

# Talk 4 by Mahan Mj

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Today we will try to describe the Cannon-Thurston maps.

So, to describe the Cannon-Thurston map, it suffices to describe the point-preimages :

**Question :** Where the Cannon-Thurston map is not injective ? equivalently, what is  $\mathcal{L}_{CT}$ ? We will try to justify the name - "lamination".

$\{\Phi^n(\sigma)\}_n$  : Here, let us pass to the Hausdorff limit which gives us an "almost" genuine geodesic lamination on the fibre  $S$ .

And,  $\lambda_\infty$  lifted to  $\tilde{S} = \mathbb{H}^2$ .

Here,  $\mathcal{L}_{dynamic}$  is the set of all bi-infinite geodesics and any bi-infinite geodesic corresponds to a pair of points.

**Theorem :**  $\mathcal{L}_{CT} = \mathcal{L}_{dynamic}$ . We have  $1 \rightarrow \pi_1(S) \rightarrow \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$  and  $K \subset \pi_1(S)$  is finitely generated infinite index in  $\pi_1(S)$ .

**Theorem (Scott-Swarup) :**  $K$  is quasi-convex in  $\pi_1(M)$ .

$K \xrightarrow{j} S \xrightarrow{i} M$  and  $(i \circ j)_*(\pi_1(K)) \subset \pi_1(M)$  has a Cannon-Thurston map.

**Observation :** No leaf of  $\mathcal{L}_{CT}$  is contained entirely (supported) in  $K$   
 $\implies \exists l \subset \mathcal{L}_{CT}(\pi_1 S, \pi_1 M)$  such that  $l_\pm \in \partial K \subset S_\infty^1 = \partial \pi_1(S)$   
 $\implies \mathcal{L}_{CT}(K, \pi_1 M) = \emptyset \implies K$  is quasi-convex in  $\pi_1 M$ .

**Generalizations :**

(i)  $1 \rightarrow H \rightarrow G \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 1$  is an exact sequence of hyperbolic groups. So,  $Q$ -hyperbolic gives  $\partial Q$  and  $q \in \partial Q$  encodes a lamination  $\mathcal{L}_{\{q, dynamic\}}$  and it does generalize  $\mathcal{L}_{CT} = \bigcup_{q \in \partial Q} \mathcal{L}_{\{q, dynamic\}}$  and for  $q_1 \neq q_2 \implies \mathcal{L}_{q_1} \cap \mathcal{L}_{q_2} = \emptyset$ .

**Generalization of Scott-Swarup theorem :**

Suppose,  $1 \rightarrow \pi_1 G \rightarrow G \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 1$  is given. Then we have the following :

**Theorem (Dowdell-Kent-Leninger-Rafi) :**  $K \subset \pi_1 S$  is finitely generated infinite index  $\implies K$  is quasi-convex in  $G$ .

**Cubulations :**

**Question :** Suppose,  $1 \rightarrow \pi_1 S \rightarrow G \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2 \rightarrow 1$  is given. Assume  $G$  is hyperbolic  $\iff Q$  is convex co-compact in the mapping class group. Is  $G$  "cubulable" ?

Partial results give a positive answer due to Monning, Seglen et al.

**(Virtually special) Cubulation of 3-manifolds fibering over  $S^1$  (Agol-Wise) :** If the 1st Betti number  $b_1 \geq 2$  and then we can cut along embedded quasi-convex surface and use Wise's on quasi-convex hierarchy. If  $b_1 = 1$  then we need the full strength of Agol's Theorem.

We return to  $1 \rightarrow \pi_1 S \rightarrow \pi_1 M \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$  where  $K \subset \pi_1 S$  is a finitely generated infinite index subgroup.

Analog of embedded quasi-convex incompressible surfaces : EIQ track  $T$  and lift everything to the universal cover :  $\tilde{T} \times (-1, 1) \subset \tilde{X}$ .