

# I. Cayley Graphs

$$\langle a, b \mid a^3 = b^2, [a, b] \rangle$$

$$= \langle x \mid \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

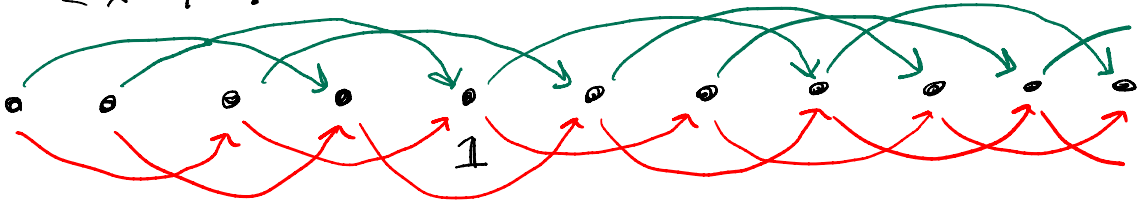
$$x = a^{-1}b$$

$$b = ax$$

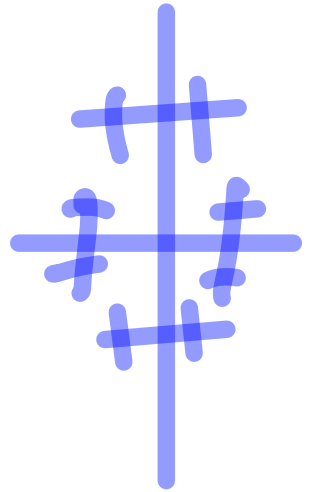
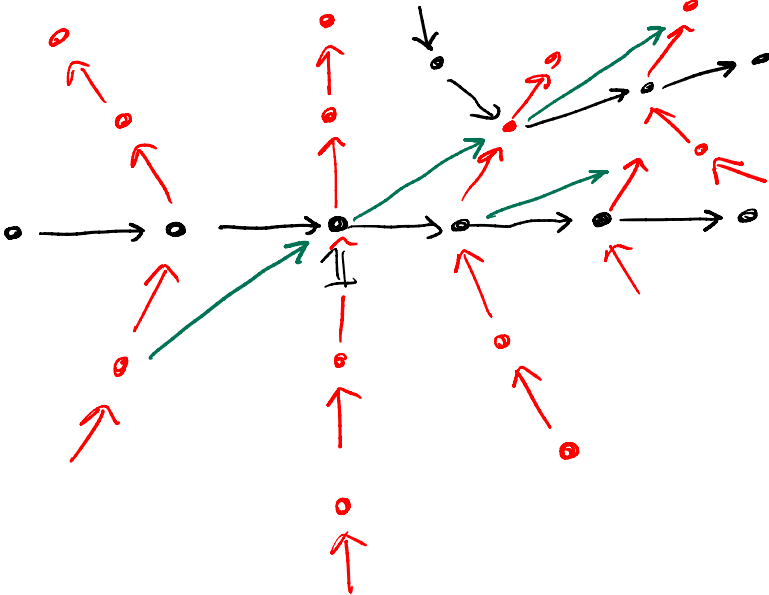
$$b^2 = a^2x^2$$

$$a^3 = a^2x^2$$

$$a = x^2$$



$$\langle a, b, c \mid c = ab \rangle \cong \mathbb{F}_2$$



② Where does the definition of "Quasi-Isometry" come from?

Consider a group  $G$  w/ finite gen sets  $S, S'$

ex  $S = \{a, b, a^{-1}, b^{-1}\}$

$$S' = \{x, y, z, x^{-1}, y^{-1}, z^{-1}\}$$

$$x = \text{WORD IN } a, b, a^{-1}, b^{-1}$$
$$= s_1 s_2 s_3 \dots s_{n_x}$$

$$y = t_1 t_2 \dots t_{n_y} = \text{WORD IN } a, b, a^{-1}, b^{-1}$$

$$z = u_1 u_2 \dots u_{n_z} = \text{WORD IN } a, b, a^{-1}, b^{-1}$$

A word of length  $n$  in  $x^{\pm}, y^{\pm}, z^{\pm}$  can be written as a word of length in  $a^{\pm}, b^{\pm}$  at most  $n \cdot \max(n_x, n_y, n_z)$

$$x y z = s_1 s_2 s_3 \dots s_{n_x} t_1 t_2 \dots t_{n_y} u_1 u_2 \dots$$

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$$d_S(g, \mathbb{1}) \leq K_2 d_{S'}(g, \mathbb{1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{K_2} d_S(g, \mathbb{1}) \leq d_{S'}(g, \mathbb{1}) \leq K_1 d_S(g, \mathbb{1})$$

let  $K = \max(K_1, K_2)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{K} d_S(g, \mathbb{1}) \leq d_{S'}(g, \mathbb{1}) \leq K d_S(g, \mathbb{1})$$

Notice  $d_S(g, h) = d_S(\mathbb{1}, g^{-1}h)$

and  $d_{S'}(\quad) = d_{S'}(\quad)$

$\Rightarrow$  prelim thm  $\exists$  constant  $K$  (depends on  $S, S'$ )  
s.t.

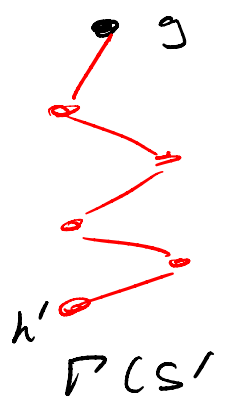
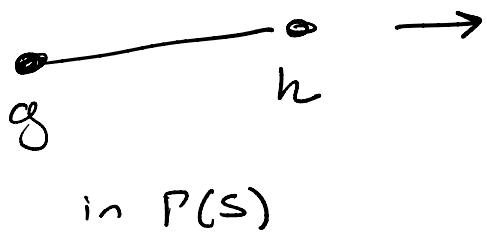
$$\frac{1}{K} d_S(g, h) \leq d_{S'}(g, h) \leq K d_S(g, h)$$

So we can map vertices of  $\Gamma(S)$   $\rightarrow$  vertices for  $\Gamma(S')$

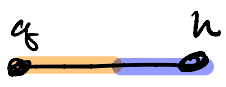
bounded stretching/shrinking

Want to map edges as well!

BUT



So



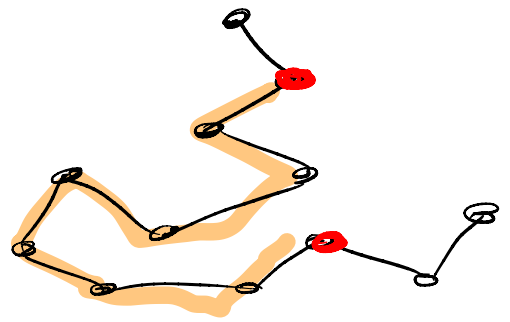
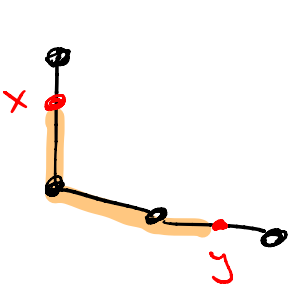
↓ NOT CONTINUOUS OR INJECTIVE



→ map to vertices of  $P(S')$

Send all of  $P(S)$  → vertices of  $P(S')$

So if  $x, y$  are interior to edges of  $P(S)$





Thm If  $G$  has finite qu. sets  $S, S'$   
then there exists a function  $f: P(S) \rightarrow P(S')$   
s.t.  $\exists$  constants  $K \geq 1, C \geq 0$   
s.t.  $\forall x, y \in P(S)$

$$\frac{1}{K} d_S(x, y) - C \leq d_{S'}(f(x), f(y)) \leq K d_S(x, y) + C$$

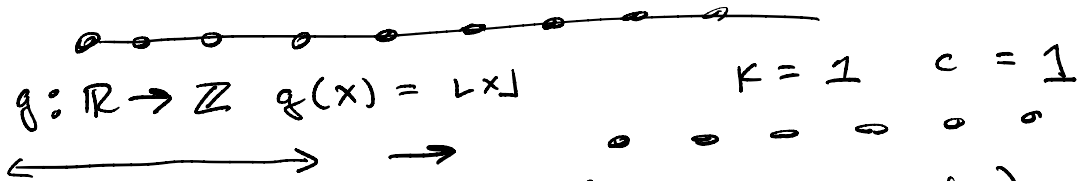
"Bounded scaling and Bounded tearing"

III • A function  $f: (X, d_x) \rightarrow (Y, d_y)$  is a quasi-isometric embedding if  $\exists$  constants  $K \geq 1$   $C \geq 0$

s.t.

$$\frac{1}{K} d_x(x, y) - C \leq d_y(f(x), f(y)) \leq K d_x(x, y) + C$$

Ex  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $f(n) = n$



• A function  $f: (X, d_x) \rightarrow (Y, d_y)$  is a quasi-isometry if  $\exists D > 0$

s.t.  $\forall y \in Y$   $d_y(y, f(x)) \leq D$

$\&$   $f$  is a quasi-isom. embedding.

"coarsely surjective" = "quasi-dense"

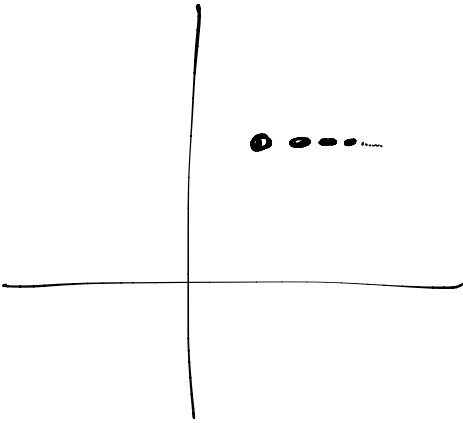
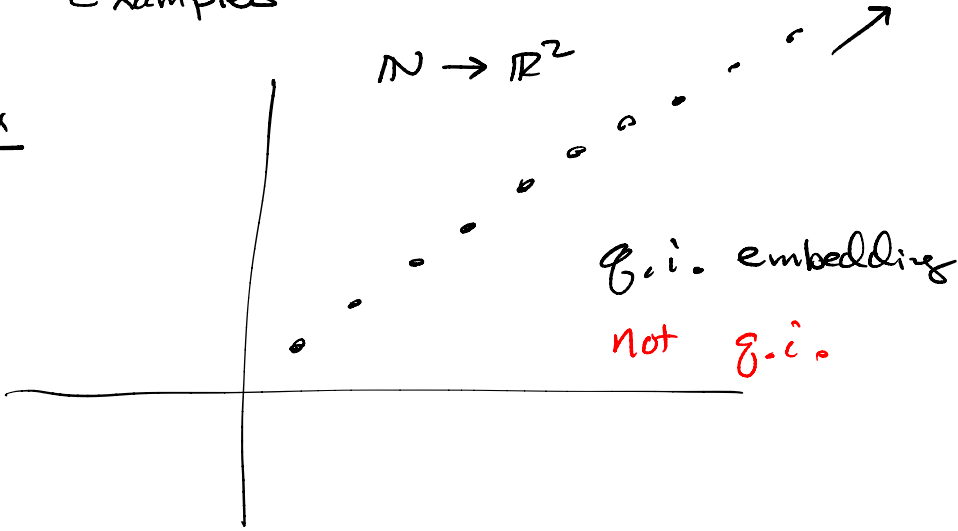
"every pt in  $Y$  is a bounded distance from image of  $X$ "

Ex  $\exists$  q.i.  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  | What about  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ? **NO**  
 or  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ?

# IV Examples

Ex

$$\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

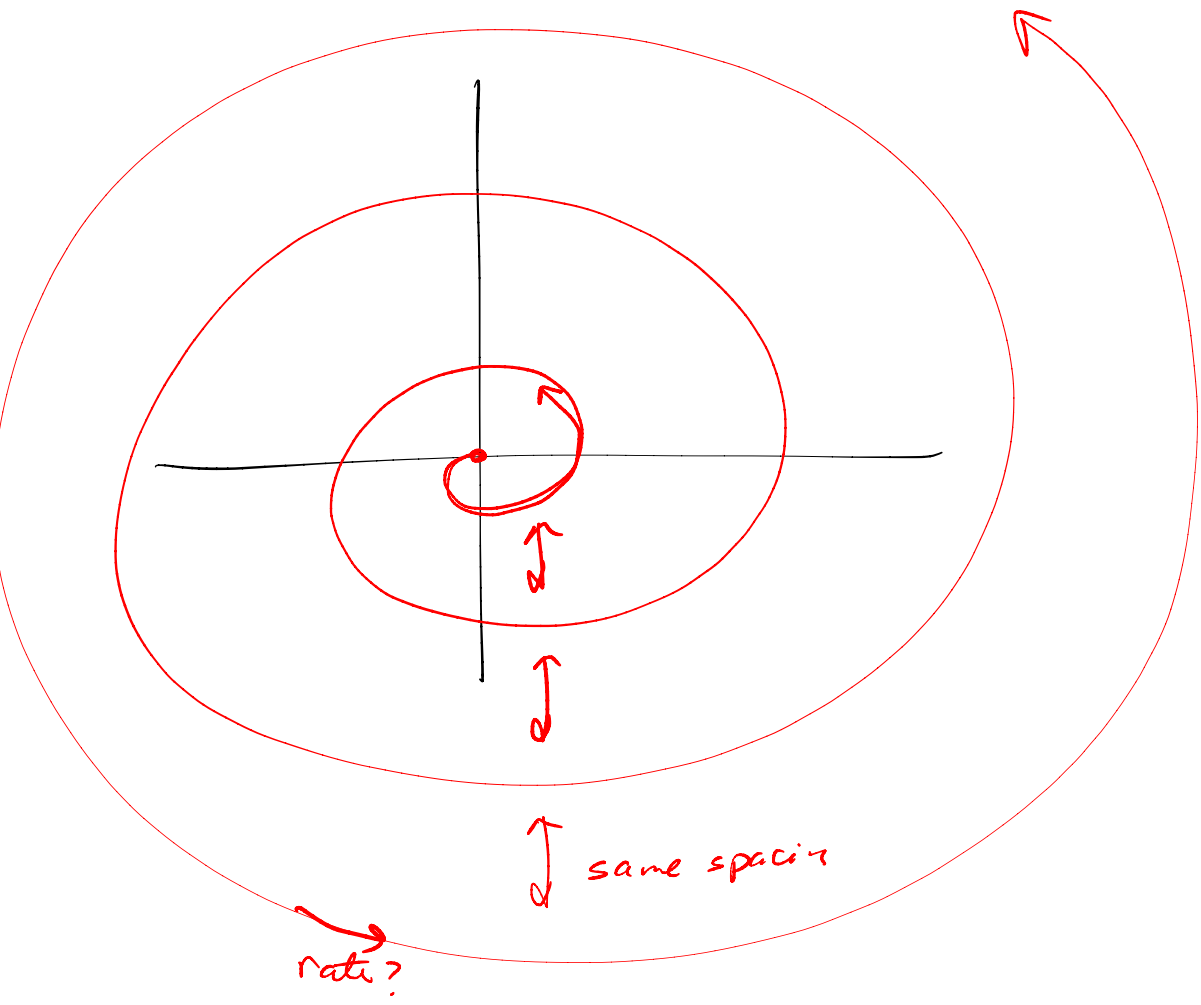


NOT g.i. embedding.



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$$[0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$



IT DEPENDS

⑤ Q.I. IS AN EQUIVALENCE RELATION  
& THERE IS A Q.I. GROUP

Thm Any two Cayley graphs for a group  $G$   
w.r.t. finite gen sets are q.i.

$\Rightarrow$  # ends  
 $\delta$ -hyperbolicity  
"type" of Dehn function

} invariant under  
q.i.

"Coarse Geometry"

⑥ The Milnor-Schwarz Lemma  
(FT of GGT)

Def  $(X, d)$  IS PROPER

IS GEODESIC

$G \curvearrowright X$  IS PROPERLY DISCONTINUOUS

IS COCOMPACT

IS ISOMETRIC

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Lemma (Milnor-Schwarz)

If  $G$  is a group that acts on a proper, geodesic metric space  $(X, d)$  properly discontinuously, cocompactly, and by isometries then  $G$  is finitely generated and

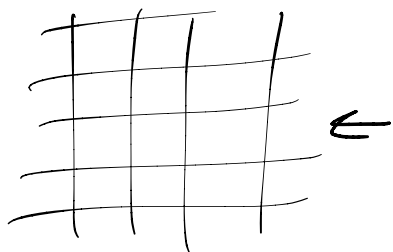
$G$  is f.o.i. to  $X$

→ every Cayley graph for  $G$

## Examples (non-Cayley Graph)

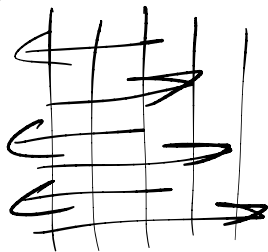
①  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  &  $\mathbb{Z}^3$

$\mathbb{Z}^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by integer translations



$$\mathbb{Z}^2 \stackrel{\cong}{\underset{q.o.i.}{\simeq}} (\mathbb{R}^2, \text{eucl.})$$

② Klein Bottle Group  $K$



$$K \stackrel{\cong}{\underset{q.o.i.}{\simeq}} (\mathbb{R}^2, \text{eucl.})$$

③ If  $[G:H] < \infty$  and  $G, H$  f.g.

$$\text{then } G \stackrel{\cong}{\underset{q.o.i.}{\simeq}} H$$



proof

① Choose the ball & Define the Generating Set.

② Repeat Steen's Proof

(III) Keep track of distances

$$(a) \quad c = \inf \left\{ d(B, gB) \mid \begin{array}{l} g \in G \setminus \{1\} \\ g \notin S \end{array} \right\}$$

(b) Claim  $\forall g \in G \setminus (S \cup \{1\})$

$$d(x_0, gx_0) \geq 2R + c$$

$\Rightarrow \exists K \geq 2$  s.t.

$$R + (K-1)c \leq d(x_0, gx_0) \leq R + Kc$$

## The Q.I. part

Def  $\rho: G \rightarrow X$  by  $\rho(g) = g \cdot x_0$ .

(A) Coarsely surjective

(B) Q.I. embedding

- Simplify!

$$\text{let } L = \max \{ d(x_0, s x_0) \mid s \in S \}$$

$$K = \max \left( \frac{1}{c}, L, 2R \right)$$

$$C = \max \left( \frac{1}{K}, c \right)$$

$$\underline{\text{Case 1}} : g = \mathbb{1}$$

$$\underline{\text{Case 2}} : g \in S$$

$$\underline{\text{Case 3}} : g \notin S \cup \{\mathbb{1}\}$$