1047-57-72 Aaron D Magid* (magid@umich.edu), 2495 Packard Rd., Apt. X, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. The Local Topology of Deformation Spaces of Kleinian Surface Groups.

For any closed surface S, the deformation space AH(S) is the space of all marked hyperbolic 3-manifolds homotopy equivalent to S. After reviewing some of the classical results that describe topology of the interior of AH(S), we will show that for any surface S of genus at least 2, there are points on the boundary where AH(S) is not locally connected. This is a generalization of Ken Bromberg's result that the space of Kleinian punctured torus groups is not locally connected. (Received January 13, 2009)