

Recall M_1, M_2 closed hyperbolic manifolds $n \geq 3$

$\varphi: \pi_1(M_1) \rightarrow \pi_1(M_2)$ isomorphism. There is a unique isometry $\phi: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ s.t. $\phi_* = \varphi$.

Step 1 $m=n$.

Step 2 ^{lift} homotopy equivalence $f: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ to $\tilde{f}: \mathbb{H}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ and extend \tilde{f} to $F: S_\infty^{n-1} \rightarrow S_\infty^{n-1}$

Step 3 Show F is continuous & homeo.

Step 4 Show F is quasiconformal, ~~show \tilde{f} is~~

Step 5 Show F is conformal. ($n=3$).

Step 6 Get isometry $\phi: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ s.t. $\tilde{\phi}$ extends F , $\phi_* = \varphi$.

$\partial\mathbb{H}^n$ is homeomorphic to S_∞^{n-1} which is smooth Riemannian manifold with usual round metric. (gives a volume Borel measure as well)

Def if f is a homeomorphism of a metric space X to Y . f is called K -quasiconformal if for all $x \in X$

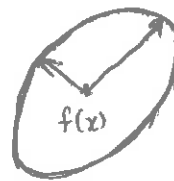
$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sup_{d(x,y)=r} d(f(x), f(y))}{\inf_{d(x,y)=r} d(f(x), f(y))} \leq K$$

(note: Thurston's formula slightly different)

intuition f is quasiconformal if $\exists K \geq 1$ s.t. f is K -quasiconformal.



"sphere" of radius r



"ellipse" of "eccentricity" $\leq K$

② Observe: if g is conformal then f is quasiconformal \iff $g \circ f$ is so. \iff $f \circ g$ is so.

Related notion

① Observe: if f is a diffeo of Riemannian manifolds that preserves angles (ie. $\frac{\langle Df(v), Df(w) \rangle}{\|Df(v)\| \|Df(w)\|} = \frac{\langle v, w \rangle}{\|v\| \|w\|}$)

(this is equivalent to $[Df] = \lambda A$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$ & $A \in O(n)$)
 matrix in orthonormal frame

then f is conformal. It is λ -quasiconformal.

③ Observation if $g: \mathbb{H}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ is an isometry then
 ④ $G: S_\infty^{n-1} \rightarrow S_\infty^{n-1}$ is conformal.

Pf \mathbb{H}^n in the ~~disk~~ model upper half-space model

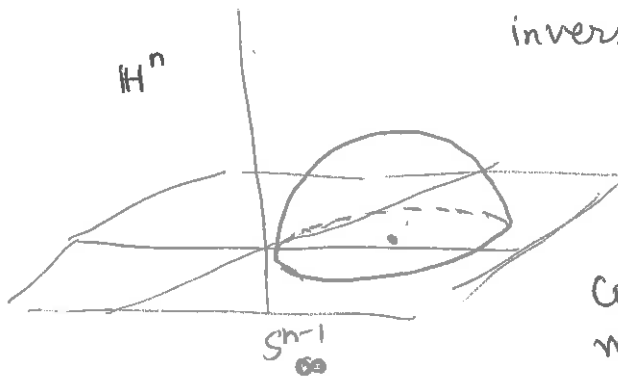
$\text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}^n)$ is generated by inversions in spheres that are orthogonal to S_∞^{n-1} .

This isometry extends to an inversion in a sphere in S_∞^{n-1} .

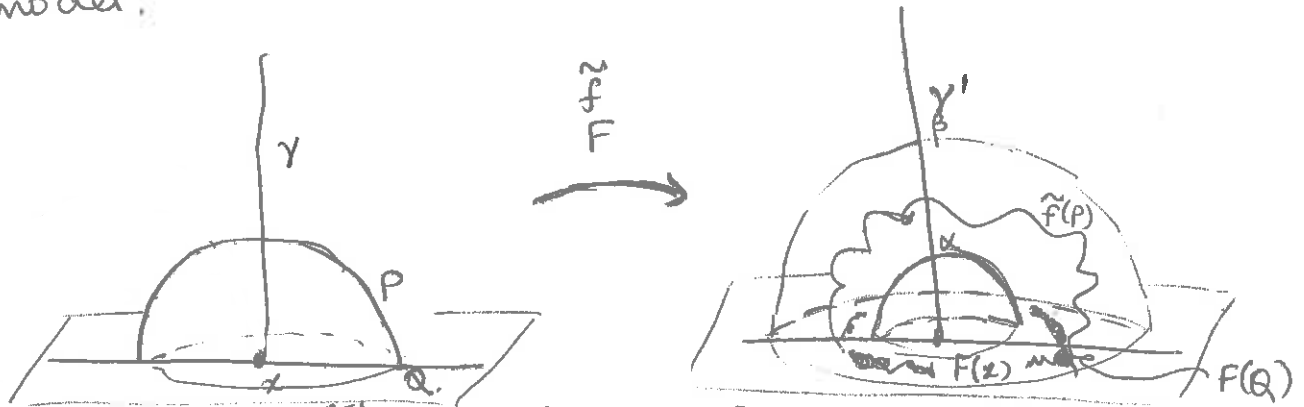
Check that inversions are (Riemannian) conformal, so are conformal.

Conversely every conformal map of S_∞^{n-1} extends to unique isometry of \mathbb{H}^n . ($n \geq 3$).

③ Observation (punctured) sphere S^{n-1} is conformally equivalent to euclidean space \mathbb{R}^{n-1} via stereographic projection (and this is the extension of the usual isometry $D^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$).



To show F is quasi-conformal use upper half space model.



A sphere Q in \mathbb{R}_∞^{n-1} centred at x is Euclidean sphere centred at x , which bounds a hyperplane P in \mathbb{H}^n .

Let γ^* be ~~the~~ geodesic from x to ∞ which is orthogonal to P and γ' be geodesic close to $\tilde{F}(\gamma)$. If required compose with an isometry of \mathbb{H}^n / conformal map of S_∞^{n-1} so that γ' is vertical geodesic at $F(x)$.

By previous lemma $\pi_{\gamma'}(\tilde{F}(P))$ has diameter at most N ($=N(K, C)$). $\pi_{\gamma'}(P)$ is an interval on γ' with (vertical) coordinates $[\alpha, \beta]$.

$$\text{Then } N \geq \int_\alpha^\beta \frac{dt}{t} = \log \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

$\tilde{F}(P)$ lies between the Euclidean spheres centred at $F(x)$ of radii α and β .

Thus $F(Q)$ lies between Euclidean spheres in \mathbb{R}^{n-1} of radii α and β .

Therefore $\sup_{y \in Q} d(F(x), F(y)) \leq \beta$, $\inf_{y \in Q} d(F(x), F(y)) \geq \alpha$.

Hence ratio is $\frac{\beta}{\alpha} \leq e^N$

$\lim_{\text{radius}(Q) \rightarrow 0} (\sup) \text{ ratio} \leq e^N$

Step 5

Theorem ① A K -quasiconformal map F is differentiable a.e.
 (for $\dim \geq 2$) i.e. $n \geq 3$ $S_{\infty}^{n+1} \rightarrow S_{\infty}^{n-1}$

② DF_x is nonsingular a.e.

③ DF_x takes spheres to ellipsoids. if $0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{n-1}$ are lengths of these axes then λ_i are conformal invariants i.e. for any conf. diffeo g $D(g \circ F)_x$ has lengths same as DF_x , and $D(F \circ g)_x$ same as DF_x .
 (these are called singular values of DF_x)

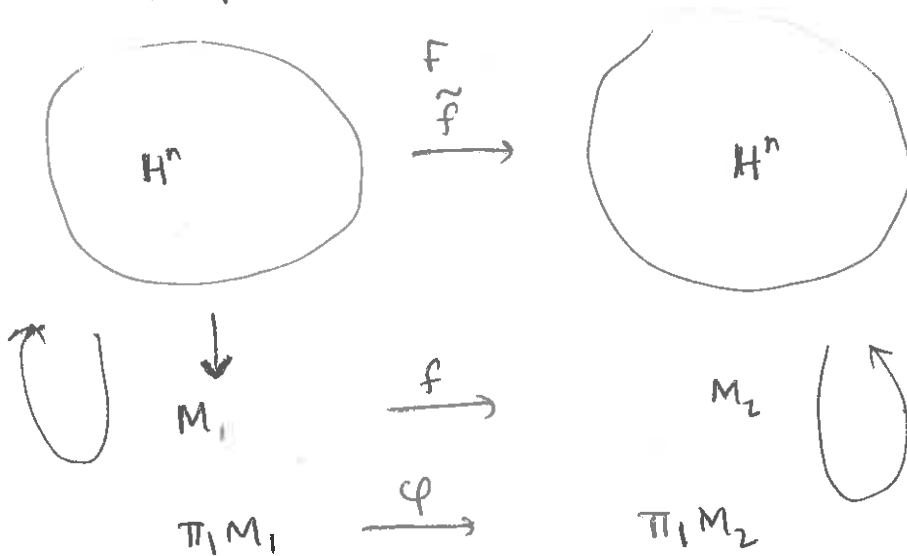
$\pi_1 M_1$ acts on \mathbb{H}^n by deck transformations which are isometries.

Since isometries are in particular pseudo-isometries, they extend to homeomorphisms of $\partial \mathbb{H}^n = S_{\infty}^{n-1}$

which (saw before) are conformal.

Theorem $\pi_1 M_1$ acts ergodically on $S_{\infty}^{n-1} \times S_{\infty}^{n-1}$, and on S_{∞}^{n-1} .
 $\pi_1 M_2$ also acts on \mathbb{H}^n and so ~~$\pi_1 M_1$~~ composing

with φ , we get another action of $\pi_1 M_1$ on \mathbb{H}^n .



Since $f_* = \varphi$, \tilde{f} is $\pi_1 M_1$ -equivariant.

For any $g \in \pi_1 M_1$ and geodesic ray γ in \mathbb{H}^n with end x
 $\tilde{f} \circ g = g \circ \tilde{f}$ so $g(\gamma)$ is geodesic ending at $g(x)$
 and $\tilde{f} \circ g(\gamma) \rightarrow$ is q.g. ending at $F(g(x))$
 $\tilde{f} \circ g(\gamma) = g \circ \tilde{f}(\gamma)$ is quasi geodesic
 if $\tilde{f}(\gamma)$ is in R-nbd of γ' then $g \circ \tilde{f}(\gamma)$ is
 in R-nbd of $g(\gamma')$ so has ~~geodesic~~ end $g(F(x))$
 Thus F is $\pi_1 M_1$ -equivariant.

Now $F \circ g = g \circ F$ so if F is diff at x
 then it is diff at $g(x)$ as well.

$$DF_{g(x)} \times Dg_x = Dg_{F(x)} \times DF_x.$$

As g acts conformal on both domain & codomain S_∞^{n-1}
 Dg_x & $Dg_{F(x)}$ are scalar multiples of orthogonal
 matrices.

Thus if DF_x ~~has~~ inv. takes a sphere to
 ellipsoid $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{n-1})$ then $DF_{g(x)}$ takes
 $(Dg_x)^{\bullet}$ of that sphere to $(Dg_{F(x)})^{\dagger}$ of the ellipsoid $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{n-1})$
 \Downarrow ellipsoid $(\mu\lambda_1, \dots, \mu\lambda_{n-1})$

Thus $e = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\lambda_1}$ "maximum stretch" is a $\pi_1 M_1$ invariant
 function on S_∞^{n-1} (and is measurable)

$$\lambda_{n-1} = \sup_{\|v\|=1} \|DF_x(v)\| \quad \text{so is measurable,}$$

as partial derivatives $DF_x(v)$ are all measurable

Hence each level set of e is $\pi_1 M_1$ -invariant
 measurable subset of S_∞^{n-1} so has zero or full
 measure, ~~only~~ and these union to all of S_∞^{n-1} .
 Thus one and only one has full measure

We show that $e=1$ a.e. If not then $e=k \neq 1, k \neq 1$

Case $n=3$ so $n-1=2$. $T_x S_\infty^2$ has two singular

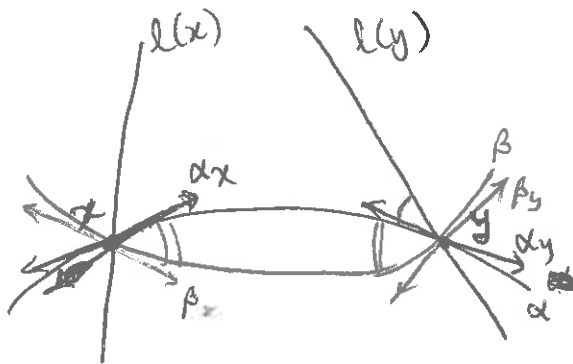
~~DF_x~~ directions for DF_x , one of which is direction of maximal stretch. $l(x)$.

$l(x)$ is a line in $T_x S_\infty^2$ and is defined a.e. on S_∞^2

Since F is $\pi_1 M_1$ -equivariant $l(x)$ is $\pi_1 M_1$ -equivariant
 (i.e. for $g \in \pi_1 M_1$, $(g*)(l(x)) = l(gx)$)
 ($\pi_1 M_1$ acts on $T S_\infty^2$ by pushforward)

Define angle between $l(x), l(y)$ as follows

for any arc α going through x and y



let tangent lines to α at x, y be α_x, α_y

$$\theta(x, y) = \angle(l(y), \alpha_y) + \angle(l(x), \alpha_x)$$

angle "counterclockwise" that $l(y)$ must be rotated by to coincide with α_y .

$$\theta: S_\infty^2 * S_\infty^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\pi\mathbb{R} \text{ is defined a.e.}$$

independent of α

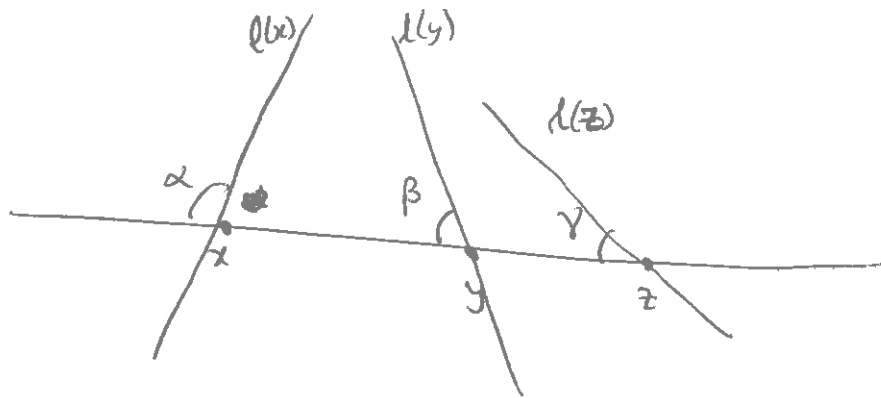
Since $\pi_1 M_1$ acts on S_∞^2 conformally taking circles to circles, θ is $\pi_1 M_1$ -invariant.

As $\pi_1 M_1 \curvearrowright S_\infty^2 * S_\infty^2$ is ergodic, θ is constant a.e.

But this is not possible

~~Work is in the conformal model of the plane.~~

let x, y, z be three points on a line
at which F is diff.



then $\alpha + \beta$, $\beta + \gamma$, $\gamma + \alpha$ are all $\theta_0 \pmod{\pi}$

Thus 2α is $\theta_0 \pmod{\pi}$

α is $\theta_0/2 \pmod{\pi/2}$.

That is $l(x)$ makes an angle of $\theta_0/2$ with almost every geodesic through x , a contradiction.

Thus $e=1$ a.e.

Thm if F is diff. almost everywhere and DF_x is a conformal matrix a.e. then F is diff. and conformal.

Thm if $F: S_{\infty}^{n-1} \rightarrow S_{\infty}^{n-1}$ is conformal then there is unique isometry $f: \mathbb{H}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ ($n \geq 3$) such that f extends to F .

Proof: of uniqueness. For $p \in \mathbb{H}^n$ pick two distinct geodesics intersecting at p . The images of geodesics are geodesics under isometry, hence are determined by their endpoints det. by F . Thus image of p is determined as well.

Thus there is isometry $\Phi: \mathbb{H}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ such that Φ extends to F .

For any g in $\pi_1 M_1$, $\Phi \circ g$ extends to $F \circ g = g \circ F$
and $g \circ \Phi$ extends to $g \circ F$

Thus we must have (by uniqueness)

$$\Phi \circ g = g \circ \Phi.$$

Thus Φ descends to an ~~isom~~ isometry $M_1 \xrightarrow{\phi} M_2$
and satisfies $\phi_* = \varphi$.