INFINITE-DIMENSIONAL GEOMETRY OF THE
UNIVERSAL DEFORMATION OF THE COMPLEX DISK

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Abstract. The universal deformation of the complex disk is studied from the viewpoint of infinite-dimensional geometry. The structure of a subsymmetric space on the universal deformation is described. The foliation of the universal deformation by subsymmetry mirrors is shown to determine a real polarization.

The subject of this paper may be of interest to specialists in algebraic geometry and representation theory as well as to researchers dealing with mathematical problems of modern quantum field theory.

The universal deformation of the complex disk is one of the crucial concepts used in the geometric statement of quantum conformal field theory [1] and quantum-field theory of strings [2] (see also [3]). The characteristic feature of the approach developed in the present paper is that the universal deformation of the complex disk is studied in terms of infinite-dimensional geometry. On this way the structure of the subsymmetric space [4–6] on the universal deformation is described. The foliation of the universal deformation defined by the mirrors of subsymmetries determines a real polarization. For a long time real polarizations on complex manifolds and their quantization have been attracting the attention of mathematicians dealing with algebraic geometry and representation theory and of specialists in mathematical physics [44–47]. The results of this paper confirm the importance of studying such polarizations and expose a connection between the traditions of classical synthetic geometry and recent trends in algebraic geometry, representation theory, and modern quantum field theory.

1. The infinite-dimensional geometry of the flag manifold of the Virasoro-Bott group (the base of the universal deformation of the complex disk).

1.1. The Virasoro algebra, the Virasoro-Bott group, and the Neretin semigroup. Let Diff(S^1) denote the group of diffeomorphisms of the unit circle S^1. The group manifold Diff(S^1) splits into two connected components, the subgroup Diff_+(S^1) and the coset Diff_-(S^1). The diffeomorphisms in Diff_+(S^1) preserve the orientation on the circle S^1 and those in Diff_-(S^1) reverse it.

The Lie algebra of Diff_+(S^1) can be identified with the linear space Vect(S^1) of smooth vector fields on the circle equipped with the commutator

\[ [v(t)d/dt, u(t)d/dt] = (v(t)u'(t) - v'(t)u(t))d/dt. \]

In the basis

\[ s_n = \sin(nt)d/dt, \quad c_n = \cos(nt)d/dt, \quad h = d/dt \]

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the commutation relations have the form
\[ [s_n, s_m] = 0.5((m - n)s_{n+m} + \text{sgn}(n - m)(n + m)s_{n-m}) \]
\[ [c_n, c_m] = 0.5((m - n)c_{n+m} + \text{sgn}(n - m)(n + m)c_{n-m}) \]
\[ [s_n, c_m] = 0.5((m - n)c_{n+m} - (m + n)c_{n-m}) - n\delta_{nm} \h \]
\[ [h, s_n] = n c_n \]
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The complexification of the Lie algebra \( \text{Vect}(S^1) \) will be denoted by \( \text{Vect}_C(S^1) \). It is convenient to choose the following basis in \( \text{Vect}_C(S^1) \):

\[ e = ie^{ikt}dt \]

The commutation relations of the Lie algebra \( \text{Vect}_C(S^1) \) have the following form

\[ [e_j, e_k] = (j - k)e_{j+k} \]

in the basis \( e_k \).

In 1968 I.M. Gelfand and D.B. Fuchs \([7]\) discovered that \( \text{Vect}(S^1) \) possesses a non-trivial central extension. The corresponding 2-cocycle is

\[ c(u, v) = \int v'(t)du'(t) \]

or, equivalently,

\[ c(u, v) = \begin{vmatrix} v'(t_0) & u'(t_0) \\ v''(t_0) & u''(t_0) \end{vmatrix}. \]

This central extension was independently discovered by M. Virasoro \([8]\) and named after him. Let us denote the Virasoro algebra by \( \text{Vir} \). Its complexification, which is also called the Virasoro algebra, will be denoted \( \text{Vir}_C \). As a vector space \( \text{vir} \) is generated by the vectors \( e_k \) and the central element \( c \). The commutation relations have the form

\[ [e_j, e_k] = (j - k)e_{j+k} + \delta(j + k)\frac{j^3 - j}{12} c. \]

The infinite-dimensional group \( \text{Vir} \) corresponding to the Lie algebra \( \text{vir} \) is a central extension of the group \( \text{Diff}(S^1) \). The corresponding 2-cocycle was calculated by R. Bott \([9]\). This cocycle can be written as

\[ c(g_1, g_2) = \int \log(g'_1 \circ g_2) \log(g'_2). \]

The group \( \text{Vir} \) is called the Virasoro–Bott group.

There are no groups corresponding to the Lie algebras \( \text{Vect}_C(S^1) \) or \( \text{vir}_C \), but one can consider the following construction due to Yu. A. Neretin, M. L. Kontsevich, and G. Segal.

Let us denote by \( L\text{Diff}_C(S^1) \) the set of all analytic mappings \( g : S^1 \rightarrow C \setminus \{0\} \) such that \( g(S^1) \) is a Jordan curve surrounding zero, the orientations of \( S^1 \) and \( g(S^1) \) are the same, and \( g'(e^{i\theta}) \) is everywhere different from zero. \( L\text{Diff}_C(S^1) \) is a local group \([10]\).

Let \( \text{L Ner} \subset L\text{Diff}_C(S^1) \) be the local subsemigroup of mappings \( g \) such that \( |g(e^{i\theta})| < 1 \). As was shown by Yu. A. Neretin \([10]\), the structure of a local semigroup on \( \text{L Ner} \) extends to the structure of a global semigroup \( \text{Ner} \).

There exist at least two constructions of the semigroup \( \text{Ner} \).

The first construction (Yu. A. Neretin \([10]\)). An element of Ner is a formal product

\[ p \cdot A(t) \cdot q \]

where \( p, q \in \text{Diff}_+(S^1) \), \( p(1) = 1 \), \( t > 0 \), \( A(t) : C \rightarrow C \), \( A(t)z = e^{-t}z \).
To define the multiplication in Ner one must describe the rule to transform the formal product $A(s) \cdot p \cdot A(t)$ to the form (10).

A. Let $t$ be so small that the diffeomorphism $p$ extends holomorphically to the annulus $e^{-t} \leq |z| \leq 1$. Then the product $g = A(s)pA(t)$ is well-defined. Let $K$ be the domain bounded by $S^1$ and $g(S^1)$. Let $Q$ be the canonical conformal mapping of $K$ onto the annulus $e^{-t} \leq |z| \leq 1$, normalized by the condition $Q(1) = 1$. Then $g = p' \cdot A(t) \cdot q'$, where $p' = Q^{-1}|_{S^1}$ and $q'$ is determined by the identity

$$A(s) \cdot p \cdot A(t) = p' \cdot A(t') \cdot q'.$$

B. For an arbitrary $t$ there exists a suitable $n$ such that the product

$$A(s) \cdot p \cdot A(t) = (\ldots (A(s) \cdot p \cdot A(t/n))A(t/n) \ldots)A(t/n)$$

can be calculated. It can be shown that the product does not depend on the choice of the representation (12) and is associative [10].

The second construction (M. L. Kontsevich [11] and G. Segal [12]). An element $g$ of the semigroup Ner is a triple $(K, p, q)$, where $K$ is a Riemann surface with boundary $\partial K$ such that $K$ is biholomorphically equivalent to an annulus and $p, q : S^1 \rightarrow \partial K$ are fixed parametrizations of the components of $\partial K$. Two elements $g_i = (K_i, p_i, q_i)$, $i = 1, 2$, are equivalent if there exists a conformal mapping $R : K \rightarrow K$ such that $p_2 = Rp_1$, and $q_2 = Rq_1$. The product of two elements $g_1$ and $g_2$ is the element $g_3 = (K_3, p_3, q_3)$, where

$$K_3 = K_1 \cup_{q_1(e^{it})=p_2(e^{it})} K_2,$$

$p_3 = p_1$, and $q_3 = q_2$.

This construction admits a slight modification [13]. Let us consider the semigroup $\overline{\text{Ner}}$ whose elements $g$ are pairs $(p^+_g, p^-_g)$, where $p^+_g : D_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $D_+ = \{z : |z|^{\pm 1} \leq 1\}$, such that $p^+_g(D_0^+ \cap p^-_g(\overline{D_+})) = \emptyset$. Two elements $g_1$ and $g_2$ are equivalent if there exists a biholomorphic mapping $R : \overline{D_+} \rightarrow \overline{D_+}$ such that $p^+_g = Rp^+_1$ and $p^-_g = Rp^-_1$. The product is defined by analogy with the previous construction.

The Neretin semigroup Ner possesses a central extension. The corresponding cocycle was calculated by Yu. A. Neretin [13]:

$$c(g_1, g_2) = \oint log(p^+_1)'(z)d\log\frac{(p^+_1)'(g_1(z))}{(p^+_1)'(z)} - \oint \frac{log(p^+_1)(z)}{z}d\log\frac{p^+_1(g_1(z))}{p^+_1(z)}$$

$$+ \oint log(p^-_2)(g_2(z))d\log\frac{p^-_2(z)}{p^-_1(z)} - \oint \frac{log(p^-_2(g_2(z)))}{g_2(z)}d\log\frac{p^-_2(z)}{p^-_1(z)}.$$  

1.2. The flag manifold of the Virasoro-Bott group. The flag manifold $M$ of the Virasoro-Bott group is a homogeneous space with transformation group $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ and isotropy group $S^1$. There exist several different realizations of this manifold [14–18].

Algebraic realization. The space $M$ can be realized as a conjugacy class in the group $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ or in the Virasoro-Bott group $\text{Vir}$ [15]. It should be mentioned that $M$ can also be realized as the quotient $\text{Ner} / \text{Ner}^\circ$ of the Neretin semigroup by the subsemigroup $\text{Ner}^\circ$ of elements admitting holomorphic extension to $D_-$.

Probabilistic realization. Let $P$ be the space of real probability measures $\mu = u(t)$ on $S^1$. The group $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ naturally acts on $P$ by the formula

$$g : u(t)dt \mapsto u(g^{-1}(t))dg^{-1}(t).$$

The action is transitive and the stabilizer of the point $(2\pi)^{-1} dt$ is isomorphic to $S^1$. Hence, $P$ can be identified with $M$.

Orbital realization. The space $M$ can be considered as an orbit of the coadjoint representation of $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ or $\text{Vir}$ [17, 18]. Namely, the elements of the dual space $\text{vir}^*$ of the Virasoro algebra $\text{vir}$ can be identified with the pairs $(p(t)dt^2, b)$; the coadjoint action of $\text{Vir}$ has the form

$$K(g)(p, b) = (gp - bS(g), b),$$
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symmetric space, the non-Euclidean Lagrangian (Lagrange Grassmannian) $\Lambda(M)$ on $M$ has the following form:

\begin{equation}
S(v) = \frac{g'''}{g'} - \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{g''}{g'} \right)^2
\end{equation}

is the Schwarzian (the Schwarz derivative). The orbit of the point $(a \cdot dt^2, b)$ coincides with $M$ provided that $a/b = -n^2/2$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$. Therefore, a family $\omega_{a,b}$ of symplectic structures is defined on $M$.

Analytic realization. Let us consider the space $S$ of univalent functions on the unit disk $D$. [19–21]. The Taylor coefficients $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, \ldots$ in the expansion

\begin{equation}
f(z) = z + c_1 z^2 + c_2 z^3 + c_3 z^4 + \cdots + c_n z^{n+1} \ldots
\end{equation}

form a coordinate system on $S$. It was shown in [14] that $S$ can be naturally identified with $M$.

In the coordinate system $\{c_k\}$ the action of the Lie algebra $\text{Vect}_c(S)$ on $M$ has the following form:

\begin{equation}
\mathcal{L}_v(f(z)) = if^2(z) \int \frac{w f'(w)}{f(w)} \frac{v(w)}{f(w) - f(z)} \frac{dw}{w}
\end{equation}

or

\begin{align}
L_p &= \frac{a}{ac_p} + \sum_{k \geq 1} (k+1)c_{k+1} \frac{a}{ac_{k+p}}, \quad p > 0 \\
L_0 &= \sum_{k \geq 1} k c_k \frac{a}{ac_k} \\
L_{-1} &= \sum_{k \geq 1} ((k+2)c_{k+1}) \frac{a}{ac_k} \\
L_{-2} &= \sum_{k \geq 1} ((k+3)c_{k+2}) - (4c^2 - c_1^2)c_k - B_k \frac{a}{ac_k} \\
L_{-p} &= \frac{(-1)^p}{(p-2)!} \frac{a}{ac_p} \mathcal{L}_v^{p-2}(L_{-1})L_{-2}
\end{align}

where $B_k$ are the Laurent coefficients of the function $1/(wf(w))$. The symplectic structure $\omega_{a,b}$ together with the complex structure on $M$ determines a Kähler metric $\omega_{a,b}$. More detailed information can be found in [3, 15, 16, 22, 23].

It should be mentioned that the space $M$ can be realized as a space of complex structures on loop manifolds [24].

1.3. Non-Euclidean geometry of mirrors. Points and Lagrangian submanifolds are the basic elements of symplectic geometry [25–28]. However the space of all Lagrangian submanifolds is infinite-dimensional and hard to visualize, which is not convenient. The Kähler geometry on the flag manifold $M$ of the Virasoro-Bott group permits us to select a handy subset in the set of all Lagrangian submanifolds [29].

By a Kähler subsymmetry [29, 4–6] we mean an involutory anti-automorphism of $M$. The set of fixed points of a subsymmetry (a mirror) is a completely geodesic Lagrangian submanifold. Points and mirrors are the basic elements of the geometry to be described. The set of all mirrors forms a symmetric space, the non-Euclidean Lagrangian (Lagrange Grassmannian) $A(M)$, independent of a choice of the non-Einsteinian Kähler Diff$_+ (S^1)$-invariant metric $\omega_{a,b}$ $(b/a \neq -13)$ on the space $M$ [24, 3, 29].

Consider the probabilistic realization of $M$ and the set $A(M)$ of measures of the form $\delta_0(t)dt$. The set $A(M)$ is called the absolute [3, 29]. The absolute $A(M)$ is isomorphic to $S^1$. Let us introduce the parallelism relation on the non-Euclidean Lagrangian. Two mirrors are said to be parallel if they pass through the same point of the absolute. The following analog of the Lobachevskii axiom holds: for any point of $M$ and any point of $A(M)$ there exists exactly one mirror passing through these points.

Let us also introduce the non-Euclidean Lagrangian $\Lambda_+(M)$ [29]. The elements of $\Lambda_+(M)$ are the oriented mirrors $V_a$. An oriented mirror is a pair $(V, a)$, where $V$ is a mirror and $a \in V$ a point of the absolute.

It should also be mentioned that the Maslov index $m(U, V, W, \omega)$ [30] of three oriented mirrors $U, V, W$ is equal to 1 if the orientations of the triple $(a, b, c)$ and of the circle $S^1 \simeq A(M)$ are the same and to $-1$ if these orientations are opposite.

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2. The infinite-dimensional geometry of the skeleton of the space

2.1. An equivariant mapping of the flag manifold of the Virasoro-Bott group into the infinite-dimensional classical domain of third type. Let \( H_0 \) be the space of smooth real-valued 1-forms \( u(\exp(it)) \) on the circle such that

\[
\int u(\exp(it)) \, dt = 0.
\]

Let \( H^C_0 \) be its complexification, and let \((H^C_0)^+ \) and \((H^C_0)^-\) be the transversal spaces consisting of 1-forms possessing holomorphic extensions to the disks \( D_+ \) and \( D_- \), respectively. Let \( \mathcal{O}(S^1) \), \( \mathcal{O}(D_+) \), and \( \mathcal{O}(D_-) \) denote the spaces of holomorphic functions on \( S^1 \), \( D_+ \), and \( D_- \), respectively. Then the space \( H^C_0 \) is isomorphic to the quotient of \( \mathcal{O}(S^1) \) by constants:

\[
f(z) \in \mathcal{O}(S^1) \mapsto df(z) \in H^C_0.
\]

Under this isomorphism the spaces \((H^C_0)^+ \) and \((H^C_0)^-\) are identified with the quotients of \( \mathcal{O}(D_+) \) and \( \mathcal{O}(D_-) \), respectively, by constants. Consider the completion \( H^C \) of the space \( H^C_0 \) with respect to the norm

\[
\|u\| = \sum_n |u_n|^2/n, \quad u(z) = \sum_n u_n z^n,
\]

and let \( H^C_+ \) and \( H^C_- \) be the corresponding completions of \((H^C_0)^+ \) and \((H^C_0)^-\). The space \( H^C \) is equipped with the symplectic and pseudo-Hermitian structures defined by

\[
\langle f(z), g(z) \rangle = \oint f(z) \, dg(z), \quad f, g \in \mathcal{O}(S^1).
\]

Let us denote the invariance groups of these structures by \( \text{Sp}(H^C, \mathbb{C}) \) and \( U(H^C_+, H^C_-) \), respectively; also, let \( \text{Sp}(H, \mathbb{R}) = \text{Sp}(H^C, \mathbb{C}) \cap U(H^C_+, H_-) \).

Consider the Grassmannian \( \text{Gr}(H^C) \), that is, the set of all complex Lagrangian subspaces in \( H^C \) [48, 42]. The space \( \text{Gr}(H^C) \) is an infinite-dimensional homogeneous space with transformation group \( \text{Sp}(H^C, \mathbb{C}) \). Consider the action of the subgroup \( \text{Sp}(H, \mathbb{R}) \) on \( \text{Gr}(H^C) \). The orbit of the point \( H^C \) is open (in a suitable topology) subspace \( \mathcal{R} \) in \( \text{Gr}(H^C) \) isomorphic to \( \text{Sp}(H, \mathbb{R})/U \), where \( U \) is the group of operators on \( H^C = H^C_+ \oplus H^C_- \) of the form \( A \oplus \tilde{A} \), \( A \in U(H^C_+) \), \( \tilde{A} \in U(H^C_-) \); here the mapping \( A \mapsto \tilde{A} \) from \( U(H^C_+) \) to \( U(H^C_-) \) is induced by the inversion \( z \mapsto 1/z \).

The manifold \( \mathcal{R} \) is an infinite-dimensional classical homogeneous domain of third type [31]. The manifold \( \mathcal{R} \) is mapped in the linear space \( \text{Hom}(H^C_+, H^C_-) \) in such a way that the elements of \( \mathcal{R} \) are represented by symmetric matrices \( Z \) satisfying \( E - ZZ^* > 0 \).

The mapping of \( M \) into \( \mathcal{R} \) is described in [16, 22, 23, 3]. Namely, the representation of \( \text{Diff}_+(S^1) \) in \( H \) defines a monomorphism \( \text{Diff}_+(S^1) \rightarrow \text{Sp}(H, \mathbb{R}) \). Hence, \( \text{Diff}_+(S^1) \) acts on \( \mathcal{R} \). The orbit of the initial point under this action coincides with \( \text{Diff}_+(S^1)/\text{PSl}(2, \mathbb{R}) \). Therefore, we have a mapping \( M \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \). The explicit form of this mapping can be found in [16, 23] (see [3]). The matrix \( Z_f \) corresponding to a univalent function \( f \in S \) is called the Grunskii matrix, and the mapping \( S \ni M \mapsto \mathcal{R} \ni \text{Gr}(H^C) \) is the Krichever mapping [41, 42].

It is well known [32] that the skeleton of a finite-dimensional classical domain of third type consists of all symmetric unitary matrices. Thus we can regard the set of all symmetric unitary operators from \( H \) to \( H \) as the skeleton of \( \mathcal{R} \). By the skeleton of the space \( S \) of univalent functions is de ned as the set of functions whose Grunskii matrices are unitary. Accordingly to Milin’s theorem [33, 34], the skeleton of \( S \) consists of all univalent functions \( f \) such that \( \text{mes}(\mathbb{C} \setminus f(D^0_+)) = 0 \). Let us investigate the structure of \( S \) more systematically.

2.2. The geometry of the skeleton of the space \( S \). Consider the \( \mathbb{R} \)-analytic space \( E \) whose elements are cuts of the complex plane \( \mathbb{C} \) with one end at infinity such that the conformal radius of \( \mathbb{C} \setminus K \) with respect to zero is equal to one. Consider the mapping \( E \rightarrow \Lambda_+(M) \) defined as

\[
f(z) \mapsto (s, a),
\]

where

\[
f(D^0_+) \cup K = \mathbb{C}, \quad f(0) = 0, \quad f'(0) = 1, \quad f(a) = \infty, \quad f(s(z)) = f(z).
\]
Theorem 1A. $E \simeq \Lambda_+(M)$.

Proof. Note that $\Lambda_+(M) = \{(s,a) : a \in \text{Diff}_-(S^1), \ s^2 = id, \ s(a) = a\}$. It is clear that the mapping (19) is an embedding. Let us prove that it is a surjection. To this end consider an arbitrary element $(s,a)$ of $\Lambda_+(M)$ and construct the manifold $D^+_s = D_a / \{z = s(z)\}$. Then $D^+_s$ is topologically equivalent to the Riemann sphere, and therefore $D^+_s$ and $\overline{C}$ are equivalent as complex manifolds. Hence, there exists unique mapping $f : D^+_s \to C$ such that $f(0) = 0$, $f'(0) = 1$, and $f(a) = \infty$. The composition of $f$ with the natural projection $D_a \to D^+_s$ is a function representing the element of $E$ corresponding to the pair $(s,a)$.

Let us now embed $E$ in the skeleton of $S$. Note that the group $\text{Diff}(S^1)$ naturally acts on the skeleton. On the other hand, Theorem 1A defines the structure of a $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$-homogeneous space on $E$. The question is whether the embedding of $E$ in the skeleton of $S$ is $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$-equivariant.

Theorem 1B. The embedding of $E \simeq \Lambda_+(M)$ in the skeleton of $S$ is $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$-equivariant.

Proof. Note that the action of $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ on the skeleton of $S$ can be reduced to the subspace $E$. Namely, formulas (17A) that define the infinitesimal action correspond to analytic variations of cuts in $E$. One obtains the action of $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ on $E$ by exponentiating these deformations.

It is necessary to verify that this action is the same as defined in the theorem.

Note that the group $\text{Diff}(S^1)$ naturally acts on $\text{Gr}(H^C)$ preserving $R$ and its skeleton. On the other hand, $\text{Diff}(S^1)$ preserves $S \simeq \text{Diff}_+(S^1)/S^1$ and therefore preserves its skeleton. This statement is true for each Kähler submanifold of $S$ (which is an involutory element of $\text{Diff}_-(S^1)$).

Consider an arbitrary subsymmetry $s \in \Lambda(M)$. Its mirror $V_s$ extends analytically to be an element of $\text{Gr}(H^S)$. The set $V_s \cap E$ consists of exactly two points that correspond to different elements $(s,a)$ and $(s,b)$ of $\Lambda_+(M)$ under the isomorphism (19). Thus, the cited actions of $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ on $E$ are the same.

Note that $\Lambda_+(M) = \text{Sym}(S^1)$, with trasvection group $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ and isotropy group $G_0 = \{g \in \text{Diff}(S^1) : g(1) = 1, \ g(\bar{z}) = g(z)\}$. The tangent space $V$ to $\Lambda_+(M)$ at the point $(s-,1)$, $s_-(z) = \bar{z}$, can be identified with the space of odd vector fields on $S^1$. The directions in $V$ invariant with respect to $G_0$ and determined by the generalized vectors $\delta_1(t)dt/dt$ and $\delta_{-1}(t)dt/dt$ give rise to nonholonomic generalized invariant direction fields $\xi_+$ and $\xi_-$ on $\Lambda_+(M)$. Let $\mathcal{O}(E)$ and $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+(M))$ be the structure rings of $E$ and $\Lambda_+(M)$, respectively; we have $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+(M))/\xi_- = \{f \in \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+(M)) : \xi_- f = 0\}$.

Theorem 1C. $(E,\mathcal{O}(E)) \simeq (\Lambda_+(M),\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+(M))/\xi_-)$.

Proof. As was mentioned, the tangent space to $\Lambda_+(M)$ at the point $(s-,1)$, $s_-(z) = \bar{z}$, can be identified with the space of odd vector fields on $S^1$. Under the isomorphism (19) the point $(s-,1) \in \Lambda_+(M)$ corresponds to the Koebe function $[19,2]$

$$k(\tau) = z/(1-z)^2.$$  

The Killing fields on $E$ defined by (17A) and vanishing at the point $k(\tau)$ are just the odd vector fields and $\xi_-$. Since $E$ and $\Lambda_+(M)$ are homogeneous spaces, it follows that $\mathcal{O}(E) = \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+(M))/\xi_-$.  

Let us now consider the mapping $M \mapsto \Gamma_{cl}(\Lambda_+(M))$, where $\Gamma_{cl}(\Lambda_+(M))$ is the space of all closed geodesics on $\Lambda_+(M)$, that assigns to each point $x \in M$ the set of all oriented mirrors passing through $x$. This mapping is clearly an isomorphism. Namely, consider a closed geodesic on $\Lambda_+(M)$. This geodesic is a symmetric space with trasvection group isomorphic to some subgroup $S^1 \subset \text{Diff}^+(S^1)$. This subgroup is the stabilizer of a suitable point of the flag manifold $M$.

Under the identification of $M$ and $\Gamma_{cl}(\Lambda_+(M))$ the symplectic structure on $M$ has the form

$$\omega_\tau(X,Y) = \int_{\gamma_\tau} (AX,Y) \ d\tau,$$

where $\tau$ is the natural parameter on $\gamma_\tau$ and $X,Y$ are Jacobi fields orthogonal to the field $\dot{\gamma}$ in the unique (up to a real factor) invariant degenerate pseudo-Riemannian metric on $\Lambda_+(M)$; $A = a\nabla + b\nabla^3$, where $\nabla$ is the covariant derivative along $\gamma_\tau$ (cf. [35]).

Consider the class $\mathcal{O}^S(S)$ of holomorphic functionals on $S$ that admit analytic extension to $E$.  

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The natural action of the Virasoro algebra $\mathfrak{vir}_C$ has the form
\[
(f, w), \quad f \in S, \quad w \in C \setminus \{ (f(D_+)^{-1} \cup \{0\}),
\]
and the projection onto the base has the form
\[
(f, w) \mapsto f.
\]

The space $A$ of the universal deformation of the complex disk is the set of pairs
\[
(f, w), \quad f \in S, \quad w \in C \setminus \{ (f(D_+)^{-1} \cup \{0\}),
\]
and the projection onto the base has the form
\[
(f, w) \mapsto f.
\]

The natural action of the Virasoro algebra $\mathfrak{vir}_C$ on $A$, introduced in [37, 38] and explicated in [36], has the form
\[
\Sigma_w(f(z), a) = i \oint \left( \frac{w'(w)}{f(w)} \right)^2 \frac{v(w) dw}{w} \left( \frac{f^2(z)}{f(w) - f(z)} - a \right)
\]
or
\[
L_p = \frac{\partial}{\partial c_p} + \sum_{k \geq 1} (k + 1)c_k \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{k+p}}, \quad p > 0
\]
\[
L_0 = \sum_{k \geq 1} kc_k \frac{\partial}{\partial c_k} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial w}
\]
\[
L_{-1} = \sum_{k \geq 1} ((k + 2)c_{k+1} - 2c_1c_k) \frac{\partial}{\partial c_k} + 2c_1w \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + w^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial w}
\]
\[
L_{-2} = \sum_{k \geq 1} ((k + 3)c_{k+2} - (4c_2 - c_1^2)c_k - B_k) \frac{\partial}{\partial c_k} + (4c_2 - c_1^2)w \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + 3c_1w^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + w^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial w}
\]
\[
L_{-p} = \frac{(-1)^p}{(p-2)!} \partial w^{-2} (L_{-1}) L_{-2}, \quad p \geq 3.
\]

This action can be exponentiated to yield an action of the Neretin semigroup. Thus the universal deformation is identified with the quotient $\text{Ner} / \text{Ner}^{\circ \circ}$, where $\text{Ner}^{\circ \circ}$ is the subsemigroup of codimension 1 in $\text{Ner}^3$ consisting of mappings $g \in \mathcal{O}(D_-)$ with some prescribed fixed point.

The action of $\text{Diff}_+(S^1)$ on the base $M$ can be lifted to the universal deformation space $A$.

3. The infinite-dimensional geometry of the universal deformation of the complex disk

3.1. The universal deformation of the complex disk. The space $A$ of the universal deformation of the complex disk is the set of pairs
\[
(f, w), \quad f \in S, \quad w \in C \setminus \{ (f(D_+)^{-1} \cup \{0\}),
\]

and the projection onto the base has the form
\[
(f, w) \mapsto f.
\]

The natural action of the Virasoro algebra $\mathfrak{vir}_C$ on $A$, introduced in [37, 38] and explicated in [36], has the form
\[
\Sigma_w(f(z), a) = i \oint \left( \frac{w'(w)}{f(w)} \right)^2 \frac{v(w) dw}{w} \left( \frac{f^2(z)}{f(w) - f(z)} - a \right)
\]
or
\[
L_p = \frac{\partial}{\partial c_p} + \sum_{k \geq 1} (k + 1)c_k \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{k+p}}, \quad p > 0
\]
\[
L_0 = \sum_{k \geq 1} kc_k \frac{\partial}{\partial c_k} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial w}
\]
\[
L_{-1} = \sum_{k \geq 1} ((k + 2)c_{k+1} - 2c_1c_k) \frac{\partial}{\partial c_k} + 2c_1w \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + w^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial w}
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3.2. The universal deformation space of the complex disk as a subsymmetric space. 

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Definition 1. [4, 5] A pair \((X, \Sigma)\), where \(X\) is a space and \(\Sigma\) the set of its involutive automorphisms (antiautomorphisms) (involutions), is called a \textit{subsymmetric space} if a mapping
\[ x \mapsto s_x \]
from \(X\) to \(\Sigma\) is given such that
a) \(s_x(x) = x, s_x s_y s_x = s_{x y}\),
b) if for some \(s \in \Sigma\) \(s(x) = x\), then \(s = s_x\).

Lemma. Each subsymmetry of \(M\) can be extended to a subsymmetry of \(A\), and this extension is \(\text{Diff}^+_+(S^1)\)-equivariant.

Proof. The assertion of the lemma follows from the fact that the elements of \(\text{Diff}^+_+(S^1)\) can be regarded as automorphisms of the semigroup \(\text{Ner}\). This fact follows from the \(\text{Diff}^+_+(S^1)\)-invariance of the tangent cone to the semigroup \(\text{Ner}\), which lies in the Lie algebra \(\text{Vect}_C(S^1)\).

Theorem 3A. The pair \((A, \Lambda(M))\) is a subsymmetric space.

Remark. The universal deformation space of the complex disk is projected on the symmetric space \(\Lambda(M)\). Moreover, since the subsymmetry mirrors on \(A\) consist of two connected components, the universal deformation space of the complex disk is projected on the symmetric space \(\Lambda_+ (M)\).

In view of this fact the non-Euclidean Lagrangian \(\Lambda_+ (M)\) can be viewed as a “the universal deformation space of the circle.”

Theorem 3B. \(\mathcal{R} (\mathcal{O}(A)) \simeq \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+ (M))\).

Proof. The mapping of \(\mathcal{R} (\mathcal{O}(A))\) into \(\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_+ (M))\) has the form
\[ F(s, a) = \lim_{f \to f, w \to b} F(f_n, b_w), \]
where \(f\) is the function corresponding to the cut in \(E\) determined by the element \((s, a) \in \Lambda_+ (M)\), and \(1/b\) is the second end of the cut \(f(S^1)\). The surjectivity of this mapping follows from Theorem 2 and formulas (22A).

Note that \(A\) is a symplectic [39, 40] and, moreover, a Kähler manifold. The Kähler structure can be defined by Bergman’s kernel function, which is the exponential of Kähler’s potential.

This kernel function is the product of the lift of Bergman’s kernel function on the base \(M\) and fiberwise Bergman’s kernel function. The subsymmetries of \(A\) are Kähler antiautomorphisms. In particular, the element \(s_-\) defines the subsymmetry of \(A\) of the form
\[ (f(z), w) \mapsto (\bar{f}(z), \bar{w}). \]

Mirrors of subsymmetries are Lagrangian submanifolds, and the projection of \(A\) to \(\Lambda_+ (M)\) defines a real \(\text{Diff}^+_+(S^1)\)-invariant polarization (see [43]) on \(A\).

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