


Geometrization of 3-manifolds, a la Thurston

Thm (Geometric Classification of surfaces)

Every closed surface S either an \mathbb{R}^2 , \mathbb{H}^2 or S^2 structure; the type it admits is unique and determined by $\chi = \chi(S)$.

$\chi < 0$	$\chi = 0$	$\chi > 0$
\mathbb{H}^2	\mathbb{R}^2	S^2

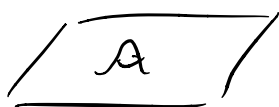
Pf idea Use classification of surfaces and explicitly construct metrics of the given forms, here we've already done for T^2 , $\mathbb{R}P^2$ & . Uniqueness is Gauss Bonnet. \square

Def A model geometry is a simply connected complete Riem manifold X with $\text{Isom } X \curvearrowright X$

transitively, and where

- 1) \exists a closed X -manifold
- 2) X is maximally symmetric.

Here, we write $X \leq Y$ if \exists a homeo $f: X \rightarrow Y$ with $f \text{Isom}(X) f^{-1} \subseteq \text{Isom}(Y)$,
and \sim if $=$. 2) means X is maximal w.r.t \leq .

Ex 1)  $\leq \mathbb{R}^2$.

$\Rightarrow (X, d) \sim (X, \alpha d), \alpha > 0.$

Thm (Thurston) The 3-dim model geoms w.r.t \sim are

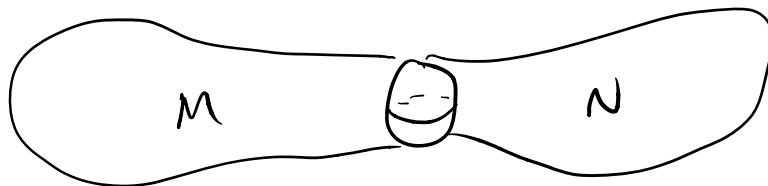
$S^3, \mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{H}^3, S^2 \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{H}^1 \times \mathbb{R}, \underbrace{\text{Nil}, \text{Sol}, \widetilde{\text{SL}}_2 \mathbb{R}}_{\substack{\text{left mit metrics} \\ \text{or Lie groups} \\ \text{homeo to } \mathbb{R}^3.}}$

A manifold is geometric if it admits an X -structure, where X is a model geom..

Rmk (Not all 3-manifolds are geometric)

M is irreducible if every embedded $S^2 \subset M$ bounds a ball. Every geometric M except $S^2 \times S^1$ and $\mathbb{RP}^3 \neq \mathbb{RP}^3$ is irreducible; those have $S^2 \times \mathbb{R}$ geom. (The other model geoms are homeo to S^3, \mathbb{R}^3 , which are irreducible, \Rightarrow w/ some work that their quotients are also.)

So, nontrivial connect sums are not geometric.



Also, let $A = \text{torus} \times S^1 \leftarrow \text{compact, w/}$
 $B = S^3 - N(K), \leftarrow \partial = \mathbb{T}^2$

where K is the figure 8 knot. Then

$$M = A \cup_{\mathbb{T}^2} B$$

is not geometric.

The Geometrization Thm (Perelman '03, orig by Thurston)

Any irreducible, orientable closed 3-manifold contains a finite set of disjoint, embedded incompressible (π_1 -injective) tori s.t. each complementary comp admits a complete fin vol X -structure for some model geom X .

Ex $M = (\mathbb{S}^1 \times S^1) \cup_{T^2} (S^3 - \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{O}))$
splits along T^2 into pieces with $\mathbb{H}^2 \times \mathbb{R}$
and hyperbolic geometry.

Pink \exists 19 model geoms in 4 dim, but probably no geometrization thm.

Application...

The Poincaré conjecture If M is a closed simply connected 3-manifold, $M \cong S^3$.

PF Splitting along spheres, we can reduce to the case that M is irreducible. Since

$\pi_1 M = 1$, M contains no π_1 -injective tori.
 Hence geometrization $\implies M = \mathbb{R}^3 / \Gamma$ is
 geometric. But $\Gamma \cong \pi_1 M \cong 1$, so $M \cong \mathbb{R}^3$
 is a model geometry. It's compact, so
 $M \cong S^3$. \square

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Def M is atoroidal if it does not have
 any embedded incompressible tori.

Fact Closed hyp 3-manifolds M are atoroidal.

Pf idea Writing $M = \mathbb{R}^3 / \Gamma$, an incompressible
 torus gives $\mathbb{Z}^2 \subset \Gamma$.

Classification of isoms of $\mathbb{H}^3 \implies$ all elements
 of Γ -id are translations along geodesic axes.



Commuting translations have the
 same axis, but \mathbb{Z}^2 can't
 act prop disc on \mathbb{R} . \square

Hyperbolization Thurston Any atoroidal irreducible closed orientable 3-manifold M w/ infinite π_1 is hyperbolic.

The assumptions \Rightarrow geometric. $\infty \pi_1$ rules out S^3 geom. Irreducible rules out $S^2 \times \mathbb{R}$ geom and atoroidal rules out the rest.

Ex

Suppose S is a closed, orientable surface w/ genus $g \geq 2$ and $p: S \rightarrow S$ is an orientation preserving homeo.

$$M_p := \frac{S \times [0,1]}{(x,0) \sim (p(x),1)}$$

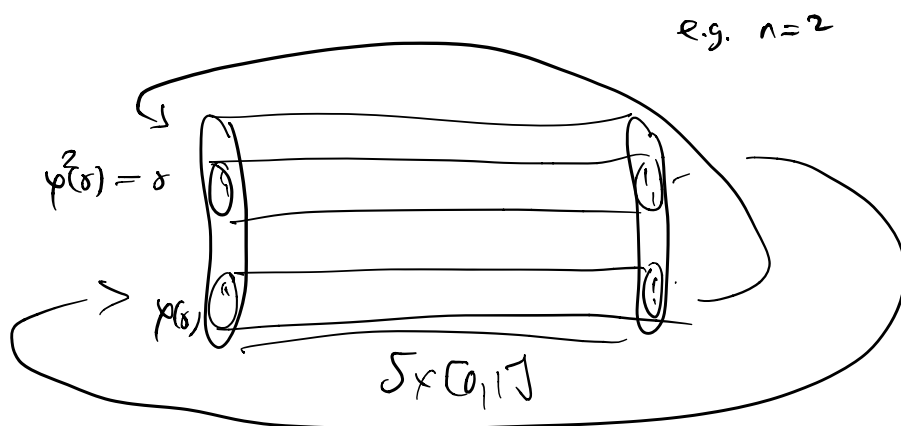
is the mapping torus of p .

Thurston (1986) If p is pseudo-Anosov (pA) then M_p is hyperbolic.

Here, p is pA if for any s.c.c. $\gamma \subset S$, we have $\varphi^n(\gamma) \not\sim \gamma \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
not homotopic

Note This precedes hyperbolization, but p pseudo-Anosov $\iff M_p$ atoroidal.

For instance, if $p(\sigma) = \sigma$, we have an incompressible torus in M_p :



Rank Mapping tori are important first example, + (Agol, + Wise '09 - '12) every closed hyp 3-manifd has a finite cover that's a mapping torus.

Ex If H is a handlebody w/ $\partial H = S$

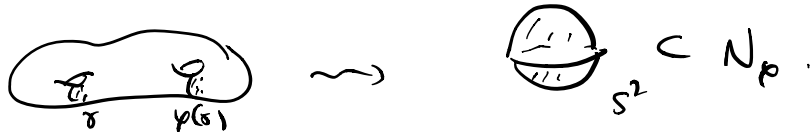


and $p: S \rightarrow S$ is a homeo, we can

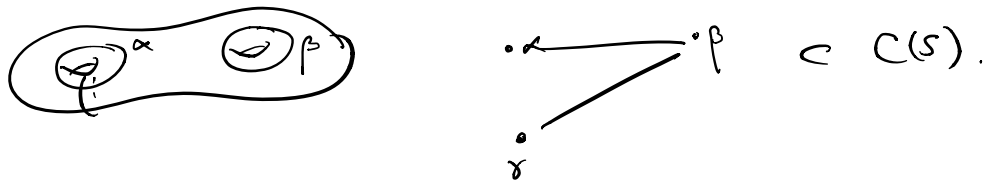
build a 3-manifold $N_p = H \cup_p H$.

This presentation is a Heegaard splitting of N_p .

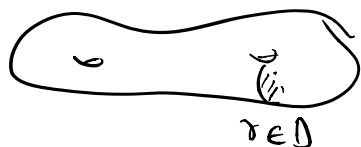
Note: N_p is not hyperbolic if p identifies the ∂ 's of 2 disks in H .



Def The curve graph $C(S)$ has vertices that are homotopy classes of essential simple closed curves on S , and α, β are connected by an edge when they can be realized disjointly on S .



The disk set $D \subset C(S)$ is the set of curves that bound disks in H .



Thm (Hempel '01 + Geometrization)

N_p is hyperbolic if $d_{\text{cos}}(D, \varphi(D)) \geq 3$.

PF idea See how sphere and
incompressible tori intersect the gluing surface. \square