

A 0-1 law for circle packings of coarsely hyperbolic metric spaces and applications to cusp excursion

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**PART I**

Khinchin's Theorem 1926 :  $\psi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$

monotone decr (maybe other hypotheses).

Let  $(H)(\psi) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - \frac{p}{q}| < \frac{\psi(q)}{q} \text{ for } \infty\text{-ly many } \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

Then

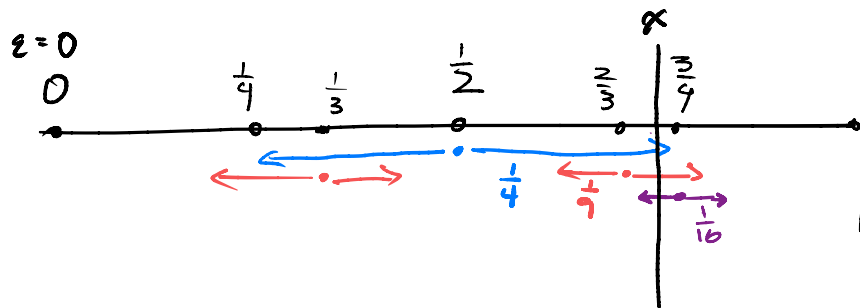
$\sum_{q \in \mathbb{N}} \psi(q) = \infty \Rightarrow (H)(\psi)$  has full measure

and  $\sum_{q \in \mathbb{N}} \psi(q) < \infty \Rightarrow (H)(\psi)$  has measure zero

restrict to  $[0, 1]$  to get a "0-1" law

Application  $\psi_{\epsilon}(q) = \frac{1}{q^{1+\epsilon}}$

$(H)(\psi) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - \frac{p}{q}| < \frac{1}{q^{2+\epsilon}} \text{ for } \infty\text{-ly many } \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q}\}$



so for this  $x$  is in 3 of these balls. Will it be in  $\infty$ -ly many such balls? If  $\epsilon > 0$  then the balls get even smaller

by Khinchin:

$$\sum_{q \in \mathbb{N}} \psi_{\epsilon}(q) = \sum_{q \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{q^{1+\epsilon}} \begin{cases} = \infty & \text{for } \epsilon = 0 \\ < \infty & \text{for } \epsilon > 0 \end{cases}$$

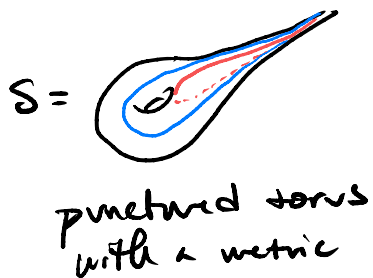
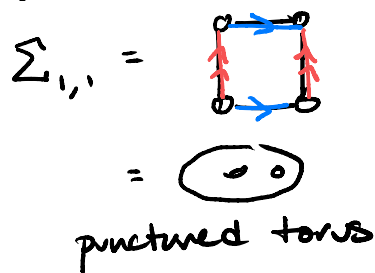
hence

$(H)(\psi_{\epsilon}) \begin{cases} \text{has full measure for } \epsilon = 0 \\ \text{has measure zero for } \epsilon > 0. \end{cases}$

In our picture, with probability 1,  $x$  is in  $\infty$ -ly many balls of radius  $\frac{1}{q^2}$ .

# circle packings for the hyperbolic plane

by example

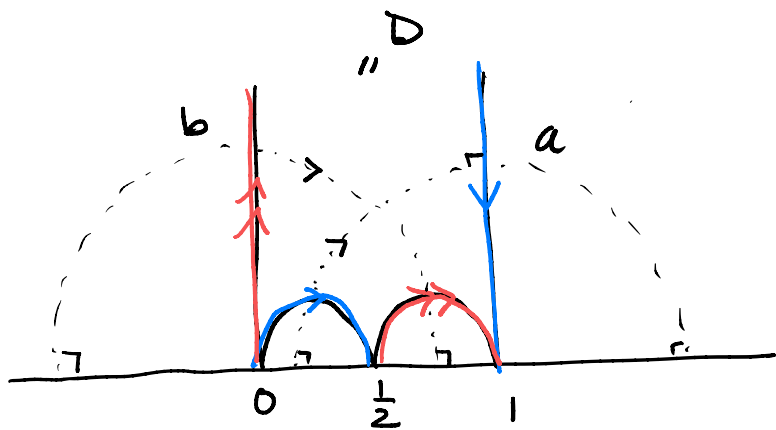


Let  $S = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma \cong \Sigma_{1,1}$  finite area

where  $\pi_1(\Sigma_{1,1}) \cong F_2 \cong \Gamma < \text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}^2)$

is a hyperbolic structure on  $\Sigma_{1,1}$

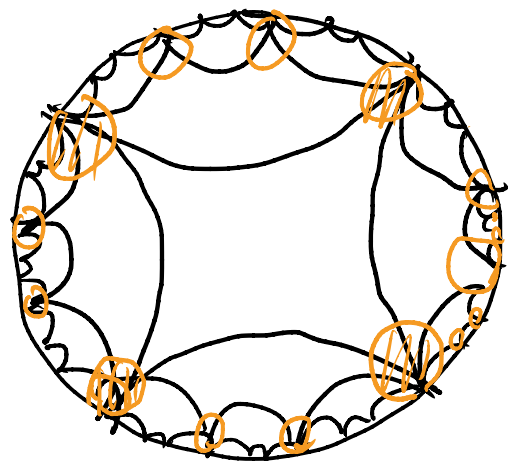
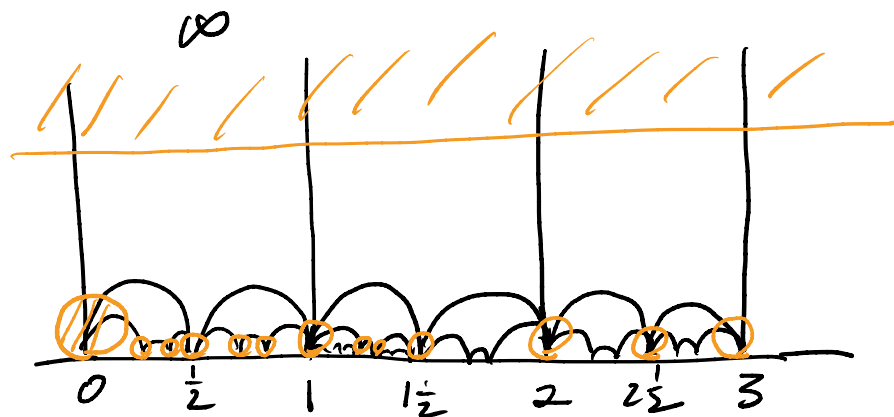
e.g.  $\Gamma = \langle a, b \rangle$  where



exercise: use that  $\text{Isom } \mathbb{H}^2 = \{ \text{Möbius transf. with coeffs in } \mathbb{R} \}$  is determined by the image of any 3 points in  $\partial \mathbb{H}^2$  to identify the functions  $a, b$ .

tiling of  $\mathbb{H}^2$  by  $\Gamma \cdot D$

$\leadsto$  circle packing ( $\Gamma$ -equivariant)



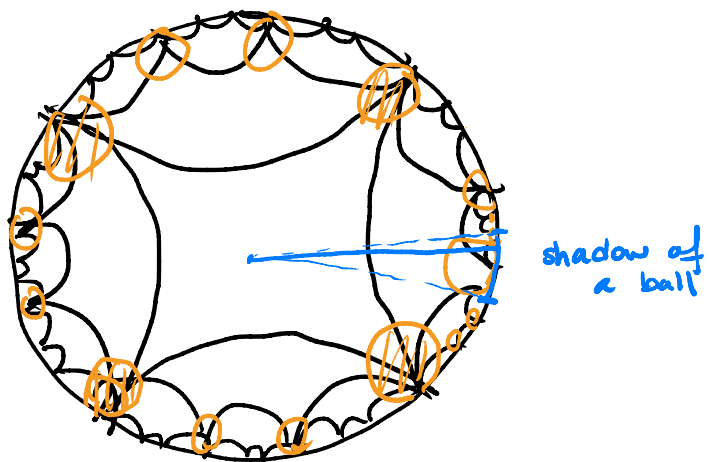


Defn: a circle in  $\mathbb{H}^2$  tangent to  $\partial\mathbb{H}^2$  is a horosphere. Its interior is a horoball.

The point of tangency is the center of the horosphere / ball.

Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{ \text{centers of horoballs in the packing} \}$   
and  $r_p = \text{Euclidean radius of the horoball centered at } p \text{ from a fixed original packing}$

Let  $H_p(r)$  be a shadow of the horoball centered at  $p$  with radius  $r$ .



analogy to classical setting of Khinchin:

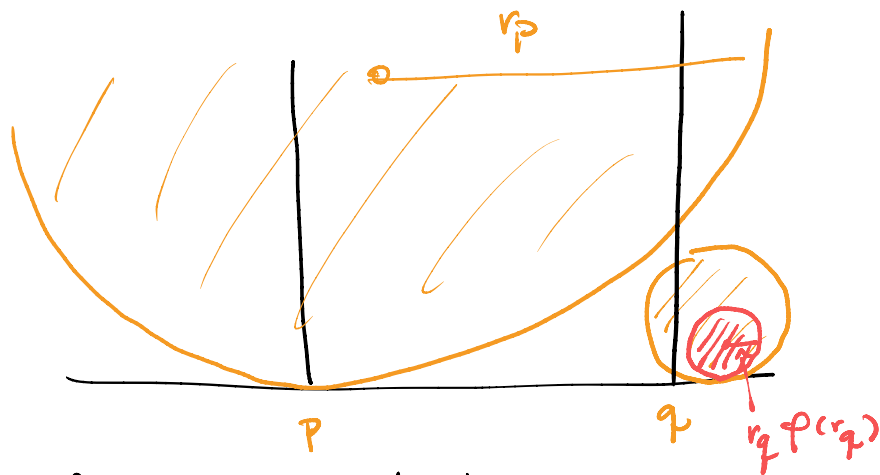
$$\mathbb{R} \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{S}^1$$

Lebesgue  $\rightsquigarrow$  arclength

$\gamma: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  decr  $\rightsquigarrow$   $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  increasing

Rationals  $\frac{p}{q} \rightsquigarrow$  horoball centers  $p \in \mathcal{P}$

$$\begin{aligned} \{x: |x - \frac{p}{q}| < \frac{\gamma(p)}{q} = \frac{1}{q} \gamma(p)\} &\rightsquigarrow \{x: x \in H_p(r_p \varphi(r_p)) \\ &\text{\scriptsize } \omega\text{-ly often} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{\scriptsize } \omega\text{-ly often}\} \\ &= \Theta(\gamma) \qquad \qquad \qquad =: \Theta(\varphi) \end{aligned}$$



$\varphi \equiv 1 \Rightarrow$  no shrinking

in this case, a.e.  $x$  in  $\omega$ -ly many shadows.

$\varphi < 1 \Rightarrow$  shrinking,  $x$  may no longer be in  $\omega$ -ly many shadows

Thm: (Stratmann-Velani, Sullivan)

[Khinchin-type Theorem] for small  $\lambda < 1$ ,

$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \varphi(\lambda^n) < \infty \iff \textcircled{-} (\varphi) \text{ has measure zero}$

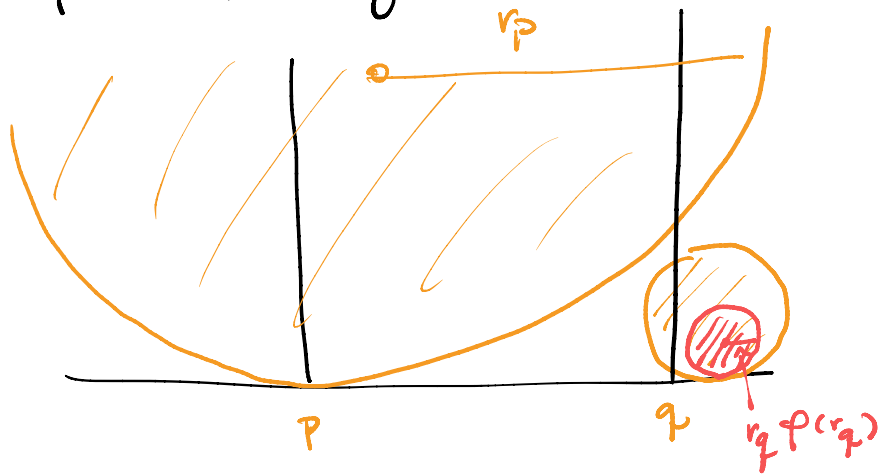
$= \infty \iff \textcircled{+} (\varphi) \text{ has measure one}$

Note:  $\varphi$  incr  $\Rightarrow \varphi(\lambda^n)$  decr. in  $n$

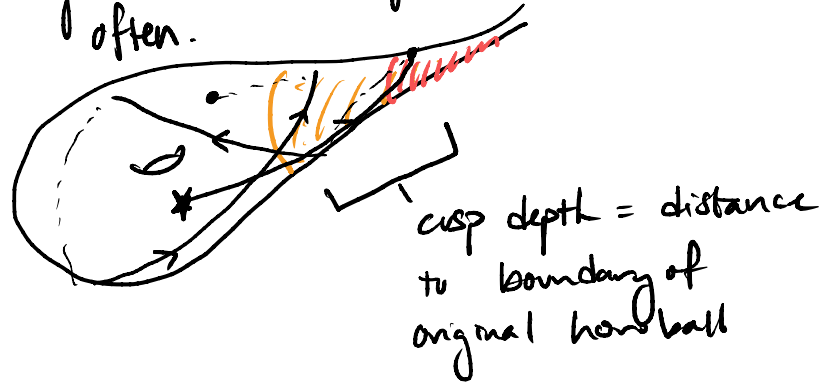
Application to cusp excursion

Horoball packing projects to neighborhood of the cusp.

$\varphi$  shrinks neighborhoods.



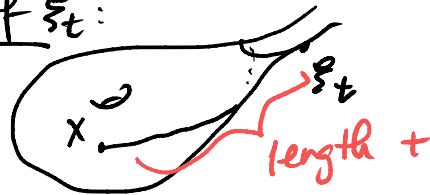
if they stay the "same size" ( $\varphi \equiv 1$ ),  
a.e. geodesic visits neighborhood  $\omega$ -ly often.



Q:

What is the optimal amount of shrinking?

defn of  $\xi_t$ :



Thm (Stratmann-Velani, Sullivan)

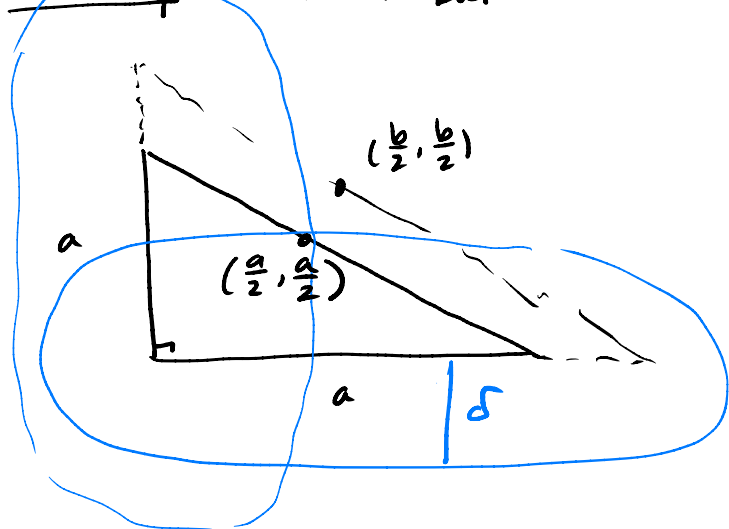
[Logarithm Law] For a.e.  $\xi \in S'$ ,

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{cusp depth}(\xi_t)}{\log(t)} = 1.$$

with Tiozzo, we generalize these to the setting of coarsely hyp. metric spaces which are geometrically finite. Will introduce these concepts now.

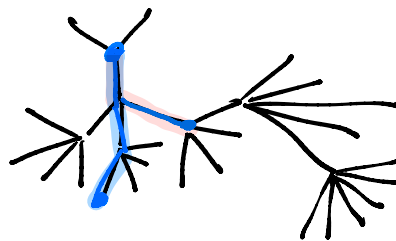
Defn:  $(X, d)$  metric space is (Gromov) hyperbolic if  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t. for any geodesic triangle,  $\delta$ -nhd of 2 edges contains the third.

non example  $(\mathbb{R}^2, d_{Euc})$



$\delta$  depends on  $a$

example  $X = T$  tree,  $d = \text{path metric}$



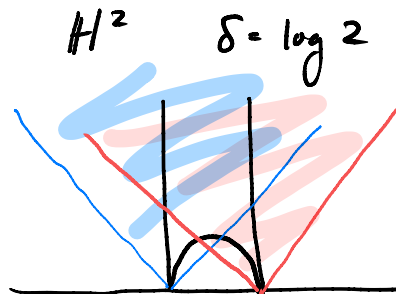
can be of unbounded valence!

geodesic triangles are degenerate

Any  $\delta > 0$  works.

"hyperbolic metric spaces are almost trees"

exercise



$\delta$ -nhds in  $\mathbb{H}^2$

Hint: explain, and use again, this fact:

Fact: since  $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \cong \text{Isom } \mathbb{H}^2$  is triply transitive on  $\partial \mathbb{H}^2$ , all ideal triangles are isometric

example hyperbolic crochets  
and MEGAL "reverse escher" project

Defn:  $(X, d)$  is proper if closed metric balls are compact, and geodesic if  $\forall x, y \in X$   $\exists$  geodesic  $x$  to  $y$ .

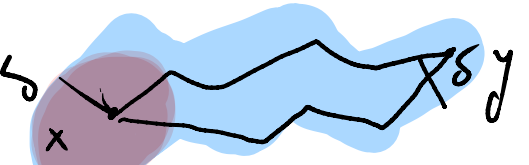
non-ex. of proper: infinite valence tree

From now on,  $(X, d)$  always proper geod. hyp metric space

Fact: any 2 geodesics  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$   $x$  to  $y$  are unif. bndd distance (dep only on  $\delta$ )

pf:

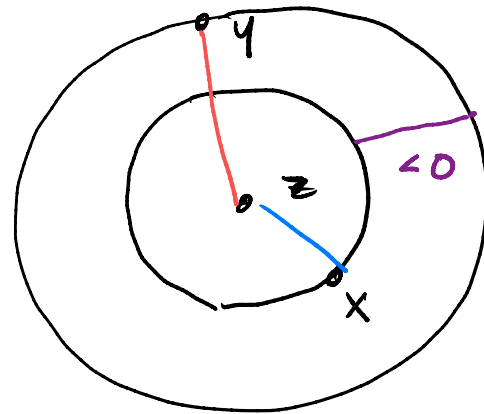
degenerate  $\Delta$  vertices  $x, y, x$ .  $\delta$ -nhd of any 2 sides contains the third



Defn: Busemann function centered at  $z$

$$\beta_z(x, y) = \underline{d(x, z)} - \underline{d(y, z)}$$

signed relative distance



exercise:  $\beta_z(x, y) = -\beta_z(y, x)$  anti-symmetric

$$\beta_z(x, w) + \beta_z(w, y) = \beta_z(x, y) \quad \underline{\text{cocycle}}$$

$g \in \text{Isom}(X)$ ,

$$\beta_{gz}(gx, gy) = \beta_z(x, y) \quad \underline{\text{equivariance}}$$

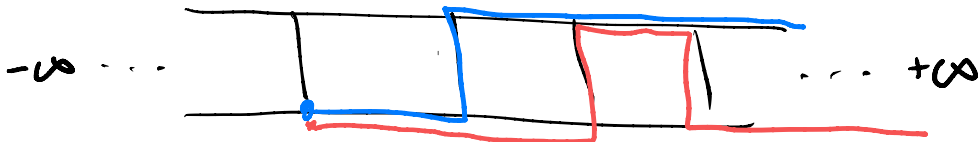
Defn: fix  $o \in X$ .

$$\partial X := \{ \text{geodesic rays based at } o \} / \sim$$

where  $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$  if  $\exists c$  s.t.

$$d(\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t)) \leq c \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

e.g. Ladder graph



$$\partial X = \{ +\infty, -\infty \}$$

e.g.  $\partial H^2 = \mathbb{R} \cup \{ \infty \} = \mathbb{S}^1$

Defn for  $\xi \in \partial X$ , define

$$\beta_\xi(x, y) = \liminf_{z \rightarrow \xi} \beta_z(x, y)$$

exercise: a)  $\liminf = \limsup + o(\delta)$

b)  $\beta_\xi(x, y) = -\beta_\xi(y, x) + o(\delta)$

c)  $\beta_\xi(x, w) + \beta_\xi(y, w) = \beta_\xi(x, y) + o(\delta)$

quasi-anti-sym & quasi-co-cycle

d) equivariance still true for  $\xi \in \partial X$ .

Defn:

Fix  $o \in X$ . A horosphere centered at  $\xi \in \partial X$  of radius  $r$  is

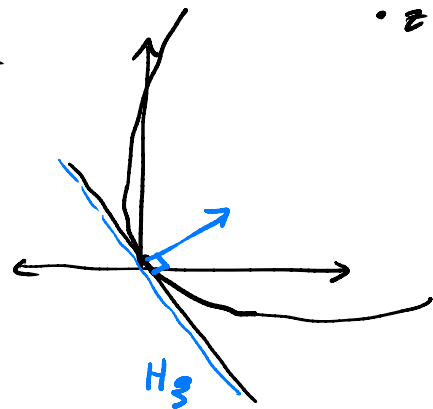
$$S_\xi = \{ x \in X : \beta_\xi(x, o) = \log r \}$$

and horoball is

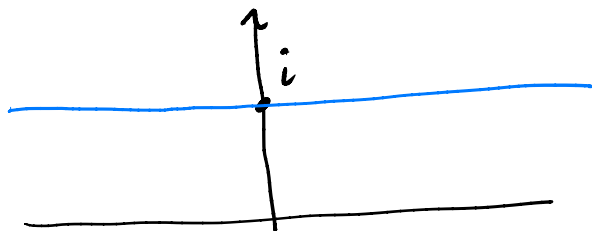
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example  $\mathbb{R}^2$

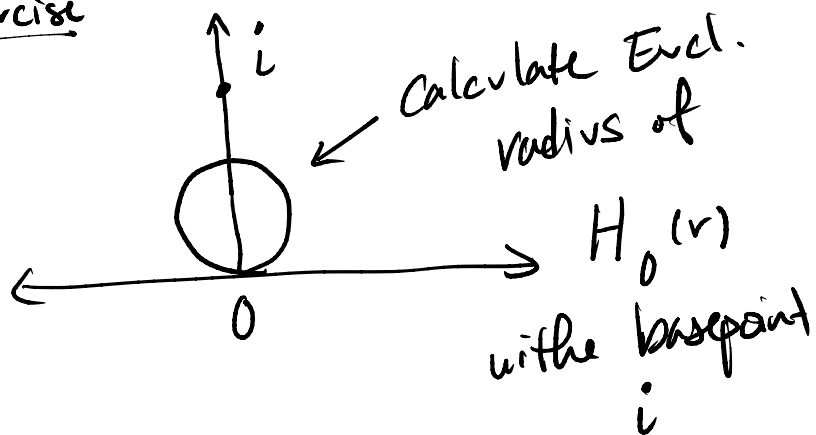
$\beta_\xi$  is a limit (no  $o(\delta)$ )



example  $\mathbb{H}^2$   $\beta_{\mathbb{H}^2}$  is a limit no  $\alpha(\mathbb{H}^2)$



exercise



exercise describe horospheres for  
ladder,  $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{F}_2)$

Def  $H_{\xi}(r) = \text{shadow of } H_{\xi}(r)$   
 $= \{ \eta \in \partial X \text{ such that}$   
some geod.  $\alpha$  to  $\eta$   
intersects  $H_{\xi}(r) \}$

Fact:  $\{ H_{\xi}(r) \mid \xi \in \partial X, r > 0 \}$   
generates the topology on  $\partial X$ .

exercise: the shadow topology on  
 $\mathbb{H}^2$  agrees with the usual topology  
on  $S^1$ .

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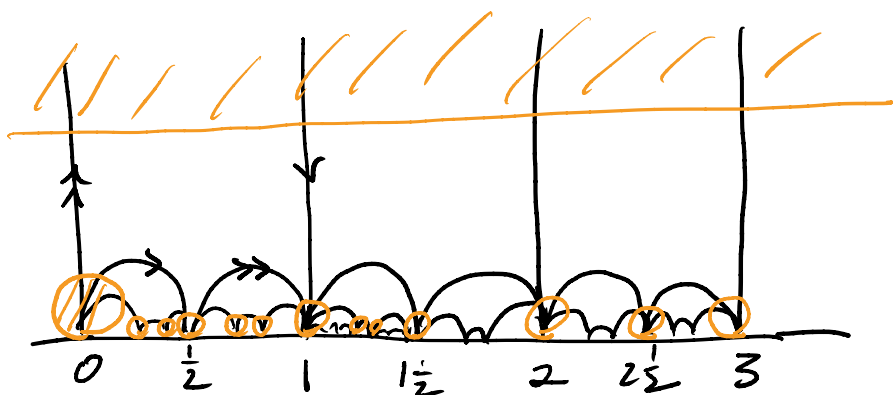
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**PART II**

Last time

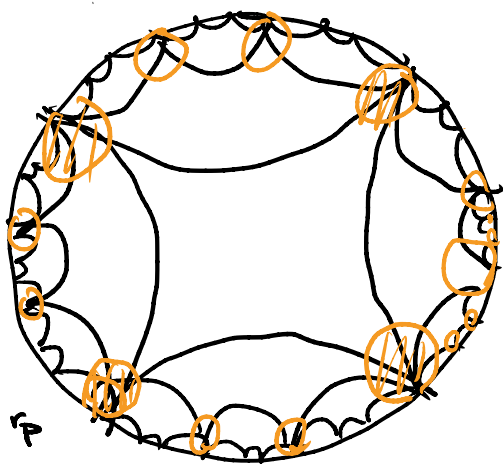
$$S = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma \cong \Sigma_{g,1}$$

$$\Gamma < \text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}^2)$$



$P = \{\text{vertices of ideal polygons in tilings}\}$   
 "rational points" in  $\partial\mathbb{H}^2$

$H_p(r) =$  horoball of Excl. radius  $r$  at  $p \in P$   
 circle packing fix radii  $r_p$



$H_p(r) =$  shadow of  $H_p(r) \subseteq \partial\mathbb{H}^2$   
 "neighborhood of  $p$  of radius  $r$ "

$\varphi: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  decreasing

$$\Theta(\varphi) = \left\{ \xi \in \partial\mathbb{H}^2 : \xi \text{ in } \omega\text{-ly many } H_p(r_p \varphi(r_p)) \right\}$$

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As an application,

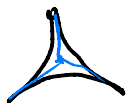
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Goal: generalize to hyp metric spaces

"tree like" triangles



Fix  $(X, d)$  a proper geodesic hyp. metric space,  $o \in X$ .

$\partial X = \{ \text{geod rays} \} / \text{bdd equiv}$

Recall for  $\xi \in \partial X$ , horoballs

$$H_\xi(r) = \{ x \in X : \beta_\xi(x, o) \leq \log r \}$$



"relative signed dist to  $\xi$ "

horospheres

$$S_\xi(r) = \{ x \in X : \beta_\xi(x, o) = \log r \}$$

shadows

$$H_\xi(r) = \{ \xi \in \partial X : \exists \text{ geod. } o \text{ to } \xi \text{ which intersects } H_\xi(r) \}$$

generate the topology.

Exercise: topology independent of  $o$

Thm (Bridson-Haefliger)

$\exists$  natural metric  $d_{\partial X}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  st.

the radius of  $H_\xi(r)$  in  $d_{\partial X}$  is  $\approx r^\varepsilon$  (mult. const.)

when  $X = \text{Poincaré disk}$ ,  $d_{\partial X} \approx \text{arclength on } S^1$

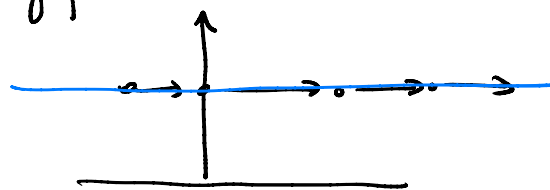
Isometries of  $X$

Fact:  $g \in \text{Isom } X$ . Then  $g \in \text{Homeo}(\partial X)$  and exactly one of the following occurs:

- $g$  fixes a point in  $X$  (elliptic)
- $g$  fixes 1 point in  $\partial X$  (parabolic)
- $g$  fixes exactly 2 pts in  $\partial X$  (loxodromic)

e.g. in  $H^2$

- $g$  elliptic are rotations
- $g$  parabolic conj. to  $z \mapsto z + u$

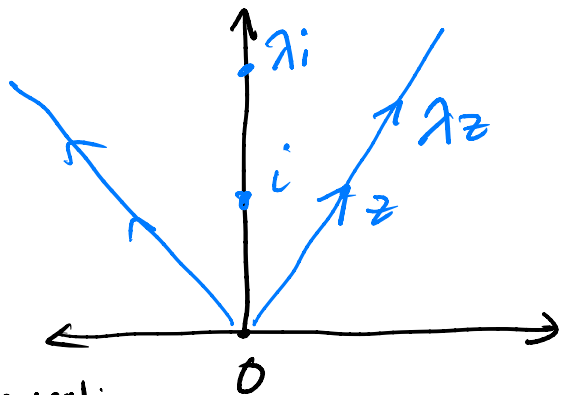


$g \infty = \infty$  ! f.p.

in general  $gp = p$  preserves horospheres centered at  $p$



•  $g$  loxodromic conj to  $z \mapsto \lambda z$



$g_0 = 0$   
 $g_\infty = \infty$   
 only f.p.s

in general:

$g$  preserves the geodesic joining the f.p.s and acts by translation along this geod, called the axis of  $g$ .

Defn:  $\Gamma < \text{Isom } X$  the limit set of  $\Gamma$  is

$$\Lambda_\Gamma = \overline{\Gamma \cdot o} / \Gamma \cdot o$$

Fact  $\Lambda_\Gamma$  independent of  $o$

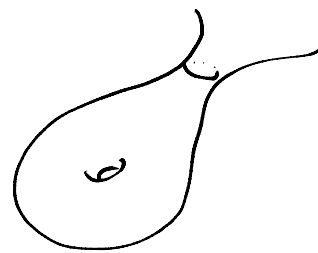
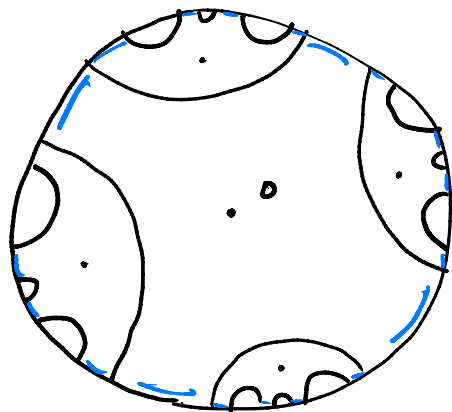
$$\Lambda_\Gamma \supseteq \{ \text{fixed pts of elts of } \Gamma \}$$

Defn:  $\Gamma$  non-elementary if  $|\Lambda_\Gamma| \geq 3$   
 ( $\Rightarrow \Lambda_\Gamma$  uncountable)

Defn:  $C_\Gamma = \text{convex hull of } \Lambda_\Gamma$ .

Example  $S = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma$   $\Lambda_\Gamma = \partial \mathbb{H}^2$   $C_\Gamma = \mathbb{H}^2$

Different metric:  $S' = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma'$  funnel



note:  $S'$  has infinite area, but  $S$  was finite area.

by defn of fundamental domain, no accumulation of  $\Gamma \cdot o$  in blue regions.

$\Lambda_\Gamma = \text{Cantor set}$

Defn:  $\xi \in \Lambda_\Gamma$  is parabolic limit pt

if  $\exists$  parabolic element fixing  $\xi$ .

$\xi \in \Lambda_\Gamma$  is a conical limit pt if  $\exists$  seq

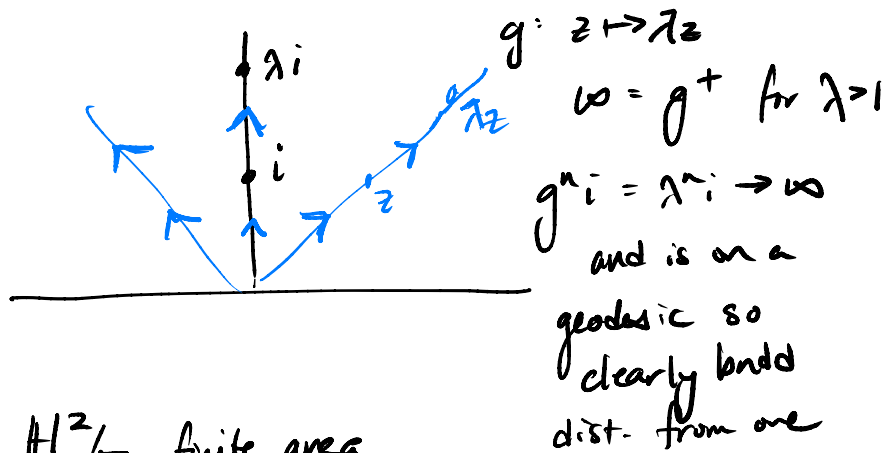
$z_n \rightarrow \xi$  bound dist. from a geod.

Defn ctd

$p \in \Lambda_\Gamma$  parabolic is bounded parabolic if  $\text{Stab}_\Gamma(p) \curvearrowright \Lambda_\Gamma \setminus \{p\}$  is cocompact.

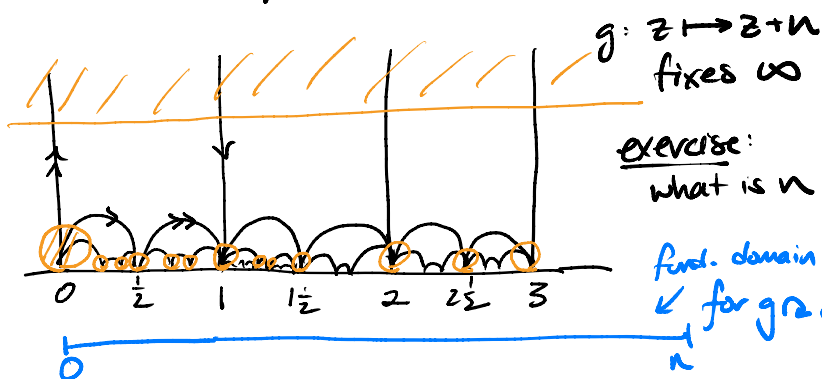
examples

Any f.p. of loxodromic elt will be conical. In  $\mathbb{H}^2$ , picture is conjugate to



$S = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma$  finite area

$\{\text{parabolics in } \Lambda_\Gamma\} = \emptyset$



since  $\Lambda_\Gamma = \partial \mathbb{H}^2$ ,  $g: z \mapsto z+n$  acts cocompactly on  $\partial \mathbb{H}^2$  hence is a bounded parabolic.

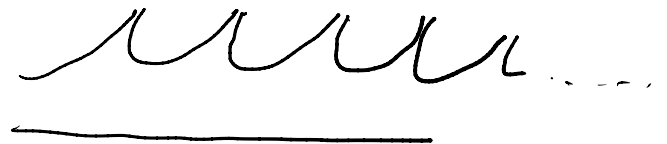
Defn:  $\Gamma < \text{Isom } X$  acts properly discontinuously if  $\forall K$  compact,  $\{g \in \Gamma : gK \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite.

$\Gamma$  properly discts, non-elem geometrically finite if every pt in  $\Lambda_\Gamma$  is either conical or bndd parabolic.

Fact: if  $\mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma$  finite area then  $\Gamma$  is geom. finite.

non-example

$S'' = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma'' = \text{"flute surface"}$



Fact (Bowditch) If  $\Gamma \curvearrowright X$  geom. finite then there are finitely many conjugacy classes of parabolics.

( $\Rightarrow$  finite # "cusps" in the quotient)  
(projection of parabol. pts)

and  $\mathcal{P} := \{\text{parab. pts}\}$  is countable.

(This fact  $\Rightarrow$  flute surface is not geom. fin.)

Defn: A horoball packing

$\{H_p(r_p)\}_{p \in \mathcal{P}}$  is quasi- $\Gamma$ -invariant

if  $\exists c$  st.  $\forall p \in \mathcal{P}, g \in \Gamma,$

the Gromov-Hausdorff distance btwn

$g H_p(r_p)$  and  $H_{gp}(r_{gp})$

is bdd by  $c$ .

Horoball packing is invariant if  $c=0$ .

Prop: (Bowditch, B.-Tizzzo)

$\Gamma \curvearrowright X$  geom. fin.  $\Rightarrow \exists$  quasi- $\Gamma$ -inv. horoball packing of  $X$ , and  $\exists \kappa > 0$  s.t.

$$\bigcup_{\delta \in \Gamma} B(\delta_0, \kappa) \supseteq C_\Gamma - \bigcup \text{Horoballs.}$$

"cuspidal part"

"non cuspidal part"

Defn:  $\Pi < \Gamma$  parabolic subgp if

$\Pi = \text{Stab}_\Gamma(p)$  some parabolic  $p \in \Lambda_\Gamma$ .

$\Pi$  has mixed exponential growth if

$\exists a, b \geq 0$  s.t. for  $t \geq 0,$

$$\#\{g \in \Pi : d(o, g o) \leq t\} \asymp e^{bt} (t+1)^a$$

$\asymp$  means up to unif mult. constants indep of  $t$

$(t+1)^a$  instead of  $t^a$  b/c  $g = \text{id}$  always possible so LHS  $\geq 1$ . need RHS

bdd away from 0 to get unif. mult. constants.

Defn for  $\Gamma' < \Gamma$  let

$$\delta_{\Gamma'} = \limsup \frac{1}{t} \log \# \{g \in \Gamma' : d(o, g_0) \leq t\}$$

$$a_{\Gamma'} = \limsup \frac{\log \# \{g \in \Gamma' : d(o, g_0) \leq t\} - \delta_{\Gamma'} t}{\log t}$$

exercise: if  $\pi$  has mixed exp growth

$$\sim e^{bt} (t+1)^a \text{ then } \delta_{\pi} = b, a_{\pi} = a.$$

exercise:  $\delta_{\Gamma'}$ ,  $a_{\Gamma'}$  indep of  $\circ$

$$\text{hence } \pi' = g\pi g^{-1} \Rightarrow \delta_{\pi'} = \delta_{\pi}, a_{\pi'} = a_{\pi}$$

examples

• Fact:

$$S = \mathbb{H}^2 / \Gamma, \delta_{\Gamma} = \text{Hausdorff dim of } \Lambda_{\Gamma}$$

$$\text{so if } \text{area}(S) < \infty \delta_{\Gamma} = 1$$

•  $g$  loxodromic  $\in \text{Isom } \mathbb{H}^2$

$$\Gamma = \langle g \rangle \text{ choose } o \text{ on axis of } g$$

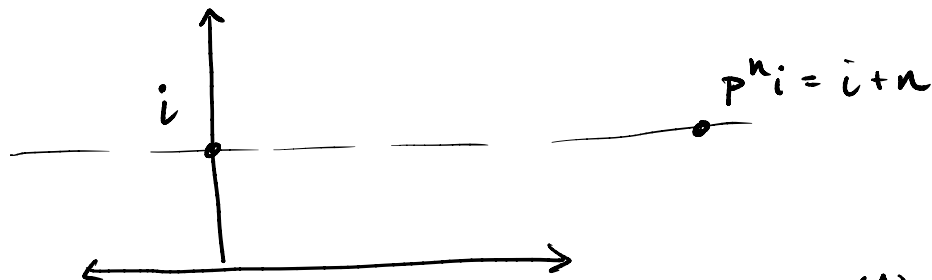
$$\text{so } d(o, g^n o) = n d(o, g o)$$

$$\text{hence } \#\{n : d(o, g^n o) \leq t\} = \lfloor \frac{t}{d(o, g o)} \rfloor \leq t$$

then  $\delta_{\Gamma} \leq \limsup \frac{1}{t} \log \# \{g \in \Gamma : d(o, g o) \leq t\} = 0$ .

exercise  $a_{\Gamma} = 1$ .

$$\bullet \pi = \langle p \rangle \quad p = z \mapsto z+1$$



$$\text{Fact: } A \in \text{PSL}_2 \mathbb{R}, d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(i, A i) = \log \frac{\sigma_1(A)}{\sigma_2(A)}$$

$\sigma_i$ : singular values of  $A$

idea of proof  $A = U \Sigma V$ ,  $U, V$  unitary fix  $i$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \\ & \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(i, \Sigma i) = \log \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}$$

$$\text{exercise } A^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \log \frac{\sigma_1(A^n)}{\sigma_2(A^n)} \sim \log n^2$$

additive constants

then  $\#\{g \in \pi : d(i, g i) \leq t\}$

$$\sim \#\{n : n \leq e^{t/2}\} \sim e^{t/2}$$

mult. const. fine here

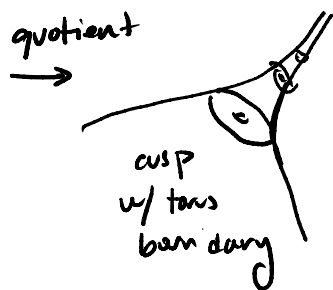
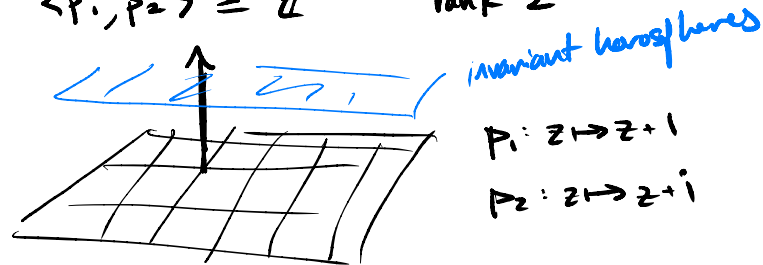
$$\text{so } \delta_{\pi} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

exercise  $a_{\pi} = 0$

- in  $H^3$ ,  $\pi = \langle p \rangle$   $p$  parab. same.

Can also have

$$\pi = \langle p_1, p_2 \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}^2 \quad \text{"rank 2"}$$



In this case,  $\delta_\pi = 1$ ,  
 $a_\pi = 0$ .

- in  $H^n$ ,  $\pi$  parabolic  $\Rightarrow \pi \cong_{\text{virt.}} \mathbb{Z}^k$   
 for some  $k$ , i.e.  $\pi$  rank  $k$  abelian group.

Then  $\delta_\pi = \frac{k}{2}$ .

( $a_\pi = 0$  again)

## Khinchin-type Theorem

Assume only 1 cusp for simplicity

Assume  $0 < \delta_\pi < \delta_\Gamma$ .

Defn:  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow (0,1]$  Khinchin function

if  $\varphi$  incr and  $\exists b_1 < 1, b_2 > 0$   
 such that

$$\varphi(b_1 x) \geq b_2 \varphi(x)$$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$  (important only for small  $x$ )

exercise  $\beta > 0$   $\varphi(x) = \min\{\log(x^{-1})^{-\beta}, 1\}$

is a Khinchin function.

Fix  $\{H_p(r_p)\}_{p \in \mathcal{P}}$  quasi- $\Gamma$ -invariant

horoball packing of  $X$  from Bowditch

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Khinchin series

$$K_{\lambda}(\varphi) = \sum \varphi(\lambda^n)^{2(\delta_P - \delta_{\Pi})} (-2 \log \varphi(\lambda^n) + 1)^{a_{\Pi}}$$

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recall  $\cup B(\delta_0, k) \supseteq X - \cup H_p(r_p)$

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**PART III**

Fix:  $(X, d)$  proper hyp. metric space.

$\Gamma < \text{Isom } X$  geometrically finite.

For simplicity,

Assume  $X/\Gamma$  has one cusp i.e. up to conjugation, only one parabolic subgroup  $\Pi < \Gamma$ .

Assume  $\Pi$  has mixed exponential growth, i.e.

$$\{g \in \Pi : d(o, go) \leq t\} \asymp e^{\delta_{\Pi} t} (t+1)^{a_{\Pi}}$$

and  $0 < \delta_{\Pi} < \delta_{\Gamma}$

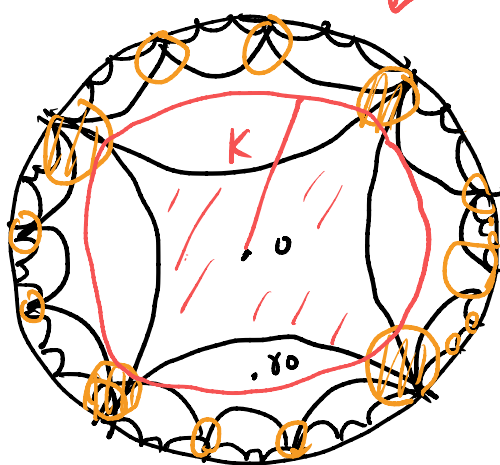
(Rem:  $\delta_{\Gamma}$  is called the critical exponent of  $\Gamma$ )

Recall/Def  $\Lambda_{\Gamma} = \text{limit set of } \Gamma = \overline{\Gamma \circ} \cup \Gamma \circ$   
smallest closed  $\Gamma$ -inv. set in  $X \cup \partial X$ .

$C_{\Gamma} = \text{convex hull of } \Lambda_{\Gamma} \text{ in } X$ .

Fix  $\{H_p(r_p)\}_{p \in \mathcal{P}}$  quasi- $\Gamma$ -invariant horoball packing of  $X$  with

$$\bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} B(\gamma o, K) \supseteq C_{\Gamma} - \bigcup_{\mathcal{P}} H_p(r_p)$$



( $\Gamma$  acts cocompactly on  $C_{\Gamma} - \bigcup_{\mathcal{P}} H_p(r_p)$ )

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PF of logarithm law

$$\phi_\varepsilon(x) := \log(x^{-1})^{-\frac{1+\varepsilon}{2(\delta-\delta_\pi)}}$$

is a Khinchin function by prior exercise, and

$$K_\lambda(\phi_\varepsilon) = \sum \phi_\varepsilon(\lambda^n) \frac{2(\delta-\delta_\pi)}{(-2 \log \phi_\varepsilon(\lambda^n))^{a_\pi}}$$

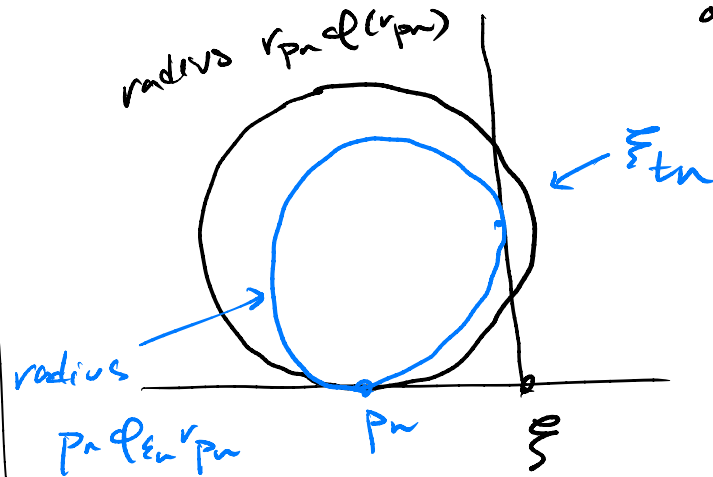
$$= \sum \log(\lambda^{-n})^{-1+\varepsilon} = (-2)^{a_\pi} \left( \log((\log \lambda^{-n})^{1+\varepsilon/2(\delta-\delta_\pi)+1}) \right)^{a_\pi}$$

$$\approx \sum \frac{1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \log(n+1)^{a_\pi} \quad a_\pi \geq 0$$

calculus exercise  $\uparrow$  diverges if  $\varepsilon = 0$   
and converges if  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Then  $\mu.a.e. \xi \in \Theta_\lambda(\phi_0)$ , choose maximal seq.  $p_n \in P$  so that geodesic  $[0, \xi]$  passes through  $H_{p_n}(r_{p_n}, \phi_{p_n})$  in order, and  $r_{p_n} \phi_{p_n}$  monotone decr.

thn,  $\exists \varepsilon_n > 0$  s.t.  $[0, \xi)$  tangent to  $H_{p_n}(r_{p_n}, \phi_{p_n})$ .  $\xi_{t_n}$  pt of tangency on  $[0, \xi)$ .



claim:

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{d(\xi_t, \Gamma_0)}{\log t} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d(\xi_{t_n}, \Gamma_0)}{\log t_n}$$

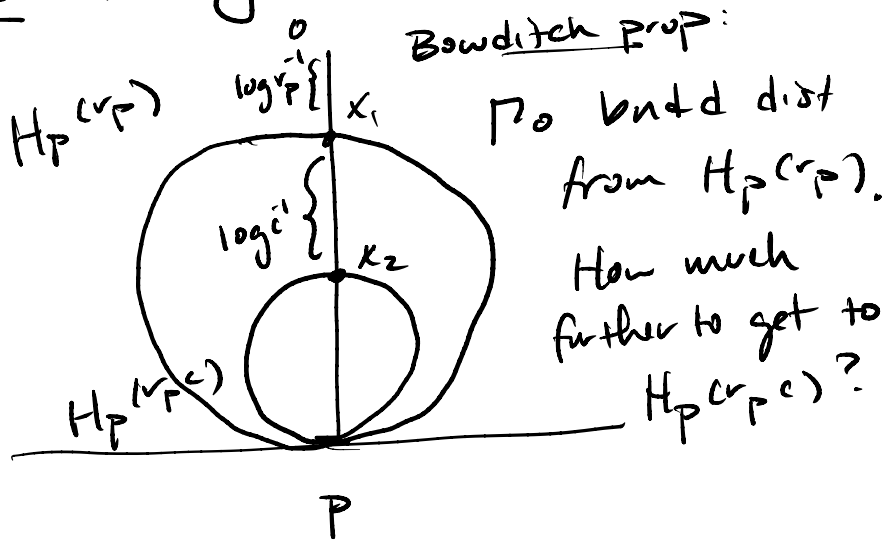
idea:

$d(\xi_{t_n}, \Gamma_0) \approx$  distance between horospheres maximized at  $t = t_n$   
 $\log t$  monotone incr.  
there is more...

Lemma 1:

$$d(\mathbb{S}^{t_n}, \Pi_0) \sim -\log(\phi_{\mathbb{E}^n}(r_{P_n}))$$

idea: for any  $c < 1$



$$\beta_P(0, x_1) = -\log r_P$$

$$\beta_P(0, x_2) = -\log r_P c$$

$$\beta_P(x_1, 0) + \beta_P(0, x_2) = \beta_P(x_1, x_2) = d(x_1, x_2)$$

$$\log r_P - \log r_P - \log c = -\log c$$

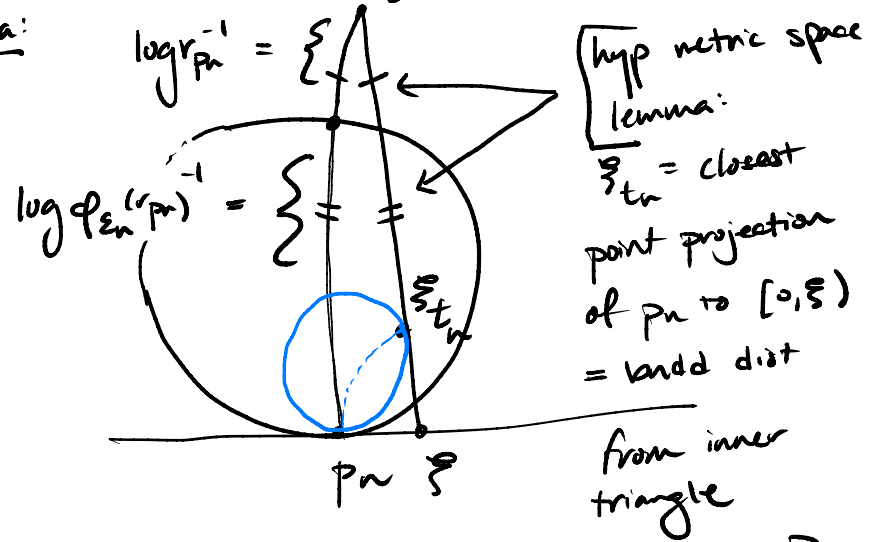
Now take  $c = \phi_{\mathbb{E}^n}(r_{P_n})$   $\square$

intuition:  
horospheres are "balls centered at  $P''$ ,  $x_1, x_2$  collinear on quad to  $P$ "  
co-cycle property  $\downarrow$  quad to  $P$

Lemma 2:

$$t_n + \log \phi_{\mathbb{E}^n}(r_{P_n}) \lesssim \log r_{P_n}^{-1} \stackrel{\text{additive const}}{\sim} t_n$$

idea:



$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow d(\mathbb{S}^{t_n}, \Pi_0) &\sim -\log \phi_{\mathbb{E}^n}(r_{P_n}) \\ &= -\log((\log r_{P_n}^{-1})^{-\frac{1+\varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)}}) \\ &= \frac{1+\varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \log \log r_{P_n}^{-1} \\ &\leq \frac{1+\varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \log t_n \quad (L2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \limsup \leq \frac{1+\varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \quad \forall n.$$

If  $\varepsilon_n > \varepsilon > 0$  some  $\varepsilon$ , then  
 $\xi \in \Theta_\lambda(\rho_\varepsilon)$ . But  $\mu(\Theta_\lambda(\rho_\varepsilon)) = 0$ ,  
 so we can choose  $\xi$  st.  
 $\xi \in \Theta_\lambda(\rho_0)$  but  $\xi \notin \Theta_\lambda(\rho_\varepsilon)$   
 $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ . Thus,  $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  and  
 the upper bound follows.

Lower bound

$$d(\xi_{t_n}, \Gamma_0) \sim -\log \rho_{\varepsilon_n} r_{t_n}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \log \log r_{t_n}^{-1}$$

(L2) lower  $\gtrsim \frac{1 + \varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \left( \log \left( t_n - \frac{1 + \varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \log \log (r_{t_n}^{-1}) \right) \right)$

(L2) upper  $\gtrsim \frac{1 + \varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \log \left( t_n - \frac{1 + \varepsilon_n}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)} \log(t_n) \right)$

$\Rightarrow \limsup \gtrsim \frac{1}{2(\delta_r - \delta_\pi)}$  since  $t_n \rightarrow \infty$   
 $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$

Thm (B.-Tizz)

[Khinchin-type theorem]

(A)  $\exists$  measure  $\mu$  proba on  $\Lambda_r$  ergodic wrt  $\Gamma \curvearrowright \partial X$  and quasi-independent with nice scaling properties

(B) for any Khinchine function  $\phi$ ,

- (1)  $\mu(\Theta_\lambda(\phi)) = 0$  if  $K_\lambda(\phi) < \infty$
- (2)  $\mu(\Theta_\lambda(\phi)) = 1$  if  $K_\lambda(\phi) = \infty$ .

We will prove (B) given (A)

Lemma 3 (Borel-Cantelli)

$(Y, \mathbb{P})$  measure space  $A_n \subseteq Y$  measurable

- (1)  $\sum \mathbb{P}(A_n) < \infty \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\limsup A_n) = 0$
- (2)  $\sum \mathbb{P}(A_n) = \infty$  and  $\exists c > 0$  s.t.  
 $\mathbb{P}(A_n \cap A_m) \leq c \mathbb{P}(A_n) \mathbb{P}(A_m)$

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\limsup A_n) > 0$ .

$\uparrow$   
 harder exercise or just find & read proofs

□

## Lemma 4

$$\mu(S_n^\lambda \varphi) \asymp \varphi(\lambda^n)^{2(\delta - \delta_\pi)} (-2 \log \varphi(\lambda^n))^{\alpha \pi}$$

idea:  $\mu(S_n^\lambda \varphi) \asymp \# S_n^\lambda \varphi \mu(H)$

for any fixed  $H \in S_n^\lambda \varphi$  by quasi-disjointness (Dirichlet-type thm) of elts of  $S_n^\lambda \varphi$  and scaling properties of  $\mu$

Prop:  $\# S_n^\lambda \varphi \asymp \lambda^{-n\delta}$

thm:  $\mu(H) \asymp \lambda^{n\delta} \varphi(\lambda^n)^{2(\delta - \delta_\pi)} (-2 \log \varphi(\lambda^n) + 1)^{\alpha \pi}$

these are the "nice scaling properties"

for the measure  $\mu$   
combine to get what you want.

Since  $\Theta_\lambda(\varphi) = \limsup S_n^\lambda \varphi$

Borel-Cantelli ①  $\Rightarrow$  Khinchin theorem ③(1).

Conversely, Borel-Cantelli ② + quasi-independence lemma

$\Rightarrow \mu(\Theta_\lambda(\varphi)) > 0.$

To prove  $\mu(\Theta_\lambda \varphi) = 1$ , by ergodicity of  $\mu$  wrt  $\Gamma$ , it suffices to show  $\Theta_\lambda \varphi$  is invariant a.e.:

Lemma 5 (Stratmann)  $\forall g \in \Gamma,$

$$\mu(g \Theta_\lambda \varphi \Delta \Theta_\lambda \varphi) = 0$$

i.e.  $\mu(g \Theta_\lambda \varphi) = \mu(\Theta_\lambda \varphi).$

(Ergodicity in this setting is due to Matsuzaki-Yabuki-Jaerisch)

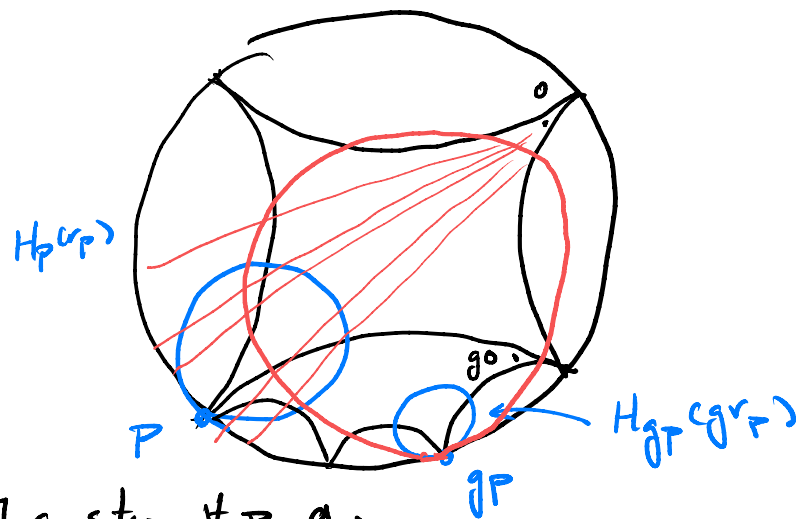
idea of proof:

It suffices to show  $\forall g \in \Gamma$

$$\mu(g \Theta_\lambda \varphi) \leq \mu(\Theta_\lambda \varphi).$$

claim 1:  $\forall g \in \Gamma, \exists \epsilon > 0.$   
 $\forall P \in \mathcal{P},$

$$g H_P(\nu_P \varphi \nu_P) \subseteq H_P(\nu_P \varphi \nu_P).$$



$\exists c$  s.t.  $\forall P, g,$

$$g H_P(r_P) \subseteq H_{g_P}(c r_{g_P}) \text{ by quasi-inv.}$$

arrange for:  $c'$  depending on  $d(o, g_0)$  s.t.

$$g H_P(r_P) \subseteq H_P(c' r_P).$$

Now, we hope this implies  $\forall c''$ ,

$$g H_P(c'' r_P) \subseteq H_P(c' c'' r_P) \text{ (possibly incr } c', \text{ indep of } P)$$

so letting  $c'' = \phi(r_P)$ , we are done.

ran out of time to check this

Recall:  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow (0, 1]$  Khinchin function

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Note: constants are flexible

Let

$$\Theta_\lambda^c(\phi) = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{m \geq n} \bigcup_{r_P^{n+1} \leq r_P \leq r_P^n} H_P(c r_P \phi(r_P))$$

claim 2:

$$\mu(\Theta_\lambda^c(\phi)) = \mu(\Theta_\lambda(\phi)).$$

Note: Lemma 5, hence Khinchin-type thm,  
follows.

it suffices to show

$$\mu\left(\overbrace{\bigcup_{r^m \leq r_p \leq r^n} H_p(c_{r_p}, \phi(r_p))}^{= E}\right)$$

$$\bigcup_{m \geq n} \underbrace{\bigcup_{r^m \leq r_p \leq r^n} H_p(c_{r_p}, \phi(r_p))}_{= E_c} = 0$$

so assume  $> 0$  by contradiction.

Then  $\exists$  density point  $x \in E \setminus E_c$ ,

so  $\exists$  seq  $p_k \in \mathcal{P}$  w/  $r_{p_k} \rightarrow \infty$  s.t.

$x \in H_{p_k}(c_{r_{p_k}}, \phi(r_{p_k})) \forall k$  and decr. to  $x$  ("decr. metric balls abt  $x$ ")

Then.

$$\frac{\mu(H_{p_k} \cap E \setminus E_c)}{\mu(H_{p_k})} \stackrel{*}{\leq} \frac{\mu(H_{p_k}) - \mu(E_c)}{\mu(H_{p_k})}$$

$$\leq 1 - \frac{\mu(E_c)}{\mu(H_{p_k})} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{comparable by} \\ \text{fine scaling} \\ \text{properties} \end{array} \right\} < 1 \quad *$$

Recall Lebesgue Density  
Thm: for a.e.  $x \in A$ ,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mu(A \cap B_\epsilon(x))}{\mu(B_\epsilon(x))} = 1.$$

$x$  is a density pt if  $= 1$ . See  
if  $\mu(A) > 0$  then  $\exists$  density  
pt in  $A$ .