Exotic components in linear slices of quasi-Fuchsian groups

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This can be regarded as a subset of

$$\{\tau \in \mathbb{C} \mid -\pi < \operatorname{Im}(\tau) \leq \pi\}.$$



































Interested in the shape of $QF(\ell)$ as ℓ getting longer.

- 1. Basics on Kleinian (once punctured torus) groups
- 2. Linear slices & Main theorem
- 3. Complex projective structures and complex earthquake
- 4. Proof of the main theorem

With many pictures ...

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 $\Rightarrow M = \mathbb{H}^3/\Gamma$ is a complete hyperbolic 3-manifold s.t. $\pi_1(M) \cong \Gamma$

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If $\rho \in AH(S)$, then $\mathbb{H}^3/\rho(\pi_1(S))$ is a complete hyperbolic 3-manifold homotopy equivalent to S.

AH(S) is the deformation space of such structures.

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Example (Fuchsian groups) If $\Gamma < PSL_2(\mathbb{R})$, Γ preserves $\mathbb{H}^2(\subset \mathbb{H}^3)$, thus $\Lambda(\Gamma)$ is a subset of $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ (a 'round circle' in $\mathbb{C}P^1$).



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Let $\rho \in AH(S)$. If the limit set $\Lambda(\rho(\pi_1(S)))$ is homeomorphic to S^1 , ρ is called quasi-Fuchsian. $QF(S) = \{\rho \in AH(S) \mid \rho \text{ is quasi-Fuchsian.}\}$

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But the shape of QF(S) in X(S) is very complicated! (e.g. self-bumping, AH(S) is not locally connected.)

Basics (Complex length)

For
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, $ho \in X(S)$, $ho(\gamma)$ acts on $\mathbb{H}^3.$

Define the (complex) length by

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ho) &= (ext{translation length of }
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mod $2\pi\sqrt{-1}\mathbb{Z}$. This is characterized by $\operatorname{tr}(
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X(S) is obtained as a quotient of $X_{SL}(S)$ by the action of $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ generated by

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Roughly, a representation in BM is obtained from a Fuchsian one by bending along α continuously.






























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Example (Fuchsian uniformization)

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But there are infinitely many lifts of α \cdots





The grafting operation $\operatorname{Gr}_{b \cdot \alpha} : \mathcal{T}(S) \to P(S)$ can be generalized for measured laminations.

Theorem (Thurston, Kamishima-Tan)

$$\mathsf{Gr}:\mathcal{ML}(S) imes\mathcal{T}(S) o P(S)\ (\mu,X) \mapsto \mathsf{Gr}_\mu(X)$$

is a homeomorphism (Thurston coordinates).

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Theorem (Goldman)

$$\mathsf{hol}^{-1}(QF(S)) = igsqcup_{\mu \in \mathcal{ML}_{\mathbb{Z}}(S)} Q_{\mu}$$

The component Q_0 is called standard, $Q_{\mu} (\mu \neq 0)$ exotic.

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Prop (K.)

$$\mathit{Eq}(\ell)\cap \mathsf{hol}^{-1}(\mathit{BM}) = \bigsqcup_{k\geq 0} \mathit{Eq}(\ell)\cap \mathit{Q}_{k\cdot lpha}$$

for any $\ell > 0$.
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