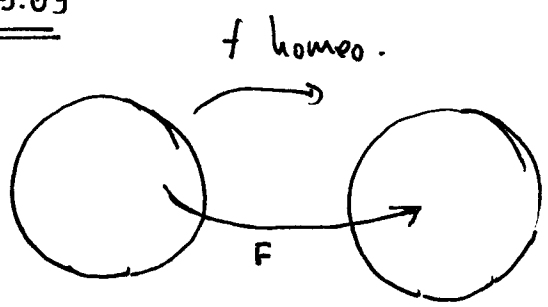


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Question: "good" extension of  $f$ .

Conformally natural  $F$ .

$$f \in \text{Conf}(S^{n-1}) \Rightarrow f \circ f = f \circ f$$



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Conformal: (i) preserves the angles

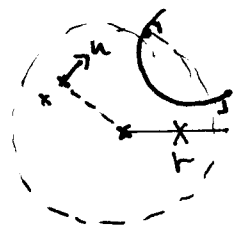
(ii)  $n=3, S^2 \cong \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$

$$z \rightarrow \frac{az+b}{cz+d}, ad-bc \neq 0.$$

This question is related to hyperbolic geometry.

In fact,  $\text{Conf}(S^{n-1}) \cong \text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}^n)$ .

Basics of hyperbolic geometry

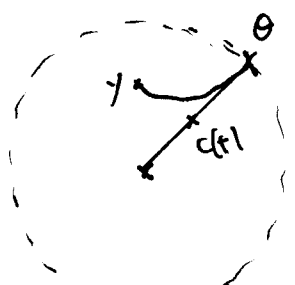


$$\|u\|_{hyp} = \frac{2\|u\|_{Euc}}{1-\|x\|^2}$$

$$d = d_{hyp}(o, r) = \log \left( \frac{1+r}{1-r} \right) \Leftrightarrow \tanh(d/2) = r.$$

Check:  $\text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}^n) \cong \text{Conf}(S^{n-1}) \cong \text{PO}(1, n)$ .

Busemann function



$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (d(y, c(t)) - t) = B_y(\theta).$$

$$B(o, \theta) = 0.$$

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Properties of Busemann

(i)  $\forall \gamma \in \text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}^n)$  we have  $B(\gamma y, \gamma \theta) = B(y, \theta) + B(\dot{\gamma}(0), \theta)$ .

(ii)  $|\nabla B| \leq 1$

(iii)  $B$  are convex functions.

$t \mapsto B(\gamma(t), \theta)$  is convex.

(a) strictly convex if  $\theta \neq \dot{\gamma}(+\infty)$  and  $\dot{\gamma}(-\infty)$

(b) linear otherwise.

(iv) level sets  $\rightsquigarrow$  spheres tangent to  $S^{n-1} = \partial \mathbb{H}^n$ .

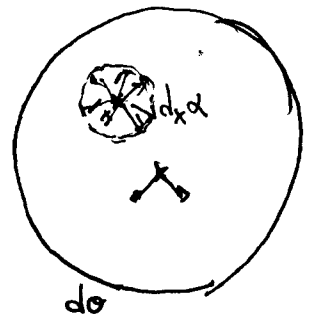
Wish to construct:

$$\mathbb{H}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_c(S^{n-1})$$

$$x \rightarrow \mu_x$$

• embedding

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma \in \text{Iso}(\mathbb{H}^n) \\ \mu_{\gamma x} = \gamma_*(\mu_x) \end{array} \right.$$



$\mu_x = \text{push forward of } d_x d.$

$$\frac{d\mu_x}{d\theta} = \exp(- (n-1) B(x, \theta))$$

Example: If  $n=2$ ,  $p(x, \theta) = \exp(-B(x, \theta))$   
Euclidean Poisson Kernel.



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Barycenter map:

$\lambda \in \mathcal{M}_1(S^{n-1})$ . Take  $\int_{S^{n-1}} B(x, \theta) d\lambda(\theta)$ .

average weighted distance from  $x$  to  $S^{n-1}$ .

Note: If  $\lambda$  has no atoms.

$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{\theta_+} + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{\theta_-}$

$B(x) = \frac{1}{2} B(x, \theta_+) + \frac{1}{2} B(x, \theta_-)$

Lemma: (i)  $B$  is strictly convex.

(ii)  $B(x) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow S^{n-1}} +\infty$

Corollary  $\exists!$  minimum  $\rightsquigarrow \text{bar}(\lambda)$ .

By construction  $\forall \gamma \in \text{Iso}(H^n)$   $\text{bar}(\gamma_* \lambda) = \gamma \text{bar}(\lambda)$ .

Define:  $F(x) = \text{bar}(f_x(\mu_x))$ .

Lemma:  $\int_{S^{n-1}} dB_{(F(x), \theta)} d(f_x/\mu_x) \equiv 0 \equiv \int_{S^{n-1}} dB_{(x, \theta)} d\mu_x$ .

Theorem: (i) Donnelly-Farley, if  $n=2$ ,  $F$  is an analytic ddf.

(ii) B-Courtois-Gallot if  $n \geq 3$ ,  $F$  is smooth

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Moreover,  $f \circ f = f \circ f \Rightarrow \bar{F} \circ f = f \circ F$ .

Proof:

$$0 = \int_{S^{n-1}} dB_{(F(x), f(\theta))} e^{-(n-1)B(x, \theta)} d\theta$$

$$u \in T_x \mathbb{H}^n \quad v \in T_{F(x)} \mathbb{H}^n.$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{S^{n-1}} D dB_{(F(x), f(\theta))} (dF(u), v) e^{-(n-1)B(x, \theta)} d\theta =$$

$$(n-1) \int dB_{(x, \theta)}(u) dB_{(F(x), f(\theta))}(v) e^{-(n-1)B(x, \theta)} d\theta$$

$$\leq (n-1) \left( \int dB^2(u) \right)^{1/2} \left( \int dB_0^2(v) \right)^{1/2}$$

Write:  $\langle K(v), v \rangle = \int D dB_0(v, v); \quad \langle H(v), v \rangle = \int dB_0^2(v)$

$$\langle H'(u), u \rangle = \int dB^2(u).$$

$$\langle K d_x F(u), v \rangle \leq (n-1) \langle H(u), u \rangle^{1/2} \langle H'(v), v \rangle^{1/2}$$

Remark: trace  $(H) = \text{trace}(H') = 1$

$$(ii) \sum \langle H(u), u \rangle = \int \sum dB^2(u) = \text{Side 1} + \dots$$

⑤

$$\text{algebra} \Rightarrow (\det K) |\text{Jac } F(x)| \leq (n-1)^n (\det(H))^{1/2} \left( \frac{\text{trace } H'}{n} \right)^{n/2}$$

$$\leq \frac{(n-1)^n}{n^{n/2}} (\det(H))^{1/2}$$

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$$|\text{Jac } (F(x))| \leq \frac{(n-1)^n}{n^{n/2}} \frac{(\det(H))^{1/2}}{\det(K)} = \frac{(n-1)^n}{n^{n/2}} \frac{(\det H)^{1/2}}{\det(\text{Id}-H)}$$

Fact:  $D d B_0(v, v) = \langle v, v \rangle \cdot (d B_0(v))^2$

Take  $K = \text{Id} - H$ .

Lemma:  $\mathcal{F}(H) = \frac{\det(H)^{1/2}}{\det(\text{Id}-H)} \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}(H) \leq \mathcal{F}\left(\frac{1}{n} \text{Id}\right)^2$

Mostow Rigidity

$$\mathbb{H}^n / \Gamma_1 \xrightarrow{h} \mathbb{H}^n / \Gamma_2$$

compact manifolds with  $\Gamma_1 \cong \Gamma_2 \Leftrightarrow h$  conti. map which is homotopic to id.



- $\forall \gamma \in \Gamma_1, \tilde{h}(\gamma x) = \rho(\gamma) \tilde{h}(x)$
- $\tilde{h}$  extends to a homes. of  $S^{n-1}$ .

↓  
F from previous construction

⑥  $\Rightarrow \text{vol}(\mathbb{H}^n / \Gamma_2) = \text{vol}(\mathbb{H}^n / \Gamma_1) \Rightarrow F$  is an isometry.