

### 3 The upper half plane model of hyperbolic space

Let  $\phi$  be the Cayley map.

1. a) Prove that  $\phi(\mathbb{H}^2) = \mathbb{D}^2$  and that  $\phi(\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}) = S^1$ .  
 b) Prove that  $\phi$  is invertible and give a simple expression for its inverse (for example in the standard form for a Möbius map).  
 c) Prove that for  $u, w \in \mathbb{D}^2$  that  $d_{\mathbb{D}^2}(u, w) = d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(\phi^{-1}(u), \phi^{-1}(w))$ .

2. Let

$$T_1(z) = \bar{z} \quad (\text{reflection in } \mathbb{R}),$$

$$T_2(z) = i + \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{|z - i|} \right)^2 (z - i) \quad (\text{reflection in the circle } C(i, \sqrt{2}))$$

and

$$T_3(z) = -iz \quad (\text{clockwise rotation by } \pi/2).$$

Prove that  $\phi(z) = T_3(T_2(T_1(z)))$ .

3. a) Let  $g \in \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ . Prove that  $\phi g \phi^{-1} \in \text{con}^+(1)$ .  
 b) Using the fact that  $\text{con}(1)$  is *precisely* the isometry group of  $\mathbb{D}^2$  and that  $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) = \phi^{-1} \text{con}^+(1) \phi$ , prove that the isometry group of  $\mathbb{H}^2$  is *precisely* the group generated by  $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$  together with the reflection  $z \mapsto -\bar{z}$ .
4. Prove that for  $u, w \in \mathbb{H}^2$  with  $\text{Re}(u) = \text{Re}(w)$  that

$$d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(u, w) = \left| \log \frac{\text{Im}(u)}{\text{Im}(w)} \right|.$$

5. Recall that the hyperbolic centre and Euclidean centre of a circle in  $\mathbb{D}^2$  agree if and only if the common center is the origin. Prove that in  $\mathbb{H}^2$  hyperbolic centres and Euclidean centers *never* agree.
6. Prove that

$$A_{\mathbb{H}^2}(F) = A_{\mathbb{D}^2}(\phi(F))$$

for reasonable sets  $F \subset \mathbb{H}^2$ .

7. Prove that  $\mathbb{H}^2$  is invariant under  $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ , i.e. prove that for each  $g \in \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$  we have  $g(\mathbb{H}^2) = \mathbb{H}^2$ .
8. Define a *hyperbolic rectangle* to be a polygon formed by 4 distinct geodesics which all meet at right angles. Prove that hyperbolic rectangles do not exist.
9. Let  $P$  be a *convex hyperbolic polygon* with  $n$  sides all formed by distinct geodesics. Recall that a set  $P \subset \mathbb{H}^2$  is *convex* if for any  $w, z \in P$  the hyperbolic geodesic between  $w$  and  $z$  is contained in  $P$ . Suppose that the internal angles are given by  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ . Prove that

$$A_{\mathbb{H}^2}(P) = (n - 2)\pi - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i.$$

*Hard bonus question:* Is the convexity assumption necessary?