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Homework 8 due Friday

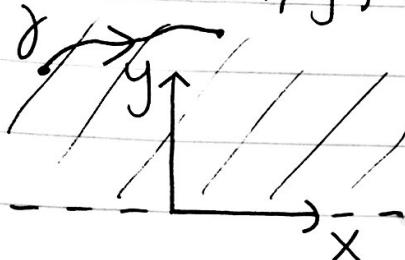
Office hours Thursday 4-5 pm

Last time:

Hyperbolic Geometry

Upper half plane model

$$H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y > 0\}$$



$\gamma$  curve in  $H$ ,  
parametrization

$$\bar{x}: [a, b] \rightarrow H,$$
  
$$t \mapsto (x(t), y(t))$$

$$\text{hyperbolic length}(\gamma) = \int_a^b \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2} dt$$

by definition

$d_H(P, Q)$  = length of shortest path  
from  $P$  to  $Q$

distances distorted, angles correct

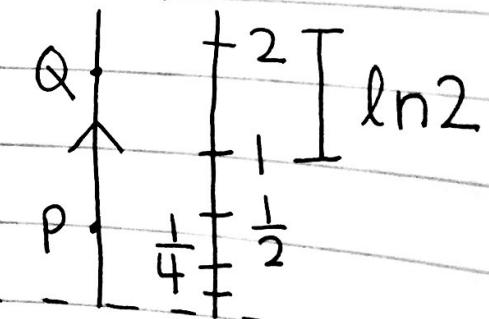
Example:

$$P = (c, a), Q = (\bar{a}, b), 0 < a < b$$

shortest path from  $P$  to  $Q$  =

vertical line segment

$$d_H(P, Q) = \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$



Today:

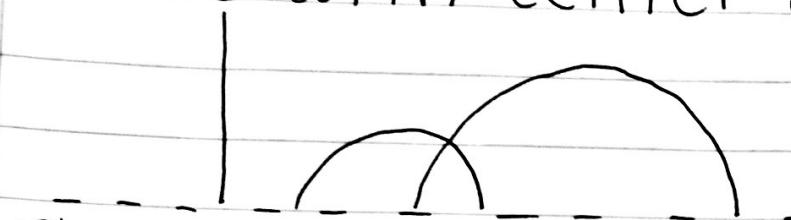
- shortest paths for any  $P, Q \in H$
- hyperbolic isometries (examples)
- inversion

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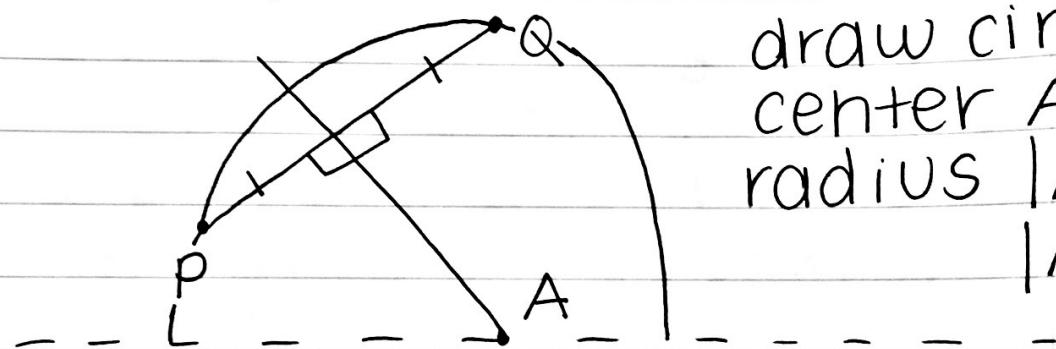
Question: What's the shortest path between  $P$  and  $Q \in H$ ?

Answer: Given by a segment of a hyperbolic line - either a vertical half line OR a semi-circle with center on the  $x$ -axis

examples of hyperbolic lines



First observe: There is an unique hyperbolic line through any two points  $P, Q \in H$



draw circle  
center  $A$   
radius  $|AP| = |AQ|$

We will prove hyperbolic lines give shortest paths by reducing to the case of vertical lines using hyperbolic isometries

$T: H \rightarrow H$  such that  $\star$

$d_H(T(P), T(Q)) = d_H(P, Q)$  ↪  
hyperbolic isometry

Questions: What are some examples of hyperbolic isometries

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$$\text{length}(\gamma) = \int_a^b \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2} dt$$

$d_H(P, Q) = \text{length of shortest path}$   
★  $(x, y) \mapsto T(x, y) = (f(x, y), g(x, y))$

$T$  will be a hyperbolic isometry if  
 $\sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}$  doesn't change under the  
y substitution  $x = f(x, y), y = g(x, y)$   
then  $\text{length}(\gamma) = \text{length}(T(\gamma))$   
for all  $\gamma$

1.  $T(x, y) = (x+a, y)$  for some constant horizontal translation  $a$

$$\begin{array}{c} \nearrow \searrow \\ \text{---} \end{array} // \quad T: H \rightarrow H$$
$$\sqrt{((x+a)')^2 + y'^2} = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$y' \quad y$

$a' = 0$  because  $a$  is a constant

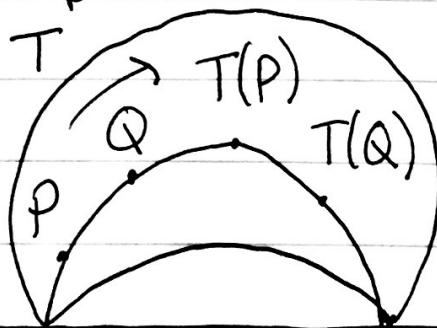
2.  $T: H \rightarrow H \quad (x, y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$

reflection in y-axis

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow y \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \quad x \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad T: H \rightarrow H$$
$$\sqrt{((-x)')^2 + y'^2} = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$y' \quad y \quad y$   
 $(-x)' = -x'$

also can reflect in any vertical line  
composition of types 1 and 2



hyperbolic  
translation  
will explain  
later

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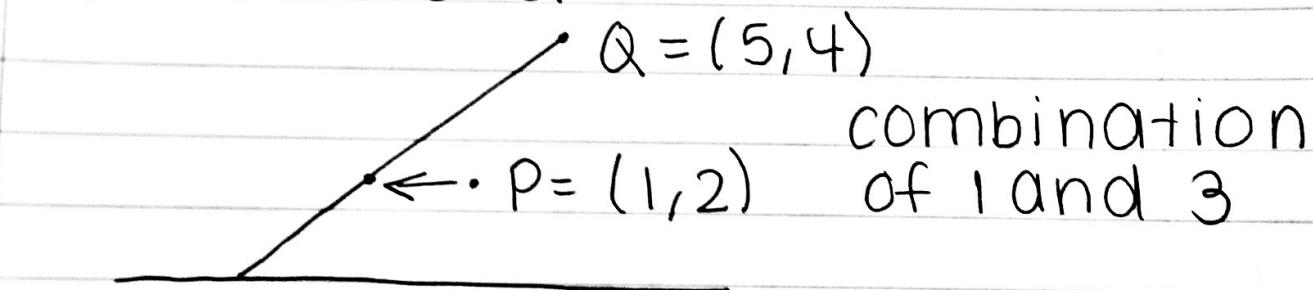
3. scaling by constant  $c > 0$

$$T(x, y) = (cx, cy)$$

$$\sqrt{((cx)'^2 + (cy)'^2)} = \sqrt{c^2 x'^2 + c^2 y'^2}$$
$$= \frac{cy}{y} \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}$$

At this point, can already show that the group of isometries of  $H$  acts transitively:

given two points  $P$  and  $Q$ , there is a hyperbolic isometry that sends  $P$  to  $Q$

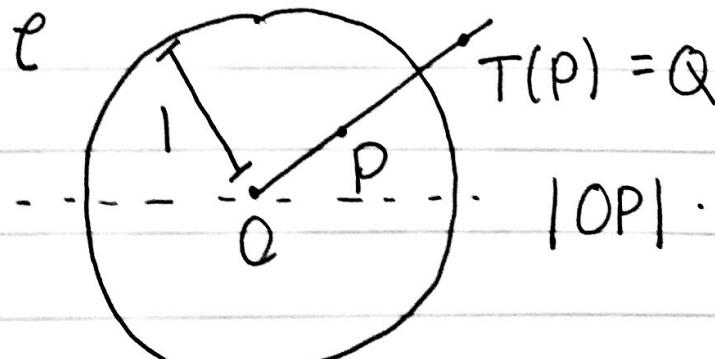


4. (Homework 8) Question 4)

Inversion  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$

$$(x, y) \mapsto \frac{1}{x^2+y^2}(x, y)$$

in the unit circle ~~e~~:  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$   
center  $O$ , radius 1



$$|OP| \cdot |OQ| = 1$$

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$$\|T(x, y)\| = \frac{\|(x, y)\|}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\|(x, y)\|}}$$

Properties:

1.  $T$  fixes  $\epsilon$  pointwise  
( $T(P) = P$  for  $P \in \epsilon$ )
2.  $P$  inside  $\epsilon \Rightarrow T(P)$  outside  $\epsilon$   
 $P$  outside  $\epsilon \Rightarrow T(P)$  inside  $\epsilon$
3.  $T^2 = \text{identity}$

Infer:  $T: H \rightarrow H$  is reflection  
in the hyperbolic line  $L = \epsilon \cap H$



check  $T$  is a hyperbolic isometry

$$\frac{\sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}}{y} \quad T(x, y) = \left( \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \right)' = \frac{x'(x^2 + y^2) - (2xx' + 2yy')x}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \right) = \frac{(y^2 - x^2)x' - (2xy)y'}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{y}{v} \right) = \frac{du}{dt} v - \frac{dv}{dt} u$$

$$\frac{v^2}{v^2}$$

similar:  $\left( \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \right)' = \frac{(x^2 - y^2)y' - (2xy)x'}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$

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$$\left( \left( \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right)' \right)^2 + \left( \left( \frac{y}{x^2+y^2} \right)' \right)^2 =$$

$$(a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$\frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^4} \left[ ((y^2-x^2)x' - 2xyy')^2 + ((x^2-y^2)y' - 2xyx')^2 \right] =$$

$$\frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^4} \left[ (y^2-x^2)^2(x'^2+y'^2) + 4x^2y^2(x'^2+y'^2) \right] =$$

$$\frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^4} (x'^2+y'^2)((y^2-x^2)^2 + 4x^2y^2) = (a-b)^2 + 4ab = (a+b)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^4} (x'^2+y'^2)(x^2+y^2)^2 = \frac{(x'^2+y'^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

now

$$\sqrt{\frac{x}{x^2+y^2}}'^2 + \sqrt{\frac{y}{x^2+y^2}}'^2 = \sqrt{\frac{x'^2+y'^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2}} = \frac{x'^2+y'^2}{y^2}$$