

**Sample Final Examination**  
**Time Limit: 2 Hours**

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1. (18 points) (**Euclidean  $\mathbb{R}^2$** ) Consider the two points  $P = (1, 2), Q = (-1, -5) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  in the Euclidean plane. Solve the following parts:

- (a) (5 points) Find the Euclidean distance between  $P$  and  $Q$ .

$$d(P, Q) = \sqrt{(-1 - 1)^2 + (-5 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 49} = \sqrt{53}.$$

- (b) (5 points) Let  $M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x = y\}$  and consider the unique line  $L \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  equidistant to  $P$  and  $Q$ . Determine the image of  $Q$  under the isometry  $r_M \circ r_L$ .

By a corollary from class, we know  $r_L$  swaps  $P$  and  $Q$ , so  $r_L(Q) = P$ . Since the reflection across the line  $y = x$  precisely swaps the  $x$  and  $y$ -coordinates (this is a simple enough reflection where I do not think it's necessary to prove that it swaps the  $x$  and  $y$ -coordinates), we have that  $r_M \circ r_L(Q) = r_M(P) = r_M(1, 2) = (2, 1)$ .

- (c) (5 points) Find all the fixed points of the isometry  $r_M \circ r_L$ .

The line  $L$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{PQ}$ , and  $\overline{PQ}$  has slope  $\frac{7}{2}$ , hence  $L$  has slope  $-\frac{2}{7}$ . So  $M, L$  are not parallel, and by a Theorem from class,  $r_M \circ r_L$  is a rotation with exactly one fixed point at the point of intersection of  $M, L$ .  $L$  passes through the midpoint of  $P, Q$ , which is  $(\frac{1-1}{2}, \frac{2-5}{2}) = (0, -\frac{3}{2})$ , so  $L = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y + \frac{3}{2} = -\frac{2}{7}x\}$ .  $M, L$  intersect when  $x + \frac{3}{2} = -\frac{2}{7}x \implies \frac{9}{7}x = -\frac{3}{2} \implies x = -\frac{7}{6} = y$ . So the fixed point of  $r_M \circ r_L$  is  $(-\frac{7}{6}, -\frac{7}{6})$ .

- (d) (3 points) Show that there is no line  $N \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $r_N \circ r_M \circ r_L = \text{id}$ .

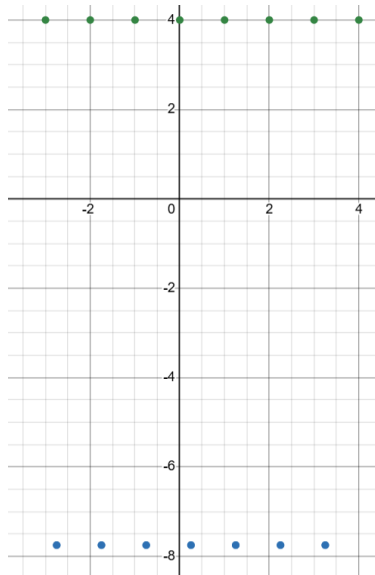
We've deduced from part (c) that  $r_M \circ r_L$  is a rotation, which is orientation-preserving. However, for any line  $N$ ,  $r_N$  is orientation-reversing, and hence  $r_N \circ r_M \circ r_L$  is orientation-reversing. But  $\text{id}$  is orientation-preserving, and it follows that  $r_N \circ r_M \circ r_L \neq \text{id}$ .

2. (18 points) ( **$\Gamma$ -Geometry for the cylinder**) Let  $C = \mathbb{R}^2/\Gamma$  be the Euclidean cylinder, where  $\Gamma = \langle t_{(1,0)} \rangle \subseteq \text{Iso}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is the group generated by the translation

$$t_{(1,0)} : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2.$$

- (a) (5 points) Draw the  $\Gamma$ -orbits  $\Gamma P$  and  $\Gamma Q$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  of the two points

$$P = (-1, 4), Q = (3.25, -7.75) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$



- (b) (5 points) Compute the distance in  $C$  from  $\Gamma P$  to  $\Gamma Q$ .  
 We take the points  $(0, 4) \in \Gamma P, (0.25, -7.75) \in \Gamma Q$ , so  $d_C(P, Q) = \sqrt{0.25^2 + 11.75^2}$ .
- (c) (5 points) Show that there are infinitely many lines in  $C$  through  $\Gamma P$  and  $\Gamma Q$ .  
 Consider the point  $P \in \Gamma P$ . For each  $Q' \in \Gamma Q$ , we get a line from  $P$  to  $Q'$ , each with a different slope, hence they are all distinct when we quotient by  $\Gamma$ . Since there are infinitely many such  $Q'$ , we conclude that there are infinitely many lines in  $C$  through  $\Gamma P$  and  $\Gamma Q$ .
- (d) (3 points) Consider the projections  $\pi(L_1), \pi(L_2)$  to  $C$  of the two lines

$$L_1 = \{x = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2, \quad L_2 = \{47x + y = 4\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Explicitly find all the intersection points of  $\pi(L_1)$  and  $\pi(L_2)$  in  $C$ .

Lifting to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , we have that  $\pi^{-1}(L_1)$  is identified with all lines  $\{x = n\}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so for  $\pi(L_1), \pi(L_2)$  to intersect, we look for the points  $(n, y) \in L_2$ , which get mapped to  $(0, y) \in \pi(L_1) \cap \pi(L_2)$ . Rewriting, we have  $L_2 = \{y = -47x + 4\}$ , and thus the intersection points  $(0, y)$  of  $\pi(L_1) \cap \pi(L_2)$  are precisely  $(0, -47n + 4)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

3. (18 points) **(Spherical geometry)** Consider the 2-sphere

$$S^2 := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\},$$

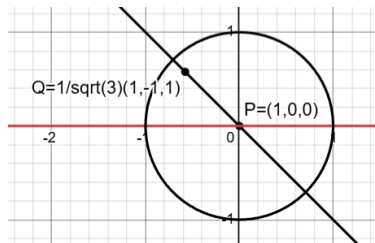
endowed with the spherical distance.

(a) (5 points) Consider the points  $P = (1, 0, 0) \in S^2$  and  $Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(1, -1, 1)$ . Compute the spherical distance  $d_{S^2}(P, Q)$  from  $P$  to  $Q$ .

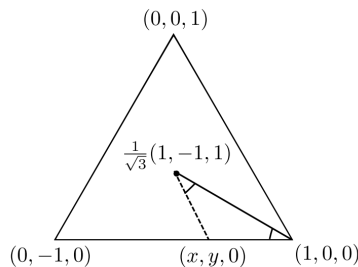
We compute the angle between  $\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$  and  $\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \rangle$  using the formula  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = |\mathbf{u}||\mathbf{v}| \cos \theta \implies \theta = \cos^{-1}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$ , so  $d_{S^2}(P, Q) = \cos^{-1}(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$ .

(b) (5 points) Let  $R_{P,\pi/2}, R_{Q,\pi/2} \in \text{Isom}(S^2)$  be the rotations of angle  $\pi/2$  centered at  $P$  and  $Q$ . Show that  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2}$  is a rotation and find its center and angle.

By a theorem from class, we know products of rotations on  $S^2$  are also rotations, so  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2}$  is a rotation. Now, the hard part, using only things that we've learned: We know from class that rotations on  $S^2$  centered at a point with angle  $\theta$  are products of reflections across planes in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  intersecting at the point and its antipodal, with angle of intersection  $\theta/2$ . Define  $G$  to be the unique plane through  $O = (0, 0, 0), P, Q$ . By choice of reflecting planes, we may have  $R_{Q,\pi/2}, R_{P,\pi/2}$  be written as products of reflections, where one of the reflections is across  $G$ . So we write  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2} = r_A \circ r_G \circ r_G \circ r_B = r_A \circ r_B$ , where  $A, B$  are planes to be determined. The idea is that the intersection point  $A \cap B \cap S^2$  will be the center of rotation, and the angle of rotation is twice the angle between  $A, B$ . The plane  $A$  is easier to find, by looking at the sphere from the  $x$ -axis (like a bird's eye view): We see that the line  $z = 0$  forms an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  with  $G$ , so  $A$  is the  $xy$ -plane.  $B$  is



a little more tricky. We know already that  $G, A$  form an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ , and we want  $B, G$  to form an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  as well (be careful with the sign of the angle; we had the angle  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  from  $G$  to  $A$ , and now we want the angle  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  from  $B$  to  $G$ ). Consider the following picture, viewing from the axis  $y = -x, z = 0$ :



By symmetry, if we were to have  $B, G$  form an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ , then we must have  $d_{S^2}(P, (x, y, 0)) = d_{S^2}(Q, (x, y, 0))$ , and  $(x, y, 0) \in S^2$ . But we may also just compare the Euclidean distances between them, hence we have the equation

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{(x-1)^2 + y^2} &= \sqrt{\left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(y + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{3} \\ \Leftrightarrow (x-1)^2 + y^2 &= \left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(y + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \\ \Leftrightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 + y^2 &= x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{3} + y^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}y + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}y &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y = -\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)x \cdot \sqrt{3} &= (1 - \sqrt{3})x.\end{aligned}$$

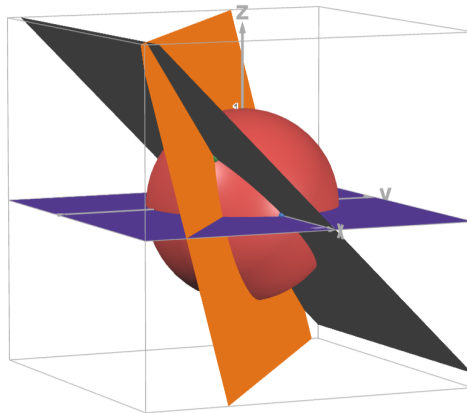
Then, we substitute this into the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  to get

$$x^2 + (1 - \sqrt{3})^2 x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{1 + (1 - \sqrt{3})^2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (1 - \sqrt{3})^2}}$$

and

$$y = \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{1 + (1 - \sqrt{3})^2}}.$$

So,  $B$  is the plane through  $O, Q, \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(1-\sqrt{3})^2}}, \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{1+(1-\sqrt{3})^2}}, 0\right)$ . Using 21C methods, we can construct two vectors from these three points, compute their cross product to get a normal vector, and then using the 21C definition (or theorem?) that the equation of a plane through  $(0, 0, 0)$  with normal vector  $\langle a, b, c \rangle$  is  $ax + by + cz = 0$ , we ultimately arrive at  $B$  being the plane  $(\sqrt{3} - 1)x + y + (2 - \sqrt{3})z = 0$ , or some scaling of this. Here's what the planes look like:



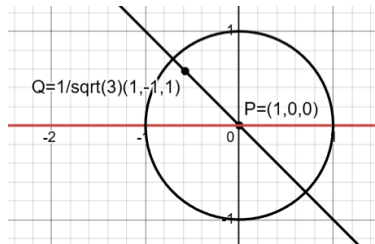
By the construction above,  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(1-\sqrt{3})^2}}, \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{1+(1-\sqrt{3})^2}}, 0\right)$  lies on both  $A$  and  $B$ , and therefore is fixed by  $r_A \circ r_B$ . That is, the center of rotation of  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2}$  is  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(1-\sqrt{3})^2}}, \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{1+(1-\sqrt{3})^2}}, 0\right)$ . Finally, we compute the angle of rotation, which is twice the angle between  $A, B$ . From 21C, we know the angle between two planes is equal to the angle between their normal vectors.  $A$  has normal vector  $\mathbf{n}_1 = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$  and  $B$  has normal vector  $\mathbf{n}_2 = \langle \sqrt{3} - 1, 1, 2 - \sqrt{3} \rangle$ . The angle between them is

$$\cos^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{n}_1 \cdot \mathbf{n}_2}{\|\mathbf{n}_1\| \|\mathbf{n}_2\|} = \cos^{-1} \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{(\sqrt{3} - 1)^2 + 1 + (2 - \sqrt{3})^2}} = \cos^{-1} \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{12 - 6\sqrt{3}}} \approx 77.8^\circ$$

and thus the angle of rotation is  $2 \cos^{-1} \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{12 - 6\sqrt{3}}} \approx 155.6^\circ$ .

- (c) (5 points) Determine whether  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2}$  is equal to  $R_{Q,\pi/2} \circ R_{P,\pi/2}$ .

We claim that  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2} \neq R_{Q,\pi/2} \circ R_{P,\pi/2}$ , and it suffices to show that  $R_{Q,\pi/2} \circ R_{P,\pi/2}$  is a rotation with a different center. As with part (b), we write  $R_{Q,\pi/2} \circ R_{P,\pi/2} = r_C \circ r_G \circ r_G \circ r_D = r_C \circ r_D$ , where  $C, D$  are planes to be determined. From the same picture above, we see that the line  $y = 0$  forms an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  with  $G$ , so



$D$  is the  $xz$ -plane. By symmetry, if we were to have  $G, C$  form an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ , then we must have  $d_{S^2}(P, (x, 0, z)) = d_{S^2}(Q, (x, 0, z))$ , and  $(x, 0, z) \in S^2$ , and a similar computation as above yields  $z = (\sqrt{3} - 1)x$ , and substituting into  $x^2 + z^2 = 1$  gives

$$x^2 + (\sqrt{3} - 1)^2 x^2 = 1 \implies x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\sqrt{3} - 1)^2}}, z = \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{\sqrt{1 + (\sqrt{3} - 1)^2}}.$$

With the same reasoning as above, we deduce that  $R_{Q,\pi/2} \circ R_{P,\pi/2}$  is a rotation with center  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(\sqrt{3}-1)^2}}, 0, \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{1+(\sqrt{3}-1)^2}}\right)$ , and it follows that  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2} \neq R_{Q,\pi/2} \circ R_{P,\pi/2}$ .

- (d) (3 points) Is there a spherical isometry  $f \in \text{Isom}(S^2)$  such that  $f \circ (R_{P,\pi/2}, R_{Q,\pi/2})$  has no fixed points?

Yes (I'm assuming the professor meant  $f \circ (R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2})$ ). By above, we know that  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2}$  is a rotation, which fixes only the center and its antipodal point. So we take  $f$  to be the reflection across the set of equidistant points to the center and its antipodal. Then clearly,  $f \circ (R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2})$  does not fix the center and its antipodal. Points on the line of reflection remain on the line of reflection, but are translated by  $R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2}$ , then don't move by  $f$ . The remaining points get reflected to the opposite side of the line of reflection, hence we conclude that  $f \circ (R_{P,\pi/2} \circ R_{Q,\pi/2})$  has no fixed points.

4. (18 points) (**Hyperbolic distances and lines in  $\mathbb{H}^2$** ) Let  $P = i, Q = 3 + 4i \in \mathbb{H}^2$  be points in the hyperbolic upper-half plane  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . Solve the following parts:

- (a) (5 points) Show that  $L = \{z \in \mathbb{H}^2 : |z - 4|^2 = 17\} \subseteq \mathbb{H}^2$  is the unique hyperbolic line through the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

We construct the geodesic through  $P, Q$ .  $\overline{PQ}$  has slope 1, so its perpendicular bisector has slope  $-1$ , and passes through  $\frac{P+Q}{2} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{5}{2}i$ . So the perpendicular bisector has equation  $y - \frac{5}{2} = -(x - \frac{3}{2}) = -x + \frac{3}{2}$ . It intersects the  $x$ -axis at  $y = 0$ , so  $-\frac{5}{2} = -x + \frac{3}{2} \implies x = 4$ . Therefore, the center of the geodesic is  $(4, 0)$ . The radius is  $d_{\mathbb{E}^2}((4, 0), (0, 1)) = \sqrt{17}$ , and thus the geodesic through  $P, Q$  is  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{H}^2 : (x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 17\} = \{z \in \mathbb{H}^2 : |z - 4|^2 = 17\} = L$ .

- (b) (5 points) Compute the hyperbolic distance  $d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(P, Q)$ .

We have  $y = \sqrt{17 - (x - 4)^2}$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-(x-4)}{\sqrt{17-(x-4)^2}}$ , and from  $P$  to  $Q$ , we have  $0 \leq x \leq 3$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(P, Q) &= \int_0^3 \frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{(x-4)^2}{17-(x-4)^2}}}{\sqrt{17-(x-4)^2}} dx = \int_0^3 \frac{\sqrt{\frac{17}{17-(x-4)^2}}}{\sqrt{17-(x-4)^2}} dx \\ &= \int_0^3 \frac{\sqrt{17}}{17-(x-4)^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

- (c) (5 points) Find the unique hyperbolic line  $M$  equidistant to  $P$  and  $Q$ .

First, we know from a theorem from class that reflection across  $M$  exchanges  $P, Q$ . In particular,  $M$  is perpendicular to the Euclidean line segment  $\overline{PQ}$ . By the construction of a circle, the radius from the center to any point on the circle forms an angle of  $\pi/2$ , and thus we may extend  $\overline{PQ}$  to intersect the  $x$ -axis, from which we get that the center of  $M$  is  $(-1, 0)$ . Next, we find the radius. As  $M$  has center  $(-1, 0)$ , and must pass through some point on the segment  $\overline{PQ}$ , it follows that  $M$  must pass through the  $y$ -axis as well. So, consider a point  $y_0 i \in \mathbb{H}^2$  equidistant to  $P, Q$ . We've seen from class that  $d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(P, y_0 i) = \ln(y_0)$ , and we set  $d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(Q, y_0 i) = \ln(y_0)$ . Let's derive  $d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(Q, y_0 i)$ : The perpendicular bisector has slope  $-\frac{3}{4-y_0}$ , and passes through the midpoint  $\frac{3+(4+y_0)i}{2}$ , from which we get the equation of the perpendicular bisector is  $y - \frac{4+y_0}{2} = -\frac{3}{4-y_0}(x - \frac{3}{2})$ . When  $y = 0$ , we get the center of this geodesic to be  $x = \frac{(4+y_0)(4-y_0)}{6} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{16-y_0^2+9}{2} = \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}$ . The radius is the Euclidean distance  $d_{\mathbb{E}}(\frac{25-y_0^2}{6}, 3+4i) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{25-y_0^2-18}{6}\right)^2 + 16} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16}$ . Thus, this geodesic has equation  $\left(x - \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + y^2 = \left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16$ . We have the following simplification of the distance formula for a geodesic with center  $(\alpha, 0)$  and radius  $r$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \frac{\sqrt{1 + (dy/dx)^2}}{y} dx &= \int \frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{(-(x-\alpha))^2}{r^2 - (x-\alpha)^2}}}{\sqrt{r^2 - (x-\alpha)^2}} dx = \int \frac{\sqrt{\frac{r^2}{r^2 - (x-\alpha)^2}}}{\sqrt{r^2 - (x-\alpha)^2}} dx \\
&= \int \frac{r}{r^2 - (x-\alpha)^2} dx = \int \frac{A}{r - (x-\alpha)} + \frac{B}{r + (x-\alpha)} dx \\
&\implies r = Ar + A(x-\alpha) + Br - B(x-\alpha) \\
&\implies Ar + Br = r, A(x-\alpha) - B(x-\alpha) = 0 \\
&\implies A + B = 1 \implies A = B = \frac{1}{2} \\
&= \int \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{r - (x-\alpha)} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{r + (x-\alpha)} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (-\ln|r - (x-\alpha)| + \ln|r + (x-\alpha)|) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{r + (x-\alpha)}{r - (x-\alpha)} \right|,
\end{aligned}$$

So we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
d_{\mathbb{H}^2}(Q, y_0 i) &= \int_0^3 \frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16}}{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16 - \left(x - \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} + \left(x - \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} - \left(x - \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}\right)} \right|_0^3 \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} + \left(\frac{y_0^2-7}{6}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} - \left(\frac{y_0^2-7}{6}\right)} \right| - \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} - \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} + \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}} \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

Setting this equal to  $\ln(y_0)$ , we can simplify this to

$$y_0^2 = \frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} + \left(\frac{y_0^2-7}{6}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} - \left(\frac{y_0^2-7}{6}\right)} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} + \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{7-y_0^2}{6}\right)^2 + 16} - \frac{25-y_0^2}{6}}.$$

As this gets a bit too messy for me to TeX it, we shall skip the details. But one may solve this and get  $y_0^2 = 7$ , hence  $y_0 = \sqrt{7}$ . Finally, we compute the radius of  $M$  to be the Euclidean distance from the center  $(-1, 0)$  to the point  $(0, \sqrt{7})$ , which is  $\sqrt{1+7} = \sqrt{8}$ . Hence,  $M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{H}^2 : (x+1)^2 + y^2 = 8\}$ .

- (d) (3 points) Let  $r_L, r_M \in \text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}^2)$  be the hyperbolic inversions along  $L$  and  $M$ . Compute the image of  $P$  and  $Q$  under the composition  $r_M \circ r_L$ .  
By part (a), we know  $P, Q \in L$ , and therefore  $r_L(P) = P, r_L(Q) = Q$ . We also know by a theorem from class that  $r_M$  swaps  $P$  and  $Q$ , and it follows that  $r_M \circ r_L(P) = r_M(P) = Q, r_M \circ r_L(Q) = r_M(Q) = P$ .

5. (18 points) (**Hyperbolic isometries in  $\mathbb{H}^2$** ) Consider the map  $f, g : \mathbb{H}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^2$

$$f(z) = \frac{\bar{z} + 9}{3\bar{z} - 5}.$$

- (a) (5 points) Show that  $f$  is a hyperbolic isometry and it has no fixed points.

By a theorem from class, we know that orientation-reversing hyperbolic isometries are of the form  $\bar{f}(z) = \frac{-a\bar{z}+b}{-c\bar{z}+d}$ , with  $ad-bc = 1$ . So it suffices to write  $f$  in this form. We normalize  $f$  by dividing by  $\sqrt{(-1) \cdot (-5) - (-3) \cdot 9} = \sqrt{5+27} = \sqrt{32}$ . So

$$f(z) = \frac{\bar{z} + 9}{3\bar{z} - 5} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{32}}(\bar{z} + 9)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{32}}(3\bar{z} - 5)} = \frac{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{32}}\bar{z} + \frac{9}{\sqrt{32}}}{-\frac{3}{\sqrt{32}}\bar{z} - \frac{5}{\sqrt{32}}},$$

and we check:  $\frac{-1}{\sqrt{32}} \cdot \frac{-5}{\sqrt{32}} - \frac{-3}{\sqrt{32}} \cdot \frac{9}{\sqrt{32}} = \frac{5+27}{32} = 1$ , and thus  $f$  is a hyperbolic isometry. Next, we assume that  $z_0 = \frac{\bar{z}_0+9}{3\bar{z}_0-5}$  for some  $z_0 = x + yi \in \mathbb{H}^2$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} x + 9 - yi &= (x + yi)(3x - 5 - 3yi) \\ &= 3x^2 - 5x - 3xyi + 3xyi - 5yi + 3y^2 \\ &\implies 3x^2 - 6x - 9 + 3y^2 = 0, -4y = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The latter equation implies  $y = 0$ , in which case  $z_0 \notin \mathbb{H}^2$ . Therefore,  $f$  has no fixed points.

- (b) (5 points) Let  $g : \mathbb{H}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^2$  be a hyperbolic isometry such that

$$g\left(-\frac{21}{17} + \frac{16}{17}i\right) = i, \quad g\left(-\frac{33}{61} + \frac{64}{61}i\right) = 2i, \quad g\left(-\frac{17}{13} + \frac{32}{13}i\right) = 1 + i.$$

Determine the image of the point  $2 + 3i$  under the composition  $f \circ g$ .

We first do a cheeky observation:

$$\begin{aligned} f(i) &= \frac{-i+9}{-3i-5} = \frac{-i+9}{-5-3i} \cdot \frac{-5+3i}{-5+3i} = \frac{5i+3-45+27i}{34} = -\frac{21}{17} + \frac{16}{17}i \\ f(2i) &= \frac{-2i+9}{-6i-5} = \frac{-2i+9}{-5-6i} \cdot \frac{-5+6i}{-5+6i} = \frac{10i+12-45+54i}{25+36} = -\frac{33}{61} + \frac{64}{61}i \\ f(1+i) &= \frac{1-i+9}{3-3i-5} = \frac{10-i}{-2-3i} \cdot \frac{-2+3i}{-2+3i} = \frac{-20+30i+2i+3}{4+9} = -\frac{17}{13} + \frac{32}{13}i. \end{aligned}$$

By a theorem from class, hyperbolic isometries are uniquely determined by the images of three noncollinear points, thus it follows that  $g = f^{-1}$ . Therefore,  $f \circ g(2 + 3i) = 2 + 3i$ .

- (c) (5 points) Find a hyperbolic line  $L \subseteq \mathbb{H}^2$  such that  $f(L) = L$ .

We look for the two fixed points on  $\partial\mathbb{H}^2$ , continuing from the computations in part (a). We have  $0 = 3x^2 - 6x - 9 \implies 0 = x^2 - 2x - 3 = (x-3)(x+1) \implies x = -1, 3$ . So the hyperbolic line invariant under  $f$  has endpoints at  $-1, 3$ , and thus has center  $\frac{-1+3}{2} = 1$ , radius 2. Therefore,  $L = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{H}^2 : (x-1)^2 + y^2 = 4\}$ .

(d) (3 points) Show that there exists no  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f^n = \text{id}$ .

Since  $f$  is orientation-reversing, we know that any product of odd numbers of  $f$  will also be orientation-reversing, hence could not be  $\text{id}$ . So to show that there exists no  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f^n = \text{id}$ , it suffices to check for even powers of  $f$ . We compute  $f^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f^2(z) &= \frac{\frac{\bar{z}+9}{3\bar{z}-5} + 9}{3\frac{\bar{z}+9}{3\bar{z}-5} - 5} = \frac{\frac{z+9}{3z-5} + \frac{27z-45}{3z-5}}{\frac{3z+27}{3z-5} + \frac{-15z+25}{3z-5}} = \frac{28z - 36}{-12z + 52} = \frac{7z - 9}{-3z + 13} \\ &\longleftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -9 \\ -3 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{8} & -\frac{9}{8} \\ -\frac{3}{8} & \frac{13}{8} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that given any two matrices  $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ -c & d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e & -f \\ -g & h \end{bmatrix}$  with  $a, b, c, d, e, f, g > 0$ , we have  $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ -c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e & -f \\ -g & h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ae + bg & -af - bh \\ -ce - dg & cf + dh \end{bmatrix}$ , with entries  $ae + bg, cf + dh > 0; -af - bh, -ce - dg < 0$ . In particular, the top right and bottom left entry will never be 0, so the product of such matrices is never the identity. Since  $f^2$  is of this form, it follows that  $f^{2k} = (f^2)^k \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . We conclude that there exists no  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f^n = \text{id}$ .

