# ON THE POWER MEAN INEQUALITY OF THE HYPERBOLIC METRIC OF UNIT BALL

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ABSTRACT. The hyperbolic distances from the origin are changed under the radial selfmapping  $x\mapsto |x|^{1/K-1}x,\, K>1$  of the unit ball. Here author gives the power mean inequality of the hyperbolic metric under the radial mapping.

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## 1. Introduction

For the statement of the main results we introduce some notations and terminologies.

For  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , the Power Mean  $M_p$  of order p of two positive numbers x and y is define by

$$M_p(x,y) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left(\frac{x^p + y^p}{2}\right)^{1/p}, & p \neq 0, \\ \sqrt{xy} & p = 0. \end{array} \right.$$

For a, b > 0 and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we define

$$\mathcal{A}_{a,b}(x) = \begin{cases} |x|^{a-1}x & \text{if } |x| \le 1\\ |x|^{b-1}x & \text{if } |x| \ge 1, \end{cases}$$

see [4, (1.5)]. For brevity we write  $A = A_{1/K,K}$ .

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The hyperbolic metric  $\rho(x,y)$  of the unit ball is given by

$$\begin{split} \rho(x,y) &= 2 \operatorname{artanh} \left( \frac{|x-y|}{\sqrt{|x-y|^2 + (1-|x|^2)(1-|y|^2)}} \right) \\ &= 2 \operatorname{arsinh} \left( \frac{|x-y|}{\sqrt{(1-|x|^2)(1-|y|^2)}} \right), \end{split}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}^n$ ,  $n \ge 2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  (see [6, 8]).

A decreasing homeomorphism  $\mu:(0,1)\to(0,\infty)$  is defined by

$$\mu(r) = \frac{\pi}{2} \, \frac{\mathcal{K}(r')}{\mathcal{K}(r)}, \quad \, \mathcal{K}(r) = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(1-x^2)(1-r^2x^2)}}, \quad \, 0 < r < 1 \, ,$$

where K(r) is Legendre's complete elliptic integral of the first kind and  $r' = \sqrt{1-r^2}$ .

The Hersch-Pfluger distortion function is an increasing homeomorphism  $\varphi_K:(0,1)\to(0,1)$  defined by setting

$$\varphi_K(r) = \mu^{-1}(\mu(r)/K), r \in (0,1), K > 0.$$

The main results of the paper are:

**Theorem 1.** For  $K \geq 1$ ,  $p \in [-2,0]$  and  $x,y \in \mathbb{B}^n$ , we have

$$M_p(\rho(0, \mathcal{A}(|x|)), \rho(0, \mathcal{A}(|y|))) \ge \rho(0, \mathcal{A}(M_p(|x|, |y|))),$$

equality holds iff x = y.

**Theorem 2.** For  $p \ge 1$ , K > 1 and  $x, y \in (0, \infty)$ , the following relation holds  $q_K(M_p(x, y)) \ge M_p(q_K(x), q_K(y))$ ,

where  $q_K(r) = \operatorname{artanh}(\varphi_K(\tanh(r)))$ , equality holds iff x = y.

## 2. Proofs

Let  $f: I \to (0, \infty)$  be continuous, where I is a subinterval of  $(0, \infty)$ . Let M and N be any two mean values. We say that f is MN-convex (concave) if

$$f(M(x,y)) \le (\ge)N(f(x),f(y))$$
 for all  $x,y \in I$ .

**Lemma 3.** [2, Theorem 2.4(5)] Let I = (0, b),  $0 < b < \infty$ , and let  $f : I \to (0, \infty)$  be continuous. Then f is GG-convex (concave) on I if and only if  $\log(f(be^{-t}))$  is convex (concave) on  $(0, \infty)$ , where G is the Geometric Mean.

**Lemma 4.** (1) For  $m \in (0,2)$ , the function

$$h_1(y) = 1 - \frac{1}{3}\log(1-y) - \frac{1+m}{1+y+m(1-y)}$$

is increasing from (0,1) onto  $(0,\infty)$ ,

(2) for  $K \ge 1$  the function

$$h_2(x) = \left(\frac{f_K(x)}{x}\right)^{-(1+m)} \frac{x^{1/K-1}}{K(1-x^{2/K})}$$

in increasing in  $x \in (0,1)$ , where  $f_K(x) = \log((1+x^{1/K})/(1-x^{1/K}))$ . (3) the function  $h_3(t) = \log(f_K(e^{-t}))$  is convex in  $(0,\infty)$ .

*Proof.* Differentiating w.r.t y we get

$$h'_1(y) = \frac{(1+m+y-my)^2 + 3(1-m^2)(1-y)}{3(1+m+y-my)^2(1-y)} > 0.$$

For (2), we get

$$\begin{split} h_2'(x) &= \xi[(1+x^{2/K}+Km(1-x^{2/K}))f_K(x)-2(1+m)x^{1/K}] \\ &= 2\xi[(1+x^{2/K}+Km(1-x^{2/K}))\mathrm{artanh}(x^{1/K})-(1+m)x^{1/K}] \\ &> 2x^{1/K}\xi[(1+x^{2/K}+Km(1-x^{2/K}))(1-\frac{1}{3}\log(1-x^{2/K}))-(1+m)] \\ &> 2x^{1/K}\xi[(1+x^{2/K}+m(1-x^{2/K}))(1-\frac{1}{3}\log(1-x^{2/K}))-(1+m)], \end{split}$$

by using  $\operatorname{artanh}(x) > 1 - \frac{1}{3}\log(1 - x^{1/K})$  (see [5, Thm 1.2(2)]). Clearly  $h_2'(x)$  is positive by part (1), where

$$\xi = \frac{x^{1/K + (m-1)} f_K(x)^{1-m}}{K(1 - x^{2/K}) f_K(x)^3}.$$

Finally we get,

$$h_3''(t) = \frac{2e^{-t/K}(1 + e^{-2t/K})}{K^2(e^{-2t/K} - 1)^2} > 0,$$

this completes the proof.

**Lemma 5.** For  $K \ge 1$ ,  $p \in [-2, 0]$ , and  $r, s \in (0, 1)$ , we have

$$M_p(f_K(r), f_K(s)) \ge f_K(M_p(r, s)),$$

where  $f_K$  is same as in Lemma 4, equality holds iff r = s.

*Proof.* The case p = 0 follows from Lemmas 4(3) and 3. For the case  $p \in [-2,0)$ , let 0 < x < y < 1, and  $u = \left(\frac{x^p + y^p}{2}\right)^{1/p} < x$ . We define

$$g(x) = f_K(u)^p - \frac{f_K(x) + f_K(y)^p}{2}.$$

Differentiating w.r.t x we get  $du/dx = (1/2)(x/u)^{p-1}$ , and

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2} p f_K(u)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dx} (f_K(u)) \left(\frac{x}{u}\right) - \frac{1}{2} p f_K(x)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dx} (f_K(x))$$

$$= p x^{p-1} \left[ \left(\frac{f_K(u)}{u}\right)^{p-1} \frac{u^{1/K-1}}{K(1-u^{2/K})} - \left(\frac{f_K(x)}{x}\right)^{p-1} \frac{x^{1/K-1}}{K(1-x^{2/K})} \right].$$

which is positive by Lemma 4(2), hence g is increasing. This implies that g(x) < g(y) = 0, and this completes the proof.

# 1. Proof of Theorem 1.

The proof follows from the formula  $\rho(0,r) = \log((1+r)/(1-r))$  and Lemma 5.

The proof of the following lemma follows from the definition of  $\rho(x,y)$  and Theorem 1.

**Corollary 6.** The following inequalities hold for  $p \in [-2,0]$  and  $r,s \in (0,1)$ ,

$$arsinh\left(\frac{r}{\sqrt{1-r^2}}\right)^p + arsinh\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{1-s^2}}\right)^p$$

$$\geq 2 \operatorname{arsinh}\left(\frac{(r^p + s^p)^{1/p}}{\sqrt{2^{2/p} - (r^p + s^p)^{2/p}}}\right)^p,$$

$$artanh\left(\frac{r}{\sqrt{1-r^2}}\right)^p + artanh\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{1-s^2}}\right)^p$$

$$\geq 2 \operatorname{artanh}\left(\frac{(r^p + s^p)^{1/p}}{2}\right)^p,$$

in both equality holds with r = s.

Corollary 7. For  $K \ge 1$ , p < 0, we have

$$M_p(\mathcal{A}(|x|), \mathcal{A}(|y|)) \geq \mathcal{A}(M_p(|x|, |y|)), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{B}^n,$$
  
 $M_p(\mathcal{A}(|x|), \mathcal{A}(|y|)) \leq \mathcal{A}(M_p(|x|, |y|)), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathbb{B}^n.$ 

Both inequalities reverse for p > 0, and equality holds iff x = y.

*Proof.* Let 0 < r < s < 1 or 1 < r < s, and  $u = \left(\frac{r^p + s^p}{2}\right)^{1/p} < r$ . We define  $g_2(r) = \mathcal{A}(u)^p - \frac{\mathcal{A}(r)^p + \mathcal{A}(s)^p}{2}$ .

By differentiating with respect to r we get  $du/dr=(r/u)^{p-1}$ , and

$$g_2'(r) = \frac{1}{2} p \mathcal{A}(u)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dr} (\mathcal{A}(u)) \left(\frac{r}{u}\right)^{p-1} - \frac{1}{2} p \mathcal{A}(r)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dr} (\mathcal{A}(r))$$
$$= \frac{p}{2} r^{p-1} \left(g_3(u) - g_3(r)\right),$$

where

$$g_3(z) = \left(\frac{\mathcal{A}(z)}{z}\right)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dr}(\mathcal{A}(z)).$$

Case 1. When  $z \in (0,1)$ , then  $g_3(z) = (1/K)(z^{1/K-1})^p$ , which is increasing (decreasing) for p < 0 (p > 0), respectively. This implies that  $g_2(r) < (> )g_2(s) = 0$ , and the first inequality is obvious. Case 2. When z > 1, then  $g_3(z) = K(z^{K-1})^p$ , which is decreasing (increasing) for p > 0 (p < 0), respectively. This implies that  $g_2(r) > (<)g_2(s) = 0$ , and second inequality follows. This completes the proof.

**Lemma 8.** [1, Theorem 10.12] For K > 1, the function  $g_K(r) = \operatorname{artanh}(\varphi_K(\tanh(x)))$  is strictly increasing and concave from  $(0, \infty)$  onto  $(0, \infty)$ .

# 2. Proof of Theorem 2.

Let 0 < x < y < 1 or 1 < x < y, and  $w = \left(\frac{x^p + y^p}{2}\right)^{1/p} < x$ . We define

$$g_4(x) = g_K(w)^p - \frac{g_K(x)^p + g_K(y)^p}{2}.$$

By differentiating w.r.t x we get  $dw/dx = (x/w)^{p-1}$ , and

$$g_4'(x) = \frac{1}{2} p g_K(w)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dx} (g_K(w)) \left(\frac{x}{w}\right)^{p-1} - \frac{1}{2} p g_K(x)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dx} (g_K(x))$$
$$= \frac{p}{2} x^{p-1} (g_5(w) - g_5(x)),$$

where

$$g_5(z) = \left(\frac{g_K(z)}{z}\right)^{p-1} \frac{d}{dx}(g_K(z)).$$

The function  $g_5$  is decreasing by Lemma 8 and [1, Theorem 1.25]. This implies that  $g_4(x) \ge g_4(y) = 0$ . This completes the proof.

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