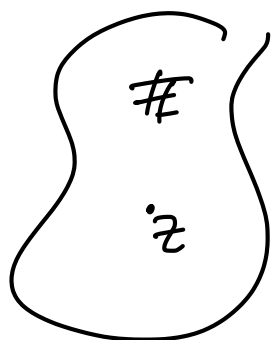


Lecture 2

Theorem:

G^δ δ : mesh size $\rightarrow 0$.

τ^δ : Wired VST



$\gamma^\delta(z)$: Branch of VST from z .

For any test function $f: C_c^\infty(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Let $w(\gamma^\delta(z)) = \text{"winding" of } \gamma^\delta(z)$.

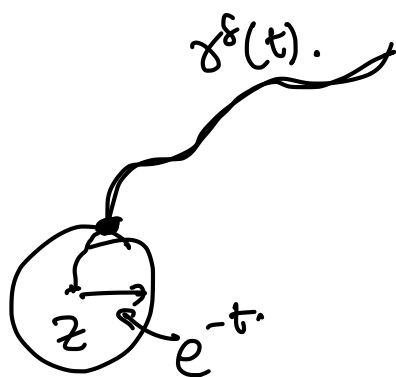
want to show

$$\int_D w(\gamma^\delta(z)) f(z) dz$$

$$\xrightarrow{(d)} \int_D \underbrace{G^{FF}}_{\uparrow} (z) f(z) dz.$$

G^{FF} with
"winding"
boundary condition.

$$W(\gamma_t^{\delta}(z)) = \underbrace{W(\gamma_t^{\delta}(z))} + \underbrace{\xi_t^{\delta}(z)}.$$



↓
winding of
remaining part.

$W(\gamma_t^{\delta}) \longrightarrow$ Continuous theory (SLE)
to deal with it.

$\xi_t^{\delta} \longrightarrow$ Use RSW assumption
to show

$\xi_t^{\delta}(z)$ is "independent" for different
 z .

- We will show that

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\left(\int W(\gamma^{\delta}(z)) f(z) \right)^k \right) \rightarrow \mathbb{E} \left(\left(\int \frac{GFF(z)}{f(z)} \right)^k \right)$$

(Moment method).

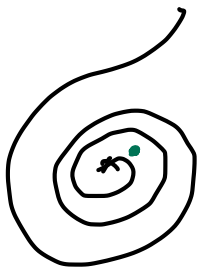
Windings of curves.

In the beginning assume $\gamma: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$
some curve which is smooth.

- (Intrinsic Winding).

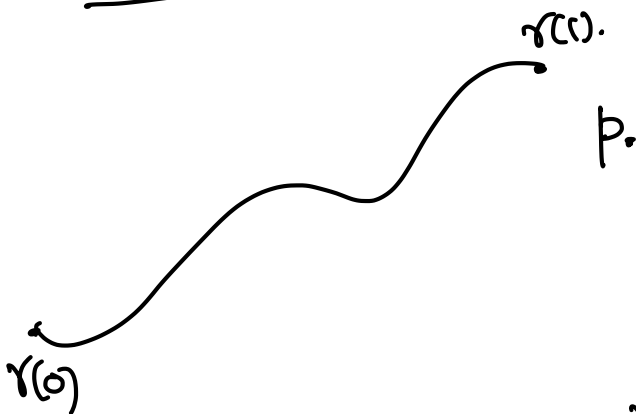
$$\gamma'(t) = r_{\text{int}}(t) e^{i\theta_{\text{int}}(t)} \quad \leftarrow \text{taken continuously.}$$

$$W_{\text{int}}(\gamma) = \int_0^1 \theta_{\text{int}}(t) dt.$$



- (Topological winding)

$$p \notin \gamma[0,1].$$



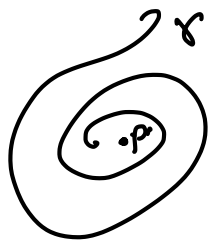
$$\gamma(t) - p.$$

$$= r(t) e^{i\tilde{\theta}(t)} \quad \leftarrow \text{taken continuously}$$

$$w(\gamma, p) = \int_0^1 \tilde{\theta}(t) dt.$$

If $p \notin \gamma^\delta[0,1] \quad \forall \delta$.

then $W(\gamma^\delta, p)$ is cont. in δ .



$$|W(\gamma, p')| > |W(\gamma, p)|.$$

x
 p

Lemma

Take $\gamma: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ smooth curve.

$$W_{int}(\gamma) = W(\gamma, \gamma(0)) + W(\gamma, \gamma(1)).$$

Here

$$W(\gamma, \gamma(0)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0+} W(\gamma(t,1), \gamma(0)).$$

$$W(\gamma, \gamma(1)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1-} W(\gamma[0,t], \gamma(1)).$$

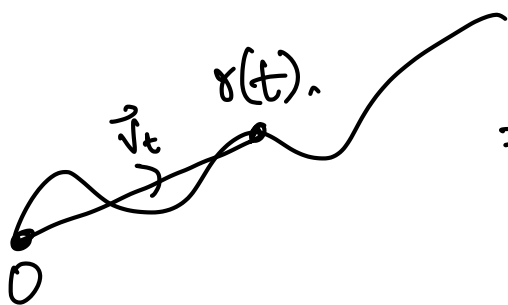
Pf: Take $\text{Arg} \in [-\pi, \pi]$.

$$\text{Let } \tilde{W} = W \bmod 2\pi.$$

$$\tilde{W}[\gamma[0,t], \gamma(t)]$$

$$= -\vec{v}_t - (\text{Arg}(\gamma'(t)) + \pi)$$

$$= -\vec{v}_t + \text{Arg}(\gamma'(t)).$$



$$\tilde{W}[\gamma(0,t), \gamma(0)] = \vec{V}_t - \text{Arg}(\gamma'(0))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{W}(\gamma(0,t), \gamma(t)) + \tilde{W}(\gamma(0,t), \gamma(0)) &= \text{Arg}(\gamma'(t)) - \text{Arg}(\gamma'(0)). \\ &= \arg(\gamma'(t)) - \arg(\gamma'(0)) \\ &\quad + 2\pi \underbrace{K_t}_{\downarrow} \\ &\quad \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

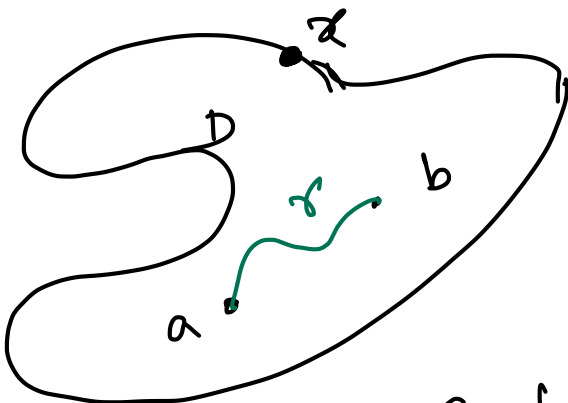
Notice for small t , $K_t = 0$

By continuity $K_t \equiv 0$.

Let $t \rightarrow 1^-$ to conclude $\square$

Winding seen from boundary of a domain

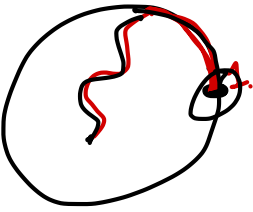
$$z \in \partial D.$$



We can define a function $\arg_{D,z}$.

such that.

$$\arg_{D, \alpha}(a) - \arg_{D, \alpha}(b) = \operatorname{Im} \left(\underbrace{\int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z-\alpha}} \right).$$



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Independent of γ.

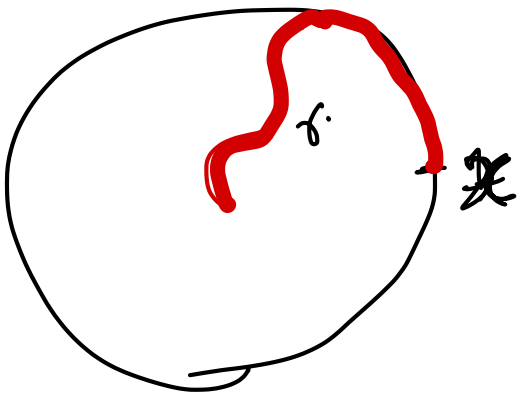
e.g. we can define $\arg_{D, 1} \in [0, 2\pi]$.

such that $\arg_{D, 1}(0) = \pi$

- If we have a curve γ , with

$\gamma(0) = \alpha$, then

$$\arg_{D, \alpha}(\gamma'(0)) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \arg_{D, \alpha}(\gamma(\epsilon)).$$



$$W(\gamma, \alpha)$$

$$= \arg_{D, \alpha}(\gamma(1))$$

$$- \arg_{D, \alpha}(\gamma'(0)).$$

For smooth γ .

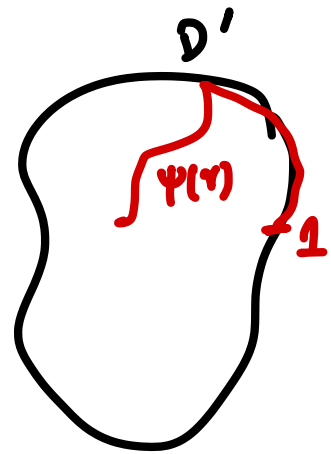
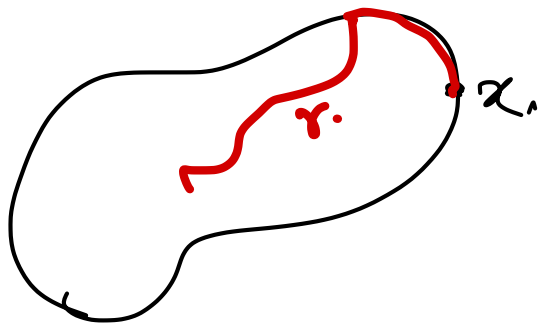
$$W_{\text{int}}(\gamma) = W(\gamma, \gamma(1)) +$$

$$\arg_{D, \alpha}(\gamma(1))$$

$$- \arg_{D, \alpha}(\gamma'(0)).$$

Change of winding under conformal mapping

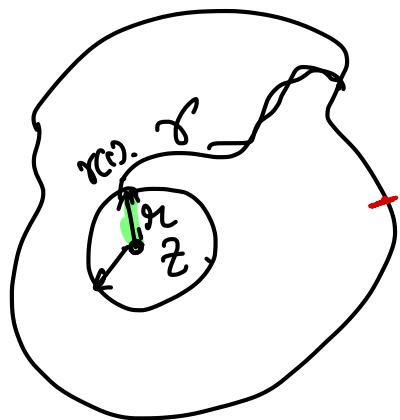
$$\text{Let } \psi: (D, z) \mapsto (D', 1) \\ \gamma: [0, 1] \mapsto D.$$



$$\begin{aligned} W_{\text{int}}(\psi(\gamma)) &= \int_0^1 \arg((\psi \circ \gamma)'(t)) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \arg(\psi'(\gamma(t))) dt + \underbrace{\int_0^1 \arg(\gamma'(t)) dt}_{} \\ &= \arg(\psi'(\gamma(1))) - \arg(\psi'(\gamma(0))) \\ &\quad + W_{\text{int}}(\gamma). \end{aligned}$$

we can extend this change of winding formula for top-windings as well.

Lem: $W(\psi(r), \psi(z)) - W(r, z)$



$$= \arg_{\psi'(0)}(\psi'(z))$$

$$+ \arg_{D, z}(z)$$

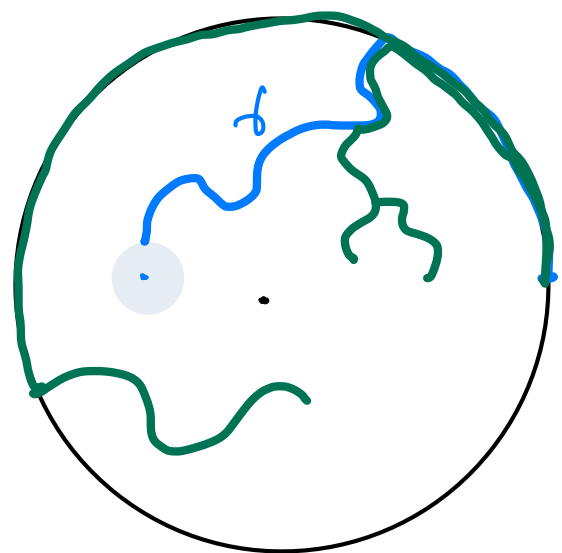
$$- \arg_{D', z'}(\psi(z))$$

$$+ O\left(\frac{r}{R}\right)$$

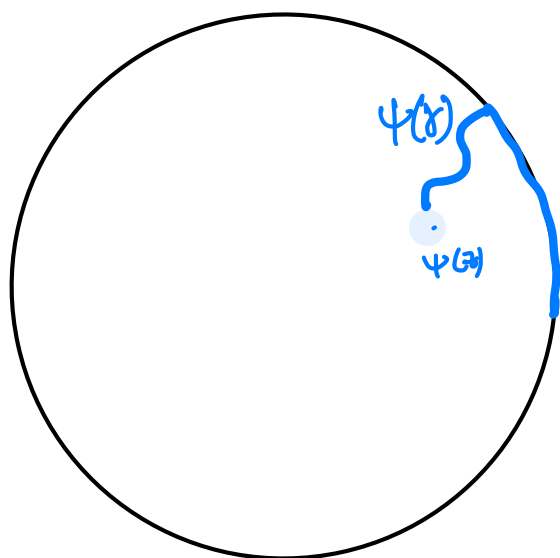
$\psi'(0) \neq 0$
 $\arg_{\psi'(0)}$
 defined
 upto
 global
 shift by
 $\mathbb{R}$.

where $R =$ conf radius of D seen from z .

Remark: This Lemma works even if r is fractal. as long as $z \notin \gamma(1)$



$$\begin{aligned} & \xrightarrow{\psi} \\ & \mathbb{D} \setminus \{\text{Green}\} \\ & \mapsto \mathbb{D}. \\ & \psi(1) = 1. \end{aligned}$$





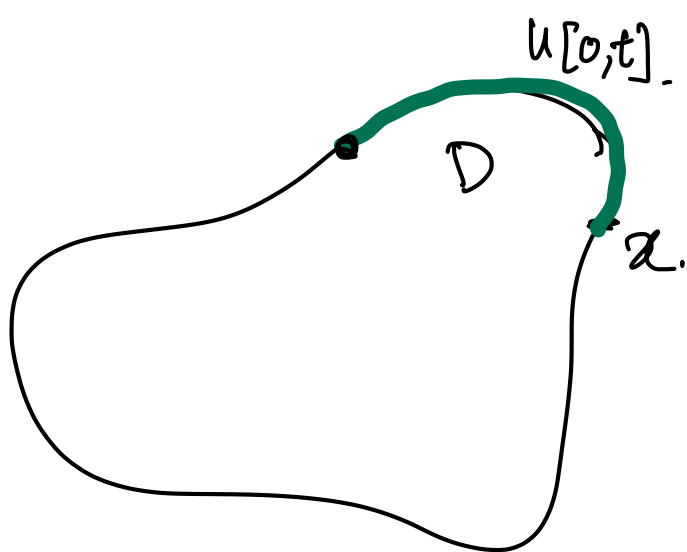
Given $x_1, \dots, x_k$,

The rest of the branches
is a VST in

$$D - \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}.$$

"winding boundary condition"

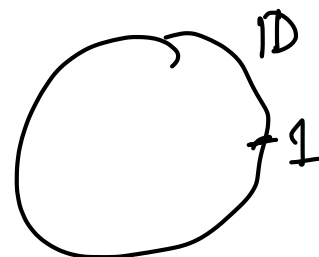
(D, α)



u_D : winding bdy
cond.

= harmonic extension
 $Wint(u[0, t])$.

$$\psi : (D, \alpha) \xrightarrow{\text{conf.}} (D, 1)$$



$$u_{D, \alpha} = u_{D, 1} \circ \psi - \arg_{\psi'(1)}(\psi'(1)).$$

$$u_{D,1}(z) \stackrel{\text{calc. using Mobius maps.}}{=} 2 \arg_{D,1}(z).$$

Imaginary Geometry

(Dubedat / Miller - Sheffield).

Idea: h : GFF
view " $(e^{ich_x})_{x \in D}$ " : vector field.

Flow lines of this vector field

"=" SLE_k $k = f(c)$.

Theorem: $\chi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{k}} - \frac{\sqrt{k}}{2} \right)$ $k=2$.

$\exists$ a coupling between.

$$h = h_0^0 + \chi u_{(D,x)} \leftarrow \text{winding bdy cond.}$$

and UST

so that given $\vec{\gamma} = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k)$.

the law of h in $D \sim \vec{\gamma}$

$$h_{D \sim \vec{\gamma}}^0 + \chi \underbrace{U_{(D \sim \vec{\gamma}, \alpha)}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{winding bdy cond}^n \text{ in} \\ \text{slitted domain.}}}$$

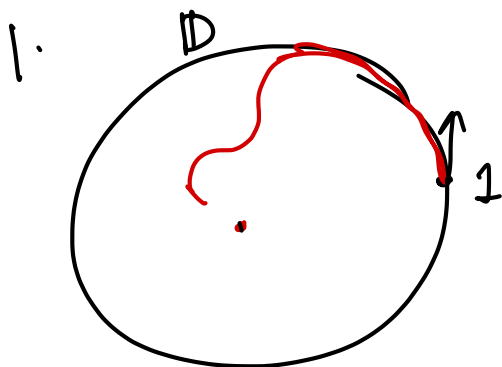
Also, h is measurable w.r.t. $\mathcal{I}$.



Def 1 $h_t^D(z) = W(\underbrace{\gamma_z(t)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{branch up to} \\ \text{capacity } t \text{ from } z}}, z) + \arg_{D, \alpha}(z) - \arg_{(D, \alpha)}(\gamma'(1)).$

Thm: $(h_t^D(z))_{z \in D} \longrightarrow h_{\text{GFF}}^D$

h_{GFF}^D : Intrinsic winding GFF $+\frac{\pi}{2}$.



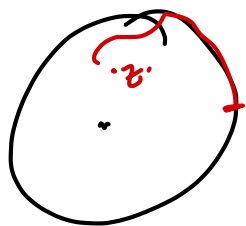
$$\mathbb{E}(h_t(0)).$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(W(\gamma_0(t), 0))$$

$$\text{Symmetry} \swarrow \quad + \arg_{D,1}(0) - \arg_{D,1}(\gamma'(0))$$

$$= \pi + \pi - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3\pi}{2}.$$



• $\mathbb{E}(h_t(z)).$

use

$$\psi: D \mapsto D$$

$$\psi(1) = 1.$$

$$\psi(z) = 0.$$

use change in winding formula.

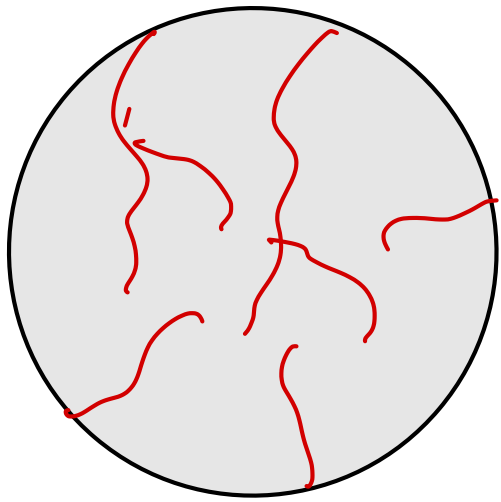
$$h_t(z) - h_t(0) = \underbrace{-\arg_{\psi'(D)}(\psi'(z))}_{0(e^{-ct})} + \underbrace{\varepsilon(t)}_{0(e^{-ct})}$$

calculation.

$$\xrightarrow{\text{calculation.}} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}(h_t(z)) = \underbrace{2\arg_{(D,1)}(z)}_{\text{winding boundary at } z} - \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

winding boundary at z

$$+ \frac{\pi}{2}.$$



Let A : lot of branches.

want $\mathbb{E}(h_t(z) | A)$.

(Recall Imaginary geom: $h_{\text{GFF}} = \frac{1}{\chi} h_{\mathbb{D}}^0 + U_{\mathbb{D},1}$.)

h_{GFF} cond on A :

$$= \frac{1}{\chi} h_{\mathbb{D} \setminus A}^0 + U_{\mathbb{D} \setminus A,1}.$$

$g_A: \mathbb{D} \setminus A \xrightarrow{\text{conf}} \mathbb{D}, g_A(1) = 1.$

$$\mathbb{E}(h_t(z) | A) = \mathbb{E} \left(\tilde{h}_t^0(g_A(z)) - \arg_{g_A'(1-r)}(g_A'(z)) \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} U_{\mathbb{D},1}(g_A(z)) + \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

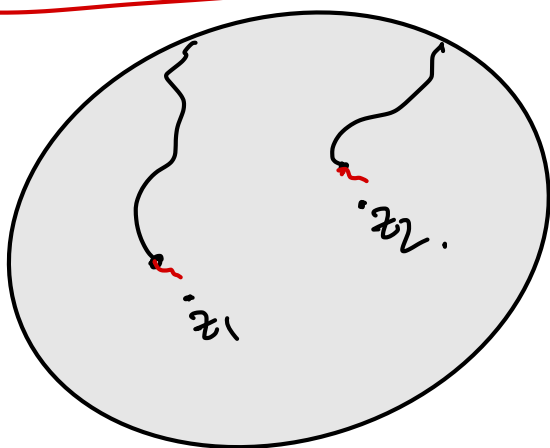
$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{U_{\mathbb{D} \setminus A,1}(z)}.$$

Conditional expectation of the winding field
 $= \delta$ " " " " Imaginary
 geom GFF.

Now if we show that

$$\text{Var} \left(\int \overline{h}_t(z) dz \right) \approx 0.$$

k-point functions.



Lemma

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}(h_t(z_1) \dots h_t(z_k))$$

 exists.

Idea: red paths are independent.

Regularity of limit $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}(h_t(z_1) \dots h_t(z_k))$

$$\leq \log^\alpha\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

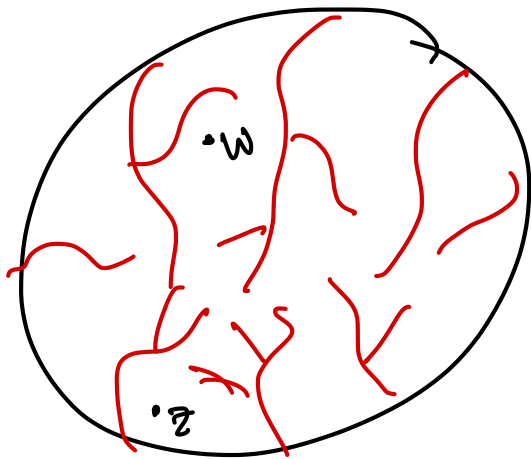
$$r = \min \{ |z_i - z_j| \}$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int h_t(z) f(z) dz \right)^k \right] \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty}$$

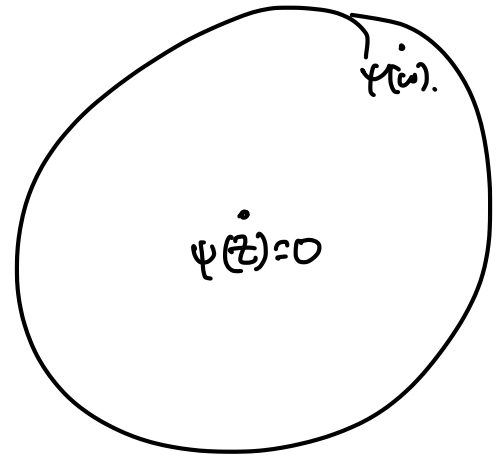
Given a lot branches. A

$$\int_{\mathbb{D} \times \mathbb{D}} \mathbb{E}(\bar{h}_t(z) \bar{h}_t(w) | A) dz dw$$

$\approx$ Small.



$$\begin{array}{c} \psi \\ \mathbb{D} \setminus A \rightarrow \mathbb{D} \\ z \mapsto 0. \end{array}$$



Given this we show. $\exists$ a coupling

$$(h_t(z), h_{GFF}^D)$$

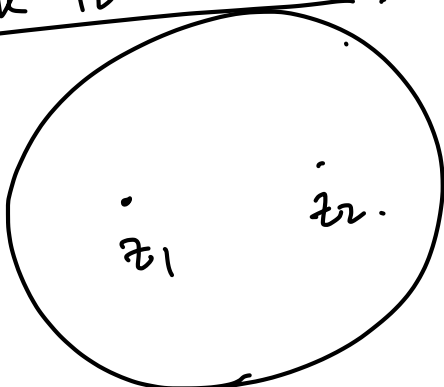
$\uparrow$

Im. geom. GFF

As $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$h_t(z) \xrightarrow{D} h_{GFF}^D$$

Back to discrete.



$$\mathbb{E}(\bar{h}^s(z_1) \bar{h}^s(z_2))$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left(\begin{array}{c} (\bar{h}_t^s(z_1) + \bar{\varepsilon}_t^s(z_1)) \\ (\bar{h}_t^s(z_2) + \bar{\varepsilon}_t^s(z_2)) \end{array} \right)$$

Want to show. at discrete level.

$\xi_t^\delta(z_1)$, $\xi_t^\delta(z_2)$ are independent

and $\xi_t^\delta(z_1) \stackrel{\text{indpt.}}{\sim} h_t^\delta(z_2)$,

$\xi_t^\delta(z_2) \stackrel{\text{indpt.}}{\sim} h_t^\delta(z_1)$.

Theorem Given z_1, z_2
 $\exists$ a coupling between VST τ
and independent VSTs τ_1 & τ_2 .
such that

$$\tau \cap B(z_1, R) = \tau_1 \cap B(z_1, R)$$

$$\tau \cap B(z_2, R) = \tau_2 \cap B(z_2, R).$$

$$\mathbb{P}(R \leq r\varepsilon) \leq C\varepsilon^{c'}$$

$$r = |z_1 - z_2|.$$

(Multiscale coupling argument/
Schramm's lemma).

