

# A Brief Introduction to Hyperbolic Geometry for Machine Learning

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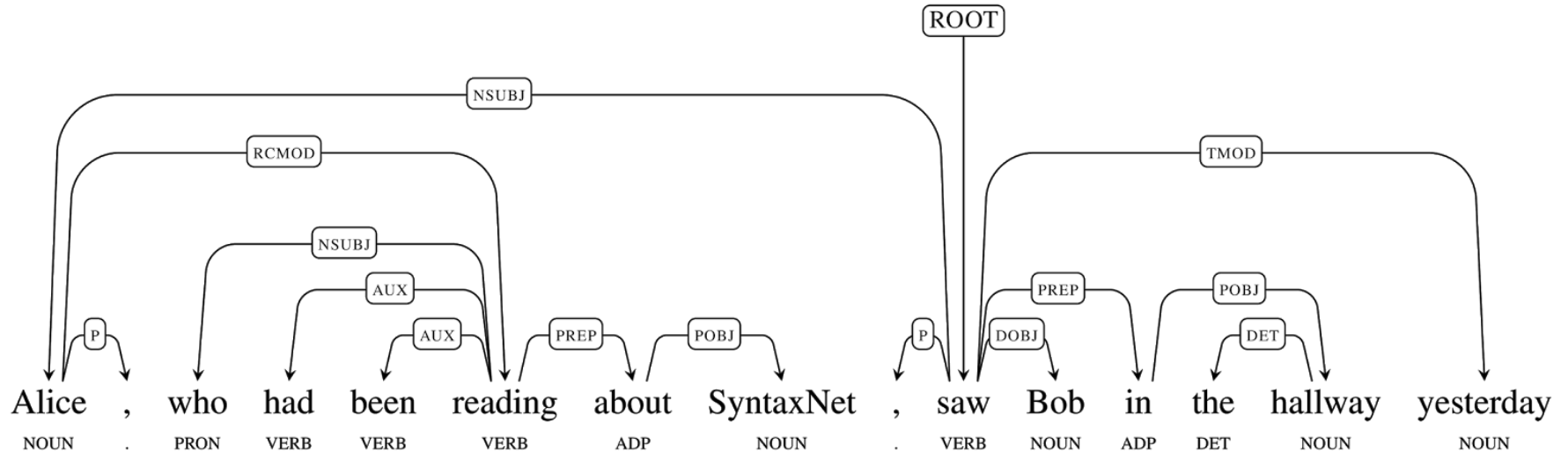
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# Motivations: Follow the Data

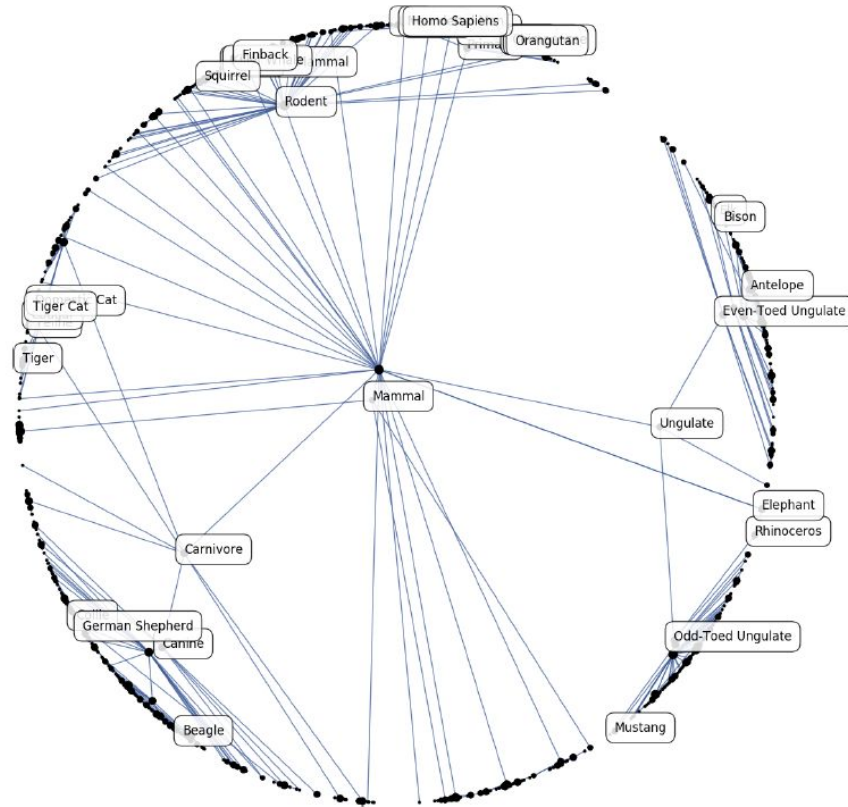
1. Machine learning is driven by data
2. Majority of algorithms and applications today rely on Euclidean data and Euclidean architectures
3. Reality is naturally non-Euclidean
  - a. e.g. space-time, relations, semantic and compositional structures
4. Data that we assume to be Euclidean can be naturally represented in non-Euclidean spaces
  - a. JOIN operation in MySQL
5. Next evolution of machine learning will focus on non-Euclidean models and data



# Syntax Trees



# Concept Hierarchies<sup>[8]</sup>





# Euclidean and non-Euclidean Geometries

# Absolute Geometry

All properties of geometry can be derived from  
**Euclid's first four postulates.**



# Euclid's First Postulate

A **line segment** can be drawn by connecting two points with a **straight line**.



# Euclid's Second Postulate

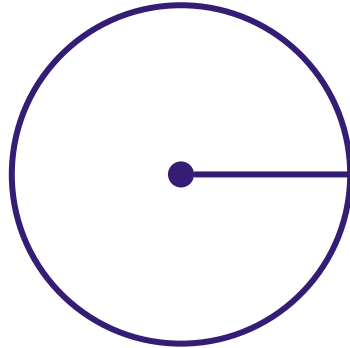
A **straight line** can be extended **indefinitely** by appending straight line segments.





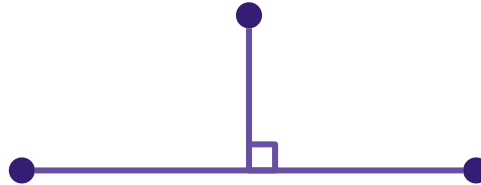
# Euclid's Third Postulate

A circle can be drawn using a straight line segment as the radius and one point as the center.



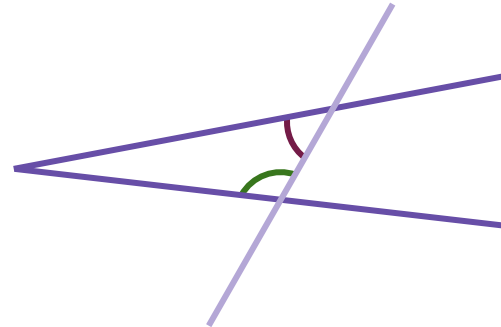
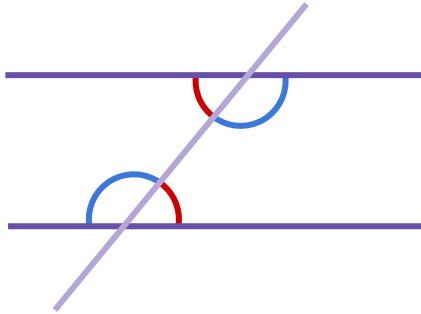
# Euclid's Fourth Postulate

All **90 degree** angles are **congruent**.



# Euclid's Fifth Postulate (Parallel Postulate)

If two lines intersect a third line and the sum of the interior angles on one side are less than 180 degrees, then the two lines are not parallel.



# Euclid's Fifth Postulate

Cannot be proven as a theorem because there exists other geometries that are consistent without the 5th postulate

non-Euclidean geometries

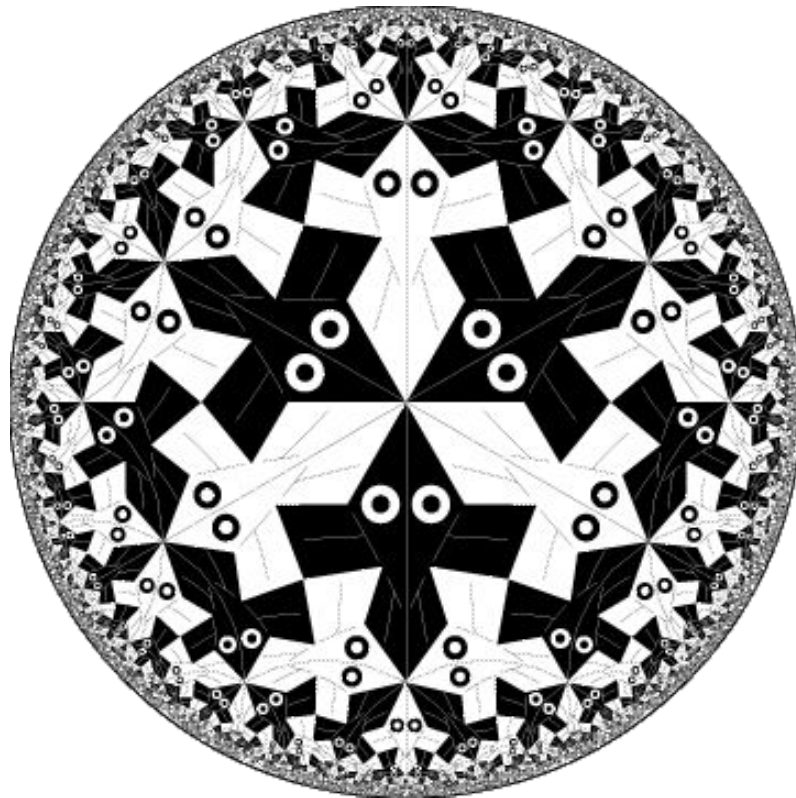
Self-consistent geometries ignore Euclid's Fifth Postulate





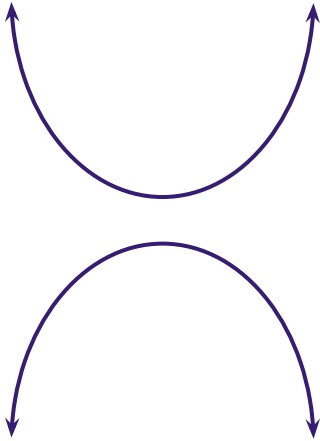
# Hyperbolic Geometry

# Circle Limit I, M.C. Escher

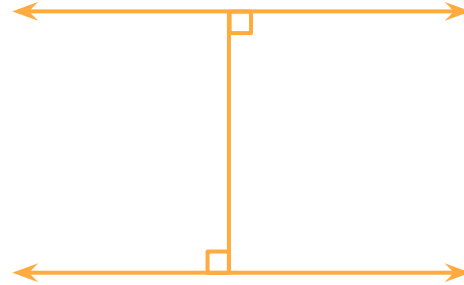


# Types of Parallel Lines

Asymptotically parallel

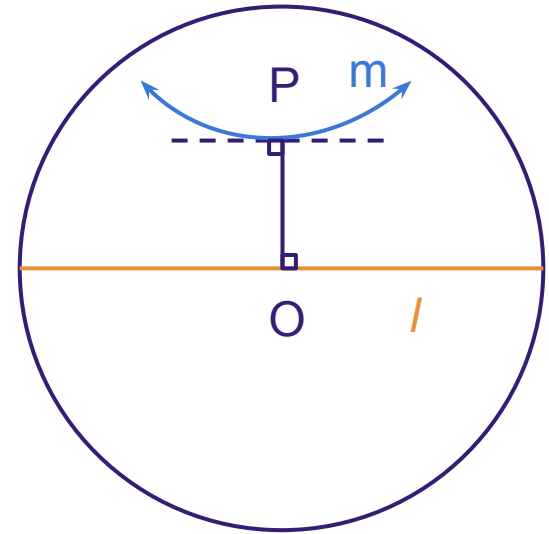
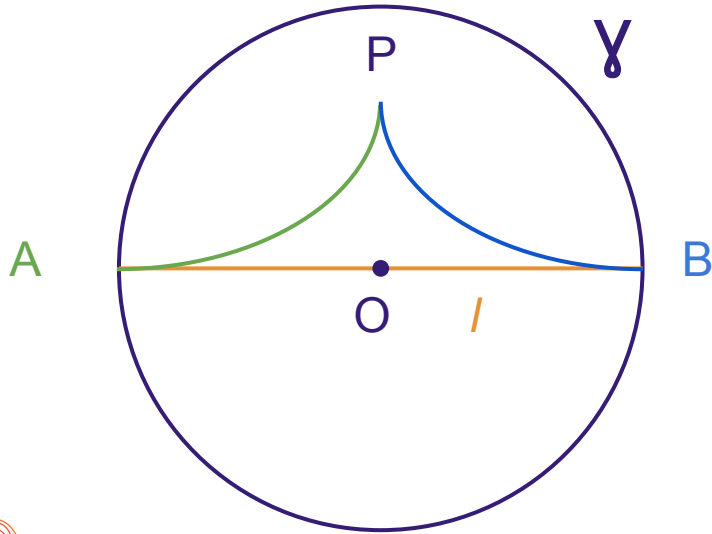


Divergently parallel




# Asymptotically Parallel Lines

Two lines are parallel if they do not share any common points







# Models of Hyperbolic Space

# Models of Hyperbolic Geometry

1. Hyperbolic Hyperboloid
2. Beltrami-Klein
3. Poincaré Ball
4. Poincaré Half-space

All models are isometric.

# Double Cone

$$\underbrace{\frac{x^2}{a^2}}_{\text{Slope of sheet along x-axis [6]}} + \underbrace{\frac{y^2}{b^2}}_{\text{Slope of sheet along y-axis [6]}} - \underbrace{\frac{z^2}{c^2}}_{\text{Distance and slope between sheets [6]}} = 0$$

Slope of sheet along x-axis [6]  
Slope of sheet along y-axis [6]  
Distance and slope between sheets [6]

As  $a$  and  $b$  shrink towards zero, both cones flatten and translate towards each other.

As  $c$  tends towards zero, the two sheets flatten and translate towards each other.

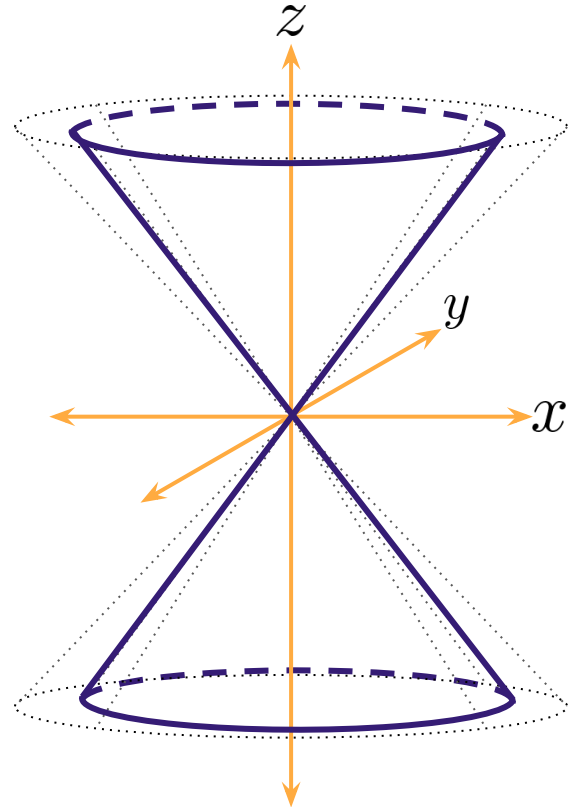
Here  $A=B$

Forward/Future cone

$$\mathcal{S}^+ \quad z > 0$$

Backward/ Past cone

$$\mathcal{S}^- \quad z < 0$$



# Hyperbolic Hyperboloid of 1 Sheet

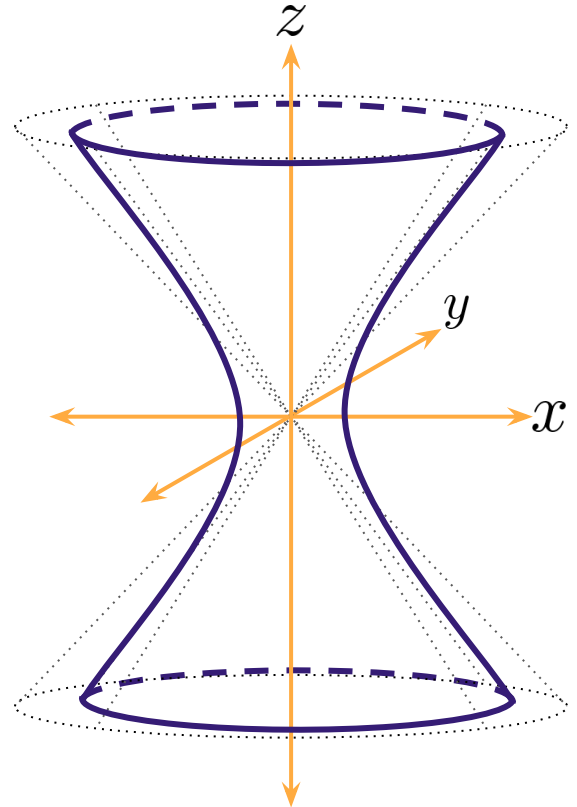
$$\underbrace{\frac{x^2}{a^2}} + \underbrace{\frac{y^2}{b^2}} - \underbrace{\frac{z^2}{c^2}} = 1$$

Slope of sheet  
along x-axis [6]

Slope of sheet  
along y-axis [6]

Distance and slope  
between sheets [6]

As  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  tend towards zero, we recover the double cone.



# Hyperbolic Hyperboloid of 2 Sheets

a.k.a. Minkowski model, Lorentz model

$$\underbrace{\frac{x^2}{a^2}} + \underbrace{\frac{y^2}{b^2}} - \underbrace{\frac{z^2}{c^2}} = -1$$

Slope of sheet  
along x-axis [6]

Slope of sheet  
along y-axis [6]

Distance and slope  
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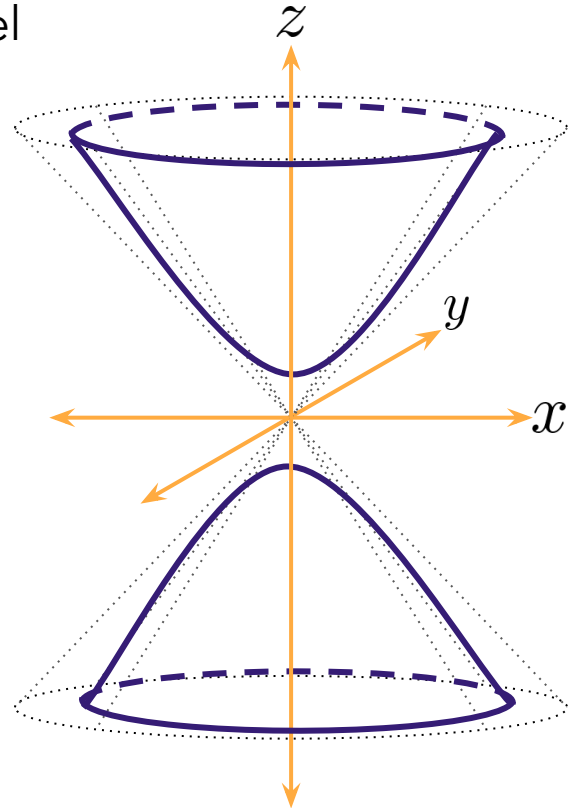
Forward/Future  
sheet

$$\mathcal{S}^+ \quad z \geq 1$$

Backward/ Past  
sheet

$$\mathcal{S}^- \quad z \leq -1$$

As  $a$  and  $b$  tend towards infinity and  $c$  tend towards zero, both sheets flatten and translate towards each other.



# Beltrami-Klein Model

Represent points from hyperbolic space in a planar map

Project points from hyperboloid onto **interior** of disk in Euclidean plane. Points on boundary do not exist.

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$$

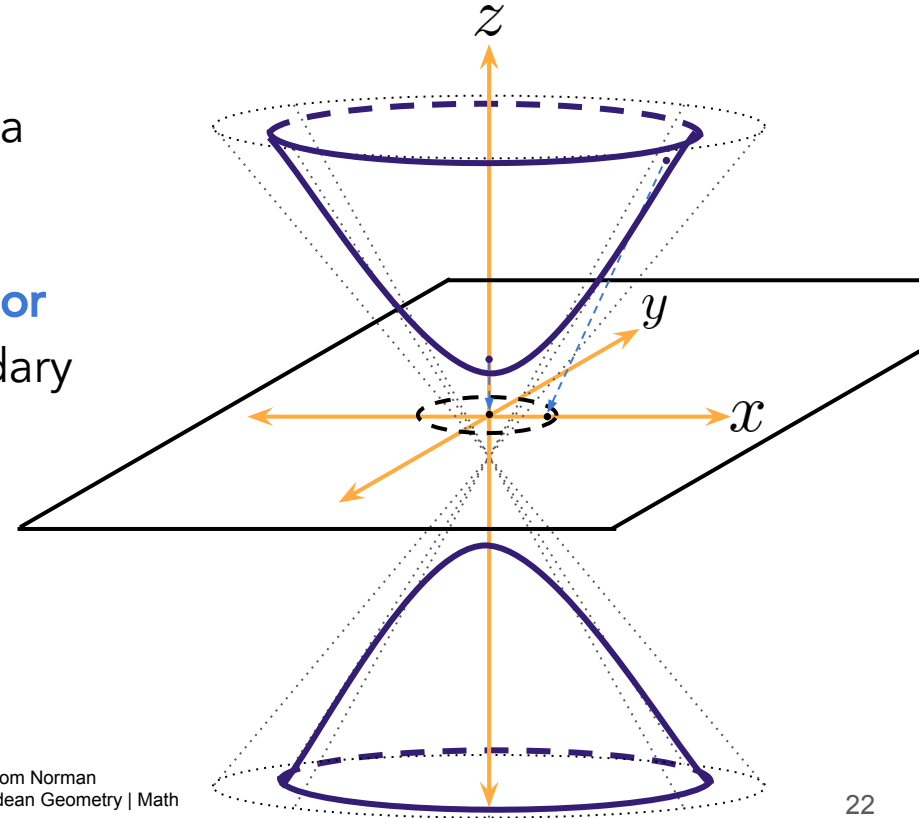


Diagram re-illustrated from Norman  
Wildberger's Non-Euclidean Geometry | Math  
History [2]



# Beltrami-Klein Model

- First 4 of Euclid's postulates apply
- Lines are **only** represented as **open chords**
- Parallel postulate of Beltrami-Klein model
  - **Open chords** A and B are parallel to **open chord** C inside circle  $\gamma$
  - Intersections outside of the circle  $\gamma$  are not part of this model
- Beltrami-Klein is **not conformal** to Euclidean space

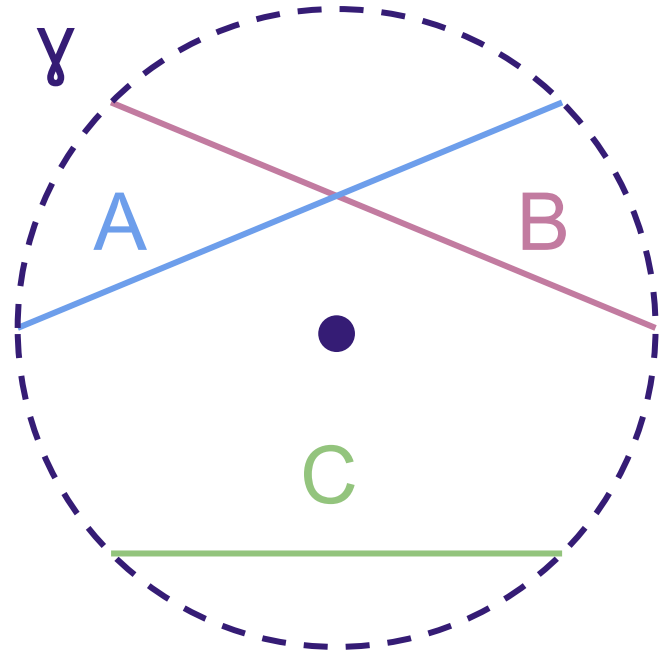


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# Angles in Beltrami-Klein I

If either chord A or B is a **diameter** and intersect inside the circle, then A and B are **perpendicular** in the Beltrami-Klein model if and only if they are perpendicular in **Euclidean** space.

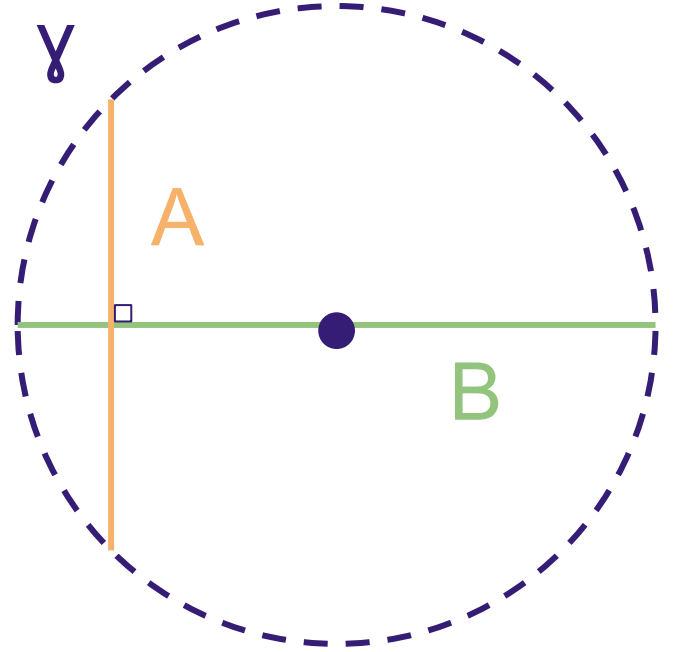


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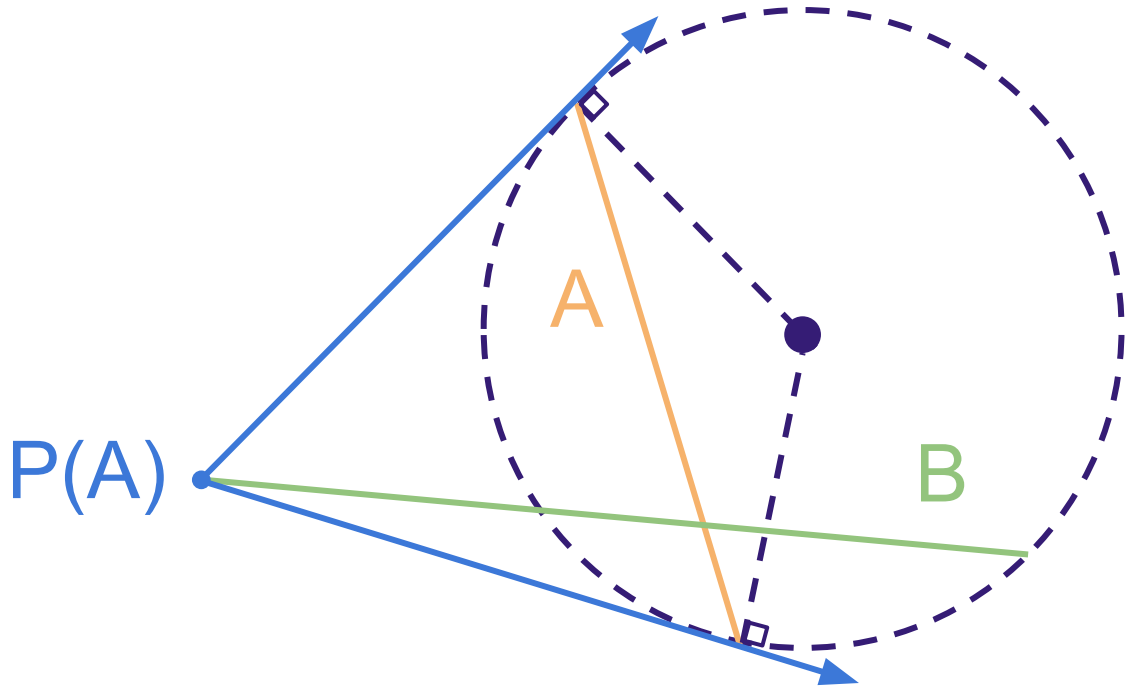


# Angles in Beltrami-Klein II

$P(A)$  is the **pole** of  $A$ .

In the Beltrami-Klein,  $A$  and  $B$  are perpendicular.

This definition of perpendicularity is not equivalent to the Euclidean definition.

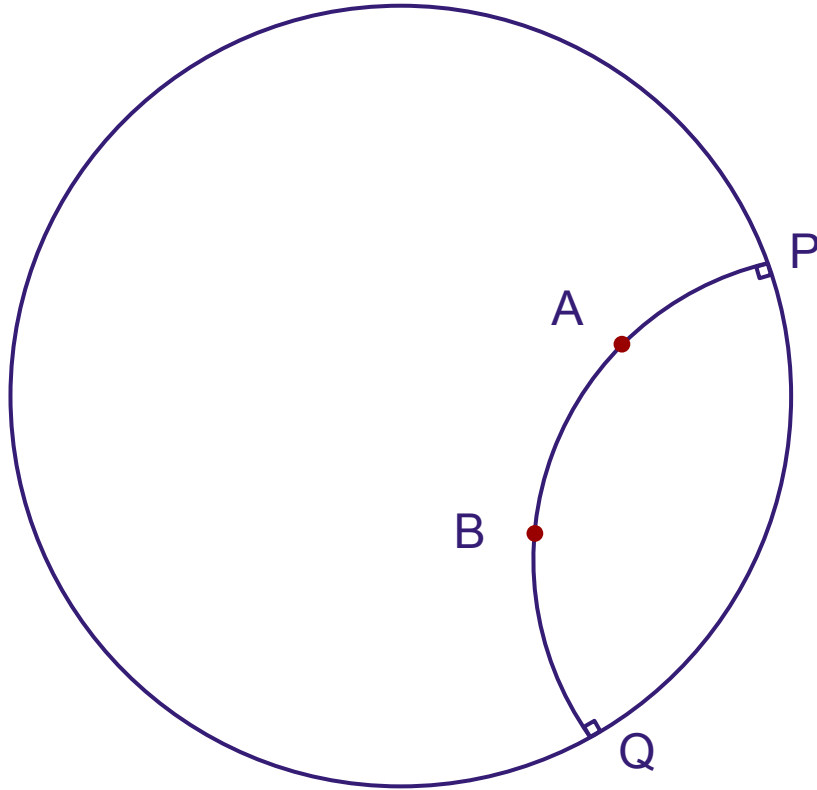






# Poincaré Model

# Points on the Poincaré Disk



## Ordinary point:

Any point within the circle

## Ideal points:

Points on boundary. Because of this, they do not have corresponding points on the hyperbola.

Ideal points are infinitely far away relative to any ordinary point

Q, B, A, and P are **collinear points**

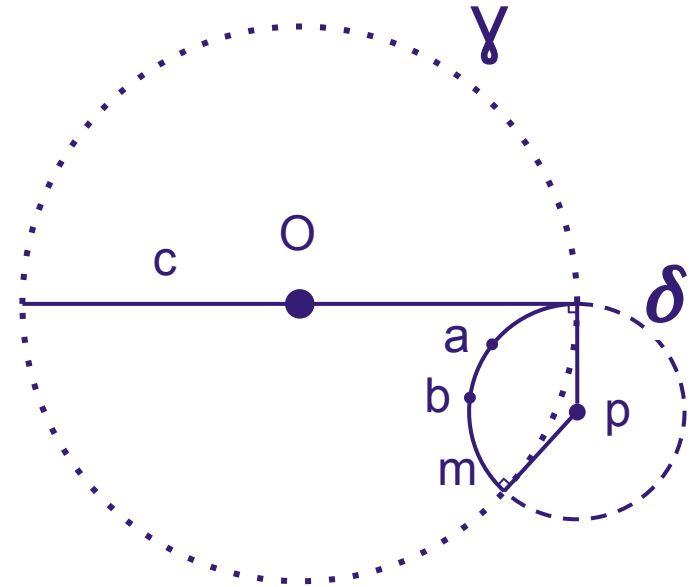
# Poincaré Lines/ P-lines

All open chords  $c$  that pass through the origin represent lines

**Hyperbolic line in the Poincaré model** - all open arcs  $m$  are orthogonal to the circle

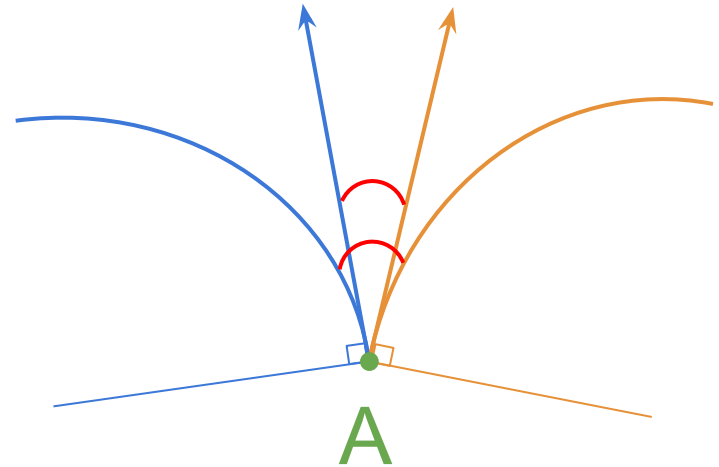
**Geodesic** - shortest path between two points on a Riemannian manifold

Any pair of points  $(a, b)$  lie on a unique geodesic.



# Congruence of angles I

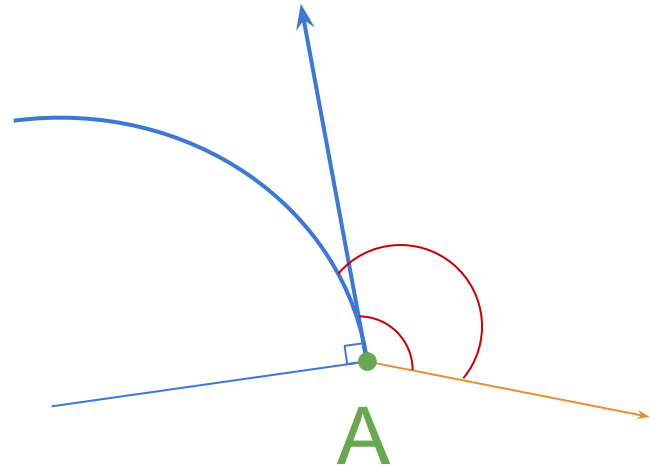
If two directed circular arcs intersect at a point A, the degree between the arcs is equal to the degree between the tangent rays at A.



# Congruence of angles II

If a directed circular arc intersects an ordinary ray at A, the number of degrees they form is equal to the number of degrees between the tangent ray and ordinary ray at A.

In some models of Hyperbolic space angles are **conformal** to Euclidean space i.e. Euclidean angles are preserved in hyperbolic space.



# Cross Ratio

Projective invariant defined for **four collinear points**

Segment lengths measured in Euclidean distance

Also called **double ratio** and **anharmonic ratio**

$$(AB, PQ) = \frac{\|AP\| \|BQ\|}{\|BP\| \|AQ\|}$$



# Properties of Cross Ratio

$$(AB, PQ) = \lambda$$

$$(AP, BQ) = 1 - \lambda$$

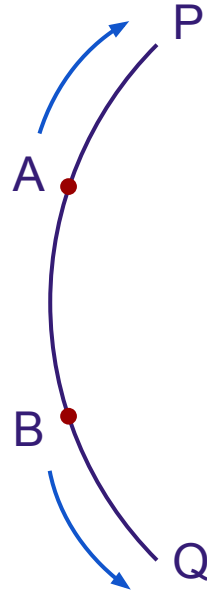
$$(AP, QB) = \frac{1}{1 - \lambda}$$

$$(AQ, PB) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - 1}$$

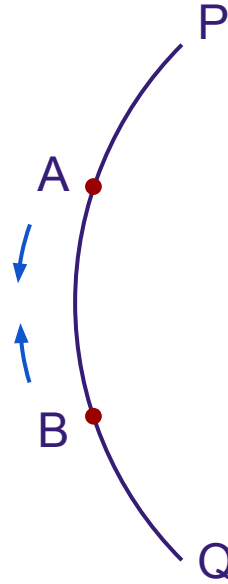
$$(AB, QP) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$(AQ, BP) = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda}$$

# Properties of Cross Ratio



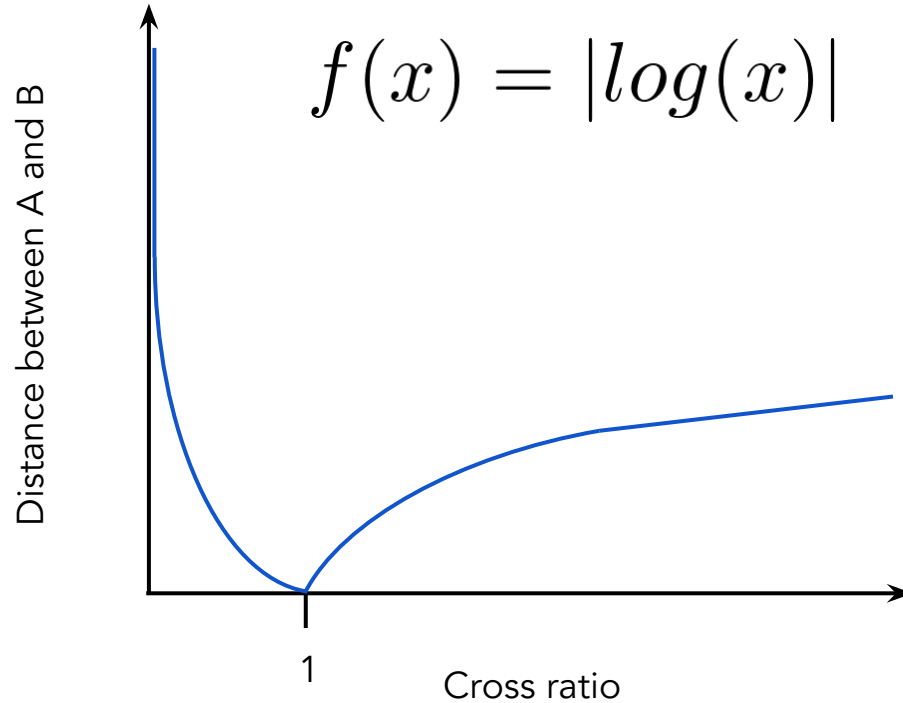
$$(AB, PQ) = 0$$



$$(AB, PQ) = 1$$

$$(AB, PQ) = \frac{\|AP\| \|BQ\|}{\|BP\| \|AQ\|}$$

# Desired Behavior of Distance



# Poincaré Distance

$$d(AB) = \left| \log \frac{\|AP\| \|BQ\|}{\|BP\| \|AQ\|} \right|$$

Four ways to compute the Poincaré Distance, but one presented here for simplicity.



# Poincaré Distance

“My point of view is that the disk has two ways to measure distance, the Euclidean way or the hyperbolic way. You can take the point of view that hyperbolic geometry takes place on the hyperboloid, where distance is measured by Euclidean distance. These points of view are equivalent: when you project the hyperboloid down to the disk, the E. distance on the hyperboloid becomes the hyperbolic distance on the disk.”

Prof. Steve Rosenberg  
Mathematics, Boston University





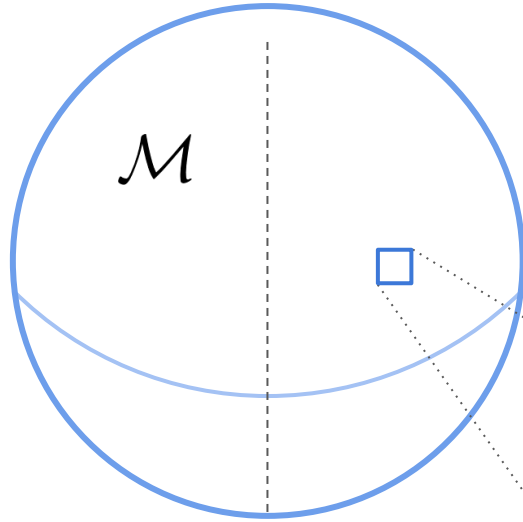
# Optimization on Riemannian Manifolds

# Goal of Riemannian Optimization

Learn parameters such that the inner product will constrain the points to the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$

$$\forall \theta_i \in \theta : \|\theta_i\| < 1 \quad s.t. \langle \theta, x \rangle \in \mathcal{M}$$

# Manifold



**Topological space** - a set of points each of which belongs to a neighborhood

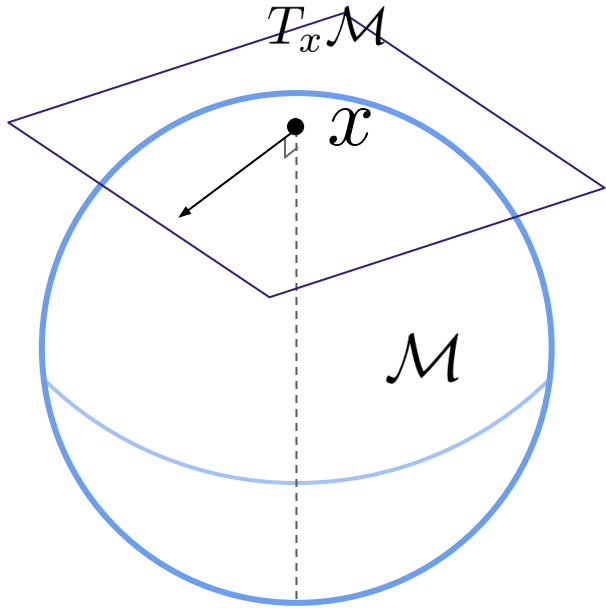
**Neighborhood** - a set of points sharing the same constraints

**Manifold** - a topological space that locally behaves like Euclidean space





# Metric Tensor



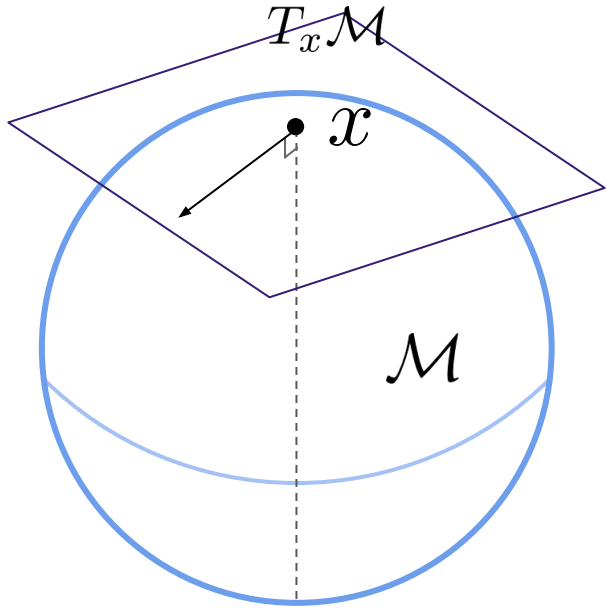
**Tangent space** -  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $T_x \mathcal{M}$  that first order approximates the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  around point  $x$ .

**Metric tensor** - a function that takes two **tangent vectors** and performs **dot product** measuring an infinitesimal distance on the manifold.

$$g^E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \langle A, B \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \cdots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Integrating the metric tensor gives distance between tangent vectors.

# Riemannian Manifold



**Poincaré metric**

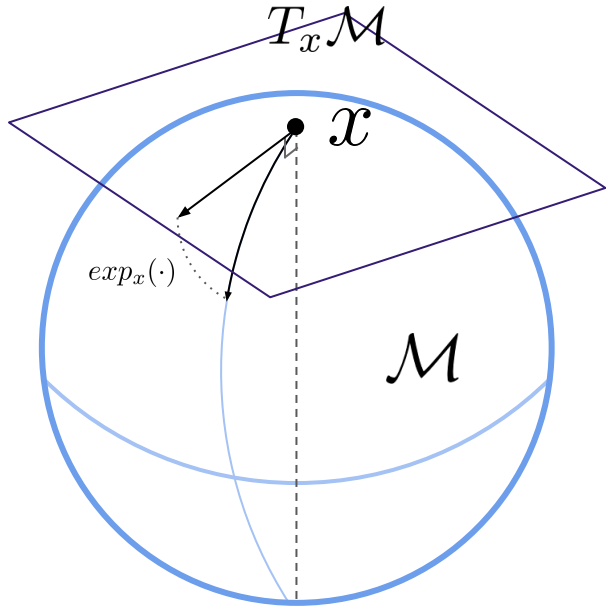
$$\mathcal{E} = \left( \frac{2}{1 - \|x\|^2} \right)^2$$

**Riemannian metric** - a metric tensor that assigns positive values for all input. Constrains Euclidean metric tensor above with properties of a given manifold  $\mathcal{E}$ .

$$g_x(A, B) > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+ \quad g_x(A, B) = \mathcal{E} g^E$$

$$g_x = \left( \frac{2}{1 - \|x\|^2} \right)^2 g^E$$

# Retractions



**Retraction** - continuous mapping from a space onto a subspace that preserves position on the subspace.

**Exponential map** - **locally** defined retraction function that maps a point on a tangent space  $T_x\mathcal{M}$  onto the Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$

# Riemannian Stochastic Gradient Descent (RSGD)

1. Compute **Euclidean gradient**  $\nabla_E$
2. Compute the **Riemannian gradient**  $\nabla_R$ 
  - a. Project  $\nabla_E$  onto the tangent space at the current parameter
    - i. Projection is defined using the inner product corresponding to the manifold
3. Compute gradient step using exponential map of the Riemannian gradient [7]

$$\nabla_{\mathcal{R}} = g_x^{-1}(A, B) \nabla_E \mathcal{L}$$
$$\theta_{t+1} = \exp_{\theta_t}(-\eta \nabla_R)$$

# Hyperbolic Embeddings

$$\nabla_E = \frac{\overset{\text{Loss function}}{\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta_t)}}{\underset{\text{Euclidean gradient}}{\partial d(\theta_t, x)}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial d(\theta_t, x)}{\partial \theta_t}}_{\text{Partial derivative of Poincaré distance}}$$

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