

Quotient Manifolds

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• practice probs released Tu)

G a Lie group acting smoothly on a smooth mfld M .

M/G quotient space

Q When is M/G a top'l mfld admitting a smooth structure s.t. $\pi: M \rightarrow M/G$ is a smooth submersion?

A When G acts freely and properly on M .

$$g \cdot p = p \text{ iff } g = e$$

$G \times M \rightarrow M \times M$ is proper
 $(g, p) \mapsto (g \cdot p, p)$
(guarantees M/G H'ff.)

Recall $X \rightarrow Y$ proper when preimages of compacts are compact.

E.g. $GL_n \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ via $A \cdot x = \underbrace{Ax}_{\text{matrix mult'n}}$

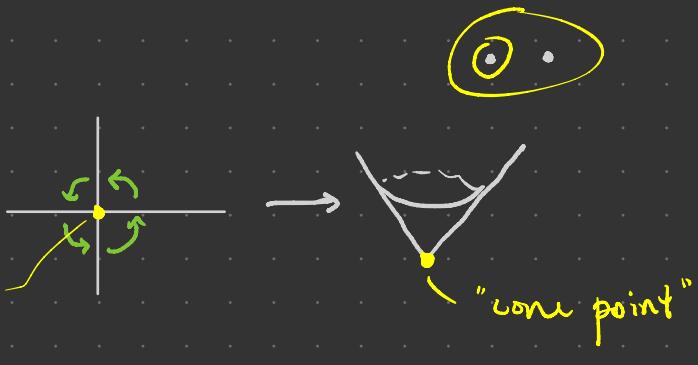
Since $A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \forall A$, this action is not free.

Further, if $x \neq y \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$, then $\exists A \text{ s.t. } Ax = y$, so

$$\mathbb{R}^n / GL_n \mathbb{R} = \left\{ \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}, \{0\} \right\} \text{ with open sets } \emptyset, \{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}\}, \mathbb{R}^n / GL_n \mathbb{R}$$

Not a top'l mfld!

E.g. $C_4 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ by $\pi/2$ rotation



Not a smooth mfld.

E.g. $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$, $\mathbb{R} \curvearrowright \mathbb{T}^2 = S^1 \times S^1$ by

$$t \cdot (z, w) = (e^{2\pi i t} z, e^{2\pi i \alpha t} w)$$

This is a free action with dense orbits

\Rightarrow only saturated opens of \mathbb{T}^2 are \emptyset, \mathbb{T}^2

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2/\mathbb{R}$ has the trivial topology so not a top'l mfld

Exc Check that this action is not proper but is smooth.

Lemma 21.1 For any cts action of a top'l gp G on a space X ,
the quotient map $X \rightarrow X/G$ is open.

Prop 21.4 If a Lie gp G acts ctsly + properly on a mfld M ,
then M/G is Hausdorff.

Characterization of Proper Actions (21.5) M mfld, G Lie gp
acting ctly on M . TFAE:

(a) The action is proper

(b) (p_i) , (g_i) sequences of M, G s.t. $(p_i), (g_i \cdot p_i)$ converge,
then (g_i) converges

(c) $\forall K \subseteq M$ compact, $G_K := \{g \in G \mid (g \cdot K) \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$ is compact. \square

N.B. If $K = \{p\}$, then $G_K = G_p$ is the isotropy subgp of p .

Cor Every ct action by a compact Lie group is proper \square

Prop $\Theta : G \times M \rightarrow M$ proper smooth action of Lie gp G on
a smooth mfld M . $\forall p \in M$, $\Theta^{(p)} : G \rightarrow M$ is proper
 $g \mapsto g \cdot p$

thus $G_p = \Theta^{(p)}(G)$ is closed in M . If additionally $G_p = \{p\}$, then $\Theta^{(p)}$ is a smooth embedding with $G_p \subseteq M$ a properly embedded submfld.

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Quotient Mfld Thm $G \subset M$ smooth, free, proper action of a lie gp on a smooth mfd. Then M/G is a top'l mfd of dim n $\dim M - \dim G$, and has a unique smooth structure s.t. $\pi: M \rightarrow M/G$ is a smooth submersion.

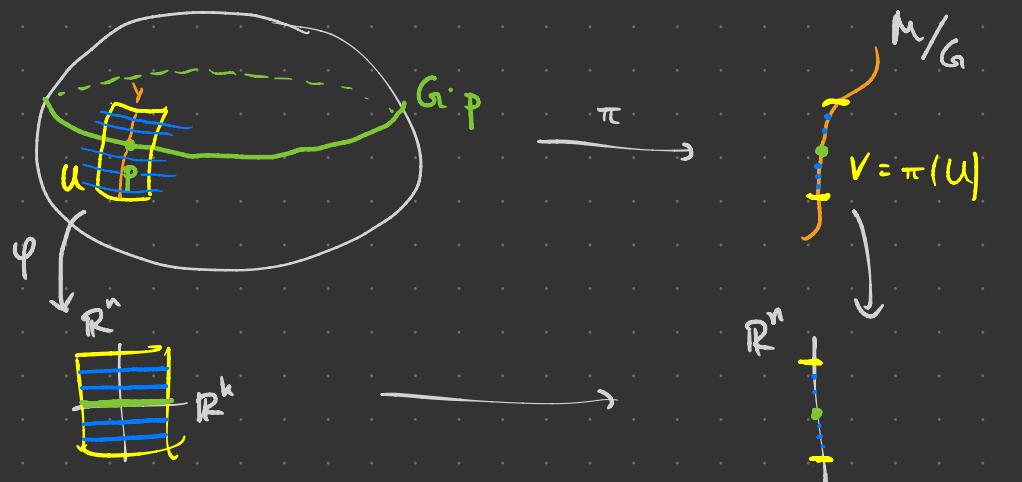
Pf Uniqueness of smooth structure follows from quotient property of smooth submersions:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \\ \pi \downarrow & & \\ (M/G) & \xrightarrow{id} & (M/G)_+ \end{array} \quad \checkmark$$

Call a smooth chart (U, φ) for M adapted to the G-action when it's a cubical chart w/ coord fns $(x^1, \dots, x^k, y^1, \dots, y^n)$

for $k = \dim G$, $m = \dim M$, $n = m - k$ s.t. $\forall p \in M$,

$$G \cdot p \cap U = \begin{cases} \emptyset \\ \text{single slice of the form } (y^1, \dots, y^n) = (c^1, \dots, c^n). \end{cases}$$



Claim: $\forall p \in M \exists$ adapted chart centered at p .

Assume this for now.

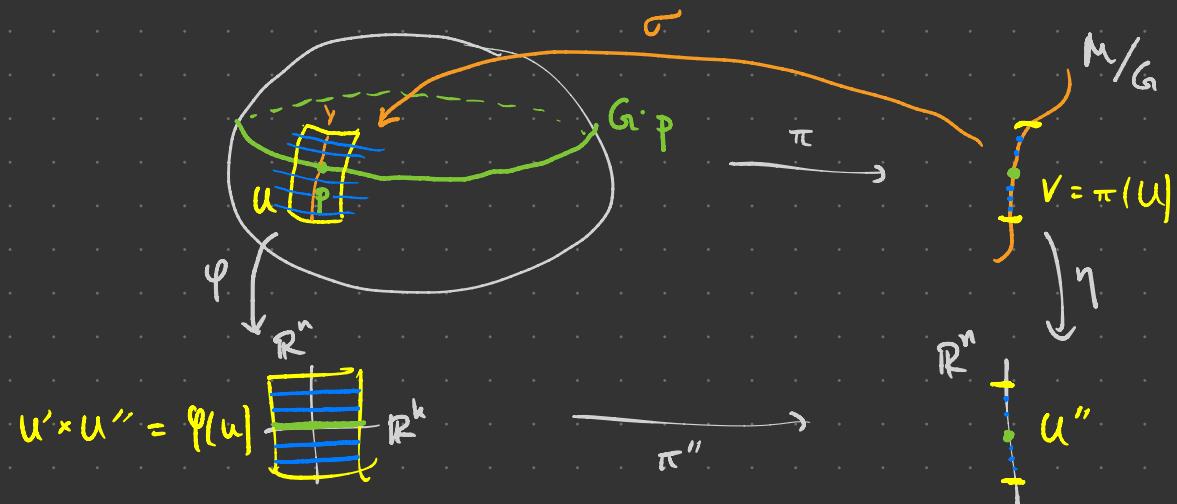
M/G is H'ff by 21.4. Since π is open by 21.1, countable basis $\{B_i\}$ of M becomes countable basis $\{\pi(B_i)\}$ for M/G ; thus M/G is second countable.

For loc Euclidean, let $q = \pi(p)$ be an arbitrary pt of M/G , (U, ψ) an adapted chart for M centered at p with

$$\psi(U) = U' \times U'' \text{ for } U' \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k, U'' \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \text{ open cubes.}$$

Set $V = \pi(U)$, open b/c π open.

Let $\gamma = \{x^1 = \dots = x^k = 0\}$. Then $\pi|_{\gamma}: \gamma \rightarrow V$ is a homeo.



Let $\sigma = (\pi|_Y)^{-1}: V \rightarrow U$; it's a local section of π

Define $\eta: V \rightarrow U''$ i.e. $\eta = \pi'' \circ \varphi \circ \sigma$ which is a homeo
 $[(x, y)] \mapsto y$

$\text{homeo } Y \rightarrow U'' \quad \text{homeo onto } Y$

$\Rightarrow M/G$ is loc Euclidean and thus a top'l mfld.

Remains to show M/G has a smooth str s.t. π is a smooth submersion.

Use atlas $\{(v, \eta)\}$. Then $\pi: (x, y) \mapsto y$ locally, so it's a smooth submersion as long as transition maps are smooth (exc / p. 547). \square

covering mflds

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Lemma 21.11 Suppose a discrete Lie group Γ acts ctsly and freely on a mfd E. The action is proper iff the following conditions hold:

(i) $\forall p \in E \exists$ nbhd U_p s.t. $\forall g \in \Gamma \cdot \{p\}, (g \cdot U_p) \cap U = \emptyset$

(ii) If $p' \notin \Gamma \cdot p$, then \exists nbhds $V \ni p, V' \ni p'$ s.t. $(V \cap V') \cap (\Gamma \cdot U) = \emptyset$ for all $g \in \Gamma$. 

Prop 21.12 $\pi: E \rightarrow M$ smooth covering map. Then $\text{Aut}_\pi(E)$

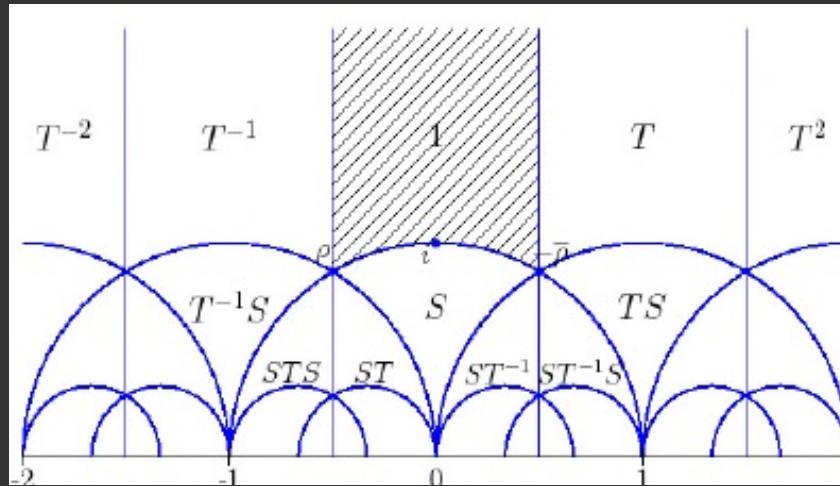
w/ discrete top acts smoothly, freely, and properly on E .

Thm 21.13 E conn'd smooth mfd, Γ discrete Lie group acting smoothly freely properly on E . Then E/Γ has a unique smooth structure s.t. $\pi: E \rightarrow E/\Gamma$ is a smooth normal covering map.

Γ acts transitively on fibers

Fact Every discrete subgroup of $\text{PSL}_2\mathbb{R}$ acts smoothly, properly, freely on \mathbb{H}^1 .

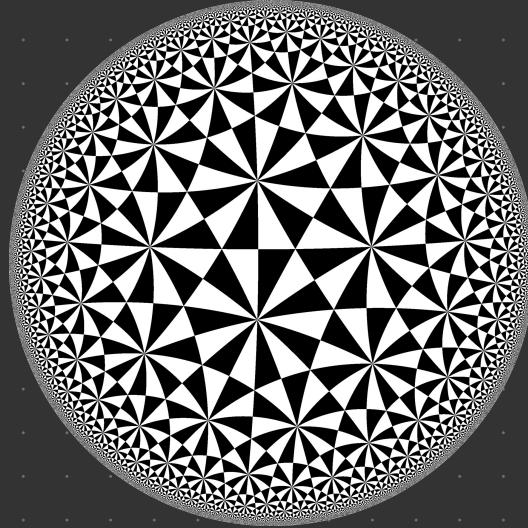
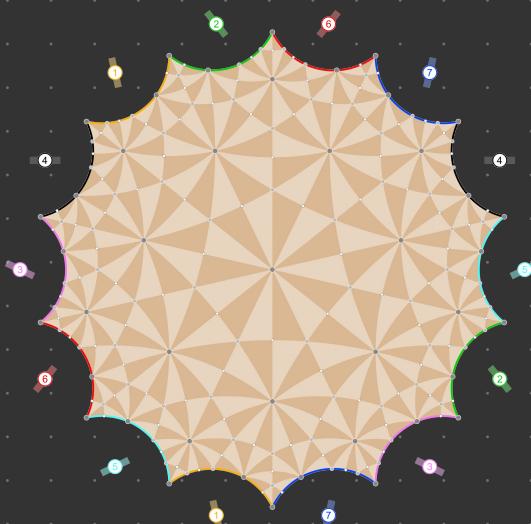
Discrete $\Gamma \leq \text{PSL}_2\mathbb{R}$ are called Fuchsian groups.



$(2,3,7)$ -triangle gp generated by
reflections over Δ w/ angles

$$\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{7} \rightsquigarrow \Gamma \leq PSL_2 \mathbb{R}$$

$\mathbb{H}/\Gamma =$ Klein quartic



Riemann surface of genus 3 with
automorphism gp

$PSL_2 \mathbb{F}_7$ of order 168 —

- max'l aut for genus 3

- 2nd smallest non-Abelian simple gp

"Nice" $X \subseteq M \otimes G$ s.t. $\forall p \in M \exists$ one or two points of G_p inside X and if 2 both on ∂X

