

Topics in Topology

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Topics: This course will cover the topology of 3-manifolds, interpreted broadly. No background beyond the standard first-year graduate material will be assumed. The focus will be on techniques that are useful elsewhere (especially in group theory), as well as examples. One major goal will be to carefully explain the motivation for and statement of Thurston's Geometrization Conjecture, as proved by Perelman. Other topics will depend on the interests of the audience.

Text: I won't follow a textbook, but I'll post references to the course website as we go.

Grading: To get an A in the class, you should show up to the lectures and also act as the "scribe" for 2-3 of them (depending on enrollment). The scribe should prepare good lecture notes for that lecture that I can post on the course website. There is a sign-up sheet on the website for scribe duties.

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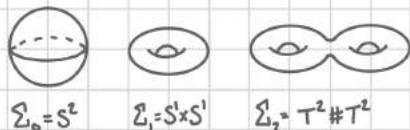
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Reminder: The following is a complete list of compact, connected orientable, n-manifolds,

dim 0: a point (pt)

dim 1: S^1 (also \mathbb{R} if not compact)

dim 2: Σ_g = genus g surfaces (without orientable, also need connected sum of \mathbb{RP}^2 ; without compact, also terror) $\Sigma_g \setminus \text{center}$



dim 3: Geometrization Theorem (conjectured by Thurston, proved by Perelman) is sort of a classification

dim 4: no hope for classification

main goal of course: learn the statement and context for dimension 3

Technical Remarks:

differentiable everywhere \rightsquigarrow

Piecewise linear
i.e. has atlases

- In low dimensions, there is no difference between top, smooth, and PL-manifolds (Rado in dim 2, Moise in dim 3)
I will ignore these point-set differences
- This will not be a fundamental course in smooth or PL-topology
Trust me for technical details (will post notes on PL topology on website)

Dimension 3 Examples

easy ex. S^3 , \mathbb{RP}^3 , $T^3 = S^1 \times S^1 \times S^1$

lie group ex.

- $SO(3) = \{M \in GL_3(\mathbb{R}) \mid M \text{ preserves dot product}\} \cong \mathbb{RP}^3$
- $SU(2) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \in GL_2(\mathbb{C}) \mid |a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1 \right\} \cong \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1\} = S^3$
- $H_3(\mathbb{R})$ = Heisenberg group = $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$
not compact, but

fun fact

interesting

has cocompact lattice $H_3(\mathbb{Z})$ so $H_3(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash H_3(\mathbb{R})$ is a compact 3-manifold

important ex. Γ is top. sp.
 G is gp. action Γ/G is compact

Γ is only element
of finite order

$\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{C}) / SU(2)$, $\dim(\Gamma) = \dim(SL_2(\mathbb{C})) - \dim(SU(2)) = 6 - 3 = 3$ not compact

But, if $\Gamma \subset SL_2(\mathbb{C})$ is discrete, torsion free subgroup then $\Gamma \cap SU(2)$ = discrete, compact, torsion free = 1

$\Rightarrow \Gamma \backslash H^3$ freely on the left. Additionally, if Γ is cocompact then $\Gamma \backslash H^3 = \Gamma \backslash SL_2(\mathbb{C}) / SU(2)$ is a compact 3-manifold

Geometrization roughly says most 3-manifolds can be uniquely written of this form (none of ours listed can)

$\Sigma_g \times S^1$

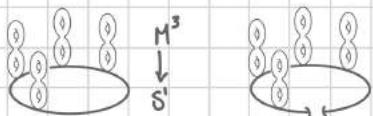
locally product space, part of product

the projection $f: \Sigma_g \times S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ makes it into a fiber bundle with fiber Σ_g

basic top. fact: A fiber bundle over a contractible space is trivial (i.e. a product)

can shrink
to a point

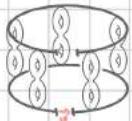
Consider a fiber bundle $f: M^3 \rightarrow S^1$ with fiber Σ_g . What does this look like?



remove small U = (-epsilon, epsilon)

$[-\epsilon, \epsilon]$ and $S^1 \setminus (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ are both contractible so $A = f^{-1}([- \epsilon, \epsilon])$ and $B = f^{-1}(S^1 \setminus (-\epsilon, \epsilon))$ are trivial fiber bundles $A = \Sigma_g \times [-\epsilon, \epsilon]$ and $B = \Sigma_g \times (S^1 \setminus (-\epsilon, \epsilon))$ which are glued together at $\Sigma_g \times -\epsilon$ and $\Sigma_g \times \epsilon$.

isomorphism of smooth manifolds
 \Rightarrow There must exist a diffeomorphism $\psi: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$
 s.t. $M^3 = \Sigma_g \times [0,1] / (p,1) \sim (\psi(p),0)$ notation for this is $M^3 = M_g$



Remarks on mapping tori

- If ψ is isotopic to ψ' then $M_g \cong M_{\psi'}$
 ↗ homotopy but every point is a diffeomorphism
- M_ψ is orientable $\Leftrightarrow \psi$ is orientation preserving

def The mapping class group of Σ_g is $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g) = \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g) / \text{isotopy}$

so M_g only depends on image of ψ in $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$

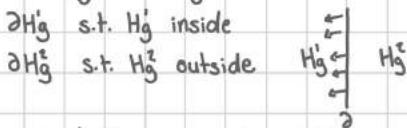
Theorem (Agol). If M^3 a compact hyperbolic 3-manifold then M^3 has finite cover that is M_g for some $\psi \in \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$
 ↗ most of them by geometrization

ex. A genus g handlebody H_g is $H_g = \textcircled{---}$ so $\partial H_g \cong \Sigma_g$

Take two genus g handlebodies H_g^i and H_g^e

Goal: Glue together to get oriented 3-manifold

orient ∂H_g^i s.t. H_g^i inside



∂H_g^e s.t. H_g^e outside

H_g^e

H_g^i

Choose orientation-preserving diffeomorphism $f_i: \partial H_g^i \rightarrow \Sigma_g$

Pick diffeo. $\psi: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ and define $H_\psi = H_g^i \sqcup H_g^e / \begin{matrix} \text{for } p \in \partial H_g^i \\ p \sim f_i^{-1} \psi(f_i(p)) \end{matrix}$ is a Heegaard splitting of 3-manifold

ex. $S^3 =$ two 3-balls glued along boundary

$$U = \{(a,b,c,d) \in S^3 \mid d \geq 0\} \text{ and } V = \{(a,b,c,d) \in S^3 \mid d \leq 0\}$$

Heegaard splitting along id: $S^2 \rightarrow S^2$.

Construction

Given genus g H_g can stabilize to get genus $(g+1)$



drill out of H_g



drill in also gives a new handle

Lecture 02: August 25, 2021

Last time

Defined Heegaard splitting of M^3 a decomposition into two handlebodies w/ a (boundary) glued together.



Alt. def. Given M^3 , a Heegaard surface in M^3 is embedded closed surface $\Sigma \hookrightarrow M^3$ s.t. if you cut M^3 open along Σ , you get two handlebodies

ex. usual $S^1 \hookrightarrow S^3$



ex. usual torus in S^3 is Heegaard surface



^{it is why}
"clear" inside a genus-1 handlebody $D^2 \times S^1$
but why "outside"?

What is a handlebody

H_g = handlebody of genus g
= 3-manifold bounded by Σ_g
 $\partial H_g = \Sigma_g$



Alt. def. Pick a finite graph, $G \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

Let $H = \epsilon$ -thick of G .

H is a handlebody of genus $g = b_1(G)$.



Formula-Based Argument (for examples of handlebody)

$$S^3 = \{ (z, w) \mid |z|^2 + |w|^2 = 1 \} \cong \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$S^1 \times S^1 = T = \{ (z, w) \mid |z|^2 = \frac{1}{2}, |w|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \} \cong \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$\text{"inside } T\text{"} = \{ (z, w) \mid |z|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}, |z|^2 + |w|^2 = 1 \} \cong D^2 \times S^1$$

\hookrightarrow 2-coord disc, for every z, w / $|z|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}$

w that work are a circle, $|w|^2 = 1 - |z|^2$

$$\text{"outside } T\text{"} = \{ (z, w) \mid |z|^2 + |w|^2 = 1, |w|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \} \cong S^1 \times D^2$$

Theorem: Let M^3 be compact, oriented 3-manifold without boundary. Then M^3 has a Heegaard splitting.

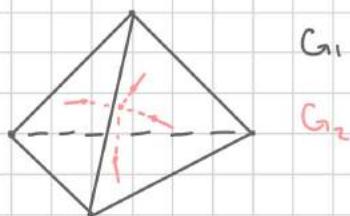
proof. Fix a triangulation of M .

Let $G = 1\text{-skeleton } M^3$; a graph in M^3 .

Let $G_1 =$ dual graph to triangulation.

vertices = on in middle of 3-simplex Δ_i ,

edges = connect $v_i \in \Delta_i$ to $v_j \in \Delta_j$ if $\Delta_i \cap \Delta_j =$ triangle



Let $U_i =$ slightly thicken up G_i (a handle body). As you thicken up G_i , U_i start out disjoint. Imagine thickening up more and more until they touch at boundary. Then $M^3 = U_1 \cup U_2$ w/ $U_1 \cap U_2 = \partial U_1 = \partial U_2$. Hence $\partial U_1 = \partial U_2$, a Heegaard surface.

Recall: For compact oriented closed surface Σ , the mapping class group $\text{Mod}(\Sigma)$ is $\text{Diff}^+(\Sigma)/\text{isotopy}$

Theorem (Epstein). If $f, g: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$ are diffeomorphisms (Σ as above) that are homotopic, then f is isotopic to g .
 $\Rightarrow \text{Mod}(\Sigma) = \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma)/\text{homotopy}$

Theorem. $\text{Mod}(S^2) = 1$.

Proof. Given orientation preserving diffeo $f: S^2 \rightarrow S^2$. We know f is a degree-1 map. Hence f and $\text{id}: S^2 \rightarrow S^2$ are the same element of $\pi_1(S^2) = \mathbb{Z}$ (= is degree), so f is homotopic to id . Hence f is isotopic to id . \square

Theorem. $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_i) \cong \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$
 $\text{s.t. } \gamma \mapsto \gamma$

Proof. We have $\psi: \text{Mod}(\Sigma_i) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H_1(\Sigma_i)) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}^2) = \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$.

Poincaré duality ex: some elements of $\text{Mod}(\Sigma)$ are orientation preserving, $\text{im}(\psi) \subseteq \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$.

The map $\text{Diffeo}(T^2) \xrightarrow{\text{def}} \text{GL}_2 \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\det} \pm 1$ is the same map as $\text{Diffeo}(T^2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H_1(\Sigma_i)) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}^2) = \pm 1$.

(claim 1) $\psi: \text{Mod}(\Sigma_i) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$ is surjective.

Proof. Given $M \in \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$, we have a linear map $L_M: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ that preserves \mathbb{Z}^2 .

L_M descends to $f_M: \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2$ and $\psi(f_M) = M$. \square

(claim 2) $\psi: \text{Mod}(\Sigma_i) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H_1(\Sigma_i))$ is injective.

Proof. Consider $f: \Sigma_i \rightarrow \Sigma_i$, s.t. f acts trivially on $H_1(\Sigma_i)$. We want to prove f is homotopic to id .

Let $\# \in \Sigma_i$ be inverse of 0 under universal cover $\pi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \Sigma_i = \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2$. Homotopy f , can assign $f(\#) = \#$.

Lift f to $\tilde{f}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ with $\tilde{f}(0) = 0$. The map \tilde{f} takes \mathbb{Z}^2 to \mathbb{Z}^2 . Moreover, the map $\tilde{f}|_{\mathbb{Z}^2}: \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^2$ is

an action on $\pi_1(\Sigma_i) = H_1(\Sigma_i) = \mathbb{Z}^2$. So $\tilde{f}|_{\mathbb{Z}^2} = \text{id}$. Let $\tilde{f}_t: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be $\tilde{f}_t(p) = (1-t)\tilde{f}(p) + t\text{id}$. Since \tilde{f}

commutes w/ deck group \mathbb{Z}^2 and fixes \mathbb{Z}^2 , we know \tilde{f}_t descends to homotopy $f_t: \Sigma_i \rightarrow \Sigma_i$ w/

$f_0 = f$ and $f_1 = \text{id}$. \square

Thus ψ is an isomorphism. \square

Def. An element $v \in H_1(\Sigma_g)$ is primitive if we cannot write $v = kw$ for $k \geq 2$ and $w \in H_1(\Sigma_g)$.

Theorem. A non-zero $v \in H_1(\Sigma_g) = \mathbb{Z}^{2g}$ can be written as $v = [\gamma]$ for γ an oriented simple closed curve (SCC) iff v is primitive.

no crossing

Proof. \Rightarrow Assume $v = [\gamma]$, $v \neq 0 \Rightarrow \gamma$ non-intersecting. Can find oriented SCC s that intersects γ once. Assume $v = kw$ with $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $w \in H_1(\Sigma_g)$. Then let $i_{\text{alg}}: H_1(\Sigma_g) \times H_1(\Sigma_g) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be the algebraic intersection pairing. Then $k = i_{\text{alg}}([\gamma], [s]) = i_{\text{alg}}(kw, [s]) = k \cdot i_{\text{alg}}(w, [s])$ so $k = \pm 1$, i.e. primitive.
 \Leftarrow Assume v is primitive.



(Step 1) Find disjoint oriented SCC $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$ with $v = \sum [\gamma_i]$.

Proof. can realize $v = [\gamma']$ w/ γ' not simple. Can assume all self-intersections of γ' are transverse, and resolve them. This turns γ' into union of disjoint SCC without changing homology class.



(Step 2) Choose $v = \sum_{i=1}^n [\gamma_i]$ with minimal n . Then $n=1$.

Proof. Let $S \subseteq \Sigma_g$ be a component of Σ_g cut open along γ . Hence ∂S = a bunch of γ :

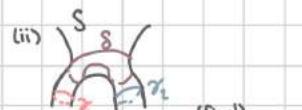
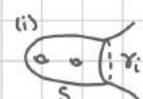
(i) ∂S has ≥ 2 components. otherwise, ∂S is null-homologous γ and discard γ .

(ii) For any two components γ_i and γ_j of ∂S , γ_i lies on different sides.

Otherwise, $[\gamma] = [\gamma_i] + [\gamma_j]$ and we can decrease n by replacing $\gamma_i \neq \gamma_j$ by γ .

So, ∂S must have exactly 2 components and γ_1 and γ_2 lay on different sides of them, i.e. $[\gamma_1] = [\gamma_2]$. Hence in $v = [\gamma_1] + \dots + [\gamma_n]$ with all terms the same. Let $u = [\gamma_1]$,

we have $v = n \cdot u$, but $n=1$ by primitivity. \square



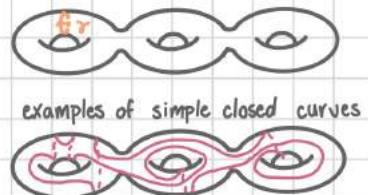
$$\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 = \gamma$$

Lecture 03: August 30th, 2021

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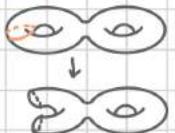
- a. $\text{Mod}(\Sigma) = \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma)/\text{isotopy} = \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$
- b. For $v \in H_1(\Sigma_g)$ nonzero, we can write $v = [\gamma]$ with γ a nonseparating oriented simple closed curve iff v is primitive, i.e. cannot write $v = kw$ for $k \geq 2$.

There are many nonseparating simple closed curves.



Theorem. Given any oriented nonseparating simple closed curves γ_1, γ_2 on Σ_g , there exists a $f \in \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g)$ with $f(\gamma_1) = \gamma_2$.

proof. Let $S_i = \Sigma_g$ cut along γ_i . S_i are connected 2 boundary components, $\chi(S_i) = \chi(\Sigma_g)$. classification of surfaces $\Rightarrow S_i \cong$ genus $(g-1)$ surface with 2 boundary components. we can find diffeo $\tilde{f}: S_i \rightarrow S_i$. Glue 2-components together, get f with $f(\gamma_1) = \gamma_2$. \downarrow maximal connected subset (of the boundary)



Remark K: For Σ , we can prove theorem b from a.

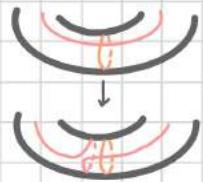
given primitive $v = (a, b) \in H_1(\Sigma) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$. we know $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ so there exists $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $ac + bd = 1$. set $f = \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z} = \text{Mod}(\Sigma)$. Then letting $\gamma = (1, 0) \in H_1(\Sigma)$, $f(\gamma) = a\gamma$ is a curve with boundary class (a, b) . $\text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z} = \{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}, ad - bc = 1 \}$

= special linear group of degree 2 over the field \mathbb{Z}

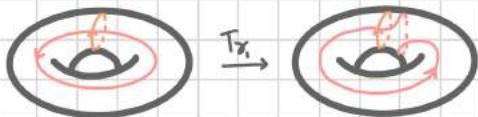
notation. Σ_g^n = genus g surface with n boundary components, $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n) = \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^n, \partial \Sigma_g^n) / \text{isotopy}$

fix a pointwise

def. Given simple closed curve on S , the Dehn twist $T_\gamma \in \text{Mod}(S)$ is "cut along γ , give 360° twist, reglue"



example. the matrices $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in $\text{Mod}(\Sigma) = \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$ are Dehn twist (or their inverses are).



$$T_{\gamma_1}(\gamma_2) = (-1, 1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$ is generated by $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow \text{Mod}(\Sigma)$ is generated by Dehn twist

Theorem. (Dehn, Lickorish). $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n)$ is generated by Dehn twists

True for $\text{Mod}(\Sigma) = \text{SL}_2 \mathbb{Z}$, $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_0) = 1$, $\text{Mod}(\Sigma'_0) = 1$

proof done by induction on genus g and number of boundary components n .

step 1: If $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$ generated by Dehn twists, so is $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n)$ for all $n \geq 0$

step 2: Given any nonseparating oriented simple closed curve γ_1 and γ_2 on Σ_g exists product f of Dehn twists s.t. $f(\gamma_1) = \gamma_2$

claim: step 2 implies that if $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_{g-1}^2)$ generated by Dehn twists then so is $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$.

(will prove $g \geq 2$)

proof of claim. Consider $f \in \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$. Let $\gamma = \text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$. By step 2, can multiply by Dehn twists s.t. $f(\gamma) = \gamma$. Gluing 2-components together gives homomorphism $\pi: \text{Mod}(\Sigma_{g-1}^2) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$, $\text{Im}(\pi) =$ mapping classes fix γ .



So we can write $f = \pi(f')$, write f' = product of Dehn twists, $\pi(D.T.) = D.T.$ so f is a product of Dehn twists. //

Black Box Theorem (g22) Given nonseparating simple closed curve γ, γ' there exists a sequence $\gamma = \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_k = \gamma'$ of nonseparating simple closed curves s.t.

- $\gamma_i \notin \gamma_{i+1}$ are disjoint
- $\gamma_i \cup \gamma_{i+1}$ does not separate

example.



$$\gamma = \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 = \gamma'$$

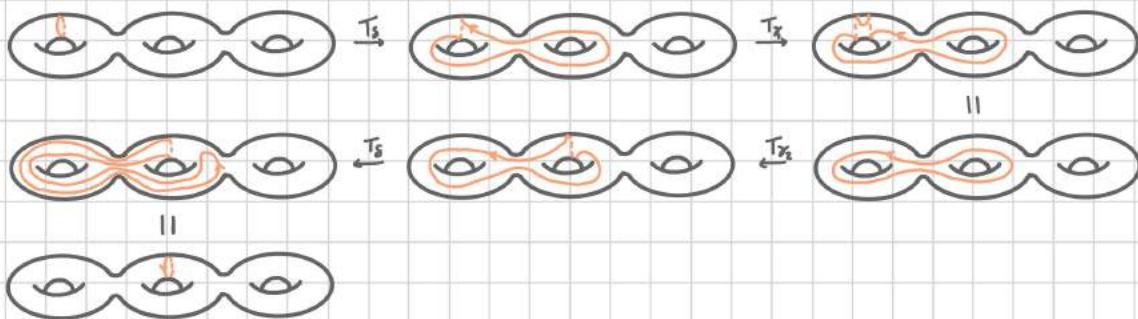
proof of black box is combinatorial. start cutting curve open, splicing pieces together to decurve # intersecting points (will post link to proof on course website)

proof of step 2. Consider nonseparating simple closed curve γ_1 and γ_2 . Want to find a product f of Dehn twists s.t. $f(\gamma_1) = \gamma_2$.

By Black Box, we can assume $\gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2 = \emptyset$ and $\gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2$ is nonseparating. Using classification of surfaces, we can assume γ_1 and γ_2 are



Use $f = T_{\gamma_1} T_{\gamma_2} T_{\gamma_1} T_{\gamma_2}$. We want $f(\gamma_1) = \gamma_2$.



Construction. Let ∂_0 be a boundary component of Σ_g^n

Regard $\Sigma_g^{n-1} = \Sigma_g^n$ with disk D glued to ∂_0



Restricting elements of $\text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1})$ to D gives map $\varphi: \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1}, \partial_0) \rightarrow \text{Emb}(D, \Sigma_g^{n-1})$.

Basic fact: φ is a fiber bundle and if $i: D \hookrightarrow \Sigma_g^{n-1}$ inclusion, $\varphi^{-1}(i) = \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1}, \partial_0)$ and $D \cong \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1}, \partial_0)$
So I have fiber bundle $\text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^n, \partial_0) \hookrightarrow \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1}, \partial_0) \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Emb}^+(D, \Sigma_g^{n-1})$

Delete interior of D

Look at long exact sequence in π_1 ,

$$\pi_1(\text{Emb}^+(D, \Sigma_g^{n-1})) \rightarrow \pi_1(D, \text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1}, \partial_0)) \rightarrow \pi_1(\text{Diff}^+(\Sigma_g^{n-1}, \partial_0)) \rightarrow \pi_1(\text{Mod}(D, \Sigma_g^{n-1})) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n) \qquad \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^{n-1}) \qquad \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^{n-1})$$

$\text{Emb}^+(D, \Sigma_g^{n-1})$ = choice of point $p \in \Sigma_g^{n-1}$ and oriented tubular neighborhood of p \simeq oriented frame bundle of $\Sigma_g^{n-1} \simeq \text{UT} \Sigma_g^{n-1}$

Summary, we have exact sequence $\pi_1(\text{UT} \Sigma_g^{n-1}) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^{n-1}) \rightarrow 1$

a fiber bundle
 $\pi: P \rightarrow X$
w/o continuous
right action
 $P \times G \rightarrow P$
s.t. G preserves
the fibers of P

principal fiber bundle $F(E)$
of a vector bundle E, which
consist of all ordered bases
of the vector space attached
to each point.

Lecture 04: September 1st, 2021

Recall Proving:

Theorem: $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n)$ given by Dehn twists T_γ



- proven: $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_1), \text{Mod}(\Sigma_0), \text{Mod}(\Sigma_{g-1}^2)$ is generated by T_γ 's
- For $g \geq 2$, if $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_{g-1}^2)$ is generated by Dehn twists so is $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$

$\nwarrow \Sigma_g$ cut along nonseparating curve



Remains to Show:

Step 1: If $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$ generated by Dehn twists, so is $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n)$

key tool from last time:

(Birman Exact Sequence (weak version)) $\pi_1(\text{Emb}^+(D^2, \Sigma_g^{n-1})) \xrightarrow{\beta} \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^{n-1}) \rightarrow 1$

Define $\text{Mod}_{DT}(\Sigma_g^n)$ = subgroup of $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n)$ generated by Dehn twists

By induction, we know $\text{Mod}_{DT}(\Sigma_g^{n-1}) = \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^{n-1})$.

Also clear that $\psi(DT) = DT$ so $\psi(\text{Mod}_{DT}(\Sigma_g^n)) = \text{Mod}_{DT}(\Sigma_g^{n-1}) = \text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^{n-1})$.

Hence, we have enough to prove $\text{Im}(\beta) \subseteq \text{Mod}_{DT}(\Sigma_g^n)$.

$\text{Im}(\beta) = \text{"Disc-pushing subgroup"}$

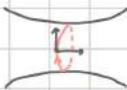
$\text{Emb}^+(D^2, \Sigma_g^{n-1}) = \text{pairs } (p, \text{tubular neighborhood of } p) \text{ with } p \in \Sigma_g^{n-1}$
 $\cong \text{Frames}^+(T\Sigma_g^{n-1})$

Two Kinds of loops in $\text{Frame}^+(T\Sigma_g^{n-1})$ gen π_1 :

• rotate base frame without moving

• parallel translation of frame about a sec on the surface

$\xrightarrow{\text{rotate by } 2\pi} \pi_1(\text{Frame}^+(T\Sigma_g^{n-1})) = \pi_1(\text{Emb}^+(D^2, \Sigma_g^{n-1}))$
 $\beta(r) = \text{rotate disc } D \text{ glued to } \partial\Sigma_g^{n-1}$



i.e. $\beta(r) = \text{Dehn twist about component of } \partial\Sigma_g^n$

In $\text{Emb}^+(D^2, \Sigma_g^{n-1})$ this drags D around a loop



Addendum: In fact,

Theorem: $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g^n)$ is generated by finitely many Dehn twists

$$\beta(\text{loop}) = T_x T_x^{-1} \in \text{Mod}_{DT}(\Sigma_g^n)$$

$n=0$ can use the following (Humphries):



Knots

def. A knot in M^3 is a smooth embedding $S^1 \hookrightarrow M^3$

examples.



unknot

trefoil

figure 8

Consider knots $K_1 \in K_2$ equivalent if we can get from one to the other by:

- reverse direction
- ambient isotopy ($f_i : M \rightarrow M$ family of diffeo w/ $f_0 = \text{id}$)

Q. How to tell knots apart?

Knot complement $M \setminus K$ is very interesting 3-manifold, even for $M = S^3$ invariants of $M \setminus K$ (or $M \setminus \overset{\circ}{\text{nb}(K)}$)
 (π_1, H_1, \dots) of $M \setminus K$ give invariants of K)

Theorem (Gordon-Luecke '89). For knots $K_1, K_2 \hookrightarrow S^3$, K_1 equivalent to $K_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists$ orientation preserving diffeo $\phi : S^3 \setminus K_1 \rightarrow S^3 \setminus K_2$

example. $S^3 \setminus \text{neighborhood}(\text{unknot}) = D^2 \times S^1$ so $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus \text{unknot}) = \mathbb{Z}$

Theorem (Papakyria Kopoulous). Fix knot $K \subseteq S^3$. $K = \text{unknot} \Leftrightarrow \pi_1(S^3 \setminus K) = \mathbb{Z}$.

H_1 is not so useful:

Lemma. For knot $K \subseteq S^3$, $H_1(S^3 \setminus K) = \mathbb{Z}$
 $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus K)^{\text{ab}}$

proof. Either

- Alexander duality (If you have a polyhedron is S^n then the homology is determined by the polyhedron) ^{the circle} in this case
- $S^3 = (S^3 \setminus K) \cup (\overset{\circ}{\text{nb}(K)})$ with intersection $\cong T^2$, use Mayer-Vietoris

def. For $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ relatively prime, the (p, q) -torus knot $T_{p,q}$ is a knot in S^3 that equals the scc on usual $T^2 \hookrightarrow S^3$ corresponding to $(p, q) \in H_1(T^2) = \pi_1(T^2) = \mathbb{Z}^2$



example. trefoil = $T_{2,3}$



Theorem. For $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ coprime $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus T_{p,q}) = \langle x, y \mid x^p = y^q \rangle$

proof. Let $U = \text{inside of } T^2 \cong D^2 \times S^1$, $V = \text{outside of } T^2 \cong D^2 \times S^1$, $U \cap V = T^2$. $U' = U \setminus T_{p,q} \xrightarrow{\text{he}} S'$, $V' = V \setminus T_{p,q} \xrightarrow{\text{he}} S'$.

Seifert van Kampen Diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1(U' \cap V') \rightarrow \pi_1(V') & \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{p} \mathbb{Z} = \langle x \rangle \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \pi_1(U') \rightarrow \pi_1(S^3 \setminus T_{p,q}) & \mathbb{Z} = \langle y \rangle \rightarrow \pi_1(S^3 \setminus T_{p,q}) & \end{array} \quad \text{this pushout diagram preserves } \langle x, y \mid x^p = y^q \rangle$$

Now Bass-Serre theory

$$Z(C_p * C_q) = \text{trivial} \Rightarrow \langle x^p \rangle = Z(G) \Rightarrow G / Z(G) = C_p * C_q \neq$$

Construction: Given knot $K \hookrightarrow M^3$, Dehn surgery along K is

- remove $\overset{\circ}{\text{nb}}(K) = D^2 \times S^1$
- glue back in some other way

regluing data = self-map of $\partial \overset{\circ}{\text{nb}}(K) = T^2$
 $= SL_2 \mathbb{Z}$

(need much less info) next time!

Theorem. Every component oriented 3-manifold can be obtained as surgery on some link in S^3
^{↑ knot w/ multiple parts}

Lecture 05: September 6th, 2021

Recall: If M is a 3-manifold, $K \hookrightarrow M$ a knot, then surgery on K is a 2-step process:

- (drilling) Cut out $Nb(K) = D^2 \times S^1$ to get a 3-manifold M' w/ new boundary components $\partial \cong S^1 \times S^1$
- (filling) Given 3-manifold M' and boundary components $\partial \cong S^1 \times S^1$, choose homeomorphism $f: \partial(D^2 \times S^1) \cong \partial$, glue $D^2 \times S^1$ to M' to get 3-manifold \hat{M}

process: Drill $D^2 \times S^1$ out of ambient space with boundary component $S^1 \times S^1$, Fill in $S^1 \times D^2$ by homeomorphism

Q. How to enumerate choice of homeomorphism?

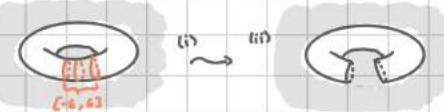


new solid torus from drilling out unknot

$U = \partial(D^2 \times S^1)$ bounds a disk in $D^2 \times S^1$

To do a Dehn filling:

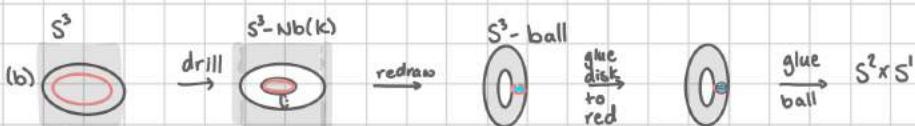
- Attach $D^2 \times [-\epsilon, \epsilon]$ = tubular neighborhood of D^2 bounded by U , along $f(\partial(D^2 \times [-\epsilon, \epsilon]))$ creating a 3-manifold w/ S^2 -boundary component
- Glue D^3 to S^2 -boundary component
(only one way to do this for orientation)



Upshot: To specify surgery, it is enough to specify $f(U) \subseteq \partial = S^1 \times S^1$. In other words, for surgery on a knot K , the piece of data needed to specify surgery is a non-nullhomotopic scc on $\partial Nb(K)$.

Example by picture (knot = gray, surgery curve = pink):

(a) trivial surgery



Fact: For knots in S^3 , we can parametrize pink (surgery) curves by elements of $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ by "slopes of surgery" nontrivial scc on $S^1 \times S^1 \hookrightarrow$ elements of $H_1(S^1 \times S^1) = \mathbb{Z}^2$. So we need to specify basis for $H_1(\partial(S^3 \setminus Nb(K)))$

two curves (meridian and longitude):

- meridian curve: choose pt. p_{rk}, take ϵ -ball B around p



$B^3 \setminus Nb(K) =$ solid torus



the meridian is unique (up to homotopy)
loop on $\partial(B \setminus Nb(K)) = S^1 \times S^1$ that does not
bound a disk in $B \setminus Nb(K)$

eg.



canonical, varying p
just moves pink
curve around knot.

* Given a knot $K \hookrightarrow M^3$, where the meridian $m \in \partial N(K)$ makes sense. A longitude is any curve in $\partial N(K)$ that intersects m exactly once.



The pair (meridian, longitude) is the basis for $H_1(M \setminus N(K)) = \mathbb{Z}^2$.

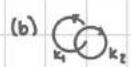
In S^3 , there is a way to choose canonical longitude.

def. Given disjoint oriented knots k_1, k_2 in S^3 , their linking number is defined as follows:
we know $H_1(S^3 \setminus K) \cong \mathbb{Z}$, then $lk(k_1, k_2)$ = elements of $H_1(S^3 \setminus K) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ given by k_2
↑ orientation on k_1 specify isometry

examples:



$$lk(k_1, k_2) = 0$$



$$lk(k_1, k_2) = 1$$



$$lk(k_1, k_2) = -1$$

Recipe for computing $lk(k_1, k_2)$:

Draw link diagram, look at all places where k_2 crosses under k_1 , each crossing gets a sign, $lk(k_1, k_2)$ = sum of these signs



def. The canonical longitude of $K \hookrightarrow S^3$ is the unique $l \subseteq \partial N(K)$ that intersects the meridian once and $lk(l, K) = 0$.

examples:



$$lk = 0$$



nonexample



$$lk = 0$$

$$lk(l, K) = -3$$

Naming surgeries:



$$\text{---} \xrightarrow{\circ} S^3$$



$$\text{---} \xrightarrow{\circ} S^2 \times S^1$$

def. Given $K \hookrightarrow M^3$, surgery with surgery curve a longitude is called an integral surgery ($\text{in } S^3$, slope $\in \mathbb{Z}$).

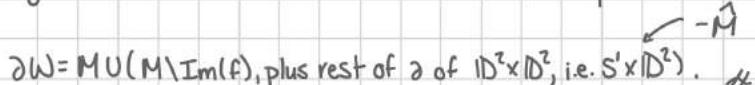
Thm. If \hat{M} is obtained by integral surgery on a knot in closed oriented 3-manifold M , then M and \hat{M} are cobordant,
i.e. there exists compact oriented 4-manifold W with $\partial W = -\hat{M} \sqcup M$
↑ with opposite orientation

pf. Given longitude l for surgery on K and meridian m , we can find
 $f: D^2 \times S^1 \rightarrow M$ with $f(\circ \times S^1) = K$, $f(S^1 \times \{0\}) = M$, and $f(S^1 \times \{1\}) = l$.



Let $W = (M \times [0, 1]) \sqcup (D^2 \times D^2) / \sim$ where
 \sim glues $D^2 \times S^1 \subseteq D^2 \times D^2$ to $M \times 1$ via f .



$\partial W = M \sqcup (M \setminus \text{Im}(f))$, plus rest of ∂ of $D^2 \times D^2$, i.e. $S^1 \times D^2$. 

$$\sim$$

$$-M$$

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Given M , a 3-manifold, and Σ , a surface in M that cuts M into sub-3-manifolds X and Y such that $M = X \sqcup Y / \text{glue}$: $\Sigma \hookrightarrow \partial X$ to $\Sigma' \hookrightarrow \partial Y$ via homeomorphism $\psi: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$. Consider a homeomorphism $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$, and let $M' = X \sqcup Y / \text{glue}$ via $\psi \circ f: \Sigma \xrightarrow{\cong} \Sigma'$. When is $M \cong M'$?

Lemma. If f extends to a homeomorphism $F: X \rightarrow X$, then $M \cong M'$.

p.f. Define $\alpha: M \rightarrow M'$ by $\alpha|_X = F$ and $\alpha|_Y = \text{id}$. Then α is a homeomorphism. \square

example. Consider the Heegaard splitting $M = H_g \sqcup H_g' / \sim$ with gluing map $\psi: \partial H_g \rightarrow \partial H_g'$.

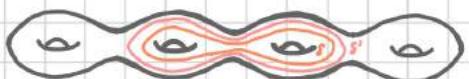


Let $\gamma = \text{scc}$ on ∂H_g that bounds a disk D in H_g . Then T_γ extends to a "disk + twist" in H_g .



Lemma. Given the notation from the example, $M = H_g \sqcup H_g' / \text{glue}$ via $\psi \circ T_\gamma$.

We could also take γ, γ' disjoint curves on ∂H_g that bounds an annulus (i.e. $I \times S^1$) in H_g . Then $T_\gamma T_{\gamma'}$ extends to an "annulus twist" in H_g by cutting along the annulus and twisting.



Theorem. Let M , a 3-manifold, be of the form $M = X \sqcup Y / \sim$ where $X, Y \subseteq M$ are sub-3-manifolds and \sim glues components $\Sigma \subseteq \partial X$ to $\Sigma' \subseteq \partial Y$ via homeomorphism $\psi: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$. Let $\gamma \subseteq \Sigma$ be a scc and set $M' = X \sqcup Y / \text{glue}$ via $\psi \circ T_\gamma: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$. Then M' is obtained from M by integral surgery on a knot $K \hookrightarrow X$. \leftarrow interior

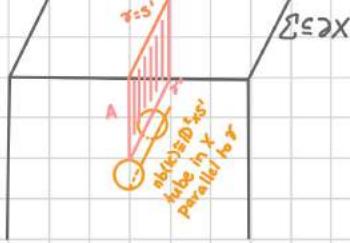
p.f. T_γ might not extend to X , so M' and M might not be the same. But, let $X_i = X$ with neighborhood of K drilled out. Then define $M_i = X_i \sqcup Y_i / \text{glue}$ via ψ and $M'_i = X_i \sqcup Y_i / \text{glue}$ via $\psi \circ T_\gamma$.

claim: $M_i \cong M'_i$. In fact, T_γ extends to X_i ,

(hence M' is obtained by surgery on K).

$A = \text{annulus } (I \times S^1)$ bounded by γ and the curve γ' on $\text{nb}(K)$ parallel to γ . Then $T_\gamma: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$ extends to an annulus twist in X_i along $T_\gamma T_{\gamma'}$ which is an integral surgery.

Take a transversal cut of X_i to receive cross section:



corollary. Every closed oriented 3-manifold M can be obtained by integral surgery on link in S^3 .

p.f. M has Heegaard splitting, $M = H_g \sqcup H_g' / \sim$ with \sim glues $\Sigma = \partial H_g$ to $\Sigma' \cong \partial H_g'$ via homeomorphism $\psi: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$. Write $\psi = T_{\gamma_1} \circ T_{\gamma_2} \circ \dots \circ T_{\gamma_n}$ as a product of Dehn twists. Define $M_K = H_g \sqcup H_g' / \text{glue}$ via $T_{\gamma_1} \circ \dots \circ T_{\gamma_n}$. Then $S^3 = M_0, M_1, \dots, M_n = M$ and M_{K+} obtained from M_K by integral surgery along a knot (push γ_{K+} into one piece). \square

corollary. Every compact oriented 3-manifold is a boundary component of oriented 4-manifold.

Q. How can we organize all these examples?

1st step: Cut into simple pieces

Connected Sum

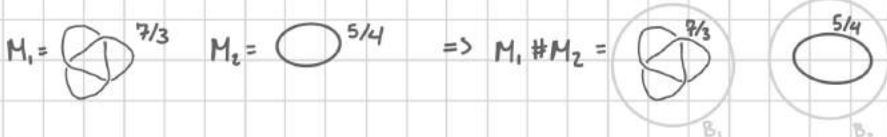
def. Let M_1 and M_2 be connected orientable n -manifolds. Their connected sum $M_1 \# M_2$ is:

- remove ball B_i from M_i to get M'_i ,
- glue ∂B_i to ∂B_2 via (orientation-reversing) diffeomorphism that extends over the disk.
(a pain to see this is well-defined, but it is)

Ex. $T^2 \# T^2$



Example. If M_1 = surgery on some link $L_1 \subseteq S^1$ and M_2 = surgery some link $L_2 \subseteq S^3$. Move L_1 and L_2 s.t. they lie in disjoint balls. Then $M_1 \# M_2$ = surgery on $L_1 \sqcup L_2$.



Example. $M_1 = H_{g_1} \sqcup H_{g_1}$ / glued via $\varphi_1: \Sigma_{g_1} \rightarrow \Sigma_{g_1}$, and $M_2 = H_{g_2} \sqcup H_{g_2}$ / glued via $\varphi_2: \Sigma_{g_2} \rightarrow \Sigma_{g_2}$ where isotopy φ_i fixes disk $D_i \subseteq \Sigma_{g_i}$. Cut out D_i and glue $F: \Sigma_{g_1+g_2} \rightarrow \Sigma_{g_1+g_2}$. Then $M_1 \# M_2 = H_{g_1+g_2} \sqcup H_{g_1+g_2}$ / glue by F .



Example. $S^n \# M^n = M^n$

def. We say that M^n is prime if $M^n \not\cong S^n$ and M^n cannot be written as a nontrivial connected sum

Theorem (Kneser, Milnor). Let M be a compact oriented 3-manifold other than S^3 . Then we can write, $M = M_1 \# \dots \# M_k$ where M_i are prime 3-manifolds and this is unique up to reordering.

Remarks:

Existence is true in all dimensions (with irritating subtle issues in dim 4)

Uniqueness is false without orientability and in all cases where $\dim \geq 4$.

example (non-orientable). $P^1 \# P^1 \# P^1 \cong T^2 \# P^1$

example (higher dim) In $\dim \geq 7$, the set of exotic spheres form a finite group under connect sum (no uniqueness).

example (Hirzebruch). $\mathbb{CP}^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2 \cong (S^2 \times S^2) \# \overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2$
orientable

Before we can prove Kneser-Milnor, we need to prove:

Theorem (Alexander) Every smooth, embedded $S^2 \hookrightarrow S^3$ bound a smooth disk on both sides.

We call S^3 irreducible which is stronger than prime.

Lecture 07: September 13th, 2021

Definition from Last Time

Recall: A 3-manifold M is

- prime if we can't write $M = M_1 \# M_2$ with $M_i \cong S^3$
 - irreducible if all $S^2 \hookrightarrow M$ bounds balls
- irreducible \Rightarrow prime, but converse is false

Alexander's Theorem

Theorem (Alexander). Every smoothly embedded $S^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ bounds a smooth ball.

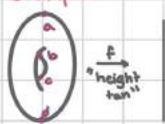
Remarks:

- powerful tool for showing M^3 's are prime: If $\tilde{M} = \mathbb{R}^3$ then any $S^2 \hookrightarrow M^3$ lifts to $S^2 \hookrightarrow \tilde{M} = \mathbb{R}^3$ which bounds a ball B . Since $S^2 \hookrightarrow M^3$, the deck group (identifying pts. back to same pt.) of cover can't contain nontrivial $\psi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ with $\psi(B) \cap B = \emptyset$, such a ψ would have to have $\psi(S^2) \cap S^2 = \emptyset$. So $S^2 \hookrightarrow M$ bounds a ball (ex. T^3 is prime). Similarly, Alexander shows if $\tilde{M} = S^3$ then \tilde{M} is prime ($S^3 = \mathbb{R}^3 \sqcup \infty$).

Morse Theory for Proof of Alexander

def. A Morse function on compact M^n is $M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. all critical points ($p \in M$ s.t. $df_p = 0$) are nondegenerate, i.e. there exists coordinates around p with $p=0$ s.t. in those coords $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = c + x_1^2 + \dots + x_k^2 - x_{k+1}^2 - \dots - x_n^2$ (all x_n show up, no zero coefficient).

example.



a looks like
 $c - x_1^2 - x_2^2$

d looks like
 $c + x_1^2 + x_2^2$

c looks like
 $c + x_1^2 - x_2^2$

b looks like
 $c - x_1^2 + x_2^2$

On a 2-manifold M , for a Morse function $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we have

- for every non critical value, $z \in \mathbb{R}$, $f^{-1}(z) = \text{union of circles}$



at critical points, 3 behaviors



birth pts



death pts



saddle pts



Alexander in Other Dimension

Given $f: S^{n-1} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. It follows from Alexander duality that $f(S^{n-1})$ separates into two components, one of which is bounded.

($H_0(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus f(S^{n-1})) = \mathbb{Z}$). Hard part is that the bounded component is smooth. remark. Go to one-point compactification.

$S^n \hookrightarrow S^{n+1}$ separates S^{n+1} into two components $S^{n+1} = X \cup Y$, $X \cap Y \cong S^{n-1}$.

Seifert-van Kampen, $\pi_1(S^{n+1}) = \pi_1(X) * \pi_1(Y) \Rightarrow \pi_1(X) = \pi_1(Y) = 1$

Similarly, using Mayer-Vietoris, $H_k(X) = H_k(Y) = 0$ for all k .

$\Rightarrow X$ and Y are contractible ntl manifolds w/ boundary S^n .

So if we had a tool to prove Poincaré conjecture then we could prove they are disk.

($n=1$) $S^0 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, trivial

($n=2$) bounded component is a surface, $S \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ w/ $\partial S = S^1$, $\chi(S) = 1$

($n=3$) $S^2 = \mathbb{R}^2 \sqcup \infty$, bounded thing on both sides Euler characteristic

$\Rightarrow S^2 = S \sqcup S^1$, $2 = \chi(S^2) = \chi(S) + \chi(S^1)$

$\Rightarrow \chi(S) = \chi(S^1) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{C.S. } S = \text{ID}$

($n=4$) Known that $S^3 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ bounds topological disk (smooth is open)

($n \geq 5$) smooth, Schoenflies' conjecture

($S^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ bounds smooth ball, uses h-cobordism thm)

Caution. for Alexander theorem in \mathbb{R}^3 might think $S^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ looks like



but next time, we will prove Alexander must somehow overcome "local knotting"

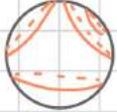


Strategy: Start with $f: S^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$.

basic fact. Morse functions are generic, so we can perturb f s.t. function $S^2 \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}^3 \xrightarrow{\text{proj}} \mathbb{R}$ is a Morse function.

\Rightarrow Except for finitely many critical values $c_1 < c_2 < \dots < c_n$, $h^{-1}(d) = (\mathbb{R}^2 \times \{d\}) \cap f(S^2)$ = union of circles in \mathbb{R}^2

So the intersection of $f(S^2)$ with the plane looks like:



We will cut open sphere into piece, show pieces bound disks (each has ≤ 1 critical pt) and then reassemble.

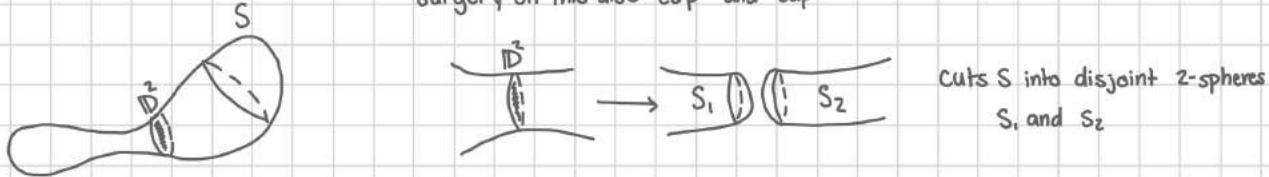
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Proof of Alexander's Theorem

Theorem: Every smooth $S^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ bounds a ball.

reduction. Consider a 2-sphere $S \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. A surgery disc for S is $D^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ s.t. $\partial D^2 = \partial S$.

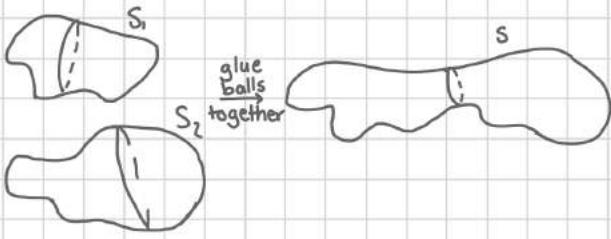
surgery on this disc: cup and cap



claim: If S_1 and S_2 bound balls, so does S .

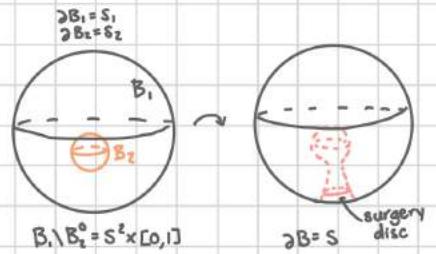
Let B_i be balls with $\partial B_i = S_i$.

case 1: $B_1 \cap B_2 = \emptyset$



case 2: $B_1 \cap B_2 \neq \emptyset$

Since $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$, we must have either $B_1 \subseteq B_2$ or $B_2 \subseteq B_1$. W.L.O.G., $B_2 \subseteq B_1$. Find ball w/ $\partial = S$ by "scooping B_2 out of B_1 ".

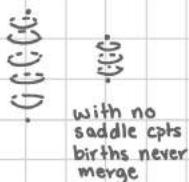


proof of Alexander. Consider smoothly embedded sphere $S \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. Perturb slightly so $\pi: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\pi(x, y, z) = z$ s.t. $\pi|_S = y$ is a Morse function. So there exists finitely many critical values, and each is nondegenerate therefore we can find $h_1 < h_2 < \dots < h_n$ s.t. each $h_i \in \mathbb{R}$ is regular value of $\psi: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (i.e. $\psi^{-1}(h_i) = \text{union of circles}$) and there exists at most one critical value in (h_i, h_{i+1}) for all i . For each i , look at $\psi^{-1}(h_i) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \times h_i$, a union of circles in \mathbb{R}^2 . Each circle C bounds a disk in \mathbb{R}^2 . An innermost such disk D is a surgery disk. Do surgery on this



Do this again and again. This causes $\psi^{-1}(h_i)$ to be empty, while cutting S into many components each of which has either a new minimum or new maximum (but no new saddles). Do this to each h_i . Let T be one of the components of result. It is enough to show T bounds a ball. key property of T : For height function $\psi: T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, there is at most one saddle point (all other will be critical points). In fact, $T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \times (h_i, h_{i+1})$ for some i .

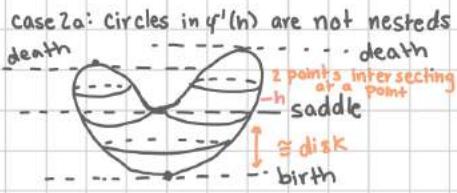
case 1: T has no saddles:
so we have some upwards,
only births and deaths.
specifically, only one of each
since T is connected



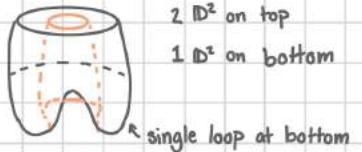
Let birth be at height b and death be at height d .
So $\psi^{-1}(b) = \text{pt}$, $\psi^{-1}(d) = \text{pt}$ and $\psi^{-1}(c) = \text{circle}$ for $b < c < d$.
 $\psi^{-1}(c)$ bounds a disc in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times c$. These assemble to a ball bounded by T .



case 2: T has one saddle
Up to reflection in z -coordinate,
 T has one birth and two deaths.
Let h be a height w/ $y'(h) =$ two circles.



case 2b: circles in $y'(h)$ are nested
minus the caps and cusps, looks like:



this also bounds a B^3
(link to notes of Hatcher w/ more geo. details)

Next Goal:

Theorem (Kneser). All closed orientable 3-manifolds M can be written as $M = M_1 \# M_2 \# \dots \# M_n$ with M_k prime.

def. For a group G , the rank of G , $\text{rk}(G) = \min$ size of generating set. (very hard to calculate)

example. $\text{rk}(\text{SL}_n \mathbb{Z}) \stackrel{\text{estimate}}{\leq} n(n-1)$ but $\text{rk}(\text{SL}_n \mathbb{Z}) \stackrel{\text{actual}}{=} 2$
elements matrices
 $e_{1j} = \text{id}$ w/ 1 at position
 e_{ij} ($1 \leq i, j \leq n$ distinct)

Theorem (Grushko). For groups G_1 and G_2 , $\text{rk}(G_1 * G_2) = \text{rk}(G_1) + \text{rk}(G_2)$. (lower bound is hard)

observe. For 3-manifolds M_1, \dots, M_n , $\pi_1(M_1 \# \dots \# M_n) = \pi_1(M_1) * \dots * \pi_1(M_n)$. So by Grushko, there can be at most $\text{rk}(\pi_1(M))$ connect summands in $M = M_1 \# \dots \# M_n$ which have nontrivial π_1 . If we have Poincaré conjecture (M closed 3-manifold w/ $\pi_1(M) = 1 \Rightarrow M \cong S^3$) then would know existence of prime decomp.

So we need a mechanism (other than π_1) to force process to stop

Kneser's idea: Normal Surface Theory

def. Let M be a 3-manifold with fixed triangulation. A normal surface in M is a closed surface $S \subset M$ (not necessarily connected) s.t. for each 3-complex Δ of M , each component $S \cap \Delta$ is one of two forms



two steps:

- ① Given collection of 2-spheres $S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_m$, cutting up as in connect sum decomposition, we can find a different collection $S'_1 \cup \dots \cup S'_m$ that is a normal surface
- ② In a normal surface $S \subset M$ with no parallel components, there is a universal bound on # components of S .

Lecture 09: September 20th 2021

Definitions

M = compact manifold with triangulation.

def. A surface $S \hookrightarrow M$ is transverse to a triangulation if for all k -simplices Δ^k , $S \cap \Delta^k$ is a properly embedded submanifold of dimension $k - \Delta$.

- $S \cap \Delta^0 = \emptyset$

- $S \cap \Delta^1 = \text{finitely many points}$



- $S \cap \Delta^2 = 1\text{-manifold}$



lemma. Consider surface $S \hookrightarrow M$, we can isotope S s.t. it is transverse to triangulation and for all 3-simplices $\Delta = \Delta^3$ all components of $S \cap \Delta$ of form:



pf. For S transverse to triangulation, $\text{weight}(S) = \#(S \cap M^{(1)})$. Isotope S s.t. $\text{weight}(S)$ is minimized. We will prove $S \cap \Delta$ of 3 forms all 3-simplices Δ . Consider 3-simplices Δ and component T of $S \cap \Delta$, what could go wrong is that T could intersect an edge in ≥ 2 pts. Assume this happens. We can find segment β of an edge of $\partial\Delta$ and arc α' of T and disk $D' \subseteq \partial\Delta$ s.t. $\alpha' \cap \beta = \text{endpoints}$ (so $\alpha' \cup \beta = \text{circle}$) and $D' \cap S = \alpha'$.

Picture $\partial\Delta =$



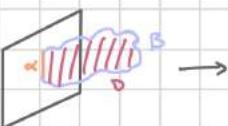
$D' \subseteq \partial\Delta$

"Tilt" D' into interior of Δ to

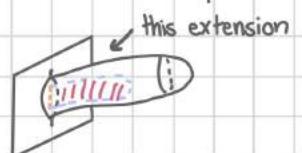
get disk $D \subseteq \Delta$ with:

- $D \cap \partial\Delta = \beta$
- $D \cap S = \text{single arc } \alpha$

Push S along D :



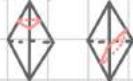
enveloped Δ by



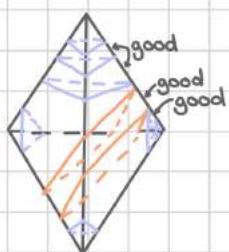
We have now eliminated two intersection points x, y of $S \cap M^{(1)}$ without introducing more, which decreasing the weight contradicting minimal weight. \square

Normal Surfaces

Recall that a normal surface $S \subseteq M$ intersects each 3-simplex Δ in union of disks with boundaries either:



So intersections look like:



A component of Δ 's is good if it lies between two parallel triangles or two parallel quads., all others are bad.

(nb) There are at most 6 bad components

A component x of $M \setminus S$ is good if $x \cap \Delta$ union of good components for all Δ , otherwise bad.

(nb) If there are t 3-simplices then $\leq t$ bad components of $M \setminus S$.

observation. The local $(\text{polygon}) \times I$ structures on good components glue up to show each good component is an I -bundle over a closed surface.

def. An untwisted good component is one where this I -bundle structure is trivial: $X \cong \Sigma \times I$. Otherwise, it is twisted.

(nb) ∂X submanifold of S , X untwisted implies $\partial X = \text{two components}$, twisted implies $\partial X = \text{one component}$.

lemma. If $X \subseteq M \setminus S$ (S normal) is a good components, then $H_1(X, \partial X; \mathbb{F}_2) = \mathbb{F}_2$

pf. $H_1(X, \partial X) \cong H^1(X) \cong H_1(X) = \mathbb{F}_2$ since X deformation retracts to closed surface Σ .

lemma. $S \subseteq M$ a normal surface, $r = \#$ of components of $M \setminus S$ that are not twisted good implies $r \geq \#\text{(cpt. of } S\text{)} - \dim(H_1(M; \mathbb{F}_2)) + 1$

pf. Let the components of $S = S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_n$. Let X_1, \dots, X_k = twisted good components of $M \setminus S$ indexed s.t. $\partial X_i = S_i$. For $k \leq n$, let X_i = regular neighborhood of S_i choose s.t. X_i are all disjoint. Let $X = X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_n \Rightarrow M \setminus X$ = components of $M \setminus S$ not twisted good. So $H_1(M \setminus X; \mathbb{F}_2) = \mathbb{F}_2^n$. Look at LES of pair $(M, M \setminus X)$ with \mathbb{F}_2 -coefficient.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} H_1(M) & \rightarrow & H_1(M, M \setminus X) & \rightarrow & H_0(M \setminus X) & \rightarrow & H_0(M) \rightarrow H_0(M, M \setminus X) \rightarrow 0 \\ \parallel & \uparrow \text{dim(dim)} S_m & \parallel \text{excision} \uparrow \text{im } \mathbb{F}_2^{n-1} & \parallel & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathbb{F}_2^m & \oplus_{i=1}^k H_1(X_i, \partial X_i) & \mathbb{F}_2^n & \mathbb{F}_2 & 0 & & \end{array}$$

Thus $n \leq m + r - 1$ so $r \geq m + 1$. \blacksquare

corollary. Let $S \subseteq M$ be a normal surface. Letting $T = \#$ of tetrahedron in triangulation. Assume that $M \setminus S$ has at least $\lfloor t + \dim(H_1(M, \mathbb{F}_2)) \rfloor + 1$ components. Then there exists two components of S that are parallel, i.e. bound $\Sigma \times I$ where Σ = surface.

pf. Assume the conclusion is false, then all good components of $M \setminus S$ are twisted good. We know there are $\leq t$ bad components. These are all components that are not twisted good. The lemma gives $t \geq \#\text{(cpt. of } S\text{)} - \dim(H_1(M, \mathbb{F}_2)) + 1$, a contradiction. \blacksquare

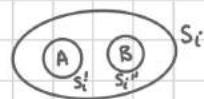
Prime Decomposition

Theorem. M is a closed 3-manifold, then we can write $M = M_1 \# \dots \# M_n$ with all M_i prime.

pf. Since $H_1(N \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)) = \mathbb{Z}^k \oplus H_1(N)$, we can have at most $\dim(H_1(M; \mathbb{Q})) - (S^2 \times S^1)$ -factors. Splitting those off reduces to where all 2-spheres in M are separating. We need a bound on k s.t. there exists K disjoint 2-spheres $S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_K \hookrightarrow M$ whose complement has no component that is a punctured 3-sphere. Call such an $S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_K$ a good sphere system. Since $(\# \text{cpts of } M \setminus \bigsqcup S_i) = k+1$, there is a bound on good sphere systems that are normal surfaces (too many and we must have $1 \leq i < j \leq K$ with S_i and S_j parallel, so there exists a component of complement of form $S^2 \times [0, 1] \cong S^3 / \# 2 \text{ balls}$). So, for existence, it is enough to prove:

claim: If there exists a good sphere system $S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_K$, then there exists good normal sphere system $S'_1 \cup \dots \cup S'_K$.

Observation. If $\$ = S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_K$ is a good sphere system and $D \subset M$ is a surgery disk for $\$$, i.e. $D \cong D^2$ and $D \cap \$ = 2D$. Let $D \cap \$ = S_i$. Let $S'_i \cup S''_i$ = result of doing surgery:



then either $S_1 \cup \dots \cup S'_i \cup \dots \cup S_K$ or $S_1 \cup \dots \cup S''_i \cup \dots \cup S_K$ is a good sphere system.

One of A or B must not be a punctured S^3 , say A. Then $B \cup (\overset{\text{non-punctured}}{S^3 \text{ on outside}}) \neq$ punctured S^3 so can replace S_i with S'_i .

pf of claim. Last time we proved that after isotoping $\$$, we can assume that for all 3-simplices Δ , all cpts of $\$ \cap \partial \Delta$ are of the form:



triangle quad. circle

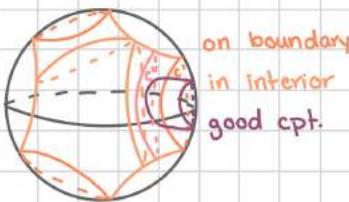
Step 1: Eliminate all circle components of $\$ \cap \partial \Delta$

If there are circle components on some $\partial \Delta$, an innermost one can be used as a surgery disk. Surgery as in the observation eliminates it. Repeat this until no circle components.

Step 2: Make it normal

issue: in normal surface, all components of $\$ \cap \partial \Delta$ are triangles and quads and all components of $\$ \cap \Delta$ are disks.

Assume there is a non-disk component. Since each component of $\$$ is a 2-sphere, all components of $\$ \cap \Delta$ have genus 0. View Δ as D^3 , this bad cpt. looks like:



Choose innermost bad component, there could be a good component inside. Letting C be some intersect of bad cpt with $\partial \Delta$, push C inside cpt until bounds disk disjoint from all good cpts and hence all cpts. Call this disk D and its boundary C'. We can do surgery on D. Doing this over and over gets us down to just good components //

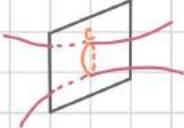
Uniqueness of connected sum: Let M be a closed 3-manifold and let $M = M_1 \# \dots \# M_m \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)$, call this \downarrow , and $M = N_1 \# \dots \# N_n \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)$, call this \uparrow , be two prime decomposition. Then $k = l$ and $m = n$ and the $M_i \# N_i$ are just reorderings of each other.

pf. A superbad sphere system for \downarrow is disjoint 2-spheres $\$ = S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_r$ s.t. all components of $M \setminus \$$ are either (multiple) punctured S^3 's or (multiple) punctured M_i 's. Similarly for super bad sphere systems for \uparrow . These exist.

Key observation. If $\$$ is superbad for \downarrow and $\$'$ sphere systems with $\$ \leq \$'$ then $\$'$ also superbad for \downarrow . (we can't cut M_i nontrivially since prime)

claim: Exists sphere system U which is superbad for (\downarrow) and $(\downarrow\downarrow)$.

pf. Let S be superbad for (\downarrow) and T be superbad for $(\downarrow\downarrow)$. If we can make S and T disjoint then key observation $U=S \sqcup T$ will be superbad for (\downarrow) and $(\downarrow\downarrow)$. Assume they are not disjoint. We can assume they intersect transversely so $S \cap T = \text{union of circles}$. Let $T_a = \text{cpt of } T$ containing a circle and let $C \in S \cap T_a$ be innermost on $T_a \cap S$. Thus C bounds a disk $D \subseteq T_a$ whose interior is disjoint from S . Let S_b be a component of S with $C \subseteq T_a \cap S_b$.



D is a surgery disk for S_b . Let S'_b and S''_b be two components of surgery:



It is enough to show result, S' , of replacing S_b with $S'_b \sqcup S''_b$ is still superbad for (\downarrow) since the region bounded by $S_b \sqcup S'_b \sqcup S''_b$ is 3-punctured S^3 . Do this over and over again to make them disjoint. U is superbad for (\downarrow) and $(\downarrow\downarrow)$. //

We know that:

- the M_i are obtained from $M \setminus U$ by gluing disks to all 2-components and throwing away the S^3 's.
- Similarly for N_j 's

therefore $n=m$ and the sets $\{M_1, \dots, M_m\}$ and $\{N_1, \dots, N_n\}$ are the same. To see $k=l$, i.e. # of $S^2 \times S^1$ are the same, let $A = M, \# \dots \# M_m = N, \# \dots \# N_n$ so $M = A \# (\# S^2 \times S^1) = A \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)$ thus $H_1(M; \mathbb{Q}) = H_1(A; \mathbb{Q}) \oplus \mathbb{Q}^k = H_1(A; \mathbb{Q}) \oplus \mathbb{Q}^l$ so $k=l$. //

Proof Break Down

main theorem: If M is a closed (connected) 3-manifold the M has a prime decomposition.

Existence connecting space between prime submanifolds every S bounds a disk and looks like



Since there is a bound on good sphere systems that are normal, we reduce the theorem to the following claim:

claim: If there exists a good sphere system, then there exists a normal sphere system.

Step 1: Eliminate all circles

↳ key observation: If S is a good sphere system and D is a surgery disk for S , then surgery on D replaces circle components with two parts, one of which is not a punctures S^3 and goes in place of the circle component

Step 2: Make it normal

↳ Assume non-disk bounding component. Choose innermost non disk-bounding component. There could be a disk bounding component contained inside so we can't just remove it. Let C be some intersection of the non-disk bounding component and the boundary, push C in until it bounds a disk that is disjoint from all other components then complete surgery on this disk to release the disk bounding component.

This completes the claim and thus the existence of a prime decomposition.

Uniqueness punctured sphere system

Let $\downarrow = M, \# \dots \# M_m \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)$ and $\downarrow\downarrow = N, \# \dots \# N_n \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)$ be two prime decompositions of M . (WTS $m=n$, $k=l$, $\{M_i\} = \{N_j\}$)

We use the notation of superbad sphere system in order to break down M and N into equal parts.

↳ key observation: If S is superbad for \downarrow and $S \subseteq S'$ then S' is superbad for $\downarrow\downarrow$.

claim: There exists U that is superbad for \downarrow and $\downarrow\downarrow$. Particularly, if S, T are superbad for $\downarrow, \downarrow\downarrow$ respectively & $S \cap T = \emptyset$, then $U = S \sqcup T$.

↳ Assume not disjoint. Then they intersect transversely, so $S \cap T = \text{union of circles}$. Complete surgery multiple times to make disjoint, this does not affect superbadness.

Then M_i, N_j are obtained from $M \setminus U, N \setminus U$ respectively, so $n=m \in \{M_i\} = \{N_j\}$. Also $M = M, \# \dots \# M_m \# (\# S^2 \times S^1) = N, \# \dots \# N_n \# (\# S^2 \times S^1)$ so $k=l$. //

Lecture 11: September 27th, 2021

Dehn's, Loop, Sphere Lemmas

lemma. (Dehn) Let M^3 be a 3-manifold, let $f: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M^3, \partial M^3)$ be a continuous map s.t. there exists a neighborhood $U \subseteq \mathbb{D}^2$ of S^1 with $f|_U$ an embedding. Then there exists an embedding $g: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M^3, \partial M^3)$ s.t. $g|_{S^1} = f|_{S^1}$. (nb: can weaken to $f|_S$ embedding)

remark: Dehn stated this with a wrong proof (pointed out by Kneser) and proven correctly by Papakyriakopoulos.

corollary. (Dehn's motivation) Let $K \hookrightarrow S^3$ be a knot with $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus K) = \mathbb{Z}$ then K is the unknot.

pf. Let $N = nb(K) \cong \mathbb{D}^2 \times S^1$ and let $\ell \in \pi_1(N)$ be the canonical longitude so $\text{link}(\ell, K) = 0$. Thus ℓ represents 0 in $H_1(S^3 \setminus K) = \mathbb{Z}$. Thus ℓ is nullhomotopic in $S^3 \setminus N$ so there exists continuous map $f': (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (S^3 \setminus N, \ell)$ with $f|_{S^1}$ an embedding of ℓ . Push ℓ into N a little bit to get $\tilde{\ell}$ with embedded annulus in N bounding ℓ and $\tilde{\ell}$. Letting \hat{N} be the smaller tubular neighborhood with $\tilde{\ell} \subseteq \partial \hat{N}$, we can find map $\tilde{f}: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (S^3 \setminus \hat{N}, \tilde{\ell})$ satisfying Dehn lemma hypothesis. Applying Dehn's lemma and Heng connecting disk from Dehn with annulus to K , finally find embedding $h: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (S^3, K)$. All embeddings of $\mathbb{D}^2 \hookrightarrow S^3$ are (up to possibly changing orientations) isotopic to standard one (can extend to embedding $\mathbb{D}^3 \hookrightarrow S^3$, all of these are the same.)

Application. Given knots $K_1, K_2 \hookrightarrow S^3$ can define connect sum $K_1 \# K_2$

- Put them in disjoint balls
- band them together

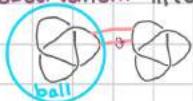


Is it well defined?

must be the same

observation. $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus (K_1 \# K_2)) = \pi_1(S^3 \setminus K_1) *_{\mathbb{Z}} \pi_1(S^3 \setminus K_2)$ using Seifert van Kampen

\mathbb{Z} generated by meridian



Theorem. Every knot in S^3 can be written as $K_1 \# \dots \# K_n$ with each $K_i \neq$ unknot and each K_i prime.

(nb. this is also unique by a different proof.)

pf. $\text{rank}(G) = \min \text{ size of generating set. } \text{rank}(G) \leq 1 \text{ iff } G \text{ is cyclic hence for knots } L, L = \text{unknot} \iff \text{rank}(\pi_1(S^3 \setminus L)) = 1$.

Now you prove that if $\mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow A, B$ then $\text{rank}(A * B) = \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) - 1$ (like Grushko) from this, if K_1, \dots, K_n not unknot then $\text{rank}(\pi_1(S^3 \setminus (K_1 \# \dots \# K_n))) \geq n$. Hence if you keep refining connected sum decomposition of knot, you have to stop at some point and you have a decomposition.

Theorem. (Loop). Let M^3 be a 3-manifold, let $T \subseteq \partial M^3$ be a compact 3-manifold and let $N \triangleleft \ker(\pi_1(T) \rightarrow \pi_1(M^3))$ be a proper subgroup of kernel. Then we can find embedding $f: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M^3, T)$ s.t. $f(S^1) \subseteq T$ is freely homotopic to element of $\pi_1(T) \setminus N$.

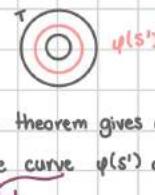
special case. $N = 1$. Then since N must be proper, we must have $\ker(\pi_1(T) \rightarrow \pi_1(M^3)) \neq 1$ and get $f(S^1)$ not nullhomotopic in T .

This implies Dehn's Lemma, sketch:

Assume $\psi: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M, \partial M)$ that is an embedding on neighborhood of S^1 .

Let $T \subseteq M$ be a small neighborhood of $\psi(S^1)$.

$\pi_1(T) = \mathbb{Z}$, generated by $\psi(S^1)$ so we know $\pi_1(T) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ is trivial map so loop theorem gives embedding $F: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M, T)$ s.t. $F(S^1)$ is an embedded loop in T not nullhomotopic. Thus $F(S^1)$ is isotopic to core curve $\psi(S^1)$ of $T = S^1 \times [0, 1]$. Can then use $\psi|_{nb(S^1)}$ embedding to isotope F s.t. agrees with ψ on S^1 .



Corollary. Let M be a 3-manifold and $\Sigma_g = \text{genus } g$ surface with $\psi: \Sigma_g \hookrightarrow M$ be an embedding s.t. $\psi_*: \pi_1(\Sigma_g) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ is not inj. Then we can find embedding $f: D^2 \rightarrow M$ s.t. $f(\partial D^2) \cap \psi(\Sigma_g) = f(\partial D^2)$ is non-null homotopic loop in $\psi(\Sigma_g) \cong \Sigma_g$.

p.f. Let $\tilde{M} = M$ cut open along $\psi(\Sigma_g)$. Let $T_1, T_2 \cong \Sigma_g$ be two boundary components of \tilde{M} corresponding to $\psi(\Sigma_g)$. To apply loop theorem, it is enough to show either $\pi_1(T_1)$ or $\pi_1(T_2)$ does not inject into $\pi_1(\tilde{M})$. Assume they both inject. We will show this implies $\psi_*: \pi_1(\Sigma_g) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ an injection, contradiction.

(case 1) $\psi(\Sigma_g)$ separates M into M_1 and M_2 with $T_i \subseteq M_i$.

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(M) = \pi_1(M_1) *_{\pi_1(T_i)} \pi_1(M_2)$, since amalgamation subgroup $\pi_1(T_i)$ injects into 2 factors injects into $\pi_1(M)$

(case 2) $\psi(\Sigma_g)$ does not separate

so \tilde{M} connected and M = glue 2 boundary components T_i of \tilde{M} together

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(M) = \text{HNN extension of } \pi_1(\tilde{M})$ (take $\pi_1(\tilde{M})$, add new generator t conjugate $\pi_1(T_1) \subseteq \pi_1(\tilde{M})$ to $\pi_1(T_2)$)

Same proof as case 1 works

picture of HNN

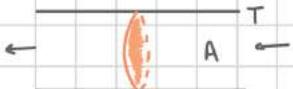


Nb. This proves following famous conjecture if ψ is embedding:

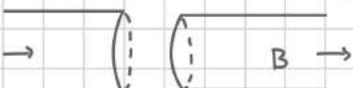
Simple Loop Conjecture: If M is a 3-manifold and $\psi: \Sigma_g \rightarrow M$ a continuous map s.t. $\psi_*: \pi_1(\Sigma_g) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ not injective then there exists simple closed curve $\gamma \in \ker(\psi_*) \setminus \{1\}$.

corollary: Let $T^2 \hookrightarrow S^3$ be an embedded 2-torus. Then T^2 is boundary of tubular neighborhood of a knot K .

We know map on π_1 is not injective. So we can find disk $D^2 \subseteq S^3$ s.t. $D \cap T^2 = S^1$ nontrivial loop in T^2 .



T^2 divides S^3 into 2 components. Let A = component containing D . Will prove $A \cong$ solid torus. Put points at ∞ outside A , so $A \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. Let B = surgery on A along D .



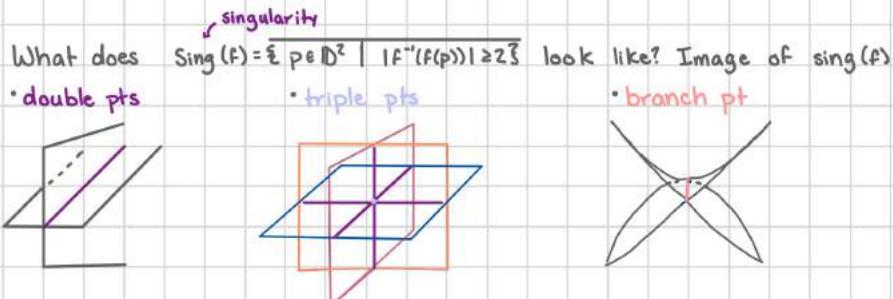
$\partial B \cong S^1$ so by Alexander's theorem $B \cong B^3$.

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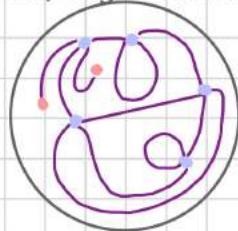
Proof of Dehn's Lemma

lemma. (Dehn) Let M^3 be a 3-manifold, let $f: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M^3, \partial M^3)$ be a continuous map s.t. there exists a neighborhood $U \subseteq \mathbb{D}^2$ of S^1 with $f|_U$ an embedding. Then there exists an embedding $g: (\mathbb{D}^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M^3, \partial M^3)$ s.t. $g|_{S^1} = f|_{S^1}$.

Homotoping f , we can assume the self-intersections of $\text{Im}(f)$ are transverse. One consequence: we can triangulate \mathbb{D}^2 and M such that f is a simplicial map.



In \mathbb{D}^2 , $\text{Sing}(f)$ is a finite graph:



Dehn's wrong pf: tried to cut and paste to "resolve" all singularities.

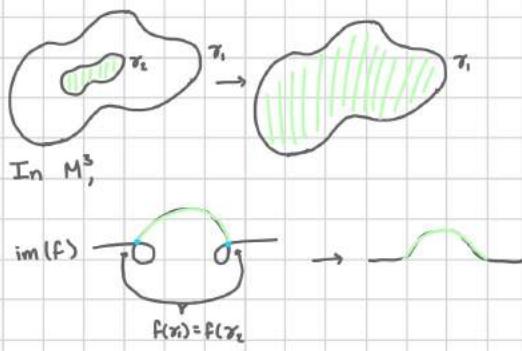
One case where you can do this:

claim. pf is easy if $\text{sing}(f)$ only has double pts !!

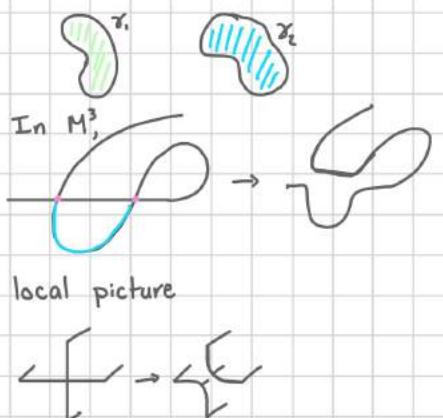
$\Rightarrow \text{sing}(f) = \text{disjoint union of circles}$. Circles come in pairs, mapped by f to same loops in M . Will show how to modify f to get rid of pair of identified circles. Repeating this will yield an embedding. Let γ_1 and γ_2 be circles in $\text{sing}(f)$ with $f(\gamma_1) = f(\gamma_2)$.

case 1: nested, say γ_2 inside γ_1 .

change f on $\text{Int}(\gamma_1)$ to do what it does on $\text{Int}(\gamma_2)$ eliminating singularities



case 2: γ_1 and γ_2 not nested



pf of Dehn's lemma. observation. If $H_1(\text{Im}(f); F_2) = 0$, then proof is easy. Let $V = \text{regular neighborhood of } \text{Im}(f) = 3\text{-manifold deformation retracting to } \text{Im}(f)$. F_2 -coefficients: $0 = H^1(V) = H_1(V, \partial V) \rightarrow H_1(\partial V) \rightarrow H_1(V) = 0$. Thus $H_1(\partial V; F_2) = 0$, $\partial V = \text{union of component surfaces without boundary}$, so $\partial V = \text{union of } S^2$. Let $U = \text{components of } \partial V$ intersecting ∂M so $f(\partial \mathbb{D}^2) \subseteq U$. $f(\partial \mathbb{D}^2) \subseteq U$ bounds a disk $D \subseteq U$. //

If $H_1(\text{Im}(f); F_2) \neq 0$, then $\text{Im}(f)$ has a double cover. Take double covers and iterate to get:

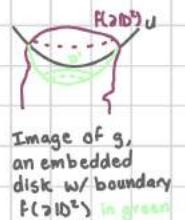
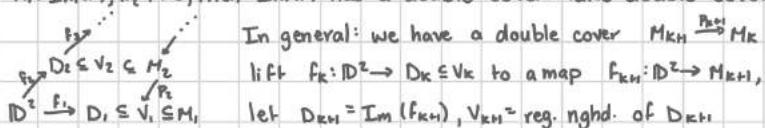


Image of g , an embedded disk w/ boundary $f(\mathbb{D}^2)$ in green

Claim. This process must stop.

Recall everything is triangulated. Since p_2 is a nontrivial double cover, the # of simplices of D_{k+1} must be greater than D_k . But # of simplices of D_k is \leq # of simplices of D^2 . So this has to stop with $D^2 \xrightarrow{f_n} D_n \subseteq V_n$ and $H_1(V_n; \mathbb{Z}_2) = 0$. So we can find an embedding $g_n: D^2 \rightarrow V_n$ with $g_n|_{\text{nbhd}(z)} = f_n|_{\text{nbhd}(z)}$. We now have to descend down the tower of double covers.

Given an embedding $g_k: D^2 \rightarrow M_k$ and a double cover $p_k: M_k \rightarrow V_{k-1}$. We want to find an embedding $g_{k-1}: D^2 \rightarrow V_{k-1}$ s.t. $g_k|_{\text{nbhd}(z)} = p_k \circ g_k|_{\text{nbhd}(z)}$. Letting $t \in C_2$ be the generator, C_2 is the deck group of cover. The singular set of $p_k \circ g_k$ = pts of $g_k(D^2)$ intersect $t \cdot g_k(D^2)$ only double pts so by beginning of lecture we can always solve this. //

Sphere Theorem

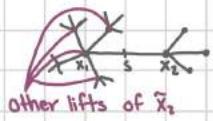
Theorem (Sphere). Let M be a compact 3-manifold. Assume that $\pi_1(M) \neq 0$. Then there exists embedding $S^2 \hookrightarrow M$ that is nontrivial in $\pi_1(M)$.

corollary. If M^3 is a compact irreducible 3-manifold s.t. either $\partial M^3 \neq \emptyset$ or $\pi_1(M^3)$ infinite then the universal cover of M is contractible so e.g. for all knots $K \hookrightarrow S^3$, $S^3 \setminus K$ has countable universal cover.

pf. Let \tilde{M} = universal cover. Then $\pi_1(\tilde{M}) = 1$, $H_2(\tilde{M}) = \pi_2(M) = 0$. Since $\partial M^3 \neq \emptyset$ or $\pi_1(M^3)$ is infinite, \tilde{M} is not a closed 3-manifold. Thus $H_3(\tilde{M}) = 0$. Since $H_n(\tilde{M}) = 0$ for $n \geq 4$, Whitehead implies \tilde{M} is contractible. \ll (compactness necessary for sphere thm)

Q. How to tell if, a 2-sphere, $S \hookrightarrow M$ is nontrivial in $\pi_1(M)$?

1. S is nonseparating then $[S] \neq 0$ in $H_2(M)$ since we can find loop $\gamma \in M$ with $\gamma \cap S = \{\text{pt}\}$ then algebraic intersections with γ gives $i_\gamma: H_2(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ with $i_\gamma([S]) = \pm 1$.
2. S separates into X_1 and X_2 s.t. for each $i=1,2$, either X_i has ≥ 2 boundary components or $\pi_1(X_i) \neq 1$. Lift S to universal cover $\tilde{S} \hookrightarrow \tilde{M}$. I claim $[\tilde{S}] \neq 0$ in $H_2(\tilde{M}) = \pi_2(M)$. We can find embedded curve γ in \tilde{M} s.t. a) $\gamma \cap \tilde{S} = \{\text{pt}\} \notin \mathbb{G}$ on either side of \tilde{S} , either γ ends at a boundary component or goes to ∞ (i.e. leaving every component set.) (\tilde{M} is built from copies of \tilde{X}_1 and \tilde{X}_2 , glued together in tree-like fashion if $\partial X_i = S$ for $i=1,2$ then \tilde{X}_i has ≥ 2 lifts of S since $\pi_1(X_i) \neq 1$ and graph with edges lifts of S , vertices lifts of X_i)



Then algebraic intersections with γ gives map $i_\gamma: H_2(\tilde{M}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ with $i_\gamma([\tilde{S}]) = \pm 1$.

pf of sphere thm.

Reductions:

- ① We can assume all components $T \subseteq \partial M$ are incompressible, i.e. injective in π_1 . If $T \subseteq M$ is not incompressible, the loop theorem implies there exists an embedding $\psi: (\partial D^2, \partial D^2) \rightarrow (M, T)$ s.t. $\psi(\partial D^2) \cong S^1$ is nontrivial in $\pi_1(T)$.
Let $M = M \setminus \text{Int}(\text{nbhd}(\psi(\partial D^2)))$, $M' \subseteq M$ a 3-manifold and since T is connected M' is connected and $M \cong M' \cup S^1$. Looking at universal cover, if $\pi_1(M) \neq 0$ then $\pi_1(M') \neq 0$. universal cover:
- Thus it is enough to prove theorem for M' ; repeating this over and over again, we get a 3-manifold with incompressible boundary.

- ② We can assume none of the components of ∂M are 2-spheres. If a 2-sphere component $T \subseteq \partial M$ is trivial in $\pi_1(M)$, then M is contractible.

Group Theory Black Box:

Assume that M is a compact 3-manifold, $\pi_1(M) \neq 0$, s.t. each component of ∂M is incompressible and not a 2-sphere. Then either:

- 1 $\pi_1(M) = A_1 *_{B_1} A_2$ where $A_1, A_2 \neq 1$ and B finite, or
- 2 $\pi_1(M) = \text{an HNN-extension with finite amalgamating subgroup, or}$
- 3 we have a short exact sequence $1 \rightarrow B \rightarrow \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$ with B finite.

def. The HNN, $A *_{B}$, for $A = \text{group}$, $B \subseteq A$ a subgroup, $\psi: B \rightarrow A$ an embedding, is defined as $A *_{B} = \langle A, t \mid t b t^{-1} = \psi(b) \text{ for } b \in B \rangle$
 $A_1 *_{B_1} A_2 = \sum A_i \rightarrow A_2$ (free amalgamation) $A *_{B} = \langle \text{relators} \rangle$

Back to Sphere Theorem:

Consider M^3 , a compact 3-manifold, with each component of ∂M incompressible and not a 2-sphere. Assume sphere theorem false. Then all embedded 2-spheres $S \hookrightarrow M$ must be separating and one component of $M \setminus S$ must have no other boundary components and $\pi_1 = 1$. Then S bounds a homotopy 3-ball. We can apply group theory black box. One of three things is true:

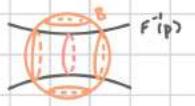
case 1: We have a short exact sequence $1 \rightarrow B \rightarrow \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$ with B finite.

We can find $F: M \rightarrow S^1$ s.t. $F_\# : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$ is F . Choose regular value $p \in S^1$, so $F^{-1}(p) \subseteq M$ a surface.

claim. By homotoping F , we can assume each component of $F^{-1}(p)$ is incompressible, i.e. π_1 -injective.

pf. assume not, loop thru then gives a compressing disk $\psi: (\mathbb{D}^2, \partial\mathbb{D}^2) \rightarrow (M, F^{-1}(p))$ with $\psi(\text{int}(\mathbb{D}^2)) \subseteq M \setminus F^{-1}(p)$ and $\psi(\partial\mathbb{D}^2) \subseteq F^{-1}(p)$ not null homotopic. Choose $B = \text{ball}$ that is a nbhd $(\psi(\mathbb{D}^2))$ s.t. $B \cap F^{-1}(p) = \text{two circles, } C_1, C_2$, parallel to $\psi(\partial\mathbb{D}^2)$ with $C_1, C_2 \subseteq \partial B$. Define a new map, $G: M \rightarrow S^1$ via: $G|_{M \setminus B} = F$ and $G|_{\text{disk bounding } C_i \cap B} = p$ and on each of the three 3-balls, X_1, X_2, X_3 , making up $B \setminus \text{disk bound } C_i$, define G : we have $G|_{X_i}$ already defined. Since $\pi_1(S^1) = 0$, we extend in any way s.t. $G(\text{int}(X_i)) \subseteq S^1$ does not contain p . Then \bar{G} is homotopic to F . Repeating this over and over again, we can assume $F^{-1}(p)$ is incompressible. //

For a component $T \subseteq F^{-1}(p)$, we have that $F(T) = p$, hence $F = F_\# : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ must have $\pi_1(T)$ in its kernel, i.e. $\pi_1(T)$ is finite. Thus $T \cong S^1$. So by assumption bounds a homotopy ball, and by homotoping F , we can get rid of that component. Doing this, we can assume $F^{-1}(p) = \emptyset$, so $F_\# : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is zero map, a contradiction. //



Lecture 14: October 6th, 2021

General Version of Last Time

def. A subspace Y of a topological space X is 2-sided codimensional-1 if there exists a neighborhood U of Y with $U \cong Y \times (-1, 1)$ with $Y \subseteq U$ equal to $Y \times 0$.

example. X is a n -manifold, $Y \subseteq X$ is 2-sided $(n-i)$ -manifold (properly embedded)

last time. $X = S^1$, $Y = pt$ \circlearrowleft

Given such $Y \subseteq X$, we can define $\lambda: X \rightarrow S^1 = [-1, 1]/[-1, 1]$, $\lambda(p) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } p \notin U \\ t & \text{if } p = (y, t) \in U \end{cases}$ and $\lambda^{-1}(0) = Y$. λ is the indicator function.

lemma. Given n -manifold M^n and $Y \subseteq X$, 2-sided codimensional-1 subspace and $f: M \rightarrow X$. We can homotope f such that $f^{-1}(Y) =$ properly embedded $(n-i)$ -submanifold of M .

pf. Let $\lambda: X \rightarrow S^1$ be indicator function, then $\lambda \circ f: M \rightarrow S^1$ continuous function. We can homotope f (while fixing all points of $M \setminus (\lambda \circ f)^{-1}((-1/2, 1/2))$) such that $\lambda \circ f$ is smooth on $(\lambda \circ f)^{-1}((-1/2, 1/2))$ and transverse to 0. Then $f^{-1}(Y) = (\lambda \circ f)^{-1}(0)$.

Theorem. Let $f: M^3 \rightarrow X$ be a continuous map from a 3-manifold and $Y \subseteq X$ is a 2-sided codimensional-1 subspace.

Assume:

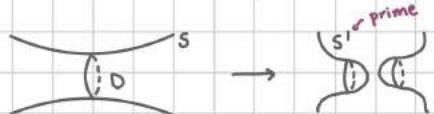
- X, Y are connected
- $\pi_1(Y) \rightarrow \pi_1(X)$ is injective
- $\pi_3(X) = 0$
- for each component Z of $X \setminus Y$, $\pi_1(Z) = 0$

Then we can homotope f such that $f^{-1}(Y)$ is an incompressible surface.

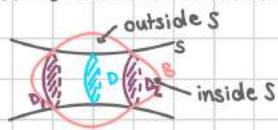
pf. Using the lemma, we can assume f is "transverse" to Y , so $S = f^{-1}(Y)$ is a properly embedded 2-sided surface.

Let $\lambda: X \rightarrow S^1$ be the indicator function. Assume S is not incompressible. The loop theorem gives that there exists a compressing disk D with $D \cap S = \partial D$ and ∂D is non-nullhomotopic loop in S . Near ∂D , $\lambda \circ f: M \rightarrow S^1 = [-1, 1]/\sim$ is either positive or negative (vanishes on ∂D). Assume positive. Let $S' = S$ surgered along D .

claim. We can homotope f to $g: M \rightarrow X$ s.t. $g^{-1}(Y) = S'$
(repeat over and over to make $f^{-1}(Y)$ incompressible).

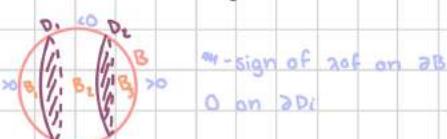


Let $B \cong D^3$ be a ball around D such that $\partial B \cap S$ = two loops bounding disks D_1 and D_2 parallel to D with $D, D_i \subseteq B$.
construction of $g: M \rightarrow X$



(i) $g|_{M \setminus B} = f|_{M \setminus B}$
(ii) $g(\partial D_i) \subseteq Y$ is a null-homotopic loop in X , $\pi_1(Y) \hookrightarrow \pi_1(X)$, so $g(\partial D_i)$ is null-homotopic in Y , so we can extend $g|_{\partial D_i}$ to a map $D_i \rightarrow Y$.

(iii) and (iv) define g on $(M \setminus B) \cup D_1 \cup D_2$, the remaining part of B is three balls B_1, B_2, B_3 .



We have defined g on the boundary of B_i ; we must extend it to the interior s.t. $g(B_i)$ is disjoint from Y . Since each component has $\pi_1(Z) = 0$, no obstruction to doing this. This defines g on all of M and by construction $g^{-1}(Y) = S'$.

Since f and g only differ on $B \cong D^3$ and $\pi_3(X) = 0$, we can homotope f to g .

Since $\pi_3(X) = 0$, we can extend homotopy over $B \times I \times *$

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-------------------|------------------------------|
| constant homotopy | B | constant homotopy | $M \times I$ |
| \downarrow | | | \downarrow |
| | | | $\partial(B \times I) = S^1$ |
| | | | g |

Back to Sphere Theorem

It remains to prove the following:

Theorem. Let M be an orientable 3-manifold such that every 2-sphere in M bounds a homotopy 3-ball, then:

- (a) there does not exist $f: \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ with $|\ker(f)| < \infty$
- (b) don't have $\pi_1(M) = A_1 *_{B} A_2$ with $|B| < \infty$
- (c) don't have $\pi_1(M) = A *_{B}$ with $|B| < \infty$

p.f. We have already done a. We will show b and hint at c as they are similar. Assume $\pi_1(M) = A_1 *_{B} A_2$ with $|B| < \infty$. Let $Z_i = \text{K}(A_i, 1)$ and $W = \text{K}(B, 1)$. Define $X = Z_1 \cup (W \times [0, 1]) \cup Z_2 / \sim$ with $W \times \{1\}$ glued to Z_1 via map $W \rightarrow Z_1$, with $B = \pi_1(W) \rightarrow \pi_1(Z_1) = A_1$ the inclusion, and similarly for $W \times \{0\}$ glued to Z_2 .

Let $Y = W \times 0 \subseteq X$. Thus $X = \text{a K}(A_1 *_{B} A_2, 1)$. We can find a map $f: M^3 \rightarrow X$



s.t. $f_*: \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \pi_1(X)$ an isomorphism. By the theorem, we can assume
 $f^{-1}(Y)$ is an incompressible surface, S. Letting T be a component of S,

since $f(T) \subseteq Y$, we know $\pi_1(T) \subseteq \pi_1(M)$ is conjugate of B. Since $|B| < \infty$ and M orientable and T 2-sided, T must be orientable surface with finite π_1 . Thus $T \cong S^1$ so T bounds a homotopy sphere. Same obstruction as before lets us homotope f to eliminate T. Doing this to all components of S gives a homotope of f with $f^{-1}(Y) = \emptyset$. Thus we can homotope f s.t. the image lies in Z_1 or Z_2 so $f_*: \pi_1(M) \rightarrow A_1 *_{B} A_2$ is not surjective, a contradiction. *

The proofs of (a) and (c) are similar:

- (a) realize $f: \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ by $f: M \rightarrow S^1$. Let $x = s^1$, $y = pt$. Run same argument.
- (c) use the following $\text{K}(A *_{B} 1)$ and run the same argument:



§1: Ends of spaces

①

Def: The # of ends of a loc. finite
simply cpx X is

$$e(X) = \sup \{ n \mid \exists \text{ cpt subcpx } K \subseteq X \\ \text{ s.t. } X \setminus K \text{ has } \geq n \text{ unbounded components} \}$$

Ex: $e(X)=0 \Leftrightarrow X \text{ cpt}$

Ex: $e(\mathbb{R})=2$



Ex: $e(\mathbb{R}^n)=1$ for $n \geq 2$

$\mathbb{R}^n \setminus K$ has 1 unbounded cpt for all

cpt K :

A, B bounded
 C unbounded

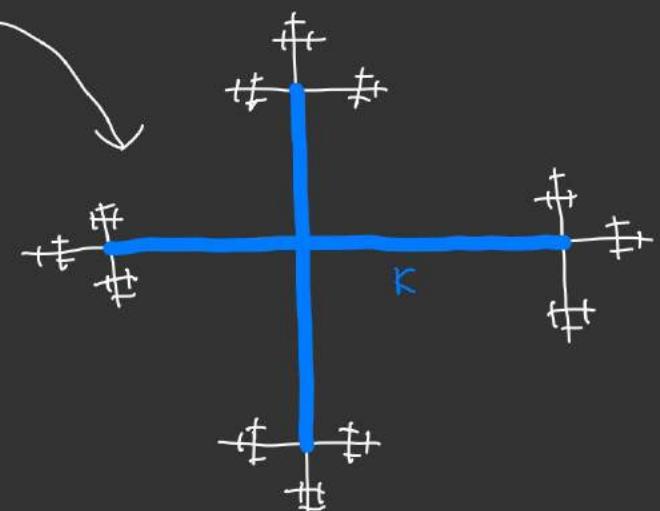


Ex: $X = \text{infinite 4-valent tree}$

②

$$e(X)=\infty$$

e.g. $X \setminus K$ has 12 unbounded cpt



Goal: Interpret combinatorially

$C^*(X)$ = simplicial cochain cpx, so ③

$C^k(X) = \{ f \text{ has finite set of } k\text{-simplices} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \}$

Def: $C_c^k(X) = \{ f \in C^k(X) \mid f(\sigma) = 0 \text{ for all but fin many } k\text{-simplices } \sigma \}$

X loc finite $\Rightarrow C_c^*(X)$ subcochain cpx of $C^*(X)$

Def: $H_c^k(X) = H^k(C_c^*(X))$ is cohomology w/ cpt support.

Def: $C_e^*(X) = C^*(X)/C_c^*(X)$, so have SES

$$0 \rightarrow C_c^*(X) \rightarrow C^*(X) \rightarrow C_e^*(X) \rightarrow 0$$

Def: $H_e^k(X) = H^k(C_e^*(X))$

For $f \in C^k(X)$, let $[f]_e = \text{im in } C_e^k(X)$ ④

Meaning of $H_e^k(X)$:

Lemma: For loc finite simp cpx X and $f \in C^*(X)$, have

$$[f]_e \in H_e^k(X) = \ker(C_e^k(X) \xrightarrow{d} C_e^{k+1}(X))$$

iff exists finite subcpx $K \subseteq X$

s.t. for all cpts A of $X \setminus K$,
 $f(v) = f(w)$ for all vertices of A

Pf:

$$[f]_e \in H_e^k(X) \text{ iff } d(f) \in C_c^{k+1}(X)$$

i.e. if there exists finite subcpx

K s.t. $d(f)(\sigma) = 0$ for all l -simplices σ not in K .

$$\sigma = \overbrace{\bullet}^v \rightarrow \overbrace{\bullet}^w : d(f)(\sigma) = f(w) - f(v)$$

so $f(v) = f(w)$ on all l -simplices σ not in K , i.e. f constant on comp of $X \setminus K$ 

Cor: For a locally finite simp^⑤

cpx X have

• $H_e^0(X)$ fin gen $\Leftrightarrow e(X) < \infty$

• if $n = e(X) < \infty$, then

$$H_e^0(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}^n$$

For a torsion-free abelian grp A ,
let $\text{rk}(A) = 0$ if A not fin gen,
and $\text{rk}(A) = n$ if $A \cong \mathbb{Z}^n$.

Then Cor means:

Cor': For a locally finite simp cpx X have

$$e(X) = \text{rk } H_e^0(X)$$

Alt H^* -interpretation of cor's: ⑥

Thy: For an infinite l-connected loc finite simp cpx X have

$$e(X) = \text{rk } H_c^1(X) + 1$$

pf:

The SES

$0 \rightarrow C_c^*(X) \rightarrow C^*(X) \rightarrow C_e^*(X) \rightarrow 0$

of cochain cpx gives LES in H^* :

$$H_c^0(X) \rightarrow H^0(X) \rightarrow H_e^0(X) \rightarrow H_c^1(X) \rightarrow H^1(X)$$

$$\Downarrow \quad \Downarrow$$

X infinite
and connected

$$\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ \text{if } X \text{ l-connected} \end{matrix}$$

Thus

$$e(X) = \text{rk } H_e^0(X) = \text{rk } H_c^1(X) + 1$$



Key Example for Sphere Thm: ⑦

Thm: M cpt $\overset{\text{oriented}}{\Lambda^3}$ -mfld w/ incompressible bdry and no spherical bdry comp
 \tilde{M} = universal cover of M
If $\pi_1(M) \neq 0$, then $e(\tilde{M}) \geq 2$

Pf:

Since each cpt of ∂M is π_1 -injective,
cpt of $\partial \tilde{M}$ = univ covers of cpt of ∂M
None spheres \Rightarrow all cpt of $\partial \tilde{M}$ contractible.

\implies

$$0 \neq \pi_1(M) = H_1(\tilde{M}) = H_2(\tilde{M}, \partial \tilde{M}) = H_c'(\tilde{M})$$

(Hurewicz) (all cpt of $\partial \tilde{M}$ contractible) (Poincaré Duality)

$$\begin{aligned} \implies e(\tilde{M}) &= \text{rk } H_c'(\tilde{M}) + 1 \\ &\geq 1 + 1 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus to prove sphere thm, ⑧

need criterion like:

Thm: X cpt simp comp w/ universal cover \tilde{X} . Then $e(\tilde{X}) \geq 2$, iff either

- $\pi_1(X) \cong A_1 *_{B_1} A_2$ w/ $A_1, A_2 \neq \emptyset$ and $|B| < 0$, or
- $\pi_1(X) \cong A *_{B_1}$ w/ $|B| < 0$

Stallings proved this. But it seems strange that $e(\tilde{X}) \geq 2$ only depends on $\pi_1(X)$. ..

Next Goal: Give def'n of end of a group

§ 2: Ends of Groups

(9)

Def: For a group G w/ gener S ,
the Cayley graph of G is

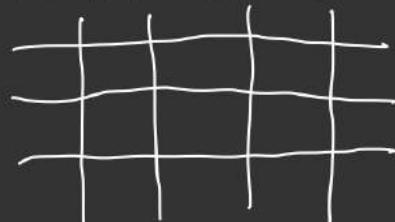
$\text{Cay}(G, S)$ - graph w/
vertices = G
edges = $\begin{matrix} \bullet & \bullet \\ g & gs \\ (g \in G, s \in S) \end{matrix}$

S gener $\implies \text{Cay}(G, S)$ connected

Ex: $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}, \{1\}) =$

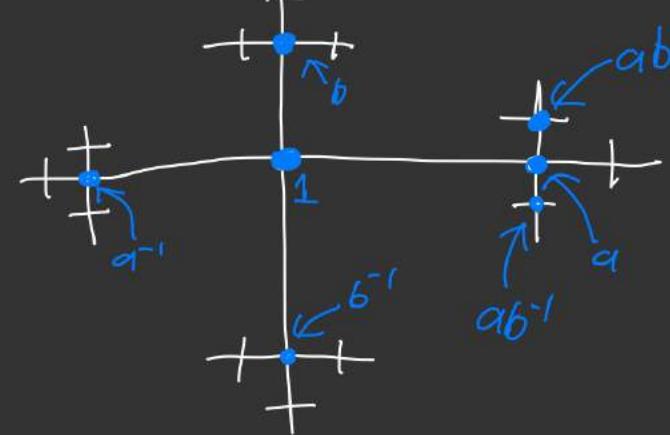


Ex: $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}^2, \{(1,0), (0,1)\}) =$



Ex: $\text{Cay}(F_2, \{a, b\}) =$

(10)



Def: For a grp G w/ fin gener S ,
the # of ends of G is

$$e(G) = e(\text{Cay}(G, S))$$

(will soon prove indep of S)

Ex: G finite $\Leftrightarrow e(G) = 0$

Ex: $e(\mathbb{Z}) = 2$

Ex: $e(\mathbb{Z}^2) = 1$

Ex: $e(F_2) = \infty$

Lemma: For a fin gen grp G (11)
 $e(G)$ is indep of genset

Pf:

S = fin genset

$$H_e^0(Cay(G, S)) \subseteq C_e^0(Cay(G, S)) \\ = \frac{C^0(Cay(G, S))}{C_c^0(Cay(G, S))}$$

$C^0(Cay(G, S))$ = fns $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ (not known)

$C_c^0(Cay(G, S))$ = fns $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ w/ $f(g) = 0$
 for all but fin many g .

These don't depend on S , so

$C_e^0(Cay(G, S))$ indep of S

$$H_e^0(Cay(G, S)) = \bigvee C_c^0(Cay(G, S)) \quad (12)$$

w/
 $V = \{f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{For all } s \in S^{\pm}, \text{ for all } \\ \text{but fin many } g \in G \text{ we} \\ \text{have } f(gs) = f(g)s \} \}$

Since S generates G , this
 is equivalent to

$$\left\{ f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{For all } h \in G, \text{ for all } \\ \text{but fin many } g \in G \text{ we} \\ \text{have } f(g) = f(gh) \end{array} \right\}$$

This is indep of S , so

$e(G) = \text{rk } H_e^0(Cay(G, S))$ is too (12)

Thm: $X = \text{cp} + \text{simplicial cpx w/ Univ}$ (13)
cover $\rho: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$

$$e(\pi_1(X)) = e(\tilde{X})$$

Pf:

$$T \subseteq X^{(1)} \text{ max free}$$

$X' = \text{collapse } T \text{ to single vertex}$
($X' \cong X$)

Univ cover $\tilde{X}' = \text{collapse each}$
 $\text{cp} \text{ of } \rho^{-1}(T)$
to a vertex

$\tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}'$ is proper h.e., so

$$e(\tilde{X}) = \text{rk } H_c^0(\tilde{X}) = \text{rk } H_c^0(\tilde{X}') = e(\tilde{X}')$$

\Rightarrow can assume X has
one vertex

Let $S \subseteq \pi_1(X)$ be genset of loops
coor to 1-simplices (14)

Then

$$\tilde{X}^{(1)} = \text{Cay}(\pi_1(X), S)$$

so

$$e(\tilde{X}) = e(\tilde{X}^{(1)}) = e(\text{Cay}(\pi_1(X), S)) = e(\pi_1(X))$$



Cor: $G = \text{fin presented grp}$
 $H < G$ finite-index subgrp
 $\Rightarrow e(G) = e(H)$

Pf:
 $X = \text{cp} + \text{simp cpx w/ } \pi_1(X) = G$

$Y = \text{cover coor for } H$
(cp since H f.i.)

X, Y have same Univ cover \tilde{X}

$$\Rightarrow e(G) = e(\tilde{X}) = e(H)$$

Thm (Freudenthal): G : f.g. grp

(15)

Then $e(G) \in \{0, 1, 2, \infty\}$

Pf:

Assume $n = e(G)$ has $2 \leq n < \infty$

$Z = \text{Cayley graph wrt some generat}$

$K \subseteq Z$ cpt subgraph w/

$Z \setminus K$ having unbounded cpt's A_1, \dots, A_n

$e(G) \geq 2 \Rightarrow |G| = \infty$, so can find

$g \in G$ s.t. $g \cdot K \cap K = \emptyset$

Assume $gK \subseteq A_1$.

$A_1 \setminus gK$ can only have 1

unbounded cpt since otherwise

$Z \setminus (K \cup gK)$ would have cpt's

unbounded cpt's

$\Rightarrow Z \setminus gK$ has 2 unbounded (16)

cpts:

- unbounded cpt of $A_1 \setminus gK$

- $A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n \cup K$

But

$$Z \setminus gK \cong \bar{g}^{-1}(Z \setminus K)$$

$$= \bar{g}^{-1}Z \setminus K$$

$$= Z \setminus K,$$

so $n > 2$

□

Major Thm (Stallings): G f.g grp ⑯

Then $e(G) \geq 2$ iff either

- $G \cong A_1 *_B A_2$ w/ $A_1, A_2 \neq \mathbb{1}$
and $|B| < \infty$, or
- $G \cong A *_B \mathbb{1}$ w/ $|B| < \infty$

Rmk: Can have $A = \mathbb{1}$ in 2nd case
This implies $B \neq \mathbb{1}$, so

$$G \cong \mathbb{1} *_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

Lecture 14: October 25th, 2021

Theme: 3-manifolds $M \hookrightarrow \pi_1(M)$

Guiding Theorem. Let M_1, M_2 be closed irreducible 3-manifolds. Assume that $\pi_1(M_1) \cong \pi_1(M_2)$. Then

a. if $|\pi_1(M_i)| < \infty$, then each M_i is S^3/Γ_i where $\Gamma_i \subset O(3)$

b. if $|\pi_1(M_i)| = \infty$, then $M_i \cong M_2$.

Remark. Needs irreducible, e.g. can have $M \# M' \not\cong M \# \bar{M}'$.

Theorem. Let M be a compact orientable prime 3-manifold with $\pi_1(M)$ free, then either $M \cong S^1 \times S^2$ or $M \cong$ a handlebody.

pf. (case 1) M is reducible, i.e. there exists $S^1 \hookrightarrow M$ that is not nullhomotopic. Thus M is prime $\Rightarrow S^1 \hookrightarrow M$ is nonseparating $\Rightarrow M \cong (S^1 \times S^1) \# M'$ and M is prime $\Rightarrow M \cong S^1 \times S^1$. (case 2) M is irreducible. By the sphere theorem, \tilde{M} is contractible

$\Rightarrow M$ is a $K(F_n, 1)$ for some $n \geq 0$, i.e. $M \cong$ graph. Thus $H_k(M) = 0$ for $k \geq 2$. Poincaré duality and orientability implies $H_3(M, \partial M) = \mathbb{Z}$ so $\partial M \neq \emptyset$. Let B be a component of ∂M . (case 2 a) $B = S^2$. Then M is irreducible gives B bounds a disk so $M \cong D^3$ (case 2 b) B is a positive genus surface

thus $\pi_1(B)$ not a free group so $\pi_1(B) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ not injective. The loop theorem gives that there exists an embedding $(D^2, S^1) \rightarrow (M, B)$ with $S^1 \hookrightarrow B$ nonnullhomotopic loop. If D^2 separates M into pieces M_1, M_2 then $\pi_1(M_1), \pi_1(M_2)$ are free groups with $\text{rk}(\pi_1(M_i)) \leq \text{rk}(\pi_1(M))$. By induction the M_i 's are handlebodies so M is too. If D^2 is nonseparating, let M' be M cut along D^2 , then $\pi_1(M) = \pi_1(M') * \mathbb{Z}$, thus by induction M' is a handlebody so M is too. \square

Theorem. (Kneser's conjecture, thm of Stallings). Let M be a closed 3-manifold with $\pi_1(M) = G_1 * G_2$ with $G_i \neq 1$.

Then we can write $M = M_1 \# M_2$ with $\pi_1(M_i) = G_i$.

Theorem. (Grushko's thm from Stallings's PhD thesis). Let F be a free group and $G = G_1 * G_2$ and $\psi: F \rightarrow G$ be a surjection.

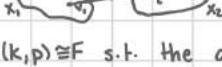
Then we can write $F = F' * F''$ with $\psi(F') \subseteq G_1$ and $\psi(F'') \subseteq G_2$.

Corollary. $\text{rk}(G_1 * G_2) = \text{rk}(G_1) + \text{rk}(G_2)$. if $\text{rk} = \infty$ it is trivial, so assume rk is finite.

pf. clear that $\text{rk}(G_1 * G_2) \leq \text{rk}(G_1) + \text{rk}(G_2)$. For other inequality, let $n = \text{rk}(G_1 * G_2)$ and $\psi: F_n \rightarrow G_1 * G_2$ be a surjection.

Grushko implies $F_n = F_{n_1} * F_{n_2}$ with $F_{n_i} \rightarrow G_i$, so $\text{rk}(G_i) \leq n_i$. Since $\text{rk}(G) = n_1 + n_2$, we are done. \square

pf of Grushko. Let $(x_i, v_i) = a_i K(G_i, 1)$. Let $x =$ . Thus $(x, v) = a K(G_1, 1)$.

def. For a based space (k, p) and a map $f: (k, p) \rightarrow (x, v)$, . say f represents ψ if there is an isomorphism $\pi_1(k, p) \cong F$ s.t. the diagram commutes: $F \xrightarrow{\psi} G_1 * G_2$.

Goal: Find f representing ψ s.t. $f^{-1}(v) =$ a tree T . Indeed, letting $K_i = f^{-1}(v_i \cup v_{i+1}, v_i)$, we have $K = K_1 \cup T \cup K_2$.

so, since T is 1-connected, we have $F \cong \pi_1(K, p) = \pi_1(K_1, p) * \pi_1(K_2, p)$ and f_* takes $\pi_1(K_i, p)$ to G_i as Grushko claims.

Weaker statement. We can find $f: (k, p) \rightarrow (x, v)$ representing ψ with $f^{-1}(v) =$ a forest.

pf. Let F = free group on $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$. For each a_i , write $\psi(a_i) = g_1^{\pm 1} g_2^{\pm 1} \dots g_k^{\pm 1}$ where $g_j \in G_1$ or G_2 , all nontrivial and alternating between $G_1 \not\cong G_2$. WLOG $\psi(a_i) \neq 1$ for all i . Let K = a wedge of n circles with i^{th} circle subdivided into paths of length k_i . p = wedge pt. Define f to take j^{th} edge in i^{th} circle to v -based loop in $x_{i,0,v} \cup [v, v_{i,0,v}]$ representing $g_j \in \pi_1(x_{i,0,v}) = G_{i,0,v}$. Then f represents ψ and $f^{-1}(v) =$ the vertices, i.e. a forest of seeds. \square

Pick $f: (k, p) \rightarrow (x, v)$ representing ψ s.t. $f^{-1}(v)$ is a forest with fewest possible components. We want to show this is a tree.

Assume $f^{-1}(v)$ has multiple components. Below, we will find a path γ in K connecting two different cpts T_1 and T_2 of $f^{-1}(v)$ s.t. $f(\gamma) \subset x_{i,0,v} \cup [v, v_{i,0,v}]$ and $f(\gamma)$ is contractible. Glue D^2 to K s.t. it extends f over D^2 s.t. upper edge goes to v and lower goes to $f(\gamma)$, and interior goes to $x_{i,0,v} \cup [v, v_{i,0,v}]$. For this new f , $f^{-1}(v)$ has one fewer cpt. since T_1 and T_2 get connected by path in upper edge of D^2 . First, pick any γ connecting 2 distinct cpts T_1 and T_2 of $f^{-1}(v)$. Since $\psi: \pi_1(K, v) = F \rightarrow G_1 * G_2$ is surjective, we can find loop $v_{i,0}$ in K based at endpt. of γ s.t. $f(v_{i,0}) \in G_1 * G_2$ represents inverse of $f(\gamma)$. Replacing γ with $\gamma \cdot v_{i,0}$ we can assume $f(\gamma)$ contractible loop. Write $\gamma = \gamma_1 \dots \gamma_r$ where each γ_i maps to $x \cup [v, v_{i,0,v}]$ and the i^{th} alternates and if endpts of γ_i lie in same cpts of $f^{-1}(v)$ then $f(\gamma_i) \neq 1$. Then $1 = f_*(\gamma) = f_*(\gamma_1) \cdot f_*(\gamma_2) \dots \cdot f_*(\gamma_r)$. The $f_*(\gamma_i)$ alternate between G_1 and G_2 so must be the case that $f_*(\gamma_{r+1}) = 1$ for some i . By second point, $f_*(\gamma_i)$ connects two different cpts of $f^{-1}(v)$ and we are done. \square



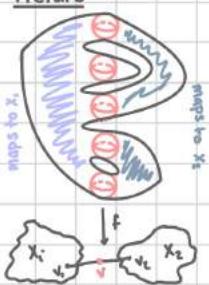
Lecture 15: October 27th, 2021

Kneser's Conjecture (Him of Stallings)

Let M be a compact 3-manifold with incompressible boundary. Assume $\pi_1(M) \cong G_1 * G_2$ with $G_i \neq 1$. Then $M = M_1 \# M_2$ with $\pi_1(M_i) = G_i$.

pf. Let $(X_i, v_i) = \text{a } K(G_i, 1)$ and $X = \begin{array}{c} \text{a cloud-like shape} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{trivial map}} \\ X_i \quad v \quad X_2 \end{array}$, a $K(G_1 * G_2, 1)$. $K(\pi_1, 1)$ -theory implies that there exists $f: M \rightarrow X$ such that $f_*: \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \pi_1(X) = G_1 * G_2$ is an isomorphism. Using our theorem about "codimensional-1 subspaces", we can homotope f such that $f^{-1}(v)$ is an incompressible surface. For component S of $f^{-1}(v)$, $\pi_1(S) \hookrightarrow \pi_1(M) \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_1(X)$ thus $\pi_1(S) = 1$ so $S \cong S^1$.

Picture



If $f^{-1}(v)$ is one S^1 then $f^{-1}(v)$ separates M into 2 components \bar{M}_1 and \bar{M}_2 . Letting $M_i = \bar{M}_i +$ disk glued to boundary component corresponding to $f^{-1}(v)$, get $M = M_1 \# M_2$, and we are done. So pick f in its homotopy class such that $f^{-1}(v)$ has fewest number of components, we wish to show there is 1 component.

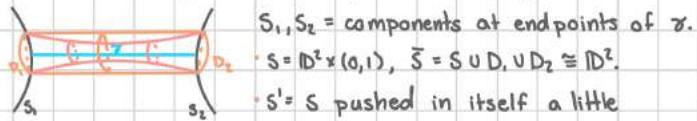
claim: $f^{-1}(v)$ is connected

Assume otherwise. Following proof of Grushko, we can find embedding arc γ s.t.

- endpoints of γ are in 2 different components of $f^{-1}(v)$
- $f(\gamma) \subseteq X_{1 \text{ or } 2}$
- $f(\gamma)$ is contractible loop in $X_{1 \text{ or } 2}$.

We will use γ as a guide to homotope f to decrease # of components of $f^{-1}(v)$, a contradiction.

We "tube" spheres at endpoint of γ together:



We homotope f to $g: M \rightarrow X$, $g = f$ on $M \setminus \bar{S}$ since $\bar{S} \cong D^3$ and $\pi_k(x) = 0$ for $k \geq 2$, g is homotopic to f and $g|_{\partial S} = \text{constant map to } v$.

We will show that we can extend this over the rest of M , i.e. to $\text{int}(S')$ and $\text{int}(S) \setminus S'$ in such a way that no other points map to v , then $g^{-1}(v) = f^{-1}(v) \cup S'$. One component of this is the sphere $S_1 \cup S' \cup S_2$ which looks like $\odot \sqcap \odot$. So how do we extend?

Over $\text{int}(S')$:

D_1 and D_2 are disks with γ mapping to v and the interior mapping to the same $X_{1 \text{ or } 2}$. Since $X_{1 \text{ or } 2}$ are highly connected, there is no obstruction to extending. The obstruction lives in $\pi_1(X_{1 \text{ or } 2}) = 1$.

Over $\text{int}(S) \setminus S'$:

$\text{Int}(S) \setminus S' = A \times (0, 1)$ where A is an annulus, $S' \times (0, 1)$. So the obstruction to extending lies in $\pi_1(X_{1 \text{ or } 2}) = G_{1 \text{ or } 2}$. Since $f(\gamma)$ is contractible, the obstruction vanishes. //

This concludes the proof of the claim and thus the theorem. //

Q. What finitely generated abelian group can be subgroups of π_1 (compact 3-manifold)?

We will answer in series of many steps.

First: Which \mathbb{Z}^n can be π_1 (closed 3-manifold)?

Theorem: Let M^3 be a closed 3-manifold such that $\pi_1(M^3) \cong \mathbb{Z}^n$. Then $n = 0, 1, 3$.

pf. If M is not orientable, then passing to oriented double cover changes π_1 to index-2 subgroup of π_1 , so still \mathbb{Z}^n . So we can assume M is orientable. Next, we can assume $\pi_1(M) \neq \Delta$, so in particular, $\pi_1(M)$ is infinite. Since $\pi_1(M)$ is not nontrivial free product (its abelian), we can assume M is prime (this way we avoid Poincaré conjecture.) If M is reducible (i.e. has non-separating 2-sphere) then since M is prime and orientable, $M \cong S^1 \times S^2$ so $\pi_1(M) = \mathbb{Z}$ so we can assume M is irreducible. So by the sphere theorem, the universal cover is contractible. Since sphere theorem gives $\pi_2(M) = 0$ and $\pi_1(M)$ is infinite, \tilde{M} is not compact so $H_k(\tilde{M}) = 0$ for $k \geq 3$. So \tilde{M} has $\pi_1 = 0$, and $\pi_2 = H_2 = 0$ and $H_k = 0$ for $k \geq 3$. Thus \tilde{M} is contractible. So M is a $K(\mathbb{Z}^n, 1)$ and hence $M \cong (S')^{\times n}$, M closed orientable 3-manifold, so $\mathbb{Z} = H_3(M) = H_3((S')^{\times n}) = \Lambda^3 \mathbb{Z}^n$ so $n=3$.

def. The discrepancy of finitely presented group $G_n = \langle s_1, \dots, s_n \mid r_1, \dots, r_m \rangle$ is $n-m$.

The deficiency of finitely many presentable group G denoted $\text{def}(G)$ is the supremum of discrepancy of a finite presentation for G .

Very hard to calculate, but will do in many cases and in particular, prove that:

- $\text{def}(G) < \infty$
- for most abelian groups A , $\text{def}(A) \leq 0$
- M closed 3-manifold $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) > 0$.

Def For a finitely presentable gp G , the deficiency of G denoted $\text{def}(G)$ is the max of # generators - # relations as we range over the presentations $G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid r_1, \dots, r_m \rangle$

Expl G finite, then $\text{def } G \leq 0$

Reason: $G^{ab} = \text{torsion} \Rightarrow G^{ab} \otimes \mathbb{Q} = 0$

$G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid r_1, \dots, r_m \rangle$ ↗ generators
 $\Rightarrow G^{ab} \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \text{coker}(\mathbb{Q}^m \xrightarrow{\text{relations}} \mathbb{Q}^n)$ which has $\dim \geq n-m$
 ↗ must have $n \leq m$

more gally:

Lem For a f.p. gp G , $\text{def } G \leq \dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(G^{ab} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) = b_1(G)$

Pf of cor. densus ■

($\Rightarrow \text{def}(G) < \infty$)

Expl $\text{def}(F_n) = n \quad b_1(F_n) = n$

$F_n = \text{free gp on } n \text{ generators} = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid \rangle$

↙ min size of gen.

Thm (P. Hall) For a f.p. gp G $\text{def}(G) \leq b_1(G) - \text{rk } H_2(G)$

Expl $G = \pi_1$ (genus g surface)

$= \langle a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g \mid [a_1, b_1], \dots, [a_g, b_g] \rangle$ ← has def $2g-1$

but $H_2 \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2g}$ $\Rightarrow \text{def}(G) \leq b_1(G) - \text{rk } H_2(G) = 2g-1$

$\Rightarrow \text{def}(G) = 2g-1$

for pf of thm, need a tool from gp homology

Def: For $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module M , the coinvariants are:

$$M_G = M / \langle m - gm \mid m \in M, g \in G \rangle$$

Basic fact: $H_0(G, M) = M_G$ (homology derived functor of coinvar functor)

Given a SES of gps $1 \rightarrow K \rightarrow G \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 1$

G/GK by conj $\cong G/H_n(K)$

But (basic fact) $K/GH_n(K)$ is trivial $\rightarrow Q = G/K$ acts on $H_n(K)$

Five-Term Exact Seq. (Stallings)

Given a SES of gps $1 \rightarrow K \rightarrow G \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 1$

have an exact seq $H_2(Q) \rightarrow H_2(Q) \rightarrow H_1(K)_Q \rightarrow H_1(Q) \rightarrow H_1(Q) \rightarrow 0$

Rk similar exact seq. holds for homology of fiber bundle $F \xrightarrow{\pi} E \rightarrow B$ with same pf.

¶ There is a Hochschild-Serre spec. seq

$$E^2_{p,q} = H_p(Q, H_q(K)) \Rightarrow H_{p+q}(G)$$

Fragment of E^2

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & E^{\infty} \\ & \uparrow & \\ H_0(Q, H_1(K)) & \leftarrow S & \\ H_0(Q, H_0(K)) & H_1(Q) & H_2(Q) \\ & \searrow & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & E^{\infty} & \\ & \uparrow & \\ & \text{Coker}(S) & \\ & \text{H}_1(Q) & \text{Ker}(S) \\ & \swarrow & \end{array}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \rightarrow \text{Coker}(S) \rightarrow H_1(G) \rightarrow H_1(Q) \rightarrow 0 \\ H_2(G) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(S) \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \right.$$

C, put together: $H_2(Q) \rightarrow H_2(Q) \xrightarrow{S} H_0(Q, H_1(K)) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_1(G) \rightarrow H_1(Q) \rightarrow 0$

Ex (of Hall-Ham) Consider a presentation $G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid r_1, \dots, r_m \rangle^{(E)}$

WTS $n-m \leq b_1(G) - \text{rk } H_2(G)$. Let $R \triangleleft F_n$ be normal closure of r_i ,
so $G = F_n/R$. Have SES

$$1 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F_n \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1$$

5-Term exact seq. $\quad \quad \quad$ G -action induced by F_n -action

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} H_2(F_n) & \rightarrow & H_2(G) & \rightarrow & (R^{ab})_{F_n} & \rightarrow & H_1(F_n) \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\ 0 & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z}^n & & \mathbb{Z}^n \end{array}$$

Let $A = \text{Im } \varphi \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^n$, so have:

$$0 \rightarrow H_2(G) \rightarrow (R^{ab})_{F_n} \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0 \quad (*)$$

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow H_1(G) \rightarrow 0 \quad (**)$$

$A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^n$ free abelian, so $(*)$ splits and $(R^{ab})_{F_n} \cong H_2(G) \oplus A$

R is F_n -normally gen by r_1, \dots, r_m , so in F_n -coinv $(R^{ab})_{F_n}$
the im of r_i gen and $\text{rk } (R^{ab})_{F_n} \leq m \Rightarrow \text{rk } H_2(G) + \text{rk } A \leq m$.

$(**)$ does not split necessarily.

Letting $A \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\ell}$, have $H_1(G) = \text{coker } (\mathbb{Z}^{\ell} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^n)$

$$\Rightarrow b_1(G) = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} H_1(G) \otimes \mathbb{Q} = n - \ell$$

Combining with $\text{rk } H_2(G) + \text{rk } A \leq m$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{get } n - m &= (b_1(G) + \ell) - m \leq b_1(G) + \ell - (\text{rk } H_2(G) + \ell) \\ &= b_1(G) - \text{rk } H_2(G) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Exde $\mathbb{Z}^n = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid [x_i, x_j] \mid \{i, j\} \subseteq n \rangle$

$$H_2(\mathbb{Z}^n) = \Lambda^2 \mathbb{Z}^n \text{ so } \text{rk } H_2 \mathbb{Z}^n = \binom{n}{2}$$

Thm gives $\text{def } \mathbb{Z}^n \leq n - \binom{n}{2}$

since $\langle \dots | \dots \rangle$ has $\text{def } n - \binom{n}{2}$, have

$$\text{def } \mathbb{Z}^n = n - \binom{n}{2}$$

In particular, $\text{def}(\mathbb{Z}^n) < 0$ for $n \geq 4$

Exple A general f.g. ab. gp G of form

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}^n \oplus \mathbb{Z}/k_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/k_f \text{ with } k_i \mid k_{i+1} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq e$$
$$G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots, x_{n+f} \mid [x_i, x_j] = 1 \text{ if } i \neq j, x_{ni}^{k_i} = 1 \text{ if } i \leq e \rangle$$
$$\text{def of pres} = (n+f) - \left(\binom{n+f}{2} + f \right)$$

$$b_1(G) = n, \quad H_2(G) \stackrel{\text{Kunneth}}{=} \bigoplus_{1 \leq i, j \leq n+f} \mathbb{Z}/a_i \otimes \mathbb{Z}/b_j$$

• a_i and b_j are 0 for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$

• equal k_j for $n+1 \leq i, j \leq n+f$.

Since $k_i \mid k_{i+1}$ for all i , all those terms are nonzero

$$\text{rk } H_2(G) = \binom{n+f}{2}$$

Thm says $\text{def } G \leq b_1(G) - \text{rk } H_2(G) = n - \binom{n+f}{2}$

Since our presentation has this, get equality.

In particular:

Thm: only f.g. abelian gp with $\text{def} > 0$ are $0, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{Z}^3, \mathbb{Z}/r, \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/r$

Thm: if cpt connected 3-mfd with non empty bdry
 $\Rightarrow \text{def } \pi_1(M) \geq 1 - \chi(M)$

Lemma 1 M^n smooth connected cpt n -mfld (8)

Then M^n has a CW cplx structure with 1 n -cell

Pf Start with triangulation delete interior $(n-1)$ -simplices
as needed to combine all n -simplices into single n -cell.



Lemma 2 M^n smooth connected closed mfld then $H_{n-1}(M) = \mathbb{Z}^a \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2^b$
for some $a, b \geq 0$

Pf Look at cellular chains from Lemma 1.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{d_n} C_{n-1}(M) \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} C_{n-2}(M) \rightarrow \dots$$

$\mathbb{Z}?$

$$H_{n-1} = \ker d_n / \text{Im } d_n = \mathbb{Z}^{??} / \text{Im } d_n$$

since M has no bdry, each $(n-1)$ -cell appears twice in bdry of
single n -cell

(sometimes with same sign, sometimes with opposite sign)

Hence $d_n(\text{single } n\text{-cell}) = 2 \text{ (sum of distinct } (n-1)\text{-cells)}$ ■

Pf (of Thm) M cpt connected 3-mfld with non empty bdry

Consider CW cplx from Lemma 1 with

1 3-cell, f 2-cells, e 1-cells, v 0-cells

By "push in", one 2-cell on non empty bdry, M def retracts to
CW cplx M' with $(f-1)$ 2-cells, e 1-cells, v 0-cells.

Get presentation for $\pi_1(M) = \pi_1(M')$ by

• gens come from 1-skeleton (a graph)

- pick max tree T (has v vertices, $v-1$ edges)

- gen for each edge not in T

$$\# \text{ gens} = e - (v-1)$$

1-skel.



Get relation for each 2-cell. ($f-1$) relations
so diff presentation is

$$(e - (v-1)) - (f-1) = 1 + (1 - f + e - v) = 1 - X(M)$$

■

Lecture 17: November 3rd, 2021

Recall: $\text{def}(G) = \max \#(\text{gen}) - \#(\text{rel})$ among all presentations $\leq b_1(G) - \text{rk}(H_2(G))$.

Theorem. M a compact 3-manifold with $\partial M \neq \emptyset$, then $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \geq 1 - \chi(M)$.

Theorem. M a closed 3-manifold $\Rightarrow H_2(M) = \mathbb{Z}^n \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/\ell)^m$ for some $n, m \geq 0$.

Theorem. If M is a closed 3-manifold then $\text{def}(M) \geq 0$.

p.f. $M' = M \setminus \text{open ball}$. The first theorem says $\text{def}(\pi_1(M')) \geq 1 - \chi(M')$. But $\pi_1(M) = \pi_1(M')$ and $\chi(M') = \chi(M) + 1 \stackrel{\text{Poincaré duality}}{=} 0 + 1$. So $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \geq 1 - \chi(M) = 1 - 1 = 0$. \star

Not always an equality: $\pi_1(S^1 \times S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$, $\text{def}(\mathbb{Z}) = 1$. **Remark:** can be proved using Heegaard splitting

Theorem. Let M be an irreducible closed orientable 3-manifold, then $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) = 0$.

p.f. It is enough to show $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \leq 0$ as we have $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \geq 0$ by the previous theorem.

case 1: $\pi_1(M)$ is finite

Since $b_1(\pi_1(M)) = 0$ due to finiteness, we have $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \leq b_1(\pi_1(M)) - \text{rk}(H_2(\pi_1(M))) \leq 0$.

case 2: $\pi_1(M)$ is infinite

By sphere theorem, M is aspherical, i.e. the universal cover is contractible. So M is a $K(\pi_1(M), 1)$. Then $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \leq b_1(M) - \text{rk}(H_2(M)) \leq b_1(M) - b_2(M) = 0$ by Poincaré duality. \star

Theorem. M a closed 3-manifold with $\pi_1(M)$ abelian, then $\pi_1(M) \in \{0 = \pi_1(S^3), \mathbb{Z} = \pi_1(S^1 \times S^1), \mathbb{Z}^3 = \pi_1(T^3), \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2 = \pi_1(S^1 \times \mathbb{RP}^2), \mathbb{Z}/r = \pi_1(\text{lens space})\}$

p.f. We can assume WLOG that M is prime since $C_n \times G_1$ is not abelian for $G_1, G_2 \neq 1$. Can also assume M irreducible since otherwise $M = S^1 \times S^1$ or $S^1 \times \mathbb{RP}^2$. Last time we showed that if A is a finitely generated abelian group with $\text{def}(A) \geq 0$, then $A \in \{0, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/r, \mathbb{Z}/r^3\}$.

We must rule out:

$\cdot \mathbb{Z}^2$

Assume $\pi_1(M) = \mathbb{Z}^2$, thus infinite, then by the sphere theorem M is aspherical, i.e. a $K(\mathbb{Z}^2, 1)$. But $H_2(M; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2$, $H_3(M; \mathbb{Z}_2) = H_3(\mathbb{Z}^2; \mathbb{Z}_2) = 0$, a contradiction.

$\cdot \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/r$ for $r \geq 2$

Assume $\pi_1(M) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/r$ for $r \geq 2$. Since $\pi_1(M)$ is infinite, sphere theorem says M is aspherical, but $\mathbb{Z}/r = H_2(\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/r) = H_2(M)$ which can only have 2-torsion. \star

Theorem. M is a compact 3-manifold with $\pi_1(M)$ abelian, then $\pi_1(M)$ is in the above list or is \mathbb{Z}^2 . **assume orientable for simplicity**

p.f. If any components of ∂M is S^1 , gluing a disk to them does not change $\pi_1(M)$. So we can assume no components of ∂M are S^1 and that the boundary is nonempty. We will prove that $\chi(M) = 0$ so $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \geq 1 - \chi(M) = 1$ and it follows from classification of abelian group with $\text{def}=1$ that $\pi_1(M) = \mathbb{Z}$ or \mathbb{Z}^2 . We know that all components of the boundary have positive genus. What we will show is that all are T^2 which will imply the theorem. Assume component $S \subseteq \partial M$ has genus ≥ 2 . We know that $\pi_1(S)$ is not injective, so there exists nontrivial compressing disk.

case 1: compression disk is separating, $\pi_1(M) = \pi_1(X) * \pi_1(Y)$

 By Poincaré conj., both X and Y have nontrivial π_1 , so $\pi_1(M)$ is not abelian.

Restart proof for an easier proof!

p.f. Let boundary components of M be S_1, \dots, S_n . Let $g_i = \text{genus}(S_i)$. Glue a genus g_i handle body H_{g_i} to S_i to get a closed 3-manifold M' , $0 = \chi(M') = \chi(M) + \sum \chi(H_{g_i}) - 2 \sum \chi(S_i)$. Thus $\chi(M) = \sum \chi(S_i) - \sum \chi(H_{g_i}) = \sum [2 - 2g_i] - (1 - g_i) = \sum (1 - g_i) \leq 0$ since none of the $g_i = 0$. Thus $\text{def}(\pi_1(M)) \geq 1$, so we know that the abelian subgroup $\pi_1(M)$ must be \mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{Z}^2 . \star

Theorem. If M is a 3-manifold and $A \subset \pi_1(M)$ is a finitely generated group then $A \in \{0, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{Z}^3, \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/r, \mathbb{Z}/r^3\}$.

follows from:

Theorem. (Scott Core). For a 3-manifold M and a f.g. $G \subset \pi_1(M)$, then there is a cpt submanifold M' of M with $\pi_1(M') = G$.

Cor. For M a 3-manifold $\pi_1(M)$ is coherent, i.e. all f.g. subgroups are finite presented.

examples. • abelian groups are coherent

• free groups are coherent since all subgroups are free

• For closed surfaces S , $\pi_1(S)$ is coherent

p.f. consider f.g. subgroup $G \subset \pi_1(S)$. This corresponds to a cover, $T \rightarrow S$ with $\pi_1(T) = G$.

case 1: $T \rightarrow S$ is finite cover

$\Rightarrow T$ is compact surface so $G = \pi_1(T)$ is f.p.

case 2: $T \rightarrow S$ is an infinite cover

so T is noncompact, it is classical that $\pi_1(\text{non-compact surface})$ is a free group, i.e. $\pi_1(G)$ is f.g. free group. ✎

Theorem. $F_2 \times F_2$ is not coherent.

part of p.f. $F_2 \times F_2 = \langle a, b, c, d \mid [a, c] = [a, d] = [b, c] = [b, d] = 1 \rangle$. Let $N = \text{subgroup generated by } \{a, c, bd = db\}$.

claim: N is not f.p. In fact, $H_2(N, \mathbb{Q})$ is ∞ -dimensional.

First prove N is a normal subgroup.

• clearly closed under conjugation by a, c .

• closed under conjugation by b :

$$\triangleright bcb^{-1} = c \in N$$

$$\triangleright bab^{-1} = bd^{-1}add^{-1}b^{-1} = (bd)(a)(bd)^{-1} \in N$$

$$\triangleright bbdb^{-1} = bd \in N$$

• closed under conjugation by d through same proof.

Next, consider $F_2 \times F_2 / N = \langle b, d \mid [b, d] = 1, bd = 1 \rangle = \mathbb{Z}$. So we have short exact sequence $1 \rightarrow N \rightarrow F_2 \times F_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$.

We can show $H_2(N, \mathbb{Q})$ must be infinite dimensional by studying the spec. sequence of extension. ✎

Open Question by Serre: Is $SL_3 \mathbb{Z}$ coherent?

Lecture 18: November 8th, 2021

Kurosh Subgroup Theorem

Theorem. Let H be a subgroup of $G_1 * G_2$. Then $H = H_1^1 * \dots * H_n^1 * H_1^2 * \dots * H_m^2 * F$ with H_i^j conjugate to a subgroup of G_i and F free. **Remark:** n, m can be infinity

examples.

1. G = any group, H = normal closure of G in $G \rtimes \mathbb{Z}$.

Q: What is H?

\tilde{X} cover corresponding to H

$$\downarrow$$

$X = K(G_1) \vee S'$

$\pi_1(X) = G \rtimes \mathbb{Z}$

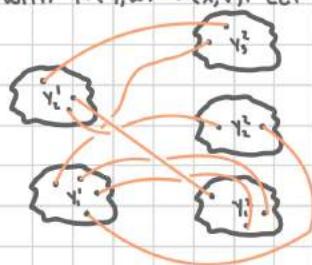
$H = \pi_1(\tilde{X}) = \ast_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} t^n G t^{-n}$

- $$2. H = [G_1, G_2], \quad G_1 = \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} = F_2.$$

$$G = \pi_1(\infty),$$

$H = \pi_1(\# \# \#)$ = infinite rank free group.
no conjugate of a^n or b^n are in it.

pf. $(x_i, v_i) = a \ K(G_{n_i}, 1)$. $X = \frac{x_1 v_1}{e} \dots \frac{x_n v_n}{e}$. So $(x, v) = a \ K(G_1 \times G_2, 1)$. Let $(y, w) =$ cover of (x, v) corresponding to H , with $f: (y, w) \rightarrow (x, v)$. Let $\{Y_i\}_{i \in I_c} =$ components of $f^{-1}(x_i)$. (y, w) looks like:



$(F^i)^{-1}(e)$ = a bunch of disjoint edges mapping a Y_i to a $Y_{i'}^2$

✓ free group

$$\gamma \cong (\vee_i \gamma_i^1 \vee (\vee_j \gamma_j^2) \vee \text{graph}). H = \pi_1(\gamma) \cong (\#_{i=1} \pi_1(\gamma_i^1)) * (\#_{j=1} \pi_1(\gamma_j^2)) * (\pi_1(\text{graph}))$$

γ_i cover of X_i , so $\pi_1(\gamma_i)$ is subgroup of $\pi_1(X_i) = G_i$. Under our identifications,

$\pi_i(y_i)$ maps to a conjugate of a subgroup of $\pi_i(x_i) = G_i$.

due to loose point issues

def. A group G is indecomposable if you can't write $G = G_1 \# G_2$ with $G_1, G_2 \neq 1$.

$$\text{Grushko} \Rightarrow rk(G_1 * G_2) = rk(G_1) + rk(G_2).$$

Cor. If G is a finitely generated group then we can write $G = G_1 * \dots * G_n$ with G_i indecomposable

Theorem. If $G = G_1 * \dots * G_m$ and $G = G'_1 * \dots * G'_n$ with each G_i and G'_i indecomposable. Then:

- $n=m$
 - up to reordering, $G_{n!} \cong G_i!$
 - after reordering each G_i that is not \mathbb{Z} is conjugate to G_i .

pf. By induction on n . ($n=1$) trivial. ($n>1$) If each G_i is \mathbb{Z} , so $G = \text{free group} \Rightarrow G_i'$ is also free so since they are indecomposable, we must have $G_i' = \mathbb{Z}$. All we have to prove now is that $n=m$. But $G \cong F_n \cong F_m$ so $\mathbb{Z}^n \cong F_n \cong F_m \cong \mathbb{Z}^m$ and $n=m$. If we can find a G_i that is not \mathbb{Z} , the same must be true for some G_i' . Assume $G_i' \not\cong \mathbb{Z}$. Since $G_i \triangleleft G$, $G_i \triangleleft G_1 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G_m$ and G_i is indecomposable and not \mathbb{Z} , Krushen gives G_i' is conjugate to a subgroup of some G_i . Conjugate everything. We can assume $G_i \triangleleft G$, and Krushen again implies that G_i is conjugate to a subgroup of some G_i' must have $G_i' = G_i$. Then we must have $G_1 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G_m \cong G_1' \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G_m'$ since each is a quotient of G by normal closure of $G_i = G_i'$. Done by induction. \square

Scott Core Theorem

Theorem. Let M be a 3-manifold and G a finitely generated subgroup of $\pi_1(M)$, then there exists a compact 3-manifold with boundary M' with boundary M' with $G = \pi_1(M')$.

pf. By induction on $\text{rk}(G)$. Base case: $\text{rk}(G) = 1$. So G is cyclic, i.e. $G = \mathbb{Z} = \pi_1(S^1 \times S^1)$ or $\mathbb{Z}/r = \pi_1(\text{lens sequence})$, done.

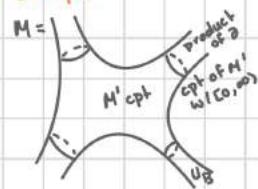
Now assume $n = \text{rk}(G) \geq 2$, and that the theorem is true for all groups generated by $\leq n-1$ elements. If G is not indecomposable, then $G = G_1 * G_2$ with $G_i \neq 1$. We have $\text{rk}(G_1), \text{rk}(G_2) < n$ by Grushko so we can find compact 3-manifolds M_i with $\pi_1(M_i) = G_i$, $G = \pi_1(M_1 * M_2)$ and done. So we can assume G is indecomposable. Passing to cover of M corresponding to G , we can assume $\pi_1(M) = G$. So enough to prove:

Scott Core's core: Let M be a 3-manifold with $G = \pi_1(M)$ finitely generated. Assume G is indecomposable and that all subgroups of G generated by $\leq \text{rk}(G)$ elements are finitely presented \Rightarrow there exists compact submanifolds $M' \subset M$ with $\pi_1(M') = G$. (can prove that M deformation retracts to M' and that M' exists without indecomposability by hypothesis, M' = Scott core of M).

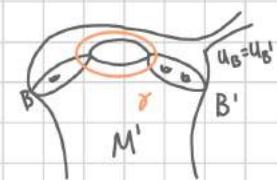
comments:

It's easy to find compact submanifold M' of M s.t. $\pi_1(M') \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ (just choose a compact submanifold containing loops corresponding to generators of $G = \pi_1(M)$). Hard part: Arranging $\pi_1(M') \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ to be injective.

example.



Injectivity Criterion: Let M be a 3-manifold and let $M' \subset M$ be a compact submanifold s.t. $\pi_1(M') \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ is a surjection. For each boundary component B of M' , let $U_B \subset M$ be compact of $M \setminus \text{int}(M')$ containing B . Assume that $\pi_1(U_B) \rightarrow \pi_1(U_B)$ injective for all B . Then $\pi_1(M') \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ is injective.



pf. Claim that $U_B \neq U_{B'}$ for $B \neq B'$, otherwise we could find loop γ in M s.t. $\gamma \cap M'$ is an arc connecting B to B' . The map $H_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, $[w] \mapsto$ algebraic intersection of w with γ is nontrivial on $[B] \in H_1(M)$. Thus $[\gamma] \neq 0$ in $H_1(M)$. Since $\pi_1(M') \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$, γ is homotopic to loop in M' but all such loops have algebraic intersection 0 with B , a contradiction. Now using Van Kampen, $\pi_1(M) = \pi_1(M') * (\underset{B \subset \partial M'}{\text{amalgamate}} \pi_1(U_B))$. Since $\pi_1(B) \hookrightarrow \pi_1(U_B)$ for all B , structure theorem for free product with amalgamation says that $\pi_1(M') \hookrightarrow \pi_1(M)$ as desired.

Lecture 19: November 10th, 2021

Core of Scott's Core Theorem

Let M be a 3-manifold. Assume $\pi_1(M)$ is finitely generated, indecomposable and not cyclic. Also, assume all subgroups of $\pi_1(M)$ generated by $\text{rk}(\pi_1(M))-1$ are finitely presented. Then there exists a compact submanifold $M' \subseteq M$ with $\pi_1(M') = \pi_1(M)$.

p.f. Let $\psi: G \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ be surjective with G finitely presented (we will later impose hypotheses on G). Let K be a compact 2-dimensional simplicial complex with $\pi_1(K) = G$ and let $f: K \rightarrow M$ be a map realizing $\pi_1(K) = G \xrightarrow{\psi} \pi_1(M)$. Set $S = \text{regular neighborhood of } f(K)$ so $S = \text{compact submanifold of } M$. Letting $H = \text{im}(G = \pi_1(K) \rightarrow \pi_1(S))$. We also have that $H \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ is surjective. We want to modify S s.t. $\pi_1(S) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$ is injective (already know it is surjective, in fact $H \in \pi_1(S)$ surjects).

Picture: Last time we showed that it is enough to show:

- ① ∂S incompressible
- ② for each compact B of ∂S and $U = \text{component of } M \setminus \text{int}(S)$ with $B \subseteq \partial U$.

The map $\pi_1(B) \rightarrow \pi_1(U)$ is an injection. Try to change S s.t. ① holds. If $\pi_1(B) \rightarrow \pi_1(S)$ is not injective, then loop then gives compressing disk D . Then either D separates and $\pi_1(S) = \pi_1(S_1) * \pi_1(S_2)$ or D is non-separating. Let $S' = S$ cut along D and $\pi_1(S) = \pi_1(S') * \mathbb{Z}$. We want to replace S by S_1 or S_2 in case 1 and S' in case 2. Problem: How to ensure it doesn't mess up $\pi_1(S) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)$. Need: The subgroup $H \subseteq \pi_1(S)$ that surjects onto $\pi_1(M)$ to be indecomposable. Then if D is separating and $\pi_1(S) = \pi_1(S_1) * \pi_1(S_2)$, Kurosh subgroup theorem and indecomposability implies H conjugates to subgroup of $\pi_1(S_1)$ or $\pi_1(S_2)$. So we can pass to either S_1 or S_2 and still have the subgroup H (changed by conjugation) surjecting onto $\pi_1(M)$. Q: How to ensure H is indecomposable? All we know is $G \xrightarrow{\psi} H \xrightarrow{\pi_1(M)}$. We need to choose G in such a way that all H are indecomposable.

Group Theory of Scott Core:

Let Γ = finitely generated indecomposable group with $\text{rk}(\Gamma) = n \geq 2$. Assume all subgroups of Γ with $\text{rk} \leq n-1$ are finitely presented G and surjection $\psi: G \rightarrow \Gamma$ s.t. ψ factors as $G \xrightarrow{\psi} H \xrightarrow{\phi} \Gamma$ then H is indecomposable. (we will prove this later).

Assuming this statement to be true, we can ensure ∂S is incompressible. Other part is easier. If $B \subseteq \partial S$ is a component, we need $B \rightarrow \pi_1(U)$ injective. If not, there exists a compression disk $D \subseteq U$. Just add to S :

 All this does is kill off loops in $\pi_1(S)$, just do it over and over. 

Theorem. (Improved Grushko). Let $G = G_1 * \dots * G_r * F$ with F free, $H = H_1 * \dots * H_s$, $f: G \rightarrow H$ surjective, and G_i finitely generated. Assume $f(G_i)$ conjugate to a subgroup of some H_j for each i . Then $G_i = K_1 * \dots * K_s$ with $f(K_i) = H_j$ for all i .

p.f. very similar to original proof of Grushko so we omit it.

Kurosh subgroup theorem says for any finitely generated group G_i , we can write $G_i = G_{i1} * \dots * G_{ir_i} * Z_i * \dots * Z_{s_i}$ with

- each G_{ij} is indecomposable, not \mathbb{Z} .
- each $Z_i \cong \mathbb{Z}$

and the G_{ij} is unique up to conjugation and number of Z_i 's is unique. Call this the Kurosh decomposition of G_i .

Define the complexity of G_i to be $c(G_i) = (r_i, s_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$. Order these lexicographically: $(n, m) \geq (n', m')$ if $n > n'$ or $n = n'$ and $m > m'$.

def. If $G = G_1 * \dots * G_r * Z_1 * \dots * Z_s$ is Kurosh's decomposition, a homomorphism $f: G \rightarrow H$ is semi-injective if $f|_{G_i}$ is injective for all i (if G is free, this is no condition at all).

Key lemma. Let G, H be finitely generated groups and let $f: G \rightarrow H$ be semi-injective and surjective. Then either f is isomorphism or $c(G) > c(H)$

pf. Let Kurosh decompositions be $G = G_1 * \dots * G_r * \mathbb{Z}_1 * \dots * \mathbb{Z}_s$ and $H = H_1 * \dots * H_r * \mathbb{Z}'_1 * \dots * \mathbb{Z}'_t$. $f(G_i) \cong G_i$ by semi-injectivity so $f(G_i)$ is a indecomposable subgroup of H with $f(G_i) \not\cong \mathbb{Z}$. The Kurosh subgroup theorem implies $f(G_i)$ is conjugate to some H_j . Can apply improved Grushko to write $\downarrow G = k_1 * \dots * k_{r'} * l_1 * \dots * l_{s'}$ with $f(k_i) = H_i$ and $f(l_i) = \mathbb{Z}'_i$. We can get Kurosh decomposition of G by further decomposing this, so $r+s \geq r'+s'$. If $r+s > r'+s'$ then we are done. So assume $r+s = r'+s'$, then this decomposition must be the Kurosh decomposition for G . So we know that up to conjugation the G_i 's appear in $\{k_1, \dots, k_{r'}, l_1, \dots, l_{s'}\}$. But can't appear among l_i 's since then they would be \mathbb{Z} by semi-injectivity (since $f(l_i) \in \mathbb{Z}'_i = \mathbb{Z}$). So $r \geq r'$ which implies that $s' \leq s$. If $s' = s$ then since f is surjective we must have $f(l_i) = \mathbb{Z}'_i$ and f is an isomorphism.

Group Theory of Scott Core:

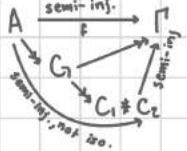
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pf. We can definitely find finitely presented groups A with semi-injective maps $f: A \rightarrow \Gamma$, for example take A = free group of rank $\text{rk}(\Gamma)$. Pick such an $f: A \rightarrow \Gamma$ with complexity $c(A)$ as small as possible. If isomorphism then done. So assume f is not an isomorphism. Pick $\mathfrak{r} \in \text{ker}(f)$, nontrivial, and set $G = A/\langle\langle r \rangle\rangle$. f factors as $\psi: G \rightarrow \Gamma$. We claim this is what we want. Consider an intermediate subgroup H s.t.:

$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \longrightarrow & \Gamma \\ \searrow & \nearrow & \\ H & & \end{array}$ Assume for sake of contradiction that H is decomposable: $H = H_1 * H_2$, $H_i \neq 1$. Let $C_i = \text{image of } H_i \text{ in } \Gamma$ so $H_1 * H_2 \rightarrow \Gamma$ factors as $C_1 * C_2 \rightarrow \Gamma$, $\text{rk}(G_i) \leq \text{rk}(H_i) < \text{rk}(H)$ so by our hypothesis C_i is finitely presented and thus $C_1 * C_2$ is as well.

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By key lemma, $c(A) > c(C_1 * C_2)$, contradicting minimality of $c(A)$.



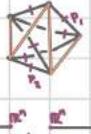
Lecture 20: November 15th, 2021

Lecture 21: November 17th, 2021

Q: What are all orientable n -dimensional vector bundles on a connected graph X ?

A: Only the trivial one!

pf. Let $T = \text{maximal tree}$, $Z = \text{edges not in } T$. For $z \in Z$, pick pt. p_z in interior of z .



T Pick any orientable \mathbb{R}^n -bundle $E \rightarrow X$. Let $X' = X$ cut open along p_z and $E' \rightarrow X'$ pullback of E along gluing map $X' \rightarrow X$, X' contractible $\Rightarrow E'$ trivial! Pick trivialization $E' = X' \times \mathbb{R}^n$. For $z \in Z$, let $p'_z, p''_z = 2$ points in X' glued to $p_z \in X$. To assemble E , have to choose isomorphism $E|_{p'_z} = \mathbb{R}^n$ with $E|_{p''_z} = \mathbb{R}^n$, i.e. linear isomorphism $\psi_z: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. E is orientable $\Rightarrow \psi_z \in GL_n^{>0}(\mathbb{R})$, moving ψ_z in $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ does not change anything. $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ connected \Rightarrow we can assume $\psi_z = \text{id.}$

cor. If Σ is a surface which is not closed then all orientable \mathbb{R}^n -bundles on Σ are trivial.

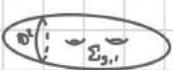
pf. $\Sigma \cong$ connected graph. \square

Q. How about closed orientable surfaces?

Theorem. Σ_g = closed orientable genus $g \geq 0$ surface. Then the set of orientable \mathbb{R}^n -bundles on Σ_g is

- ($n=1$) just trivial one.
- ($n=2$) \mathbb{Z} , classified by euler class $\in H^2(\Sigma_g) = \mathbb{Z}$
- ($n \geq 3$) $\mathbb{Z}/2$, classified by 2nd stiefel-Whitney class $w_2 \in H^2(\Sigma_g, \mathbb{F}_2) = \mathbb{F}_2$.

pf. Write $\Sigma_g = D^2 \cup_{S^1} \Sigma_{g,1}$ ($\Sigma_{g,1} = \Sigma_g \setminus \text{open ball}$)

 Let $E \rightarrow \Sigma_g$ be orientable \mathbb{R}^n -bundle $E|_{D^2}$ and $E|_{\Sigma_{g,1}}$ trivial. We have to glue $D^2 \times \mathbb{R}^n$ to $\Sigma_{g,1} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ along boundary circles so for $p \in S^1$ we need orientation-preserving isomorphism $\psi_p: p \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow p \times \mathbb{R}^n$. i.e. need gluing maps $\psi: S^1 \rightarrow GL_n^{>0}(\mathbb{R})$. $GL_n^{>0}(\mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\text{Gram-Schmidt}} SO(n)$, $SO(n) = \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & n=1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & n=2 \\ \frac{n+1}{2} & n \geq 3 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$. So these parameterize gluings. So, we get surjective map $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & n=1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & n=2 \\ \frac{n+1}{2} & n \geq 3 \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} \text{bundles} \\ \text{orientable} \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$. The above char. classes form an inverse, so this is a bijection. \square

Alternate construction of unit \mathbb{R} -vector bundle with euler # $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ over Σ_g :

Start with trivial bundle $\Sigma_g \times S^1$. Consider a disk $D \subseteq \Sigma_g$. Cut out solid torus $D \times S^1 \subseteq \Sigma_g \times S^1$ and reglue, i.e. perform surgery on knot $p \times S^1$ with $p = \text{center of } D$. If you do this correctly, you will get unit vector bundle of \mathbb{R}^2 -bundle/ Σ_g with euler # p . The regluing map is an orientation preserving diffeo. $T^2 = \partial D \times S^1 \rightarrow \partial \Sigma_{g,1} \times S^1 = T^2$, i.e. element of mapping class group $SL_2 \mathbb{Z}$ of T^2 . For this to give unit vector bundle it needs to preserve fibers $x_0 \times S^1$, i.e. must be matrix of form $(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{smallmatrix})$. This one works.

Q. What would other matrices give you?

in fact: orientable Seifert fibered space can be obtained by:

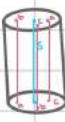
Start with $\Sigma_g \times S^1$. Pick some points $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \Sigma_g$. Perform Dehn surgery on vertical knots $x_i \times S^1 \subseteq \Sigma_g \times S^1$.

Q. Why does this give Seifert fiber space?

Theorem. Let M^3 be orientable Seifert space. Let $S \subseteq M^3$ be one of the circles then there exists neighborhood N of S with $N \cong D^2 \times S^1$ and $S = \text{center } \times S^1$ s.t. the circles on N are:

- start with $D^2 \times [0,1]$
- for some relatively prime p and q , glue $D^2 \times 1$ to $D^2 \times 0$ via $D^2 \rightarrow D^2$, rotate by $2\pi \frac{p}{q}$ (gives a solid torus N)
- circles are images of vertical lines in $D^2 \times [0,1]$.

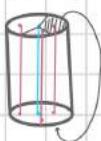
Picture



nb: The S^1 -action preserves N and is just vertical translation. For a point $z \in S$, the S^1 -stabilizer of z is $\mathbb{Z}/q \subset S^1$.

observation: For any Seifert fiber space M^3 , the quotient space Σ that collapses circles is a surface

Picture



Every circle passes uniquely through this so leaf space is

$$\triangle = \text{circle}$$

Points where local model involves $2\pi p/q$ twist are exceptional fibers. Isolated neighborhood of red circle above is $D^2 \times S^1$ with trivial circles $p \times S^1$ so the surface $\Sigma =$ space of circles has finitely many exceptional fibers lying over interior points.



This is not unique but non-uniqueness is understood

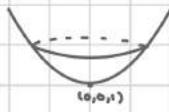
Theorem. (Seifert-fibered Space Conjecture) Let M be a compact irreducible 3-manifold with infinite π_1 . Then M is Seifert-fibered $\Leftrightarrow \pi_1(M)$ has nontrivial center. (the center is loop around fiber).

Lecture 22: November 22nd 2021

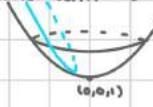
Hyperbolic Geometry

Lecture 23: November 29th, 2021

Recall: $H_n^2 = \{(-1)\text{-sphere in } (\mathbb{R}^3, x^2 + y^2 - z^2) \text{ with } z > 0\}$



Special curves in H_n^2 preserved by $\text{Isom}^+(H_n^2)$:
intersections with 2d subspaces:



Lemma. These are the geodesics for hyperbolic metric.

pf. First, consider straight line l through 0 :



The metric is rotationally symmetric so reflection $r: H_n^2 \rightarrow H_n^2$ in l is an isometry. For $a, b \in l$, if γ is a geodesic from a to b then $r(\gamma) =$ another geodesic from a to b . If a is close enough to b then there is a unique geodesic, so $r(\gamma) = \gamma$, thus $\gamma =$ segment of l from a to $b \Rightarrow l$ is a geodesic (and the only one connecting points on l). $\text{Isom}^+(H_n^2)$ -orbit of l are also geodesics. Easy: $\text{Isom}^+(H_n^2)$ acts transitively on subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 intersecting $H_n^2 \Rightarrow \text{Isom}^+(H_n^2)$ -orbit of l as above. \square

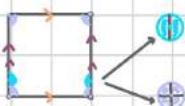
Q: How to construct hyperbolic metric on a surface?

Easier Q: Flat metric on torus.



Give this metric coming from \mathbb{R}^2 .

Check this works on edges and vertex:
no singularities!



What is going on at a vertex?

each corner has angle $\pi/2$ and 4 of them meet at a vertex, giving a total angle of 2π .

Non-Example:



This gives a flat metric on Σ_2 , except at vertex v .

around v , we have a $8 \cdot \frac{3\pi}{4} = 6\pi$ angle so the metric does not extend to v .

We can fix this! with hyperbolic geometry

Lemma. In H_n^2 , there exists a regular octagon with angle $\pi/4$.

pf. For $0 < r < 1$, let $\Theta_r =$ the octagon in H_n^2 with vertices $re^{2\pi i/8}$ and geodesic sides:

Let $\Theta_r =$ vertex angle of Θ_r . claim: $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \Theta_r = 0$.

In tiny neighborhood of $(0,0)$ metric is very close to Euclidean metric.

So angles degenerate to Euclidean angle $3\pi/4$. Lemma now follows from intermediate value theorem. \square

We can now do previous example with hyperbolic regular octagons with angle $3\pi/4$ and metric extends continuously to v . Similarly, we get a hyperbolic metric on Σ_g for $g \geq 2$.

Theorem. (Fricke-Klein). For $g \geq 2$, the "sphere" of hyperbolic metrics on Σ_g is $\cong \mathbb{R}^{6g-6}$.

Parameter Count:

$\{$ space of hyperbolic metrics on $\Sigma_g \} = \{ \psi: \pi_1(\Sigma_g) \rightarrow \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) \mid \psi \text{ faithful, Im}(\psi) \text{ discrete} \} / \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

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given ψ , get surface $\mathbb{H}^2 / \text{Im}(\psi)$. This has $\pi_1 = \pi_1(\Sigma_g)$ so is genus g .

$\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) = 3\text{d real Lie group} \Rightarrow \text{Hom}(F(a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g), \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})) = (\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}))^{2g}$ is a \log -dimensional manifold.

$\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\Sigma_g), \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})) = \text{subset satisfying } [a_1, b_1] \cdots [a_g, b_g] = 1$. (3-conditions: the entries of single matrix in $\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ must be $(\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{smallmatrix})$).

\Rightarrow Intuitively, $\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\Sigma_g), \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}))$ is $\log 3$ -dimensional. Modding out by $\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ -conjugate, cut down dimension by 3, so $\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\Sigma_g), \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})) / \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ is $(\log 6)$ -dimensional (in fact space of metrics is connected component).

In contrast, (Mostow Rigidity) For $n \geq 3$, let (M_1, μ_1) and (M_2, μ_2) be closed hyperbolic n -manifolds and let $f: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ be a homotopy equivalence, then f is homotopic to an isometry.

remark: Also true for finite volume metrics on open manifolds but not for ∞ -volume.

cor. For a 3-manifold M with a finite-volume hyperbolic metric, any metric property (e.g. volume) is a topological invariant.

remark: very powerful for knot programs like snappea can calculate hyperbolic volume to any precision you want.

Lecture 24: December 1st, 2021

Recall: (Mostow Rigidity) For $n \geq 3$, let (M_1, μ_1) and (M_2, μ_2) be closed hyperbolic n -manifolds and let $f: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ be a homotopy equivalence, then f is homotopic to an isometry.

lemma: If M is a closed hyperbolic manifold then $\text{Isom}(M)$ is finite

cor. If M is a closed hyperbolic n -manifold with $n \geq 3$, then $\pi_0(\text{Diff}(M)) \cong \text{Isom}(M)$ finite.

pf. immediate from Mostow Rigidity and lemma

remark K: For 3-manifolds we also have:

theorem. (Gabai) If M is closed hyperbolic 3-manifold then $\text{Diff}_0(M)$ is contractible.

remark: Also true for hyperbolic 2-manifold (i.e. Σ_g , $g \geq 2$) by Earle-Eells.

pf of lemma. $\text{Isom}(M)$ is a compact Lie group so we must show it is discrete, i.e. we must show that if $f: M \rightarrow M$ is an isometry and there exists homotopy $f_t: M \rightarrow M$ s.t. $f_0 = \text{id}$ then $f_t = \text{id}$. (nb. this is better than discrete since the f_t need not be diffeos much less an isometry). Lift f_t to $\tilde{f}_t: \mathbb{H}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ with $\tilde{f}_0 = \text{id}$ and \tilde{f}_t an isometry. Will show that for any geodesic γ in \mathbb{H}^n , $\tilde{f}_t(\gamma) = \gamma$. This will imply $\tilde{f}_t = \text{id}$ since for all $p \in \mathbb{H}^n$, there exists geodesics γ_1 and γ_2 with $\gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2 = p$. Then we have:



$$\tilde{f}_t(p) = \tilde{f}_t(\gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2) = \tilde{f}_t(\gamma_1) \cap \tilde{f}_t(\gamma_2) = \gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2 = p.$$

We know that $\tilde{f}_t(\gamma)$ is a geodesic since \tilde{f}_t is an isometry.

\Rightarrow For all $p \in \mathbb{H}^n$ we have $d_{\mathbb{H}^n}(p, \tilde{f}_t(p)) \leq C$. In particular, for all t we have $d_{\mathbb{H}^n}(\gamma(t), \tilde{f}_t(\gamma(t)))$. Since $\gamma(t)$ and $\tilde{f}_t(\gamma(t))$ go to infinity as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we have $d_{\mathbb{H}^n}(\gamma(t), \tilde{f}_t(\gamma(t))) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

\Rightarrow a of \mathbb{H}^n euclidean distance $\sim \frac{1}{t} r$ (hyperbolic distance) $\Rightarrow \gamma$ and $\tilde{f}_t(\gamma)$ end at same point of $\partial \mathbb{H}^n$.

Same argument shows the start is the same $\Rightarrow \gamma$ and $\tilde{f}_t(\gamma)$ are geodesics with the same endpoints on $\partial \mathbb{H}^n$

$$= \gamma = \tilde{f}_t(\gamma) - \gamma$$

Construct a Finite Volume hyperbolic 3-manifold

We constructed hyperbolic metric on Σ_g by finding a regular octagon with angles $\frac{2\pi}{8}$ and gluing

Angle $= \frac{\pi}{4}$ implies metric on octagon induces a metric on Σ_g (in particular, no singularity at vertex).



Q: What conditions on 3d hyperbolic polyhedra needed to let glue to get hyperbolic 3-manifold?

- faces to be isometric polygons
- no problem in interior of face
- on interiors of edges need sum of dihedral angles to be 2π .

What happens at vertex?

we will avoid caring about vertices by deleting them by putting them at ∞ .

example. (dim 2)



vertices at ∞ , edges have ∞ length

cool fact: Area = π .

ideal triangle this is a limit of ordinary hyp. triangle  area = $\pi - (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$, becomes ideal as vertices $\rightarrow \infty$ and angles $\rightarrow 0$.

Using ideal triangles, we can find hyperbolic metrics of finite volume on punctured surfaces



"Regular" ideal tetrahedron in H^3 .

start with regular tetrahedron in 3d Euclidean space



scale to make all points lie on unit sphere, take H^3 -convex hull of those vertices

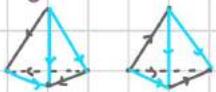


the four faces are ideal triangles.

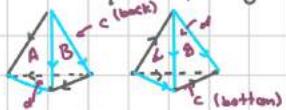
Easy to show the tetrahedron has finite volume.

basic fact: The dihedral angle is $2\pi/6 = \pi/3$.

Gluing: Take two and glue together.



there is a unique way to glue s.t. colors and directions match up.



All of the blue edges are identified, and all of the gray, vertices are identified.

Around the blue edge there are six triangular pieces with each dihedral angle $= 2\pi/6$ for a total of 2π angles.

\Rightarrow no singularity of metric on blue edges. Exactly the same on the gray edge. Thus we get a hyperbolic 3-manifold with finite volume.

Q: What if you put vertex back?

If you put vertex back then you get a non-manifold neighborhood of new point = cone (torus).

$\Rightarrow M = \text{Int}(\text{compact 3-manifold with torus boundary})$.

In fact, $M \cong S^3 \setminus (\text{figure 8-knot})$

