

Last lecture, we used global invariant "degree of  $F$ "  $F: X \rightarrow Y$ , compact

$$\deg(F) := \sum_{p \in F^{-1}(y)} \text{mult}_p(F) \quad (\text{indep. of } y \in Y)$$

Alternately, can assume  $F$  proper: For any compact set  $K \subset Y$   
(now not assuming  $X, Y$  nec. compact)  
the preimage  $F^{-1}(K)$  is compact.

then used this to show that  $f$  merom. on  $X$  compact,

$$\sum_p \text{ord}_p(f) = 0.$$

Proposition:  $f$ : non-const merom. function on  $X$ : compact. Then

$$\sum_P \text{ord}_P(f) = 0.$$

pf: Let  $F$  be the associated holom. map  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$

$\{z_i\}$ : pts. of  $X$  mapping to 0 (zeros)

$\{p_j\}$ : pts. of  $X$  mapping to  $\infty$ . (poles) of  $f$

$$\deg(F) = \sum_i \text{mult}_{z_i}(F) = \sum_j \text{mult}_{p_j}(F)$$

$$\parallel \parallel$$

$$\text{ord}_{z_i}(f) \qquad -\text{ord}_{p_j}(f)$$

But  $\sum_P \text{ord}_P(F) = \sum_i \text{ord}_{z_i}(f) + \sum_j \text{ord}_{p_j}(f)$

$$= \deg(F) - \deg(F) = 0. \quad //$$

Previously asserted this for Riemann sphere using that all ~~the~~ merom. functions were rational functions. (i.e. used strong characterization)

Next: relate degree to topology through genus. Discuss topology basics for a bit.

often use language of simplicial complexes:

simplices:  $\bullet$   $\text{---}$   $\triangle$   $\square$  ... (has general coord. definition  $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i = 1, x_i \geq 0$ )

0            1            2            3

simplicial complex: collection of simplices glued so that intersection of any two  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  is a face of both  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$

Euler using them to construct polyhedra, later used to study manifolds via homeomorphisms from simplices to  $X$  with compatibility properties.

e.s. Hatcher  
 $\swarrow$  Ch. 2.

For us, study 2-diml orientable real  $C^\infty$ -manifolds.

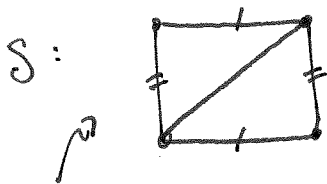
So use only simplices of dim  $\leq 2$ . Given such  $X$ , a triangulation is decomposition into closed subsets homeomorphic to 2-simplices (triangles) whose intersections are "faces": simplices of smaller dimension.

Then for any simplicial complex,  $S$ , assign Euler characteristic  $\chi$  (finite)

$$\chi(S) = (\# \text{ vertices}) - (\# \text{ edges}) + (\# \text{ faces})$$

What is this counting? Euler noticed ~~that for~~ regular polyhedra,  $\chi$ , that for

$$\chi(P) = 2.$$



then  $\chi(S) = 1 - 3 + 2 = 0.$

matters how we identify edges (with twist or without?)

torus,  $\mathbb{R}P^2$ , Klein bottle.

not orientable, so not admitting Riemann surface structure...

tick marks mean identify corresponding edges

Fact: (closed) 2-manifolds have triangulations. "surfaces"

iterative constructions based on embeddings into  $\mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $N \gg 0$ , or coverings by balls. proof is too painful to develop machinery for. Even encyclopedia Hatcher skips it.

Proposition: Let  $\chi(X) := \chi(T)$  where  $T$  is any triangulation of the orientable, compact 2-manifold  $X$ .

Then  $\chi$  is well-defined (i.e. independent of triangulation) and  $\chi = 2 - 2g$  where  $g$  = genus.

Could regard this as definition of genus, with  $g \geq 0$ .

OR:  $g$ : maximal # of simple closed curves on  $X$  which may be removed s.t. resulting manifold is still connected.

Amazing result connecting degree and genus for holomorphic map.

Hurwitz Formula:  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  non-const. holom. map.,  $X, Y$  compact.

Then

$$\chi(X) = \deg(F) \cdot \chi(Y) + \sum_{p \in X} \text{mult}_p(F) - 1$$

$\chi(X) = -2g(X) + 2$                            $\chi(Y) = -2g(Y) + 2$

$\underbrace{\sum_{p \in X} \text{mult}_p(F) - 1}_{\text{error term arising at ramification points}}$

—  
prove this after sketching pf. of <sup>previous</sup> proposition:

A refinement of a triangulation is result of combining elementary refinements:

①



+ 1 vertex  
+ 3 edges  
+ 2 faces

Add vertex to interior of 2-simplex

②



Add vertex to interior of 1-simplex

if manifold has boundary, and edge is boundary edge:

2a



+ 1 vertex  
+ 2 edges  
+ 1 face

if edge is interior

2b



+ 1 vertex  
+ 3 edges  
+ 2 faces

Key points:

I. Euler characteristic is invariant under elementary refinement, and hence under refinement.

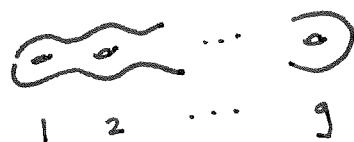
II. A pair of triangulations have a common refinement.

To show II., superimpose two triangulations.

claim: add vertices and edges to make the resulting superposition into a triangulation.

This gives independence of  $\chi(X)$  with respect to triangulation.

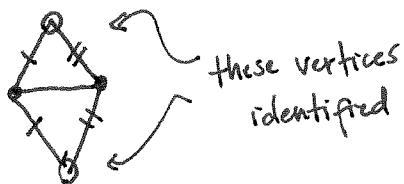
To calculate it in any case, recall that any 2-dim'l orientable real manifold is topologically isomorphic (i.e.  $\exists$  homeomorphism to...)  $g$ -holed torus:



"connect sum" of  $g$  copies of torus.

So just need to calculate  $\chi(X)$  for each  $g$ .

e.g.  $g=0$



3 v  
3 e  
2 f

$$\chi(S^2) = 2.$$

For general  $g$ , do "surgery" - remove two disks, attach cylinder.

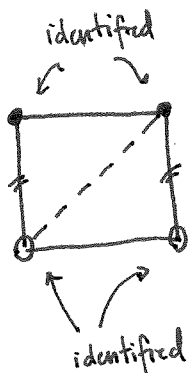
disk (with boundary):



4 v  
5 e  
2 f

$$\chi(D) = 1$$

cylinder



2 v  
4 e  
2 f

$$\chi(\text{Cyl.}) = 0$$

So Euler characteristic of above surgery drops characteristic by 2.