

Function Theories in Higher dimensions

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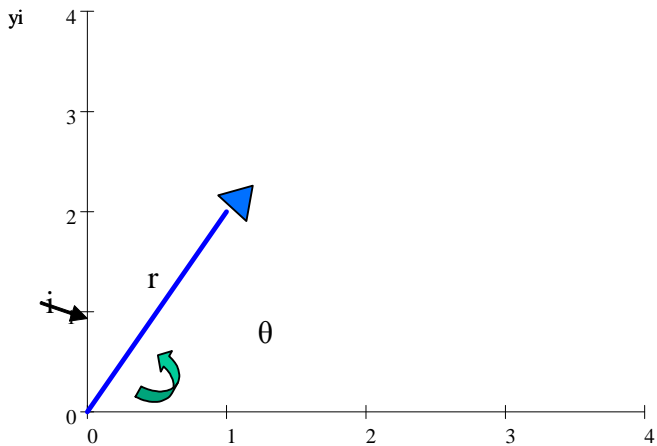
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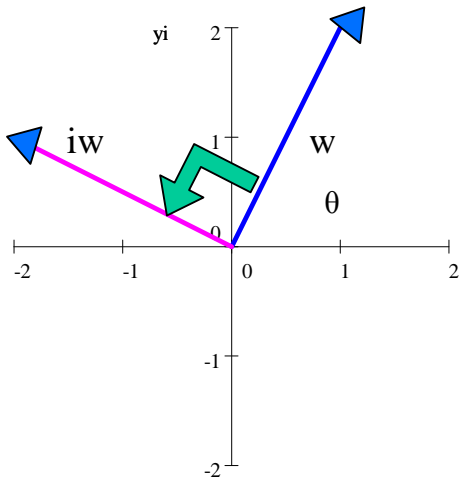
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- if $z = \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi$ and $w = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ are unit complex numbers then zw is obtained by rotating w counter clockwise by the angle φ .

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$$e_{12} = e_1 e_2$$

any element in \mathbb{H} may be written as

$$x = x_0 + x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_{12} e_{12}$$

for $x_0, x_1, x_2, x_{12} \in \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem (Hamilton)

If T is a rotation the space

$$\text{im } \mathbb{H} = \{xi + yj + zk \mid x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

with the angle θ and the axes $h \in \text{im } \mathbb{H}$, $|h| = 1$, then $T(q) = aq\bar{a}$ for any $q \in \text{im } \mathbb{H}$ where $a = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + h \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$.

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$$(z_1 + z_2 e_2)(z_3 + z_4 e_2) = z_1 z_3 - z_2 \bar{z}_4 + (z_1 z_4 + z_2 \bar{z}_3) e_2.$$

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- Clifford algebras were introduced by William Clifford in 1878.

The Clifford algebra $Cl_{p,q}$ is formed by the elements presented as

$$x = \sum_A x_A e_A,$$

where x_A are real numbers,

$$A = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k \mid 1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n\},$$

and

$$e_A = e_{i_1} e_{i_2} \cdots e_{i_k}, \quad e_\emptyset = e_0 = 1.$$

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$$\sum_{i=0}^n e_i a e_i + (n-1) a' = 0.$$

Which Metric?

Theorem

The group of orientation preserving Möbius transformations mapping the upper half space onto itself is the group of isometries of the upper half space model, that is mappings f satisfying

$$d(f(v), f(w)) = d(v, w).$$

(that is translations, dilatations, special orthogonal transformations and the inversion with respect to the sphere mapping the upper half onto itself and their compositions)

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- This equation and the metric have been studied for example by A. Weinstein in 1948–1953, A. Huber in 1953, Ahlfors in 1981, Loo-keng Hua in 1969.

Theorem

Let Ω be an open subset of the upper half space \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} . If $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function satisfying

$$x_n \triangle f - (n-1) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} = 0$$

then $f \circ T$ satisfies the same equation on $T^{-1}(\Omega)$ for any orientation preserving Möbius transformation T mapping \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} onto itself.

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- The hyperbolic surface measure and the volume measure are

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- geodesics are circular arcs perpendicular to the hyperplane $x_n = 0$ (half-circles whose origin is on $x_n = 0$ and straight vertical lines ending on the hyperplane $x_n = 0$).

- The hyperbolic ball $B_h(a, R_h)$ with the hyperbolic center a and the radius R_h is an euclidean ball with the euclidean center

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- the hyperbolic distance $d_h(x, a)$ between the points $x = x_0 + e_1 x_1 + \dots + x_n e_n$ and $a = a_0 + e_1 a_1 + \dots + a_n e_n$ is

$$R_h = d_h(x, a) = \operatorname{arcosh} \delta(x, a),$$

$$\delta(x, a) = \frac{|x - a|^2 + 2a_n x_n}{2x_n a_n}.$$

We map P and Q to the points e_n and λe_n . Then

$$d_h(P, Q) = d_h(e_n, \lambda e_n) = \int_1^\lambda \frac{dt}{t} = \ln \lambda,$$

$$\delta(P, Q) = \delta(e_n, \lambda e_n) = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda + \frac{1}{\lambda})$$

$$\cosh d_h(P, Q) = \cosh \ln \lambda = \frac{1}{2}(e^{\ln \lambda} + e^{-\ln \lambda}) = \delta(P, Q).$$

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- Heinz Leutwiler initiated in 1992 the research of the functions f , called H -solutions, admitting locally the preceding property for some function h satisfying the equality

- Another characterization of H -solutions is that they are paravector-valued solutions $f = u_0 + u_1 e_1 + \dots + u_n e_n$ of the following generalized Cauchy-Riemann equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_n \left(\frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_0} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right) + (n-1) u_n &= 0, \\
 \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} &= \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_i}, \quad i, k = 1, \dots, n, \\
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Theorem (Cauchy formula)

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ be an open, $K \subset \Omega$ a compact set with smooth boundary ∂K and ν its outer unit normal field. Then for any monogenic function $f : \Omega \rightarrow Cl_{0,n}$, that is $D_I f = 0$, we have

$$f(q) = \frac{1}{\omega_{n+1}} \int_{\partial K} \frac{(p-q)^{-1}}{|p-q|^{n-1}} \nu(p) f(p) dS,$$

for all $q \in \overset{\circ}{K}$, where ω_{n+1} is the surface measure of the unit ball in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} .

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where $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega, C\ell_{0,n})$.

Hypermonogenic functions

Definition

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ be open. A function $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{Cl}_{0,n}$ is *left hypermonogenic function*, if $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega)$ and

$$M_k^l f(x) = 0$$

for any $x \in \Omega \setminus \{x_n = 0\}$. The *right k -hypermonogenic functions* are defined similarly. If $k = n - 1$ left hypermonogenic functions are called *hypermonogenic functions*.

- Hypermonogenic functions were introduced by H. Leutwiler and S.-L. E in 2000.

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Generalized Cauchy-Riemann equations

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Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\ell_{0,n}$ be a mapping with continuous partial derivatives. The equation $Df + k \frac{Q'f}{x_n} = 0$ is equivalent with the following system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n-1}(Pf) - \frac{\partial(Q'f)}{\partial x_n} + k \frac{Q'f}{x_n} &= 0, \\ D_{n-1}(Qf) + \frac{\partial P'(f)}{\partial x_n} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

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These are Laplace-Beltrami equations with respect to the Riemannian metric

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If $f = u + iv$ is holomorphic in an open set $\Omega \subset \mathbf{C}$, then

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$$D_I g - \frac{ke_n P g}{x_n} = 0.$$

Stokes theorem

Theorem

For Ω an open subset of \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} (or \mathbb{R}_-^{n+1}), $K \subset \Omega$ a smoothly bounded compact set with outer unit normal field ν , and $f, g \in \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega, \mathcal{C}\ell_{0,n})$,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\partial K} P(g\nu f) \frac{d\sigma}{x_n^k} &= \int_K P\left((M_k^r g) f + g M_k^l f\right) \frac{dx}{x_n^k} \\ \int_{\partial K} Q(g\nu f) d\sigma &= \int_K Q\left((M_{-k}^r g) f + g M_k^l f\right) dx.\end{aligned}$$

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Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} and $\overline{K} \subset \Omega$ a smoothly bounded compact set with outer unit normal field ν . If f is hypermonogenic in Ω and $y \in K$, then

$$f(y) = \frac{2^{n-1}}{\omega_{n+1}} \int_{\partial K} \left(K_1(x, y) \nu(x) f(x) - K_2(x, y) \widehat{\nu(x)} \widehat{f(x)} \right) d\sigma.$$

where

$$K_1(x, y) = \frac{y_n^{n-1} (x - y)^{-1}}{|x - y|^{n-1} |x - \hat{y}|^{n-1}}$$
$$K_2(x, y) = \frac{y_n^{n-1} (\hat{x} - y)^{-1}}{|x - y|^{n-1} |x - \hat{y}|^{n-1}}.$$

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$$f(x) = \frac{2^{n-1}}{\omega_{n+1}} \int_{\partial K} k(x, y) (Q(y\nu'(y)f'(y)) + xQ'(\nu(y)f(y)))$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} k(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-2}y_n^n} \bar{D}^x \left(\int_{\frac{|y-x|}{|x-\hat{y}|}}^1 \frac{(1-s^2)^{n-1}}{s^n} ds \right) \\ &= -\frac{x_n^{n-1}}{y_n} \left(\frac{(x-y)^{-1} - (x-\hat{y})^{-1}}{|x-y|^{n-1} |x-\hat{y}|^{n-1}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

are hypermonogenic with respect to x in $\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{y, \hat{y}\}$.




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Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} and $\overline{K} \subset \Omega$ a smoothly bounded compact set with outer unit normal field ν . If f is continuous on Ω then

$$g(x) = \frac{2^{n-1}}{\omega_{n+1}} \int_{\partial K} k(x, y) (Q(y\nu'(y)f'(y)) + xQ'(\nu(y)f(y))) d\sigma$$

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