

# Regularity of minimisers of distortion functionals and a question of Gromov

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We establish new existence and  $C^\infty$  - regularity results for minimisers of certain distortion functionals, including the exponential distortion. We discuss uniqueness as well. These align with a question of Gromov about identifying a (possibly singular) metric in which the extremal quasiconformal mapping between surfaces is harmonic.