

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

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oriented hyperbolic 2-manifold/orbifolds

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

📌 **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.

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 non-trivial 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

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

Let Γ be cocompact Fuchsian group. Then Γ has no parabolic elements.

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi : H_{\mathbb{U}}^2 &\rightarrow [0, \infty) \\ z &\mapsto \min \{d(z, \gamma z) \mid \gamma \in \Gamma, o(\gamma) = \infty\} \end{aligned}$$

- Then $\varphi(z) = \varphi(\gamma z)$.
- φ is continuous
- Thus image of φ is a compact subset of $(0, \infty)$.
- So there is a minimum of $\varphi > 0$.
- If $\gamma_0 \in \Gamma$ is parabolic, WLOG $\gamma_0(z) = z + 1$
- But then $ni \mapsto ni + 1$ has displacement $\leq \frac{1}{n}$.
- This contradicts existence of

Dirichlet region of group acting finitely discontinuously

For all $z \in D_{\Gamma}(z_0)$ we have

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

and

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

Fuchsian groups	$\Lambda(\Gamma) = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$	$\Lambda(\Gamma)$ is a Cantor set	$ \Lambda(\Gamma) < \infty \iff$ elementary
(geometrically finite) D_{Γ} has finite sides $\iff \Gamma$ is finitely generated	$\iff \mu(D_{\Gamma}) < \infty$		