ON AUGMENTED SCHOTTKY SPACES AND INTERCHANGE OPERATORS

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## §0. Introduction.

<u>Problem 1.</u> Let S be a compact Riemann surface with nodes.

Does there exist a point in an augmented Schottky space representing the surface S?

Problem 2. We give a point  $\tau$  in an augmented Schottky space  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{G}}_{g}^{\star}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$  associated with a basic system of Jordan curves  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}$ , which represents a compact Riemann surface S with nodes. Then for any sequence of points  $\{\tau_{n}\}$  in the Schottky space  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{G}}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$  tending to the point  $\tau$ , does the Riemann surface  $S(\tau_{n})$  represented by  $\tau_{n}$  converge to S as marked surfaces as  $n \to \infty$ ?

The answer to Problem 1 is affirmative:

THEOREM 1. There exists a point in an augmented Schottky space which represents a given Riemann surface with nodes.

The answer to Problem 2 is negative in the general case, namely in the case where  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  is a basic system of Jordan curves. However the answer is affirmative in a special case, namely in the case where  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  is a standard system of Jordan curves. Now the following question arises: To what Riemann surface does the

sequence of Riemann surfaces  $\{S(\tau_n)\}$  converge as marked surface as  $n \to \infty$  in the general case ?

THEOREM 2. Given a point  $\tau \in \widehat{\mathcal{C}}_{\underline{\sigma}}^{\star}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$ . Then there exists a sequence of points  $\{\tau_{n}\}\subset \widehat{\mathcal{C}}_{\underline{\sigma}}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$  tending to  $\tau$  such that  $S(\tau_{n})$  converges to  $S(\tau)$  as marked surfaces.

THEOREM 3. Let  $\langle G_0 \rangle$  and  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  be a fixed marked Schottky group and a fixed basic system of Jordan curves for  $\langle G_0 \rangle$ , respectively. Given a point  $\tau \in \delta^{\mathrm{I},\mathrm{J}} \widetilde{G}_{\mathrm{g}}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0)$ , where  $\mathrm{I} \supset \mathrm{I}(\mathrm{J}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0^\star$ ,  $\mathrm{I}^\star$ , and  $\mathrm{J}^\star$  be a basic system of loops, a subset of  $\mathrm{I}$ , and a subset of  $\mathrm{J}$ , respectively, obtained from  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$ ,  $\mathrm{I}$  and  $\mathrm{J}$  by applying certain interchange operators. Let  $\tau^\star \in \delta^{\mathrm{I}^\star}, \mathrm{J}^\star \widetilde{G}_{\mathrm{g}}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0^\star)$  be a point representing a compact Riemann surface with  $|\mathrm{I}^\star|$  +  $|\mathrm{J}^\star|$  nodes. Then there exists the following sequence of points  $\{\tau_n\} \subset \widetilde{G}_{\mathrm{g}}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0^\star)$ :

 $\tau_n \rightarrow \tau$  and  $S(\tau_n) \rightarrow S(\tau^*)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

as marked surfaces.

#### § 1. Definitions.

DEFINITION 1. Let  $C_1$ ,  $C_{g+1}$ ;  $C_2$ ,  $C_{g+2}$ ; ...;  $C_g$ ,  $C_{2g}$  be a set of 2g mutually disjoint Jordan curves on the Riemann sphere  $\widehat{\mathbf{C}}$  which comprize the boundary of a 2g-ply connected region  $\omega$ . Suppose there are g Möbius transformations  $A_1$ , ...,  $A_g$  which have the property that  $A_j$  maps  $C_j$  onto  $C_{g+j}$  and  $A_j(\omega) \cap \omega = \emptyset$   $(1 \leq j \leq g)$ . Then  $A_j$   $(j=1,2,\dots,g)$  generates a marked Schottky

group  $\langle G \rangle = \langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_g \rangle$ .  $C_1, \dots, C_{2g}$  are called defining curves of  $\langle G \rangle$ .

We say two marked Schottky groups  $< G> = < A_1, \cdots, A_g>$  and  $\widehat{G}> = \widehat{A}_1, \cdots, \widehat{A}_g>$  being <u>equivalent</u> if there exists a Möbius transformation T such that  $\widehat{A}_j = TA_jT^{-1}$  (j=1,2,...,g), and we denote it by  $< G> \sim < \widehat{G}>$ .

<u>DEFINITION 2.</u> The <u>Schottky space</u> of genus g , denoted by  $\mathfrak{G}_g$  , is the set of all equivalent classes of Schottky groups of genus g  $\geq 1$ .

DEFINITION 3. Let  $C_1$ , ...,  $C_{2g}$  be defining curves of  $<G> = <A_1$ , ...,  $A_g>$ . If mutually disjoint Jordan curves  $C_1$ , ...,  $C_{2g}$ ;  $C_{2g+1}$ , ...,  $C_{4g-3}$  on  $\widehat{\mathbf{C}}$  have the following properties (i) and (ii), then we call  $\widetilde{\Sigma} = \{C_1, \cdots, C_{2g}; C_{2g+1}, \cdots, C_{4g-3}\}$  a basic system of Jordan curves (B.S.J.C.) for <G>: (i)  $C_{2g+j}$  (j=1,..., 2g-3) lie in  $\omega$ . (ii) Each component of  $\widehat{\mathbf{C}} \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{2g-3} C_{2g+j}$  is a triply connected domain. In particular, if a B.S.J.C.  $\widetilde{\Sigma}$  has the following property (iii), we call  $\widetilde{\Sigma}$  a standard system of Jordan curves (S.S.J.C.) for <G>: (iii) For each i=1,2,..., g and j=1,2,..., 2g-3,  $C_1$  and  $C_{q+i}$  lie on the same side of  $C_{2q+j}$ . See Examples 1 and 2 on p.13.

DEFINITION 4. Let S be a compact Riemann surface. We call the set  $\Sigma = \{\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_g; \gamma_1, \cdots, \gamma_{2g-3}\}$  of loops on S having the following property a basic system of loops (B.S.L.): Each component of  $S \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^g \alpha_i \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^g \gamma_j$  is a planar and triply connected region. If, in particular, the number of nondividing loops is equal

to g, we call a B.S.L.  $\Sigma$  a standard system of loops (S.S.L.).

Let  $\Omega(G)$  be the region of discontinuity of  $\langle G \rangle$ . Let  $\Pi$ :  $\Omega(G) \to \Omega(G)/\langle G \rangle = S$  be the natural projection. If  $\widetilde{\Sigma} = \{C_1, \cdots, C_{2g}; C_{2g+1}, \cdots, C_{4g-3}\}$  is a B.S.J.C. (resp. S.S.J.C.), then the projection  $\Sigma = \Pi(\widetilde{\Sigma}) = \{\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_g; \gamma_1, \cdots, \gamma_{2g-3}\}$ ,  $\alpha_i = \Pi(C_i)$  and  $\gamma_j = \Pi(C_{2g+j})$ , is a B.S.L. (resp. S.S.L.). We call  $\Sigma$  the projection of  $\widetilde{\Sigma}$ . See Examples 1 and 2 on p.13.

# §2. Introduction of new coordinates to $\mathfrak{S}_{\mathsf{q}}$ .

We fix a marked Schottky group  $\langle G_0 \rangle = \langle A_1, 0, \cdots, A_g, 0 \rangle$ . Let  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0 = \{C_1, 0, \cdots, C_{2g}, 0; C_{2g+1}, 0, \cdots, C_{4g-3}, 0\}$  be a fixed B.S.J.C. for  $\langle G_0 \rangle$ . Let  $\langle G \rangle = \langle A_1, \cdots, A_g \rangle$  be a marked Schottky group. Let  $\lambda_j$  ( $|\lambda_j| > 1$ ),  $p_j$  and  $p_{g+j}$  be the multiplier, the repelling and the attracting fixed points of  $A_j$ , respectively. We normalize  $\langle G \rangle$  by setting  $p_1 = 0$ ,  $p_{g+1} = \infty$  and  $p_2 = 1$ . Then a point in the Schottky space  $\mathfrak{G}_g$  is identified with

$$\tilde{\tau} = (\lambda_1, \cdots, \lambda_g, p_{g+2}, p_3, p_{g+3}, \cdots, p_g, p_{2g}) \in \mathbf{c}^{3g-3}.$$

Now we will introduce new coordinates with respect to  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$ :  $\tau = (t_1, t_2, \cdots, t_g, \rho_1, \cdots, \rho_{2g-3}) \in \mathbf{c}^{3g-3}.$ 

First define  $t_i$  by setting  $t_i = 1/\lambda_i$  (i=1,...,g). Thus  $t_i \in D^* = \{z \mid 0 < \mid z \mid \le 1\}$ . Next in order to define  $\rho_j$  associated with  $C_{2g+j} = C(i_0, i_1, \cdots, i_{\mu}) \in \widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  (j=1,2,...,2g-3), we determine integers k(j),  $\ell$ (j), m(j) and n(j) which are  $\ell$ 1 and  $\ell$ 2g as

follows, where  $C(i_0,i_1,\cdots,i_{\mu})$  is the multi-suffix of  $C_{2g+j}$  (see [4] for the definition): k(j)=1,  $C_{\ell(j)}=C(i_0,i_1,\cdots,i_{\mu-1},\cdots,i_{\mu-1},0,\cdots,0)$ ,  $C_{m(j)}=C(i_0,i_1,\cdots,i_{\mu},0,\cdots,0)$  and  $C_{n(j)}=C(i_0,i_1,\cdots,i_{\mu},0,\cdots,0)$  and  $C_{n(j)}=C(i_0,i_1,\cdots,i_{\mu},0,\cdots,0)$ . The coordinate  $c_{j}$  is now defined as follows:

$$(p_{k(j)}, p_{k(j)}, p_{m(j)}, p_{n(j)}) = (0, 1, \infty, \rho_{j})$$
,

where (a,b,c,d) means the cross ratio of a,b,c, and d.

We define a mapping  $\phi$  by  $\phi(\langle G \rangle) = \tau$ . We note that if  $\langle G \rangle \sim \langle \widehat{G} \rangle$ , then  $\phi(\langle G \rangle) = \phi(\langle \widehat{G} \rangle)$ . We denote by  $\mathfrak{S}_g(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0)$  the set

$$\mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) = \{ \tau = \phi(\langle G \rangle) \mid \langle G \rangle \in \mathfrak{S}_{g} \}.$$

Then  $\mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) \cong \mathfrak{S}_{g}$  and  $\mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) \subset D^{*g} \times (\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0,1\})^{2g-3}$ . We call  $\mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$  the <u>Schottky space associated with</u>  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}$ .

# §3. Augmented Schottky spaces.

Let  $<G_0>$  and  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  be a fixed Schottky group and a fixed B.S.J.C. as in §2.

We define the ordered cycle corresponding to  $\alpha_i$  as follows.

We denote the shortest path from  $C_i$  to  $C_{g+i}$  on the tree of  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  by

(1) 
$$C_i$$
,  $C_{2g+1}^{\delta(1)}(1)$ ,  $C_{2g+1}^{\delta(2)}(2)$ , ...,  $C_{2g+1}^{\delta(k)}(k)$ ,  $C_{g+1}$ 

(see [4] and Fig. 1 on p.13 in this paper for trees.) Here  $\delta(\ell)$  ( $\ell=1,2,\cdots,k$ ) are determined by  $\delta(\ell)=+1$  or  $\delta(\ell)=-1$  according as  $C_{2q+\ell} < C_{q+i}$  or  $C_{2q+\ell} < C_i$ .

## <u>DEFINITION 6</u>. The projection

$$(\alpha_i ; \gamma_1^{\delta}\{\frac{1}{1}\}, \dots, \gamma_1^{\delta}\{\frac{k}{k}\})$$

of (1) onto  $S_0 = \Omega(G_0)/\langle G_0 \rangle$  is called the <u>ordered cycle</u> corresponding to  $\alpha_i$ , and is denoted by  $L_{0,i}$ .

Let I be a subset of  $\{1,2,\cdots,g\}$  and J a subset of  $\{1,2,\cdots,2g-3\}$ . We denote by |I| and |J| the cardinarity of I and J, respectively. Let  $L_{0,j}(1)$ ,  $L_{0,j}(2)$ ,  $\ldots$ ,  $L_{0,j}(t)$  be the complete list of cycles containing  $\gamma_j^{\delta}$ , and let  $\alpha_{0,k}$  be the " $\alpha$ -loops" contained in  $L_{0,k}$  ( $1 \le k \le t$ ), where t = t(j) depends on j. We define the subset I(J) of  $\{1,2,\cdots,g\}$  by

 $I(J) = \{i \in \{1,2,\dots,g\} | \alpha_{0,i} \text{ is contained in } L_{0,j(k)} \text{ for }$  some  $k \ (1 \le k \le t(j)) \text{ and for some } j \in J\}.$ 

Remark. If  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  is a S.S.J.C., then  $I(J) = \emptyset$ .

We define the following sets  $X = \delta^{I}, ^{J}\mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$  with  $I \supset I(J)$ : (i) When  $I = J = \emptyset$ , we define X as  $\mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$ , the Schottky space associated with  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}$ .

(ii) When I  $\neq \emptyset$ , j =  $\emptyset$ , we define X as follows:

 $\delta^{\text{I}}, {}^{\emptyset} \, \widetilde{\mathbb{G}}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) \; = \; \{ \; \tau = (\texttt{t}_{1}, \cdots, \texttt{t}_{g}, \rho_{1}, \cdots, \rho_{2g-3} \} \, \big| \; \texttt{t}_{i} = 0 \; (i \in I), \; \texttt{t}_{i} \not \in \mathbb{F}_{0} \}$  o (i \( \mathbf{I} \) 1), \( \rho\_{j} \mathbf{I} \) (j = 1, \( \cdots \cdot , 2g-3 \)), and \( \tau \) represents a Rienann surface with nodes such that only \( \alpha\_{i} \) (i \( \mathbf{I} \)) are nodes \( \mathbf{I} \).

(iii) When  $I = \emptyset$ ,  $J \neq \emptyset$ , we define X as follows:

 $\delta^{\emptyset}, J \mathfrak{S}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) = \{ \tau = (t_{1}, \dots, t_{g}, \rho_{1}, \dots, \rho_{2g-3}) \mid t_{i} \neq 0 \text{ (i=1, \dots, g), }$   $\rho_{j} = 1 \text{ (j } \in J), \ \rho_{j} \neq 1 \text{ (j } \notin J) \text{ and } \tau \text{ represents a}$  Riemann surface with nodessuch that only  $\Upsilon_{j}$  are nodes  $\}$ .

(iv) When IDI(J)  $\neq \emptyset$ , X is defined as follows:

 $\delta^{\mathrm{I},\mathrm{J}}\mathfrak{S}_{\mathrm{g}}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) = \{ \mathrm{t} = (\mathrm{t}_{1}, \cdots, \mathrm{t}_{g}, \rho_{1}, \cdots, \rho_{2g-3}) \mid \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{i}} = 0 \ (\mathrm{i} \in \mathrm{I}), \ \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{i}} \neq 0 \ (\mathrm{i} \notin \mathrm{I}), \ \rho_{\mathrm{j}} = \mathrm{I} \ (\mathrm{j} \in \mathrm{J}), \ \rho_{\mathrm{j}} \neq \mathrm{I} \ (\mathrm{j} \notin \mathrm{J}) \ \mathrm{and} \ \rho \ \mathrm{rep-resents} \ \mathrm{a} \ \mathrm{compact} \ \mathrm{Riemann} \ \mathrm{surface} \ \mathrm{such} \ \mathrm{that} \\ \mathrm{only} \ \alpha_{\mathrm{i}} \ (\mathrm{i} \in \mathrm{I}) \ \mathrm{and} \ \gamma_{\mathrm{j}} \ (\mathrm{j} \in \mathrm{J}) \ \mathrm{are} \ \mathrm{nodes} \}.$ 

# DEFINITION 7.

$$\widehat{\mathfrak{G}}_{g}^{*}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0}) = \bigcup \{\delta^{I}, {}^{J}\widetilde{\mathfrak{G}}_{g}(\Sigma_{0}) \mid I \subset \{1, 2, \cdots, g\}, \ J \subset \{1, 2, \cdots, 3g-3\}$$
with  $I \supset I(J)$ 

is called the <u>augmented Schottky space associated with</u>  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$ .

Remark. Let  $S(\tau)$  be the Riemann surface represented by  $\tau$ .  $\{S(\tau) \mid \tau \in \widehat{\mathfrak{G}}_3^*(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0)\}$  is the sets of all Riemann surfaces in Fig.2 and Fig.3 in the cases of Example 1 and Example 2, respectively.

#### § 4. Interchange operators.

For simplicity, we will only consider interchange operators in the case of Example 1 (see Fig.4). For detail, see Sato [5]. Choose j with  $I(\{j\}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $i \in I(\{j\})$ . For these i and j, we introduce the interchange operators  $I_{\alpha}(i,j)$ .

Remark. Since I(J) is always empty in the case where  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is a S.S.J.C., we can not define an interchange operator in this case.

For simplicity, we only consider  $I_g(1,2)$ , which is defined as follows (see Fig.4 on p.15): For a B.S.J.C.  $\Sigma$ ,

$$I_g(1,2)(\widetilde{\Sigma}) = \widetilde{\Sigma}^* = \{c_1^*, c_2^*, \cdots, c_6^*; c_7^*, c_8^*, c_9^*\},$$

where  $C_1^* = A_1^{-1}(C_8)$ ,  $C_2^* = A_1^{-1}(C_2)$ ,  $C_3^* = C_3$ ,  $C_4^* = C_8$ ,  $C_5^* = C_5$ ,  $C_6^* = C_6$ ,  $C_7^* = C_7$ ,  $C_8^* = C_1$ , and  $C_9^* = C_9$ .

For a B.S.L.  $\Sigma = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3; \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3\}$ ,  $I_g(1,2)(\Sigma) = \{\alpha_1^*, \alpha_2^*, \alpha_3^*; \gamma_1^*, \gamma_2^*, \gamma_3^*\}$ , where  $\alpha_1^* = \gamma_2$ ,  $\alpha_2^* = \alpha_2$ ,  $\alpha_3^* = \alpha_3$ ,  $\gamma_1^* = \gamma_1$ ,  $\gamma_2^*$   $\alpha_1$ ,  $\gamma_3^* = \gamma_3$ .

For ordered cycles  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$  and  $L_3$ ,  $L_1^* = I_g(1,2)(L_1) = (\alpha_1^*; \gamma_2^*, \gamma_1^*)$ ,  $L_2^* = I_g(1,2)(L_2) = (\alpha_2^*; \gamma_2^*, \gamma_1^*, \gamma_3^*)$  and  $L_3^* = I_g(1,2)(L_3) = (\alpha_3^*; \gamma_3^{*-1}, \gamma_1^{*-1})$ , where we write  $\gamma_j^*$  for  $\gamma_j^{*+1}$  for simplicity.

For a marked Schottky group  $\langle G \rangle = \langle A_1, A_2, A_3 \rangle$ ,  $\langle G^* \rangle = I_q(1,2)(\langle G \rangle) = \langle A_1^*, A_2^*, A_3^* \rangle$ , where  $A_1^* = A_1, A_2^* = A_2A_1, A_3^* = A_3$ .

We obtain Theorem 1 by using interchange operators. See Sato [5] for details.

# § 5. Relations between limits of Schottky groups and limits of Riemann surfaces.

Here we will consider Problem 2. Let S be a compact Riemann surface of genus g with or without nodes. We denote by N(S) the set of all nodes on S. We assume that each component of  $S \setminus N(S)$  has the Poincaré metric. The Poincaré metric  $\lambda(z)|dz|$  on S is defined as the Poincaré metric on each component of  $S \setminus N(S)$ .

DEFINITION 8. If the following conditions are satisfied, a sequence of Riemann surfaces  $\{S_n\}$  converges to a surface S as marked surfaces: There exists a locally quasiconformal mapping  $\phi_n: S\setminus N(S) \to S_n\setminus P(S_n)$  such that (i)  $\lambda_n(\phi_n(z))|d\phi_n(z)|$  uniformly converges to  $\phi(z)|dz|$  on every compact subset of  $S\setminus N(S)$ , where  $\lambda_n(z)|dz|$  and  $\lambda(z)|dz|$  are the Poincaré metrics on  $S_n$  and  $S_n$  respectively, (ii)  $\phi_n$  maps a deleted neighborhood  $N(\alpha_i)\setminus \{\alpha_i\}$  (resp.  $N(\gamma_j)\setminus \{\gamma_j\}$ ) of  $\alpha_i$  (resp.  $\gamma_j$ ) to a deleted neighborhood  $N(\alpha_{i,n})\setminus \{\alpha_{i,n}\}$  (resp.  $N(\gamma_{j,n})\setminus \{\gamma_{j,n}\}$ ) of  $\alpha_{i,n}$  (resp.  $\gamma_{j,n}$ ) if  $\alpha_i\in N(S)$  (resp.  $\gamma_j\in N(S)$ ), and (iii)  $\phi_n$  maps a neighborhood  $N(\alpha_i)$  (resp.  $N(\gamma_j)$ ) of  $\alpha_i$  (resp.  $\gamma_j$ ) to a neighborhood  $N(\alpha_{i,n})$  (resp.  $N(\gamma_{j,n})$ ) of  $\alpha_{i,n}$  (resp.  $\gamma_{j,n}$ ) if  $\alpha_i\notin N(S)$  (resp.  $\gamma_j\notin N(S)$ ), where  $P(S_n)=f_n^{-1}(N(S))$  and  $f_n\colon S_n$   $\to$  S is a deformation.

By constructing locally quasiconformal mappings, we have Theorem 2. See Sato [6] for details.

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We set  $J_3 = J \setminus (J_1 \cup J_2)$ ,  $J_4 = \{j_{\ell(1)}, j_{\ell(2)}, \dots, j_{\ell(s)}\}$ ,  $J_5 = J_2 \setminus J_4$ ,  $I_1 = I \setminus I(J)$ ,  $I_4 = \{i_{k(1)}, i_{k(2)}, \dots, i_{k(s)}\}$ ,  $I_3 = I_s(J_3)$ ,  $I_5 = I \setminus (I_1 \cup I_3 \cup I_4)$ ,  $I_6 = a$  subset of  $I_5$ ,  $I_7 = I_5 \setminus I_6$ ,  $I^* = I \setminus I_7$  and  $J^* = J \setminus J_4$ . Then we have Theorem 3. See Sato [6] for the proof.

COROLLARY. Given  $\tau \in \delta^{\text{I}}$ ,  $J \not \in_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$ , where  $I \supset I(J) \not = \emptyset$ . Then there exists a sequence of points  $\{\tau_{n}\}\subset \mathcal{E}_{g}(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{0})$  such that (i)  $\tau_{n} \to \tau$  as  $n \to \infty$  and (ii)  $S(\tau_{n})$  does not converge to  $S(\tau)$  as marked surfaces.

Remark. By a similar method to the proof of Theorem 2, we

have the following. If  $\widetilde{\Sigma}_0$  is a S.S.J.C., then  $S(\tau_n)$  converges to  $S(\tau)$  as marked surfaces for any point  $\tau \in \widehat{\mathfrak{G}}_g^*(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0)$  and for any sequence of points  $\{\tau_n\} \subset \mathfrak{G}_g(\widetilde{\Sigma}_0)$  with  $\tau_n \to \tau$ .

## §6. Appendices.

We will consider the following in the forthcoming papers [7,8].

- 1. Properties of interchange operators. There are five kind of interchange operators as follows: (1)  $I_g(\alpha_i, \alpha_i^{-1}) = I_g(C_i, C_{g+i})$ ,
- (2)  $I_g(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = I_g(C_i, C_j),$  (3)  $I_g(\gamma_j, \gamma_j^{-1}) = I_g(C_{2g+j}^{\dagger}, C_{2g+j}^{-1}),$
- (4)  $I_g(\gamma_i, \gamma_j) = I_g(C_{2g+i}, C_{2g+j})$  and (5)  $I_g(\alpha_i, \gamma_j) = I_g(C_i, C_{2g+j})$ . Here we only considered and used interchanged operators in case (5).
- 2. Relations between Nielsen isomorphisms and interchange operators. Here Nielsen isomorphims are

$$N_1(A_1, A_1) : \langle A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_1, \cdots, A_g \rangle \rightarrow \langle A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_1, \cdots, A_g \rangle$$
.  
 $N_2(A_1, A_1^{-1}) : \langle A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_g \rangle \rightarrow \langle A_1^{-1}, A_2, \cdots, A_g \rangle$ .  
 $N_3(A_1, A_2) : \langle A_1, A_2, A_3, \cdots, A_g \rangle \rightarrow \langle A_1, A_1, A_2, A_3, \cdots, A_g \rangle$ .

3. Boundary behavior of the space of marked Schottky groups of real type of genus 2. We say  $\langle G \rangle = \langle A_1, A_2 \rangle$  a schottky group of real type if  $A_1$ ,  $A_2 \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ .

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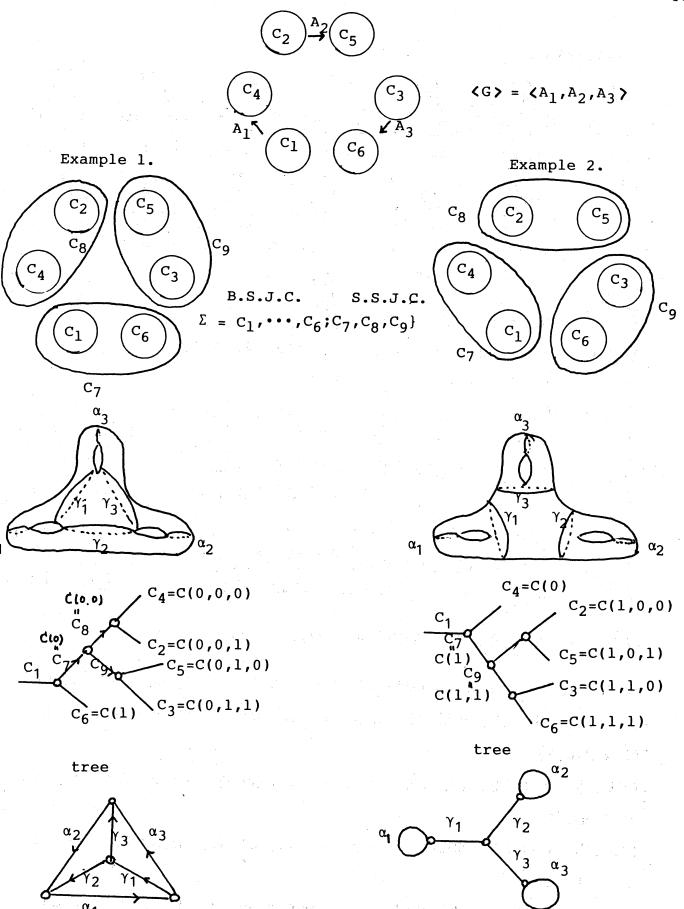
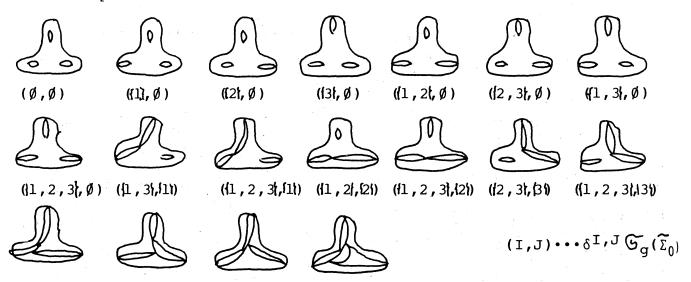


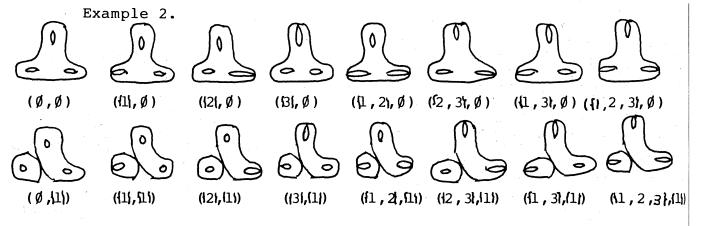
Fig.1

Example 1.



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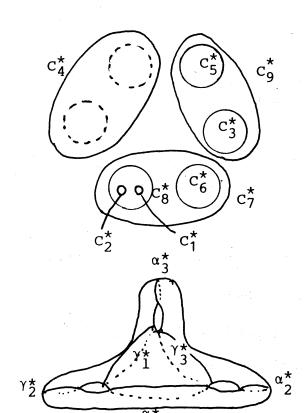
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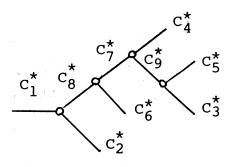


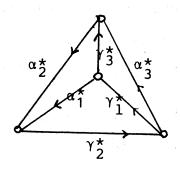
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 $\{(\emptyset, 11, 2, 3), (11, 11, 2, 3), (12, 11, 2, 3), (13, 11, 2, 3), (11, 2, 3),$ 







$$\widetilde{\Sigma}^{*} = I_{g}(1,2)(\widetilde{\Sigma}) = \{c_{1}^{*}, \cdots, c_{6}^{*}; c_{7}^{*}, c_{8}^{*}, c_{9}^{*}\}$$

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Fig.4.