

Lecture V:

$$\alpha \in S \xrightarrow{\pi_X} \pi_X(\alpha) \xrightarrow{\sigma_X} \alpha \in \pi_X(S)$$

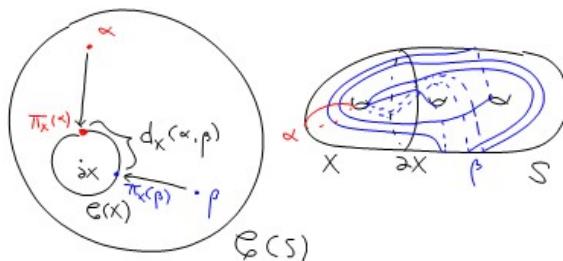
This defines the subsurface projection relation.

[first considered by N. Ivanov. We'll follow Masur-Minsky II].

Def: If $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ and both cut X

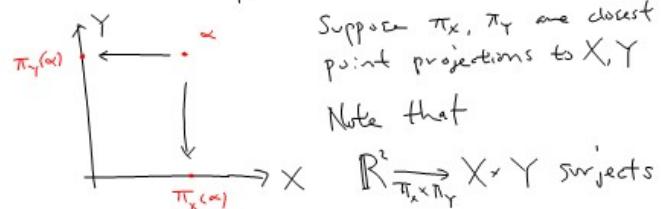
$$d_X(\alpha, \beta) := \text{diam}_{\mathcal{C}(X)}(\pi_X(\alpha) \cup \pi_X(\beta))$$

is the sub. projection distance.



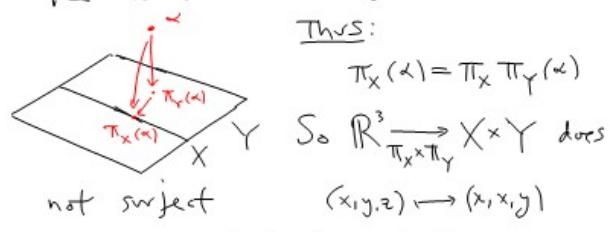
Very simple motivating examples of projections.

"Disjoint": Suppose X, Y are the x, y axes in \mathbb{R}^2



Eg cannot recover $\pi_X(\alpha)$ from $\pi_Y(\alpha)$.

"Nested": Suppose $X \subseteq Y \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ are the x axis and the xy plane



"Overlap": Suppose X, Y are perp. geodesics in \mathbb{H}^2

Let d_X, d_Y be distance in X, Y

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{H}^2$$

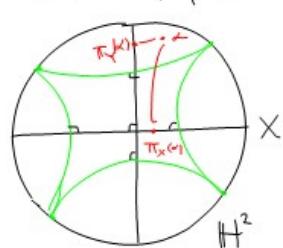
Exercise: either

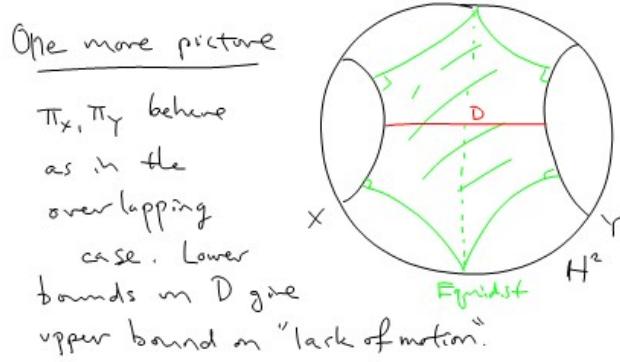
$$d_X(\alpha, Y) = d_X(\pi_X(\alpha), \pi_X(Y)) \text{ or}$$

$$d_Y(X, \alpha) \leq \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) \quad [\text{or both if } \alpha \text{ is inside the green rectangle.}]$$

So: The map $\mathbb{H}^2 \xrightarrow{\pi_X \times \pi_Y} X \times Y$ has image landing in a $\ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$ -neighbourhood

$$\text{of } X \times \{X \cap Y\} \cup \{X \cap Y\} \times Y \subseteq X \times Y. \quad [\text{Sup metric.}]$$





Back to surfaces: Suppose X, Y are cleanly embedded, $X \cap Y$ is minimal.



Exercise: Show that $\pi_X \times \pi_Y : \alpha(C(S)) \rightarrow C(X) \times C(Y)$ coarsely surjects.

Perhaps useful to show that.

$\sigma_X|_{\alpha(X)} : \alpha(X) \rightarrow C(X)$ is coarsely surjective.

Nested: Suppose $X \subset Y$ is cleanly emb.
[So X not perip. annulus] and $X \neq S_{0,3}$

Lemma: \exists constant M_1 (uniform) so that:

$\forall \alpha \in \alpha(C(S))$ if α cuts X [$\pi_X(\alpha) \neq \emptyset$]

Then $d_X(\alpha, \pi_Y(\alpha)) \leq M_1$.

[ie $\text{diam}_X(\pi_X(\alpha), \pi_X \pi_Y(\alpha)) \leq M_1$ ie
coarsely $\pi_X(\alpha) = \pi_X \pi_Y(\alpha)$]

Exercise: Check $\forall \alpha \in \alpha(C(S))$

[if $\pi_X(\alpha) \neq \emptyset$ then $\text{diam}_X(\pi_X(\alpha))$ unif bounded]

Pf of Lemma as series of exercises.

Exercise: $\sigma_X : \alpha(C(X)) \rightarrow C(X)$ is a quasi-isometry

[in fact it is a quasi-inverse for
the inclusion $C(X) \hookrightarrow \alpha(C(X))$]

[NB: This is false for $\sigma_X|_{\alpha(X)} : \alpha(X) \rightarrow C(X)$]

Since $\pi_X = \sigma_X \circ K_X$ and $\pi_X \circ \pi_Y =$

$$\sigma_X \circ K_X \circ \sigma_Y \circ K_Y$$

and σ_X has an inverse; It suffices to
bound $\text{diam}_{\alpha(C(X))}(K_X(\alpha) \cup K_X \sigma_Y K_Y(\alpha))$.

Next: Exercise: $K_X(\alpha) = K_X K_Y(\alpha)$

[Hint: $S^X = (S^Y)^X$]

Define $A = K_Y(\alpha)$. So suffices to
bound $\text{diam}_{\alpha(C(X))}(K_X(A) \cup K_X \sigma_Y(A))$

If $A = \{\alpha\}$ is a curve we are done
So pick $\beta \in A \subseteq \alpha(Y)$. Let $\delta = \text{compt}$
of ∂Y meeting β . $N = N(\beta \cup \delta)$ since
1) X cuts N 2) $X \notin N$ we are done. //details.