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**Tao Cheng, Huiqiang Shi and Shanshuang Yang\*** (syang@mathcs.emory.edu), Department of Math and CS, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. *Sewing homeomorphisms and conformal invariants*. Preliminary report.

For a Jordan domain  $\Omega$  in the extended complex plane  $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ , let  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  map  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega^* = \overline{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \overline{\Omega}$  conformally onto the unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $\mathbb{D}^* = \overline{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ , respectively. Extending  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  homeomorphically to the boundary, one can define a homeomorphism of the unit circle as  $h_\Omega = f_2 \circ f_1^{-1}|_{\partial\mathbb{D}}$ , which is called a *sewing homeomorphism* induced by the Jordan domain  $\Omega$ . In this talk, we explore some connections between the analytic properties of the sewing homeomorphism  $h_\Omega$  and the geometric properties of a Jordan domain  $\Omega$ . In particular, using conformal invariants such as harmonic measure, extremal distance, and reduced extremal distance, we give several necessary and sufficient conditions for the sewing homeomorphism to be bi-Lipschitz or bi-Hölder. (Received September 12, 2016)