

Def. A Riemann surface (or R.S.) is the data of:

- a Hausdorff topological space  $X$ , with:
- an atlas  $\{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in A\}$  where:
  - each  $U_\alpha \subseteq X$  is open
  - $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha = X$ .  $(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)$  is called a chart
  - $\phi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is homeomorphism onto its image.
  - the transition map  $\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}: \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \xrightarrow{\sim} \phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$   
is holomorphic  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in A$ .  $\begin{array}{ccc} \cap & & \cap \\ \mathbb{C} & & \mathbb{C} \end{array}$

Note: We say two atlases on  $X$  define the same R.S. if their union is also an atlas. (i.e. they're holomorphically compatible).

- Rmk:
- If  $p \in U_\alpha$ , we can think of  $\phi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  as a local holomorphic coordinate  $z$  near the point  $p$ .
  - Note that the local coordinate  $z$  at a point  $p \in X$  is NOT unique. Suppose  $p \in U_\beta$  in another chart  $\rightsquigarrow$  different local coordinate  $w$  where  $z$  and  $w$  are related by a holomorphic change of coordinate  $\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}$ . So, we'll be mainly interested in notions that are independent of the choice of particular local coordinate.
  - If we replace the holomorphicity condition on the transition maps by:
    - requiring them to be smooth  $\rightsquigarrow$  smooth (real) surface
    - or smooth with positive Jacobian  $\rightsquigarrow$  smooth oriented surface
    - or no condition  $\rightsquigarrow$  topological surface.

Def: Let  $(X, \{U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha\})$ ,  $(Y, \{V_\beta, \psi_\beta\})$  be R.S.

A holomorphic map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a continuous map s.t.  $\forall \alpha, \beta$ ,

$$\psi_\beta \circ f \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}: \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap f^{-1}(V_\beta)) \longrightarrow \psi_\beta(V_\beta) \text{ is holomorphic}$$

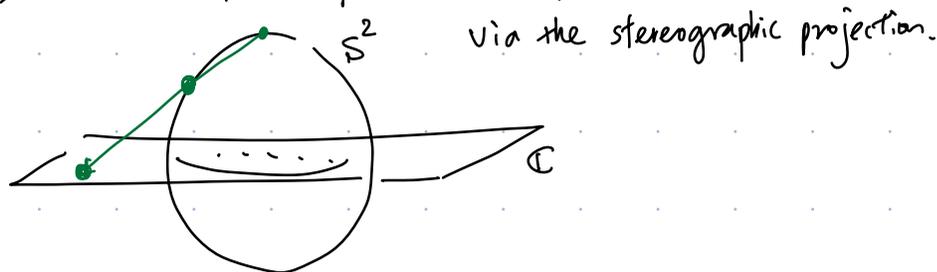
- We say two R.S.  $X$  and  $Y$  are equivalent if  $\exists f: X \rightarrow Y$  holomorphic bijection with holomorphic inverse.

e.g.  $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$  and  $\mathbb{H} = \{w \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im}(w) > 0\}$  both R.S.

They're equivalent, through 
$$z = \frac{w-i}{w+i}$$

e.g. Riemann sphere  $(\hat{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}, \mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1, \text{complex projective line})$

- Topology: open subsets are: either open subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$ , or is of the form  $U \cup \{\infty\}$  where  $U = \mathbb{C} \setminus K$  for some  $K \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  compact.
- It's a Hausdorff. top. space, homeomorphic to  $S^2$ .



- We can equip  $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$  with the following complex structure:

$$- U_1 = \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow[\cong]{\phi_1 = \text{id}} \mathbb{C} \quad \text{are homeomorphisms.}$$

$$- U_2 = \mathbb{C}^x \cup \{\infty\} \xrightarrow[\cong]{\phi_2: z \mapsto \frac{1}{z}} \mathbb{C}$$

$$\text{Transition map } \phi_1(U_1 \cap U_2) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\phi_2 \circ \phi_1^{-1}} \phi_2(U_1 \cap U_2)$$

$z \mapsto \frac{1}{z}$  is holomorphic

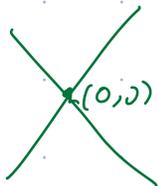
e.g. (Algebraic curves):

Let  $P(z, w) \in \mathbb{C}[z, w]$ .

Define  $X := \{(z, w) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid P(z, w) = 0\}$ .

Assume that  $\forall (z_0, w_0) \in X, \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial z}(z_0, w_0), \frac{\partial P}{\partial w}(z_0, w_0)\right) \neq (0, 0)$ .

Then, we'll show that  $X$  is naturally a R.S.

(Non-e.g.  $z^2 - w^2$ :  nodal singularity)

$z^2 - w^3$   cuspidal singularity)

$\{f(z, w) = 0\}$   
Thm. Suppose  $(z_0, w_0) \in X$  with  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(z_0, w_0) \neq 0$ . Then,

$\exists$  a disc  $D_1$  centered at  $z_0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

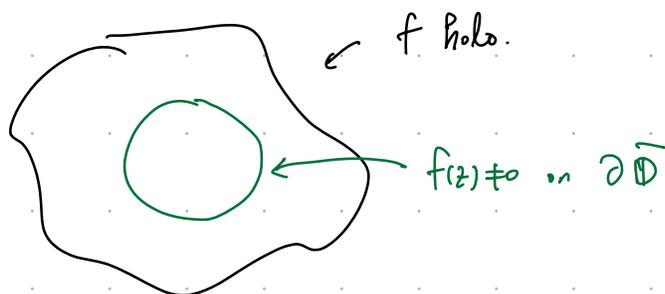
a disc  $D_2$  centered at  $w_0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

a holomorphic map  $\phi: D_1 \rightarrow D_2$ ,  $\phi(z_0) = w_0$ .

s.t.  $X \cap D_1 \times D_2 = \{(z, \phi(z)) \mid z \in D_1\}$

Note: This holds for  $f$  holomorphic, not necessarily polynomial.

pf. Recall the argument principle:

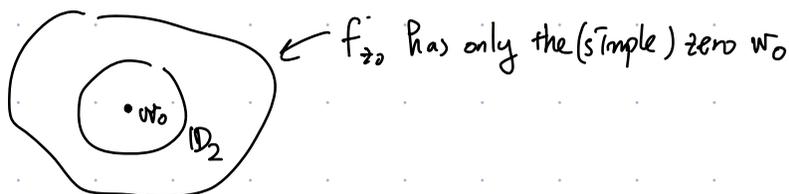


$$\bullet \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f'(w)}{f(w)} dw = \# \text{ zeros of } f \text{ in } D.$$

$$\bullet \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{w f'(w)}{f(w)} dw = \sum_{\substack{z \in D, \\ f(z)=0}} z \cdot \text{mult}(f; z) \quad \text{sum of the zeros.}$$

Consider  $f_{z_0}(w) := P(z_0, w)$ . Then  $f_{z_0}(w_0) = 0$ ,  $f'_{z_0}(w_0) \neq 0$   
 so  $\text{mult}(f_{z_0}; w_0) = 1$ .

By isolation of zeros,  $\exists D_2$  centered at  $w_0$  st.



$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D_2} \frac{f'_{z_0}}{f_{z_0}} = 1.$$

Since  $f_{z_0} \neq 0$  on  $\partial D_2$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  st.  $|f_{z_0}| > 2\delta > 0$  on  $\partial D_2$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists$  a disc  $D_1$  centered at  $z_0$  st.  $\forall z \in D_1$ ,  $|f_z| > \delta$  on  $\partial D_2$ .

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D_2} \frac{f'_z}{f_z} = 1 \quad \text{for } z \in D_1.$$

by continuity, and the fact that the integral  $\in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \forall z \in D_1, \exists! w \in D_2 \text{ s.t. } \underset{\substack{\parallel \\ f(z,w)}}{f_z(w)} = 0, \text{ and it's a simple zero of } f_z.$$

$$\text{In fact, } w = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D_2} \frac{t f'_z(t)}{f_z(t)} dt$$

It remains to show that the map:

$$D_1 \longrightarrow D_2 \quad \text{is holomorphic}$$

$$z \longmapsto \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D_2} \frac{t f'_z(t)}{f_z(t)} dt$$

$$\parallel$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D_2} \frac{t}{f(z,t)} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(z,t) dt$$

which is easy to see it's holomorphic.  $\square$

Returning to the example of alg. curves:  $\forall (z_0, w_0) \in X = \{P(z, w) = 0\}$ ,  
 we assumed that  $(\frac{\partial P}{\partial z}(z_0, w_0), \frac{\partial P}{\partial w}(z_0, w_0)) \neq (0, 0)$ .

WLOG, say  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial w}(z_0, w_0) \neq 0$ . By the implicit fn thm above,

$$\exists \mathbb{D}_1 \text{ centered at } z_0, \mathbb{D}_2 \text{ centered at } w_0, \phi: \mathbb{D}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_2$$

$$z_0 \mapsto w_0$$

$$\text{st. } X \cap \mathbb{D}_1 \times \mathbb{D}_2 = \{(z_0, \phi(z_0)) \mid z_0 \in \mathbb{D}_1\}.$$

Then,  $U := X \cap \mathbb{D}_1 \times \mathbb{D}_2 \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathbb{D}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  gives a chart.

$$(z_0, \phi(z_0)) \longmapsto z_0$$

Similarly, if  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial z}(z_0, w_0) \neq 0$ , then the projection to the 2<sup>nd</sup> factor gives a chart.

Claim. These charts are holomorphically compatible.

pf. • If both charts are of the same type (i.e. projection to the same factor)  
 then the transition map is just the identity map.

• For charts of different type, the transition map is given by:

$$\mathbb{D}_1 \xrightarrow{\psi^{-1}} U \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \mathbb{D}_2$$

$$z_0 \longmapsto (z_0, \phi(z_0)) \longmapsto \phi(z_0),$$

which is holo. since  $\phi$  is holo.  $\square$

Rmk: The same argument works for  $P$  holo., not necessarily polynomial.

## Projective algebraic plane curve

Recall:  $\mathbb{C}P^n := (\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}) / \sim$  complex projective space.

elements usually denoted by  $[z_0, \dots, z_n]$ .

- $\mathbb{C}P^n = U_0 \cup \dots \cup U_n$ , where  $U_i$  consists of points where  $z_i \neq 0$ , so  $U_i = \{[z_0, \dots, z_{i-1}, 1, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n] \mid z_0, \dots, z_{i-1}, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}\} \cong \mathbb{C}^n$

This gives a complex manifold structure on  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ , where each  $U_i \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}^n$  gives a chart.

- $p \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, z_2]$  homogenization  
say  $p = \sum a_{ij} z_1^i z_2^j$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $P(z_0, z_1, z_2) := \sum a_{ij} z_0^{d-i-j} z_1^i z_2^j$   
with  $\deg(p) = d$ . homog. poly. of deg  $d$ .

e.g.  $z_1^2 + z_2^3 + 1 \rightsquigarrow z_0^2 z_1 + z_2^3 + z_0^3$

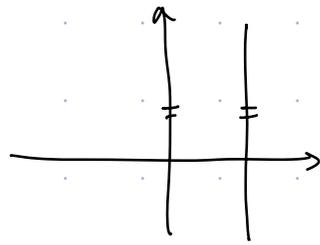
- $X = \{(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid p(z_1, z_2) = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^2$   
 $\cap$  (z\_1, z\_2)  
 $\downarrow$   
[1, z\_1, z\_2]  
 $\bar{X} = \{[z_0, z_1, z_2] \in \mathbb{C}P^2 \mid P(z_0, z_1, z_2) = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}P^2$

- $\mathbb{C}P^2$  is compact, and  $\bar{X} \subseteq_{\text{closed}} \mathbb{C}P^2 \Rightarrow \bar{X}$  is compact.

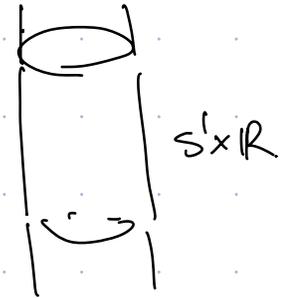
Ex: Show that  $\bar{X}$  is a R.S.

Quotients:

e.g.  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$ .



$\cong$   
homeom.



- $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$ , consider the disc  $D_z(1/4)$ . Then  $\forall z_1, z_2 \in D_z(1/4)$   
if  $z_1 \sim z_2$ , i.e.  $z_1 = z_2 + n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  
then  $z_1 = z_2$  and  $n = 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Rightarrow \pi: \mathbb{C} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \\ \cup & & \cup \\ D_z(1/4) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \pi(D_z(1/4)) \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow$  We can use this to construct a chart about  $\pi(z) \in \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$ .

- The transition maps btw charts are of the form  $z \mapsto z + n$   
which are clearly holo.  
This gives  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$  a R.S. structure.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{In fact, } \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathbb{C}^\times \\ z & \longmapsto & e^{2\pi i z}. \end{array}$$

e.g. Let  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}w_1 + \mathbb{Z}w_2$  be a lattice in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

We can similarly define a R.S. str. on  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$ , where we choose the radius  $r$  s.t.  $2r < \min_{\lambda \in \Lambda} |\lambda|$

$\hookrightarrow$  Complex torus   $\cong S^1 \times S^1$ .

which is a compact R.S.

In general, suppose a group  $\Gamma$  acts on a R.S.  $X$  by holo. automorphisms

and  $\bullet \forall p \in X, \exists p \in \mathcal{U} \subseteq X$  s.t.  $\forall q_1, q_2 \in \mathcal{U}$

"  $q_1 = \gamma(q_2)$  for some  $\gamma \in \Gamma \implies q_1 = q_2$  and  $\gamma = 1$  "

$\bullet \forall \bar{p}_1 \neq \bar{p}_2 \in X/\Gamma, \exists p_1 \in \mathcal{U}_1, p_2 \in \mathcal{U}_2$  s.t.  $\Gamma \mathcal{U}_1 \cap \mathcal{U}_2 = \emptyset$ .

Then the same construction endows a R.S. str. on  $X/\Gamma$ .

Let's look at the holo. auto. of some basic R.S. (We'll discuss in more details later on.)

e.g.  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{CP}^1) = \left\{ z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d}, \text{ where } \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 \right\} \cong \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{C})$ .

e.g.  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}) = \{ z \mapsto az+b, \text{ where } a \neq 0 \} \cong \mathbb{C}^* \times \mathbb{C}$ .

e.g.  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{H}) \cong \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{ \mu \in \text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \mid \mu(\mathbb{H}) = \mathbb{H} \}$ .