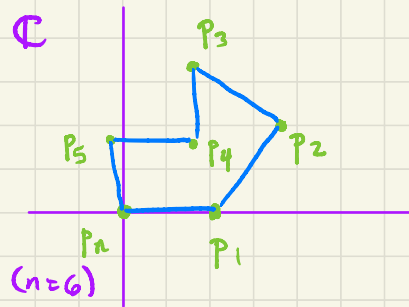


$w/ \pi_1 \cong \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}$

Set $p_1 = 1, p_n = 0$.


Recall $M_n := \left\{ (p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n-2} \mid |p_{k+1} - p_k| = 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq n-1 \right\}$
 $\subseteq \mathbb{R}^{2n-4}$

Think of a point $p \in M_n$ as an equilateral n -gon:

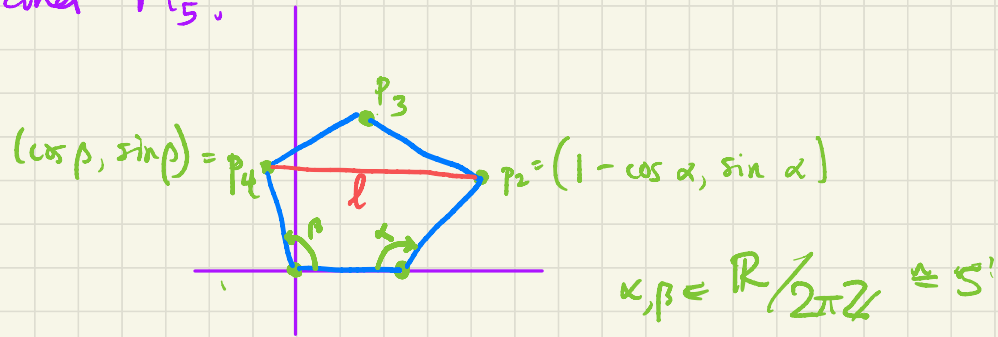


Give $M_n \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n-2} \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n-4}$ the subspace topology.

Then M_n is the moduli space of unilateral n -gons (with vertices labelled).

From day 1: $M_4 \cong$ 

Goal Understand M_5 .



$0 < l < 2$: Exactly two possible values for p_3 .

$l = 2$: p_3 is the midpoint of $\overline{p_2 p_4}$.

$l = 0$: p_3 is any point in $p_2 + S^1 = p_4 + S^1$ (occurs iff $\alpha + \beta = \pi/3$ or $5\pi/3$)

$2 < l$: $\nexists p_3$



Define $R \in M_5$ to be pentagons with $0 < l \leq 2$

Define $D := \{(\alpha, \beta) \in S^1 \times S^1 \mid 0 < l \leq 2\}$ (Note $l^2 = (1 - \cos \alpha - \cos \beta)^2 + (\sin \alpha - \sin \beta)^2$)

Then $\partial D = \{(\alpha, \beta) \in S^1 \times S^1 \mid l = 2\}$ and

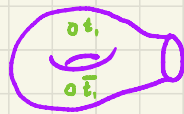
$$\begin{array}{ccc} \partial D & \hookrightarrow & D \\ \downarrow \tau & & \downarrow \\ D & \longrightarrow & R \end{array}$$

Set $\bar{D} = \{(\alpha, \beta) \mid 0 \leq l \leq 2\}$.

Note $\partial \bar{D} = \{(\alpha, \beta) \mid l = 2\}$
 $\cong S^1$


In fact, $\bar{D} \cong \mathbb{T}^2 \setminus \underbrace{e^2}_{\text{small open disk}}$

$$\Rightarrow D \cong \mathbb{T}^2 \setminus \left\{ \underbrace{e^2}_{\alpha = \beta = \frac{\pi}{3}} \cup \underbrace{t_1}_{\alpha = \beta = \frac{5\pi}{3}} \cup \bar{t}_1 \right\}$$

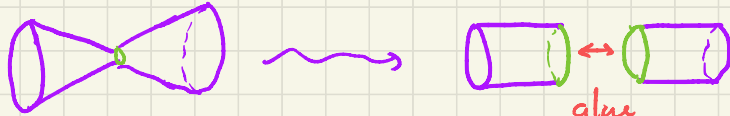


Thus $R \cong$ 



Model closed nbhds of t_1, t_2 by $DS^1 \times t_i$: 

In M_5 , t_1, t_2 get replaced by circles glued together:



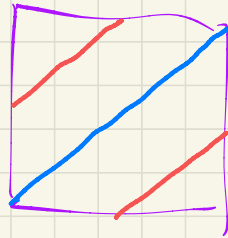
and similarly for \bar{t}_1, \bar{t}_2 .
 (by *glue* antipodal map — preserves or'n)

Thus $M_5 \cong$ 

$$\cong (\mathbb{T}^2)^{\#4}$$

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$$\left(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \left(\bigcirc \right) \right) = Y \quad \text{Q What is } \pi_1 Y ?$$



$U = (\text{Open thickening of } \mathbb{T}^2) \setminus \text{Hopf link}$
 $V = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\text{smaller closed thickening of } \mathbb{T}^2)$
 $U \cap V$

$U =$ shrink radius of torus & take exterior ^(unbdd) \setminus HL

$V =$ dilate radius of torus & take interior _(bdd) \setminus HL

$U \cap V =$ fuzzy torus \setminus Hopf link

$\simeq \mathbb{T}^2 \setminus$ Hopf link