

DYNAMICS ON THE BOUNDARY OF FATOU COMPONENTS

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INTRODUCTION TO HOLOMORPHIC ITERATION

$f: S \rightarrow S$ holomorphic, $S = \mathbb{C}$ or $S = \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$.

$$f^n = f \circ \dots \circ f$$

Totally invariant partition of S :

Fatou set: Set of stability (normality). Open. $\mathcal{F}(f)$.

Julia set: Chaotic set. Closed. $\mathcal{J}(f) = S \setminus \mathcal{F}(f)$.

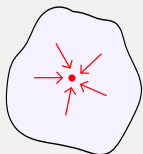
Escaping set: points which escape to ∞ . $\mathcal{I}(f)$.

Fatou components: connected components of the Fatou set.

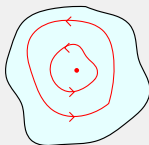
FATOU COMPONENTS

THEOREM (Fatou)

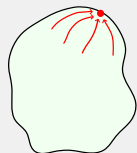
U simply-connected invariant Fatou component. Possibilities:



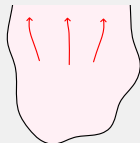
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Attracting basin
 $|f'(z_0)| < 1$



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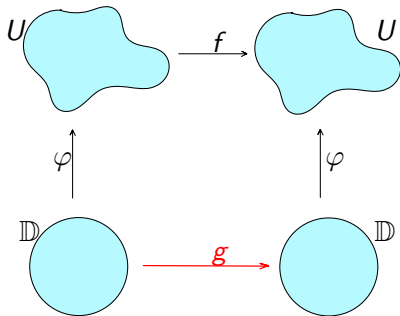


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Parabolic basin
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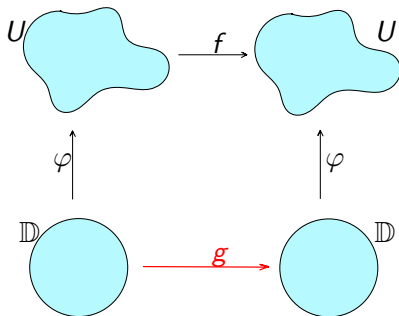
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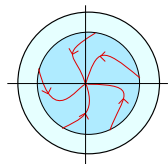
Tools to study the dynamics of $g: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ holomorphic:

- Denjoy-Wolff Theorem
If g is not a rotation, all orbits converge to the same point $p \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$.
- Cowen's classification

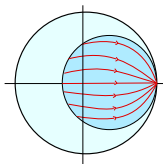
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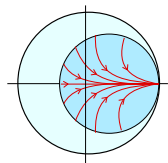
Then, there exists an **absorbing domain** where g is conjugate to $\phi: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ (Möbius).



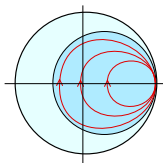
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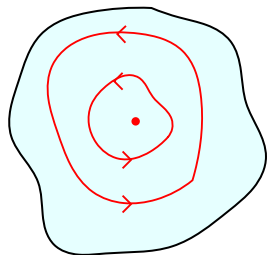


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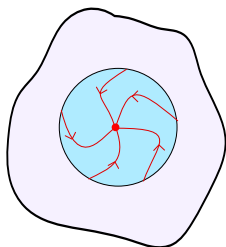


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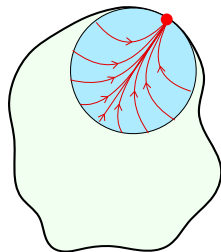
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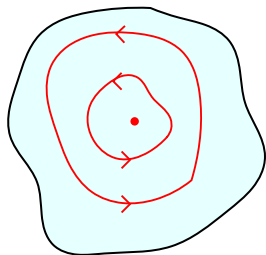


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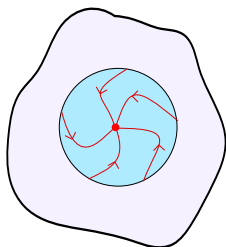


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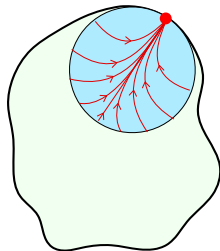
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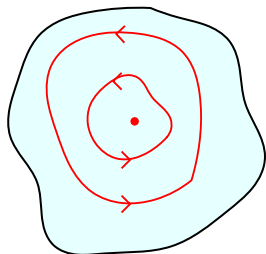
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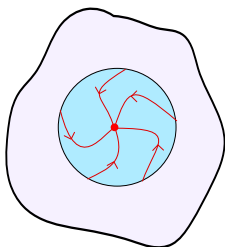
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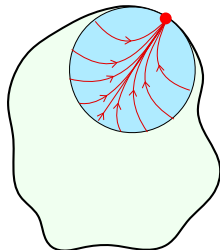
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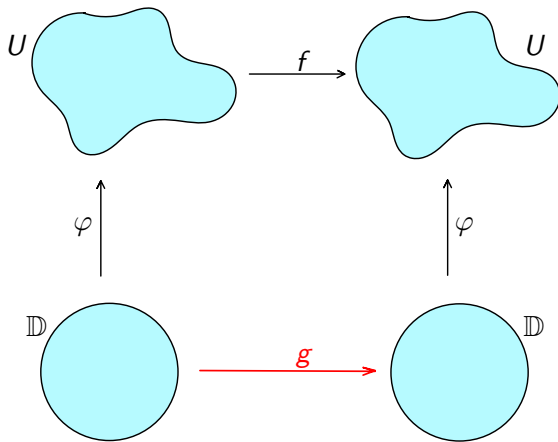
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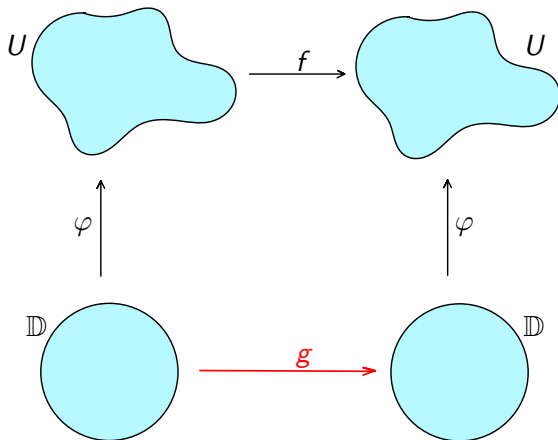
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g^* induces a dynamical system almost everywhere on $\partial\mathbb{D}$.

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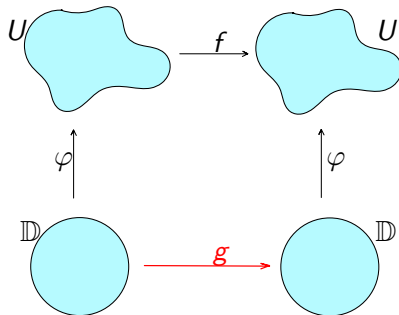
THEOREM¹

If T is ergodic and recurrent with respect to the Lebesgue measure, then Lebesgue-almost every point has a dense orbit.

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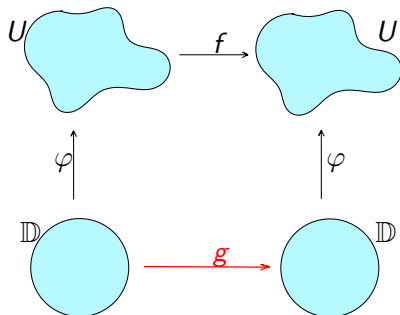
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Let $U \subset \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ be simply-connected and let $\varphi: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow U$ be a Riemann map, such that $\varphi(0) = z \in U$. The **harmonic measure** ω of ∂U with base point z is the image under φ of the normalized Lebesgue measure of $\partial\mathbb{D}$.

With this measure, we only need to study $g^*: \partial\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \partial\mathbb{D}$.

ERGODIC PROPERTIES OF INNER FUNCTIONS

INNER FUNCTION	FATOU COMPONENT	Ergodicity	Recurrence
Rational rotation		X	✓
Irrational rotation	Siegel disk	✓	✓
Elliptic *	Attracting basin	✓	✓
Doubly-parabolic *	Parabolic b./Baker d.	✓	?
Hyperbolic	Baker domain	X	X
Simply-parabolic	Baker domain	X	X

* In case of degree $d < \infty$, the boundary map is conjugate to $x \mapsto dx \pmod{1}$.

Summary of different results in:

Aaronson. *Ergodic theory for inner functions of the upper half plane.*

Aaronson. *A remark on the exactness of inner functions.*

Barański, Fagella, Jarque, Karpińska. *Escaping points in the boundaries of Baker domains.*

Bourdon, Matache, Shapiro. *On the convergence to the Denjoy-Wolff point.*

Doering, Mañé. *The dynamics of inner functions.*

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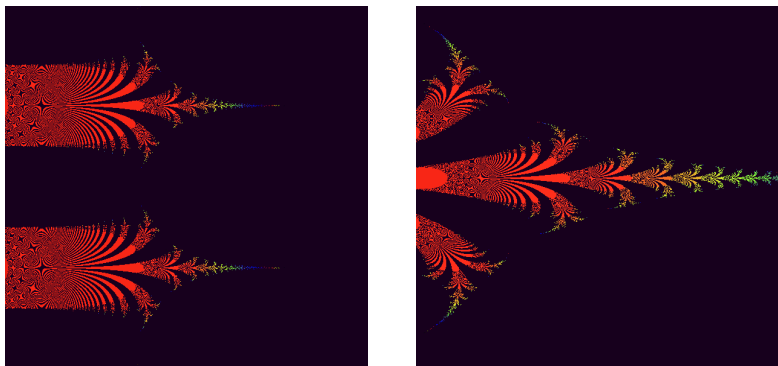


Figure: On the left, the dynamical plane of $f(z) = z + e^{-z}$. On the right, a zoom of it.

Previously studied in:

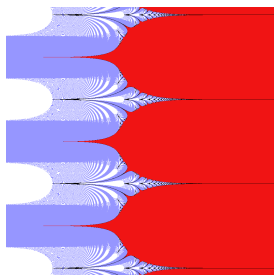
Baker, Domínguez. *Boundaries of unbounded Fatou components of entire functions.*

Fagella, Henriksen. *Deformation of entire functions with Baker domains.*

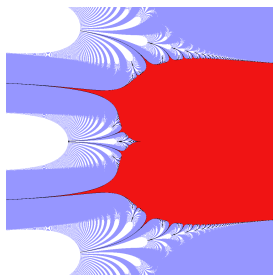
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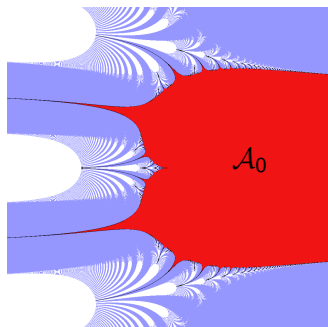
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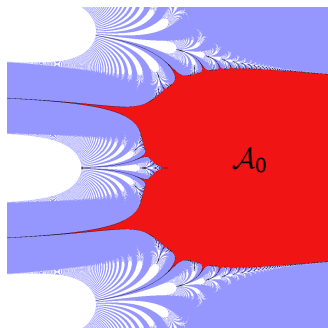
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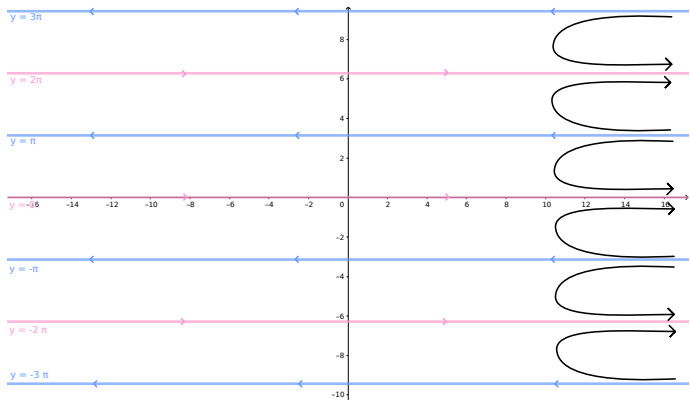
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THEOREM (Baker-Domínguez, Fagella-Henriksen)

- $\mathbb{R}_+ \subset \mathcal{A}_0$, so \mathcal{A}_0 is unbounded
- $\mathbb{R}_- \subset \mathcal{J}(h)$
- h has degree 2 on \mathcal{A}_0 and $h|_{\mathcal{A}_0} \sim g(z) = \frac{3z^2+1}{z^2+3}$ (**doubly-parabolic**)

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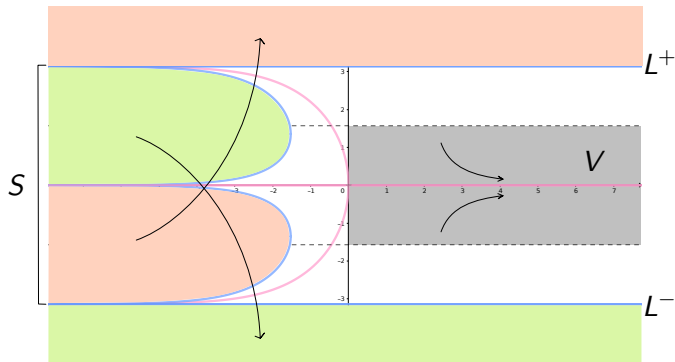
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- $f(z + 2k\pi i) = f(z) + 2k\pi i$, for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$
- The lines $\{\text{Im } z = k\pi\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ are invariant
- In each strip $\{(2k - 1)\pi < \text{Im } z < (2k + 1)\pi\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, there is one preimage of \mathcal{A}_0 , which is a **doubly-parabolic Baker domain** U_k

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- $S := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : -\pi \leq \text{Im } z \leq \pi\}$
- $f: f^{-1}(S) \cap S \rightarrow S$ proper map of degree 2
- $U := U_0 \subset S$, doubly-parabolic invariant Baker domain
- ω -almost every orbit is dense and $\mathcal{I}(f) \cap \partial U$ has zero measure

Goal: Study the boundary of the Baker domain U and its dynamics

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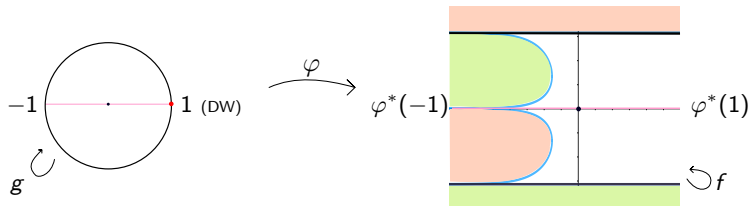
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Idea of the proof: Fix $\varphi: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow U$ (Riemann) s.t. $\varphi(0) = 0$ and $\varphi(\mathbb{R} \cap \mathbb{D}) = \mathbb{R}$.



$$\{e^{i\theta} \in \partial\mathbb{D} : \varphi^*(e^{i\theta}) = \infty\} = \{e^{i\theta} \in \partial\mathbb{D} : g^n(e^{i\theta}) = 1\}$$

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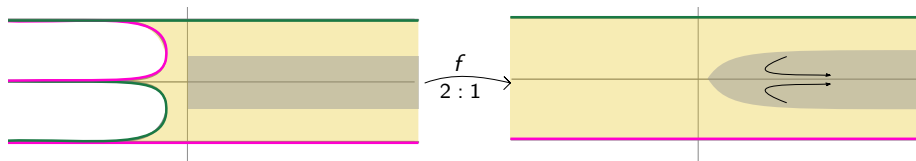
Consequence: Characterization of periodic points in ∂U .

A point $z \in \partial U$ satisfies $f^p(z) = z$ for some $p \geq 1$ if, and only if, $z = \varphi^*(e^{i\theta})$ for some $e^{i\theta} \in \partial \mathbb{D}$ satisfying $g^p(e^{i\theta}) = e^{i\theta}$.

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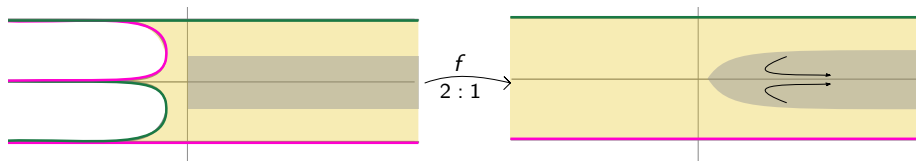
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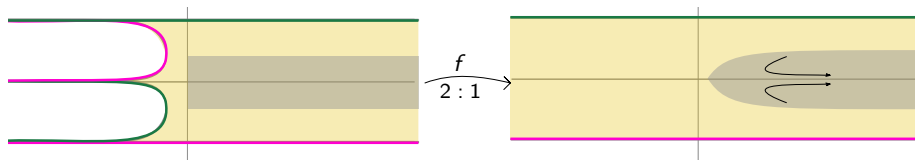


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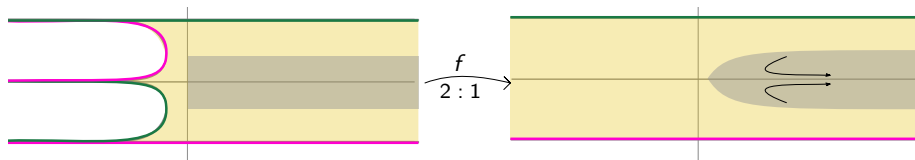
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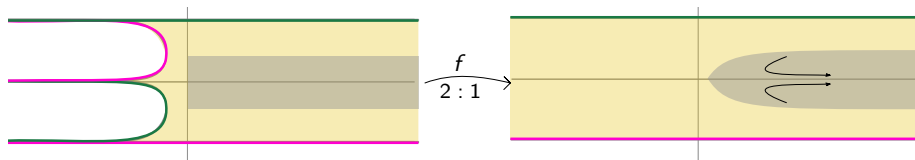
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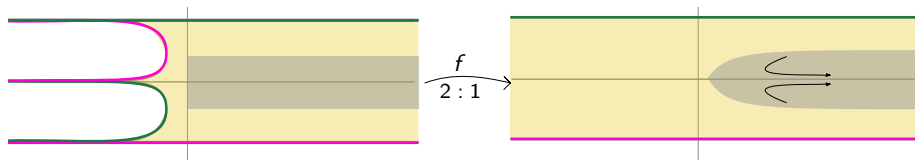
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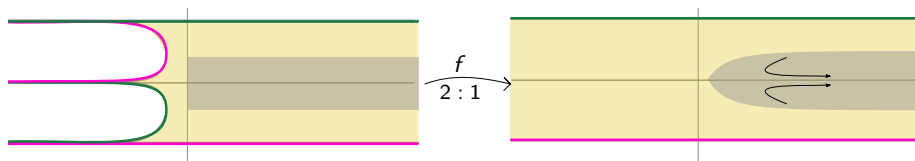
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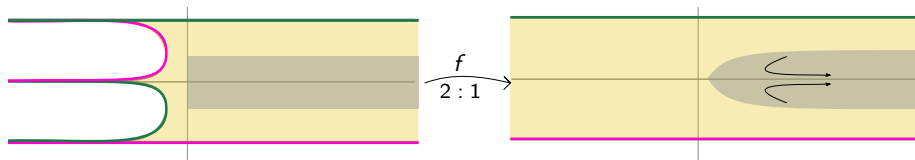
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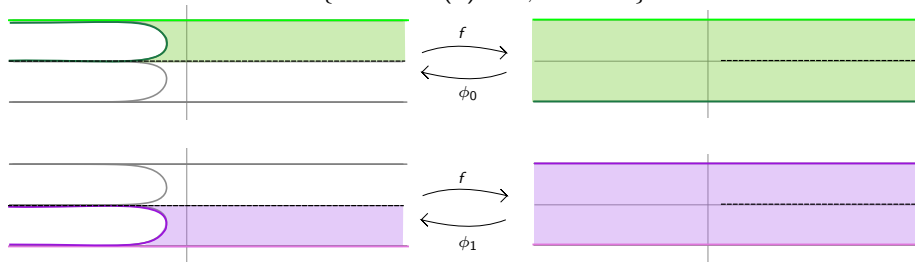
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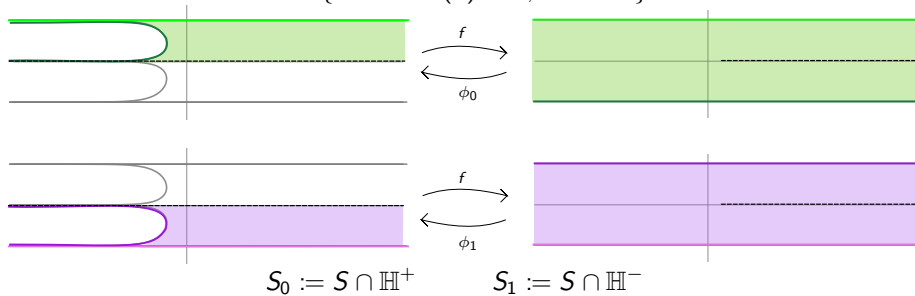
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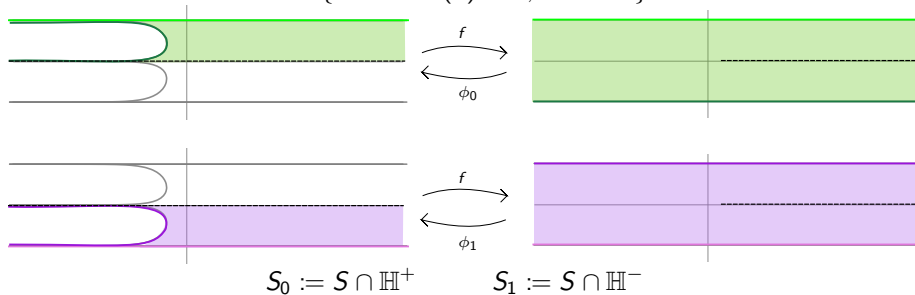
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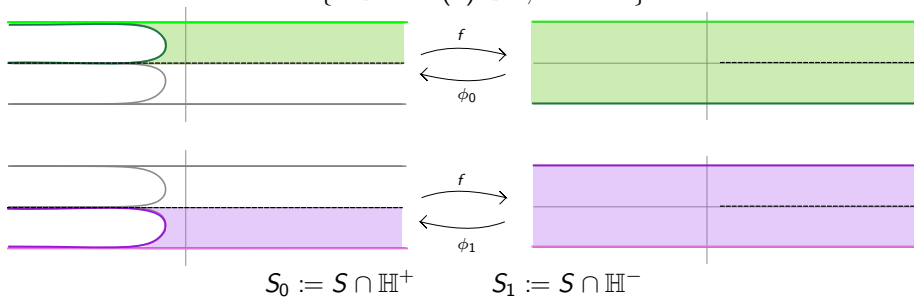


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