

Smooth cubic curves

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Last time: every smooth irred cubic in \mathbb{P}^2 is proj. equiv to

$$C_{b,c} = Z(f_{b,c})$$

$$f_{b,c} = y^2 - 4x^3 + bx + c.$$

Also: $C_{b,c}$ smooth \iff Disc($f_{a,b}$) $\neq 0$
" $b^3 - 27c^2$

Conseq. $\{ \text{Smooth } C_{b,c} \}$ is \cong a.a.v.

J - invt

$$J: \{ C_{b,c} \}^{\text{smooth}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$C_{b,c} \mapsto \frac{b^3}{b^3 - 27c^2}$$

Equiv. reln on $\{C_{b,c}\}$: differ by proj aut fixing $[0:0:1]$.

Prop. $C_{b,c} \sim C_{b',c'} \iff$ same J
(smooth)

Lemma. Any proj aut. fixing $[0:0:1]$ is of form

$$\begin{aligned} x &\mapsto u^2 x \\ y &\mapsto u^3 y \end{aligned}$$

Pf. lin alg...

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Pf. Special case $J=0$

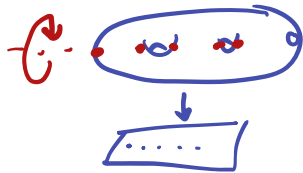
\Rightarrow easy using lemma.

\Leftarrow $J=0 \Rightarrow b=b'=0, c \neq 0.$

Choose u s.t. $c' = c/uc^6$ \square

By Prop:

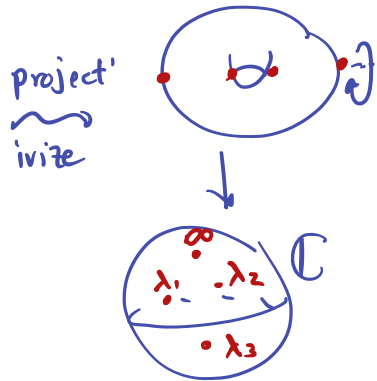
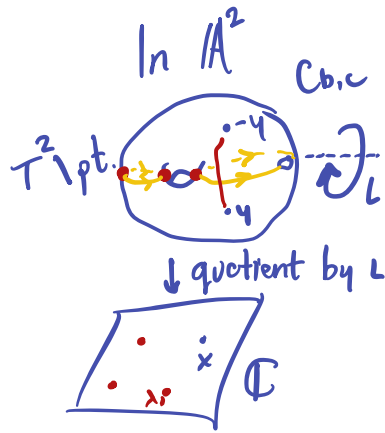
$J: \{ \text{smooth } C_{b,c} \} / \sim \longleftrightarrow \mathbb{C}.$



Another point of view $k = \mathbb{C}.$

Every $C_{b,c}$ is homeo to $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} = T^2$
 $y^2 = 4x^3 - bx - c = 4(x-\lambda_1)(x-\lambda_2)(x-\lambda_3)$

$C_{b,c}$ has an involution $(y,x) \rightarrow (-y,x)$

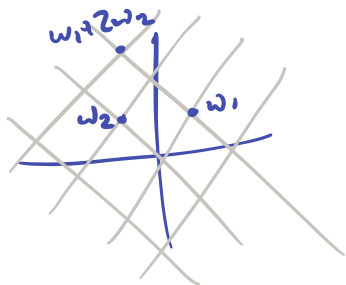


Upshot: $C_{b,c} \cong T^2$ as Riemann surf.
(complex manifold)

Another way to make a torus

$$\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbb{C} \rightsquigarrow$$

$$\Lambda = \{ \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2 \}$$



$$E_\Lambda = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda \cong \mathbb{T}^2 \quad \text{"elliptic curve"}$$

equiv: biholomorphism.

$$\text{Will show: } \{E_\Lambda\}/\sim \leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{smooth} \\ \text{Cb, c} \end{array} \right\} / \sim$$

\downarrow
 \mathbb{C}

Equivalence on $\{E_\Lambda\}$. negate

Given Λ , can rotate, ~~flip~~, scale so

$$\omega_1 = 1$$

$$\text{Im } \omega_2 > 0$$

$$(\omega_1 = 1, \omega_2 = \tau)$$

$$E_\Lambda \cong E_\tau \quad \tau \in \text{upper half plane}$$

Moreover: $SL_2\mathbb{Z} \curvearrowright$ upper half-plane
by Möbius transf.

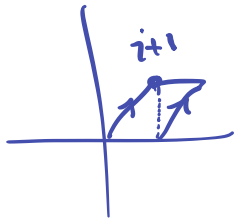
$$\text{Fact. } E_\tau \sim E_{\tau'} \iff \tau \sim \tau' \text{ mod } SL_2\mathbb{Z}.$$

Fact. $E_{\tau} \sim E_{\tau'} \Leftrightarrow \tau \sim \tau' \pmod{SL_2\mathbb{Z}}$.

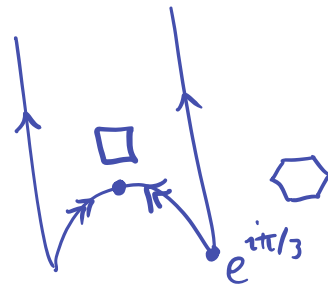
Example $\tau = i$.



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot i = \frac{1 \cdot i + 1}{0 \cdot i + 1} = i + 1 = \tau'$$



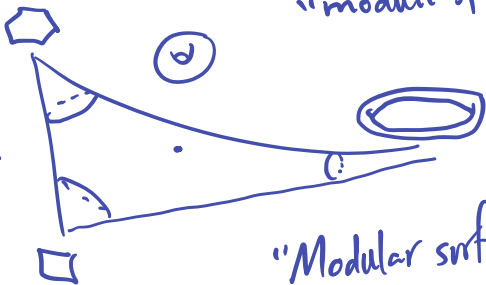
Fund dom for $SL_2\mathbb{Z} \curvearrowright \mathbb{H}$ upper half plane



"moduli space"

Quotient

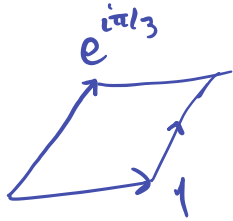
$$\{E_{\tau}\} / \sim =$$



"Modular surface"

Note: Mod. surf homeo to \mathbb{C}

Hexagonal torus



Cut & paste into a
reg. hexagon

Now have: mod. surf
 $\{ \text{Smooth}_{\mathbb{C}_{b,c}} \} / \sim$ & $\{ E_\Lambda \} / \sim$

both homeo to \mathbb{C} .

Want: Map between them.

Weierstrass \wp function Assume $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau$

$$\wp(z) = \wp_\Lambda(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{w \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} \left(\frac{1}{(z-w)^2} - \frac{1}{w^2} \right)$$

Invariant under Λ , i.e.
 it is a fn on E_Λ

Get a map:

$$\varphi: E_\Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_{b,c}$$

$$z \mapsto [1: \wp(z): \wp'(z)]$$

where $b = 60 \sum_{w \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} \frac{1}{w^4}$

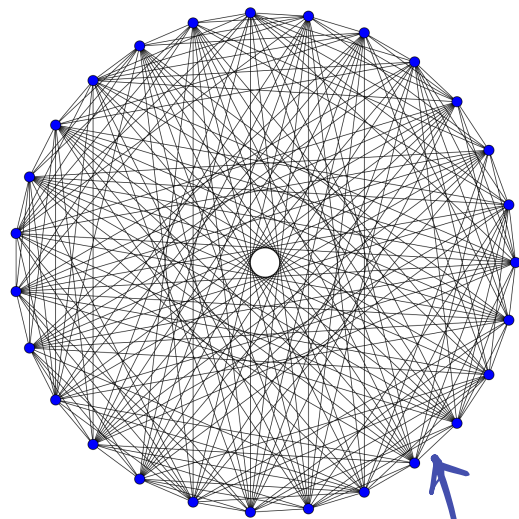
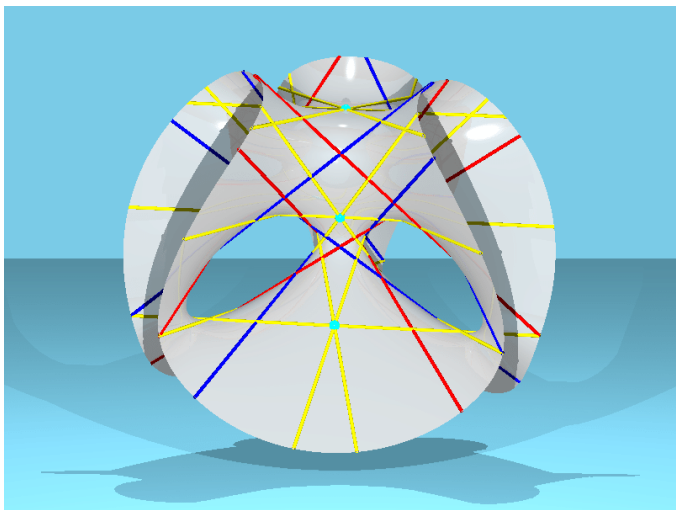
$$c = 140 \sum_{w \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} \frac{1}{w^6}$$

Works because $(\wp')^2 = 4\wp^3 - b\wp - c$.

This is the desired map $\{ E_\Lambda \} / \sim \xrightarrow{\text{mod. surf.}} \{ \text{Smooth}_{\mathbb{C}_{b,c}} \}$

Injectivity: J -inv.
 Surj: J is holom. nonconst. map

Clebsch

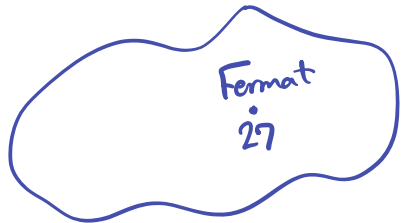


Cayley-Salmon Thm: Every smooth cubic surface in \mathbb{P}^3
contains exactly 27 lines.
and the (non)-intersection pattern given by

Basic strategy

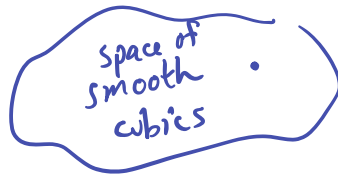
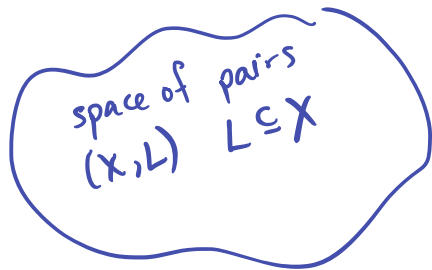
① Show that $Z(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + w^3)$ "Fermat curve"
has exactly 27 lines.

② The # of lines is locally const. in moduli space of smooth cubic surfaces (which is connected)



smooth cubic surfaces

In alg. top. language.



deg 27 cov. space.

