

# Taut foliations from left orders, in Heegaard genus two

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# I. Motivation

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- $-\pi_1(M)$  properties: geometric type,...
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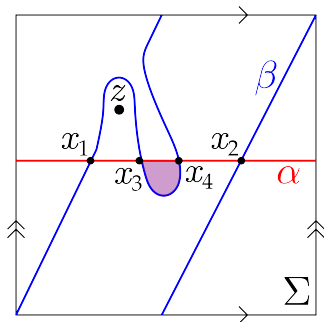
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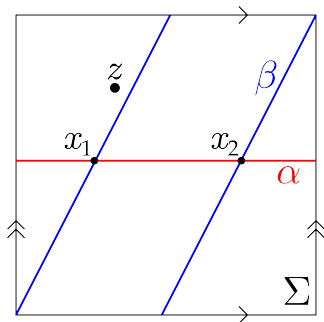
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If  $M$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}HS$  ( $b_1(M) = 0$ ), then the smallest  $\widehat{HF}(M)$  can be is

$$\widehat{HF}(M) = \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{s} \in \text{Spin}^c(M)} \widehat{HF}(M, \mathfrak{s}) \simeq \bigoplus_{h \in H_1(M)} \mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{|H_1(M)|}.$$

**Definition** (L-space).

$M$  is an  $L$ -space if  $b_1(M) = 0$  and  $\text{rank } \widehat{HF}(M) = |H_1(M)|$ ,  
or equivalently, if  $HF_{\text{red}}(M) = 0$ .

**Example** L-spaces:

- Lens spaces.
- Branched double covers of alternating knots.



# I. Motivation. L-space conjecture

**Conjecture.** (Boyer-Gordon-Watson, Juhász, Ozsváth-Szabó, Némethi)

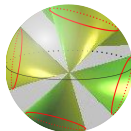
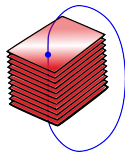
$M$  is **not** an L-space  $\iff$  ...

$\pi_1(M)$  has a left order (LO).

$$g_1 > g_2 \iff hg_1 > hg_2$$

$M$  admits a  
co-oriented taut foliation (CTF).

(if  $M$  a neg def graph manifold)  
 $M$  links a nonrational singularity.



## II. Left Orders and Right Orders

LO = Left order.    RO = Right order.

A. Definitions and positive cones

B. Real line actions.

## II. LOs & ROs. Definitions and positive cones

$G$  nontrivial group. LO = Left order. RO = Right order.

**Definition** (LOs & ROs).

LO  $>_R$  on  $G$ :  $g_1 >_R g_2 \iff hg_1 >_R hg_2 \quad \forall g_1, g_2, h \in G$ .

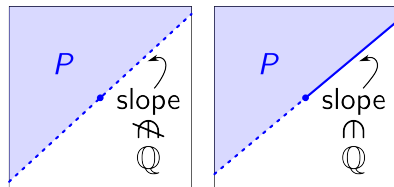
RO  $>_L$  on  $G$ :  $g_1 >_L g_2 \iff g_1 h >_L g_2 h \quad \forall g_1, g_2, h \in G$ .

**Definition** (positive cone  $P$ ).

$P \subset G$  is a *positive cone* if

(i)  $P \cdot P \subset P$

(ii)  $G = P \amalg \{\text{id}\} \amalg P^{-1}$



$$G = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$$

**Proposition** (Alternative Definition).

$G$  is LO  $\iff G$  is RO  $\iff G$  admits a positive cone  $P$ .

$g >_L h \iff g^{-1} >_R h^{-1} \iff g^{-1}h \in P$ .

**Theorem** (classical).  $G$  countable nontrivial group.

$G$  is LO  $\iff G$  admits faithful  $\mathbb{R}$ -action,  $\rho : G \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R}$ .

$(\Rightarrow)$  : *Dynamically realized action*  $\rho$ .

Choose  $\rho(\cdot)(0) : G \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  dense and order-preserving:

$$\rho(g)(0) < \rho(h)(0) \iff g <_L h.$$

Set  $\rho(g)(\rho(h)(0)) := \rho(gh)(0) \quad \forall g, h \in G$ .

Extend by limit points.

$(\Leftarrow)$  : *Lexicographical ordering*.

Choose ordering on  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$ :  $\mathbb{Q} = \{q_1, q_2, \dots\}$ .

For  $g \neq h$ , to see if  $g <_L h$ , ask “is  $\rho(g)(q_1) < \rho(h)(q_1)$ ?”

If  $\rho(g)(q_i) = \rho(h)(q_i) \quad \forall i \leq k$ , ask “is  $\rho(g)(q_{k+1}) < \rho(h)(q_{k+1})$ ?” . . . .

**Theorem** (Boyer-Rolfsen-Wiest). If  $M$  is prime, closed, oriented, then  $\pi_1(M)$  is LO if  $\pi_1(M)$  admits *any* nontrivial  $\mathbb{R}$ -action.

### III. Taut foliations (CTFs)

CTF = Cooriented taut foliation.

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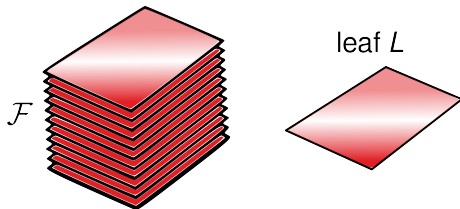
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C.  $\pi_1(M)$  LOs from CTFs on  $M$ ?

D. Known constructions of taut foliations

E. Transversely foliated bundles + holonomy reps

**Definition** (product foliation). A *codim- $k$  product foliation*  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  is a decomposition  $\mathcal{F} = \coprod_{b \in B} \pi^{-1}(b)$  of  $X$  into fibers  $\pi^{-1}(b) \cong L$  of a trivial fibration  $\pi : X \rightarrow B$  over a  $k$ -dim base  $B$ . ( $X \cong L \times B$ ) The fibers  $\pi^{-1}(b)$ , for  $b \in B$ , are called the *leaves* of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

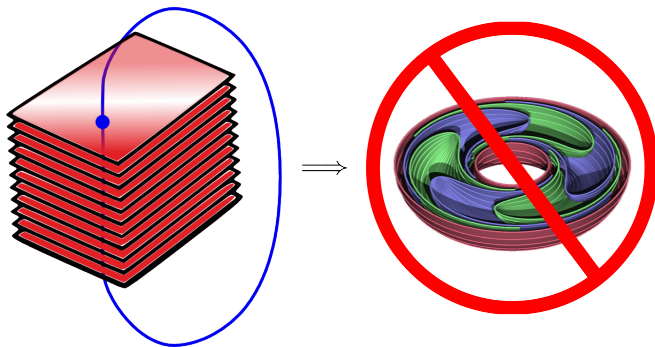


**Definition** (foliation). A *codimension- $k$  foliation*  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X^n$  is a globally compatible decomposition of  $X$  into leaves that looks locally like the product foliation associated to the trivial fibration  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ .

*Coorientation* on  $\mathcal{F} \leftrightarrow$  globally compatible coorientations on  $\mathbb{R}^k$ s.

### III. CTFs. Taut foliation definition

**Definition** (taut foliation). A codimension-1 foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  on a closed oriented 3-manifold  $M$  is called *taut* if for every  $x \in M$ , there is a closed *transversal* containing  $x$ , i.e. a closed curve transverse to  $\mathcal{F}$ .



**Convention.** All foliations cooriented unless otherwise specified: CTF.

### III. CTFs. $\pi_1(M)$ LOs from CTFs on $M$ ?

Given a CTF  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $M$  ...

1. If  $e(\mathcal{F}) = 0$ , then  $\pi_1(M)$  is LO. (Calegari-Dunfield)

$\mathcal{F}$  CTF  $\rightsquigarrow$  faithful “universal  $S^1$  action”:  $\rho_{\mathcal{F}}^{S^1} : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ S^1$ .

$e(\rho_{\mathcal{F}}^{S^1}) = e(\mathcal{F}) = 0 \implies \rho_{\mathcal{F}}^{S^1}$  lifts to  $\mathbb{R}$ -action,  $\pi_1(M) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R}$ .

2. If  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ -covered, then  $\pi_1(M)$  is LO.

Leafspace  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{F}}$  of CTF  $\mathcal{F}$  given by  $\tilde{M} \xrightarrow{\text{leaf} \mapsto \text{point}} \Lambda_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

$\mathcal{F}$   $\mathbb{R}$ -covered means leafspace  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{F}} \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

$\pi_1(M)$  acts on  $\tilde{M} \implies \pi_1(M)$  acts on  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{F}} \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

1. Dunfield:  $e(\mathcal{F})$  has approx uniform random distribution in  $H^2(M)$ .

2.  $\mathbb{R}$ -covered foliations mostly only known for Seifert-fibered manifolds.

★ LOs  $\rightarrow$  CTFs: ????? (previously unknown)



### III. CTFs. Earlier inquiries into $\pi_1(M)$ LOs $\leftrightarrow$ CTFs

Thurston: Slitherings around  $S^1$ .

Gabai: Intersections with  $\mathbb{R}$ -bundles over  $M$ ?

Danny Calegari: Generalising Ziggurats (Jankins-Neumann-Naimi).

### III. CTFs. Known constructions of taut foliations

Only 2 known types of strategies for constructing CTFs on  $M$  prime.

1.  $M$  arbitrary: branched surfaces.

- Sutured hierarchy (but requires  $b_1(M) > 0$ ) (Gabai),
- Knot exteriors (Roberts et al),
- Foliar orientations on one-vertex triangulations (Dunfield).

2.  $M$  Seifert fibered: fiber-transverse foliations.

- Fiber-transverse foliation on  $S^1$ -fibration over orbifold.
- For appropriate graph manifolds, such foliations can be glued together.

Fiber-transverse foliation analog for arbitrary  $M$ ?

### III. CTFs. Transversely foliated bundles $\longrightarrow$ holonomy representations

**Definition** (complete transversely foliated bundle).

An  $F$ -bundle  $\pi : E \rightarrow B$  with foliation  $\mathcal{F}$

is a *complete transversely foliated bundle* if for each leaf  $L \subset E$  of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,

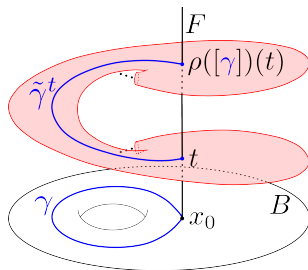
- (i) (transversality)  $L$  is transverse to each fiber  $\pi^{-1}(b) \cong F$  of  $E$ , and
- (ii) (completeness)  $\pi$  restricts on  $L$  to a covering map  $\pi|_L : L \rightarrow B$ .

**Definition** (holonomy representation).

For a basepoint  $x_0 \in B$  and base-fiber embedding  $F \xrightarrow{\sim} \pi^{-1}(x_0) \subset E$ ,

$\mathcal{F}$  has *holonomy representation*  $\text{Hol } \mathcal{F} = \rho : \pi_1(B, x_0) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ F$ ,

$\rho([\gamma]) : t \mapsto \tilde{\gamma}^t(1)$ ,  $\tilde{\gamma}^t : I \rightarrow E$  lifts  $\gamma : (I, \partial I) \rightarrow (B, x_0)$  with  $\tilde{\gamma}^t(0) = t$ .



### III. CTFs. Holonomy representations $\longrightarrow$ transversely foliated bundles

**Proposition** (classical).

Given an oriented manifold  $F$ , a closed oriented based manifold  $(B, x_0)$ , and a representation  $\rho : \pi_1(B, x_0) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ F$ ,

one can construct

the *complete transversely foliated  $F$ -bundle  $E_\rho$*

with *transverse foliation  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  of holonomy representation  $\rho$* , by setting

$$E_\rho := (\tilde{B} \times F) / (x, t) \sim (x \cdot g, \rho(g^{-1})(t)), \text{ for all } g \in \pi_1(B, x_0),$$

$$\pi : E_\rho \rightarrow B, \quad [(x, t)] \mapsto [x] \text{ for } (x, t) \in \tilde{B} \times F.$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\rho := \coprod_{t \in F} \tilde{B} \times \{t\} / \sim,$$

for  $\tilde{B}$  the universal cover of  $B$ .

$\sim$  identifies each orbit of the diagonal action of  $\pi_1(B)$  by deck transformations on  $\tilde{B}$  and by  $\rho^{-1}$  on  $F$ .

### III. CTFs. Transversely foliated bundles: classification

**Theorem** (classical).

Complete transversely-foliated  $F$ -bundles over  $(B, x_0)$  are classified by their holonomy representation, up to isomorphism of foliated based  $F$ -bundles,

In other words, there is a bijection,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{complete transversely-foliated} \\ F\text{-bundles over } (B, x_0) \end{array} \right\} \Big/ \text{isomorphism of foliated based bundles}$$
$$\Updownarrow (\mathcal{F} \mapsto \text{Hol } \mathcal{F})$$
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{representations} \\ \pi_1(B, x_0) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ F \end{array} \right\}.$$

(For a Seifert fibered space  $M$ , this gives a correspondence between CTFs on  $M$  and  $\mathbb{R}$ -actions of  $\pi_1(M)$ , up to suitable equivalence.)

### III. CTFs. Transversely foliated bundles: applications

#### **Classification of Seifert Fibered Spaces with CTFs:**

genus  $> 0$  case: Eisenbud-Hirsch-Neumann.

genus 0 case: Jankins-Neumann, Naimi; Calegari-Walker.

#### **Theorem (J-N & N / C-W)**

*If  $M = M(\frac{\beta_0}{\alpha_0}; \frac{\beta_1}{\alpha_1}, \dots, \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n})$  is Seifert fibered over  $S^2$ ,  
then  $M$  admits a CTF  $\iff \pi_1(M)$  admits an LO  $\iff$*

$$\min_{k>0} -\frac{1}{k} \left( -1 + \sum \left\lceil \frac{\beta_i}{\alpha_i} k \right\rceil \right) < 0 < \max_{k>0} -\frac{1}{k} \left( 1 + \sum \left\lfloor \frac{\beta_i}{\alpha_i} k \right\rfloor \right).$$

#### **Theorem (-R)**

*An analogous classification result holds for graph manifolds.*

## IV. Heegaard foliations

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- H. Extremal regions

## IV. Heegaard foliations

**Definition** (efficient Heegaard diagram).

A Heegaard diagram  $\mathcal{H}$  for  $M$  is *efficient* if in its associated presentation for  $\pi_1(M)$ , no proper nontrivial subword of a relator is trivial in  $\pi_1(M)$ .

### Theorem (—R)

*Suppose  $M$  is a prime closed oriented 3-manifold with an efficient Heegaard diagram of genus  $\leq 2$ .*

*Then for any left order  $>_L$  on  $\pi_1(M)$ , one can use  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $>_L$  to build a cooriented taut foliation on  $M$  called a Heegaard foliation.*

### Corollary

*Suppose  $M$  is a prime closed oriented 3-manifold with an efficient Heegaard diagram of genus  $\leq 2$ .*

*If  $\pi_1(M)$  is left-orderable, then  $M$  is not an L-space.*



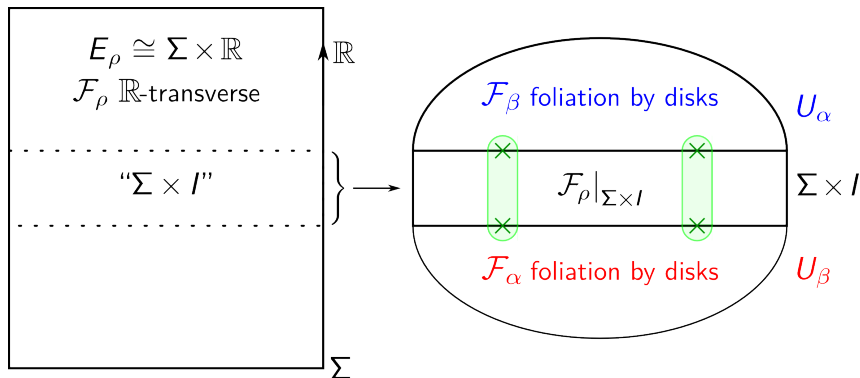
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$$\rho' : \pi_1(M) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R}, \quad \rho(g)(0) < \rho(h)(0) \iff g <_L h.$$

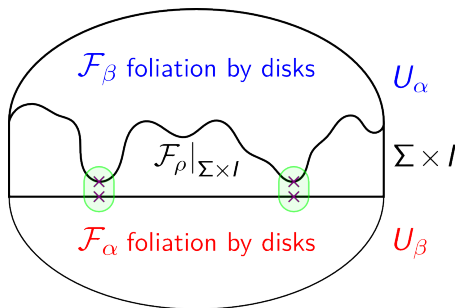
$\mathcal{H} = (\Sigma, \alpha, \beta)$  efficient Heegaard diagram for  $M$ ,

$$\iota : \Sigma \hookrightarrow M = U_\alpha \cup_\Sigma U_\beta.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &:= \rho' \circ \iota_* : \pi_1(\Sigma) \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R} \\ &\rightsquigarrow E_\rho \cong \Sigma \times \mathbb{R}, \mathcal{F}_\rho \text{ with } \text{Hol } \mathcal{F}_\rho = \rho. \end{aligned}$$



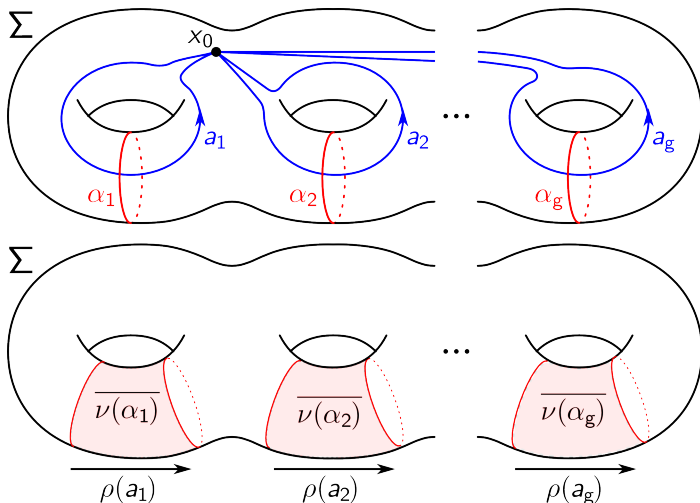
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### Subtleties:

1. The  $\mathbb{R}$ -transverse foliation  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  must admit sections  $\mathcal{F}_{0,\alpha}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{0,\beta}$  that respectively extend to  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{F}_\beta$ .  $\implies$  *Foliation Templates*.
2. Singularities must be contained in special neighborhoods conducive to cancellation.  $\implies$  *Extremal regions*.

# IV. Heegaard foliations.      Foliation templates.      Example

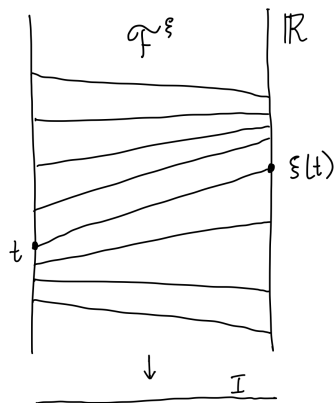


$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_g$  freely homotopic to  
 $\hat{\alpha}_1, \dots, \hat{\alpha}_g \in \ker \rho = \ker [\iota_* : \pi_1(\Sigma) \rightarrow \pi_1(M)]$

**Definition.** To any  $\xi \in \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R}$ , we associate the codim-1, 2-dim *suspension foliation*  $\mathcal{F}^\xi$  on  $I \times \mathbb{R}$ , rel boundary.

$I \times \mathbb{R}$  regarded as mapping cylinder for  $\xi$ .

$\{\text{Leaves of } \mathcal{F}^\xi\} = \{\text{orbits of points under } \xi\}$ .



$$\left[ \mathcal{F}^\xi / (t, 0) \sim (t, 1) \right]$$

=

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{R}\text{-transverse foliation on} \\ \mathbb{R}\text{-bundle over } S' = I / \{0\} \sim \{1\}, \\ w / (\text{Hol } \mathcal{F}^\xi / \sim) : \pi_1(S') \rightarrow \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R}, \\ [I \mapsto S'] \mapsto \xi. \end{array} \right]$$

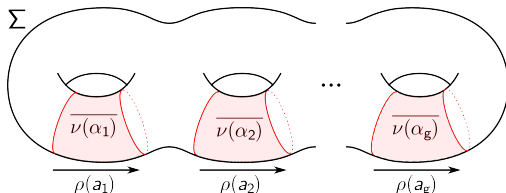
**Definition.** A foliation template  $T = (\varphi, \xi)$  of length  $n$  on  $\Sigma$  is an ordered pair of ordered  $n$ -tuples with respective  $i^{\text{th}}$  entries

(i) *template charts*  $\varphi_i : S^1 \times [-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}] \rightarrow A_i \subset \Sigma$

determining the  $i^{\text{th}}$  *template triple*  $(A_i, \mu_i, \eta_i)$ :

- *template pinched annulus*  $A_i \subset \Sigma$  (pairwise disjoint interiors),
- *template curve*  $\mu_i = \text{core}(\overset{\circ}{A}_i)$ ,
- *local coorientation*  $\eta_i : I \rightarrow \Sigma$ , coorientation for  $\mu_i$ ;

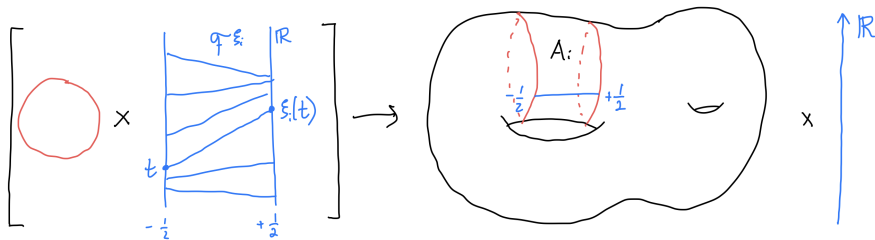
(ii) *local holonomy*  $\xi_i \in \text{Homeo}_+ \mathbb{R}$ .



$$\text{im}(\varphi_i) = A_i = \overline{\nu(\alpha_i)}, \quad \mu_i = \alpha_i, \quad \eta_i \sim a_i; \quad \xi_i = \rho(a_i)$$

# IV. Heegaard foliations.      Foliation templates.      $T$ -foliations

**Definition.** Given  $T = (\varphi, \xi)$  with triple  $(\mathbf{A}, \mu, \eta)$ , (recall  $A_i = \overline{\nu}(\mu_i)$ ), define the  $i$ th suspension foliation of  $T$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_T^i$ , on  $A_i \times \mathbb{R}$  by associating the foliation  $S^1 \times \mathcal{F}^{\xi_i}$  to  $A_i \times \mathbb{R}$  via  $\varphi_i : S^1 \times [-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}] \rightarrow A_i \subset \Sigma$ .



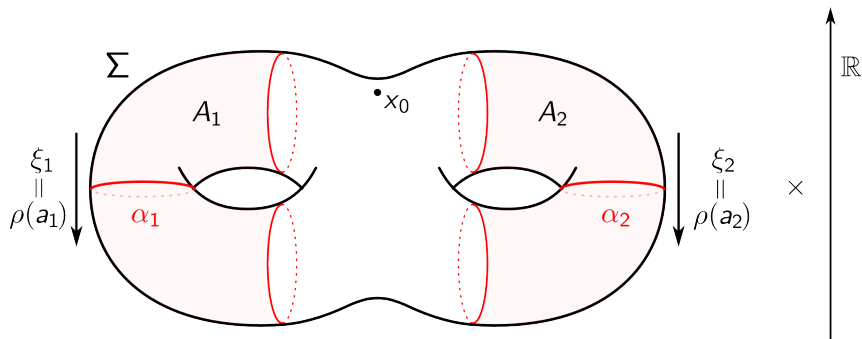
**Definition.** The global  $T$ -foliation  $\mathcal{F}_T$  is then given by

$$\mathcal{F}_T := (\coprod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{F}_T^i) \cup \mathcal{F}_{\widehat{\Sigma} \times \mathbb{R}}^{\text{prod}} \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma \times \mathbb{R},$$

for  $\widehat{\Sigma} := \Sigma \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^n \overset{\circ}{A}_i$

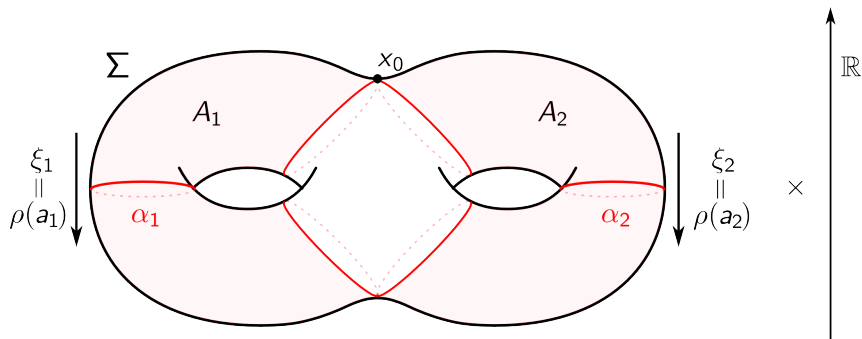
and  $\mathcal{F}_{\widehat{\Sigma} \times \mathbb{R}}^{\text{prod}}$  the product foliation on  $\widehat{\Sigma} \times \mathbb{R}$  by  $\widehat{\Sigma} \times \{\text{pt}\}$ .

$T_\alpha := (\varphi, \xi)$  with triple  $(\mathbf{A}, \alpha, \eta)$ .    (so  $A_i = \overline{\nu}(\alpha_i)$ ).



$$\langle a_1, a_2 \rangle / \ker \rho = \pi_1(\Sigma) / \ker \rho \implies \mathcal{F}_{T_\alpha} = \mathcal{F}_\rho.$$

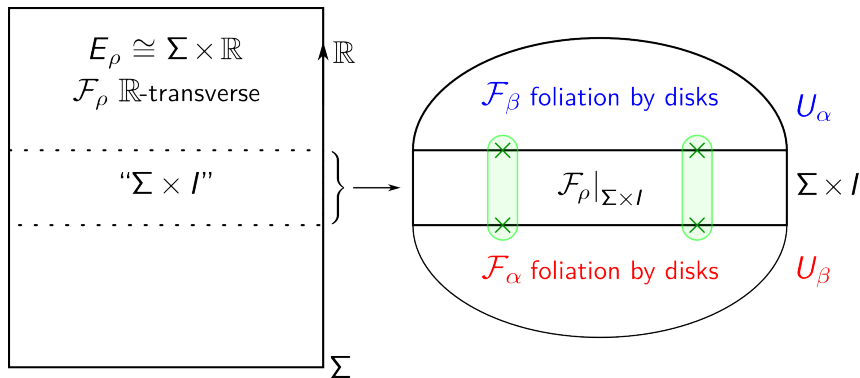
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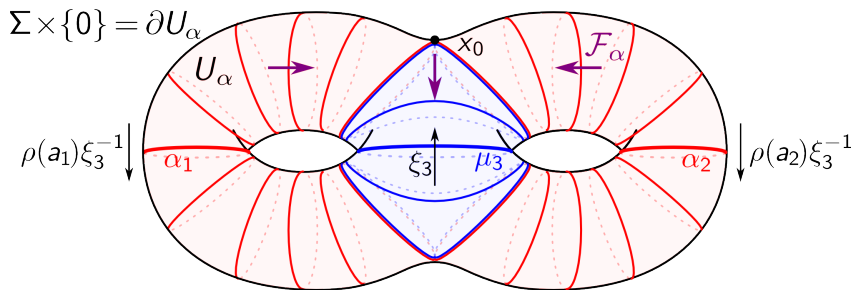
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$$\mathcal{F}_\alpha|_{\partial U_\alpha} := \mathcal{F}_{T'_\alpha}|_{\Sigma \times \{0\}} = \text{"}\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,0}\text{"}.$$

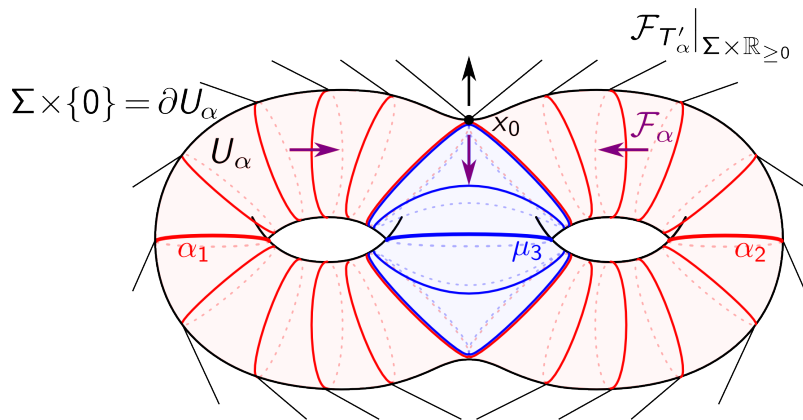


$$a_1, a_2 >_{\mathbb{L}} 1 \implies \rho(a_1)(0), \rho(a_2)(0) > 0,$$

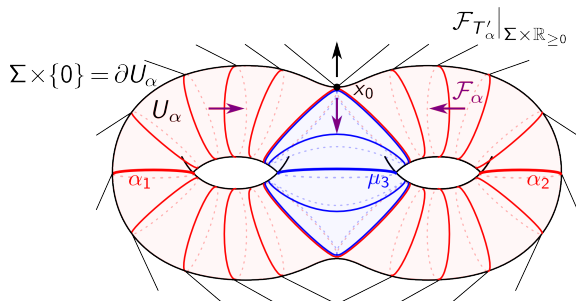
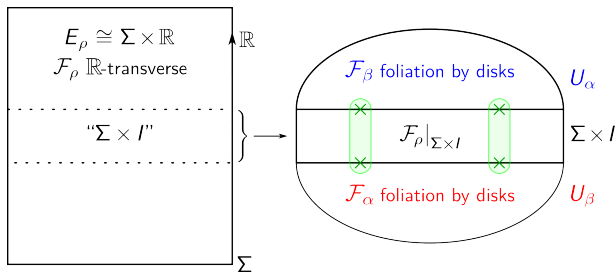
$$\xi_3 : t \mapsto t + \varepsilon \implies \xi_3(0) > 0,$$

$$\text{Coorientation of } \mathcal{F}_\alpha = \eta_i^{-1} = -(\text{Coorientation of } \mu_i).$$

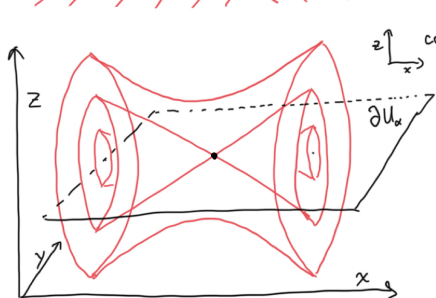
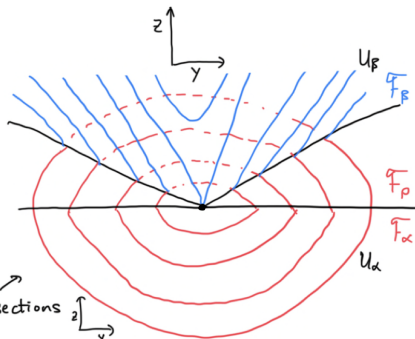
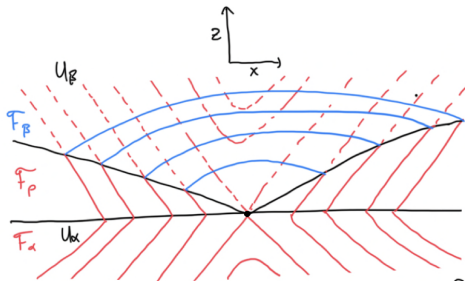
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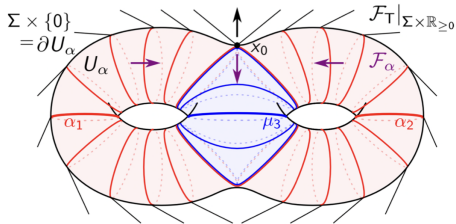
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# IV. Heegaard foliations. Singularity cancellation

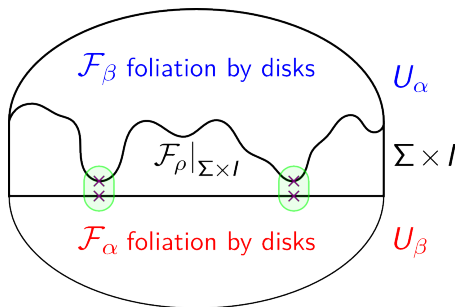


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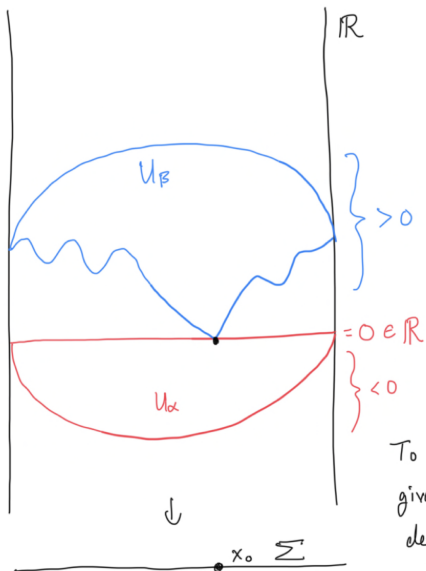
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Recall:

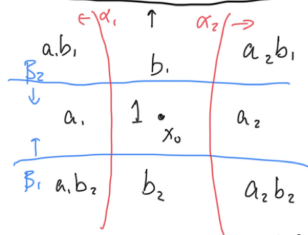
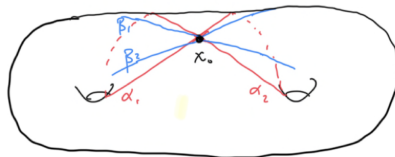


2. Singularities must be contained in special neighborhoods conducive to cancellation.  $\implies$  *Extremal regions*.

# IV. Heegaard foliations. Extremal regions



$$\mathcal{H} = (\Sigma, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{\beta}, x_0)$$



To each region  $r$ , assign  $g(r) \in \pi_1(M)$ , given by the homotopy class of the knot determined by  $x_0 + a$  pt in  $r$ . Then

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{height of center of } r \\ \text{in } \partial U_\beta \end{array} \right] = \varphi(g(r)).$$

## IV. Heegaard foliations

### Definition (Heegaard foliation)

We call the cooriented taut foliation we have just now constructed a *Heegaard foliation*.

### Theorem (—R)

*Suppose  $M$  is a prime closed oriented 3-manifold with an efficient Heegaard diagram of genus  $\leq 2$ . Then for any left order  $>_L$  on  $\pi_1(M)$ , one can use  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $>_L$  to build a Heegaard foliation on  $M$ .*

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Thanks!