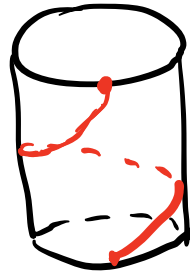


DT



full monodromy for KP family

$$\overline{\text{Im } \pi_1} \supset \text{Sp}(H_1(X, \mathbb{C}))$$

$$G = \text{Aff}(q) \curvearrowright (\mathbb{F}_q)$$

$q \geq 3$ ($q=3, G=S_3$)

41 Overview

42 MCG, DT $\curvearrowright H^1$

43 lifting DT, normal form of single ram G-cover

41 Recall Y/\mathbb{C} the curve $g \geq 2$

$$Z \xrightarrow{\text{rel curve}} Y' \xrightarrow{\text{finite}} Y$$

fiber of Y'
is a Ram G-cover
of Y branched at y

fiber of Y
= { Ram G-cover of Y } / \sim
branched at y

Idea: (i) Sp almost simple gp WLOG $N=1$
 $\text{Im } \pi_1(\)_0$ not in center : easy Crossat's lem

extends Mon along $\pi_1(\)_0 \triangleleft ?$

If $\overline{\text{Im } ?} = Sp$ then $\overline{\text{Im } \pi_1(\)_0} = Sp$

(ii) $? = (\text{mapping class gp of } Y - y_0)_0$
 s.t. $? \curvearrowright (Z \rightarrow Y)$ hence on H'_{pr}

Birman exact seq: if $\chi(Y) < 0$

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, y_0) \rightarrow \text{MCG}(Y - y_0) \rightarrow \text{MCG}(Y) \rightarrow 0$$

enough elements in MCG

$$e: S^1 \hookrightarrow Y - y_0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{simply} \\ \text{injection} \end{array} \text{ closed curve}$$

$$\curvearrowright DTe: Y - y_0 \cong Y - y_0$$

$$\curvearrowright H^1(Y - y_0): \alpha \mapsto \alpha + (e, \alpha)e$$

$$(iii) \text{ lift } DTe^i \text{ to } \text{MCG}(Y - y_0)_0 \hookrightarrow \text{MCG}(Z)$$

for liftable curve e (lifting DT to Z is easy)

Show enough such e using normal form of (\mathbb{Z}) -cover

$$\leadsto \overline{\text{Im}} ? = \text{Sp}$$

Rek (iii) is a relative version of

$$\text{classical } \text{MCG}(\Sigma) \rightarrow \text{Sp}(H^1(\Sigma))$$

for closed surface Σ

Rek Picard-Lefschetz

= "Dehn twist" of vanishing cycles

computes local monodromy $\leadsto H^*$

42. S (connected, oriented) surface

$$\text{MCG}(S) := \pi_0(\text{Hom}^+(S, \partial S))$$

so $\phi : S \cong S$ $\phi|_{\partial S} = \text{id} \leadsto [\phi] \in \text{MCG}(S)$

$[\phi_0] = [\phi_1] \iff \exists \phi_t : S \cong S \quad t \in [0, 1]$
isotopy \cong homotopy

$\text{MCG}(S) \leadsto H_1(S) \leadsto$ simply closed curve in S

Ex. $MCG(\text{torus}) = *$

$MCG(\text{torus}) \cong Sp(H^1(T^2)) \cong SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

Dehn twist $e: S^1 \hookrightarrow S$ simple

Obs $A = S^1 \times [0,1] \quad (\theta, t)$

twist $T: A \cong A \quad (\theta, t) \rightarrow (\theta + 2\pi t, t)$

$\exists N \subseteq S$ tubular neighborhood of e

$$\begin{array}{c} N \cong A \\ \cup \\ e \cong \{(\theta, t)\} \end{array}$$

$$DT_e: S \cong S = \begin{cases} \text{id} & S \setminus N \\ T & N \end{cases}$$

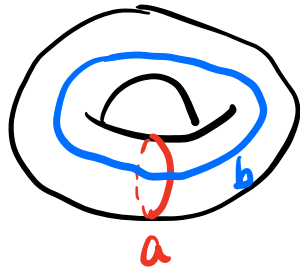
$DT_e(e) \cong e$

$DT_e(\{(\theta, t)\}) = \{(2\pi t, t)\} \cong e + \{(0, t)\}$

$DT_e \in MCG(S)$ well-defined

Dehn twist for $[e] \in \pi_1(S)$

Ex



$$DT_a : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$DT_b : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Facts

a, b ^(oriented) isotopy class of simple curves in S

- $DT_a = DT_b \iff a = b$
- $(a, b) = 0 \iff DT_a DT_b = DT_b DT_a$
- $(a, b) = 1 \implies DT_a DT_b DT_a = DT_b DT_a DT_b$
- ★ • $DT_b(a) = a + (b, a)b$

← same as [LV] differ by a sign in [FM]

• (Birman) if $\chi(S) < 0$

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_1(S, \gamma) \xrightarrow{\text{push}} \text{MCG}(S - \gamma) \xrightarrow{\text{forget}} \text{MCG}(S) \rightarrow 0$$

$\downarrow \psi$
 ϕ_1

$\phi_1 \rightarrow 0 \iff \exists \phi_t : S \cong S \quad \phi_0 = \text{id}$
 then $\phi_t(\gamma)$ is a path $\bigcirc_y \in \pi_1(S, \gamma)$
 $\implies \text{push}(\phi_t(\gamma)) = \phi_1$

• $\Psi : \text{MCG}(S) \twoheadrightarrow \text{Sp}(H_1(S, \mathbb{Z}))$

if S closed

pf: Dehn twist.

• $MCA(\Sigma_g) = \langle 2g+1 \text{ Dehn twists} \rangle$

43. Return to Y

$\{ \text{finite cover } Z \rightarrow Y \} \simeq \{ \text{finite set } F \text{ with } \pi_1(Y) \text{-action} \}$

$$\# \pi^{-1}(y) = \# F$$

$$\# \pi_0(Z) = \# \pi_1\text{-orbit in } F$$

Mon = Cov: $\pi_1 \rightarrow \text{Aut}(F)$

$Z_1 \xrightarrow{f} Z_2 \leftrightarrow S_1 \xrightarrow{f} S_2$ as π_1 -sets
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow$
 $Y \quad Y$

so deg q G -cover of Y

$:= \pi: Z \rightarrow Y$ cover

s.t. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \pi_1(Y, y) \curvearrowright \pi^{-1}(y) \simeq |F|_q \\ \text{with } \text{Im}(\text{Cov}) = G \end{array} \right.$

(\star) -cover of $Y := \pi: Z \rightarrow Y$ finite

\star y_0 fixed

s.t. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \pi: Z \setminus z_0 \rightarrow Y \setminus y_0 \text{ deg } q \\ \text{monodromy at } y_0 \text{ non-trivial} \end{array} \right.$ G -cover

$MCG(Y - y_0) \curvearrowright \{(\star) \text{-cover of } Y\}$
 $\searrow \text{Aut}(\pi_1)$

$MCG(Y - y_0)_Z := \text{Stab}(\pi: Z \rightarrow Y)$

$\alpha \in MCG(Y - y_0)_Z \Leftrightarrow \exists! \begin{array}{ccc} f: Z \rightarrow Z & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \alpha: Y \rightarrow Y & & \end{array}$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ acts on $H_1(Z) = \pi^* H_1(Y) \oplus H_1^{\text{pr}} = \text{Ker } \pi_*$

$\leadsto \text{Mon: } MCG(Y - y_0)_Z \rightarrow Sp(\underbrace{H_1^{\text{pr}}(Z, Y)}_{= H_1^{\text{pr}}(Z \setminus z_0, Y \setminus y_0)})$

$MCG(Y - y_0)_0 := \bigcap_{i=1}^N MCG(Y - y_0)_{Z_i}$

extends Mon action of $\pi_1(Y, y_0)_0 := MCG(Y - y_0)_0 \cap \pi_1(Y, y_0)$

Thm 8.1 for Mon $\mid_{\pi_1(Y, y_0)_0}$, $\overline{\text{Im}} = \prod_{i=1}^N Sp$

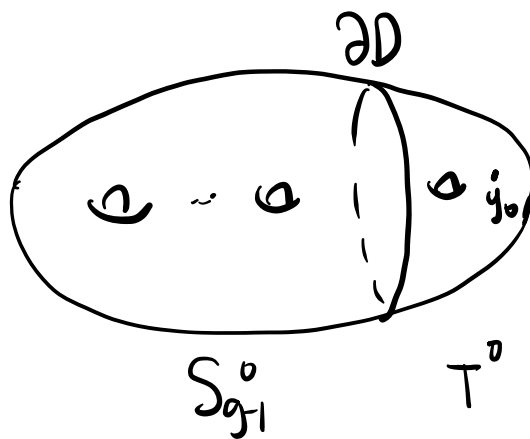
Idea: ① lift D_e^i to $Z \simeq Z$
 for liftable curve $e: S^1 \rightarrow Y - y_0$

compute action on $H_1^{\text{pr}}(Z, Y)$

② normal form of (\star) -cover \Rightarrow enough such e

② Prop 85 $\forall \pi \begin{matrix} \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow \\ Y \end{matrix} (\star)\text{-cover}$

$\exists Y = S_{g-1} \# T$
 genus = $g-1$ \uparrow torus



s.t

- $y_0 \in T^0$
- $\pi|_{S_{g-1}^0}$ split
- $\pi|_{T^0}$ has trivial monodromy at ∂T^0
- Under std basis β_1, β_2 for $\pi_1(T-y, \star)$

$$\text{Cov}(\beta_1) = \begin{pmatrix} \star_1 & \star_2 \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\star_i) = \mathbb{F}_q^\times$$

$$\text{Cov}(\beta_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \star \neq 0 \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Idea: $\text{Cov}: \pi_1(Y - y_0) \rightarrow G$
 $\text{Cov}^{ab}: H_1(Y) \rightarrow G^{ab}$

\uparrow
 \mathbb{Z}

Poincaré duality \Rightarrow

$\exists d_1: S^1 \hookrightarrow Y$ simple

$\text{Cov}^{ab} = (d_1, -)$

cut $Y^1 \xrightarrow{\beta} Y - y_0$

s.t. $\forall \beta: S^1 \hookrightarrow Y$ simple

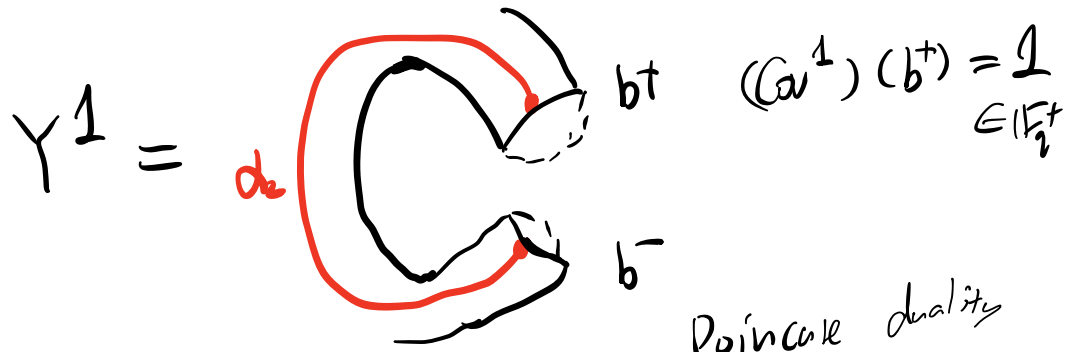
$(d_1, \beta) = 0$

Then $\text{Cov}|_{Y^1}: \pi_1 \rightarrow [G, G] =: G_1$

do same thing for $G_1 \Rightarrow$ split over Y^2



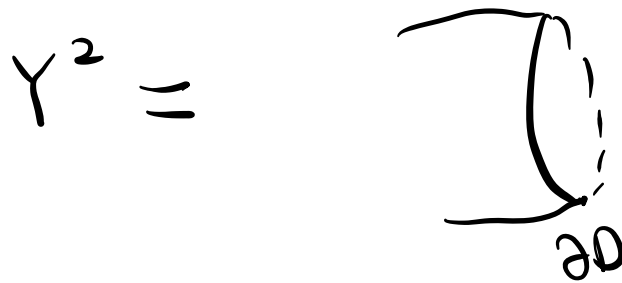
cut along $d_1^+ \cup d_1^-$



$$(a^1)(b^+) = 1 \in \mathbb{F}_2^+$$

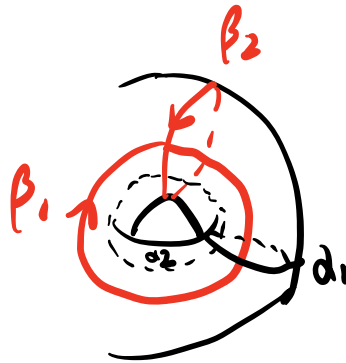
Cut along d_2

Poincaré duality
 $d_2 \in H_1(Y^1, \mathbb{Z})$
 $\times H_1(Y^1) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$



d_2 can be made simple
 lem 8.4

$$S_{g-1}^0 = (Y^2)^0$$



$$\begin{aligned} \beta_1 \cap d_2 &= \emptyset \\ \beta_1 \cap d_1 &= * \\ \beta_2 \cap d_1 &= \emptyset \\ \beta_2 \cap d_2 &= * \end{aligned}$$

D_2

$$\textcircled{1} \quad e : S^1 \hookrightarrow Y - y_0$$

$$\text{Cov}(e) \in G \curvearrowright \mathbb{F}_q$$

$$e \text{ liftable if } \text{Cov}(e) = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

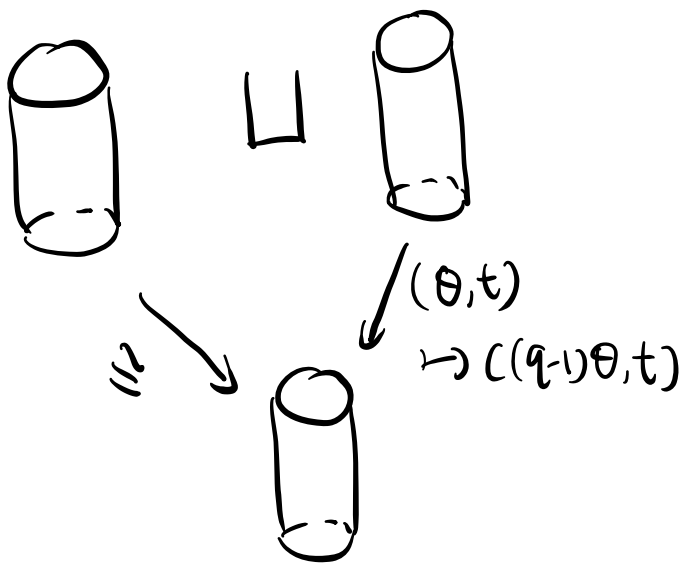
$$(*, *) = \mathbb{F}_q^\times$$

$$\text{orbit of } \text{Cov}(e) \curvearrowright \mathbb{F}_q = \underbrace{\text{fix pt}}_{\binom{1}{2}} \quad \underbrace{\text{other pt}}_{\binom{1}{q-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi^{-1}(e) = e^+ \sqcup e^-$$

$$\cong \downarrow \quad \downarrow \theta \mapsto (q-1)\theta$$

$$\pi^* e = e^+ + e^-$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{So} & DT_{e^+}^{q-1} DT_{e^-} & : Z \xrightarrow{\sim} Z \\
 & \text{lifts} & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
 & DT_e^{q-1} & Y \xrightarrow{\sim} Y
 \end{array}$$

$$\leadsto DT_e^{q-1} \in \text{MCG}(Y - y_0)_Z$$

$$\text{Recall } DT_{e^\pm} \curvearrowright H_1(Z)$$

$$\text{via } x \mapsto x + (e^\pm, x) e^\pm$$

$$\text{so } [DT_e^{q-1}] \curvearrowright H_1(Z)$$

$$\text{by } x \mapsto x + (q-1)(e^+, x)e^+ + (e^-, x)e^-$$

$$\text{projection } \sim : H_1(Z) \rightarrow \text{Ker } \pi_* = H_1^{\text{pr}}$$

$$\tilde{e}^+ + \tilde{e}^- = \pi_* e = 0$$

$$\leadsto [DT_e^{q-1}] \curvearrowright H_1^{\text{pr}}(Z, Y) \quad x \mapsto x + q(e^+, x)e^+ \quad \square.$$

Rek, $\pi^* : H_1(Y) \rightarrow H_1(Z)$

$$(\pi^*, \pi^*) = q(-, -)$$

$$\leadsto H_1^{\text{pr}}(Z, Y) = (\pi^* H_1(Y))^{\perp}$$