

## AUTOMORPHISMS OF NORMAL QUASI-CIRCULAR DOMAINS

Let  $m_1, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{N}$  be relatively prime. Recall that a domain  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is said to be  $(m_1, \dots, m_n)$ -circular (shortly *quasi-circular*) if

$$(\lambda^{m_1} z_1, \dots, \lambda^{m_n} z_n) \in D, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |\lambda| = 1, \quad (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in D.$$

If  $m_1 = \dots = m_n = 1$ , the domain  $D$  is called *circular*.

An  $(m_1, \dots, m_n)$ -circular domain  $D$  is called *normal*, if  $m_j \geq 2$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $\gcd(m_j, m_k) = 1$  for any  $j, k$  such that  $m_j \neq m_k$ .

Recall that a bounded domain  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is called a *minimal domain with a center at  $z_0 \in D$*  if  $\text{Vol}(G) \geq \text{Vol}(D)$  for any biholomorphic mapping  $\varphi : D \rightarrow G$  with  $\det J(\varphi, z_0) = 1$ , where

$$J(\varphi, z) := \left[ \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial z_k}(z) \right]_{j,k=1,\dots,n}$$

is the Jacobian matrix of  $\varphi = (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n)$  at  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in D$ . We shall also use the following relative invariance of the Bergman kernel under the biholomorphic mapping

$$(1) \quad K_D(z, w) = \overline{\det J(\varphi, w)} K_G(\varphi(z), \varphi(w)) \det J(\varphi, z), \quad z, w \in D,$$

and the following characterization of the minimality:

**Proposition 1** (cf. [2]). *A bounded domain  $D$  is a minimal domain with the center at  $z_0$  iff  $K_D(\cdot, z_0) \equiv c \neq 0$  on  $D$ .*

**Proposition 2** (cf. [3]). *If a bounded domain  $D$  is quasi-circular and  $0 \in D$  then it is a minimal domain with the center at the origin.*

*Proof of Proposition 2.* For  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  define  $f_\theta : D \rightarrow D$  by the formula

$$f_\theta(z_1, \dots, z_n) := (e^{im_1\theta} z_1, \dots, e^{im_n\theta} z_n), \quad (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in D.$$

Observe that  $f_\theta$  is an automorphism of  $D$  with  $J(f_\theta, z) = \text{diag}(e^{im_1\theta}, \dots, e^{im_n\theta})$ . Formula (1) implies

$$K_D(z, 0) = K_D(f_\theta(z), 0), \quad z \in D,$$

whence, using Taylor expansion of  $K_D(\cdot, 0)$ , we get

$$\sum_{k=(k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} a_k z_1^{k_1} \dots z_n^{k_n} = \sum_{k=(k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} e^{i(\sum_{j=1}^n m_j k_j)\theta} a_k z_1^{k_1} \dots z_n^{k_n}.$$

In particular,

$$a_k = e^{i(\sum_{j=1}^n m_j k_j)\theta} a_k, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n.$$

Since  $\sum_{j=1}^n m_j k_j \neq 0$  except for  $k_1 = \dots = k_n = 0$ , we conclude that  $a_k = 0$  for all  $k \in (\mathbb{Z}_+^n)_*$ , i.e.  $K_D(\cdot, 0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$ . On the other hand,  $K_D(0, 0) > 0$  i.e.  $K_D(\cdot, 0) = \text{const} \neq 0$  on  $D$ .  $\square$

For a bounded domain  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n), w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in D$  such that the Bergman kernel  $K_D(z, w) \neq 0$  we define an  $n \times n$  matrix

$$T_D(z, w) := \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{w}_j \partial z_k} \log K_D(z, w) \right]_{j,k=1,\dots,n}.$$

$T_D(z, z)$  is a positive definite Hermitian matrix for all  $z \in D$ . Moreover, if  $G \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is a domain and  $\varphi : D \rightarrow G$  is a biholomorphic mapping we have

$$(2) \quad T_D(z, w) = {}^t \overline{J(\varphi, w)} T_G(\varphi(z), \varphi(w)) J(\varphi, z).$$

A bounded domain  $D$  is called a *representative domain (in the sense of Lu Qi-Keng)* if there is a point  $z_0 \in D$  such that  $T_D(\cdot, z_0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$ . The point  $z_0$  is called the *center of the representative domain  $D$* .

**Proposition 3** (cf. [3]). *Let  $D$  be normal quasi-circular domain with  $0 \in D$ . Then it is a representative domain with the center at the origin.*

*Proof of Proposition 3.* For simplicity we shall write

$$K_{\bar{j},k}(z, w) := \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{w}_j \partial z_k} \log K_D(z, w), \quad j, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

By (2) for any  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$(3) \quad K_{\bar{j},k}(z, 0) = e^{i(m_k - m_j)\theta} K_{\bar{j},k}(f_\theta(z), 0), \quad j, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

By a similar argument to the one used in the proof of Proposition 2, we know that  $K_{\bar{j},k}(\cdot, 0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$  whenever  $m_j = m_k$ . So fix  $j$  and  $k$  such that  $m_j \neq m_k$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $m_j < m_k$ .

First we prove that  $K_{\bar{j},k}(\cdot, 0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$ . Applying Taylor expansion of  $K_{\bar{j},k}(\cdot, 0)$  in (3), we get

$$\sum_{l=(l_1, \dots, l_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} a_l z_1^{l_1} \dots z_n^{l_n} = \sum_{l=(l_1, \dots, l_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} e^{i(m_k - m_j + \sum_{s=1}^n m_s l_s)\theta} a_l z_1^{l_1} \dots z_n^{l_n}.$$

In particular,

$$a_l = e^{i(m_k - m_j + \sum_{s=1}^n m_s l_s)\theta} a_l, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n.$$

Since  $m_k - m_j + \sum_{s=1}^n m_s l_s \geq m_k - m_j > 0$  for all  $(l_1, \dots, l_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ , we conclude that  $a_l = 0$  for all  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ , i.e.  $K_{\bar{j},k}(\cdot, 0) = 0$  on  $D$ .

Now we prove that  $K_{\bar{k},j}(\cdot, 0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$ . Again, applying Taylor expansion of  $K_{\bar{k},j}(\cdot, 0)$  in (3), we get

$$\sum_{l=(l_1, \dots, l_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} a_l z_1^{l_1} \dots z_n^{l_n} = \sum_{l=(l_1, \dots, l_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} e^{i(m_j - m_k + \sum_{s=1}^n m_s l_s)\theta} a_l z_1^{l_1} \dots z_n^{l_n}.$$

In particular,

$$a_l = e^{i(m_j - m_k + \sum_{s=1}^n m_s l_s)\theta} a_l, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n.$$

Since  $c_{l,m} := m_j - m_k + \sum_{s=1}^n m_s l_s > 0$  for all  $l = (l_1, \dots, l_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  with  $l_k \geq 1$ , we conclude that  $a_l = 0$  for all  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  with  $l_k \geq 1$ .

It remains to show that

$$(4) \quad c_{l,m} \neq 0 \quad \text{for } l = (l_1, \dots, l_n) \in (\mathbb{Z}_+^n)_* \text{ such that } l_k = 0.$$

Suppose (4) does not hold. Then

$$(5) \quad c_{l,m} = 0 \quad \text{for some } l = (l_1, \dots, l_n) \in (\mathbb{Z}_+^n)_* \text{ with } l_k = 0.$$

If  $n = 2$  then the condition (5) has the form (without loss of generality we may assume that  $j = 1$ ,  $k = 2$ )

$$m_1(l_1 + 1) = m_2, \quad \text{for some } l_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \quad l_1 \geq 1,$$

which is impossible since, by normality,  $\gcd(m_1, m_2) = 1$ . Consequently, by (4),  $a_l = 0$  for all  $l \in (\mathbb{Z}_+^n)_*$  i.e.  $K_{\bar{k},j}(\cdot, 0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$ .

If  $n \geq 3$ , however, we cannot reason as above. Indeed, for  $n = 3$ ,  $m_1 = 2$ ,  $m_2 = 3$ ,  $m_3 = 5$  (observe that  $(2, 3, 5)$ -circular domain is normal),  $j = 1$ ,  $k = 3$ , and  $l = (0, 1, 0) \in (\mathbb{Z}_+^3)_*$  we have

$$c_{l,m} = m_1 - m_3 + m_2 = 2 - 5 + 3 = 0.$$

□

Let  $D$  be a domain and let  $p \in D$ . Put

$$U_p^D := \{z \in D : K_D(z, p) \neq 0\}$$

and define a mapping  $\sigma_p^D : U_p^D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  by

$$\sigma_p^D(z) := T_D(p, p)^{-1/2} \text{grad}_{\bar{w}} \log \frac{K_D(z, w)}{K_D(p, w)} \Big|_{w=p}, \quad z \in U_p^D,$$

where  $T_D(p, p)^{1/2}$  stands for the unique positive semidefinite square root of the matrix  $T_D(p, p)$  and for anti-holomorphic function  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  we set

$$\text{grad}_{\bar{w}} f(w) := {}^t \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{w}_1}(w), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{w}_n}(w) \right).$$

The mapping  $\sigma_p^D$  is called the *Bergman mapping defined at p*. One may check that

$$(6) \quad \sigma_p^D(p) = 0,$$

$$(7) \quad J(\sigma_p^D, z) = T_D(p, p)^{-1/2} T_D(z, p), \quad z \in U_p^D.$$

Indeed, to see (7) note that

$$J(\sigma_p^D, z) = T_D(p, p)^{-1/2} J \left( \text{grad}_{\bar{w}} \log \frac{K_D(\cdot, w)}{K_D(p, w)} \Big|_{w=p}, z \right), \quad z \in U_p^D,$$

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z_k} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_j} \log \frac{K_D(z, w)}{K_D(p, w)} \Big|_{w=p} \right) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{w}_j \partial z_k} \log \frac{K_D(z, w)}{K_D(p, w)} \Big|_{w=p}, \quad z \in U_p^D, \quad j, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

For a domain  $G$  and a biholomorphic mapping  $\varphi : D \rightarrow G$  we define an  $n \times n$  matrix

$$L(\varphi, p) := T_G(\varphi(p), \varphi(p))^{-1/2} \overline{J(\varphi, p)^{-1}} T_D(p, p)^{1/2}.$$

**Proposition 4** (cf. [1]). *Let  $D, G$  be domains,  $p \in D$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow G$  be a biholomorphic mapping. Then the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U_p^D & \xrightarrow{f|_{U_p^D}} & U_{f(p)}^G \\ \sigma_p^D \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma_{f(p)}^G \\ \mathbb{C}^n & \xrightarrow{L(f, p)} & \mathbb{C}^n \end{array}$$

*commutes.*

*Proof of Proposition 3.3.* Note that if  $z \in U_p^D$ , i.e.  $K_D(z, p) \neq 0$  then, by (1),  $K_G(f(z), f(p)) \neq 0$ , i.e.  $f(z) \in U_{f(p)}^G$ . In particular,  $f(U_p^D) \subset U_{f(p)}^G$ .

For  $z \in U_p^D$  by (1) we have

$$\frac{K_D(z, w)}{K_D(p, w)} = \frac{K_G(f(z), f(w)) \det J(f, z)}{K_G(f(p), f(w)) \det J(f, p)},$$

whence it follows that

$$\text{grad}_{\bar{w}} \log \frac{K_D(z, w)}{K_D(p, w)} \Big|_{w=p} = \text{grad}_{\bar{w}} \log \frac{K_G(f(z), f(w))}{K_G(f(p), f(w))} \Big|_{w=p}.$$

Using the change of variable  $\xi := f(w)$  the right-hand side may be rewritten as

$$\overline{J(f, p)} \text{grad}_{\bar{\xi}} \log \frac{K_G(f(z), \xi)}{K_G(f(p), \xi)} \Big|_{\xi=f(p)}.$$

Consequently,

$$L(f, p) \sigma_p^D(z) = L(f, p) T_D(p, p)^{-1/2} \overline{J(f, p)} \text{grad}_{\bar{\xi}} \log \frac{K_G(f(z), \xi)}{K_G(f(p), \xi)} \Big|_{\xi=f(p)} = \sigma_{f(p)}^G(f(z)),$$

which ends the proof. □

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<sup>1</sup>Indeed, if  $F(\lambda) := \log(K_G(f(z), \lambda)/K_G(f(p), \lambda))$ ,  $\lambda \in G$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{J(f, p)} \text{grad}_{\bar{\xi}} F(\xi) \Big|_{\xi=f(p)} &= {}^t \left( \text{grad}_{\bar{\xi}} F(\xi) \Big|_{\xi=f(p)} \overline{J(f, p)} \right) \\ &= {}^t \left( \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_1}(f(p)) \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_n}(f(p)) \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{\partial \bar{f}_j}{\partial \bar{z}_k}(p) \right]_{j,k=1,\dots,n} \right) = {}^t \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_j}(f(p)) \frac{\partial \bar{f}_j}{\partial \bar{z}_1}(p) \quad \dots \quad \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_j}(f(p)) \frac{\partial \bar{f}_j}{\partial \bar{z}_n}(p) \right] \\ &= {}^t \left[ \frac{\partial(F \circ \bar{f})}{\partial \bar{z}_1}(p) \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial(F \circ \bar{f})}{\partial \bar{z}_n}(p) \right] = {}^t (\text{grad}_{\bar{w}} F(f(w)) \Big|_{w=p}). \end{aligned}$$