

BOUNDS FOR DISTORTION IN PSEUDOCONFORMAL MAPPINGS

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1. Introduction. When considering a conformal mapping of a domain, say¹ B^2 , of the z -plane, it is useful to introduce a metric which is invariant with respect to conformal transformations. The line element of this metric is given by

$$(1.1) \quad ds_B^2(z) = K_B(z, \bar{z}) |dz|^2, \quad B \equiv B^2,$$

where $K_B(z, \bar{z})$ is the kernel function of B^2 . (In the case of $[|z| < 1]$ the metric (1.1) is identical with the hyperbolic metric introduced by Poincaré.) In addition to the invariant metric one can also introduce scalar invariants, for instance,

$$(1.2) \quad J_B(z) = -\frac{1}{C_B(z)}, \quad C_B(z) = -\frac{2}{K^3} \begin{vmatrix} K & K_{0\bar{1}} \\ K_{10} & K_{1\bar{1}} \end{vmatrix}, \quad K_{10} = \frac{\partial K}{\partial z},$$

$$K_{0\bar{1}} = \frac{\partial K}{\partial \bar{z}}.$$

($C_B(z)$ is the curvature of the metric (1) at the point z .)

Using the kernel function $K_{\mathfrak{B}}(z, \bar{z})$, $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$, one can generalize this approach to the theory of PCT's (pseudoconformal transformations), i.e., to the mappings of $2n$ dimensional domains by n analytic functions of n complex variables (with a nonvanishing Jacobian). It is of interest to obtain bounds for the invariant $J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z)$, see (3.1), depending on quantities which are in a simple way connected with the domain, for instance, the maximum and minimum (euclidean) distances between the point z and the boundary of the domain.

In the present paper we shall determine such bounds in the case of pseudoconformal mapping of the domain $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}^4$ of the z_1, z_2 -space by pairs

$$(1.3) \quad w_k = f_k(z_1, z_2), \quad k = 1, 2,$$

of analytic functions of two complex variables (with nonvanishing Jacobian). The generalization of our procedure to the case of pseudoconformal mappings of domains \mathfrak{B}^{2n} by n functions of n complex variables, $3 \leq n < \infty$, is immediate and will not be discussed in the following.

2. The minima $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}(z)$. To obtain the desired bound we use

¹ The upper index at a set indicates its dimension.

the minimum values $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{\dots}(z)$ of the integral

$$(2.1) \quad \int_{\mathfrak{B}} |f(\zeta)|^2 d\omega, \quad \zeta = (\zeta_1, \zeta_2),$$

($d\omega$ = the volume element), under some additional conditions for f at the point $z = (z_1, z_2)$.

As indicated in [1, pp. 183 and 198 ff.], many invariant quantities arising in the theory of PCT's can be expressed in terms of the minima $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{\dots}(z)$. For instance,

$$(2.2) \quad K_{\mathfrak{B}}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^1(z)}, \quad J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z) = \frac{\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{01}(z)\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{001}(z)}{[\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^1(z)]^3}.$$

Here $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{X_{00}}(z)$ is the minimum of (2.1) under the condition $f(z) = X_{00}$, $z \in \mathfrak{B}$, $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{X_{00}X_{10}}$ is the minimum under the condition $f(z) = X_{00}$, $(\partial f(z)/\partial z_1) = X_{10}$ and $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{X_{00}X_{10}X_{01}}(z)$ is the minimum under the condition $f(z) = X_{00}$, $(\partial f(z)/\partial z_1) = X_{10}$, $(\partial f(z)/\partial z_2) = X_{01}$. (K is a *relative* invariant, see (25), p. 180, of [1].)

Using (23b), p. 179 of [1], one obtains the representations for the $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{\dots}(z)$ in terms of the kernel function $K \equiv K_{\mathfrak{B}}$ and their partial derivatives $K_{10\bar{0}} = (\partial K/\partial z_1)$, $K_{01\bar{0}} = (\partial K/\partial z_2)$, $K_{00\bar{10}} = (\partial K/\partial \bar{z}_1)$, $K_{00\bar{01}} = \partial K/\partial \bar{z}_2$. Obviously it holds

LEMMA 2.1. *Suppose that $z \in \mathfrak{B} \subset \mathfrak{G}$, then*

$$(2.3) \quad \lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{\dots}(z) \leq \lambda_{\mathfrak{G}}^{\dots}(z).$$

Here it is assumed that the minima $\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{\dots}(z)$ on both sides of (2.3) are taken under the same conditions.

Choosing for \mathfrak{G} a domain for which the kernel function $K_{\mathfrak{G}}$ is a simple expression of the equation of its boundary (e.g., choosing for \mathfrak{G} a sphere or certain Reinhardt circular domains, see [2, p. 21]), we obtain the desired inequality.

Using the above method, we shall derive in the next section an inequality for the invariant $J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z)$.

3. **Derivation of bounds for $J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z)$.** Let \mathfrak{B} be a connected domain of the (four-dimensional) z_1, z_2 -space, $z_k = x_k + iy_k$, $k = 1, 2$. Let

$$(3.1) \quad J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z, \bar{z}) \equiv J_{\mathfrak{B}} = \frac{K}{T_{11}^- T_{22}^- - |T_{12}^-|^2}, \quad T_{m\bar{n}} = \frac{\partial^2 \log K}{\partial z_m \partial \bar{z}_n},$$

denote the invariant respect to PCT's, see (37a), p. 183 of [1]. Here with K is the kernel function of \mathfrak{B} and $T_{m\bar{n}}$ are the coefficients of the line element

$$(3.2) \quad ds_{\mathfrak{B}}^2 = \sum_{m=1}^r \sum_{n=1}^2 T_{m\bar{n}} dz_m d\bar{z}_n$$

of the metric which is invariant with respect to PCT's, see [1, p. 182 ff.].

THEOREM I. *Suppose that r is the maximum distance of the point $z, z \in \mathfrak{B}$, to the boundary $\partial\mathfrak{B}$, and ρ is the corresponding minimum distance. Then*

$$(3.3) \quad H(\rho, r) \leq J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z) \leq H(r, \rho),$$

$$H(\rho, r) = \frac{2r^6[P(\rho)]^9}{9\rho^6[P(r)]^9\pi^2}, \quad P(\rho) = \rho^2 - z_1\bar{z}_1 - z_2\bar{z}_2.$$

Proof. By (97), p. 198 of [1],

$$(3.4) \quad J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z) = \frac{\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{01}(z)\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^{001}(z)}{[\lambda_{\mathfrak{B}}^1(z)]^3}$$

and in accordance with (2.3) for $\mathfrak{I} \subset \mathfrak{B} \subset \mathfrak{A}$ the inequality

$$(3.5) \quad \frac{\lambda_{\mathfrak{I}}^{01}(z)\lambda_{\mathfrak{I}}^{001}(z)}{[\lambda_{\mathfrak{I}}^1(z)]^3} \leq J_{\mathfrak{B}}(z) \leq \frac{\lambda_{\mathfrak{A}}^{01}(z)\lambda_{\mathfrak{A}}^{001}(z)}{[\lambda_{\mathfrak{A}}^1(z)]^3}$$

holds. If r is the maximum distance of the point z from the boundary $\partial\mathfrak{B}$, and ρ is the minimum distance of z from $\partial\mathfrak{B}$, then one can use for \mathfrak{A} the hypersphere $|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 < r^2$ and for \mathfrak{I} the hypersphere $|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 < \rho^2$. By (23b)², p.179 of [1] and by (5a), p. 22 of [2] it holds for the hypersphere $|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 < r^2$,

$$(3.6) \quad \lambda_{\mathfrak{A}}^{01}(z)\lambda_{\mathfrak{A}}^{001}(z) = \frac{\pi^4[P(r)]^8}{36r^6},$$

$$(3.7) \quad \lambda_{\mathfrak{A}}^1(z) = \frac{1}{K_{\mathfrak{A}}(z, \bar{z})} = \frac{\pi^2[P(r)]^3}{2r^2}.$$

Analogous formulas hold for $\lambda_{\mathfrak{I}}^{01}(z)\lambda_{\mathfrak{I}}^{001}(z)$ and $\lambda_{\mathfrak{I}}^1(z)$. Consequently (3.3) holds.

4. An application of Theorem I. A domain which admits the group

$$(4.1) \quad z_k^* = z_k e^{i\varphi_k}, \quad 0 \leq \varphi_k \leq 2\pi, \quad k = 1, 2,$$

² In the last term of the expression for $\lambda^{x_{00}x_{10}x_{01}}(t)$ of (23b) are misprints, in the denominator $\left| \frac{K}{K_{1\bar{0}00}} \frac{K_{00\bar{0}0}}{K_{10\bar{1}0}} \right|$ should be replaced by $\left| \frac{K}{K_{10\bar{0}0}} \frac{K_{00\bar{1}0}}{K_{10\bar{1}0}} \right|$. In the nominator of the last term of (23b) the last term $K_{01\bar{0}1}$ in the third row should be replaced by $K_{01\bar{1}0}$. In the denominator the first term $K_{01\bar{0}1}$ of the third row should be replaced by $K_{01\bar{0}0}$.

of PCT's onto itself (automorphisms) is called a Reinhardt circular domain (see [3], pp. 33-34).

A domain, say \mathfrak{R} , bounded by the hypersurface

$$(4.2) \quad |z_2| = r(|z_1|),$$

where $y_2 = r(x_1)$ is a convex curve, is a Reinhardt circular domain. Its kernel function is

$$(4.3) \quad K_{\mathfrak{R}}(z, \bar{z}) = B_{00} + B_{10}z_1\bar{z}_1 + B_{01}z_2\bar{z}_2 + B_{02}z_1^2\bar{z}_1^2 + B_{11}z_1\bar{z}_1z_2\bar{z}_2 + \dots,$$

$$(4.4) \quad B_{m_p}^{-1} = \int_{\mathfrak{R}} |z_1|^{2m} |z_2|^{2p} d\omega,$$

$d\omega$ volume element (B_{m_p} are the inverse of moments of \mathfrak{R}), see [2], p. 20 ff.

LEMMA. *The kernel function $K_{\mathfrak{R}}$ and its derivatives at the center 0 of \mathfrak{R} equal*

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} K_{\mathfrak{R}} &\equiv K = B_{00}, \\ K_{100\bar{0}} &\equiv K_{z_1}(0) = 0, \quad K_{101\bar{0}} \equiv \frac{\partial^2 K}{\partial z_1 \partial \bar{z}_1} = B_{10}, \quad K_{01\bar{0}\bar{0}} = 0, \\ K_{010\bar{1}} &= B_{01}, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$(4.6) \quad J_{\mathfrak{R}}(0) = \frac{K}{\begin{vmatrix} K & K_{001\bar{0}} & K_{000\bar{1}} \\ K_{100\bar{0}} & K_{101\bar{0}} & K_{100\bar{1}} \\ K_{010\bar{0}} & K_{011\bar{0}} & K_{010\bar{1}} \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{B_{00}^4}{\begin{vmatrix} B_{00} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_{10} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_{01} \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{B_{00}^3}{B_{10}B_{01}}$$

(see [1], p. 183, (37a)).

THEOREM II. *Let $\mathfrak{B} = B(\mathfrak{R})$ be a pseudoconformal image of a Reinhardt circular domain \mathfrak{R} , and let r and ρ be the maximum and minimum distances from the boundary, respectively, of the image $z^0 = (z_1^0, z_2^0) = B(0)$ of the center 0 of \mathfrak{R} in \mathfrak{B} . Then*

$$(4.7) \quad H(\rho, r) \leq \frac{B_{00}^3}{B_{10}B_{01}} \leq H(r, \rho).$$

Here B_{m_n} are the inverse moments (introduced in (4.4)) of \mathfrak{R} .

Proof. Since $J_{\mathfrak{R}}$ is invariant and \mathfrak{B} is a pseudoconformal image of \mathfrak{R}

$$(4.8) \quad J_{\mathfrak{S}}(0) = J_{\mathfrak{S}}(z^0) = \frac{B_{00}^3}{B_{10}B_{01}} .$$

By Theorem I it follows that for $J_{\mathfrak{S}}(z^0)$ the inequality (4.7) holds.

Similar results as above can be obtained for other interior distinguished points, for instance, for critical points of $J_{\mathfrak{S}}(z, \bar{z})$.

REMARK. One obtains a generalization of Theorem I by assuming that \mathfrak{S} and \mathfrak{X} are domains $|z_1|^{2/m} + |z_2|^2 < \rho^2$ and $|z_1|^{2/M} + |z_2|^2 < r^2$, respectively. The kernel function for the above domains is given in (5), p. 21, of [2].

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