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S_g surface $g \geq 2$

$\mathcal{M}_g =$ moduli space of abelian differentials (C, ω)

$\mathcal{F}_g =$ isoperiodic foliation.
(kernel)

$(C_0, \omega_0) \sim (C_\lambda, \omega_\lambda)$



$$\int_{\alpha_0} \omega_{\lambda_0} = \int_{\alpha_\lambda} \omega_\lambda$$

$\lambda \sim \lambda_0$
isoperiodic.

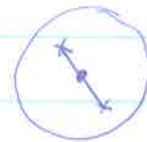
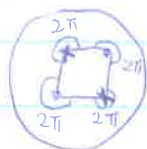
$\dim \mathcal{F}_g = 2g - 3$ (of leaves)

e.g. $g=2$ $C = \{y^2 = x(x-1)(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2)\}$
 $\omega = \frac{(ax+b)dy}{y}$

$$\sum \frac{x_i(1-x_i)}{ax_i+b} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \neq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \sum \frac{b(x_i-1)}{ax_i+b} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial b}$$

abelian differential \longleftrightarrow branched translations surfaces.
 $(C, \omega) \qquad \qquad \qquad (C, \tilde{\omega})$

Schiffer variations:



McMullen.
Grosheky.
Krichever.

J.W. Calzavaglia, Francaviglia

Thm: The closure of any leaf of \mathcal{F}_g is

— the set of abelian differentials whose period live in a given closed subgroup $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{C}$ and of a given volume

① Λ discrete lattice \implies Hwitz spaces

connected component of

② $\mathbb{R} + i\mathbb{Z}$

— Hilbert surface modular surfaces McMullen
(only in genus 2)

Period map:

$\widehat{\Omega M}_g =$ moduli spaces of marked abelian differentials

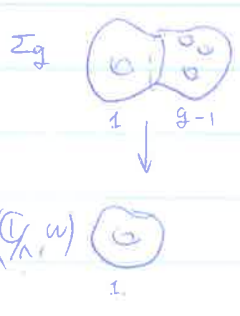
Σ_g : a marking of C is $m: H_2(\Sigma_g, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_1(C, \mathbb{Z})$
coming from a diffeomorphism.

$$(C, \omega, m) \in \widehat{\Omega M}_g \longmapsto \int \omega \circ m \in H^1(\Sigma_g, \mathbb{C})$$

equivariant w.r.t. modula group $\text{Mod}(\Sigma_g)$

Haupt (1923) $p \in H^1(\Sigma_g, \mathbb{C})$ is in the image of period map

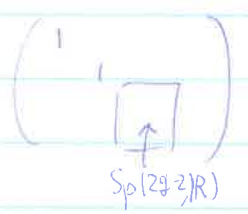
- iff (1) $\text{Re } p \cdot \text{Im } p > 0$. (Riemann's)
- (2) p is not a pinching (in homology) to an elliptic abelian differential.



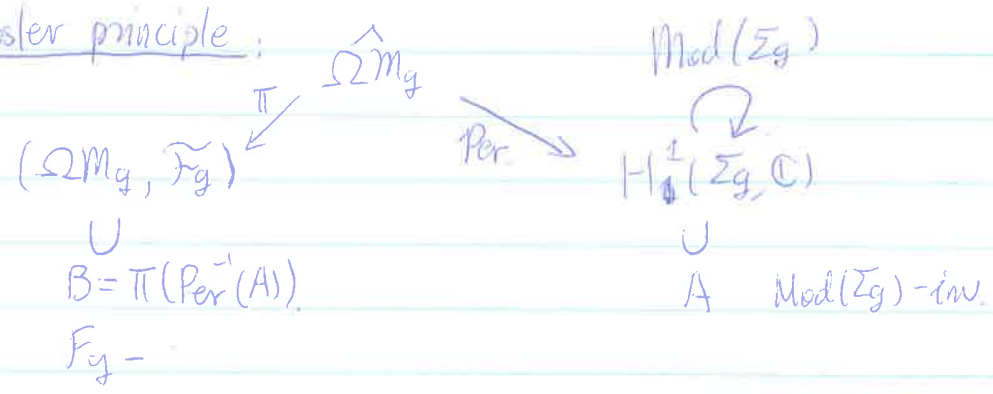
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Kapovich (2000)

$$\frac{Sp(2g, \mathbb{R})}{Sp(2g-2, \mathbb{R})}$$



Transfer principle:



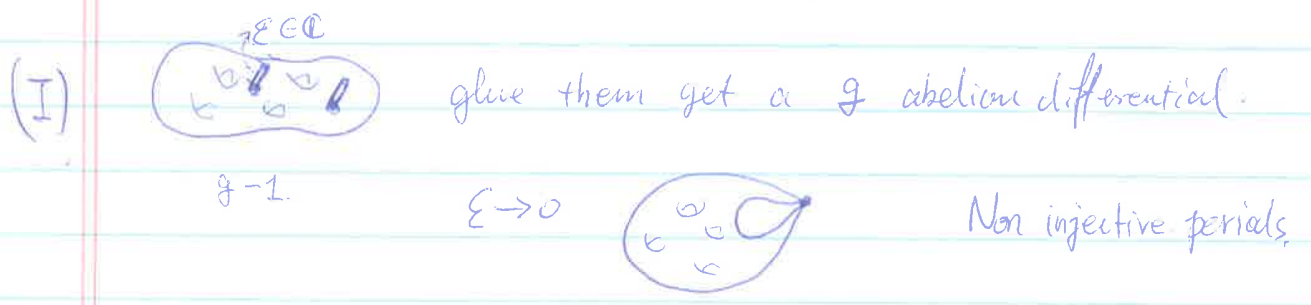
This correspondence is bijective iff $\text{Per}^{-1}(p)$ are connected for any p .

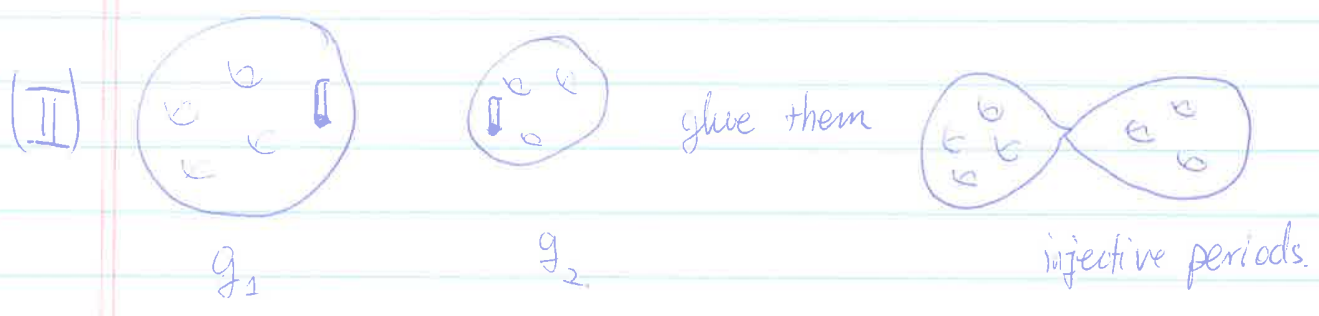
Thm: $\text{Per}^{-1}(p)$ is connected $\forall p \in H^1(\Sigma_g, \mathbb{C}) \quad \forall g \geq 2$.

$g = 2, 3$ McMullen (Schottky problem)

$$\overline{\text{Per}^{-1}(p)} \underset{\text{bihol}}{\simeq} \mathcal{H}_{g-1} \leftarrow \text{Zigzag space?}$$

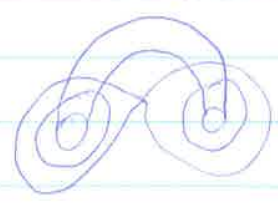
Isoperiodic Degenerations to nodal abelian differentials





1st step: Move branch points to a single multiple branch point.

2nd step: Annulus thm of Mazur (1986)



$$(C_i, \omega_i, m_i) \quad i=1, 2 \quad \int \omega_1 \circ m_1 = \int \omega_2 \circ m_2$$

$$\exists \alpha \in H_1(\Sigma_g, \mathbb{Z}) \setminus \{0\} \quad \sum \omega_i = 0$$



Lemma: If (C, ω) and $z \in \mathbb{C}$, the set of homotopy classes of paths $\gamma \in C$ with fixed extrinity and $\int_\gamma \omega = z$ is connected.