow, we proceed in the same way. By noticing that the inversion $(z \mapsto 1/\bar{z})$ takes the positive horocyclic to the negative horocyclic, we set

negative horocyclic flow: $(t, [m_{ij}]) \mapsto [m_{ij}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The fundamental relation between the geodesic and the horocyclic flows.

geodesic flows $\leftrightarrow$ hyperbolic nature

$\downarrow$
spaces of negative curvature $\rightsquigarrow$ origin of the notion of "Anosov systems"

In $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ -coordinates, all the flows g, h_+, h_- act on the right side of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$

Starting with a matrix $M = [m_{ij}]$; fix $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ and we apply successively g^t , then h_+^s and g^{-t} to M this amounts to multiply M on the right by

$$M \begin{bmatrix} e^{t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{t/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= M \begin{bmatrix} 1 & se^t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

this is the same as then applying $h_+^{se^t}$ to M

we have then

$$g^t h_+^s g^{-t} = h_+^{se^t}$$

with respect to the negative horocyclic flow we get

$$g^t h_-^s g^{-t} = h_-^{se^{-t}}$$

geodesic flows contracts the positive horocycles and dilates the negative horocycles