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Fuchsian groups $\Gamma <_d PSL(2)(\mathbb{R})$



oriented hyperbolic 2-manifold/orbifolds



convex polygons in $\mathbb{R}H^2$ equipped with a cocomplete, subproper $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}H^2)_\circ$ -side-pairing



Riemann surfaces with branching signature

Definition. Definition

A **hyperbolic 2-manifold** is a complete, connected Riemannian 2-manifold with curvature $\kappa \equiv -1$.
A **hyperbolic 2-orbifold** is a quotient $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{R}H^2$ where $\Gamma < \text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}H)$ is a discrete subgroup.

Definition. A **Fuchsian group** is a discrete subgroup of $PSL(2)(\mathbb{R})$.

We know $\Gamma < PSL(2)(\mathbb{R})$ is a Fuchsian group $\iff$ the action $\Gamma \curvearrowright \mathbb{R}H^2$ is finitely discontinuous.

Dirichlet domain

[Dirichlet domain of group acting isometrically and finitely discontinuously.](#)

Proposition: Let Γ be Fuchsian, $H \leq \Gamma$ be of finite index and F be a proper fundamental domain of Γ . Then

$$D = \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma/H} \gamma F$$

is a proper fundamental domain of Γ .
Moreover,

$$\mu(D) = [\Gamma : H]\mu(F)$$

if $\mu(F) < \infty$.

Proposition: Let Γ is a Fuchsian group and F is a fundamental domain for Γ .

- If $\gamma \in \Gamma$ is elliptic then $g\gamma g^{-1}$ fixes a point in F for some $g \in \Gamma$.
- If $z \in \text{int}(F)$ then $\Gamma_z = \{I\}$

In particular, $H \leq \Gamma$ is a nontrivial finite subgroup then $gHg^{-1} \leq \Gamma_z$ for some $z \in \partial F$ and $g \in \Gamma$.

🔦 Let $\gamma z_0 = z_0$ and $gz_0 \in \Gamma$ Then

$$g\gamma g^{-1}(gz_0) = gz_0$$

sides and vertices of a Dirichlet domain

As

$$\partial D(\Gamma, z_0) \subseteq \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} L_\gamma(z_0)$$

Definition. Sides and vertices of a Dirichlet domain

We have the set of geodesic segments that bounds $D(\Gamma)$

$$\text{sides}(D(\Gamma))$$

where $\bigcup \text{sides}(D(\Gamma)) = \partial D(\Gamma)$ and the vertices of $D(\Gamma)$ are

$$\text{vertex}(D(\Gamma)) \subseteq D$$

The set of **ideal vertices** is

$$\partial_\infty D(\Gamma)$$

☰ The set of vertex points

$$\text{vertex}(D(\Gamma)) \subseteq \partial D$$

is a closed, discrete set.

☰ For all $z \in D(\Gamma, z_0)$ we have

$$|\Gamma \{z\} \cap \partial D_\Gamma(z_0)| < \infty$$

and

$$\sum_{z \in \Gamma\{z\} \cap \partial D_\Gamma(z_0)} \angle_z D_\Gamma(z_0) = \frac{2\pi}{|\Gamma_z|}$$



$$\{z \in D(\Gamma) \mid \Gamma_z \neq \{I\}\} \subseteq \text{vertex}(D) \cup \text{mid}(\text{sides}(D(\Gamma)))$$

side parings



A Fuchsian group Γ is generated by side pairing maps, that is, the image of

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sides}(D(\Gamma)) \times \text{sides}(D(\Gamma)) &\rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{\emptyset\} \\ (\sigma_1, \sigma_2) &\mapsto \gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \{I\} : \gamma(\sigma_1) = \sigma_2 \end{aligned}$$

cyclic subgroups

$$\{z \in H^2 \mid \Gamma_z \neq \{I\}\} \leftrightarrow \{\text{maximal finite/elliptic cyclic } H \leq \Gamma\}$$

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