

Existence of the Solution to Discrete Surface Ricci Flow

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Discrete Surface Curvature Flow Theorem

Vertex Scaling

Definition (Vertex Scaling)

Two triangulated PL surface (S, V, \mathcal{T}, d) and (S, V, \mathcal{T}, d') are said to differ by a vertex scaling, if $\exists \lambda : V(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$, such that $d' = \lambda * d$ on $E(\mathcal{T})$, where

$$\lambda * d(u, v) = \lambda(u)\lambda(v)d(u, v).$$

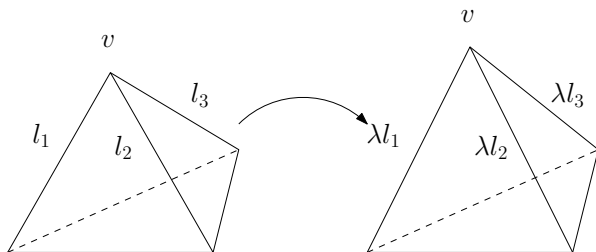


Figure: vertex scaling.

Discrete Conformal Equivalence

Definition (Gu-Luo-Sun-Wu)

Two PL metrics d, d' on a closed marked surface (S, V) are *discrete conformal*, if they are related by a sequence of two types of moves: vertex scaling and edge flip preserving Delaunay property.

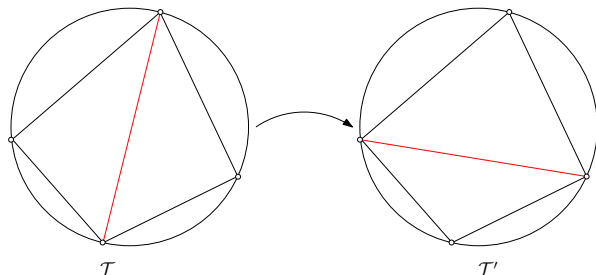


Figure: Edge flip, both triangulations are Delaunay.

Discrete Conformal Equivalence

Given a PL metric d on (S, V) , produce a Delaunay triangulation \mathcal{T} of (S, V) ,

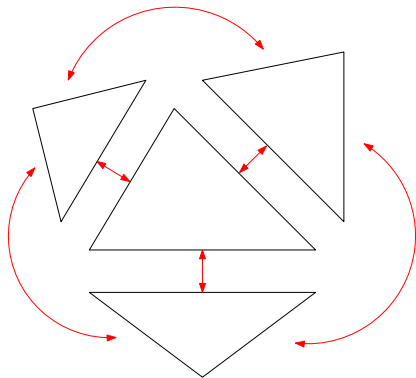
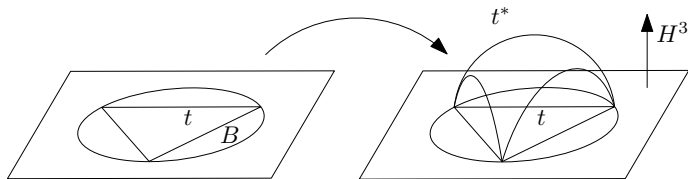


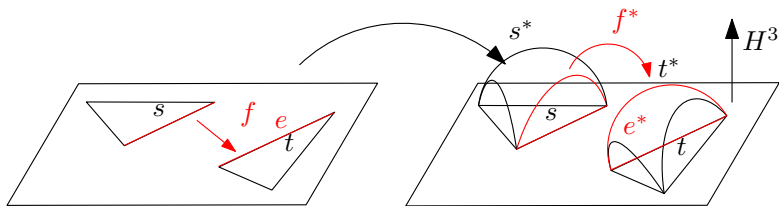
Figure: (S, V) with PL metric d , the triangulation is **Delaunay**.

Discrete Conformal Equivalence

Each face $t \in \mathcal{T}$ is associated an ideal hyperbolic triangle:

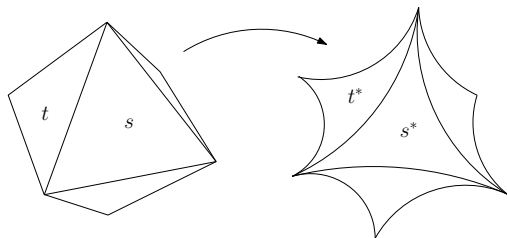


If $t, s \in \mathcal{T}$ glued by isometry f along e , then t^* and s^* are glued by the same f^* along e^* ,



Discrete Conformal Equivalence

This induces a hyperbolic metric d^* on $S - V$.



Motivated by the important work of Bobenko-Pinkall-Springborn, equivalent to the previous definition using vertex scaling and Delaunay condition.

Definition (Gu-Luo-Sun-Wu, JDG 2018)

Two PL metrics d_1 and d_2 on (S, V) are *discrete conformal* iff d_1^* and d_2^* are isometric by an isometry homotopic to identity on $S - V$.

Existence of the metric

Theorem (Gu-Luo-Sun-Wu)

Given a PL metric d on a closed marked surface (S, V) , and curvature $K^* : V \rightarrow (-\infty, 2\pi)$, such that K^* satisfies the Gauss-Bonnet condition $\sum K(v) = 2\pi\chi(S)$, there is a d^* discrete conformal to d , and d^* realizes the curvature K^* .

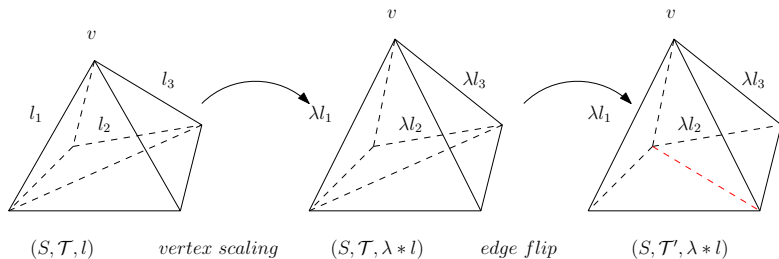


Figure: Discrete surface Yamabe flow.

Convex Optimization

Using Newton's method to minimize the following energy

$$\min_{\lambda} \int^{(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)} \sum_v (K^*(v) - K(v)) d \log \lambda(v),$$

such that $\prod_v \lambda(v) = 1$. During the optimization, keep the triangulation always to be Delaunay.

Proof of the Discrete Surface Curvature Flow Theorem

Definition (Marked Surface)

Let S be a closed topological surface, $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subset S$ is the set of distinct points, satisfying negative Euler number condition $\chi(S - V) < 0$. We call (S, V) a marked surface.

We consider the polyhedral metric \mathbf{d} on the marked surface (S, V) , with cone singularities at vertices.

Definition (Discrete Conformal Equivalence)

Two polyhedral metrics \mathbf{d} and \mathbf{d}' on a marked surface (S, V) are discrete conformal equivalent, if there is a series polyhedral metrics on (S, V) ,

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2, \dots, \mathbf{d}_m = \mathbf{d}'$$

and a series of triangulations $\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_2, \dots, \mathcal{T}_m$, such that

- 1 every triangulation \mathcal{T}_k is Delaunay on the metric \mathbf{d}_k ;
- 2 if $\mathcal{T}_i = \mathcal{T}_{i+1}$, then there is a conformal factor $\mathbf{u} : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that $\mathbf{d}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u} * \mathbf{d}_i$, namely the two polyhedral metrics differ by a vertex scaling operation;
- 3 if $\mathcal{T}_i \neq \mathcal{T}_{i+1}$, then there is an isometric transformation $h : (S, V, \mathbf{d}_i) \rightarrow (S, V, \mathbf{d}_{i+1})$, this transformation is homotopic to the identity map of (S, V) , preserving the vertices.

Existence and Uniqueness of the Solution to the Discrete Surface Ricci Flow:

Theorem (Gu-Luo-Sun)

Suppose (S, V, \mathbf{d}) is a closed polyhedral surface, then for any $K^* : V \rightarrow (-\infty, 2\pi)$, satisfying the Gauss-Bonnet condition $\sum_{v \in V} K^*(v) = 2\pi\chi(S)$, there exists a polyhedral metric \mathbf{d}^*

- 1 \mathbf{d}^* is discrete conformal equivalent to the metric \mathbf{d} ;
- 2 \mathbf{d}^* induces the discrete Gaussian curvature K^* .

All such kind of polyhedral metrics differ by a global scaling. Furthermore, \mathbf{d}^* can be obtained by discrete surface Ricci flow.

Uniformization

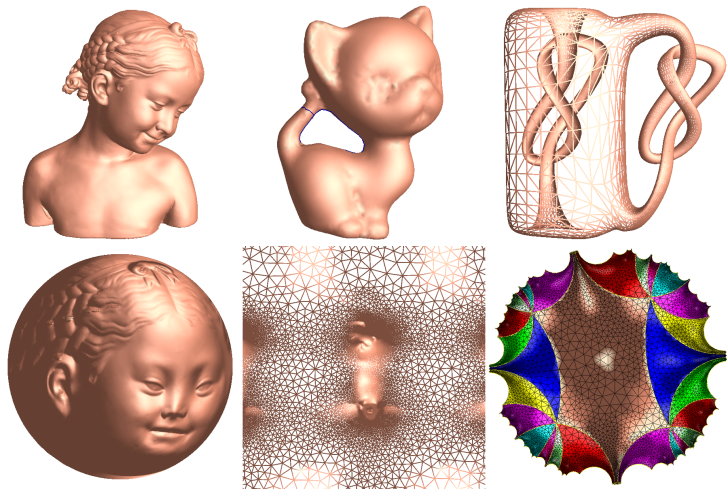


Figure: Closed surface uniformization.

Corollary (Gu-Luo-Sun)

Suppose (S, V, \mathbf{d}) is a closed polyhedral surface, then there exists a polyhedral metric \mathbf{d}^ , \mathbf{d}^* and the metric \mathbf{d} are discrete conformal equivalent, \mathbf{d}^* induces constant discrete Gaussian curvature $2\pi\chi(S)/|V|$. Such kind of polyhedral metrics differ by a global scaling.*

Teichmüller Space of Polyhedral Metrics

Definition (Equivalent Polyhedral Metrics)

Two polyhedral metrics \mathbf{d} and \mathbf{d}' on a marked surface (S, V) are equivalent, if there is an isometric transformation $h : (S, V, \mathbf{d}) \rightarrow (S, V, \mathbf{d}')$, and h is homotopic to the identity map of (S, V) , namely h preserves V .

Definition (Teichmüller Space of Polyhedral Metrics)

All the equivalence classes of polyhedral metrics on a marked surface (S, V) form the Teichmüller Space of polyhedral metrics.

$$T_{pl}(S, V) = \{\mathbf{d} \mid \text{polyhedral metrics on } (S, V)\} / \{\text{isometries} \sim \text{identity } (S, V)\}$$

Theorem (Troyanov)

Suppose (S, V) is a closed marked surface, the Teichmüller space of polyhedral metrics $T_{pl}(S, V)$ is homeomorphic to the Euclidean space $\mathbb{R}^{-3\chi(S-V)}$.

Definition (Local Chart of the Teichmüller Space of PL Metrics)

Suppose \mathcal{T} is a triangulation of (S, V) , its edge length function defines a polyhedral metric,

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{T}} : \mathbb{R}_{\Delta}^{E(\mathcal{T})} \rightarrow T_{pl}(S, V) \quad (1)$$

this gives a local chart of the Teichmüller space. Where the domain

$$\mathbb{R}_{\Delta}^{E(\mathcal{T})} = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^{E(\mathcal{T})} \mid \text{for any } e_i, e_j, e_k \text{ form a triangle, } x(e_i) + x(e_j) > x(e_k) \right\} \quad (2)$$

is a convex set, and is injective. We use $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$ to represent the image of $\Phi_{\mathcal{T}}$. Then $(\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1})$ is a local chart of $T_{pl}(S, V)$.

Atlas of the Teichmüller Space of PL Metrics

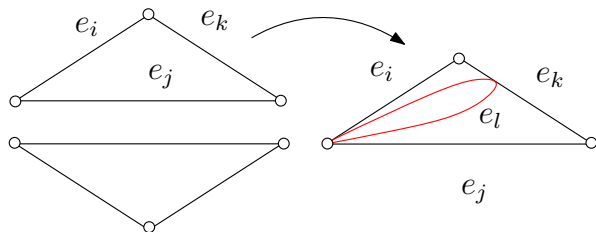


Figure: topological, not geometric triangulation.

If we edge swap e_k to e_l to obtain the new triangulation \mathcal{T}' . Then under the metric \mathbf{d} , the topological triangle $\{e_j, e_l, e_j\}$ doesn't satisfy the triangle inequality. This shows the topological triangulation \mathcal{T}' is not geometric.

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{T}) \neq T_{pl}(S, V)$$

One chart can't cover the whole Teichmüller space $T_{pl}(S, V)$.

Teichmüller Space of PL Metrics

Definition (Atlas of Teichmüller Space of PL Metrics)

Suppose (S, V) is a closed marked surface, the atlas of $T_{pl}(S, V)$ consists of local coordinate charts $(\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1})$, where \mathcal{T} exhausts all possible triangulation.

$$\mathcal{A}(T_{pl}(S, V)) = \bigcup_{\mathcal{T}} (\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}). \quad (3)$$

Lemma (Real Analytic Manifold)

Suppose (S, V) is a closed marked surface, then the Teichmüller space of polyhedral metrics $T_{pl}(S, V)$ is a real analytic manifold.

Teichmüller Space of Decorated Hyperbolic Metrics

Definition (Equivalent decorated hyperbolic metrics)

Two decorated hyperbolic metrics (\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{w}) and $(\mathbf{h}', \mathbf{w}')$ on a closed marked surface (S, V) are equivalent, if there is an isometric transformation

$$h : (S, V, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{w}) \rightarrow (S, V, \mathbf{h}', \mathbf{w}'),$$

which is homotopic to the identity map of (S, V) , and preserves the horospheres.

Definition (Teichmüller Space of Decorated Hyperbolic Metrics)

Given a closed marked surface (S, V) , $\chi(S - V) < 0$, then all the decorated hyperbolic metric on it form the Teichmüller space:

$$T_D(S, V) = \frac{\{(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{w}) \mid (S, V) \text{ decorated hyperbolic metrics}\}}{\{\text{isometries} \sim \text{identity of } (S, V) \text{ preserving horospheres}\}} \quad (4)$$

Teichmüller Space of Decorated Hyperbolic Metrics

Definition (Local Chart of the Teichmüller Space)

Suppose \mathcal{T} is a triangulation of (S, V) , the hyperbolic edge length function determines a decorated hyperbolic metric,

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{T}} : \mathbb{R}^{E(\mathcal{T})} \rightarrow T_D(S, V) \quad (5)$$

which gives a local coordinate of the Teichmüller space. Let $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{T}}$ be the image of $\Psi_{\mathcal{T}}$, then $(\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{T}}, \Psi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1})$ form a local chart of $T_D(S, V)$.

Definition (Atlas of the Teichmüller Space)

Every triangulation of the marked closed surface (S, V) corresponds to a local chart $(\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{T}}, \Psi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1})$. By exhausting all the possible triangulations, the union of all the local charts forms the atlas:

$$\mathcal{A}(T_D(S, V)) = \bigcup_{\mathcal{T}} (\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{T}}, \Psi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}).$$

Teichmüller Space of Complete Hyperbolic Metrics

Definition (Equivalent Complete Hyperbolic Metrics)

Two complete hyperbolic metrics \mathbf{h} and \mathbf{h}' with finite area on a marked surface $(S - V)$ are equivalent, if there is an isometric transformation

$$h : (S - V, \mathbf{h}) \rightarrow (S - V, \mathbf{h}'),$$

furthermore h is homotopic to the identity automorphism of $S - V$.

Definition (Teichmüller Space of Complete Hyperbolic Metrics)

All the complete hyperbolic metrics with finite area on a marked surface $S - V$, $\chi(S - V) < 0$, form the Teichmüller space,

$$T_H(S - V) = \frac{\{\mathbf{h} \mid \text{complete hyperbolic metrics with finite area on } (S - V)\}}{\{\text{isometries } \sim \text{identity of } (S - V)\}} \quad (6)$$

Lemma (Local Coordinates)

Suppose \mathbf{h} is a complete hyperbolic metric on $S - V$ with finite area, the shear coordinate function is $s : E(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then for any $v \in V$, we have the relation

$$\sum_{e \sim v} s(e) = 0. \quad (7)$$

Definition (Local Chart of the Teichmüller Space)

Let \mathcal{T} be a triangulation of (S, V) , its shear coordinates uniquely determines a complete hyperbolic metric with finite area,

$$\Theta_{\mathcal{T}} : \Omega_{\mathcal{T}} \rightarrow T_H(S - V) \quad (8)$$

this gives local coordinates of the Teichmüller space, where

$$\Omega_{\mathcal{T}} = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{E(\mathcal{T})} \mid \sum_{e \sim v} x(e) = 0, \forall v \in V(\mathcal{T}) \right\}.$$

Then $(\Omega_{\mathcal{T}}, \Theta_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1})$ form a local chart of $T_H(S - V)$.

Definition (Atlas of the Teichmüller Space)

Let \mathcal{T} be an arbitrary triangulation of (S, V) , then \mathcal{T} corresponds to a local chart $(\Omega_{\mathcal{T}}, \Theta_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1})$. By exhausting all possible triangulations of (S, V) , all the local charts form an atlas of the Teichmüller space $T_H(S - V)$,

$$\mathcal{A}(T_H(S - V)) = \bigcup_{\mathcal{T}} (\Omega_{\mathcal{T}}, \Theta_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}).$$

Lemma

Given a closed marked surface (S, V) , $\chi(S - V) < 0$

$$T_D(S, V) = T_H(S - V) \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^{|V|}. \quad (9)$$

Proof.

Any decorated hyperbolic metric on (S, V, \mathcal{T}) can be represented as (\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{w}) , where \mathbf{h} is a complete hyperbolic metric on $S - V$ with finite area, $\mathbf{h} \in T_H(S - V)$; \mathbf{w} is the lengths of intersections between the horospheres and the surface. □

Diffeomorphisms Among Teichmüller Spaces

The Teichmüller space of all PL metrics has a cell decomposition, each cell

$$D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) = \{[\mathbf{d}] \in T_{pl}(S, V) \mid \mathcal{T} \text{ is Delaunay under } \mathbf{d}\}$$

We show $D_{pl}(\mathcal{T})$ is simply connected. We change the edge length $x(e)$ to Rivin coordinates $y(e)$, $y(e) = \alpha + \alpha'$. Then the edge lengths of $(S, V, \mathcal{T}, \mathbf{d})$ are determined by the Rivin's coordinates unique to a scaling,

$$D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) = \{y(e) \in (0, \pi) \mid e \in E(\mathcal{T})\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}$$

is a convex set. D_{pl} is simply connected.

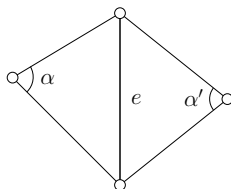


Figure: Rivin coordinates.

Diffeomorphisms Among Teichmüller Spaces

Cell Decomposition of $T_{pl}(S, V)$

The Teichmüller of the PL metrics has the cell decomposition:

$$T_{pl}(S, V) = \bigcup_{\mathcal{T}} D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}).$$

Cell Decomposition of $T_D(S, V)$

The Teichmüller space of the decorated hyperbolic metrics has the cell decomposition:

$$T_D(S, V) = \bigcup_{\mathcal{T}} D(\mathcal{T}).$$

where the cell

$$D(\mathcal{T}) = \{(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{w}) \in T_D(S, V) \mid \mathcal{T} \text{ is Delaunay under } (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{w})\}.$$

Diffeomorphisms Among Teichmüller Spaces

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) & \xrightarrow{\Psi_{\mathcal{T}} \circ \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}} & D(\mathcal{T}) \\ & \nwarrow \Phi_{\mathcal{T}} & \uparrow \Psi_{\mathcal{T}} \\ & & \mathbb{R}_{\Delta}^E(\mathcal{T}) \end{array}$$

We use Penner's λ -length to establish the diffeomorphism between two cells,

$$A_{\mathcal{T}} = \Psi_{\mathcal{T}} \circ \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} : D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) \rightarrow D(\mathcal{T}), \quad x(e) \mapsto 2\ln x(e)$$

Penner's λ -length maps Euclidean Delaunay triangulation to decorated hyperbolic Delaunay triangulation. Furthermore Delaunay property implies triangle inequality, hence $A_{\mathcal{T}}$ is a diffeomorphism.

Diffeomorphisms Among Teichmüller Spaces

Suppose triangulations \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' differ by an edge swap, consider a polyhedral metric $[d] \in D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) \cap D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}')$, then under d , there are four co-circle vertices in (\mathcal{T}) and (\mathcal{T}') . By Ptolemy equality, we obtain for any $x \in \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1}(D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) \cap D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}'))$,

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} \circ \Phi_{\mathcal{T}'}(x) = \Psi_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} \circ \Psi_{\mathcal{T}'}(x)$$

this is equivalent to

$$A_{\mathcal{T}}|_{D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) \cap D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}')} = A_{\mathcal{T}'}|_{D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}) \cap D_{pl}(\mathcal{T}'')}$$

In this way, we glue the piecewise diffeomorphisms $A_{\mathcal{T}}$ to form a global diffeomorphism:

$$A : T_{pl}(S, V) \rightarrow T_D(S, V), \quad A|_{D_{pl}(\mathcal{T})} = A_{\mathcal{T}}|_{D_{pl}(\mathcal{T})}$$

Further proof shows this mapping is globally C^1 diffeomorphic.

Existence Proof

First, we construct a map: $F : \Omega_U \rightarrow \Omega_K$,

$$\Omega_U \xrightarrow{\text{exp}} \{p\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^{|V|} \rightarrow T_D(S, V) \xrightarrow{A^{-1}} T_{pl}(S, V) \xrightarrow{K} \Omega_K \quad (10)$$

where the domain Ω_U is the intersection between the discrete conformal factor space and the Euclidean hyperplane

$$\Omega_U = \mathbb{R}^n \cap \left\{ \mathbf{u} \mid \sum_{i=1}^n u_i = 0 \right\} \quad (11)$$

the range Ω_K is the discrete curvature space,

$$\Omega_K = \left\{ \mathbf{K} \in (-\infty, 2\pi)^n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n K_i = 2\pi\chi(S) \right\} \quad (12)$$

both of them are open sets in the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^{n-1} . Because $A : T_{pl}(S, V) \rightarrow T_D(S, V)$ is C^1 , $K : T_{pl}(S, V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is real analytic, hence F is C^1 .

Existence Proof

We show that the map $F : \Omega_u \rightarrow \Omega_K$ is injective. Consider the convexity of the entropy energy

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{u}) = \int^{\mathbf{u}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_i du_i.$$

The Hessian Matrix is the discrete Laplace-Beltrami operator, hence the entropy is strictly convex on the domain Ω_u . Furthermore, the domain Ω_u is convex, the gradient of the entropy is the current discrete curvature. Hence, the map $\mathbf{u} \mapsto \nabla \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{u})$ is injective.

We then show that the map $F : \Omega_U \rightarrow \Omega_K$ is surjective. This requires domain invariance theorem.

Theorem (Invariance of Domain)

Suppose U is a domain (connected open set) in \mathbb{R}^n , if $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is continuous and injective, then $V = f(U)$ is open, and f is a homeomorphism between U and V .

Because both Ω_U and Ω_K are all $n - 1$ dimensional open sets, F is continuous and injective, hence $F(\Omega_U)$ is an open set. And $F : \Omega_U \rightarrow F(\Omega_U)$ is homeomorphic. We need to show $\Omega_K = F(\Omega_U)$.

Existence Proof

Since $F(\Omega_u)$ is open, we need to show $F(\Omega_u)$ is closed in Ω_K . We take a sequence $\{x_k\} \subset \Omega_u$, such that x_k leaves all the compact sets in Ω_u . We need to show $F(x_k)$ leaves all the compact sets in Ω_K . We need the Akiyoshi theorem:

Theorem (Akiyoshi(2001))

For any complete hyperbolic metric d on $S - V$ with finite area, there exists finite number of isotopy classes of triangulations \mathcal{T} , such that

$$[d] \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n \cap D(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset.$$

Furthermore, there is finite number of triangulations $\{\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_k\}$, such that for any decoration $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n$, the Delaunay triangulation of (d, \mathbf{w}) is isotopic to one of such \mathcal{T}_i .

By Akiyoshi theorem, $\{p\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n$ intersects $T_D(S, V)$ at a finite number of cells, hence we can assume the Delaunay triangulation \mathcal{T} is fixed.

$\{x_k\}$ leaves all the compact sets in Ω_u . By taking subsequences, we may assume that for each vertex v_i , $\lim_k x_i^{(k)} = t_i$ exists in $[-\infty, +\infty]$. Due to the normalization that $\sum_i x_i^{(k)} = 0$ and $x^{(k)}$ doesn't converge to any vector in Ω_u , there exists $t_i = \infty$ and $t_j = -\infty$. We label vertices by black and white. The vertex v_i is black if and only if $t_i = -\infty$ and white otherwise.

Lemma (Coloring)

- 1 *There doesn't exist a triangle $\tau \in \mathcal{T}$ with exactly two white vertices.*
- 2 *If $\Delta v_1 v_2 v_3$ is a triangle in \mathcal{T} with exactly one white vertex at v_1 , then the inner angle at v_1 converges to 0 as $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the metric d_k .*

Existence Proof

Proof.

To see (1), suppose otherwise, there exists a Euclidean triangle of lengths $a_i e^{u_j^{(n)} + u_k^{(n)}}$, $\{i, j, k\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$, where $\lim_n u_i^{(n)} > -\infty$ for $i = 2, 3$ and $\lim_n u_1^{(n)} = -\infty$. By the triangle inequality, we have

$$a_2 e^{u_1^{(n)} + u_3^{(n)}} + a_3 e^{u_1^{(n)} + u_2^{(n)}} > a_1 e^{u_2^{(n)} + u_3^{(n)}}.$$

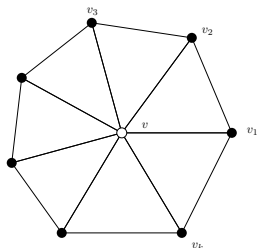
This is the same as

$$a_2 e^{-u_2^{(n)}} + a_3 e^{-u_3^{(n)}} > a_1 e^{-u_1^{(n)}}.$$

However, the left-hand-side is bounded, the right-hand-side tends to ∞ . The contradiction shows (1) holds.

To see (2), the triangle is similar to one with edge lengths, $\{a_1 e^{-u_1^{(n)}}, a_2 e^{-u_2^{(n)}}, a_3 e^{-u_3^{(n)}}\}$, converge to $\{c, \infty, \infty\}$, hence the angle α_1 tends to 0. □

Existence Proof



We now finish the proof of $F(\Omega_u) = \Omega_k$ as follows. Since the surface S is connected, there exists an edge e whose end points v, v_1 have different colors. Assume v is white and v_1 is black. Let v_1, \dots, v_k be the set of all vertices adjacent to v so that v, v_i, v_{i+1} form vertices of a triangle and let $v_{k+1} = v_1$. Now apply above lemma to triangle Δvv_1v_2 with v white and v_1 black, we conclude that v_2 must be black. Inductively, we conclude that all v_i 's, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, are black. By part (2) of the above lemma, we conclude that the curvature of d_n at v tends to 2π . This shows that $F(\Omega_u^{(n)})$ tends to ∞ of Ω_k . Therefore $F(\Omega_u) = \Omega_k$. \square