Introduction to Conformal Geometry and Quasiconformal Maps **Department of Mathematics and Statistics** University of Helsinki Winter 2011 / Vuorinen

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1. (1) Show that an inversion f in $S^{n-1}(a,r)$, when $a_n = 0$, preserves the upper half-space

$$f(\mathbf{H}^n) = \mathbf{H}^n.$$

(2) Show that the expression

$$\frac{|x-y|^2}{2x_n y_n},$$

where $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \ldots, y_n)$, is invariant under an inversion in $S^{n-1}(a,r)$ when $a_n = 0$.

2. Let f be the translation $f: x \mapsto x + b$. Find an upper bound for the Lipschitz constant of f in spherical metric. (Hint: Lemma 1.54 (3)[CGQM].)

3. Verify the following elementary relations. (1) $1 - e^{-s} \le \operatorname{th} s \le 1 - e^{-2s}$ for $s \ge 0$. (2) If $s \ge 0$, then

$$\operatorname{th} s = \frac{\operatorname{th} 2s}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \operatorname{th}^2 2s}}$$

Further, if $u \in [0, 1]$ and $2s = \operatorname{arth} u$, then

th
$$s = \frac{u}{1 + \sqrt{1 - u^2}} \le \frac{1}{2}(u + u^3)$$
.

- (3) $\log \th s = -2 \operatorname{arth} e^{-2s}, s > 0.$
- (b) $\log \sin \theta = 2 \tan \theta \theta + 3 \sin \theta$

4. Observe first that, for $t \in (0, 1)$,

$$\rho_{\mathbf{H}^n}(te_n, e_n) = \rho_{\mathbf{H}^n}(te_n, S^{n-1}(\frac{1}{2}e_n, \frac{1}{2}))$$

Making use of this observation and the formula for ρ -balls in terms of euclidean balls show that

$$B^n(\frac{1}{2}e_n, \frac{1}{2}) = \bigcup_{t \in (0,1)} D(te_n, \log \frac{1}{t}) .$$

5. Assume that $a \ge 0$ and define b by $\operatorname{ch} b = 1 + \frac{1}{2}a$. Show that

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

6. (1) Show that for distinct points a, b, c, u, v in \mathbb{R}^n ,

$$\begin{split} |u,a,b,v| &= |u,a,c,v| |u,c,b,v|, \\ |u,a,b,v| |u,b,a,v| &= 1 = |u,a,b,v| |v,a,b,u|. \end{split}$$

(2) Conclude from (1) that, for a proper subdomain domain G of \mathbb{R}^n and for $x, y \in G$, the quantity

$$m_G(x, y) \equiv \log \sup\{|u, x, y, v| : u, v \in \partial G\}$$

is nonnegative and symmetric, and that it satisfies the triangle inequality

$$m_G(x,y) \le m_G(x,z) + m_G(z,y).$$

Observe also that $m_G(x, y) = m_{h(G)}(h(x), h(y))$ for $h \in \mathcal{GM}(G)$ and $x, y \in G$. (3) Show that, for $x \in \mathbf{B}^n \setminus \{0\}, e_x = x/|x|$,

$$m_{\mathbf{B}^n}(0,x) = \log|-e_x, 0, x, e_x| = \log\left(\frac{1+|x|}{1-|x|}\right).$$

Conclude that $m_{\mathbf{B}^n}(x, y) = \rho_{\mathbf{B}^n}(x, y)$ for all x, y of points in \mathbf{B}^n . (4) Show that m_G is not a metric for $G = \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$.

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