

MA5216 Homework 1

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Problem 1 (Hopf fibration - Peterson Riemannian Geometry - Example 1.1.5)

The Hopf fibration is a Riemannian submersion

$$H : S^3(1) \rightarrow S^2(1/2)$$

with the canonical metric $g_{S^3(1)}$ and $g_{S^2(1/2)}$. Consider $S^3(1) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^2$ and $S^2(1/2) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}$, then H can be written explicitly by

$$H : S^3(1) \rightarrow S^2(1/2)$$

$$(z, w) \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{2}(|w|^2 - |z|^2), z\bar{w} \right)$$

Showing H is an Riemannian submersion:

H maps surjectively $S^3(1)$ into $S^2(1/2)$

Any point $(z, w) \in S^3(1) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^2$ with $z = ae^{ix}$ and $w = be^{iy}$ for $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, then we must have $\|(z, w)\|^2 = a^2 + b^2 = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|H(z, w)\|^2 &= \left| \frac{1}{2}(|w|^2 - |z|^2) \right|^2 + |z\bar{w}|^2 \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{2}(a^2 - b^2) \right|^2 + |abe^{i(x-y)}|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(a^2 - b^2)^2 + (ab)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(a^2 + b^2)^2 = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $H(S^3(1)) \subseteq S^2(1/2)$. On the other hand, any point $(t, v) \in S^2(1/2) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}$, then we must have $t^2 + |v|^2 = \frac{1}{4}$, let $v = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - t^2}e^{ix}$ for some $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} - te^{ix}}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + t} \right) \in S^3(1)$ and

$$H\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} - te^{ix}}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + t}\right) = (t, v)$$

Hence, $H(S^3(1)) = S^2(1/2)$

tangent spaces and canonical metrics on $S^3(1)$ and $S^2(1/2)$

The canonical inner products in \mathbb{C}^2 and $\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ are

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}^2} &= \operatorname{Re}(a_1\bar{a}_2 + b_1\bar{b}_2) \\ \langle (t_1, v_1), (t_2, v_2) \rangle_{\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}} &= t_1t_2 + \operatorname{Re}(v_1\bar{v}_2) \end{aligned}$$

The tangent space at $p \in S^3(1)$ is canonically isomorphic to

$$T_p S^3(1) \cong \{v \in \mathbb{C}^2 : \langle p, v \rangle_{\mathbb{C}^2} = 0\}$$

The tangent space at $q \in S^2(1/2)$ is canonically isomorphic to

$$T_q S^2(1/2) \cong \{w \in \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C} : \langle q, w \rangle_{\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}} = 0\}$$

The induced metric from \mathbb{C}^2 at $p \in S^3(1)$ is

$$(g_{S^3(1)})_p : T_p S^3(1) \times T_p S^3(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(v_1, v_2) \mapsto \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{C}^2}$$

The induced metric from $\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ at $q \in S^2(1/2)$ is

$$(g_{S^2(1/2)})_q : T_q S^2(1/2) \times T_q S^2(1/2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(w_1, w_2) \mapsto \langle w_1, w_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}}$$

kernel of the differential dH_p

For each point $p = (z, w) \in S^3(1)$, the fiber of H containing (z, w) consists of the points $(e^{i\theta}z, e^{i\theta}w)$ since

$$H(e^{i\theta}z, e^{i\theta}w) = \left(\frac{1}{2}(|e^{i\theta}w|^2 - |e^{i\theta}z|^2), e^{i\theta}z \overline{e^{i\theta}w} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}(|w|^2 - |z|^2), z\bar{w} \right) = H(z, w)$$

Hence, the fiber of (z, w) is isomorphic to a circle. For the curve $\gamma(t) = (e^{it}z, e^{it}w)$ on $S^3(1)$, its image $\tilde{\gamma} : (-\epsilon, +\epsilon) \rightarrow S^2(1/2)$ is the zero curve, hence $0 = \tilde{\gamma}'(0) = \frac{d}{dt}(H\gamma)|_{t=0} = (dH_p)(\gamma'(0))$, so

$$\ker dH_p = \mathbb{R}i(z, w)$$

Hence,

$$(\ker dH_p)^\perp = \mathbb{C}(-\bar{w}, \bar{z})$$

For any tangent vector $(-\lambda\bar{w}, \lambda\bar{z}) \in (\ker dH_p)^\perp$ where $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, its image on $T_q S^2(1/2)$ is (by considering the curve $\gamma(t) = (z - t\lambda\bar{w}, w + t\lambda\bar{z})$ on $S^3(1)$)

$$(dH_p)(-\lambda\bar{w}, \lambda\bar{z}) = (2\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}zw), -\lambda\bar{w}^2 + \bar{\lambda}z^2)$$

Since $(\ker dH_p)^\perp = \dim T_q S^2(1/2)$, then dH_p is surjective, H is a submersion.

dH_p preserves metrics

Let $v_1 = (-\lambda_1\bar{w}, \lambda_1\bar{z}) \in (\ker dH_p)^\perp$ and $v_2 = (-\lambda_2\bar{w}, \lambda_2\bar{z}) \in (\ker dH_p)^\perp$, then

$$g_{S^3(1)}(v_1, v_2) = \operatorname{Re}(-\lambda_1\bar{w}\overline{-\lambda_2\bar{w}} + \lambda_1\bar{z}\overline{\lambda_2\bar{z}}) = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1\bar{\lambda}_2(\bar{w}w + \bar{z}z)) = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1\bar{\lambda}_2)$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} & g_{S^2(1/2)}(dH_p(v_1), dH_p(v_2)) \\ &= g_{S^2(1/2)}((2\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1zw), -\lambda_1\bar{w}^2 + \bar{\lambda}_1z^2), (2\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_2zw), -\lambda_2\bar{w}^2 + \bar{\lambda}_2z^2)) \\ &= 4\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1zw)\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_2zw) + \operatorname{Re}((- \lambda_1\bar{w}^2 + \bar{\lambda}_1z^2)(- \lambda_2\bar{w}^2 + \bar{\lambda}_2z^2)) \\ &= 4\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1zw)\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_2zw) + \operatorname{Re}((- \lambda_1\bar{w}^2 + \bar{\lambda}_1z^2)(- \bar{\lambda}_2w^2 + \lambda_2\bar{z}^2)) \\ &= 4\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1zw)\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_2zw) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1\bar{\lambda}_2\bar{w}^2w^2 - \bar{\lambda}_1\bar{\lambda}_2z^2w^2 - \lambda_1\lambda_2\bar{w}^2\bar{z}^2 + \bar{\lambda}_1\lambda_2z^2\bar{z}^2) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\bar{\lambda}_1\bar{\lambda}_2z^2w^2$ is the conjugate of $\lambda_1\lambda_2\bar{w}^2\bar{z}^2$, then

$$-\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1\bar{\lambda}_2z^2w^2 + \lambda_1\lambda_2\bar{w}^2\bar{z}^2) = -\bar{\lambda}_1\bar{\lambda}_2z^2w^2 - \lambda_1\lambda_2\bar{w}^2\bar{z}^2$$

On the other hand, $2\operatorname{Re}(x) = x + \bar{x}$ for any $x \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & 4 \operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1 z w) \operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_2 z w) \\ &= (\bar{\lambda}_1 z w + \lambda_1 \bar{z} \bar{w})(\bar{\lambda}_2 z w + \lambda_2 \bar{z} \bar{w}) \\ &= (\bar{\lambda}_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 z^2 w^2 + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \bar{z}^2 \bar{w}^2) + (\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w} + \bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w}) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\bar{\lambda}_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 z^2 w^2 + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \bar{z}^2 \bar{w}^2$ is real $\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w} + \bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w}$ is also real, then

$$\begin{aligned} & g_{S^2(1/2)}(dH_p(v_1), dH_p(v_2)) \\ &= (\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w} + \bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w}) + \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 \bar{w}^2 w^2 + \bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 z^2 \bar{z}^2) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w} + \bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 z \bar{z} w \bar{w} + \lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 \bar{w}^2 w^2 + \bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 z^2 \bar{z}^2) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 (|z|^2 |w|^2 + |z|^2 |w|^2 + |\bar{w}|^4 + |z|^4)) \end{aligned}$$

Note that, $\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\lambda}_1 \lambda_2 x) = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 \bar{x})$ for any $x \in \mathbb{C}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & g_{S^2(1/2)}(dH_p(v_1), dH_p(v_2)) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 (|z|^2 |w|^2 + |z|^2 |w|^2 + |w|^4 + |z|^4)) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2 (|z|^2 + |w|^2)^2) = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_2) \end{aligned}$$

□

Problem 2 (Peterson Riemannian Geometry - Exercise 1.6.16 (1) (2))

The arc length of a curve $c(t) : [a, b] \rightarrow (M, g)$ is defined by

$$L(c) = \int_{[a,b]} |\dot{c}| dt$$

where $|\dot{c}|(t) = v(\dot{c})(t) = g_{c(t)}(\dot{c}(t), \dot{c}(t))$

1. Show the arc length does not depend on the parameterization of c
2. Show that any curve with nowhere vanishing speed can be reparameterized to have unit speed

Proof.

Let v denote the function mapping the set of smooth vector fields on M into smooth functions on M defined as follows:

Let $p \in M$ and x be a smooth vector field locally at p , define

$$v(x) = g(x, x)$$

(arc length does not depend on the parameterization) Let $\gamma_1 : [a, b] \rightarrow (M, g)$ be a smooth curve and an increasing function $\phi : [c, d] \rightarrow [a, b]$ be a diffeomorphic reparameterization of γ_1 resulting in $\gamma_2 : [c, d] \rightarrow (M, g)$ where $\gamma_2 = \gamma_1 \circ \phi$

$$L(\gamma_2) = \int_{[c,d]} (v \circ \dot{\gamma}_2) dt = \int_{[c,d]} (v \circ d\gamma_1 \circ d\phi) dt = \int_{[c,d]} (v \circ d\gamma_1 \circ |d\phi|) dt$$

The last equality is due to v is a nonnegative function. By change of variables from measure space $[c, d]$ into measure space $[a, b]$, we have

$$L(\gamma_2) = \int_{[a,b]} (v \circ \dot{\gamma}_1) dt = L(\gamma_1)$$

(any curve with nowhere vanishing speed can be reparameterized to have unit speed) Define $\tilde{\phi} : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, L(c)]$ by

$$\tilde{\phi}(t) = \int_{[a, t]} (v \circ \dot{c}) dt$$

$\dot{c} > 0$, then $(v \circ \dot{c}) > 0$, then $\tilde{\phi}(t)$ is strictly increasing, hence it has an inverse $\phi : [0, L(c)] \rightarrow [a, b]$. Define a new curve $c_\phi : [0, L(c)] \rightarrow (M, g)$ by

$$c_\phi(t) = (c \circ \phi)(t)$$

The speed of c_ϕ is

$$v \circ \dot{c}_\phi = v \circ \dot{c} \circ d\phi = v \circ \dot{c} \circ (v \circ \dot{c})^{-1} = 1$$

□

Problem 3 (Peterson Riemannian Geometry - Exercise 1.6.17)

Show that arc length of curves is preserved by Riemannian immersions

Proof. Let $F : (M, g_M) \rightarrow (N, g_N)$ be a Riemannian immersion. Let $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ be a smooth curve, the $F\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow N$ is also a smooth curve. For any $t \in [0, 1]$, $\dot{\gamma}(t)$ is the tangent vector on $T_{\gamma(t)}M$ and $d(F\gamma)_t = dF\dot{\gamma}(t)$ is the corresponding tangent vector on $T_{F\gamma(t)}N$. Immersion preserves metric, hence

$$v_N d(F\gamma)_t = g_N(dF\dot{\gamma}(t), dF\dot{\gamma}(t)) = g_M(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) = v_M \dot{\gamma}(t)$$

Hence,

$$L(F\gamma) = \int_{[0,1]} v_N d(F\gamma) dt = \int_{[0,1]} v_M \dot{\gamma} dt = L(\gamma)$$

□

Problem 4 (Peterson Riemannian Geometry - Exercise 1.6.18)

Let $F : (M, g_M) \rightarrow (N, g_N)$ be a Riemannian submersion and $c(t) : [a, b] \rightarrow (M, g_M)$ be a curve. Show that $L(F \circ \gamma) \leq L(\gamma)$ with equality holding if and only if $\dot{\gamma}(t) \perp \ker dF_{\gamma(t)}$ for all $t \in [a, b]$

Proof. Similar to last question, by the property of submersion

$$v_N d(F\gamma)_t = g_N(dF\dot{\gamma}(t), dF\dot{\gamma}(t)) \leq g_M(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) = v_M \dot{\gamma}(t)$$

The inequality is as follows: on the tangent space $T_{\gamma(t)}M$, $\dot{\gamma}(t)$ can be decomposed into

$$\dot{\gamma}(t) = \dot{\gamma}(t)^0 + \dot{\gamma}(t)^1$$

where $\dot{\gamma}(t)^0 \in \ker dF_{\gamma(t)}$ and $\dot{\gamma}(t)^1 \in \ker dF_{\gamma(t)}^\perp$. $g_M(-, -)$ is a norm, from triangle inequality

$$g_M(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) \geq g_M(\dot{\gamma}(t)^1, \dot{\gamma}(t)^1) = g_N(dF\dot{\gamma}(t)^1, dF\dot{\gamma}(t)^1) = g_N(dF\dot{\gamma}(t), dF\dot{\gamma}(t))$$

Hence,

$$L(F\gamma) = \int_{[0,1]} v_N d(F\gamma) dt \leq \int_{[0,1]} v_M \dot{\gamma} dt = L(\gamma)$$

The equality holds when $\dot{\gamma}(t)^0 = 0$ for every $t \in [a, b]$

□

Problem 5 (Peterson Riemannian Geometry - Exercise 1.6.18)

Show directly any curve between two points in Euclidean space is longer than the Euclidean distance between points. Moreover, if the length agrees with the distance, then the curve lies on the straight line between those points.

Proof. On \mathbb{R}^n , denote $\langle x, y \rangle = g_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, y)$. For any $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^n$, let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a smooth curve from A to B . Construct a new smooth curve $\tilde{\gamma} : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ as follows: Let the unit vector $u = \frac{B-A}{\|B-A\|} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\tilde{\gamma}(t) = \langle \gamma(t) - A, u \rangle u$$

Then

$$\dot{\tilde{\gamma}}(t) = \langle \dot{\gamma}(t), u \rangle u$$

Hence

$$\|\dot{\tilde{\gamma}}(t)\|^2 = \|\langle \dot{\gamma}(t), u \rangle u\|^2 = |\langle \dot{\gamma}(t), u \rangle|^2 \leq \|\dot{\gamma}(t)\|^2$$

Hence,

$$L(\tilde{\gamma}) = \int_{[a,b]} \|\dot{\tilde{\gamma}}\| dt \leq \int_{[a,b]} \|\dot{\gamma}\| dt = L(\gamma)$$

Since $\tilde{\gamma}$ lies on the straight line from A to B , every curve is bounded below by a straight line curve and all straight curves from A to B are bounded below by all constant speed curves from A to B . Hence, the shortest curves from A to B must lie on the straight line from A to B and have the length equals the distance from A to B \square

Problem 6 (Peterson Riemannian Geometry - Exercise 1.6.19)

Let $H^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$ be hyperbolic space: $p, q \in H^n$ and $v \in T_p H^n$ a unit vector. Thus $|p|^2 = |q|^2 = -1$, $|v|^2 = 1$ and $p \cdot v = 0$

1. Show that the hyperbola $t \mapsto p \cosh t + v \sinh t$ for $t \geq 0$ is a unit speed curve on H^n that starts at p and has initial velocity v
2. Consider $F(r, v) = p \cosh r + v \sinh r$ for $r \geq 0$ and $v \cdot p = 0$, $|v|^2 = 1$. Show that this map defines a diffeomorphism $(0, \infty) \times S^{n-1} \rightarrow H^n - \{p\}$
3. Define the radial field $\partial_r = F_*(\partial_r)$ on $H^n - \{p\}$. Show that if $q = F(r_0, v_0)$, then

$$\partial_r|_q = \frac{-p - (q \cdot p)q}{\sqrt{-1 + (q \cdot p)^2}} = p \sinh r_0 + v_0 \cosh r_0$$

4. Show that any curve from p to q is longer than r_0 where $q = F(r_0, v_0)$ unless it is part of the hyperbola.
5. Show that there is no Riemannian immersion from an open set $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ into H^n

Proof.

Note, Minkowski pseudo-metric on $\mathbb{R}^{n,1}$

$$\langle (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n, x^{n+1}), (y^1, y^2, \dots, y^n, y^{n+1}) \rangle = x^1 y^1 + x^2 y^2 + \dots + x^n y^n - x^{n+1} y^{n+1}$$

Let $H^n = \{p \in \mathbb{R}^{n,1} : \langle p, p \rangle = -1\}$, then Minkowski pseudo-metric on $\mathbb{R}^{n,1}$ induces a metric on tangent spaces of H^n . For any $p \in T_p H^n$. Given any curve $\gamma(t)$, differentiating $\langle \gamma(t), \gamma(t) \rangle = -1$ gives

$$\langle \gamma(t), \dot{\gamma}(t) \rangle = 0$$

Hence, the tangent space at $p \in H^n$ is precisely

$$T_p H^n = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^{n,1} : \langle p, v \rangle = 0\}$$

(1)

$\gamma(t) = p \cosh t + v \sinh t$ is a smooth function $[0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$, for all $t \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \gamma(t), \gamma(t) \rangle &= \langle p \cosh t + v \sinh t, p \cosh t + v \sinh t \rangle \\ &= (\cosh t)^2 \langle p, p \rangle + (\sinh t)^2 \langle v, v \rangle + 2(\cosh t)(\sinh t) \langle p, v \rangle \\ &= (\sinh t)^2 - (\cosh t)^2 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\text{im } \gamma \subseteq H^n$, γ is a smooth curve on submanifold H^n . We have $\dot{\gamma}(t) = p \sinh t + v \cosh t$, then for all $t \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t) \rangle &= \langle p \sinh t + v \cosh t, p \sinh t + v \cosh t \rangle \\ &= (\sinh t)^2 \langle p, p \rangle + (\cosh t)^2 \langle v, v \rangle + 2(\cosh t)(\sinh t) \langle p, v \rangle \\ &= (\cosh t)^2 - (\sinh t)^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, γ is of unit speed. When $t = 0$, $\dot{\gamma}(0) = v$, thus γ has initial velocity v

(2)

Since the induced metric on $T_p H^n$ is positive definite, the set of unit tangent vectors at p is canonically isomorphic to S^{n-1} . Since F is smooth, we will construct a smooth inverse as follows: given any $q \in H^n$ with $q \neq p$, let

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \text{arccosh}(-\langle p, q \rangle) \\ v &= \frac{q - p \cosh r}{\sinh r} \end{aligned}$$

This is a well-defined smooth function $H^n - \{p\} \rightarrow (0, \infty) \times S^{n-1}$ because $\langle p, q \rangle \leq -1$ and the equality holds if and only if $q = p$ and $v(p, q)$ has norm 1 as follows:

Let $p = (x^1, \dots, x^n, x^{n+1})$ and $q = (y^1, \dots, y^n, y^{n+1})$, let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x^i)^2} \text{ and } b = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y^i)^2}$$

Then, $x^{n+1} = \sqrt{1 + a^2}$ and $y^{n+1} = \sqrt{1 + b^2}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p, q \rangle &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x^i y^i \right) - x^{n+1} y^{n+1} \\ &\leq ab - x^{n+1} y^{n+1} \\ &= ab - \sqrt{1 + a^2} \sqrt{1 + b^2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle p, q \rangle &\leq -1 \\
\iff ab - \sqrt{1+a^2}\sqrt{1+b^2} &\leq -1 \\
\iff ab + 1 &\leq \sqrt{1+a^2}\sqrt{1+b^2} \\
\iff a^2b^2 + 2ab + 1 &\leq 1 + a^2 + b^2 + a^2b^2 \\
\iff 0 &\leq (a-b)^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle v, v \rangle &= \frac{1}{(\sinh r)^2} \langle q - p \cosh r, q - p \cosh r \rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{(\sinh r)^2} (\langle q, q \rangle - 2\langle q, p \rangle \cosh r + \langle p, p \rangle (\cosh r)^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{(\sinh r)^2} (-1 - 2\langle q, p \rangle \cosh r - (\cosh r)^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{(\sinh r)^2} (-1 - 2(-\cosh r) \cosh r - (\cosh r)^2) \\
&= \frac{(\cosh r)^2 - 1}{(\sinh r)^2} = 1
\end{aligned}$$

(3)

$(\partial_r)_q$ at $q \in H^n - \{p\}$ is the image of ∂_r under differential dF which is the column of the Jacobian matrix corresponding to r

$$(\partial_r)_q = dF \Big|_{(r_0, v_0)} \partial_r = \frac{\partial F}{\partial r} \Big|_{(r_0, v_0)} = p \sinh r_0 + v_0 \cosh r_0$$

Substituting v_0 with $\frac{q-p \cosh r_0}{\sinh r_0}$ and r_0 with $\operatorname{arccosh}(-\langle p, q \rangle)$ gives the desired calculation of $(\partial_r)_q$ from p and q

$$(\partial_r)_q = p \sinh r_0 + v_0 \cosh r_0 = \frac{-p - q \langle p, q \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle p, q \rangle^2 - 1}}$$

(4)

The squared norm on ∂_r in $T_q H^n$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \partial_r, \partial_r \rangle &= \langle p \sinh r + v \cosh r, p \sinh r + v \cosh r \rangle \\
&= \langle p, p \rangle (\sinh r)^2 + \langle v, v \rangle (\cosh r)^2 + 2\langle p, v \rangle (\sinh r)(\cosh r) \\
&= -(\sinh r)^2 + (\cosh r)^2 = 1
\end{aligned}$$

Let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow (0, \infty) \times S^{n-1}$ be a curve with $\gamma(a) = (0, v)$ and $\gamma(b) = (r_0, v_0)$, then $F\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow H^n$ is a curve from p to q . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
L(F\gamma) &= \int_{[a, b]} v \circ (dF\dot{\gamma}) dt \\
&\geq \int_{[a, b]} v \circ \langle dF\dot{\gamma}, \partial_r \rangle dt && (\partial_r \text{ has norm 1 in } T_q H^n) \\
&= \int_{[a, b]} v \circ \langle \dot{\gamma}, \partial_r \rangle dt && (F \text{ preserves metric})
\end{aligned}$$

The last integral is precisely the length of the straight line from $(0, v)$ to (r_0, v_0) in Euclidean space with polar coordinates

$$L(F\gamma) \geq r_0$$

The equality holds if and only if $\dot{\gamma}$ is parallel to ∂_r for all t . That is, $v(t) = v_0$, the curve is a parabola.

(5)

If there is an immersion from Euclidean space into H^n , metric preserving property implies that length of curve and angle (inner product) are preserved. Hence, the image of an equilateral triangle from Euclidean space into H^n consists of three points with shortest curves (parabolas) between each pair of points and three curves in H^n have the same length and equal the length of the side of the triangle in Euclidean space, we call it an *equilateral triangle* in H^n . We will show that one angle of an equilateral triangle in H^n is not $\pi/3$, that is a contradiction.

From previous question, length of parabola from p to q is

$$d(p, q) = r_0 = \operatorname{arccosh}(-\langle p, q \rangle)$$

Now, let two parabolas start from p defined by $F_1(r) = p \cosh r + v_1 \sinh r$ with initial velocity v_1 and $F_2(r) = p \cosh r + v_2 \sinh r$ with initial velocity v_2 . Let $q_1 = F_1(r_1)$ and $q_2 = F_2(r_2)$ at a distance r_1, r_2 from p . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle q_1, q_2 \rangle &= \langle p \cosh r_1 + v_1 \sinh r_1, p \cosh r_2 + v_2 \sinh r_2 \rangle \\ &= -(\cosh r_1)(\cosh r_2) + (\sinh r_1)(\sinh r_2)\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Now, let p, p_1, p_2 form an equilateral triangle with side length r , that is $r_1 = r_2 = r$ and $\langle q_1, q_2 \rangle = -\cosh r$, then

$$-\cosh r = -(\cosh r)^2 + (\sinh r)^2 \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

Then, cosine of the angle between p_1 and p_2 at p is

$$\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \frac{(\cosh r)^2 - \cosh r}{(\sinh r)^2} = \frac{(\cosh r)^2 - \cosh r}{(\cosh r)^2 - 1} = \frac{x}{x+1}$$

where $x = \cosh r$. For any $r > 0$, the angle between p_1 and p_2 at p less than $\pi/3$, hence there is no Riemannian immersion from Euclidean space into H^n . Moreover, when the side length r approaches 0, $\cosh r$ approaches 1/2, approaches $\pi/3$. \square