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Thm (P): Let  $\Gamma < PU(1, P) = \text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^P)$  be a lattice. Let  $\rho: \Gamma \rightarrow PU(m, n)$  be a maximal representation. Assume  $P > 1, n > m$  and  $\overline{\rho(\Gamma)}^{\mathbb{Z}}$  has no factor of "tube type"

Then:  $\rho = \rho_{\text{std}} \cdot \chi$

where:  $\rho_{\text{std}}: \Gamma \hookrightarrow PU(1, P) \xrightarrow{\rho} PU(m, mP+k)$

$\chi: \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{PU(m, n)}(\rho(PU(1, P)))$  character.

PLAN: ① Rigidity Thm for maps between some parabolic geometries.

② Maximal representation.

③ Convex hyperbolic lattices

① Geometries  $\mathbb{C}^{r,s} = (\mathbb{C}^{r+s}, h_{r,s})$   $h_{r,s}$  Hermitian of sign  $(r,s)$

$\partial \mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^P = \{ [x] \in \mathbb{C}P^P \mid h_{1,P}(x) = 0 \}$

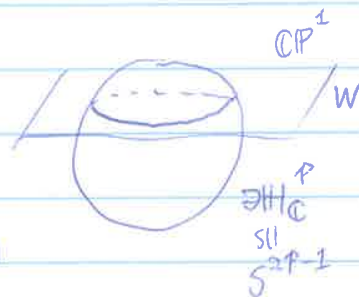
$\cong$   
 $P(\mathbb{C}^{1,P})$

topo  $\cong S^{2P-1} = PU(1, P)/Q$

Lines:  $W^{1,1} < \mathbb{C}^{1,P}$

$C_W = \{ [x] \in \partial \mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^P \mid x < W^{1,1} \} \cong S^1$

$\forall x, y \in \partial \mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^P \exists ! \text{ chain } C_{\langle x, y \rangle}$  containing them



Higher rank generalization

$S_{m,n} = \{ W \in Gr_m(\mathbb{C}^{m,n}) \mid h_{m,n}|_W = 0 \}$

m-chains Let  $V^{m,m} < \mathbb{C}^{m,n}$  subspace.

$C_V = \{ W \in S_{m,n} \mid W < V \}$

Rk:  $\forall x, y \in S_{m,n}, x \neq y$ , there exists a unique m-chain  $C_{\langle x, y \rangle}$  containing them.

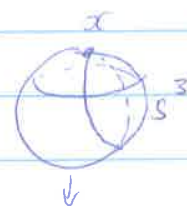
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Rk:  $(x, y, z) \in S_{m,n}^3$  pairwise transversal, then  $\exists$  an  $m$ -chain containing them  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \langle x, y, z \rangle < 2n$ .

Thm 2 Let  $\varphi: \partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^p \rightarrow S_{m,n}$  measurable map, Zariski dense,  
assume  $\forall (x, y, z) \subset \partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^p$  with  $\langle x, y, z \rangle = 2$   
Then  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \langle \varphi(x), \varphi(y), \varphi(z) \rangle = 2m$   
Then  $\varphi \stackrel{a.e.}{=} \bar{\varphi}$  (real) algebraic map.

PROOF:  $p=2$   $m=1$   $n=2$ .  $\varphi|_{\text{chain}}$  is rational.

Fact 1:  $\partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \setminus \{x\} = \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R} = \text{Heis}$   
and in this model chains through  $x$  are  
vertical lines.



$\gamma: \partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \setminus \{x\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  corresponds to associate  
to  $y$  the chain  $C(x, y)$ .



Fact 2 Chains that do not contain  $x$  are mapped under  $\gamma$  to  
Euclidean circles, and  $\forall$  Euclidean circle  $Q$  and any  $y$ .  
 $\exists!$  Chain  $C$  through  $y$  projecting to  $Q$

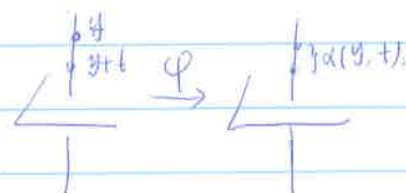
$\varphi: \partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \rightarrow \partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$  assume  $\varphi(x) = x$

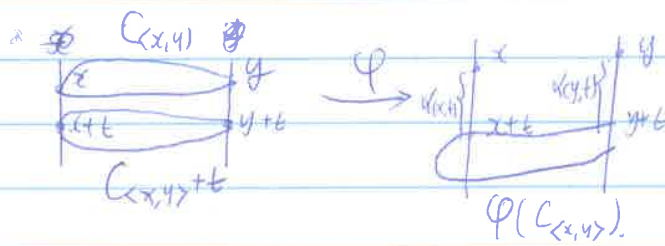
~~since~~ since  $\varphi$  preserves the geometry gives  $\varphi_x: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$\alpha: \partial\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \setminus \{x\} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$(y, t) \mapsto \varphi(y) - \varphi(y+t)$

Enough to show that  $\alpha$  doesn't depend on  $y$ .





$\Rightarrow \alpha(y, t) = \alpha(x, t)$

② Maximal representation

Teichmüller space of  $\Sigma_g$

$\{$  marked hyperbolic structure  $\}$  / isotopy

$\longrightarrow \text{Hom}(T_g, \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})) / \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

Thm (Goldman)  $\rho \in \text{Hom}(T_g, \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}))$  is the holonomy of a hyperbolicisation iff  $|\mathbb{E}(\rho)| = 2g - 2$

Take  $F: \tilde{\Sigma}_g \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^2$  that is  $\rho$ -equivariant.  $\omega \in \Omega^2(\mathbb{H}^2)^{\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R})}$

$E(\rho) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma} F^* \omega$

$H_b^2(\Sigma, \partial\Sigma, \mathbb{R}) \cong H_b^2(T_g, \mathbb{R}) \xleftarrow{P^*} H_{cb}^2(\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}), \mathbb{R}) \ni K_b$

$T_\rho = \langle P^* K_b, [E, \partial E] \rangle$

Def. Let  $G$  be a Lie group

$G$  simple Lie group non-compact

$G/K$  symmetric space

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Hermitian iff  $\exists G$ -invariant complex structure  
 iff  $\Omega^2(G/k)^G = \mathbb{R}$ .

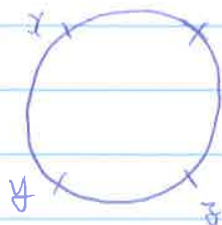
Let  $G$  be Hermitian,  $T = \pi_1(Z)$ .

$\rho: T \rightarrow G$  is maximal, if  $\langle \rho^* K_b^G, [Z, 2Z] \rangle = \text{rk}(G) \chi(Z)$   
 $\leq \text{rk}(G) \chi(Z)$   
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Thm (Burger - Iozzi - Wienhard)

$\rho: T \rightarrow SU(m, n)$  is maximal iff  $-\rho(T) \subset SU(m, m)$

$\exists \psi: \partial T \rightarrow S_{m,m}$  (right) continuous  
 $\rho$ -equivariant and "positive"



$$(\psi(x), \psi(y), \psi(z)) \rightarrow C \in \text{Her}(\mathbb{C}^m)$$

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$$S_{m,m}$$

③ Complex Hyperbolic Lattices

$$T \subset PU(1, p) = \text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^p)$$

e.g. if  $p=1$   $\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^1 \cong \mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{R}}^2$ .

$\rho: T \rightarrow G$   $G$  Hermitian

$\downarrow$   
 $\exists$  Kähler form  $\omega_G$ .

$$\rho^* \omega_G \in H_b^2(T, \mathbb{R}).$$

$$T(\rho) = \frac{1}{p!} \int_{T \setminus \mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^p} \rho^* \omega_G \wedge \omega_{\mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^p}^{p-1}$$

$$|T(\rho)| \leq \text{rk } G \cdot \text{Vol}(T \setminus \mathbb{H}_{\mathbb{C}}^p)$$



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FACT Let  $\rho: T \rightarrow PU(m, n)$  be maximal  
|  $\varphi: \partial H_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \rightarrow S_{m, n}$  be  $\rho$ -equivariant  
| then  $\rho$  satisfies the hypothesis of thm 2.

PROOF THM 1 - You can assume that  $\rho(T)$  is Zariski dense.  
→ you get a measurable  $\rho$ -equivariant boundary map.

Corollary 1: No Zariski dense maximal representations  
 $\rho: T \rightarrow PU(m, n)$  if  $p > 1$   $n > m > 1$ .

Corollary 2: If  $p > m^2$ , then  $\rho$  is  $P_{\text{std}} \cdot \chi$

[tube type: the associated linear reps  $\rho: T \rightarrow GL(\mathbb{C}^{m, n})$  has no irreducible subspace on which  $h$  has signature  $(k, k)$ .

Corollary 3: The representation  $P_{\text{std}} \cdot \chi$  is locally rigid.