

The Intrinsic Hodge Theory of p -adic Hyperbolic Curves

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§1. Introduction

(A.) The Fuchsian Uniformization

Hyperbolic Curve: smooth,
proper connected genus g alg.
curve $-r$ points, s.t. $2g - 2 + r > 0$

Over \mathbf{C} : unif. by upper half-plane \mathcal{H}
 $X(\mathbf{C}) = \mathcal{X} \cong \mathcal{H}/\Gamma$

$$\implies \pi_1(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow PSL_2(\mathbf{R}) = \text{Aut}(\mathcal{H})$$

\exists a p -adic analogue of this
Fuchsian uniformization?

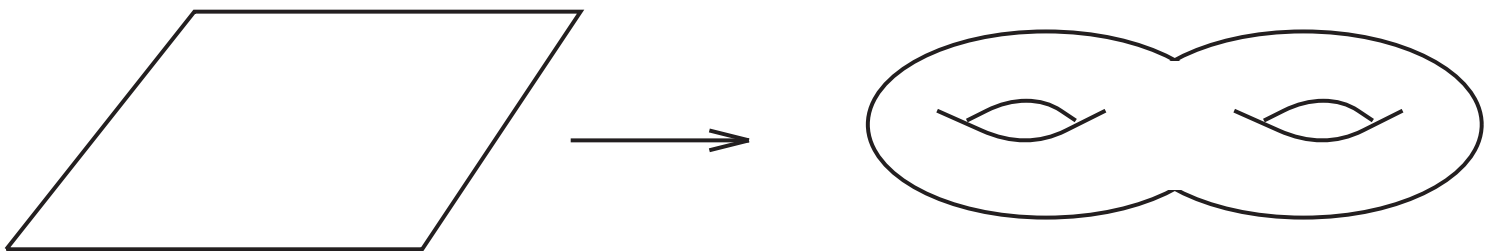
Note: Fuchsian \neq Schottky
(cf. D. Mumford's theory), e.g.,

Fuchsian unif. involves arithmetic, i.e.,
 real analytic structures \iff
 Frobenius at the infinite prime

(B.) The Physical Interpretation

alg. curve $X \iff SO(2) \backslash PSL_2(\mathbf{R}) / \Gamma$
 (physical/analytic obj.)
 $\iff \pi_1(\mathcal{X}) + \rho_{\mathcal{X}}$
 \iff top. + arith. str.

Modular forms define first “ \iff .”



(C.) The Modular Interpretation

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{\mathcal{X}} : \pi_1(\mathcal{X}) &\rightarrow PSL_2(\mathbf{R}) \subseteq PGL_2(\mathbf{C}) \\ &\implies \pi_1(\mathcal{X}) \curvearrowright \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{C}}^1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Algebraize quotient } (\mathcal{H} \times \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{C}}^1) / \pi_1(\mathcal{X}) \\ &\implies (P \rightarrow X, \nabla_P) \\ &\quad (\mathbf{P}^1\text{-bundle} + \text{connection})\end{aligned}$$

... a (canonical) indigenous bundle

$$\text{Moduli of I.B.'s: } \mathcal{S}_{g,r} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{g,r}$$

... algebraic “Schwarz torsor” (w.r.t. Ω of $\mathcal{M}_{g,r}$), defined over $\mathbf{Z}[\frac{1}{2}]$.

can. I.B. \implies canonical real analytic

$$s : \mathcal{M}_{g,r}(\mathbf{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{g,r}(\mathbf{C})$$

Teichmüller theory (Bers unif.)

\iff study of can. real an. sect. s

\iff study of quasi-fuchsian
deformations of $\rho_{\mathcal{X}}$

(D.) “Intrinsic Hodge Theory”

alg. geom. \iff topology + arith.

Ex.: classical/ p -adic Hodge theory:

de Rham coh. \iff sing./ét. coh. + Gal.

Here: alg. geom. = curve itself, moduli

top. + arith. = theory of $\rho_{\mathcal{X}}$

\implies “intrinsic”

Not just philosophy; classical/ p -adic
Hodge theory techniques important.

§2. The Physical Approach in the p-adic case

(A.) The Arithmetic Fundamental Group

$K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{char. } 0 \text{ field}, \quad \Gamma_K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K)$

$X: \text{hyp. curve}/K, \quad \overline{X} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} X \times_K \overline{K}.$

$\Rightarrow 1 \rightarrow \pi_1(\overline{X}) \rightarrow \pi_1(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_K \rightarrow 1$

$\pi_1(\overline{X})$ (geom. π_1): indep. of moduli
(but in char. p , may determine
moduli! – A. Tamagawa)

Grothendieck's anabelian philosophy:
“Extension should determine moduli.”

(B.) The Main Theorem

Theorem 1: $K \subseteq$ fin. gen. extn./ \mathbf{Q}_p ,
 X : hyperbolic curve/ K ,
 S : smooth variety/ K .

$$\Rightarrow X(S)^{\text{dom}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\Gamma_K}^{\text{open}}(\pi_1(S), \pi_1(X))$$

i.e., alg. curve $X \iff$
phys./an. obj. $\text{Hom}_{\Gamma_K}^{\text{open}}(-, \pi_1(X))$

Builds on work of: H. Nakamura, A. Tamagawa + G. Faltings, Bloch/Kato.

Proof: Consider p -adic analytic diff.
forms on $(\mathbf{Z}_p[T]_{(p)}^{\text{tame}})^{\wedge}$
(maps to X) – cf. mod. forms on \mathcal{H} .

Remark: Also pro- p , function field versions (cf. F. Pop).

(C.) Comparison with the Case of Abelian Varieties

Th.1 resembles Tate Conjecture, i.e.,

$$\text{Hom}(\text{abelian varieties}) \iff \text{Hom}(\text{Tate modules})$$

But T. C. false over *local fields*!

New point of view:

Theorem 1 = p -adic version of physical aspect of Fuchsian unif.

§3. The Modular Approach in the p -adic case

(A.) The Example of Shimura Curves

\exists a can. p -adic section of Sch. torsor:

$$\mathcal{S}_{g,r} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{g,r} \quad (\text{cf. can. real. an. } s)?$$

Guide: theory of Shimura curves
(cf. Y. Ihara's theory)

Ex.: Over $\mathcal{M}_{1,0}$, de Rham coh. of
univ. ell. curve \implies can. ind. bun.

Note: mod p , p -curv. square nilpotent!

N.B.: p -curvature $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{“ [Frob., } \nabla \text{] ”}$

(B.) The Stack of Nilcurves

$(\mathcal{S}_{g,r})_{\mathbf{F}_p} \supseteq \mathcal{N}_{g,r}$: the stack of nilcurves
(curves + I.B. with sq. nilp. p -curv.)

Theorem 2: $\mathcal{N}_{g,r} \rightarrow (\mathcal{M}_{g,r})_{\mathbf{F}_p}$: finite,
flat, local complete intersection,
degree = p^{3g-3+r} , i.e.,

$\mathcal{N}_{g,r}$ “almost” a section of Sch. torsor!

Remarks: (1) $\mathcal{N}_{g,r}$ = central object of
study of “ p -adic Teichmüller theory.”

(2) \exists natural, smooth substacks
 $\mathcal{N}_{g,r}[d] \subseteq \mathcal{N}_{g,r}$, where d = degree
of zero divisor (spikes) of p -curv.

(2) (cont'd) ($d = \infty \implies$ dormant);
 $\mathcal{N}_{g,r}[d] \neq \emptyset \implies \dim = 3g - 3 + r.$

(3) $\mathcal{N}_{g,r}[0]$ affine; this \implies
 $\mathcal{M}_{g,r}$ connected!

(cf. Teich. th./ \mathbf{C} ; ab. vars. (Oort)!)

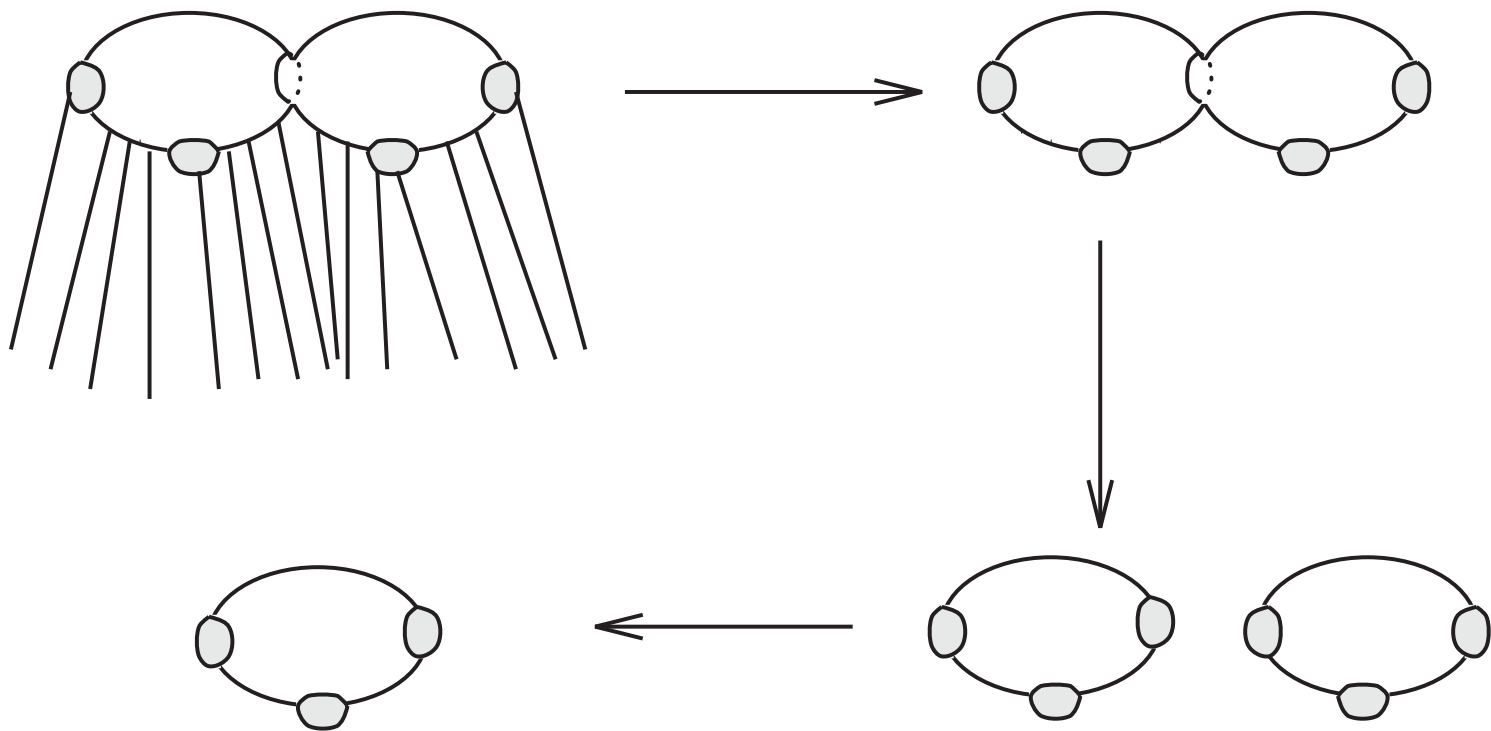
(4) molecule $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{nilcurve s.t. curve is}$
 $\text{is tot. degen. } (\bigcup \mathbf{P}^1\text{'s})$

analyze mol.'s \implies str. of $\mathcal{N}_{g,r}$ at ∞

(5) atom $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{“toral” nilcurve s.t. curve}$
 $\text{is } \mathbf{P}^1 - \{0, 1, \infty\}.$

$\{\text{atoms}\} \leftrightarrow \text{three radii } \in \mathbf{F}_p / \{\pm 1\}$

(5) (cont'd) — reminiscent of:
 “pants” (top. $\cong \mathbf{P}^1 - \{0, 1, \infty\}$)
 decomp. of hyp. Riemann surfaces



(C.) Canonical Liftings

$$\mathcal{N}_{g,r} \supseteq (\mathcal{N}_{g,r}^{\text{ord}})_{\mathbf{F}_p} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{ét. locus} / (\mathcal{M}_{g,r})_{\mathbf{F}_p}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{g,r}^{\text{ord}} \rightarrow (\mathcal{M}_{g,r})_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \dots \text{étale}$
 morph. of p -adic formal stacks

Theorem 3: $\exists ! (s_{\mathcal{N}} : \mathcal{N}_{g,r}^{\text{ord}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{g,r};$
 Frob. lift. $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}} \curvearrowright \mathcal{N}_{g,r}^{\text{ord}})$
 s.t. I.B. def'd by $s_{\mathcal{N}}$ is invariant
 w.r.t. Frob. act. def'd by $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}$, i.e.,
 $s_{\mathcal{N}} = \underline{\text{desired can. sect. of Sch. torsor!}}$

Remarks: (1) $(1/p) \cdot d\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}$ is isom., i.e.,
 $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}$ is ordinary Frobenius lifting

(2) \exists general theory of ord. F.L.'s \Rightarrow
 (a.) can. loc. iso. to $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m \times \dots \times \widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m$
 (b.) can. Witt vector liftings of

points/char. p perfect fields

(cf. real analytic Kähler metrics)

(3) $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}} \leftrightarrow$ Weil-Petersson metric
can. mult. pars. \leftrightarrow Bers unif.

(4) Serre-Tate Th. for ord. AV's
arises from \exists ord. F.L. $\Phi_{\mathcal{A}}$ (e.g., can.
mult. coords. \leftrightarrow "S.-T. pars.," etc.)

\Rightarrow Th.3 = Serre-Tate

theory for hyp. curves!

(5) But $\Phi_{\mathcal{N}}, \Phi_{\mathcal{A}}$, respective "ord's"
are not compatible!

$\leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}_g \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_g$ not isometric/ \mathbf{C}

(for WP metric, Siegel upper
half-plane metric)

(6) $(\mathcal{N}_{g,r}^{\text{ord}})_{\mathbf{F}_p} \subseteq \mathcal{N}_{g,r}[0] \dots$ for other d ,

\exists can. lift. theory with “Lubin-Tate
(instead of $\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_m$) uniformizations”!

In fact, the larger d

\Rightarrow the more “Lubin-Tate”
the uniformization!

(7) \exists corresponding can. Gal. reps.

ρ : arithmetic $\pi_1(\text{curve})$

$\rightarrow PGL_2(\text{large ring w/Gal. act.})$

\dots the p -adic analogues of the can. rep.

ρ_χ arising from the Fuchs. unif.!