

Lemma:  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}) \cong \text{PGL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\left[ \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \pm \text{Id} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Pf: } \text{GL} \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}) \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ A \longmapsto f_A \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \\ f_A(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}. \end{array} \right.$$

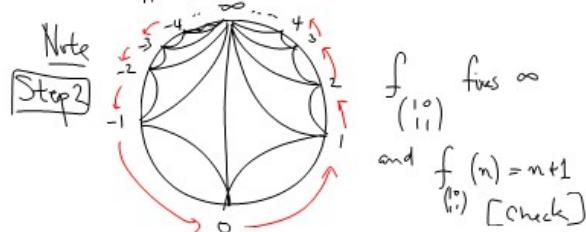
Since  $\det A = \pm \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$   
this is well defined. Notice:  $\pm \text{Id}$  is kernel.

Exercise:  $\pm \text{Id}$  = kernel. Now we must prove  
surjectivity. [will spend time on this b/c  
proof is a model for qf of Ivanov.]

Step 1: fix  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F})$ . Suppose  $f(\infty) = \frac{p}{q}$

choose  $r, s$  s.t.  $\begin{pmatrix} s & r \\ r & p \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$   
 $A = \begin{pmatrix} s & r \\ r & p \end{pmatrix}$   
(possible because  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ )

So  $f_{A^{-1}} \cdot f(\infty) = \infty$ . So  $\infty$  now fixed.



So:  $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $f_{A^{-1}}^k \cdot f \cdot f$  fixes  $\infty$  and  $0$ .

This because  $\{0, \infty\} \in \mathbb{F} \Rightarrow f_{A^{-1}}^k \cdot f(0)$  is  
adjacent to  $\infty$ , i.e.  $f_{A^{-1}}^k \cdot f(0) \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

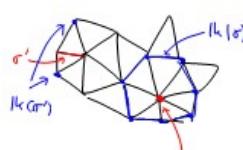
Step 3  $f_{A^{-1}}^k \cdot f \cdot f$  fixes  $\{\pm 1\}$

Let  $g = \text{Id}$  or  $f_{(-1)^k}$  so that

$\phi = g \cdot f_{A^{-1}}^k \cdot f \cdot f$  fixes  $\{-1, 0, \infty\}$  pointwise.

Def:  $X$  a simplicial complex,  $\sigma \in X$  a simplex

$$\begin{aligned} lk(\sigma) &= \text{link of } \sigma \\ &= \{ \tau \in X \mid \sigma \cup \tau \in X, \tau \cap \sigma = \emptyset \} \end{aligned}$$



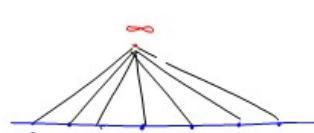
Picture:  $lk(\infty) = \mathbb{Z}$

Notice:  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$   
(infinite dihedral gp.)

WTS  $\phi = \text{Id} \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F})$ .

Step 4a  $\phi|_{\infty \cup lk(\infty)} = \text{Id}$

Picture:

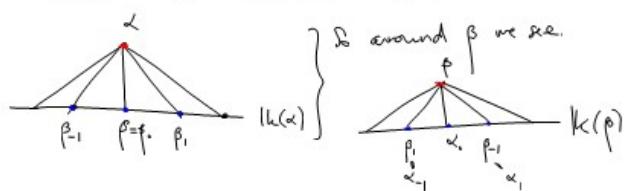


Since  $\phi \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F})$ ,  $\phi(\infty) = \infty \Rightarrow \phi|_{lk(\infty)}$   
is in  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z})$ .  $\therefore \begin{cases} \phi(0) = 0 \\ \phi(-1) = -1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \phi|_{lk(\infty)} = \text{Id}$ .

Step 4b If  $\{\alpha, \beta\} \in \mathcal{F}$  and

$$\phi|_{\Delta^1 \cup lk(\alpha)} = \text{Id} \quad \underline{\phi|_{\Delta^1 \cup lk(\beta)} = \text{Id}}$$

[Crawling] If of this: by picture:



So:  $\phi$  fixes  $p$  b/c  $p \in lk(\alpha)$ .

$\Rightarrow \phi$  preserves  $lk(p)$ . But  $\phi$  fixes  $\alpha, \alpha_1$

$$\Rightarrow \phi|_{lk(p)} = \text{Id}.$$

Step 5 By induction on  $d_{\mathcal{F}}(\infty, p_f)$

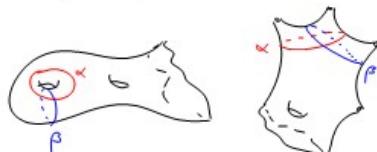
$$\phi(p_f) = \underline{p_f}. \text{ Use step 4b. // Lemma}$$

[Here  $d_{\mathcal{F}}(\infty, p_f)$  is distance as measured in  $\mathcal{F}$  the one-skeleton.]

Def: If  $\alpha, \beta$  nonsep and  $c(\alpha, \beta) = 1$  say  $\alpha, \beta$  dual.

If  $\alpha, \beta$  both pants curves and  $c(\alpha, \beta) = 2$  say  $\alpha, \beta$  dual.

Pictures:

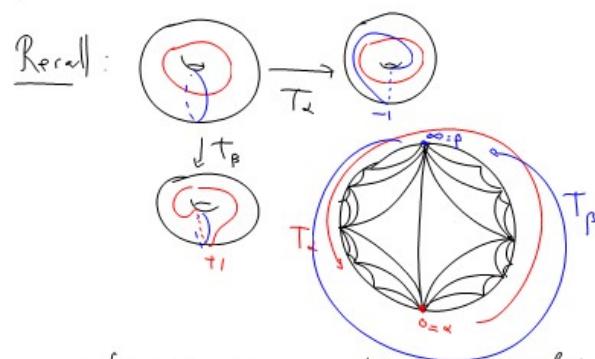


Def:  $\alpha \subset S$  is a pants curve if  $\alpha$  separating and  $S_\alpha$  has a  $S_{0,3}$  component.

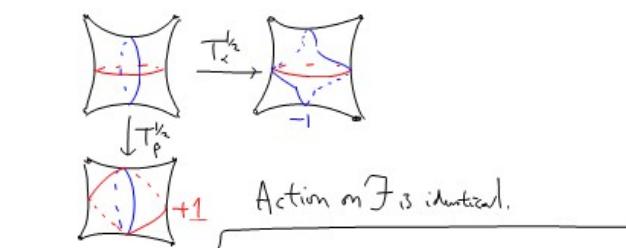
Def: for  $S = S_{1,1}, S_1, S_{0,4}$  define  $\mathcal{C}(S)$  to

have vertex set =  $\mathcal{S}(S)$  and simplices given by duality.

Ex:  $\mathcal{C}(S) \cong \mathcal{F}$  in all three cases.



Left twists give counter-clockwise parabolas of  $\mathcal{F}$



Lemma:  $MCG(S_{0,4}) \cong K_4 \times PGL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\left[ k_4 = \langle \tau_x, \tau_y, \tau_z \rangle \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \tau_z \\ \square \end{array} \right]$$

Pf: Exercise [Hint: Look for short exact sequence that splits.]

Next Time: Ivanov's Thm in genus zero.

