

Quasiregular Mappings
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1. Let $t > r > s > 0$, $E \subset \mathbb{B}(s)$ and $\Delta_a = \Delta(E, S^{n-1}(a))$. Show that $M(\Delta_r) \leq cM(\Delta_t)$, where c is only dependent on n, r, s and t .

Solution: Denote $F_1 = E$, $F_2 = S^{n-1}(t)$, $F_3 = S^{n-1}(r)$, $F_4 = S^{n-1}(s)$ and $\Gamma_{ij} = \Delta(F_i, F_j)$ for all $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Then $M(\Gamma_{24}) = \omega_{n-1}(\log(t/s))^{1-n}$ and $M(\Delta_r) = M(\Gamma_{13}) \leq \omega_{n-1}(\log(r/s))^{1-n}$, since $\Gamma_{13} > \Delta(S^{n-1}(r), S^{n-1}(s))$. If $\gamma_{13} \in \Gamma_{13}$ and $\gamma_{24} \in \Gamma_{24}$, then by [CGQM,5.32],

$$\begin{aligned} M(\Delta(|\gamma_{13}|, |\gamma_{24}|)) &\geq c_n \log \frac{r}{s} \geq c_n \log \frac{r}{s} \frac{M(\Delta_r)}{\omega_{n-1}(\log \frac{r}{s})^{1-n}} \\ &= \frac{c_n}{\omega_{n-1}} (\log \frac{r}{s})^n M(\Delta_r). \end{aligned}$$

Using [CGQM, 5.35], we get

$$\begin{aligned} M(\Delta_t) &= M(\Gamma_{12}) \geq 3^{-n} \min\{M(\Gamma_{24}), M(\Gamma_{13}), \inf M(|\gamma_{13}|, |\gamma_{24}|)\} \\ &\geq 3^{-n} \min\{\omega_{n-1}(\log \frac{t}{s})^{1-n}, M(\Delta_r), \frac{c_n}{\omega_{n-1}} (\log \frac{r}{s})^n M(\Delta_r)\} \\ &\geq 3^{-n} \min\{\omega_{n-1}(\log \frac{t}{s})^{1-n} \frac{M(\Delta_r)}{\omega_{n-1}(\log r/s)^{1-n}}, M(\Delta_r), \frac{c_n}{\omega_{n-1}} (\log \frac{r}{s})^n M(\Delta_r)\} \\ &= \tilde{c} M(\Delta_r) \end{aligned}$$

where the infimum was taken over all rectifiable curves $\gamma_{13} \in \Gamma_{13}$, $\gamma_{24} \in \Gamma_{24}$ and $\tilde{c} = 3^{-n} \min\{1, (\frac{\log(r/s)}{\log(t/s)})^{n-1}, c_n(\log(r/s))^n/\omega_{n-1}\}$. Hence $M(\Delta_r) \leq cM(\Delta_t)$, where $c = 1/\tilde{c}$ depends only on n, r, s and t .

2. Prove Theorem 6.1 (3) [CGQM].

(2. Let $t \in (0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}]$ and $z \in \overline{\mathbf{R}^n}$. Without using Theorem 3.42/lectures, find an upper bound for $c(\overline{Q}(z, t))$ in terms of n and t . Your bound should tend to 0 when $t \rightarrow 0$.)

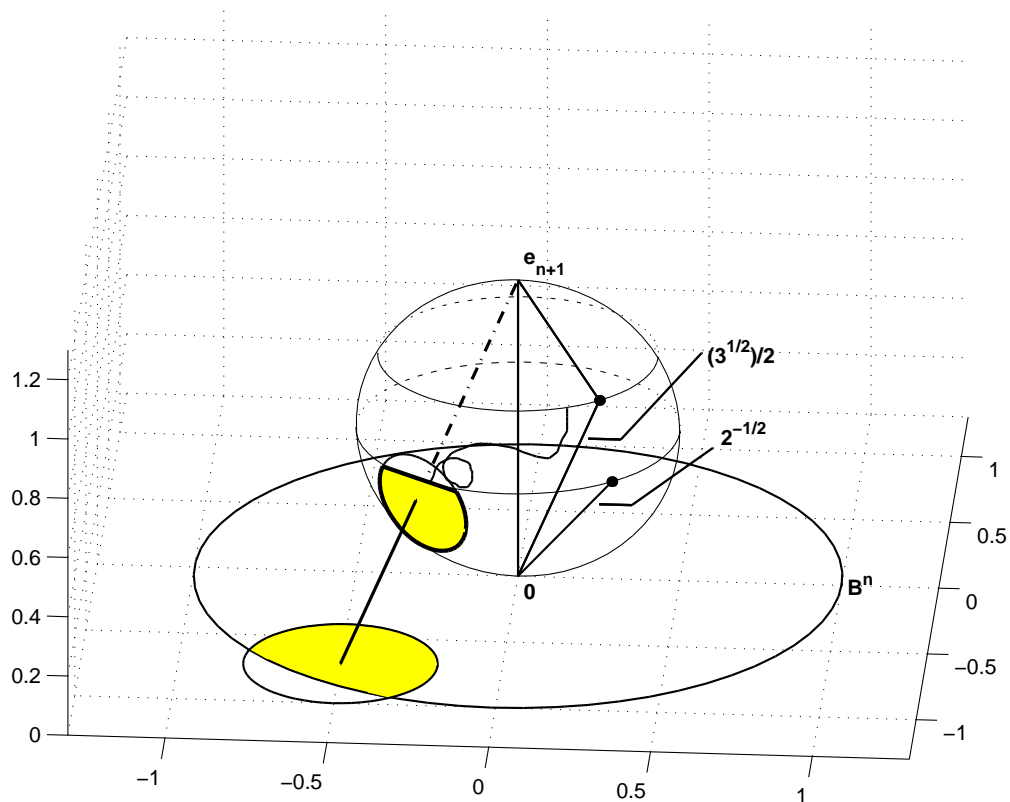
Solution: Let us recall the definition of c .

$$c(\overline{Q}(z, t)) = \inf_{x \in \overline{\mathbf{R}^n}} \max\{m(\overline{Q}(z, t), x), m(\overline{Q}(z, t), \tilde{x})\}$$

where

$$m(\overline{Q}(z, t), x) = M(\Delta(\partial Q(x, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}), \overline{Q}(z, t) \cap \overline{Q}(x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}))).$$

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Let $x \in \overline{\mathbb{R}^n}$. We may assume that $z \in Q(x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$. (Otherwise $z \in Q(\tilde{x}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$, which case is handled similarly). Let t_x be the spherical isometry in (1.46)[CGQM]. Then $t_x(x) = 0$, $t_x Q(x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = \mathbb{B}$, $t_x Q(x, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}) = \mathbb{B}(\sqrt{3})$ by 1.25 (1) [CGQM]. Hence $t_x z \in \mathbb{B}$. Now

$$Q(t_x z, q(S^{n-1}, S^{n-1}(\sqrt{3}))) \subset \mathbb{B}(\sqrt{3}).$$

We use [CQGM, 6.1] to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} m(\overline{Q}(z, t), x) &= m(\overline{Q}(t_x z, t), 0) \\ &= M(\Delta(S^{n-1}(\sqrt{3}), \overline{Q}(t_x z, t) \cap \mathbb{B})) \\ &\leq M(\Delta(\partial Q(t_x z, q(S^{n-1}, S^{n-1}(\sqrt{3}))), \partial Q(t_x z, t))) \\ &= M(\Delta(\partial Q(0, q(S^{n-1}, S^{n-1}(\sqrt{3}))), \partial Q(0, t))). \end{aligned}$$

For the last equation we applied the map $t_{t_x z}$.

Here

$$\begin{aligned} \partial Q(0, t) &= S^{n-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{1-t^2}}\right), \\ q(S^{n-1}, S^{n-1}(\sqrt{3})) &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{(1+3)(1+1)}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}}, \\ \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2}} &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{(2\sqrt{2})^2}{8-(3-2\sqrt{3}+1)}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\sqrt{3}+1}} \\ \therefore c(\bar{Q}(z, t)) \leq m(\bar{Q}(z, t), x) &\leq \omega_{n-1} \left(\log \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\sqrt{3}+1}} \frac{\sqrt{1-t^2}}{t} \right)^{1-n}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Let $G = \mathbf{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ and let s_G be defined as

$$s_G(x, y) = \frac{|x-y|^2}{2|x||y|}, \quad x, y \in G.$$

Define ρ_G by $\text{ch } \rho_G(x, y) = 1 + s_G(x, y)$. Show that

$$j_G(x, y)/2 \leq \rho_G(x, y) \leq 4j_G(x, y)$$

for $x, y \in G$. Hint: Use the inequality from h0405 to the effect that for $a \geq 0$

$$\log(1 + \max\{a, \sqrt{a}\}) \leq b \leq \log(1 + a + \sqrt{a}) \leq 2 \log(1 + \max\{a, \sqrt{a}\})$$

if $\text{ch } b = 1 + \frac{1}{2}a$.

Solution: By exercises 0405 and 0504 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_G(x, y) &\geq \log(1 + \max\{2s_G(x, y), \sqrt{2s_G(x, y)}\}) \\ &= \varphi_G(x, y) \geq j_G(x, y)/2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_G(x, y) &\leq 2 \log(1 + \max\{2s_G(x, y), \sqrt{2s_G(x, y)}\}) \\ &= 2\varphi_G(x, y) \leq 4j_G(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

4. Show that for $0 < r < 1$ and $M > 0$, $m_h(\bigcup_{|x| \leq r} D(x, M)) \leq d_2(n, M)(1-r)^{1-n}$, where m_h is the hyperbolic measure of $(\mathbb{B}, \rho_{\mathbb{B}})$.

Solution: Let $0 < r < 1$. We have that

$$\bigcup_{|z| \leq r} D(z, M) = \mathbb{B}(R)$$

for some $R > 0$. By the 2 first lines of page 25 [CGQM],

$$\log \frac{1+r}{1-r} + M = \log \frac{1+R}{1-R}$$

which implies

$$\frac{1+R}{1-R} = e^M \frac{1+r}{1-r}.$$

We use (4.15)[CGQM] to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} m_h\left(\bigcup_{|z| \leq r} D(z, M)\right) &= m_h(\mathbb{B}(R)) < \frac{2^n \omega_{n-1}}{n-1} \left(\frac{R}{1-R}\right)^{n-1} \\ &\leq \frac{2^n \omega_{n-1}}{n-1} \left(\frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{2^n \omega_{n-1}}{n-1} \left(e^M \frac{1+r}{1-r}\right)^{n-1} \\ &\leq \frac{2^n 2^{n-1} \omega_{n-1}}{n-1} e^{M(n-1)} (1-r)^{1-n} \\ &= \frac{2^{2n-1} \omega_{n-1}}{n-1} e^{M(n-1)} (1-r)^{1-n}. \end{aligned}$$

5. Show that for given $\varepsilon > 0$ there are numbers $r_1 > s_1 > r_2 > s_2 > \dots$ such that $M(\Delta(E, F; \mathbf{R}^n)) < \varepsilon$, when $E = \cup S^{n-1}(r_j)$ and $F = \cup S^{n-1}(s_j)$.

Solution: Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Denote $k_i = e^{-\varepsilon^{p^i}}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, $p > 1$. Choose $r_i = k_{2i-1}$, $s_i = k_{2i}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$. Then $r_1 > s_1 > r_2 > s_2 > \dots$. Denote for $i = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\Gamma_i = \Delta(S^{n-1}(k_i), S^{n-1}(k_{i+1})).$$

Then $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_i \subset \Delta(E, F; \mathbf{R}^n)$, which implies with (5.14)[CGQM], that

$$\begin{aligned} M(\Delta(E, F; \mathbf{R}^n)) &\leq M\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} M(\Gamma_i) \\ &= \omega_{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\log \frac{k_i}{k_{i+1}}\right)^{1-n} \\ &= \omega_{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-e^{p^i} - (-e^{p^i+p}))^{1-n} \\ &= \omega_{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (e^{p^i} (e^p - 1))^{1-n} \\ &\leq \omega_{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e^{-(n-1)p^i} < \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

if $p > 1$ is so big that $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e^{-(n-1)p^i} < \varepsilon/\omega_{n-1}$.

6. Let $G, G' \subset \mathbf{R}^n$, $n \geq 2$, and let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a homeomorphism with the following property: There exists $c_1 \in (0, \infty)$ such that for every subdomain $D \subset G$ and for all $x, y \in D$,

$$(*) \quad j_{fD}(f(x), f(y)) \leq c_1 j_D(x, y).$$

Show that for each $z \in G$,

$$H(f, z) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{|f(x) - f(z)|}{|f(y) - f(z)|} : |x - z| = |y - z| = r \right\} \leq c_2,$$

where $c_2 \in (1, \infty)$. Show that this inequality holds (possibly with a different constant c_2) also if in $(*)$ j_D and j_{fD} are replaced by k_D and k_{fD} .

Solution: Fix $z \in G$ and $r \in (0, d(z, \partial G)/2)$. Let $D = G \setminus \{z\}$. Then

$$j_D(x, y) = \log\left(1 + \frac{|x - y|}{r}\right) \leq \log\left(1 + \frac{2r}{r}\right) = \log 3$$

for all $x, y \in S^{n-1}(z, r)$, while by lemma 2.36(1)[CGQM],

$$j_{fD}(f(x), f(y)) \geq \left| \log \frac{|f(x) - f(z)|}{|f(y) - f(z)|} \right|.$$

These inequalities with $(*)$ show that $H(f, z) \leq c_2$, where $c_2 = 3^{c_1} \in (1, \infty)$.

In the case of k_D and k_{fD} , we use (3.4)[CGQM] and $(*)$ to obtain

$$j_{fD}(f(x), f(y)) \leq k_{fD}(f(x), f(y)) \leq c_1 k_D(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in D$. With the above argument this yields $H(f, z) \leq e^{c_1 k_D(x, y)}$. By the choice of r , $d(\zeta, \partial D) = r$ for all $\zeta \in S^{n-1}(z, r)$. Let γ be the shortest arc contained in $S^{n-1}(z, r)$ joining $x, y \in S^{n-1}(z, r)$. Then

$$k_D(x, y) \leq \int_{\gamma} \frac{|d\zeta|}{d(\zeta, \partial D)} \leq \frac{1}{r} \pi r = \pi.$$

$\therefore H(f, z) \leq e^{c_1 \pi}$.