

# 1.1 Hyperbolic geometry

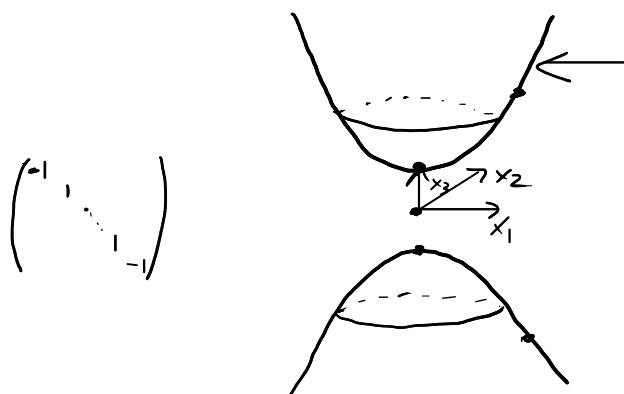
Different models of hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{H}^n$ ,  $n \geq 2$

- hyperboloid model
- upper half-space (mostly in  $n=2$ )
- Klein model

Let  $B$  be a bilinear <sup>symm.</sup> form of signature  $(n, 1)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

$$B(x, y) = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n - x_{n+1} y_{n+1} = x^T \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix}}_J y$$

$$\mathbb{H}^n = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid B(x, x) = -1, \underline{x_{n+1} > 0} \}$$



metric:  $x \in \mathbb{H}^n, T_x \mathbb{H}^n \subset T_x \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

$$g_{MYP, x} = B|_{T_x \mathbb{H}^n}$$

$$(A_x)^T J A_y \quad x^T J y$$

$$O(n, 1) = \{ A \in GL(n+1, \mathbb{R}) \mid B(Ax, Ay) = B(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \}$$

$$= \{ A \in GL(n+1, \mathbb{R}) \mid A^T J A = J \}$$

$O(n, 1)$  has 4 connected components, distinguished by

- determinant  $+1$  or  $-1$
- "time-orientation" :  $B(Ae_{n+1}, e_{n+1})$  positive or negative ?  
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 or any  $x$  with  $B(x, x) < 0$

$$SO_0(n, 1) = \{ A \in O(n, 1) \mid \det A = 1, B(Ae_{n+1}, e_{n+1}) < 0 \}$$

$SO_0(n, 1)$  acts on  $\mathbb{H}^n$  and preserves the Riemannian metric.

## Proposition

$SO_0(n, 1)$  is the group of orientation-preserving isometries of  $\mathbb{H}^n$ .

Proof:

$(v_1, \dots, v_n) \subset T_x \mathbb{H}^n$  pos. oriented  $\Leftrightarrow (x, v_1, \dots, v_n) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  pos. oriented

$$\boxed{\det A = 1}$$

$\Rightarrow (Ax, Av_1, \dots, Av_n)$  pos. oriented  $\Rightarrow (Av_1, \dots, Av_n) \subset T_{Ax} \mathbb{H}^n$  pos. oriented

$$SO_0(n, 1) \longrightarrow \text{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}^n)$$

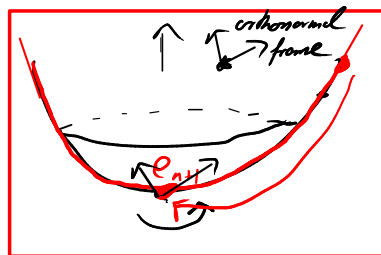
- is injective since  $\mathbb{H}^n$  is not in a proper subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

For  $U \in SO(n)$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} U & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in SO_0(n, 1)$  "rotation"

for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} \cosh t & 0 & \sinh t \\ 0 & I_{n-1} & 0 \\ \sinh t & 0 & \cosh t \end{pmatrix} \in SO_0(n, 1)$  "translation"

-  $SO_0(n, 1)$  acts transitively on  $\mathbb{H}^n$ :

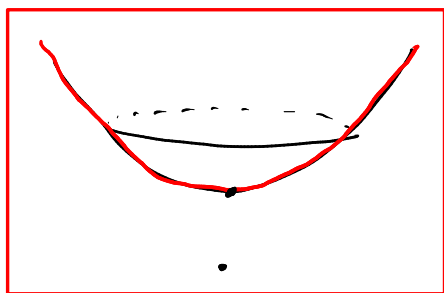
for  $x \in \mathbb{H}^n$ , use a rotation to bring  $x$  into the plane  $\langle e_1, e_{n+1} \rangle$ , then use a translation to move it to  $e_{n+1}$ .



$\langle e_1, e_{n+1} \rangle$

- The rotations act transitively on <sup>pos oriented</sup> orthonormal bases of  $T_{e_{n+1}} \mathbb{H}^n$ , so  $SO_0(n, 1)$  acts transitively on the pos. oriented orthonormal frame bundle of  $\mathbb{H}^n$ .

- If a isometry  $f$  of a <sup>conn</sup> Riem. mfd. fixes  $x$  and  $df_x = \text{id}$ , then  $f = \text{id}$ .  $\Rightarrow$  every element of  $\text{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}^n)$  is realized by  $SO_0(n, 1)$ .  $\square$



The (unparametrized) geodesics of  $\mathbb{H}^n$  are the intersections with planes through 0.

$$\gamma(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \sinh t \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \cosh t \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{H}^n$$

is unit-speed geodesic:  $B(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) = \cosh^2 t - \sinh^2 t = 1$ .

$$\Rightarrow d_{\mathbb{H}^n}(\gamma(0), \gamma(t)) = |t| \quad B(\gamma(0), \gamma(t)) = B\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sinh t \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \cosh t \end{pmatrix}\right) = -\cosh t$$

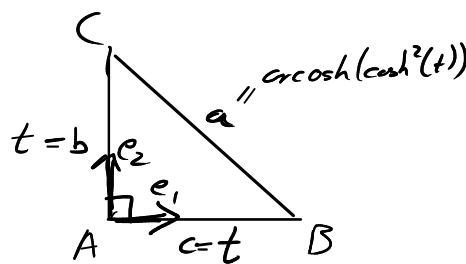
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{d_{\mathbb{H}^n}(x, y) = \operatorname{arcosh}(-B(x, y))}$$

since  $SO_0(n, 1)$  preserves both  $d_{\mathbb{H}^n}$  and  $B$ , and acts transitively on pairs of points with a fixed distance.

Also, since  $\operatorname{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}^n)$  acts transitively on pos. or. orthonormal frames,  $\mathbb{H}^n$  has constant curvature.

Look at the triangle,  $t > 0$

$$A = e_{n+1}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} \sinh t \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \cosh t \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sinh t \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \cosh t \end{pmatrix}$$



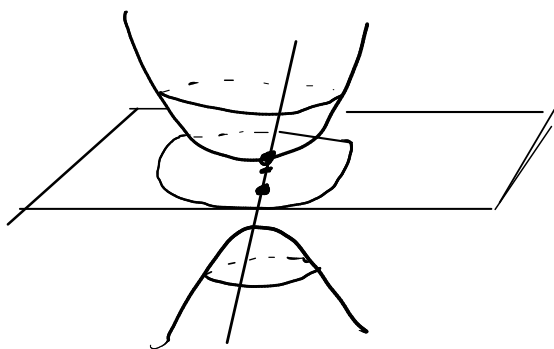
$$a = \operatorname{arcosh}\left(-B\left(\begin{pmatrix} \sinh t \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \cosh t \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sinh t \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \cosh t \end{pmatrix}\right)\right) = \operatorname{arcosh}(\cosh^2 t) \neq \sqrt{2}t$$

"hyperbolic Pythagoras" in curvature  $-k^2$

$$\boxed{\cosh(ka) \cosh(kb) = \cosh(kc)}$$

$$\Rightarrow k=1$$

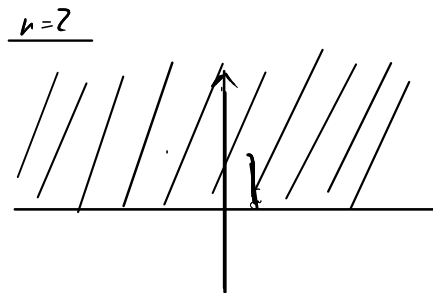
Klein model  $\cong (\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}) / \mathbb{R}^\times$   
 $\{[x] \in \mathbb{R}P^n \mid B(x, x) < 0\}$



Upper half-space model

$$H^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n > 0\}$$

$$g_{H^n, x}(v, w) = \frac{1}{x_n^2} g_{\text{Euc}, x}(v, w)$$



If  $n=2$ :  $\operatorname{Isom}^+(H^n) \cong \operatorname{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) = \operatorname{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) / \{\pm 1\}$

$$z \in H^2 = \{x + iy \in \mathbb{C} \mid y > 0\}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \operatorname{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot z = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

Möbius transformation

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot z = -\bar{z} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  There <sup>must be</sup> an isomorphism  $\overset{\mathbb{R}^2}{\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})} \cong \text{SO}_0(2, 1)$  [accidental isomorphism]

$$\text{Sym}^2 \mathbb{R}^2 = \underbrace{\langle e_1 \otimes e_1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1), e_2 \otimes e_2 \rangle}_{\mathbb{R}^2 \otimes \mathbb{R}^2} \cong \mathbb{R}^3$$

$SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  acts on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and therefore on  $\text{Sym}^2 \mathbb{R}^2 \cong \mathbb{R}^3$

$\Rightarrow$  gives a group hom.  $\iota: \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow GL(3, \mathbb{R})$

Let  $\omega(x, y) = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} y$ . Every  $A \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  satisfies  $\omega(Ax, Ay) = \omega(x, y)$ .

$$A^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B' = \omega \otimes \omega$$

$$B'(e_1 \otimes e_1, e_1 \otimes e_1) = \omega(e_1, e_1)^2 = 0$$

$$B'(e_1 \otimes e_1, e_2 \otimes e_2) = \omega(e_1, e_2)^2 = 1$$

$$B'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1)\right) = -1$$

$B'(x, y) = x^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} y$  is preserved by  $\iota(\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}))$  and is a symmetric bilinear form of signature  $(1, 2)$ .