

# Culler-Shalen 理論の概説

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# 1. Introduction - Outline -

$K \subset S^3$  : a knot in  $S^3$

$M = S^3 \setminus N(K)$  : knot exterior  
(more generally, cpt. ori. 3-mfd with torus boundary)

$X(M) = \{\text{homom. } \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2\mathbb{C} \text{ "up to conjugation"}\}$

is an affine algebraic set over  $\mathbb{C}$ , called the *character variety*.

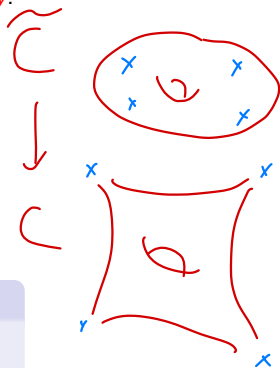
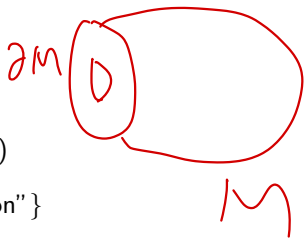
$C \subset X(M)$  : irreducible (affine) curve (possibly singular)

$\tilde{C}$  : smooth projective curve birationally equiv. to  $C$   
( $\varphi : \tilde{C} \xrightarrow{\text{birat.}} C$ )

A point  $p \in \tilde{C}$  at which  $\varphi$  is not defined is called an *ideal point*.

Culler-Shalen theory (in a word)

Construct an *incompressible surface* in  $M$  from an ideal point.



# 1. Introduction - incompressible surfaces -

$M$  : a cpt. ori. 3-mfd with boundary

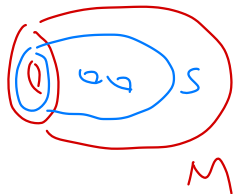
A surface  $S \subset M$  is *properly embedded* if  $S \cap \partial M = \partial S$ , and  $S$  intersects  $\partial M$  transversely.

We assume that  $S$  is 2-sided in  $M$  and does not have  $S^2$ ,  $D^2$  components.

## Definition

- A disk  $D \subset M$  s.t.  $D \cap S = \partial D$  is called a *compressing disk* if  $D \cap S$  is an essential simple closed curve on  $S$ .
- $S$  is *incompressible* if each component of  $S$  has no compressing disk.
- $S$  is called *essential* if it is incompressible and not boundary parallel.

By the loop theorem, a 2-sided surface  $S \subset M$  is incompressible if and only if  $\pi_1(S) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$  is injective (for each component).



# 1. Introduction - Application -

Today we focus on the application of Culler-Shalen theory to the Cyclic Surgery Theorem.

Let  $M = S^3 \setminus N(K)$  be a knot exterior. We denote the intersection number of two slopes  $\alpha, \beta \subset \partial M$  by  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta)$ .

The Dehn filling of  $M$  along a slope  $\alpha$  is denoted by  $M(\alpha)$ .

## Cyclic Surgery Theorem (Culler-Gordon-Luecke-Shalen)

Let  $K$  be a non-torus knot and  $M$  its exterior.

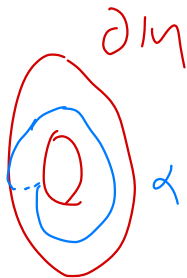
If  $\pi_1(M(\alpha))$  and  $\pi_1(M(\beta))$  are cyclic\*,  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta) \leq 1$ .

\* Including the trivial group and  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

We identify the set of slopes on  $\partial M$  with  $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ .

Since  $M(1/0) \cong S^3$  has a cyclic  $\pi_1$ ,  $\pi_1(M(\alpha))$  is cyclic only if  $\alpha$  is integral. There are at most two such slopes, and if there are two they are consecutive.

(Ex:  $(-2, 3, 7)$ -pretzel has two cyclic slopes 18 and 19.)



$$\begin{array}{c} p/q + r/l \\ \downarrow \\ p'/q' \end{array}$$

# Plan

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[CGLS] Culler-Gordon-Luecke-Shalen, "Dehn surgery on knots," *Ann. of Math.*, 125(1987), 237-300.

## 2. Basics on the character variety $\chi(M)$

$$\mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}, ad - bc = 1 \right\}$$

$\Gamma = \langle g_1, \dots, g_n \mid r_1, \dots, r_k \rangle$ : a finitely presented group  $\Gamma = \pi_1 M$

$R(\Gamma) = \{ \rho : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C} \text{ homomorphisms} \}$  representation

For a manifold  $M$ , we denote  $R(M) := R(\pi_1(M))$ .

$\rho \in R(\Gamma)$  is determined by

$$(\rho(g_1), \dots, \rho(g_n)) \in \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C}^n \subset \mathbb{C}^{4n}.$$

Conversely, any subset of  $\mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C}^n$  satisfying  $\rho(r_i) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

( $i = 1, \dots, k$ ) gives a point of  $R(\Gamma)$ .

Thus  $R(\Gamma)$  is an affine algebraic set (possibly reducible), sometimes called the *representation variety*.

## 2. Basics on the character variety

Consider the set of *characters*

$$\{\mathrm{tr} \rho \mid \rho \in R(\Gamma)\}.$$

This has a structure of affine algebraic set as follows.

Let  $\mathbb{C}[R(\Gamma)]$  be the set of regular functions\* on  $R(\Gamma)$ .  
(\* functions  $R(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  written as polynomials of affine coordinates of  $R(\Gamma)$ .)

For  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,

$$\tau_\gamma(\rho) := \mathrm{tr} \rho(\gamma)$$

$$\rho \in R(n)$$

is a regular function on  $R(\Gamma)$ . Let  $T$  be the subring of  $R(\Gamma)$  generated by  $\tau_\gamma$  ( $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ). We will see that  $T$  is the ring of regular functions on  $\{\mathrm{tr} \rho \mid \rho \in R(\Gamma)\}$ .

**Proposition [Prop 1.4.1, CS1]**

There exists a finite set  $\{\gamma_i\}_{i=1}^N \subset \Gamma$  s.t.  $\{\tau_{\gamma_i}\}$  generates  $T$ .

Idea. Using the trace identity  $\mathrm{tr} A \mathrm{tr} B = \mathrm{tr} AB + \mathrm{tr} AB^{-1}$ , any  $\tau_g$  is written as a polynomial of finite  $\tau_{\gamma_i}$ 's.  $\square$

$$\mathbb{C}[R(n)]$$

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$$\langle x, y \mid \dots \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_x y^2 &= \tau_{(xy)} \cdot y \\ &= \tau_{xy} \cdot \tau_y - \tau_x \end{aligned}$$

## 2. Basics on the character variety

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For such a finite set  $\{\gamma_i\}_{i=1}^N \subset \Gamma$ , define a map  $t : R(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^N$  by

$$t(\rho) = (\tau_{\gamma_1}(\rho), \dots, \tau_{\gamma_N}(\rho)). \quad \in \mathbb{C}^N$$

By the proposition above,  $\{\text{tr } \rho \mid \rho \in R(\Gamma)\}$  is identified with

$$X(\Gamma) := t(R(\Gamma))$$

Proposition [Prop 1.4.4, Cor 1.4.5, CS1]

$X(\Gamma) = t(R(\Gamma))$  is a (Zariski) closed subset in  $\mathbb{C}^N$ , thus  $X(\Gamma)$  is an affine algebraic set.

Thus the set of the characters  $\{\text{tr } \rho \mid \rho \in R(\Gamma)\}$  has a structure of affine algebraic set via  $X(\Gamma)$ .  $X(\Gamma)$  is called the *character variety* of  $\Gamma$ .

$t : R(\Gamma) \rightarrow X(\Gamma)$  is a regular map.



## 2. Basics on the character variety

- $\rho, \rho' \in R(\Gamma)$  are conjugate if  $\exists A \in \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C}$  s.t.

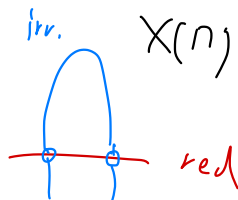
$$\rho'(\gamma) = A^{-1}\rho(\gamma)A \quad (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)$$

- Easy to see that  $\rho \sim \rho' \implies t(\rho) = t(\rho')$
- $\rho \in R(\Gamma)$  is *reducible* if there exists a line in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  invariant under  $\rho$ . Otherwise, *irreducible*.

$$\begin{array}{c} R(\Gamma) \\ \downarrow t \\ X(\Gamma) \end{array}$$

### Proposition [Cor 1.2.2, Lem 1.4.2, CS1]

- $\rho$  is reducible if and only if  $\mathrm{tr}(\rho(\gamma)) = 2 \quad (\forall \gamma \in [\Gamma, \Gamma])$ .
- The set of reducible representations in  $R(\Gamma)$  has the form  $t^{-1}(V)$  for some closed algebraic subset of  $X(\Gamma)$ .



### Proposition [Prop 1.5.2, CS1]

Let  $\rho, \rho' \in R(\Gamma)$  s.t.  $t(\rho) = t(\rho')$ . If  $\rho$  is irreducible, then  $\rho$  and  $\rho'$  are conjugate.

For an irreducible component  $R_0 \subset R(\Gamma)$  containing an irreducible representation,  $X_0 = t(R_0)$  is a closed set [Prop 1.4.4, CS1]. We have  $\dim R_0 = \dim X_0 + 3$ .

$$\dim \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{C}) = 3$$

### 3. Discrete valuations and algebraic curves

$K$  : a field,  $K^* = K \setminus \{0\}$

$v : K^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is called a *discrete valuation* if, for  $\forall x, y \in K^*$

- (i)  $v(xy) = v(x) + v(y)$ ,
- (ii)  $v(x + y) \geq \min\{v(x), v(y)\}$ .

(Assume that  $v$  is surjective. Define  $v(0) = +\infty$ .)

#### Example

$K = \mathbb{C}(t)$ : 有理関数体,  $p \in \mathbb{C}$  (also for  $p = \infty$  in  $\mathbb{C}P^1$ )  
 $f(t) \in \mathbb{C}(t)$  is written by using  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $c_0 \neq 0$  as

$$f(t) = (t - p)^n(c_0 + c_1(t - p) + \cdots + c_k(t - p)^k)$$

Then,  $v_p(f) = n$  is a discrete valuation.

#### Example

$K = \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $p$  : prime

$r \in \mathbb{Q}$  is written as  $r = p^n(c_0 + c_1p + \cdots + c_kp^k)$

( $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $0 \leq c_i \leq p - 1$ ,  $c_0 \neq 0$ )

Then  $v_p(r) = n$  is a discrete valuation.

### 3. Discrete valuations and algebraic curves

(i)  $v(xy) = v(x) + v(y)$ , (ii)  $v(x + y) \geq \min\{v(x), v(y)\}$ .

#### Easy facts

(1)  $v(\pm 1) = 0$ . (Thus  $v(-x) = v(x)$ .)

(2) If  $v(x) < v(y)$ ,  $v(x + y) = v(x)$ .

#### Proof.

(1) By  $v(1) = v(\pm 1 \cdot \pm 1) = v(\pm 1) + v(\pm 1)$ .

(2)  $v(x + y) \geq \min(v(x), v(y)) = v(x)$ .

Conversely,  $v(x) = v((x + y) - y) \geq \min(v(x + y), v(y))$ .

If  $v(x + y) > v(y)$ , then  $v(x) \geq v(y)$  contradicts  $v(x) < v(y)$ . Thus  $\min(v(x + y), v(y)) = v(x + y)$ , therefore  $v(x) \geq v(x + y)$ .  $\square$

$\mathcal{O} = \{x \in K \mid v(x) \geq 0\}$  is a PID, and a local ring (i.e. having a unique proper maximal ideal).  $\mathcal{O}$  is called the discrete valuation ring (DVR).

Actually, if we take  $\pi \in K$  s.t.  $v(\pi) = 1$ , any non-trivial ideal has the form  $(\pi^n)$ , thus  $(\pi)$  is the unique maximal ideal.

### 3. Discrete valuations and algebraic curves

Let  $X, Y$  be (affine, projective, or quasi-projective) variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then the following are equivalent [Cor I.4.5, Har].

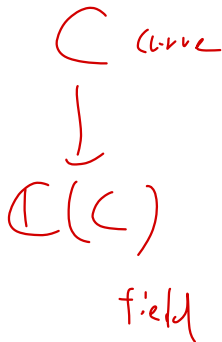
- $X$  and  $Y$  are isomorphic on some non-empty Zariski open subsets.
- The function fields  $\mathbb{C}(X), \mathbb{C}(Y)$  are isomorphic.

In these cases,  $X$  and  $Y$  are called *birationally equivalent*.

A 1-dimensional variety  $C$  (possibly singular) gives the function field  $K = \mathbb{C}(C)$ , which is a fin. gen. field of trans. degree 1.

Conversely, for a given fin. gen. field  $K/\mathbb{C}$  of trans. degree 1, the set of DVRs on  $K$  satisfying  $v(\mathbb{C}^*) = 0$  has a structure of a smooth projective curve [§1.6, Har]. When applied to  $K = \mathbb{C}(C)$ , this gives a smooth projective curve  $\tilde{C}$  birat. equiv. to  $C$ .

[Har] Hartshorne, "Algebraic Geometry", GTM 52.



### 3. Discrete valuations and algebraic curves

#### Summary

For an algebraic curve  $C$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ , we can construct a smooth projective curve  $\tilde{C}$  birationally equivalent to  $C$  as the set of DVRs of  $\mathbb{C}(C)/\mathbb{C}$ .

Concisely,

$$\{ \text{points on } \tilde{C} \} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \{ \text{discrete valuations on } \mathbb{C}(C)/\mathbb{C} \}$$

A point on  $\tilde{C}$  s.t. the birational map  $\tilde{C} \rightarrow C$  is not defined is called an *ideal point*.

The valuation  $v$  associated to an ideal point of  $C$  can be characterized by  $\exists f \in \mathbb{C}[C] \setminus \mathbb{C}(C)$  s.t.  $v(f) < 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & X(n) \\ & & \cup \\ \tilde{C} & \longrightarrow & C \end{array}$$

## 4. Tree actions and incompressible surfaces

Let  $T$  be a tree (a connected graph with no cycle).

$M$  : a 3-mfd,  $\tilde{M}$  : the universal cover of  $M$ .

$\pi_1(M) \curvearrowright T$ : an action without inverting edges

Consider a  $\pi_1(M)$ -equivariant map  $f : \tilde{M} \rightarrow T$ .

For each mid point  $m_e$  of an edge  $e \subset T$ , we assume that  $f$  is transverse to  $m_e$ . Then  $\tilde{S} := f^{-1}(m_e)$  is a surface in  $\tilde{M}$ .

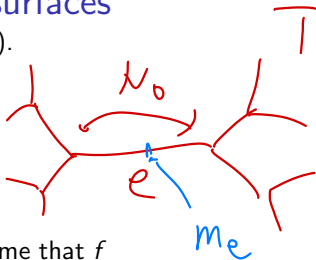
Since  $f$  is equivariant,  $\tilde{S}$  gives a surface  $S \subset M$ . In this case, we say that  $S \subset M$  is associated with  $\pi_1(M) \curvearrowright T$ .

If  $\pi_1(M)$  acts on  $T$  without inverting edges,  $S$  is 2-sided.

An action  $\pi_1(M) \curvearrowright T$  is called non-trivial if it has no global fixed point of  $\pi_1(M)$ .

**Proposition** [Cor 1.3.7, CGLS], [Prop 2.3.1, CS1]

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In the beginning of talk, I wrote that the CS theory

constructs an incompressible surface in  $M$  from an ideal point.

But, actually,

the CS theory constructs a non-trivial tree action of  $\pi_1(M)$ .

The tree action (and the *translation length*) is uniquely determined by the ideal point, but the associated essential surface is not uniquely determined.

## 5. Bass-Serre-Tits theory

$K$ : a field,  $v: K^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ : valuation

$\mathcal{O} = \{x \in K \mid v(x) \geq 0\}$  (discrete valuation ring)

Let  $\pi \in K$  be an element with  $v(\pi) = 1$ .

We will construct a tree  $T$  associated with these data.

Let  $V = K^2$ . A lattice in  $V$  is a  $\mathcal{O}$ -submodule  $L \subset V$  which spans  $V$  over  $K$ .

Two lattices  $L, L'$  are equivalent if  $\exists \alpha \in K^*$  s.t.  $L' = \alpha L$ .

### Bass-Serre tree $T$

Define a tree  $T$  by

Vertices: equivalent classes of lattices  $\Lambda = [L]$

Edges:  $\Lambda, \Lambda'$  are connected by an edge if  $\exists$  lattices  $L, L'$  s.t.

$$\pi L \subset L' \subset L, \quad (\Lambda = [L], \Lambda' = [L'])$$

ideal pt.

$$P \in \mathcal{C} \subset X(n)$$

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$\pi, m \curvearrowright T$



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Let  $k = \mathcal{O}/(\pi)$  (called the residue field). The above  $L' \subset L$  defines a line  $L'/\pi L \subset L/\pi L \cong k^2$ . Thus the link of a vertex can be regarded as  $P^1(k)$  (the projective line  $/k$ ).

$SL_2K$  naturally acts on the tree  $T$ .  $SL_2\mathcal{O} \subset SL_2K \curvearrowright T$

It is easy to see that  $SL_2\mathcal{O}$  fixes the lattice  $\mathcal{O}^2 \subset K^2$ , thus fixing the vertex  $[\mathcal{O}^2]$ .

Moreover, it is known that if a subgroup  $G \subset SL_2K$  fixing a vertex of the tree, then  $G$  is conjugate into  $SL_2\mathcal{O}$  by an element of  $GL_2K$ .

Further detail: [Se] Serre, "Trees", Springer.

$$\begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ G \\ \curvearrowright \\ \delta^{-1} SL_2\mathcal{O} \delta \end{array}$$

## 6. Culler-Shalen's main construction

$M$  : a cpt. ori. 3-mfd with torus boundary

$$R(M) = \text{Hom}(\pi_1(M), \text{SL}_2\mathbb{C})$$

$\rho \in R(M)$  is written as

$$\rho(\gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} a(\gamma) & b(\gamma) \\ c(\gamma) & d(\gamma) \end{pmatrix} \quad (\gamma \in \pi_1(M)).$$

Thus we can regard  $a(\gamma), b(\gamma), c(\gamma), d(\gamma) \in \mathbb{C}[R(M)]$ . This gives a tautological representation  $P : \pi_1 M \rightarrow \text{SL}_2\mathbb{C}[R(M)]$

$$P(\gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} a(\gamma) & b(\gamma) \\ c(\gamma) & d(\gamma) \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2\mathbb{C}[R(M)].$$

For any closed subset  $D \subset R(M)$ , the restriction of the tautological representation gives  $P : \pi_1 M \rightarrow \text{SL}_2\mathbb{C}[D]$ .

## 6. Culler-Shalen's main construction

$X(M)$  : the character variety

Take a curve  $C \subset X(M)$ .  $v \mapsto P \in \tilde{C}$

We can take an affine curve  $D \subset t^{-1}(C) \subset R(M)$  s.t. the restriction  $t|_D : D \rightarrow C$  is not constant [proof of Prop 1.4.4, CS1]. We remark that  $\mathbb{C}(D)/\mathbb{C}(C)$  is a finite extension.

An ideal point of  $C$  gives a valuation  $v$  on  $\mathbb{C}(C)$ , which gives a valuation  $w$  on the finite extension  $\mathbb{C}(D)$ .

This gives the tree associated with  $\mathbb{C}(D)$  and the action

$$\pi_1(M) \xrightarrow{P} \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C}[D] \subset \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C}(D) \curvearrowright T.$$

( $P$  : tautological rep.)

$$D \subset R(M)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \downarrow t|_D & \downarrow t \\ & D & C \end{array}$$

$C \subset X(M)$

$$\tilde{D}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\tilde{C}$$

$$\mathbb{CP}^1 \xleftarrow{f}$$

### The Fundamental Theorem [Thm 2.2.1, CS1]

For an affine curve  $C \subset X(M)$  and the ideal point  $p$ , the associated tree action is non-trivial.

Remark: A non-ideal point of  $\tilde{C}$  also gives a tree action, but it has a global fixed point, is not interesting.

## 6. Culler-Shalen's main construction

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 w \leftrightarrow q \in \tilde{D} & \rightarrow & D \subset & R(M) & & & \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 v \leftrightarrow p \in \tilde{C} & \rightarrow & C \subset & X(M) & & & 
 \end{array}$$

For  $\gamma \in \pi_1(M)$ ,  $v(\tau_\gamma) \geq 0$  if and only if  $\gamma$  fixes a vertex of  $T$  [Thm 2.2.1, CS1], [Prop 1.2.6, CGLS]. In this case, we can deform  $\gamma$  avoiding the associated surface  $S$ .

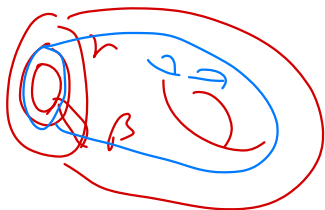
Thus if  $\exists \alpha, \beta \in \pi_1(\partial M)$  s.t.  $v(\tau_\alpha) \geq 0$  and  $v(\tau_\beta) < 0$ ,  $\alpha$  is a boundary slope.

Moreover, the translation length of  $\gamma \in \pi_1(M)$  is given by

$$\min(0, -2w(\tau_\gamma))$$

[Prop II.3.15, MS1].

[MS1] Morgan-Shalen. "Valuations, trees, and degenerations of hyperbolic structures. I," Ann. of Math. (2) 120(1984), 401–476.



$$v(\tau_r) \geq 0$$

$$\exists \beta \in \pi_1(\partial M)$$

$$v(\tau_\beta) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r \text{ is } \partial\text{-slope.}$$

## 7. Cyclic Surgery Theorem

In §1 of [CGLS], the following theorem is proved as an application of the CS theory.

### Theorem (CGLS, Thm 1.0.1)

Let  $M$  be a hyperbolic orientable 3-manifold with one torus boundary. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be slopes s.t.  $\pi_1(M(\alpha)), \pi_1(M(\beta))$  are cyclic. If neither  $\alpha$  nor  $\beta$  is strict boundary slope then  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta) \leq 1$ .

A slope  $\partial M$  is called a **boundary slope** if it is the boundary of some essential surface. A slope is called a **strict boundary slope** if it is the slope of some non-fiber essential surface.

Remark: The boundary slope detected by CS theory (more generally, detected by a tree action) is a strict boundary slope [CGLS, Prop 1.2.7].

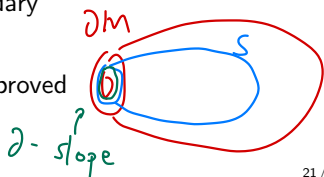
The remaining part of the cyclic surgery theorem is proved in [§2, CGLS] by using different techniques.

$M(\alpha)$  :

mfld obtained  
by Dehn surgery  
along  $\alpha$ .

essential surface  
 $S \subset M$

- (i) incompressible,
- (ii) not parallel  
to  $\partial M$ .



$\partial$ -slope

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A hyperbolic structure on  $M$  gives a discrete faithful representation  $\rho_0 : \pi_1 M \rightarrow \mathrm{PSL}_2\mathbb{C} = \mathrm{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}^3)$ , which is irreducible.

There exists a lift  $\tilde{\rho}_0 : \pi_1 M \rightarrow \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C}$  of  $\rho_0$  [Prop 3.1.1, CS1]. (Since the obstruction to the lifting is living in  $H^2(M; \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$ , trivial for knot exteriors.)

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathrm{SL}_2\mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathrm{PSL}_2\mathbb{C} \end{array}$$

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Take an irreducible component  $R_0 \subset R(M)$  containing  $\tilde{\rho}_0$  and  $X_0 = t(R_0)$ .

Proposition [Prop 1.1.1, CGLS]

$\dim X_0 = 1$ . For any non-trivial  $\gamma \in \pi_1(\partial M)$ ,  $\tau_\gamma$  is non-constant. (Recall  $\tau_\gamma([\rho]) = \text{tr } \rho(\gamma)$  for  $[\rho] \in X_0$ .)

$\dim X_0 \geq 1$  is rather elementary [Prop 3.2.1, CS1], which is the same line of argument as Theorem 5.6 of Thurston's Lecture Notes.

$\dim X_0 \leq 1$  is shown in [Prop 2, CS2] using some local rigidity result. The second assertion also follows from [Prop 2, CS2].

[CS2] Culler-Shalen, "Bounded, separating, incompressible surfaces in knot manifolds," Invent., 75(1984), 537-545.

Remark: For the  $(p, q)$ -torus knot exterior,  $\exists \gamma \in \pi_1(\partial M)$  s.t.  $\tau_\gamma$  is constant on the component  $X_0 \subset X(M)$  containing irreducible characters.

$$R(M) \\ = \text{Hom}(\pi_1 M, \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{C})$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_0 \in R_0 \subset R(M)$$

$$\downarrow t|_{R_0} \quad \downarrow t$$

$$X_0 \subset X(M)$$

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$$t(R_0)$$

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For  $\alpha \in \pi_1(\partial M) \cong H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we consider the trace function  $\tau_\alpha \in \mathbb{C}[X_0]$ . ( $\tau_\alpha([\rho]) = \text{tr } \rho(\gamma)$  for  $[\rho] \in X_0$ .) Define

$$f_\alpha := \tau_\alpha^2 - 4 \in \mathbb{C}[X_0].$$

If  $f_\alpha(\rho) = 0$ , then  $\text{tr } \rho(\alpha) = \pm 2$ , thus  $\rho(\alpha)$  is conjugate to

$\uparrow$   
 $\text{tr } \rho(\alpha) = \pm 2$   $\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

The former case gives a representation

$\pi_1(M(\alpha)) \rightarrow \text{PSL}_2\mathbb{C}$ . ( $M(\alpha)$ : Dehn filling along  $\alpha$ )  $\rho: \pi_1 M \rightarrow \text{PSL}_2\mathbb{C}$

If the image is "large",  $\pi_1(M(\alpha))$  could not be cyclic.

So it is important to study zeros of  $f_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z})$ .

We denote the order of zero of  $f \in \mathbb{C}(X_0) = \mathbb{C}(\tilde{X}_0)$  at  $x \in \tilde{X}_0$  by  $Z_x(f)$ . ( $\tilde{X}_0$ : smooth projective model of  $X_0$ )



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### Theorem (CGLS, Thm 1.0.1)

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be slopes s.t.  $\pi_1(M(\alpha)), \pi_1(M(\beta))$  are cyclic. If neither  $\alpha$  nor  $\beta$  is strict boundary slope then  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta) \leq 1$ .

The proof divided into the following 2 propositions.

### Proposition [Prop 1.1.2, CGLS]

$$\cong \mathbb{R}^2$$

There exists a norm  $\|\cdot\| : H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  s.t.

- For  $\alpha \in H_1(\partial M, \mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\|\alpha\| = \deg f_\alpha$ .
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### Proposition [Prop 1.1.3, CGLS]

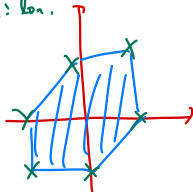
Let  $\alpha \in H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z})$  be a primitive, not a strict boundary slope. If  $\pi_1(M(\alpha))$  is cyclic, then for any  $x \in \tilde{X}_0$ , we have

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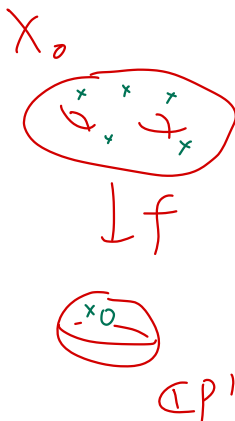
$$Z_x(f_\alpha) \leq Z_x(f_\delta) \quad (\forall \delta \in H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z}), \delta \neq 0).$$

Since  $\sum_{x \in \tilde{X}_0} Z_x(f) = \deg f$ , we deduce the following.

### Corollary [Cor 1.1.4, CGLS]

Let  $\alpha \in H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z})$  be a primitive, not a strict boundary slope. If  $\pi_1(M(\alpha))$  is cyclic,

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### Theorem (CGLS, Thm 1.0.1)

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### Corollary to Theorem

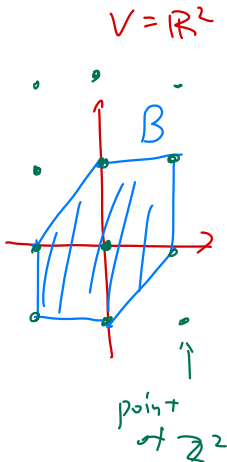
$\subset \mathbb{R}^2$

Let  $L := H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $V := H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $m = \min_{0 \neq \delta \in L} \|\delta\|$ ,  $B$  the ball of radius  $m$  in  $V$  w.r.t.  $\|\cdot\|$ .

$B$  is a finite sided balanced ( $B = -B$ ) convex polygon [Prop 1.1.2, CGLS], contains no integral point in the interior by the definition of  $m$ .

Since  $\text{Int } B$  is mapped to  $V/2L$  injectively,  $\text{Area } B \leq 4$ .



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Theorem (CGLS, Thm 1.0.1)

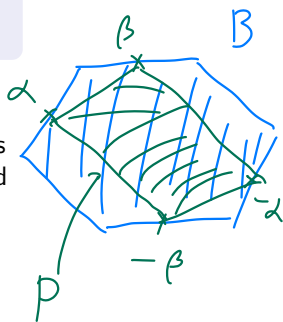
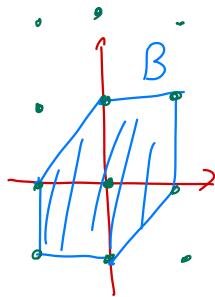
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Corollary to Theorem (continued)

By Cor, if  $\gamma$  is not a strict boundary slope and  $\pi_1(M(\gamma))$  is cyclic,  $\gamma$  is on the boundary of  $B$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta$  as in Thm, and  $P$  the parallelogram spanned by 4 pts  $\pm\alpha, \pm\beta$

$$\Delta(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\text{Area } P}{2} \leq \frac{\text{Area } B}{2} \leq 2.$$

If  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta) = 2$ , then  $P = B$ , which implies that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are vertices of  $B$ , thus they are strict boundary slopes.  $\square$



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### Proposition [Prop 1.1.2, CGLS]

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$$Z_x(f_\alpha) \leq Z_x(f_\delta) \quad (\forall \delta \in H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z}), \delta \neq 0).$$

The norm is called the *Culler-Shalen norm*.

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We denote the order of pole of  $f \in \mathbb{C}(X_0) = \mathbb{C}(\tilde{X}_0)$  at  $x \in \tilde{X}_0$  by  $\Pi_x(f)$ . We have

$$\deg f = \sum_{x \in \tilde{X}_0} Z_x(f) = \sum_{x \in \tilde{X}_0} \Pi_x(f).$$

Furthermore, if  $f$  is a regular function on  $X_0$  ( $f \in \mathbb{C}[X_0]$ ),

$$\deg f = \sum_{x \in \tilde{X}_0} \Pi_x(f) = \sum_{x: \text{ideal}} \Pi_x(f).$$

Lemma [Lem 1.4.1, CGLS]

For each ideal point  $x \in \tilde{X}_0$ , there exists a homomorphism  $\phi_x : L \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

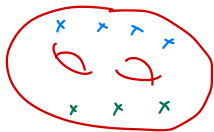
$$\Pi_x(f_\alpha) = |\phi_x(\alpha)|.$$

We use

Theorem [Thm 1.2.3, CGLS], [Lem II.4.4, MS1]

A valuation  $v$  on  $\mathbb{C}(X_0)^*$  is extended to a valuation  $w$  on  $\mathbb{C}(R_0)^*$  s.t.  $w|_{\mathbb{C}(X_0)^*} = d \cdot v$  for some  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\tilde{X}_0$



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Proof. Fix a basis  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in L$ . If  $\rho(\alpha_i) \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i & * \\ 0 & \lambda_i^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
 $\stackrel{= (\text{tr } \rho(\alpha_i))^2 - 4}{f_{\alpha_i}} = (\lambda_i + \lambda_i^{-1})^2 - 4 = (\lambda_i - \lambda_i^{-1})^2$ .

In general, for  $f \neq 0, \pm 1$ , we have

$$-\min(0, v(f - f^{-1})) = |v(f)|. \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{E.g. if } v(f) > 0, v(f^{-1}) = -v(f) < 0, \\ \text{thus } v(f - f^{-1}) = -v(f) = -|v(f)|. \end{array} \right)$$

Thus, for  $\alpha = \alpha_1^p \alpha_2^q \in L$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_x(f_{\alpha_1^p \alpha_2^q}) &= \Pi_x(\lambda_1^p \lambda_2^q - \lambda_1^{-p} \lambda_2^{-q})^2 \\ &= -\min(0, v((\lambda_1^p \lambda_2^q - \lambda_1^{-p} \lambda_2^{-q})^2)) \\ &= -\frac{2}{d} \min(0, w(\lambda_1^p \lambda_2^q - \lambda_1^{-p} \lambda_2^{-q})) \\ &= \frac{2}{d} |w(\lambda_1^p \lambda_2^q)| = \frac{2}{d} |p w(\lambda_1) + q w(\lambda_2)|. \end{aligned}$$

So set  $\phi_x(\alpha) = \frac{2}{d} |p w(\lambda_1) + q w(\lambda_2)|$ . □

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Sketch. Define

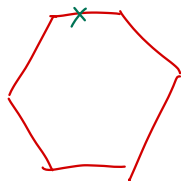
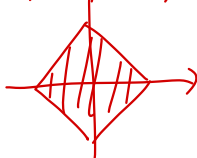
$$\|\alpha\| = \sum_{x: \text{ideal}} |\phi_x(\alpha)| \quad (\alpha \in V).$$

It is easy to see  $\|\cdot\|$  is a semi-norm. Since  $f_\alpha$  is non-const. for  $0 \neq \alpha \in L$ , this is a norm. The first assertion follows from Lem. Since a vertex of the unit ball is on the line  $\phi_x = 0$  for some  $x$ , thus the 2nd assertion follows.  $\square$

e.g.  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$|x| + |y| = \|(x, y)\|$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ (1, 0) & & (0, 1) \end{array}$$





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This is further divided into two cases:

- $x$  is non-ideal [§1.5, p.254~260, CGLS], and
- $x$  is ideal [§1.6, p.260~264, CGLS].

(By the way, §1.1~1.4 (p.242~254).)

We show

$$0 \neq \exists \delta \in L, Z_x(f_\alpha) > Z_x(f_\delta) \implies \pi_1(M(\alpha)) \text{ is not cyclic.}$$

"ordinary pt"  
in [CGLS]

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- If  $x$  is non-ideal, find  $\rho \in R_0$  s.t.

(i)  $t(\rho) = x$ ,

(ii)  $\rho(\pi_1(M))$  is non-cyclic in  $\mathrm{PSL}_2\mathbb{C}$ ,

(iii)  $\rho(\alpha) = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(Recall  $t : R(M) \rightarrow X(M)$ .) So  $\pi_1(M(\alpha))$  is non-cyclic.

- If  $x$  is ideal, let  $S$  be the associated essential surface.

Since  $Z_x(f_\alpha) > 0$ ,  $\tau_\alpha$  is finite at  $x$ . Thus  $\alpha$  is boundary slope of  $S$ , or  $S$  is closed.

But we assume that  $\alpha$  is not a strict boundary slope,  $S$  is closed.

We show that  $S$  is incompressible in  $M(\alpha)$ . (Technical part of §1.6.) In particular,  $\pi_1(M(\alpha)) (\supset \pi_1(S))$  is non-cyclic.

$M \supset S$   
closed  
 $\downarrow$   
 $M(\alpha) \supset S$   
closed

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Technical points in §1.5 of CGLS

We have to take the normalizations  $X_0^\nu, R_0^\nu$  of  $X_0, R_0$  (taking integral closure of the coordinate rings) to avoid singularities.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R_0^\nu & \xrightarrow{\nu} & R_0 \\ t^\nu \downarrow & & \downarrow t \\ X_0^\nu & \xrightarrow{\nu} & X_0 \end{array}$$

We ignore these technical details.

**Proposition [Prop 1.5.2, CGLS]**

For  $x \in X_0^\nu$  (non-ideal point), assume that  $0 \neq \exists \delta \in L$  s.t.  $Z_x(f_\alpha) > Z_x(f_\delta)$ . Then  $\exists \rho \in R_0$  s.t.

- (i)  $t(\rho) = \nu(x)$ ,
- (ii)  $\rho(\pi_1(M))$  is non-cyclic in  $\mathrm{PSL}_2\mathbb{C}$ ,
- (iii)  $\rho(\alpha) = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$$

$$R_0 \ni \rho$$

$$\downarrow t$$

$$x \in X_0^\nu \xrightarrow{\nu} X_0 \ni t(\rho) = \nu(x)$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R_0^\nu & \xrightarrow{\nu} & R_0 \ni \rho \\
 t^\nu \downarrow & & \downarrow t \\
 X_0^\nu & \xrightarrow{\nu} & X_0 \ni t(\rho) \\
 \downarrow \nu & & \downarrow \nu \\
 \mathcal{L} & & \nu(x)
 \end{array}$$

$(t^\nu)^{-1}(x) \subset$

It is shown that

- (i)  $t^\nu$  is surjective [Prop 1.5.6, CGLS].
- (ii)  $\exists$  dense  $U \subset (t^\nu)^{-1}(x)$  s.t.  $\rho \in \nu(U)$  has non-cyclic image [Prop 1.5.5, CGLS].
- (iii) For  $\tilde{\rho} \in (t^\nu)^{-1}(x)$ ,  $\nu(\tilde{\rho})(\alpha) = \pm 1$  [Prop 1.5.4, CGLS].

(i) is technical. We give sketches of (ii) and (iii).

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(ii) Since  $\dim X_0^\nu = 1$ ,  $\dim R_0^\nu = \dim X_0^\nu + 3 = 4$ . Thus each component of  $(t^\nu)^{-1}(x)$  has dimension at least 3.

On the other hand, let

$Z = \{\rho \in t^{-1}(\nu(x)) \mid \rho(\pi_1(M)) \text{ is cyclic in } \mathrm{PSL}_2\mathbb{C}\} \subset R_0$ ,

and  $\mathcal{N} = \{\ker \rho \mid \rho \in Z\}$ . Since the set of finite index subgroups of  $\pi_1(M)$  is countable,  $\mathcal{N}$  is countable. For each  $N \in \mathcal{N}$ , let  $Y_N := \{\rho \in t^{-1}(x) \mid \rho(N) = \{1\}\}$ . We have  $Z \subset \bigcup_{N \in \mathcal{N}} Y_N$ , and  $\dim Y_N \leq 2$  since  $\rho \in Y_N$  is (almost) determined by the image of the cyclic generator.

Set  $U = \underbrace{(t^\nu)^{-1}(x)}_{\dim \geq 3} - \underbrace{\nu^{-1}(\bigcup_{N \in \mathcal{N}} Y_N)}_{\dim \leq 2}$ .

(iii) Since  $Z_x(f_\alpha) > Z_x(f_\delta) \geq 0$ ,  $0 = f_\alpha(x) = \mathrm{tr} \rho(\alpha)^2 - 4$ , so  $\mathrm{tr} \rho(\alpha) = \pm 2$ . Thus  $\rho(\alpha) \sim \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Using the assumption, we can show that the former holds.

4-dim  $R_0$   $t^{-1}(x)$  3-dim

$\downarrow t$

$x \in X_0$  1-dim

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### Proposition [Prop 1.5.4, CGLS]

Let  $0 \neq \alpha, \delta \in H_1(\partial M; \mathbb{Z})$  and  $x \in X_0^\nu$ .

Assume  $Z_x(f_\alpha) > Z_x(f_\delta) \geq 0$  (thus  $\text{tr } \rho(\alpha) = \pm 2$ ).

$$\tilde{\rho} \in (t^\nu)^{-1}(x) \implies \nu(\tilde{\rho})(\alpha) = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We use the following lemma.

### Lemma [Lem 1.5.7, CGLS]

$K$  : a field,  $v : K^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  : a discrete valuation

$\mathcal{O} = \{f \in K \mid v(f) \geq 0\}$  : the DVR.

$\mathcal{M} = \{f \in K \mid v(f) > 0\}$  : its maximal ideal

For  $A, B \in \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O})$  s.t.  $[A, B] = 0$ ,

$$v((\text{tr } A)^2 - 4) > v((\text{tr } B)^2 - 4) \implies A \equiv \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\mathcal{M}}.$$

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Sketch.

(After taking a quadratic field extension)  $A$  and  $B$  are simultaneously upper triangulable:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & x \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} b & y \\ 0 & b^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (x, y, a^{\pm 1}, b^{\pm 1} \in \mathcal{O}).$$

$$\text{Since } (\mathrm{tr} A)^2 - 4 = (a + a^{-1})^2 - 4 = (a - a^{-1})^2, \\ v((\mathrm{tr} A)^2 - 4) = 2 \cdot v(a - a^{-1}).$$

Thus  $v((\mathrm{tr} A)^2 - 4) > v((\mathrm{tr} B)^2 - 4)$  implies  $v(a - a^{-1}) > v(b - b^{-1})$ . Thus  $v(a - a^{-1}) > 0$ , which implies  $a \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{\mathcal{M}}$ .

Since  $A$  and  $B$  commute,  $(b - b^{-1})x = (a - a^{-1})y$ , thus

$$v(x) \geq v(x) - v(y) = v(a - a^{-1}) - v(b - b^{-1}) > 0.$$

$v(x) > 0$  means  $x \in \mathcal{M}$ , i.e.  $x \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathcal{M}}$ . □

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Proposition [Prop 1.5.4, CGLS]

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Assume  $Z_x(f_\alpha) > Z_x(f_\delta) \geq 0$  (thus  $\text{tr } \rho(\alpha) = \pm 2$ ).

$$\tilde{\rho} \in (t^\nu)^{-1}(x) \implies \nu(\tilde{\rho})(\alpha) = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Sketch. For each component  $Q \subset (t^\nu)^{-1}(x) \subset R_0^\nu$ , since  $Q \subset R_0^\nu$  is a codimension 1 subvariety,  $Q$  determines a discrete valuation  $w$  on  $F = \mathbb{C}(R_0^\nu) = \mathbb{C}(R_0)$ . Let  $v$  be the valuation corresponding to  $x = t^\nu(Q) \in X_0^\nu$ . Then  $\exists d \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $w|_{\mathbb{C}(X_0)^*} = d \cdot v$ . Since  $x \in X_0^\nu$  is non-ideal, we have

$$Z_x(f_\delta) < Z_x(f_\alpha) = v(f_\alpha) = \frac{1}{d} w((\text{tr } P(\alpha))^2 - 4)$$

where  $P : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}(R_0))$  is the tautological rep.

Likewise for  $\delta$ . Thus the assumption implies

$w((\text{tr } P(\alpha))^2 - 4) > w((\text{tr } P(\delta))^2 - 4)$ , thus by Lem 1.5.7,

$P(\alpha) = \pm I \pmod{\mathcal{M}_w$ . This means that, for  $\rho \in \nu(Q)$ ,

$\rho(\alpha) = \pm I$ . □

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Q} \subset t^{-1}(x) \subset R_0 & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \uparrow \\ \uparrow(\mathbb{Q}) \subset X_0 & & \\ \parallel & & \\ \mathbb{Z} & & \\ \downarrow & & \\ \nu & & \end{array}$$



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