

Math 4803

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LATELY

Lots of examples of surfaces,
and a few pillowcases.

TODAY

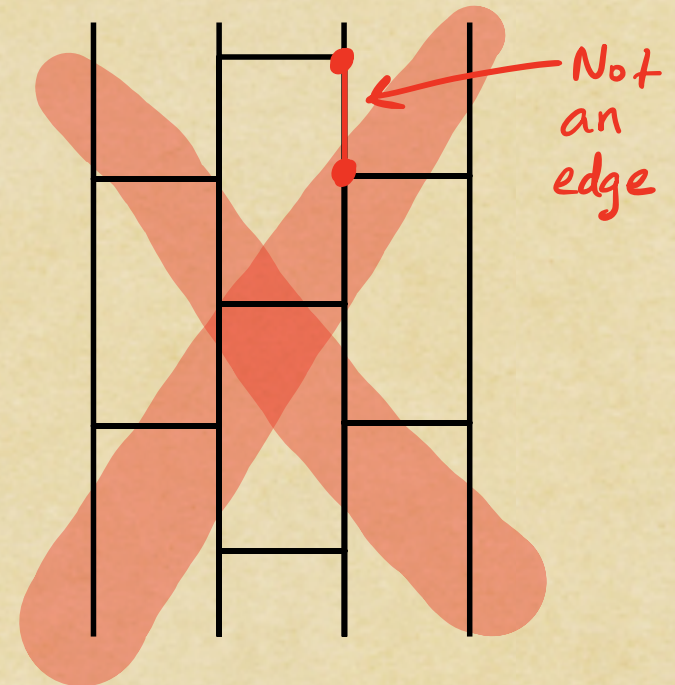
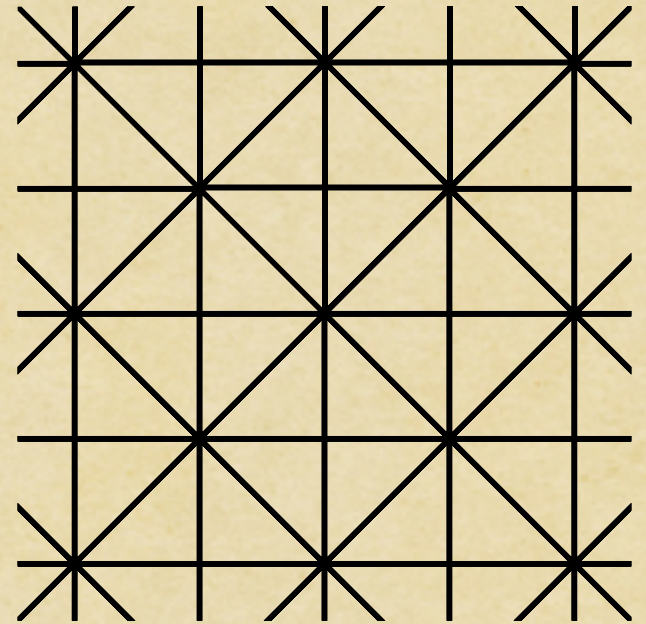
Tessellations of $(\mathbb{R}^2, d_{\text{euc}})$, $(\mathbb{H}^2, d_{\text{hyp}})$,
and (S^2, d_{sph}) .

Tessellations

Let X be the Euclidean plane, the hyperbolic plane, or the sphere.

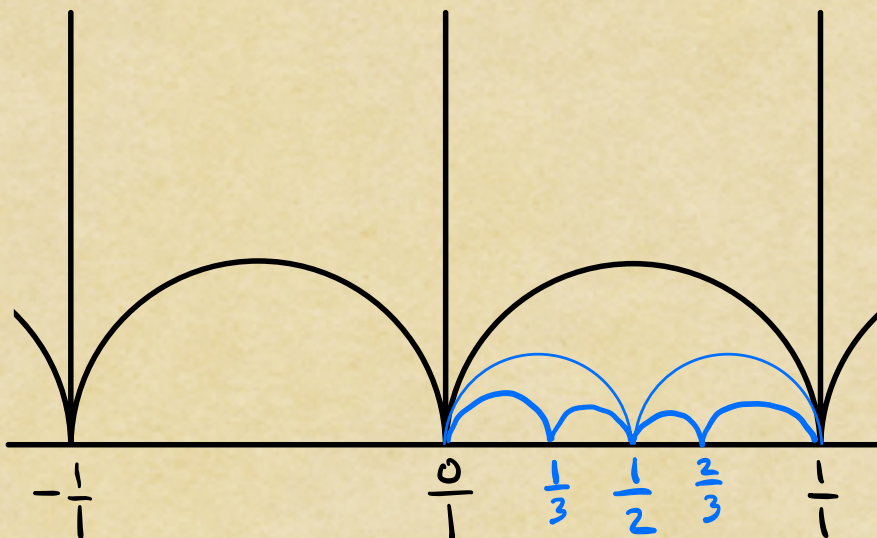
A tessellation of X is a family of tiles X_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

- (1) each tile is a connected polygon in X ;
- (2) the tiles are pairwise isometric;
- (3) the union of the tiles is X ;
- (4) for $m \neq n$, $X_m \cap X_n$ consists only of edges & vertices of X_m , and these are shared with X_n .
- (5) for every $P \in X$, there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid B_d(P, \varepsilon) \cap X_n \neq \emptyset\}$ is finite. (local finiteness)

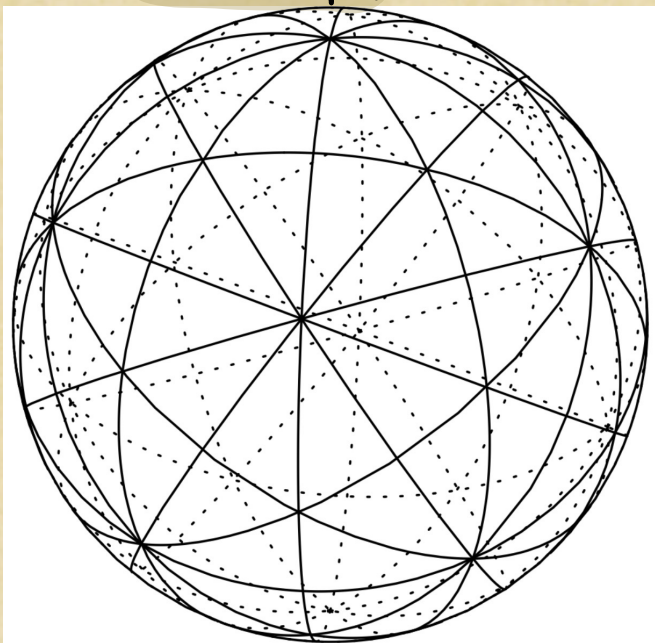


Examples

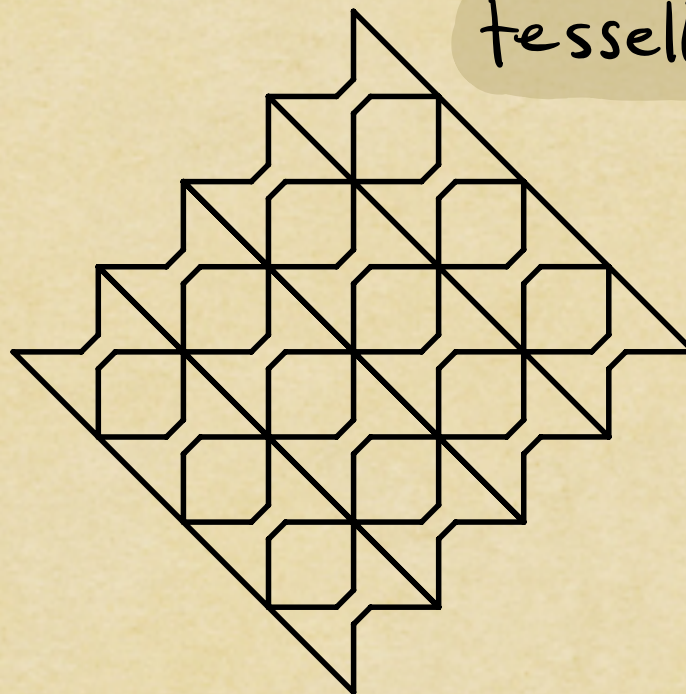
Farey tessellation
of $(\mathbb{H}^2, d_{\text{hyp}})$



A tessellation of
 (S^2, d_{sph})

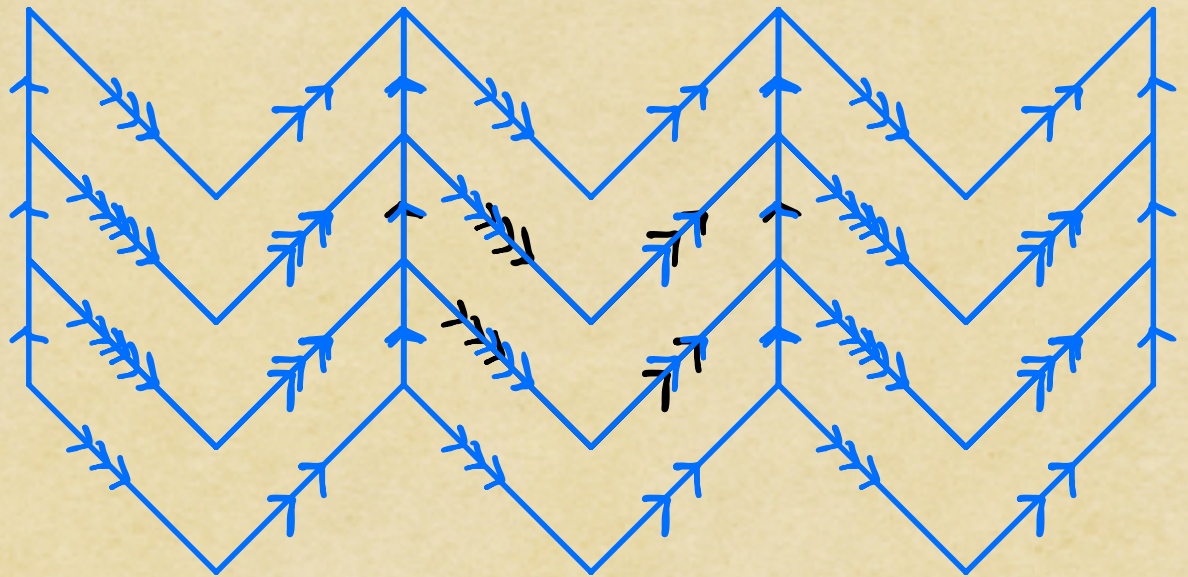


Not technically a
tessellation



The tiling group

We will build tessellations from polygons with edge gluings.



Consider a polygon X in the Euclidean plane, hyperbolic plane, or sphere, and suppose we have an edge gluing $\{\psi_i: E_i \rightarrow E_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq 2k\}$. Each ψ_i extends to a(n) **unique** isometry of the full space such that $\psi_i(X) \cap X$ are on opposite sides of $\psi_i(E_i)$. The **tiling group** of this edge gluing is then the subgroup of the full isometry group which is generated by these extensions, denoted Γ .

The tessellation theorem

Thm. Let X be a connected polygon in the Euclidean plane, hyperbolic plane, or sphere, and suppose that an edge gluing $\{\psi_i: E_i \rightarrow E_{i\pm 1}\}$ has been specified. If

(1) for every vertex $P \in X$, $\sum_{Q \sim P} \angle(Q) = \frac{2\pi}{n}$, where

$n > 0$ is an integer which may depend on P ;

(2) the quotient metric space (\bar{X}, \bar{d}_X) is complete;

then the family $\{\psi(x) \mid \psi \in \Gamma\}$ is a tessellation of the Euclidean plane, hyperbolic plane, or sphere.

Completeness

Let (X, d) be a metric space.

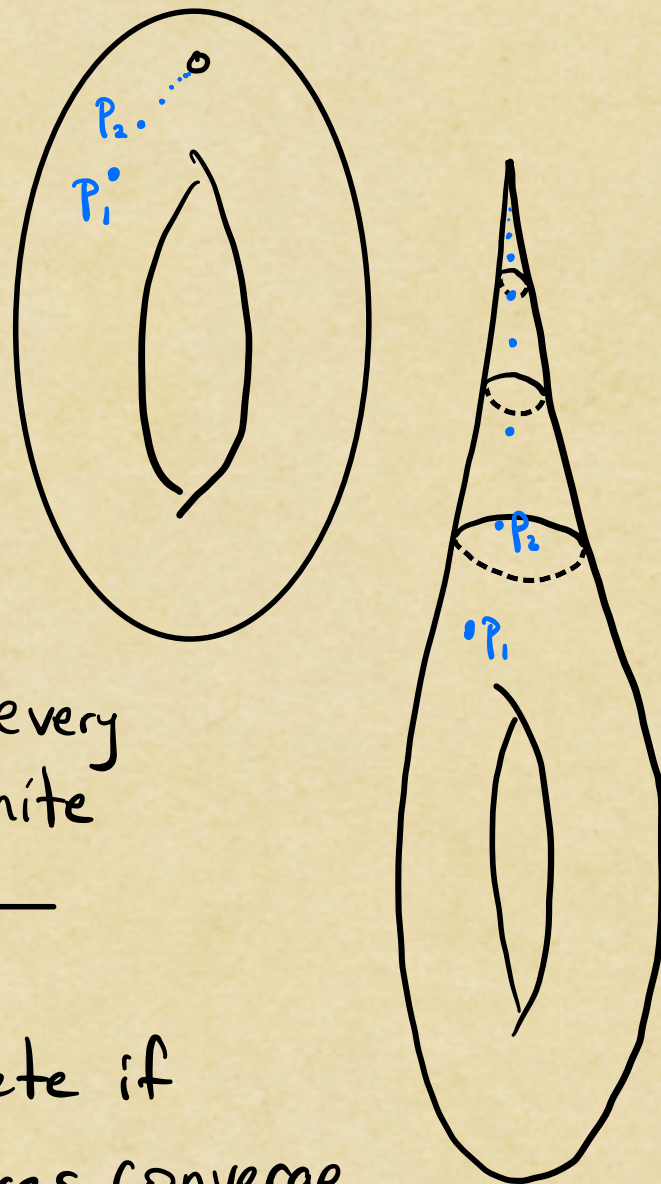
The **length** of a sequence $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, \dots$ is defined to be

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d(P_n, P_{n+1})$$

if this series converges, and ∞ otherwise.

We say that (X, d) is **complete** if every sequence of points in X which has finite length converges to a point $P_{\infty} \in X$.

HW: A metric space (X, d) is complete if and only if all of its **Cauchy** sequences converge.



After the midterm

- Proof of the tessellation theorem
- Analysis results (Completeness & Compactness)
- Examples!