

## HOLOMORPHIC SECTIONS OF A HOLOMORPHIC FAMILY OF RIEMANN SURFACES INDUCED BY A CERTAIN KODAIRA SURFACE

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### Abstract

In this paper we will consider a holomorphic family of closed Riemann surfaces of genus two which is constructed by Riera. The goal of this paper is to estimate the number of holomorphic sections of this family.

### 1. Introduction

**1.1. Holomorphic family of Riemann surfaces and its sections.** Let  $M$  be a two-dimensional complex manifold and  $B$  be a Riemann surface. We assume that a proper holomorphic mapping  $\pi : M \rightarrow B$  satisfies the following two conditions:

- (i) The Jacobi matrix of  $\pi$  has rank one at every point of  $M$ .
- (ii) The fiber  $S_b = \pi^{-1}(b)$  over each point  $b$  of  $B$  is a closed Riemann surface of genus  $g_0$ .

We call such a triple  $(M, \pi, B)$  a *holomorphic family of closed Riemann surfaces* of genus  $g_0$  over  $B$ .

A holomorphic mapping  $s : B \rightarrow M$  is said to be a *holomorphic section* of a holomorphic family  $(M, \pi, B)$  of Riemann surfaces if  $\pi \circ s$  is the identity mapping on  $B$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the set of all holomorphic sections of  $(M, \pi, B)$ . Denote by  $\#\mathcal{S}$  the number of all holomorphic sections of  $\mathcal{S}$ . Next result is called Mordell conjecture in the functional field case.

**THEOREM 1.1** (Manin [13], Grauert [5], Imayoshi and Shiga [8], Noguchi [14]). *The number of all holomorphic sections of  $\mathcal{S}$  is finite.*

We remark that Shioda [17] has discussed holomorphic sections of a rational elliptic surface  $(S, f, \mathbf{P}^1)$  by using and developing his theory of Mordell-Weil lattice.

Hence next it is important to estimate  $\#\mathcal{S}$  for  $(M, \pi, B)$ .

**1.2. Kodaira surfaces.** Kodaira constructed a holomorphic family  $(M, \pi, B)$  whose base surface and fiber are both compact Riemann surfaces. We briefly review its construction (c.f. Atiyah [1], Kas [10], Kodaira [12]).

Let  $(C, \tau)$  be a compact Riemann surface of genus  $g_0 \geq 2$  with fixed point free involution  $\tau : C \rightarrow C$ . Let  $f : D \rightarrow C$  be a  $(\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^{2g_0}$ -unbranched covering corresponding to

$$\pi_1(C) \rightarrow H_1(C, \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow H_1(C, \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}).$$

The genus of  $D$  is  $g_1 = 2^{2g_0}(g_0 - 1) + 1$ .

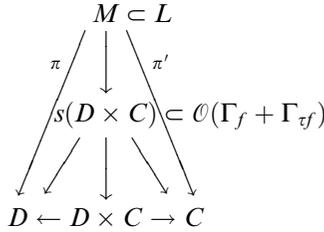
We consider the product  $D \times C$  and the graphs of  $f$  and  $\tau \circ f$ ,

$$\Gamma_f = \{(u, f(u)) \in D \times C \mid u \in D\},$$

$$\Gamma_{\tau f} = \{(u, \tau \circ f(u)) \in D \times C \mid u \in D\}.$$

As  $\tau$  is fixed point free,  $\Gamma_f \cap \Gamma_{\tau f} = \emptyset$  in  $D \times C$ . Because  $\Gamma_f + \Gamma_{\tau f}$  is 2-divisible in  $H_2(D \times C, \mathbf{Z})$ , we can find a square root  $L$  of the holomorphic line bundle  $\mathcal{O}(\Gamma_f + \Gamma_{\tau f})$ , i.e.,  $L^{\otimes 2} \cong \mathcal{O}(\Gamma_f + \Gamma_{\tau f})$ .

Let  $s$  be a section of  $\mathcal{O}(\Gamma_f + \Gamma_{\tau f})$  vanishing at  $\Gamma_f + \Gamma_{\tau f}$ , and  $M$  be the inverse image of  $s(D \times C)$  under the square mapping  $L \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\Gamma_f + \Gamma_{\tau f})$ . Then the natural mapping  $\pi : M \rightarrow D$  induces the following diagram.



Therefore  $(M, \pi, D)$  is a holomorphic family whose fiber  $\pi^{-1}(u)$  is a two-sheeted branched covering of  $C \cong \{u\} \times C$  in  $D \times C$  branched at  $(u, f(u))$  and  $(u, \tau \circ f(u))$ .

**1.3. Estimation of  $\#\mathcal{S}$  for Kodaira surface  $(M, \pi, D)$ .** For a Kodaira surface, we have an explicit estimation of  $\#\mathcal{S}$  as follows.

First of all, a Kodaira surface has “trivial” sections  $s_f$  and  $s_{\tau \circ f}$  defined by  $s_f(u)$  and  $s_{\tau \circ f}(u)$ , where  $s_f(u)$  is the branched point of  $\pi^{-1}(u)$  over  $(u, f(u))$  and  $s_{\tau \circ f}(u)$  is the branched point of  $\pi^{-1}(u)$  over  $(u, \tau \circ f(u))$ . Therefore

$$\#\mathcal{S} \geq 2.$$

Next, we estimate  $\#\mathcal{S}$  from above by considering the canonical mapping  $\mathcal{S}$  to the set  $\text{Hol}(D, C)$  of all holomorphic mappings from  $D$  to  $C$ ,

$$\Phi : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \text{Hol}(D, C)$$

$$s \mapsto \pi' \circ s.$$

Since the involution  $\tau : C \rightarrow C$  induces the covering transformation of  $M \rightarrow D \times C$ ,  $\Phi$  is 2 to 1 except for  $s_f$  and  $s_{\tau \circ f}$ .

Thus we have

$$\#\mathcal{S} = 2\#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) - 2.$$

We denote the set of all non-constant holomorphic mappings from  $D$  to  $C$  by  $\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C)$ . Then the next claim is a key idea. (See Proposition 3.1)

PROPOSITION 1.1.  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C)$ .

It is well known that  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C)$  is finite, for example, Tanabe [18] gave an explicit estimation of  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C)$ ,

$$\#\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C) \leq (4g_1 - 3)^{2g_1} \times 6(g_1 - 1),$$

where  $g_1$  is the genus of  $D$ . Since  $g_1 = 2^{2g_0}(g_0 - 1) + 1$ , we have

$$\#\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C) \leq \{2^{2g_0+2}(g_0 - 1) + 1\}^{2^{2g_0+1}(g_0-1)+2} \times 3 \cdot 2^{2g_0+1}(g_0 - 1).$$

Therefore we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.2. *The number  $\#\mathcal{S}$  of holomorphic sections can be estimated as follows.*

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \leq \#\mathcal{S} &= 2\#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) - 2 \\ &\leq 2\#\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(D, C) - 2 \\ &\leq \{2^{2g_0+2}(g_0 - 1) + 1\}^{2^{2g_0+1}(g_0-1)+2} \times 3 \cdot 2^{2g_0+2}(g_0 - 1) - 2. \end{aligned}$$

**1.4. A certain Kodaira surface due to Riera.** In [15], Riera gave a holomorphic universal covering  $\mathcal{D}$  of a Kodaira surface. In particular,  $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  is a Bergman domain and there exist discontinuous subgroups  $E$  and  $\dot{E}$  of  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{D})$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{C}^2 & & \\ \downarrow & & \\ \mathcal{D}/E \cong M & & \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow & & \\ \mathcal{D}/\dot{E} \cong D \times C & & \end{array}$$

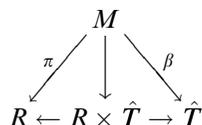
Moreover, he gave a “kind” of Kodaira surface whose base surface is a forth-punctured torus and fiber is a closed Riemann surface of genus two. This is our subject in this paper. We remark that for a Kodaira surface, the genus of the base surface must be greater than one (Kas [10], Theorem 1.1). We will estimate  $\#\mathcal{S}$  for this surface. The detail construction will be reviewed in §2. Here we explain his idea concisely to show it is a “certain” Kodaira surface.

Let  $(\hat{T}, 0)$  be a flat torus with the marked point 0 and let  $\hat{\rho} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  be a  $(\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^2$ -unbranched covering corresponding to

$$\pi_1(\hat{T}) \rightarrow H_1(\hat{T}, \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow H_1(\hat{T}, \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}).$$

We also consider the constant mapping  $0 : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}, r \mapsto 0$ . Since two graphs  $\Gamma_{\hat{\rho}}$  of  $\hat{\rho}$  and  $\Gamma_0$  of 0 intersect at four points in  $\hat{R} \times \hat{T}$ , we can take  $R = \hat{R} \setminus \hat{\rho}^{-1}(0)$  and  $\rho = \hat{\rho}|_R$ , and consider  $\Gamma_\rho$  and  $\Gamma_0$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$  where  $\Gamma_\rho$  and  $\Gamma_0$  do not intersect.

Riera constructed a two-sheeted covering  $M \rightarrow R \times \hat{T} \setminus (\Gamma_\rho + \Gamma_0)$  which induces the next diagram.



Then  $(M, \pi, R)$  is a holomorphic family whose fiber  $\pi^{-1}(r)$  is a two-sheeted branched covering of  $\hat{T} \cong \{r\} \times \hat{T}$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$  branched at  $(r, 0)$  and  $(r, \rho(r))$ .

**1.5. Estimation of  $\#\mathcal{S}$  for Riera’s example  $(M, \pi, D)$ .** For the estimation of  $\#\mathcal{S}$ , we make the following strategy which is the same as in §1.2. We have “trivial” sections  $s_\rho$  and  $s_0$  coming from  $\rho$  and  $0 : R \rightarrow \hat{T}$ , hence

$$\#\mathcal{S} \geq 2.$$

Also we have the natural mapping

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi : \mathcal{S} &\rightarrow \text{Hol}(R, \hat{T}) \\
 s &\mapsto \beta \circ s
 \end{aligned}$$

and the equality  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2\#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) - 2$ . Moreover, we will prove in §3.1 the following:

PROPOSITION 3.1.  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{0\} \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(R, \hat{T})$ .

But we can not go further because  $\hat{T}$  is not hyperbolic,

$$\#\text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(R, \hat{T}) = \infty,$$

hence the explicit estimation of  $\#\mathcal{S}$  does not come from the idea in §1.3.

So we need another idea. First we show the following key theorem.

THEOREM 3.1. *For any  $g \in \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{\rho, 0\}$ , the mapping  $g$  has a holomorphic extension  $\hat{g} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$ .*

As a consequence, we show in §3.1 that

PROPOSITION 3.2. *For any  $g \in \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{\rho, 0\}$ , the mapping  $g$  satisfies  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_\rho = \emptyset$  and  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_0 = \emptyset$ .*

Let us denote by  $\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$  the set of all non-constant holomorphic mappings  $g: R \rightarrow \hat{T}$  which extend to the mappings  $\hat{g}: \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  and satisfy  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_\rho = \emptyset$  and  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_0 = \emptyset$ .

Then Proposition 3.2 implies that  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) \cup \{\rho, 0\}$ . Now we set  $\tau_1 = i$ ,  $\tau_2 = e^{2\pi i/3}$  and put  $\hat{T}_j = \mathbf{C}_z / \Gamma_{1, \tau_j}$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ). The main result of this paper is as follows.

**MAIN THEOREM.** *The number  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$  satisfies the equality*

(a)  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) = 4$ , if  $\hat{T} \not\cong \hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2$ .

Moreover,

(b)  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}_j) = 12$  for  $j = 1, 2$ .

Since  $\{\rho, 0\} \subset \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) \cup \{\rho, 0\}$ , we have the following:

**COROLLARY 3.1.**

(a)  $2 \leq \#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \leq 6$ , if  $\hat{T} \not\cong \hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2$ .

(b)  $2 \leq \#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \leq 14$ , if  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_1$  or  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_2$ .

Since  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2\#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) - 2$ , we can estimate  $\#\mathcal{S}$  as

**COROLLARY 3.2.** *The number  $\#\mathcal{S}$  of holomorphic sections can be estimated as follows.*

(a)  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2, 4, \dots, 8$ , or  $10$ , if  $\hat{T} \not\cong \hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2$ .

(b)  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2, 4, \dots, 24$ , or  $26$ , if  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_1$  or  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_2$ .

The authors thank the referee for his (or her) hearty comments and advices: The first and the third authors considered  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) = \{\rho, 0\}$  in the first version of this paper. That is, Riera's example  $(M, \pi, R)$  has exactly two holomorphic sections. In the referee comments, he (or she) suggested them to reconsider the complex structure on  $M$  carefully. After discussing with the second author, finally they had an idea to consider  $\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$  and proved that  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) \cup \{\rho, 0\}$  and  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) = 4$  in general. But they could not determine whether  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) = \text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) \cup \{\rho, 0\}$  or not, in other words, there is "another" holomorphic section for our case, which is our next problem.

## 2. Construction of a holomorphic family due to Riera

In [15], Riera explained how to construct the holomorphic universal covering of a Kodaira surface whose fibers are branched over hyperbolic Riemann surfaces.

Since we consider a certain Kodaira surface whose fibers are branched over flat tori, we must modify his construction as follows.

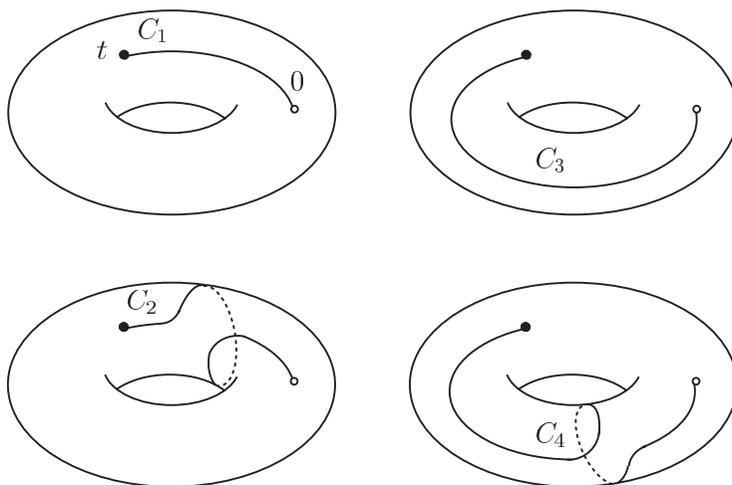


FIGURE 1. Four cuts on  $T$

**2.1. Fiber as a two-sheeted branched covering surface of  $\hat{T}$ .** Take a point  $\tau$  in the upper half-plane  $\mathbf{H}$ . Let  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}$  be the discrete subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{C}_w)$  generated by  $w \mapsto w + 1$ ,  $w \mapsto w + \tau$ . Let  $\alpha_1 : \mathbf{C}_w \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_w/\Gamma_{1,\tau}$  be the canonical projection. We denote the pair  $(\mathbf{C}_w/\Gamma_{1,\tau}, \alpha_1(0))$  by  $(\hat{T}, 0)$  and set  $T = \hat{T} \setminus \{0\}$ .

For any point  $t \in T$ , we cut  $\hat{T}$  along a simple curve from 0 to  $t$ . Next we take two replicas of the torus  $\hat{T}$  with the cut and call them sheet I and sheet II. The cut on each sheet has two sides, which are labeled + side and - side. We attach the + side of the cut on I to the - side of the cut on II, and attach the - side of the cut on I to the + side of the cut on II. Now we obtain a closed Riemann surface  $S_t$  of genus two, which is the two-sheeted branched covering surface  $S_t \rightarrow \hat{T}$  branched over 0 and  $t$ .

Note that the complex structure on  $S_t$  depends not only on the point  $t$  but also on the cut locus from 0 to  $t$ . Essentially there are four cuts as in Figure 1 which determine different complex structures on  $S_t$ .

Hence we can not construct a family whose fibers are  $S_t$  over  $T$ . To solve this problem, let  $\Gamma_{2,2\tau}$  be the discrete subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{C}_z)$  generated by  $z \mapsto z + 2$ ,  $z \mapsto z + 2\tau$ . Let  $\alpha_2 : \mathbf{C}_z \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_z/\Gamma_{2,2\tau}$  be the canonical projection and denote the pair  $(\mathbf{C}_z/\Gamma_{2,2\tau}, \alpha_2(0))$  by  $(\hat{R}, 0)$ .

Define  $\tilde{\rho} : \mathbf{C}_z \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_w$  by  $\tilde{\rho}(z) = z$ . Then  $\tilde{\rho}$  induces a  $(\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^2$ -unbranched covering  $\hat{\rho} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  which corresponds to

$$1 \rightarrow \hat{\rho}(\pi_1(\hat{R})) \rightarrow \pi_1(\hat{T}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^2 \rightarrow 1.$$

Set  $R = \hat{R} \setminus \hat{\rho}^{-1}(0)$  and  $\rho = \hat{\rho}|_R$ . For any point  $r \in R$ , we take a simple curve  $\tilde{C}$  from 0 to  $r$  such that  $\hat{\rho}(\tilde{C})$  is a cut from 0 to  $\hat{\rho}(r)$ . By using this cut, we construct a two-sheeted covering  $S_r := S_{\rho(r)} \rightarrow \hat{T}$ . Now  $S_r$  is uniquely deter-

mined by  $r \in R$  not depending on the cut  $\tilde{C}$ . Hence we have a family whose fibers are  $S_r$  over  $R$  as a set.

Next we introduce a complex structure in this family.

**2.2. Quasi-conformal deformation.** We fix a point  $r_0 \in R$  and a simple arc from 0 to  $r_0$  in  $R$ . The image of this under  $\rho$  is a curve  $C$  on  $\hat{T}$  from 0 to  $\rho(r_0)$ . Cutting  $\hat{T}$  along  $C$ , we have a closed Riemann surface  $S_{r_0}$  of genus two. We realize this two-sheeted branched covering  $S_{r_0} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  in terms of Fuchsian groups as follows.

We choose a Fuchsian group  $\dot{G} \subset PSL(2, \mathbf{R})$  which satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) there exist two elliptic elements  $\dot{g}_1$  and  $\dot{g}_2$  in  $\dot{G}$  such that each  $g_j$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) has the fixed point  $z_j$  in  $\mathbf{H}$ ,
- (ii)  $\mathbf{H}/\dot{G}$  is biholomorphically equivalent to  $\hat{T}$ ,
- (iii) The canonical projection  $\mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{H}/\dot{G}$  sends  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  to 0 and  $\rho(r_0)$  under a biholomorphical mapping from  $\mathbf{H}/\dot{G}$  to  $\hat{T}$ , respectively.

Then we can find an index 2 normal subgroup  $G_1$  of  $\dot{G}$  such that  $\mathbf{H}/G_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{H}/\dot{G}$  realizes  $S_{r_0} \rightarrow \hat{T}$ . From the definition of  $\alpha_2, \tilde{\rho} : \mathbf{C}_z \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_w$  defined by  $\tilde{\rho}(z) = z$  is a lift of  $\hat{\rho} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  to the universal coverings  $\mathbf{C}_z$  of  $\hat{R}$  and  $\mathbf{C}_w$  of  $\hat{T}$ , and let  $\tilde{r}_0$  be a point  $r_0 = \alpha_2(\tilde{r}_0)$ .

Let  $V : \mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_w$  be the mapping with  $V(z_1) = 0$  which makes the next diagram commutative. Then  $V$  becomes a two-sheeted branched covering with  $V(\dot{G}z_1) = \Gamma_{1,\tau}0$  and  $V(\dot{G}z_2) = \Gamma_{1,\tau}\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}_0)$ , where  $\dot{G}z_j$  is the orbit under  $\dot{G}$  of  $z_j$ , and  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}_0)$  and  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}0$  are the orbits under  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}$  of  $\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}_0)$  for  $\tilde{r}_0 \in \mathbf{C}_z$  and 0, respectively.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{H} & \xrightarrow{V} & \mathbf{C}_w \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbf{H}/\dot{G} & \longrightarrow & \hat{T} \end{array}$$

We construct for  $z \in \mathbf{C}_z$ , a quasi-conformal mapping  $\omega_z : \mathbf{C}_w \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_w$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $\omega_z(\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}_0)) = \tilde{\rho}(z)$ ,
- (ii)  $\omega_z \circ g \circ \omega_z^{-1} = g$  for all  $g \in \Gamma_{1,\tau}$ ,

In order to construct such a quasi-conformal mapping  $\omega_z$ , we make the following observations:

First, let  $\gamma(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  be a path from  $\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}_0)$  to  $\tilde{\rho}(z)$  in  $\mathbf{C}_w$  which contains no points of  $L(1, \tau) = \{m + n\tau \in \mathbf{C} \mid m, n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$ . For each  $t$ , there exists a Dirichlet fundamental region  $D_t$  for  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}$  centered at  $\gamma(t)$ . Choose an Euclidean disk  $B_t$  centered at  $\gamma(t)$  sufficiently small that the closure  $\bar{B}_t$  is contained in  $D_t$  and has no points of  $L(1, \tau)$ . Moreover we take a finite covering of  $\gamma$ , say  $B_{t_1}, \dots, B_{t_{n+1}}$ , such that  $\gamma(t_1) = \tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}_0)$  and  $\gamma(t_{n+1}) = \tilde{\rho}(z)$  and  $\gamma(t_{j+1}) \in B_{t_{j+1}}$ .

Next, we set

$$\omega_j(\zeta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\zeta + \gamma(t_{j+1}) - 2\gamma(t_j)}{1 + \frac{1}{r_j^2}(\gamma(t_{j+1}) - \gamma(t_j))(\bar{\zeta} - \overline{\gamma(t_j)})} + \gamma(t_j), & \text{on } B_{t_j} \\ \zeta, & \text{on } \overline{D_{t_j} \setminus B_{t_j}}. \end{cases}$$

where  $r_j$  is the radius of  $B_{t_j}$ . Moreover put  $\omega_j = g \circ \omega_j \circ g^{-1}$  on  $g(D_{t_j})$  for all  $g \in \Gamma_{1,\tau}$ .

A simple calculation shows that  $\omega_j : \mathbf{C}_w \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_w$  is a quasi-conformal mapping with the Beltrami coefficient

$$\tau_j(\zeta) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{r_j^2}(\gamma(t_{j+1}) - \gamma(t_j))(\omega_j(\zeta) - \gamma(t_j)), & \text{on } B_{t_j} \\ 0, & \text{on } \overline{D_{t_j} \setminus B_{t_j}}. \end{cases}$$

We remark that  $|\gamma(t_{j+1}) - \gamma(t_j)| < r_j$  and  $|\omega_j(\zeta) - \gamma(t_j)| < r_j$  imply  $\|\tau_j\|_\infty < 1$ .

Finally, we set  $\omega_z = \omega_n \circ \omega_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ \omega_1$ . By the construction of each  $\omega_j$ , we see that  $\omega_z$  satisfies the conditions (i) and (ii). Hence we have the desired quasi-conformal mapping  $\omega_z$ .

**2.3. Construction of  $\mathcal{D}$ .** For  $z \in \mathbf{C}_z$ , we put

$$\mu_z(\zeta) = \tau_z(V(\zeta)) \frac{\overline{V'(\zeta)}}{V'(\zeta)},$$

then  $\mu_z$  is the Beltrami coefficient for  $\hat{G}$ . We define  $W_{\mu_z}$  as a unique quasi-conformal mapping of  $\mathbf{H}$  which has the complex dilatation  $\mu_z$  and leaves 0, 1, and  $\infty$  fixed, respectively. Set

$$(2.1) \quad \hat{\mu}_z(\zeta) = \begin{cases} \mu_z(\zeta), & \zeta \in \mathbf{H} \\ 0, & \zeta \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \mathbf{H} \end{cases}$$

Then there exists a unique quasi-conformal mapping  $W^{\mu_z}$  of  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}$  which has the complex dilatation  $\hat{\mu}_z$  and leaves 0, 1, and  $\infty$  fixed, respectively. Now put  $D(\mu_z) = W^{\mu_z}(\mathbf{H})$ . Then we have the following commutative diagrams:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{H} & \xrightarrow{W_{\mu_z}} & \mathbf{H} & \xrightarrow{W^{\mu_z}} & D(\mu_z) \\ V \downarrow & & V \downarrow & & V \downarrow \\ \mathbf{C} & \xrightarrow{\omega_z} & \mathbf{C} & \xrightarrow{\omega_z} & \mathbf{C} \end{array}$$

where  $V_z = \omega_z \circ V \circ (W_{\mu_z})^{-1}$  and  $V^z = \omega_z \circ V \circ (W^{\mu_z})^{-1}$  are branched coverings branched over the orbits  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}W$  and  $\Gamma_{1,\tau}0$ .

Since  $\mu_z$  depends holomorphically on  $z$ , it is known that  $W^{\mu_z}$  also depends holomorphically on  $z$ . Thus we set

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(z, \zeta) \mid z \in \mathbf{H}, \zeta \in D(\mu_z)\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{D}$  becomes a domain in  $\mathbf{C}^2$ , so called a Bergman domain.

**2.4. Construction of  $E$ .** Next we construct a subgroup  $E$  of automorphisms of  $\mathcal{D}$  which acts properly discontinuously without fixed points.

Let  $H$  be the covering transformation group of a four punctured torus  $R$ , that is  $R = \mathbf{H}/H$ . Denote by  $\text{mod}(G_1)$  the set of all equivalence classes  $\langle \omega \rangle$  of quasi-conformal mapping  $\omega : \mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{H}$  with  $\omega G_1 \omega^{-1} = G_1$ , where two quasi-conformal mappings  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are said to be equivalent if  $\omega_1 = \omega_2$  on  $\mathbf{R}$ . Then there exists a homomorphism  $\delta : H \rightarrow \text{mod}(G_1)$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad W_{\mu_{h(z)}} = \alpha \circ W_{\mu_z} \circ \delta(h)^{-1} \quad (z \in \mathbf{H}, h \in H)$$

where  $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{H})$  is chosen so that  $\alpha \circ W_{\mu_z} \circ \delta(h)^{-1}$  fixes each of  $0, 1$ , and  $\infty$ .

It should be remarked that we have a homomorphism  $\theta_2 : H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(G_1)$  given by  $\theta_2(h)(g) = \delta(h) \circ g \circ \delta(h)^{-1}$ . By using this homomorphism, we define  $E$  to be the semidirect product of  $H$  and  $G_1$ . In order to define the action of  $E$  on  $\mathcal{D}$ , we make the following observations:

First, we need the following result.

**PROPOSITION 2.1** (Bers [2], Lemma 3.1). *Let  $[\mu] \in T(G)$  and  $\langle \omega \rangle \in \text{mod}(G)$ . Define a quasi-conformal mapping  $W_\nu$  by the formula*

$$W_\nu = \alpha \circ W_\mu \circ \omega^{-1},$$

where  $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $\alpha \circ W_\mu \circ \omega^{-1}$  fixes each of  $0, 1$ , and  $\infty$ . Then the mapping  $\zeta \mapsto \hat{\zeta}$  given by

$$\hat{\zeta} = W^\nu \circ \omega \circ (W^\mu)^{-1}(\zeta)$$

is a conformal bijection from  $D(\mu)$  onto  $D(\nu)$ .

Moreover if  $[\mu]$  varies holomorphically according to a parameter, so does  $\hat{\zeta}$  for a fixed value of  $\zeta$ .

By (2.2) and Proposition 2.1, the mapping

$$\hat{\zeta} = W^{\mu_{h(z)}} \circ \delta(h) \circ (W^{\mu_z})^{-1}(\zeta)$$

is a conformal bijection from  $D(\mu_z)$  onto  $D(\mu_{h(z)})$ . It follows from the second part of Proposition 2.1 that  $\hat{\zeta}$  depends holomorphically on  $z$ .

Thus we define the action of  $E$  on  $\mathcal{D}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} (h, g_1)(z, \zeta) &= (h(z), W^{\mu_{h(z)}} \circ g_1 \circ (W^{\mu_{h(z)}})^{-1}(\hat{\zeta})) \\ &= (h(z), W^{\mu_{h(z)}} \circ g_1 \circ \delta(h) \circ (W^{\mu_z})^{-1}(\zeta)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $(z, \zeta) \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $(h, g_1) \in H \times G_1$ . We can check this is a group action.

Let  $F(G_1)$  be the Bers fiber space over the Teichmüller space  $T(G_1)$  defined by  $F(G_1) = \{([\mu_z], \zeta) \mid [\mu_z] \in T(G_1), \zeta \in D(\mu_z)\}$ . Every element  $\langle \omega \rangle$  of  $\text{mod}(G_1)$  acts on  $F(G_1)$  by

$$([\mu_z], \zeta) \mapsto ([v_z], W^{v_z} \circ \omega \circ (W^{\mu_z})^{-1}(\zeta)).$$

We set

$$A = \{(z, ([\mu_z], \zeta)) \mid z \in \mathbf{H}, ([\mu_z], \zeta) \in F(G_1)\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{D}$  is identified with  $A$  under the mapping

$$(z, \zeta) \mapsto (z, ([\mu_z], \zeta)),$$

and the action of  $E$  on  $A \cong \mathcal{D}$  can be written as

$$(h, g_1)(z, ([\mu_z], \zeta)) = (h(z), g_1 \circ \delta(h)([\mu_z], \zeta)),$$

where  $g_1 \circ \delta(h)$  is an element of  $\text{mod}(G_1)$ .

**THEOREM 2.1** (Bers [2], Theorem 7). *If  $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} T(G) < \infty$ , then  $\text{mod}(G)$  acts properly discontinuously on  $F(G)$ .*

Hence  $E$  acts properly discontinuously on  $\mathcal{D}$  as  $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} T(G_1) = 3$ . Moreover the action of  $E$  on  $\mathcal{D}$  is fixed point free since  $H$  and  $G_1$  are fixed point free.

**2.5. Holomorphic family  $(M, \pi, R)$ .** The quotient space  $\mathcal{D}/E$  becomes a 2-dimensional complex manifold. We set  $M = \mathcal{D}/E$ .

The group  $\hat{E} = H \times \hat{G}$  also acts on  $\mathcal{D}$  and the quotient space  $\mathcal{D}/\hat{E}$  is biholomorphically equivalent to  $R \times \hat{T}$ . Therefore we have a two-sheeted branched covering  $\Pi : M \rightarrow R \times \hat{T}$  branched over two graphs  $\Gamma_0$  and  $\Gamma_\rho$ .

We define  $\pi$  to be the composite  $P_R \circ \Pi$  of the covering mapping  $\Pi$  and the projection  $P_R : R \times \hat{T} \rightarrow R$ , and  $\beta$  to be  $P_{\hat{T}} \circ \Pi$ , where  $P_{\hat{T}} : R \times \hat{T} \rightarrow \hat{T}$ . Then the triple  $(M, \pi, R)$  is a holomorphic family such that for any point  $r \in R$ ,  $\beta|_{S_r} : S_r = \pi^{-1}(r) \rightarrow \hat{T}$  is a two-sheeted branched covering.

**3. Proof of Main Theorem**

Let us recall  $\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$  is the set of all holomorphic mappings  $g : R \rightarrow \hat{T}$  which extend to the mappings  $\hat{g} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  and satisfy  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_\rho = \emptyset$  and  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_0 = \emptyset$ . Set  $\tau_1 = i$ ,  $\tau_2 = e^{2\pi i/3}$  and put  $\hat{T}_j = \mathbf{C}_z/\Gamma_{1, \tau_j}$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ .

**MAIN THEOREM.** *The number  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$  satisfies the equality*

(a)  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) = 4$ , if  $\hat{T} \not\cong \hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2$ .

Moreover,

(b)  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}_j) = 12$  for  $j = 1, 2$ .

Since  $\{\rho, 0\} \subset \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) \cup \{\rho, 0\}$ , we have the following:

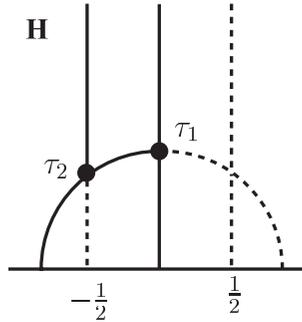


FIGURE 2

COROLLARY 3.1. (a)  $2 \leq \#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \leq 6$ , if  $\hat{T} \not\cong \hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2$ .  
 (b)  $2 \leq \#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \leq 14$ , if  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_1$  or  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_2$ .

Since  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2\#\Phi(\mathcal{S}) - 2$ , we can estimate  $\#\mathcal{S}$  as

COROLLARY 3.2. *The number  $\#\mathcal{S}$  of holomorphic sections can be estimated as follows.*

- (a)  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2, 4, \dots, 8$ , or 10, if  $\hat{T} \not\cong \hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2$ .
- (b)  $\#\mathcal{S} = 2, 4, \dots, 24$ , or 26, if  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_1$  or  $\hat{T} \cong \hat{T}_2$ .

**3.1. Key theorem.**

PROPOSITION 3.1.  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{0\} \subset \text{Hol}_{\text{n.c.}}(R, \hat{T})$ .

*Proof of Proposition 3.1.* Assume there exists a constant mapping  $g \in \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{0\}$  which is written as  $g(r) = c$ , where  $c$  is not equal to 0. Since  $\rho : R \rightarrow T$  is surjective, there exists a point  $r_0$  such that  $\rho(r_0) = c$ , hence  $\hat{\rho}(r_0) = c$ . Since  $\tilde{\rho}(z) = z$  is a lift of  $\hat{\rho}$ , we can find  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}_z \setminus L(1, \tau)$  such that  $\alpha_2(z_0) = r_0$  and

$$(3.1) \quad z_0 = c.$$

For sufficiently small  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) = \{z \in \mathbb{C}_z \mid |z - z_0| < \varepsilon\}$  and  $\Delta(c, \varepsilon) = \{w \in \mathbb{C}_w \mid |w - c| < \varepsilon\}$  can be taken as local charts at  $r_0 \in R$  and  $c \in \hat{T}$ , respectively. Then the graph  $\Gamma_g = \{(r, c) \mid r \in R\}$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$  can be locally written as

$$w = c$$

in  $\Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) \times \Delta(c, \varepsilon)$ . Thus  $M$  is locally represented as

$$u^2 = w - c$$

in  $\mathbf{C}_u \times \Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) \times \Delta(c, \varepsilon)$  (see Wavrik [19], Theorem in Appendix). Take  $\varepsilon' > 0$  with  $\varepsilon' < \varepsilon$ , and set  $z = z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}$ . By using (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} u^2 &= w - c \\ &= z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta} - c \\ &= \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

When  $\theta$  goes from 0 to  $2\pi$ ,  $u = u(\theta)$  becomes two-valued which means that  $s = s(\theta)$  is two-valued. We have a contradiction. ■

**THEOREM 3.1.** *For any  $g \in \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{\rho, 0\}$ , the mapping  $g$  has a holomorphic extension  $\hat{g} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$ .*

*Proof of Theorem 3.1.* First, we use the following theorem about the canonical extension of holomorphic families:

**THEOREM 3.2** (Imayoshi [6], Theorem 4 and Theorem 5). *Let  $(N, \pi, \Delta - \{0\})$  be a holomorphic family of compact Riemann surfaces of genus  $g$  over the punctured disk. If the homotopical monodromy is of infinite order, then  $(N, \pi, \Delta - \{0\})$  can be canonically completed in the holomorphic family  $(\hat{N}, \hat{\pi}, \Delta)$  with a singular fiber over the origin, where  $\hat{N}$  is a two-dimensional normal complex space. Moreover any holomorphic section  $s : \Delta - \{0\} \rightarrow N$  has a unique holomorphic extension  $\hat{s} : \Delta \rightarrow \hat{N}$ .*

To use this result, we need to show the following claim.

**CLAIM 1.** *For any puncture  $p$  of  $R$ , the homotopical monodromy  $\mathcal{M}_p$  of  $(M, \pi, R)$  around  $p$  is of infinite order.*

*Proof.* First, we consider the case where  $p$  is 0. Fix a point  $r_0$  in a neighborhood of 0 in  $R$  and fix  $r_0$ . When a point  $r$  moves from  $r_0$ , and turns around 0 once, and comes back to  $r_0$ , the cut between 0 and  $\rho(r_0)$  on  $T$  as in Figure 3 also turns around 0 once. Thus the curve  $\ell$  on  $T$  as in Figure 3

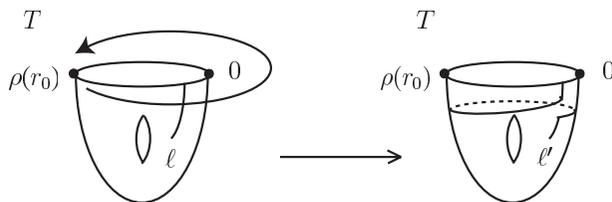


FIGURE 3

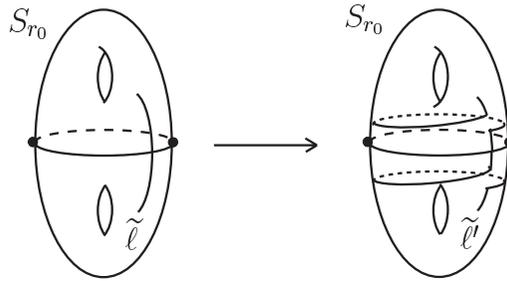


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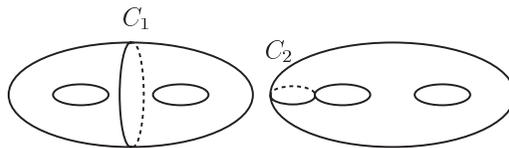


FIGURE 5

changes to  $\ell'$ . When the point  $r$  moves as above, by the construction of the fiber  $S_{r_0}$ , the curve  $\tilde{\ell}$  on  $S_{r_0}$  as in Figure 4 changes to  $\tilde{\ell}'$ .

Hence the monodromy  $\mathcal{M}_0$  is the twice product of a negative Dehn twist about the simple closed curve  $C_1$ , where  $C_1$  is a separating curve as in Figure 5. Therefore  $\mathcal{M}_0$  is of infinite order.

Similarly, for another puncture  $p$  of  $R$  with  $p \neq 0$ , we see that monodromy  $\mathcal{M}_p$  is the twice product of a negative Dehn twist about the simple closed curve  $C_2$ , where  $C_2$  is a non-separating curve as in Figure 5. Therefore  $\mathcal{M}_p$  is of infinite order. ■

By means of Theorem 3.2, we see that our family  $(M, \pi, R)$  can be canonically completed in the degenerated family  $(\hat{M}, \hat{\pi}, \hat{R})$ , where  $\hat{M}$  is a compact two dimensional normal complex space. Moreover every holomorphic section  $s : R \rightarrow M$  has a unique holomorphic extension  $\hat{s} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{M}$ . Let  $\hat{s}_0 : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{M}$  be the holomorphic extension of the zero section  $s_0$ . Since  $\hat{R}$  is compact, two tori  $\hat{s}(\hat{R})$  and  $\hat{s}_0(\hat{R})$  intersects each other at most finitely many times on  $\hat{M}$ . Then the set  $S = g^{-1}(0)$  is a finite subset of  $R$ , hence the restriction of  $g$  to  $R \setminus S$  induces the holomorphic mapping  $R \setminus S \rightarrow \hat{T} \setminus \{0\}$  between hyperbolic Riemann surfaces. Now we recall a generalization of the “big” Picard Theorem:

**THEOREM 3.3** (Royden [16]). *Let  $f$  be a holomorphic mapping of the punctured disk  $\Delta^*$  into a hyperbolic Riemann surface  $W$ . Then either  $f$  extends to a holomorphic mapping of the disk  $\Delta$  into  $W$  or else  $W$  is contained in a*

Riemann surface  $W^* = W \cup \{p\}$ , so that  $f$  extends to a holomorphic mapping of  $\Delta$  into  $W^*$ .

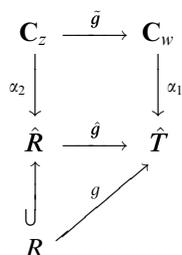
From this result, the mapping  $R \setminus S \rightarrow \hat{T} \setminus \{0\}$  extends uniquely to a holomorphic mapping  $\hat{g} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$ . ■

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *For any  $g \in \Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{\rho, 0\}$ , the mapping  $g$  satisfies  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_\rho = \emptyset$  and  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_0 = \emptyset$ .*

*Proof of Proposition 3.2.* Every element  $g$  in  $\Phi(\mathcal{S}) \setminus \{\rho, 0\}$  is extended to a holomorphic mapping  $\hat{g}$  from  $\hat{R}$  to  $\hat{T}$  by Theorem 3.1. We remark that  $\hat{g}$  becomes an unbranched covering from  $\hat{R}$  onto  $\hat{T}$  by Riemann-Hurwitz formula. Let  $\tilde{g} : \mathbb{C}_z \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_w$  be a lift of  $\hat{g}$  to the universal coverings of  $\hat{R}$  and  $\hat{T}$  which satisfies  $\alpha_1 \circ \tilde{g} = \hat{g} \circ \alpha_2$ . Since  $\hat{g}$  is non-constant,  $\tilde{g}$  must be an automorphism of  $\mathbb{C}$ , hence  $\tilde{g}$  is written as

$$\tilde{g}(z) = Az + B,$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are complex numbers and  $A \neq 0$ . It should be remarked that  $\tilde{g}$  is not unique, because we may replace  $\tilde{g}$  by  $\gamma_1 \circ \tilde{g} \circ \gamma_2$ , where  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma_{1,\tau}$  and  $\gamma_2 \in \Gamma_{2,2\tau}$ .



For three graphs  $\Gamma_g, \Gamma_0$  and  $\Gamma_\rho$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$ , we consider the following two cases:

**Case (1)**  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_0 \neq \emptyset$ .

**Case (2)**  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_\rho \neq \emptyset$ .

**Case (1)** In this case, there exists a point  $r_0 \in R$  such that  $g(r_0) = 0$ , hence  $\hat{g}(r_0) = 0$ . Then we can find  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}_z \setminus L(1, \tau)$  such that  $\alpha_2(z_0) = r_0$  and

$$(3.2) \quad Az_0 + B = 0.$$

For sufficiently small  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) = \{z \in \mathbb{C}_z \mid |z - z_0| < \varepsilon\}$  and  $\Delta(0, \varepsilon) = \{w \in \mathbb{C}_w \mid |w| < \varepsilon\}$  can be taken as local charts at  $r_0 \in R$  and  $0 \in \hat{T}$ , respectively. Then the graph  $\Gamma_0 = \{(r, 0) \mid r \in R\}$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$  can be locally written as

$$w = 0$$

in  $\Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) \times \Delta(0, \varepsilon)$ . Thus  $M$  is locally represented as

$$u^2 = w$$

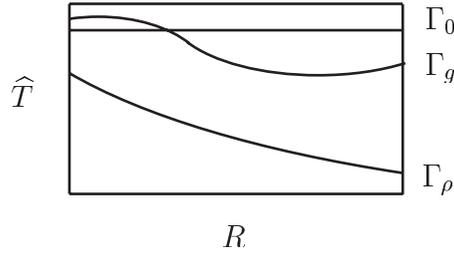


FIGURE 6. Case (1)

in  $\mathbb{C}_u \times \Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) \times \Delta(0, \varepsilon)$ . Take  $\varepsilon' > 0$  with  $\varepsilon' < \varepsilon$ , and set  $z = z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}$ . By using (3.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} u^2 &= Az + B \\ &= A(z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}) + B \\ &= A\varepsilon' e^{i\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

By the same argument as in the proof of Proposition 3.1, we have a contradiction.

**Case (2)** In this case, there exists a point  $r_0 \in R$  such that  $g(r_0) = \rho(r_0)$ , hence  $\hat{g}(r_0) = \hat{\rho}(r_0)$ . Since  $\tilde{\rho}(z) = z$  is a lift of  $\hat{\rho}$ , we can find  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}_z \setminus L(1, \tau)$  such that  $\alpha_2(z_0) = r_0$  and

$$(3.3) \quad Az_0 + B = z_0.$$

For sufficiently small  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\Delta(z_0, \varepsilon)$  and  $\Delta(w_0, \varepsilon)$  can be taken as local charts at  $r_0 \in R$  and  $\rho(r_0) \in \hat{T}$ , respectively.

Then  $\Gamma_\rho = \{(r, \rho(r)) \mid r \in R\}$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$  can be locally written as

$$w = z$$

in  $\Delta(z_0, \varepsilon) \times \Delta(w_0, \varepsilon)$ . Thus  $M$  is locally represented as

$$u^2 = w - z$$

in  $\mathbb{C}_u \times \Delta(w_0, \varepsilon) \times \Delta(z_0, \varepsilon)$ . Take  $\varepsilon' > 0$  with  $\varepsilon' < \varepsilon$ , set  $z = z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}$ . By using (3.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} u^2 &= Az + B - z \\ &= A(z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}) + B - (z_0 + \varepsilon' e^{i\theta}) \\ &= (A - 1)\varepsilon' e^{i\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

By the same argument as in the proof of Proposition 3.1, we have a contradiction. Thus we have the assertion. ■

**3.2. Proof of Main Theorem.** From now on, we assume  $\tau$  is in the domain  $F$  in  $\mathbf{C}$  defined by the following four conditions: (i)  $\text{Im } \tau > 0$  (ii)  $-1/2 \leq \text{Re } \tau < 1/2$ , (iii)  $|\tau| \geq 1$ , (iv)  $\text{Re } \tau \leq 0$  if  $|\tau| = 1$ , since any flat torus is biholomorphically equivalent to  $\mathbf{C}/\Gamma_{1,\tau}$  for some  $\tau \in F$ .

We recall

$$L(1, \tau) = \{m + n\tau \in \mathbf{C} \mid m, n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$$

and call an element of  $L(1, \tau)$  a lattice point, and set

$$L(2, 2\tau) = \{2m + 2n\tau \in \mathbf{C} \mid m, n \in \mathbf{Z}\}.$$

Every element  $g$  of  $\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$  has a holomorphic extension  $\hat{g} : \hat{R} \rightarrow \hat{T}$  which is a covering mapping of degree less than or equal to 4 since  $\#\hat{\rho}^{-1}(0) = 4$ . A lift  $\tilde{g}$  of  $\hat{g}$  is written as

$$\tilde{g}(z) = Az + B,$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are complex numbers and  $A \neq 0$ .

We need two lemmas.

LEMMA 3.1.  $A \neq 1$ .

*Proof of Lemma 3.1.* Suppose  $A = 1$ . If  $B = 0$  modulo  $L(1, \tau)$ , then  $\tilde{g}$  is a lift of  $\rho$ , while  $\rho$  is not an element of  $\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$ , a contradiction. Hence  $B$  is not equal to 0 modulo  $L(1, \tau)$ . Put  $z_0 = -B$  then we have  $\alpha_2(z_0) \in R$  and  $g(\alpha_2(z_0)) = 0$ , since  $\alpha_1 \circ \tilde{g} = \hat{g} \circ \alpha_2$ . Therefore  $\Gamma_g$  and  $\Gamma_0$  in  $R \times \hat{T}$  intersect each other, which contradicts the assumption that  $g$  is contained in  $\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T})$ . ■

From now on, we may assume that  $A \neq 1$ .

LEMMA 3.2.  $\tilde{g}$  can be written as  $\tilde{g}(z) = A(z + \omega)$  where  $\omega = 0, 1, \tau$  and  $1 + \tau$ .

*Proof of Lemma 3.2.* Take the point  $z_0 = -B/(A - 1)$ . Then  $\tilde{g}(z_0) = z_0$ . If  $z_0 \in \mathbf{C} \setminus L(1, \tau)$ , we see that  $\Gamma_g \cap \Gamma_0 = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Hence  $z_0 \in L(1, \tau)$ . Then there exist integers  $m$  and  $n$  such that  $z_0 = -B/(A - 1) = -m - n\tau$ . The result follows. ■

To determine  $A$ , we may assume  $\tilde{g}(z) = Az$ .

Since  $\tilde{g}(L(2, 2\tau)) \subset L(1, \tau)$ , we have

$$(3.4) \quad 2A = p + q\tau,$$

$$(3.5) \quad 2A\tau = u + v\tau,$$

where  $p, q, u,$  and  $v$  are integers. The Euclidean areas of  $\hat{R}$  and  $\hat{T}$ , and  $\text{deg}(\hat{g}) \leq 4$  implies that

| $p$ | $q$ | $u$ | $v$ | $\tau$                | $2A = p + q\tau$      | fixed point           |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 0   | 1   | -1  | 0   | $i$                   | $i$                   | $(4 + 2i)/5$          |
| 0   | 1   | -2  | 0   | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $(2 + \sqrt{2}i)/3$   |
| 0   | 1   | -3  | 0   | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $(2 + \sqrt{3}i)/7$   |
| 0   | 1   | -4  | 0   | $2i$                  | $2i$                  | $(1 + i)/2$           |
| 0   | 1   | -1  | -1  | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $(5 + \sqrt{3}i)/7$   |
| 0   | 1   | -2  | -1  | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(5 + \sqrt{7}i)/8$   |
| 0   | 1   | -3  | -1  | $(-1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$ | $(-1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$ | $(5 + \sqrt{11}i)/9$  |
| 0   | 1   | -4  | -1  | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(5 + \sqrt{15}i)/10$ |
| 0   | -1  | 1   | 0   | $i$                   | $-i$                  | $2(1 + 2i)/5$         |
| 0   | -1  | 2   | 0   | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $-\sqrt{2}i$          | $2(1 + \sqrt{2}i)/3$  |
| 0   | -1  | 3   | 0   | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $-\sqrt{3}i$          | $2(3 + 2\sqrt{3}i)/7$ |
| 0   | -1  | 4   | 0   | $2i$                  | $-2i$                 | $(1 + \sqrt{3}i)/2$   |
| 0   | -1  | 1   | 1   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-e^{2\pi i/3}$       | $(3 - \sqrt{3}i)/3$   |
| 0   | -1  | 2   | 1   | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(1 - \sqrt{7}i)/2$   | $(5 + \sqrt{7}i)/4$   |
| 0   | -1  | 3   | 1   | $(-1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$ | $(1 - \sqrt{11}i)/2$  | $(3 - \sqrt{11}i)/5$  |
| 0   | -1  | 4   | 1   | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(1 - \sqrt{15}i)/2$  | $(3 - \sqrt{15}i)/6$  |
| 0   | 2   | -2  | 0   | $i$                   | $2i$                  | $(1 + i)/2$           |
| 0   | 2   | -2  | -1  | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/4$ | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(5 + \sqrt{15}i)/10$ |
| 0   | 2   | -2  | -2  | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $2e^{2\pi i/3}$       | $\sqrt{3}i/3$         |
| 0   | -2  | 2   | 0   | $i$                   | $-2i$                 | $(1 + i)/2$           |
| 0   | -2  | 2   | 1   | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/4$ | $(1 - \sqrt{15}i)/2$  | $(3 - \sqrt{15}i)/6$  |
| 0   | -2  | 2   | 2   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-2e^{2\pi i/3}$      | lattice point         |
| 1   | 0   | 0   | 1   | <i>any</i>            | 1                     | lattice point         |
| 1   | 1   | -1  | 0   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $1 + e^{2\pi i/3}$    | $(3 + \sqrt{3}i)/3$   |
| 1   | 1   | -2  | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$   | $(3 + \sqrt{7}i)/4$   |
| 1   | 1   | -3  | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$ | $(1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$  | $(5 + \sqrt{11}i)/5$  |
| 1   | 1   | -4  | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$  | $(3 + \sqrt{15}i)/6$  |

|   |    |    |    |                       |                      |                      |
|---|----|----|----|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 1  | -1 | 1  | $i$                   | $1 + i$              | lattice point        |
| 1 | 1  | -2 | 1  | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $1 + \sqrt{2}i$      | $(1 + \sqrt{2}i)/3$  |
| 1 | 1  | -3 | 1  | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $1 + \sqrt{3}i$      | $(1 + \sqrt{3}i)/2$  |
| 1 | -1 | 1  | 1  | $i$                   | $1 - i$              | lattice point        |
| 1 | -1 | 2  | 1  | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $1 - \sqrt{2}i$      | $2(1 - \sqrt{2}i)/3$ |
| 1 | -1 | 3  | 1  | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $1 - \sqrt{3}i$      | $(1 - \sqrt{3}i)/2$  |
| 1 | -1 | 1  | 2  | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $1 - e^{2\pi i/3}$   | lattice point        |
| 1 | -1 | 2  | 2  | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(3 - \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | lattice point        |
| 1 | 2  | -2 | -1 | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $1 + 2e^{2\pi i/3}$  | $2(2 + \sqrt{3}i)/7$ |
| 1 | 2  | -2 | 0  | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/4$ | $(1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(3 + \sqrt{15}i)/6$ |

TABLE 1.  $p = 0, 1$

(3.6)  $1 \leq pv - qu \leq 4$

and

(3.7)  $|2A| = |p + q\tau| \leq 2$

By (3.4) and (3.5), we get

(3.8)  $q\tau^2 + (p - v)\tau - u = 0.$

Since the assumption  $\tau \in F$  implies that the discriminant is negative, we have

(3.9)  $(p + v)^2 < 4(pv - qu).$

The root  $\tau$  of (3.7) with  $\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$  is given by

(3.10) 
$$\tau = \begin{cases} \frac{v - p + \sqrt{4(pv - qu) - (p + v)^2}i}{2q}, & \text{if } q > 0, \\ \frac{v - p - \sqrt{4(pv - qu) - (p + v)^2}i}{2q}, & \text{if } q < 0. \end{cases}$$

First by the assumption  $\tau \in F$  and (3.7), we see that the possibilities of  $p$  and  $q$  are follows.

- (i) If  $q = 0$ , then  $p = \pm 1, \pm 2.$
- (ii) If  $q = 1$ , then  $p = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2.$
- (iii) If  $q = 2$ , then  $p = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2.$

When  $q = 0$ , from (3.8) and  $\tau \in F$ , we have  $(p, q, u, v) = (\pm 1, 0, 0, \pm 1), (\pm 2, 0, 0, \pm 2).$

| $p$ | $q$ | $u$ | $v$ | $\tau$                | $2A$                  | fixed point            |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| -1  | 0   | 0   | -1  | any                   | -1                    | $2(1 + \tau)/3$        |
| -1  | 1   | -1  | -2  | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-1 + e^{2\pi i/3}$   | $(7 + \sqrt{3}i)/13$   |
| -1  | 1   | -2  | -2  | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(-3 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(7 + \sqrt{7}i)/14$   |
| -1  | 1   | -1  | -1  | $i$                   | $-1 + i$              | $(3 + i)/5$            |
| -1  | 1   | -2  | -1  | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $-1 + \sqrt{2}i$      | $2(3 + \sqrt{2}i)/11$  |
| -1  | 1   | -3  | -1  | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $-1 + \sqrt{3}i$      | $(3 + \sqrt{3}i)/6$    |
| -1  | -1  | 1   | -1  | $i$                   | $-1 - i$              | $2(2 + i)/5$           |
| -1  | -1  | 2   | -1  | $\sqrt{2}i$           | $-1 - \sqrt{2}i$      | $2(2 + 3\sqrt{2}i)/11$ |
| -1  | -1  | 3   | -1  | $\sqrt{3}i$           | $-1 - \sqrt{3}i$      | $(1 + \sqrt{3}i)/2$    |
| -1  | -1  | 1   | 0   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-1 - e^{2\pi i/3}$   | $(5 - \sqrt{3}i)/7$    |
| -1  | -1  | 2   | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $-(1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(5 - \sqrt{7}i)/8$    |
| -1  | -1  | 3   | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$ | $-(1 + \sqrt{11}i)/2$ | $(5 - \sqrt{11}i)/9$   |
| -1  | -1  | 4   | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $-(1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(5 - \sqrt{15}i)/10$  |
| -1  | -2  | 2   | 0   | $(-1 + \sqrt{15}i)/4$ | $-(1 + \sqrt{15}i)/2$ | $(5 - \sqrt{15}i)/10$  |
| -1  | -2  | 2   | 1   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-1 - 2e^{2\pi i/3}$  | $2(2 - \sqrt{3}i)/7$   |
| 2   | 0   | 0   | 2   | any                   | 2                     | lattice point          |
| 2   | 1   | -1  | 1   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $2 + e^{2\pi i/3}$    | lattice point          |
| 2   | 1   | -2  | 1   | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(3 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$   | lattice point          |
| 2   | 2   | -2  | 0   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $2 + 2e^{2\pi i/3}$   | lattice point          |
| -2  | 0   | 0   | -2  | any                   | -2                    | $1/2$                  |
| -2  | -1  | 1   | -1  | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-2 - e^{2\pi i/3}$   | $(7 - \sqrt{3}i)/13$   |
| -2  | -1  | 2   | -1  | $(-1 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $-(3 + \sqrt{7}i)/2$  | $(7 - \sqrt{7}i)/14$   |
| -2  | -2  | 2   | 0   | $e^{2\pi i/3}$        | $-2 - 2e^{2\pi i/3}$  | $(3 + \sqrt{3}i)/6$    |

TABLE 2.  $p = -1, \pm 2$

When  $q \neq 0$ , for each  $(p, q)$  we get  $v$  satisfying  $-1/2 \leq \text{Re}(\tau) \leq 1/2$ . Next for each  $(p, q, v)$  we obtain  $u$  with (3.6). Finally, finding  $(p, q, u, v)$  in these  $p, q, u, v$  such that  $\tau$  represented in (3.10) is an element of  $F$ , we have the list of  $p, q, u, v, \tau, 2A$  and a fixed point of  $\tilde{g}$  in the following Table 1 and 2.

In these Tables, when some lift  $\tilde{g}$  of  $g$  has a fixed point which is not contained in  $L(1, \tau)$ , we see that  $\Gamma_g$  intersects  $\Gamma_p$ , a contradiction.

Next when  $(p, q, u, v) = (1, -1, 1, 2), (1, -1, 2, 2), (2, 1, -1, 1), (2, 1, -2, 1)$ , we see that  $\Gamma_g$  intersects  $\Gamma_0$ , a contradiction. Finally when  $(p, q, u, v) = (2, 0, 0, 2)$ ,  $\tilde{g}$  is a lift of  $\rho$ , a contradiction. Consequently, we have the following

- (a)  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) = 4$ , if  $\tau \neq i, e^{2\pi i/3}$ .
- (b)  $\#\text{Hol}_{\text{dis}}(R, \hat{T}) = 3 \times 4 = 12$ , if  $\tau = i$  or  $e^{2\pi i/3}$ .

Therefore we have the assertion. ■

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