

# Dynamical Teichmüller Spaces

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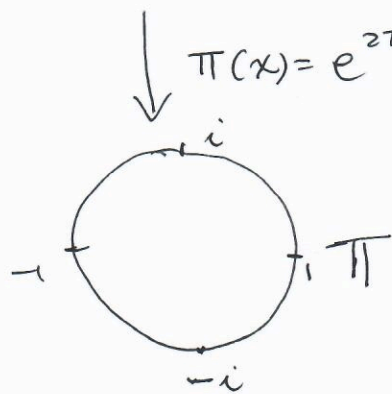
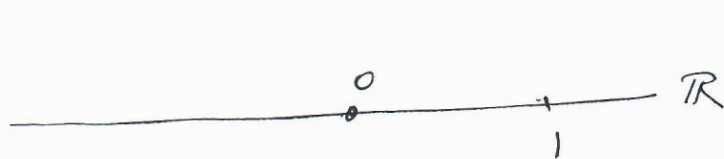
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$\mathbb{T} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z|=1\}$ , the unit circle in  $\mathbb{C}$   
 $\mathbb{R}$  is the real line



$H$ , an increasing function,  $H(x+t) = H(x) + t$

$H(0) = 0$

$h$ , an orientation-preserving homeomorphism of  $\mathbb{T}$

$h(1) = 1$

$\pi \circ H = h \circ \pi$ , lifting

We call  $h$  or  $H$  a circle homeomorphism.

Let  $\epsilon_h(t) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \log \left| \frac{H(x+t) - H(x)}{H(x) - H(x-t)} \right| \right|$ ,  $t > 0$ , be

the quasimetric distortion function for  $h$ .

Then  $h$  is quasimetric if  $\sup_{t > 0} \epsilon_h(t) = M < \infty$

Furthermore,  $h$  is symmetric if  $\epsilon_h(t) \rightarrow 0^+$  as  $t \rightarrow 0^+$

If  $h$  is a  $C^1$ -diffeomorphism, then  $h$  is symmetric.

and we have the modulus of continuity

$$\omega_h(t) = \sup_{\substack{|x-y| \leq t \\ x, y \in \mathbb{R}}} \left| \log \frac{H'(x)}{H'(y)} \right|$$

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In this case  $\varepsilon_h(t) \leq C \omega_h(t)$  for some constant  $C > 0$ . We say  $h$  is  $C^{+\alpha}$  if  $\omega_h(t) \leq Ct^\alpha$  for some  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and some constant  $C > 0$ .

$$\mathcal{Q} = \{ h \mid h \text{ is } \text{quasisymmetric} \}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \{ h \mid h \text{ is symmetric} \}$$

$$C^{+H} = \{ h \mid h \text{ is } C^{+\alpha} \text{ for some } 0 < \alpha \leq 1 \}$$

- universal Teichmüller space  $T\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q}/M$
- universal symmetric Teichmüller space  $T\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}/M$
- universal smooth Teichmüller space  $TE^{+H} = C^{+H}/M$

where  $M =$  the space of all Möbius transformations preserving the unit disk in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

- $T\mathcal{Q} = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid h(1) = 1, h(i) = i, h(-1) = -1 \}$
- $T\mathcal{S} = \{ h \in \mathcal{S} \mid h(1) = 1, h(i) = i, h(-1) = -1 \}$
- $TE^{+H} = \{ h \in C^{+H} \mid h(1) = 1, h(i) = i, h(-1) = -1 \}$

K-metric means the Kobayashi metric

T-metric means the Teichmüller metric

1) On  $TQ$ , K-metric = T-metric

A simple proof is to use holomorphic motions.

2) On  $TS$ , K-metric = T-metric

3) On  $TE^{HH}$ , K-metric = T-metric

} expect a holomorphic motion proof.

We will talk 2) and 3) in the next talk.

Note that all of them are complex Banach manifolds through Bers embedding.

A more important Teichmüller space relating to dynamics is  $\mathcal{AT} = \mathcal{Q}/S$ , the asymptotical conformal universal Teichmüller space.

Conjecture: On  $\mathcal{AT}$ , K-metric = T-metric

Note: each point in  $\mathcal{AT}$  is an equivalence class  $\{h \circ h_i \mid h_i \in S\}$   
We are interested in two subspaces called dynamical Teichmüller spaces of  $\mathcal{AT}$ .

consider  $f(z) = z^2: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ ,  $Q(x) = 2x$

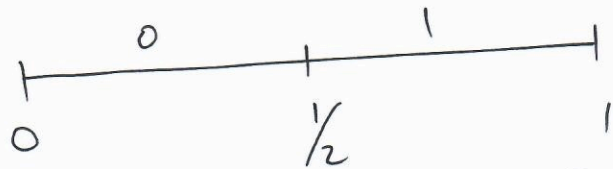
we identify  $\mathbb{T}$  with  $[0, 1] / \sim$ , then

$q(x) = 2x \pmod{1}$ . (In general, we can consider

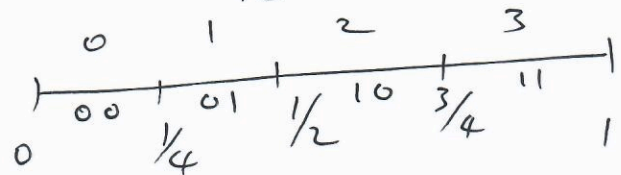
$q_d(x) = z^d$  for  $d \geq 2$ ).

$f(0) = 0$  is a fixed point

$$f^{-1}(0) = \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$



$$f^{-2}(0) = \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4} \right\}$$



$$0 = 0 \cdot 2 + 0, \quad 1 = 0 \cdot 2 + 1, \quad 2 = 1 \cdot 2 + 0, \quad 3 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1.$$

In general  $f^{-n}(0)$  cuts  $[0, 1]$  into  $2^n$ -equal sized intervals  $I_{n,k}$ ,  $k=0, 1, \dots, 2^n-1$

$$k = i_0 2^{n-1} + i_1 2^{n-2} + \dots + 2 i_{n-2} + i_{n-1}$$

$$\sum_n^+ = \left\{ \omega_n = i_0 i_1 \dots i_{n-1} \mid i_k = 0, 1 \right\} = \prod_0^{n-1} \{0, 1\}$$

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discrete topology

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$$\Sigma_n^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ = \left\{ \omega = i_0 i_1 \dots i_{n-1} \dots \mid i_k = 0, 1 \right\}$$

$$= \prod_0^{\infty} \{0, 1\}$$

↑  
discrete topology

$\Sigma^+$  with the product topology is a compact metric space. The standard metric (Lebesgue metric) is  $d_L^+(\omega, \omega') = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{|i_{k-1} - i'_{k-1}|}{2^k}$ .

Then one can check  $I_{n,k} = I_{\omega_n}$   
and  $I_{n,k} = I_{n+1,2k} \cup I_{n+1,2k+1} = I_{\omega_n^0} \cup I_{\omega_n^1}$ .

$$\forall \omega = i_0 i_1 \dots i_{n-1} \dots, \quad \omega_n = i_0 i_1 \dots i_{n-1}$$

$$\dots \subset I_{\omega_n} \subset I_{\omega_{n-1}} \subset \dots \subset I_{\omega_1} \subset [0, 1]$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_\omega\} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_{\omega_n}$  is a single point set

$$x_\omega = i_0 + \frac{1}{2} i_1 + \dots + \frac{i_{n-1}}{2^{n-1}} + \dots \in [0, 1]$$

$\pi_0: \Sigma^+ \rightarrow [0, 1], \quad \pi_0(\omega) = x_\omega$  is a

onto and 1-1 except for a countable subset

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$\{ \omega_{n0\dots0\dots}, \omega_{n11\dots} \}$ . On this countable subset.

$$\pi_0(\omega_{n0\dots0\dots}) = \pi_0(\omega_{n1\dots1\dots})$$

Moreover,  $\pi_0 \circ \sigma^+ = \varphi \circ \pi_0$

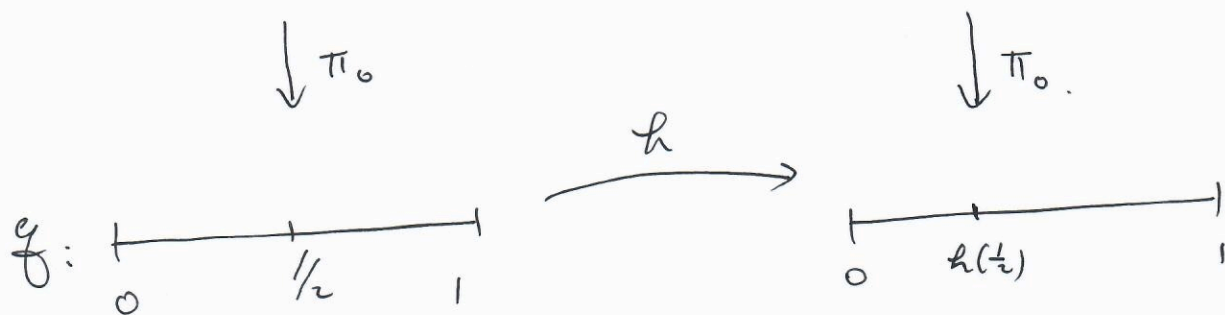
where  $\sigma^+ : \Sigma^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+$ ,  $\sigma(\omega) = i_1 i_2 \dots$ , if  $\omega = i_0 i_1 i_2 \dots$ ,  
 is the ~~the~~ left shift.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^+ & \xrightarrow{\sigma^+} & \Sigma^+ \\ \downarrow \pi_0 & & \downarrow \pi_0 \\ [0,1] & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & [0,1] \end{array}$$

On  $[0,1]$ , we have the Lebesgue metric,

On  $\Sigma$ ,  $d_L$  is the Lebesgue metric

$$\sigma : (\Sigma, d_L^+) \xrightarrow{\text{change metric}} \sigma : (\Sigma, d_h^+)$$

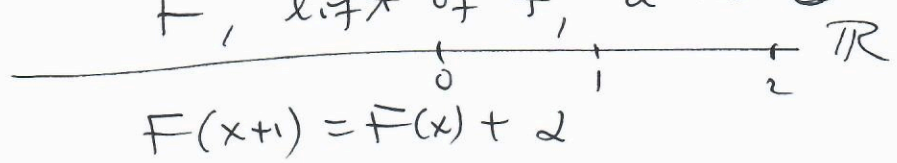


$$d_h^+(\omega, \omega') = |h(x_\omega) - h(x_{\omega'})|$$

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$f = h \circ g \circ h^{-1} : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$  is a circle endomorphism of degree 2,  $f(1) = 1$ .

$F$ , lift of  $f$ , a homeomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}$



$F(x+1) = F(x) + 2$

$\downarrow \pi$

$f \circlearrowleft \mathbb{T}$

Consider  $\varepsilon_f(t) = \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R} \\ n \in \mathbb{N}}} \left| \log \left| \frac{F^{-n}(x+t) - F^{-n}(x)}{F^{-n}(x) - F^{-n}(x-t)} \right| \right|$

Then we say  $f$  is uniformly quasimetric (uqs) if  $\sup_{t > 0} \varepsilon_f(t) = M < \infty$ .

~~Moreover~~ Furthermore,

We say  $f$  is uniformly symmetric (us) if

$$\varepsilon_f(t) \rightarrow 0^+ \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0^+$$

We say  $f$  preserves the Lebesgue measure <sup>(plm)</sup> if

$$|f^{-1}(A)| = |A| \text{ for all Borel subset } A \text{ of } \mathbb{T}$$

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The first dynamical Teichmüller space is

$$TUS = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \text{ is u.s. } \} / S$$

Theorem (5): For any  $c = [h] = \{ h \circ h_i \mid h_i \in S \}$   
 we have one  $\hat{h} = h \circ h$ , such that  $\hat{f} = \hat{h} \circ f \circ \hat{h}^{-1}$   
 plm.

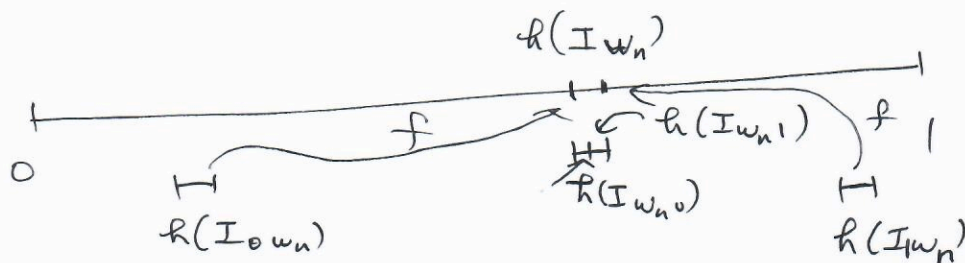
$$\Rightarrow TUS = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \text{ is u.s. and plm } \} / S$$

Furthermore, we like to study our second dynamical Teichmüller space

$$TUQ = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \text{ is u.g.s. and plm } \} / S$$

$$\subsetneq \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \text{ is u.g.s. } \} / S$$

$$f \text{ plm} \Leftrightarrow h(I_{w_n}) = |h(I_{0w_n})| + |h(I_{1w_n})|$$



$$h(I_{w_n}) = \sum_{\substack{w \in (0,1) \\ n+1}} |h(I_w)|$$

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## Theorem (Adamski-Hu-J-Wang)

Suppose both  $f_1 = h_1 \circ f \circ h_1^{-1}$  and  $f_2 = h_2 \circ f \circ h_2^{-1}$  have bounded geometry and plm. Suppose  $h \in S$  such that  $f_1 = h \circ f_2 \circ h^{-1}$ . Then  $h = \text{id}$ .

$$\Rightarrow TUS = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \text{ is us and plm} \}$$

$$TUQ = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \text{ is ufs and plm} \}$$

since  $f$  is ufs (or us)  $\Rightarrow f$  has bounded geometry

It makes the following conjecture is easier to study:

Conjecture: On  $TUS$  or  $TUQ$ ,  $\kappa$ -metric =  $T$ -metric.

In general  $f = h \circ g \circ h^{-1}$ ,  $h \in TUS$  or  $TUQ$ , is not differentiable, even may be totally singular. However, it has the dual derivative as we explain below.

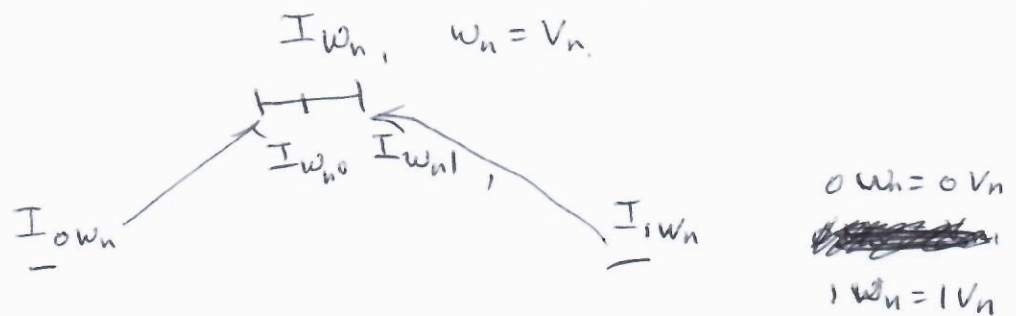
Dual symbolic representation:

$$\Sigma_n^- = \{ v_n = \hat{\delta}_{n-1} \dots \hat{\delta}_1 \hat{\delta}_0 \} = \{ 0, 1 \}^{\prod_0^{n-1}}$$

with product topology

$$v_n = \hat{\delta}_{n-1} \dots \hat{\delta}_1 \hat{\delta}_0 = i_0 i_1 \dots i_{n-2} i_{n-1} = \omega_n.$$

$$\Sigma_n^- \longrightarrow \Sigma^- = \{ v = \dots \hat{\delta}_{n-1} \dots \hat{\delta}_1 \hat{\delta}_0 \} = \{ 0, 1 \}^{\prod_0^{\infty}}$$



In other words,  $I_{\omega_{n0}}, I_{\omega_{n1}}$  are  $n$ -closed in  $\Sigma^+$

$I_{\omega_{n00}}, I_{\omega_{n01}}, I_{\omega_{n10}}, I_{\omega_{n11}}$  are  $n$ -closed in  $\Sigma^-$ .

$\sigma^-(v) = \dots \hat{\delta}_{n-1} \dots \hat{\delta}_1$ , if  $v = \dots \hat{\delta}_{n-1} \dots \hat{\delta}_1 \hat{\delta}_0$ , is called the right shift.

If  $h \in TUG$ , then  $h$  induces a metric on  $\Sigma^-$

$$d_R^-(v, v') = |h(I_{\omega_n})| (= |h(I_{\omega_{n0}})| + |h(I_{\omega_{n1}})|)$$

if  $v_n = v'_n$  but  $v_{n+1} \neq v'_{n+1}$

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Theorem (Hu-J-Wang),  $\forall h \in TUQ$ ,

$\sigma^- : (\Sigma^-, d_h^-) \supseteq$  is a differentiable  
a.e and the derivative  $\frac{d_h^- \sigma^-(v)}{d_h^- v}$  is a  
 $L'$ -function on  $(\Sigma^-, d_h^-)$

— We proved this theorem by using Martingale  
theory.

Theorem (5).  $\forall h \in TUS$ ,

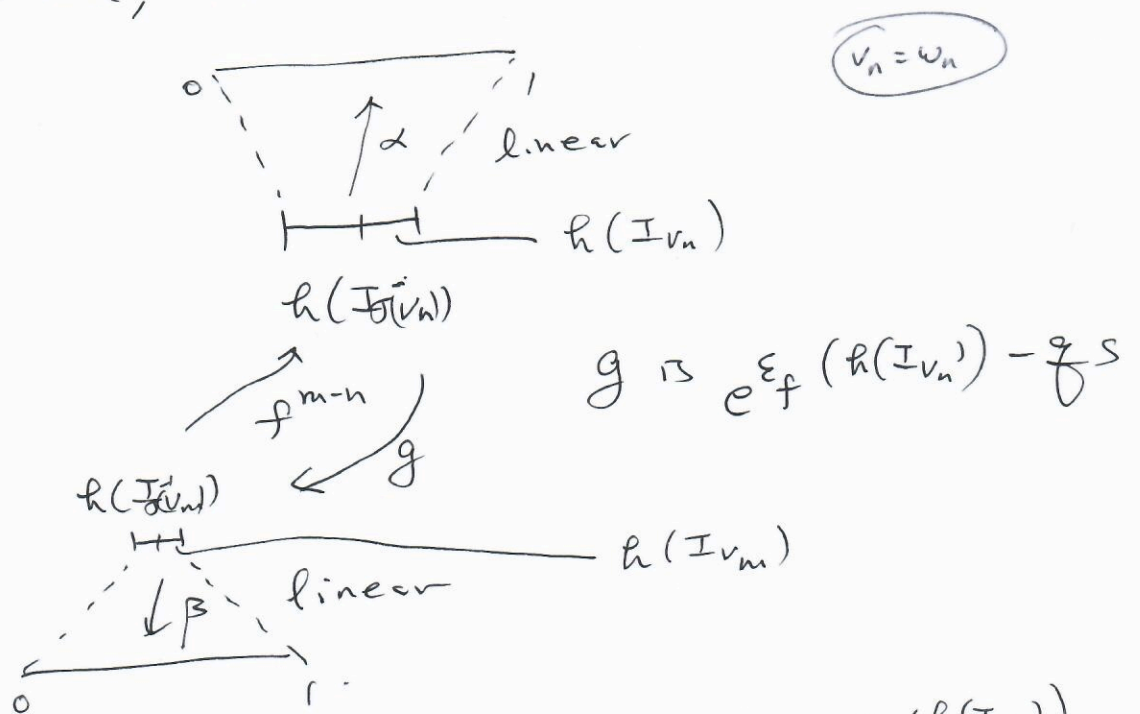
$\sigma^- : (\Sigma^-, d_h^-) \supseteq$  is a  $C'$ -map, i.e.,  
its derivative  $\frac{d_h^- \sigma^-(v)}{d_h^- v}$  is a  
continuous function on  $\Sigma^-$ .

The proof uses the following lemma.

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Lemma Suppose  $h: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $h(0)=0$ ,  $h(1)=1$ , is a  $M$ -quasisymmetric homeomorphism. Then  $|h(x)-x| \leq M^{-1}$ ,  $\forall x \in [0,1]$ .  
 Moreover,  $M^{-1}$  is the best estimation.

From lemma, we see



$$\tilde{g} = \beta \circ g \circ \alpha^{-1} : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1] \text{ is a } e^{\epsilon_f(h(I_{v_n})) - g_s} \text{ homeomorphism}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{|h(I_{\sigma^{-1}(v_n)})|}{|h(I_{v_n})|} - \frac{|h(I_{\sigma^{-1}(v_n)})|}{|h(I_{v_n})|} \right|$$

$$= |g(x) - x| \leq e^{\epsilon_f(h(I_{v_n})) - g_s} \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

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$\Rightarrow \left\{ \frac{|h(I_{\sigma^{-}}(v_n))|}{|h(I_{v_n})|} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy

sequence  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{d_h^{-} \sigma^{-}(v)}{d_h^{-} v} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|h(I_{\sigma^{-}}(v_n))|}{|h(I_{v_n})|} \text{ exists}$$

and is a continuous function on  $\Sigma^{-}$ .

(7) We have two characterizations for all  $\frac{d_h^{+} \sigma^{-}(v)}{d_h^{-} v}$  for  $h \in TUS$

(\*\*\*) We still want to know some characterization of  $\frac{d_h^{-} \sigma^{-}(v)}{d_h^{-} v}$  for  $h \in TUG$ .

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Another smooth dynamical Teichmüller space

$$\mathcal{T}C^{H^1} \mathcal{E} = \{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f = h \circ g \circ h^{-1} \in C^{H^\alpha}$$

for some  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$   $\not\sim / S$

my solution to Katok conjecture in 1-dim

$$\{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f = h \circ g \circ h^{-1} \in C^{H^\alpha} \text{ expanding } \not\sim / S$$

Ruelle-Perron-Fröbius Thm

$$\{ h \in \mathcal{Q} \mid f \in C^{H^\alpha} \text{ ~~expanding~~ and p.l.m. } \not\sim$$

For  $h \in \mathcal{T}C^{H^1} \mathcal{E}$ ,  $f$  has both the derivative and the dual derivative and both are Hölder continuous.

Theorem (5)  $TUS = \overline{\mathcal{T}C^{H^1} \mathcal{E}}$ ,

i.e.,  $\mathcal{T}C^{H^1} \mathcal{E}$  is not a complete space under T-metric, and the completion of  $\mathcal{T}C^{H^1} \mathcal{E}$  is TUS under T-metric.