

Theta Functions, Kronecker Functions, and Bilinear Relations

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Holomorphic Differentials

Definition and existence of holomorphic differentials

Definition: $\omega = f_\alpha dz_\alpha = f_\beta dz_\beta$, f holomorphic

Existence: $\dim \mathcal{H}^1 = g$ (genus of compact Riemann surface)

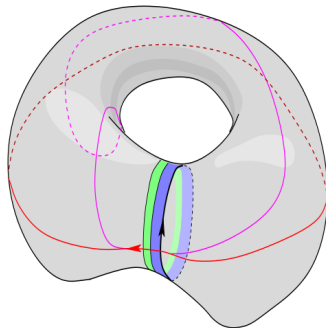
Proof outline:

- $\dim \mathcal{H}^1 \leq \# \text{ of a-cycles} = g$
- $\# \text{ of harmonic differentials} = \dim H \geq 2g$
- $h = f dz + g d\bar{z} \implies \dim H = 2 \dim \mathcal{H}^1$
- $g \leq \dim \mathcal{H}^1 \leq g \implies \dim \mathcal{H}^1 = g$

Normalization & period matrix:

$$\int_{a_i} \omega_j = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\int_{b_i} \omega_j = \tau_{ij}$$



Regions used to define harmonic differentials
Bertola 2006

Abel's map

Bertola 2006 Section 4.2

Formal definition of Abel's map

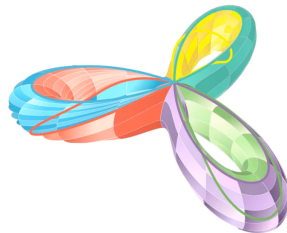
For a particular choice of a point P_0 on the fundamental domain \mathcal{L} , using the normalized harmonic differentials ω_i , we have Abel's map

$$\mathbf{u} : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g, \quad P \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \int_{P_0}^P \omega_1 \\ \vdots \\ \int_{P_0}^P \omega_g \end{pmatrix}$$

Analytic continuation beyond the fundamental domain:

$$\mathbf{u}(P + a_i) = \mathbf{u}(P) + \begin{pmatrix} \int_{a_i} \omega_1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{u}(P) + \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{i1} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

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Genus 3 surface

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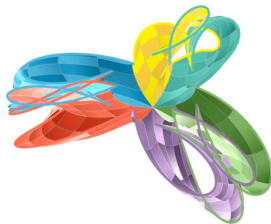
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Unfolding Genus 3 Surface

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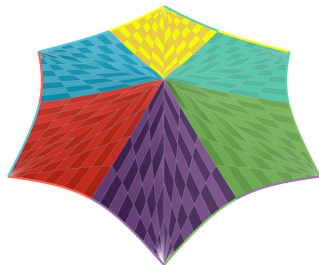
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Genus 3 fundamental domain

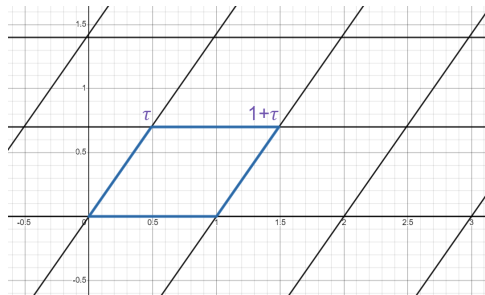
Abel's map at genus 1

Appropriate differential

$$\omega = dz$$

Abel's map

$$\mathbf{u}(z) = \int_0^z \omega = z$$



Fundamental domain and continuation at genus 1

What about higher genus?

- How do we represent the fundamental domain?
- What choice of differentials can we make?
- What consequences does this have for Abel's map?

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Theta functions

Bertola 2006 Section 5.1

Definition of the Theta function

Given a symmetric matrix τ with positive definite imaginary part, the Theta function is

$$\Theta(\vec{z}, \tau) := \sum_{\vec{n} \in \mathbb{Z}^g} \mathbf{e} \left(\frac{1}{2} \vec{n}^T \tau \vec{n} + \vec{n}^T \vec{z} \right), \quad \mathbf{e}(z) = \exp(2\pi i z)$$

Properties: For $\vec{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z}^g$

$$\Theta(-\vec{z}) \stackrel{\vec{n} \mapsto -\vec{n}}{=} \Theta(\vec{z})$$

$$\Theta(\vec{z} + \vec{\lambda}) = \sum_{\vec{n} \in \mathbb{Z}^g} \cancel{\mathbf{e}(\vec{n}^T \vec{\lambda})} \mathbf{e}(\dots) = \Theta(\vec{z})$$

$$\Theta(\vec{z} + \tau \vec{\lambda}) = \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{shift } \vec{n} \\ \text{use } \tau \text{ symmetry} \end{array} \right] = \mathbf{e} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \vec{\lambda}^T \tau \vec{\lambda} - \vec{\lambda}^T \vec{z} \right) \Theta(\vec{z})$$

Theta function on a compact Riemann surface

Bertola 2006 Section 5.2

Definition of Theta function on a compact Riemann surface

For a compact Riemann surface \mathcal{M} of genus g , with period matrix τ and Abel's map \mathbf{u} , we can identify

$$\begin{aligned}\theta : \mathcal{M} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ P &\mapsto \Theta(\mathbf{u}(P))\end{aligned}$$

Properties:

$$\theta(P + a_i) = \theta(P)$$

$$\theta(P + b_i) = \mathbf{e} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \tau_{ii} - \mathbf{u}_i(P) \right) \theta(P)$$

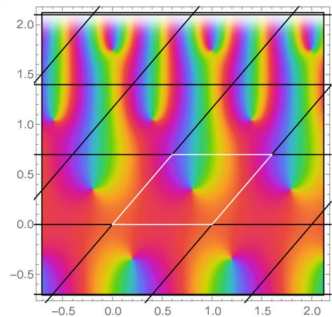
Theta function at genus 1

$$\theta(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{1}{2}n^2\tau + nz\right)$$

$$\theta(z) = \theta(-z)$$

$$\theta(z+1) = \theta(z)$$

$$\theta(z+\tau) = \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\tau - \xi\right)\theta(z)$$



Theta function for $\tau = 0.7 + 0.6i$
Chan 2022

What about higher genus?

- What does the Theta function look like at higher genus?

Theta function with characteristics

Bertola 2006 Section 5.1

Definition of Theta function with characteristics

Consider vectors $\epsilon, \epsilon' \in \mathbb{R}^g$. We can then define the Theta function with characteristics ϵ, ϵ' as

$$\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z}) := \mathbf{e} \left(\frac{1}{8} \epsilon^T \tau \epsilon + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^T \vec{z} + \frac{1}{4} \epsilon^T \epsilon' \right) \Theta \left(\vec{z} + \frac{\epsilon'}{2} + \frac{\tau \epsilon}{2} \right) = \left[\begin{array}{l} \vec{n} \mapsto \vec{n} + \epsilon \\ \vec{z} \mapsto \vec{z} + \epsilon' \end{array} \right] \sum_{\vec{n}} \mathbf{e}(\dots)$$

Properties:

$$\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z} + \vec{\alpha} + \tau \vec{\beta}) = \mathbf{e} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\epsilon^T \vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta}^T \epsilon') - \frac{1}{2} \beta^T \tau \beta - \vec{\beta}^T \vec{z} \right) \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z})$$

$$\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon + 2\eta \\ \epsilon' + 2\eta' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z}) = \exp(\pi i \epsilon^T \eta') \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z}), \quad \eta, \eta' \in \mathbb{Z}^g$$

$$\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (-\vec{z}) = \exp(\pi i \epsilon^T \epsilon') \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z}), \quad \epsilon, \epsilon' \in \mathbb{Z}^g$$

Odd theta functions and zeros

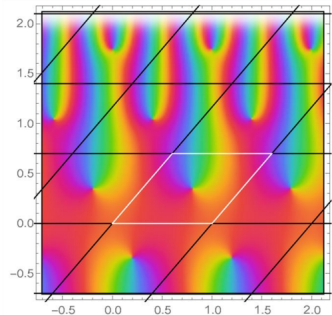
$$\epsilon, \epsilon' \in \mathbb{Z}^g, \quad \epsilon^T \epsilon' \text{ is odd}$$

$$\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (-\vec{z}) = \exp(\pi i \epsilon^T \epsilon') \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z})$$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{z}) = -\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (-\vec{z})$$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (0) = \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon \\ \epsilon' \end{bmatrix} (\vec{\alpha} + \tau \vec{\beta}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta \left(\frac{\epsilon'}{2} + \frac{\tau \epsilon}{2} \right) = 0$$



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Odd theta function at genus 1

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We define

$$\theta_1(z) = -\theta \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} (z)$$

It has equivalent definition

$$\theta_1(z) = 2iq^{1/8} \sin(\pi z) \prod_j (1 - q^j)(1 - wq^j)(1 - w^{-1}q^j), \quad q = e(\tau), w = ez$$

Jacobi Triple Product:

$$f(x, y) = \prod_{j>0} (1 - x^{2m})(1 + x^{2m-1}y^2)(1 + x^{2m-1}y^{-2})$$

$$f(x, xy) = \prod_{j>0} (1 - x^{2m})(1 + x^{2m+1}y^2)(1 + x^{2m-3}y^{-2}) = \frac{1 + x^{-1}y^{-2}}{1 + xy^2} f(x, y) = x^{-1}y^{-2} f(x, y)$$

Odd theta function at genus 1

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$$f(x, y) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n(x) y^{2n} \implies f(x, y) = xy^2 f(x, xy) = \sum_n c_n(x) x^{2n+1} y^{2n+2}$$

$$\implies c_{n+1}(x) = x^{2n+1} c_n(x) \implies c_n(x) = c_0(x) x^{n^2} \implies f(x, y) = c_0(x) \sum_n x^{n^2} y^{2n}$$

This relates the two forms of the theta function : $\prod_j (1 - q^j)(1 - wq^j)(1 - w^{-1}q^j) \simeq \sum_n \mathbf{e}(\tau)^{n^2} \mathbf{e}(z)^n$

What about higher genus?

- Are there similar Jacobi formulas for higher genus theta functions?

(Application) Decomposing meromorphic functions

Chan 2022 Section 3.4 & Bertola 2006 Chapter 6

Rough outline of how to reproduce a function with divisor $(f) = \sum n_i P_i$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Find function } t(z) \\ \text{with known simple zero} \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} g(z) = \prod t(P - P_i)^{n_i} \\ \text{respecting possible periodicity} \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left(\frac{f}{g} \right) = \emptyset \rightarrow \frac{f}{g} = \text{const.}$$

Recall that $\deg((f)) = \sum n_i = 0$ for meromorphic functions, so extra factors can easily cancel.

Genus 0:

- $f(z) = C \prod (z - z_i)^{n_i}$

Genus > 0 :

- $\Theta(\xi) = 0$
- $g_{P'} : P \mapsto \Theta(\mathbf{u}(P) - \mathbf{u}(P') + \xi)$
- $f(P) = C \prod (g_{P_i}(P))^{n_i}$

Genus 1:

- Decompose $z_i = \frac{b_i}{2} + \tau \frac{a_i}{2}$
- $f(z) = C \prod \left(\theta \begin{bmatrix} a_i \\ b_i \end{bmatrix} (z) \right)^{n_i}$

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Analogous function for Genus 0

$$F(z, \alpha) = \frac{(z + \alpha)}{(z)(\alpha)}$$

↓

$$\alpha F(z, \alpha) dz = \sum_{n=0,1} g^{(n)}(z) dz = dz + \frac{dz}{z}$$

↓

use differentials to calculate multiple polylogarithms

Kronecker function at Genus 1

Elliptic version of what was shown above:

$$\frac{\theta_1(z + \alpha)}{\theta_1(z)\theta_1(\alpha)}$$

Kronecker function

Brown and Levin 2013 Section 3.4

Definitions of the Kronecker function

The Kronecker function $F(z, \alpha, \tau)$ has equivalent definitions

1. In terms of the odd theta function

$$\frac{\theta_1'(0)\theta_1(z+\alpha)}{\theta_1(z)\theta_1(\alpha)}$$

2. In terms of a sum over exponentials $F(\xi, \alpha, \tau)$

$$-2\pi i \left(\frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1}{1-w} + \sum_{m,n>0} (z^m w^n - z^{-m} w^{-n}) q^{mn} \right), \quad \begin{pmatrix} z \\ w \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{e} \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \alpha \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}$$

3. In terms of a sum over Eisenstein functions and series

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \exp \left(- \sum_{j>0} \frac{(-\alpha)^j}{j} (E_j(z, \tau) - e_j(\tau)) \right)$$

Properties of the Kronecker function

Brown and Levin 2013 Section 3.4

What about higher genus?

- How can we define the Kronecker function at higher genus?

Periodicity Properties:

$$F(z+1, \alpha) = \frac{\theta_1'(0)\theta_1(z+\alpha+1)}{\theta_1(z+1)\theta_1(\alpha)} = F(z, \alpha)$$
$$F(z+\tau, \alpha) = \frac{\theta_1'(0)\theta_1(z+\alpha+\tau)}{\theta_1(z+\tau)\theta_1(\alpha)} = \frac{e(-z-\alpha)}{e(-z)} F(z, \alpha)$$

The Fay Relation

$$F(z_1, \alpha_1)F(z_2, \alpha_2) = F(z_1, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)F(z_2 - z_1, \alpha_2) + F(z_2, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)F(z_1 - z_2, \alpha_1)$$

Setup for derivation of the Fay relation

Matthes 2019

$$F(z_1, \alpha_1)F(z_2, \alpha_2) = F(z_1, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)F(z_2 - z_1, \alpha_2) + F(z_2, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)F(z_1 - z_2, \alpha_1)$$

↓ rewrite using Theta functions ↓

$$\frac{\theta_1(z_1 + \alpha_1)\theta_1(z_2 + \alpha_2)}{\theta_1(z_1)\theta_1(\alpha_1)\theta_1(z_2)\theta_1(\alpha_2)} = \frac{\theta_1(z_1 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)\theta_1(z_2 - z_1 + \alpha_2)}{\theta_1(z_1)\theta_1(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)\theta_1(z_2 - z_1)\theta_1(\alpha_2)} + \frac{\theta_1(z_1 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)\theta_1(z_1 - z_2 + \alpha_1)}{\theta_1(z_1)\theta_1(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)\theta_1(z_1 - z_2)\theta_1(\alpha_1)}$$

↓ multiply common denominator and relabel ↓

$$\begin{aligned} &\theta_1(\alpha_0)\theta_1(\beta_0)\theta_1(\alpha_2 + \beta_1)\theta_1(\alpha_2 - \beta_1) + \\ &\theta_1(\alpha_1)\theta_1(\beta_1)\theta_1(\alpha_0 + \beta_2)\theta_1(\alpha_0 - \beta_2) + \\ &\theta_1(\alpha_2)\theta_1(\beta_2)\theta_1(\alpha_1 + \beta_0)\theta_1(\alpha_1 - \beta_0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

↓ long process involving odd and even theta functions at genus 1 ↓

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What about higher genus?

- What does the Fay identity look like at higher genus when theta functions are more complicated?

Differentials from the Kronecker function

Broedel et al. 2015 Section 3.3.3

$$\alpha F(z, \alpha) dz = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z) dz \alpha^n$$

$$g^{(0)}(z) = 1$$

$$g^{(1)}(z) = \pi \cot(\pi z) + 4\pi \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin(2\pi m z) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{mn}$$

$$g^{(2)}(z) = -2\zeta_2 + 8\pi^2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi m z) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n q^{mn}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\boxed{g^{(n)}(-z) = (-1)^n g^{(n)}(z)}$$

Independence of the differentials

Brown and Levin 2013 Lemma 8

$$d(g^{(k+1)}(z)dz) = \nu \wedge (g^{(k)}(z)dz)$$

Let us assume that the first w differentials are not independent

$$\sum_{k \leq w} c_k g^{(k)}(z) dz = 0$$

Then, we find that

$$d\left(\sum_{k \leq w} c_k g^{(k)}(z) dz\right) = \nu \wedge \left(\sum_{k \leq (w-1)} c_k g^{(k)}(z) dz\right) = 0 \implies \sum_{k \leq (w-1)} c_k g^{(k)}(z) dz = 0$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{k \leq (w-1)} c_k g^{(k)}(z) dz \neq 0 \implies \sum_{k \leq w} c_k g^{(k)}(z) dz \neq 0$$

and since $c_0 g^{(0)}(z) dz \neq 0$, all the differentials are independent by induction.

Fay relation for differentials (Kronecker to Decomposition)

$$F(z_1, \alpha_1)F(z_2, \alpha_2) = F(z_1, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)F(z_2 - z_1, \alpha_2) + F(z_2, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)F(z_1 - z_2, \alpha_1)$$

↓ decompose ↓

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_1) \alpha_1^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_2) \alpha_2^n \right) = \\ & \frac{1}{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \alpha_2} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_1) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_2 - z_1) \alpha_2^n \right) + \\ & \frac{1}{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \alpha_1} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_2) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_1 - z_2) \alpha_1^n \right) \end{aligned}$$

Fay relation for differentials (decomposition to power matching)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_1) \alpha_1^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_2) \alpha_2^n \right) = \\
 & \alpha_1 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_1) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_2 - z_1) \alpha_2^n \right) + \\
 & \alpha_2 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_2) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^{(n)}(z_1 - z_2) \alpha_1^n \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

↓ match coefficients of $\alpha_1^m \alpha_2^n$ ↓

$$\begin{aligned}
 g^{(m-1)}(z_1) g^{(n)}(z_2) + g^{(m)}(z_1) g^{(n-1)}(z_2) = & \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{m-1+r}{r} g^{(m-1+r)}(z_1) g^{(n-r)}(z_2 - z_1) + \\
 & \sum_{r=0}^m \binom{n-1+r}{r} g^{(n-1+r)}(z_2) g^{(m-r)}(z_1 - z_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Fay relation for differentials (power matching to final form)

$$\begin{aligned}
 g^{(m-1)}(z_1)g^{(n)}(z_2) + g^{(m)}(z_1)g^{(n-1)}(z_2) &= \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{m-1+r}{r} g^{(m-1+r)}(z_1)g^{(n-r)}(z_2 - z_1) + \\
 &\quad \sum_{r=0}^m \binom{n-1+r}{r} g^{(n-1+r)}(z_2)g^{(m-r)}(z_1 - z_2) \\
 &\quad \downarrow \text{?????} \downarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g^{(m)}(z_1)g^{(n)}(z_2) &= (-1)^{n+1} g^{(m+n)}(z_1 - z_2) \\
 + \sum_{r=0}^m \binom{m+r-1}{r} g^{(m+r)}(z_1)g^{(n-r)}(z_2 - z_1) \\
 + \sum_{r=0}^m \binom{n+r-1}{r} g^{(n+r)}(z_2)g^{(m-r)}(z_1 - z_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$z_1 = t - x$; $z_2 = t \implies$ repeated t dependence \rightarrow repeated x dependence

Periodicity instead of holomorphicity

Broedel et al. 2015 Section 3.2.3

Elliptic version of Kronecker function

$$\Omega(z, \alpha) = \mathbf{e} \left(\alpha \frac{\Im(z)}{\Im(\tau)} \right) F(z, \alpha)$$

$$\Omega(z + 1, \alpha) = \mathbf{e} \left(\alpha \frac{\Im(z + 1)}{\Im(\tau)} \right) F(z + 1, \alpha) = \Omega(z + 1, \alpha)$$

$$\Omega(z + \tau, \alpha) = \mathbf{e} \left(\alpha \frac{\Im(z + \tau)}{\Im(\tau)} \right) F(z + 1, \alpha) = \mathbf{e}(\alpha) \mathbf{e} \left(\alpha \frac{\Im(z)}{\Im(\tau)} \right) \mathbf{e}(-\alpha) F(z, \alpha) = \Omega(z, \alpha)$$

Similarly, we find

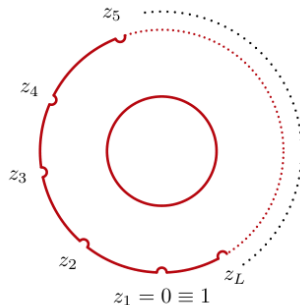
$$\alpha \Omega(z, \alpha) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f^{(n)}(z) dz \alpha^n$$

for perfectly elliptic, but non-holomorphic f .

Application of properties

Properties of differentials:

- Periodic or quasi-periodic, with particular τ
→ faithful to compact Riemann surface
- Integrability and independence
→ suitable for homotopy-invariant integrals
- Constant ($g^{(0)}$) and simple pole ($g^{(1)}$)
→ constructing elliptic polylogarithms
- Fay relation
→ rearranging dependence for integral evaluation

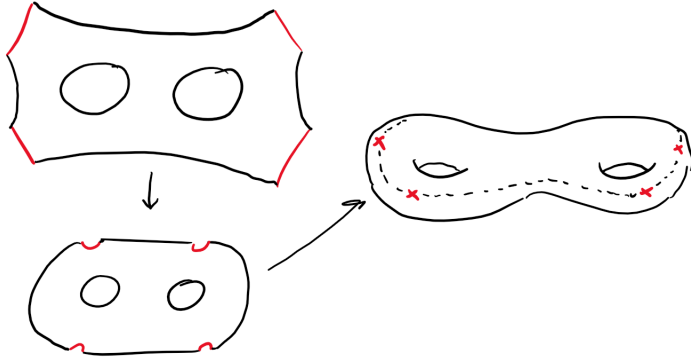


Annulus from open string
Broedel and Kaderli 2022

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Why we care about higher genus



Sketch of analogous construction for genus 2

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- ~ How can we define the Kronecker function at higher genus?
- What does the Fay identity look like at higher genus when theta functions are more complicated?

Schottky group

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Schottky group

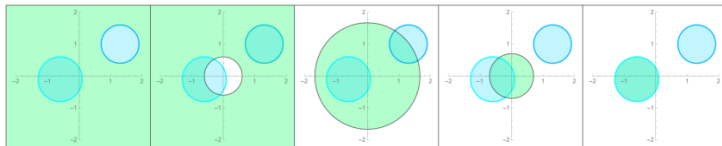
Choosing mutually disjoint discs $\{D_i, D'_i\}$ with interiors $\{\mathring{D}_i, \mathring{D}'_i\}$ on a Riemann sphere, we can choose mobius transformations γ_i such that the exterior of D_i is mapped to the interior of D'_i

$$\gamma_i \in \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{C}), \quad \gamma_i : z \mapsto \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

$$\gamma_i(\bar{C} \setminus \mathring{D}_i) = D'_i$$

$$\gamma_i(\partial D_i) = \partial D'_i$$

The transformations formed by composition of γ_i form a group called a **Schottky group**, usually denoted as Γ .



Möbius transformations mapping outside of one disc to inside of another

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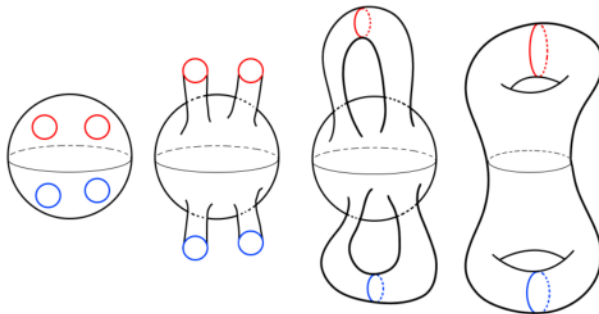
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Given a Schottky group Γ with associated discs $\{D_i, D'_i\}_{i=1}^g$ we can define

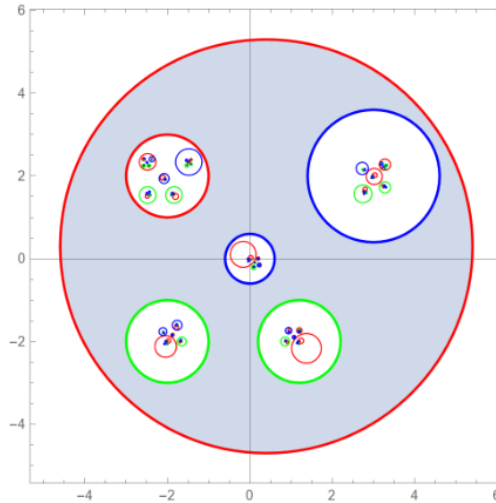
$$F := \bar{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \bigcup_i (\overset{\circ}{D}_i \cup \overset{\circ}{D}'_i) \quad ; \quad \Omega := \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \gamma(F)$$

Then, $\mathcal{M} := \Omega/\Gamma$ is a Riemann surface of genus g with fundamental domain F .



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Schottky cover visual for verbal explanation

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Differentials and Abel's map

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We can define cosets of Γ

$$\Gamma/\Gamma_i = \{\gamma_{j_1}^{n_1} \cdots \gamma_{j_k}^{n_k} : \gamma_{j_k} \neq \gamma_i\}$$

$$\Gamma_i \setminus \Gamma = \{\gamma_{j_1}^{n_1} \cdots \gamma_{j_k}^{n_k} : \gamma_{j_1} \neq \gamma_i\}$$

And use these to define holomorphic differentials using fixed points P_i

$$\omega_i = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma/\Gamma_i} \left(\frac{1}{z - \gamma(P'_i)} - \frac{1}{z - \gamma(P_i)} \right) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_i \setminus \Gamma} \left(\frac{1}{\gamma(z) - P'_i} - \frac{1}{\gamma(z) - P_i} \right)$$

Which can then be used to define Abel's map

$$u_i[p] = \int_{p_0}^p \omega_i = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma/\Gamma_i} \ln\{p, \gamma(P'_i), p_0, \gamma(P)\}$$

where

$$\{a, b, c, d\} = \frac{(a-b)(c-d)}{(a-d)(c-b)}$$

Attempt at a Kronecker function

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Focusing on three of the conditions:

1. Generalized Kronecker function should be quasi-periodic
2. Generalized Kronecker function should reduce to aforementioned genus 1 form
3. Generalized Kronecker function should satisfy integrability in a particular way

$$K(z, \{w_1, \dots, w_g\} | \Gamma) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \frac{\gamma'(z)}{\gamma(z) - 1} w_1^{\text{ord}_1 \gamma} \dots w_g^{\text{ord}_g \gamma}$$

At Genus 1, for $\gamma : z \mapsto \mathbf{e}(\tau)z = qz$

$$K(z, w | \Gamma) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{q^n}{q^n z - 1} w^n = \dots = \frac{1}{z} \left[1 - \frac{1}{1-z} - \frac{1}{1-w} - \sum_{m, n > 0} q^{mn} (z^m w^n - z^{-m} w^{-n}) \right]$$

Recall

$$F(\xi, \alpha) = -2\pi i \left(\frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1}{1-w} + \sum_{m, n > 0} (z^m w^n - z^{-m} w^{-n}) q^{mn} \right), \quad \begin{pmatrix} z \\ w \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{e} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ \alpha \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}$$

Open questions

Obtaining the Kronecker function in terms of theta functions

- Choice of characters, description of theta's behavior
- Existing attempts inspiring representation with theta functions








More detail in Schottky cover description

- Matching Schottky fundamental domain with usual fundamental polygon
- Alternative choices for generalized Kronecker function

Connection to algebraic curves

- Mapping to other language of describing Riemann surfaces

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