

Bergman Kernel in the Annulus

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Formulas for the Bergman kernel in $P = \{r < |z| < 1\}$

I. Since $(z^j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an orthogonal system in P , we have

$$K_P(z, w) = \frac{h(\lambda)}{\pi \lambda},$$

where $\lambda = z\bar{w}$ and

$$h(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2 \log(1/r)} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{j \lambda^j}{1 - r^{2j}}.$$

Zeros of K_P : If $r < e^{-4}$ then h has a zero in
 $S := \{|\lambda| = r\} \cup \{\lambda \in \mathbb{R} : r^2 < |\lambda| < 1\}$
(Skwarczyński, 1969).

Proof: $h(\lambda) \in \mathbb{R}$ for $\lambda \in S$, $h > 0$ in $S \cap \mathbb{R}_+$ and
 $h < 0$ in $S \cap \mathbb{R}_-$ near -1 .

II. Weierstrass elliptic function \mathcal{P} :

$$\omega_1 = -\log r, \quad \omega_2 = \pi i, \quad \Lambda := \{2j\omega_1 + 2k\omega_2 : (j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(z) := \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda_*} \left(\frac{1}{(z - \omega)^2} - \frac{1}{\omega^2} \right).$$

$$h(\lambda) = \mathcal{P}(\log \lambda) + \frac{\eta_1}{\omega_1}, \quad (\text{Zarankiewicz, 1934})$$

where $\eta_1 = \zeta(\omega_1)$ and the Weierstrass elliptic function ζ is determined by

$$\zeta' = -\mathcal{P}, \quad \zeta(z) = \frac{1}{z} + O(|z|).$$

Zeros of K_P : h has two zeros in $\{r^2 < |\lambda| < 1\}$ (for every r) (Rosenthal, 1969).

Proof: \mathcal{P} attains every value of $\bar{\mathbb{C}}$ twice in $\{2t\omega_1 + 2s\omega_2 : s, t \in [0, 1)\}$.

III. For any bounded $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$

$$K_\Omega = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\partial^2 G_\Omega}{\partial z \partial \bar{w}}, \quad (\text{Schiffer}),$$

where $G_\Omega(\cdot, w)$ is the (negative) Green function.

If $p : \Delta \rightarrow \Omega$ is a covering then for any $\lambda_0 \in p^{-1}(w)$

$$G_\Omega(z, w) = \sum_{\mu \in p^{-1}(z)} G_\Delta(\lambda_0, \mu) \quad (\text{Myrberg, 1933}).$$

If U is a neighb. of w and V_j are s.th. $p^{-1}(U) = \bigcup V_j$ and $p|_{V_j} \rightarrow U$ are biholomorphic, then for $\varphi_j := (p|_{V_j})^{-1}$

$$G_\Omega(z, w) = \sum_j \log \left| \frac{\varphi_j(z) - \varphi_0(w)}{1 - \varphi_j(z)\overline{\varphi_0(w)}} \right|.$$

$$K_\Omega(z, w) = \pi \sum_j \frac{\varphi'_j(z)\overline{\varphi'_0(w)}}{(1 - \varphi_j(z)\overline{\varphi_0(w)})^2}.$$

For $\Omega = P$

$$p(\zeta) = \exp\left(\frac{\log r}{\pi i} \operatorname{Log}\left(i \frac{1+\zeta}{1-\zeta}\right)\right),$$

$$\varphi_j(z) = \frac{e^{\pi i (\operatorname{Log} z + 2j\pi i) / \log r} - i}{e^{\pi i (\operatorname{Log} z + 2j\pi i) / \log r} + i}, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Therefore

$$h(\lambda) = -\frac{\pi^2}{\log^2 r} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{f_j(\lambda)}{(1 - f_j(\lambda))^2},$$

where

$$f_j(z) = \exp \frac{\pi i (\operatorname{Log} z + 2j\pi i)}{\log r}.$$

We will get

$$h(-r) = \frac{\pi^2}{\log^2 r} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{q^{2j+1}}{(1 + q^{2j+1})^2} > 0,$$

$$h(-r^2) = h(-1) = -\frac{\pi^2}{\log^2 r} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{q^{2j+1}}{(1 - q^{2j+1})^2} < 0$$

where $q = e^{\pi^2 / \log r} < 1$.

Theorem. h has exactly two zeros in $\{r^2 < |\lambda| < 1\}$: one on the interval $(-1, -r)$ and one on $(-r, -r^2)$.

Suita Conjecture (1972): For $\Omega \subset\subset \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$e^{2\psi(z)} \leq \pi K_\Omega(z, z),$$

where $\psi(w) := \lim_{z \rightarrow w} (G_\Omega(z, w) - \log |z - w|)$ (Robin f.)

Another formulation: since

$$K_\Omega(z, z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \psi_{z\bar{z}} \quad (\text{Suita, 1972}),$$

we have

$$\text{Suita Conjecture} \Leftrightarrow e^{2\psi} \leq \psi_{z\bar{z}} \Leftrightarrow K_{e^\psi|dz|} \leq -1.$$

Slightly more general statement would be:

$K_{e^\psi|dz|}$ satisfies the maximum principle.

Ohsawa, 1995: $e^{2\psi} \leq 750 \psi_{z\bar{z}}$

B., 2007: $e^{2\psi} \leq 2\psi_{z\bar{z}}$

Guan-Zhou-Zhu, 2011: $e^{2\psi} \leq 1.954 \dots \psi_{z\bar{z}}$

Suita, 1972: $e^{2\psi} < \psi_{z\bar{z}}$ for $\Omega = P$

Sketch of proof:

One can show that $\psi(z) = \gamma(t)$, where $t = -2 \log |z|$,

$$\gamma(t) = \frac{c}{2}t^2 + \frac{t}{2} - \log \sigma(t),$$

$c = \eta_1/\omega_1$, and the Weierstrass elliptic function σ is determined by $\sigma'/\sigma = \zeta$, $\sigma(z) = z + O(|z|^2)$. Then

$$\psi_{z\bar{z}}(z) = e^t \gamma''(t) = e^t (\mathcal{P}(t) + c).$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} F := \log(-K_{e^\psi |dz|}) &= \log \frac{\psi_{z\bar{z}}}{e^{2\psi}} \\ &= \log(\mathcal{P} + c) + 2 \log \sigma - ct^2. \end{aligned}$$

Have to show that $F > 0$ on $(0, 2\omega_1)$.

$$F = \log(\mathcal{P} + c) + 2 \log \sigma - ct^2.$$

We have $F(2\omega_1 - t) = F(t)$, $F(0) = F'(0) = F'(\omega_1) = 0$ and $F(\omega_1) > 0$. Key: differential equation for \mathcal{P}

$$(\mathcal{P}')^2 = 4\mathcal{P}^3 - g_2\mathcal{P} - g_3,$$

where

$$g_2 = 60 \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda_*} \frac{1}{\omega^4}, \quad g_3 = 140 \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda_*} \frac{1}{\omega^6}.$$

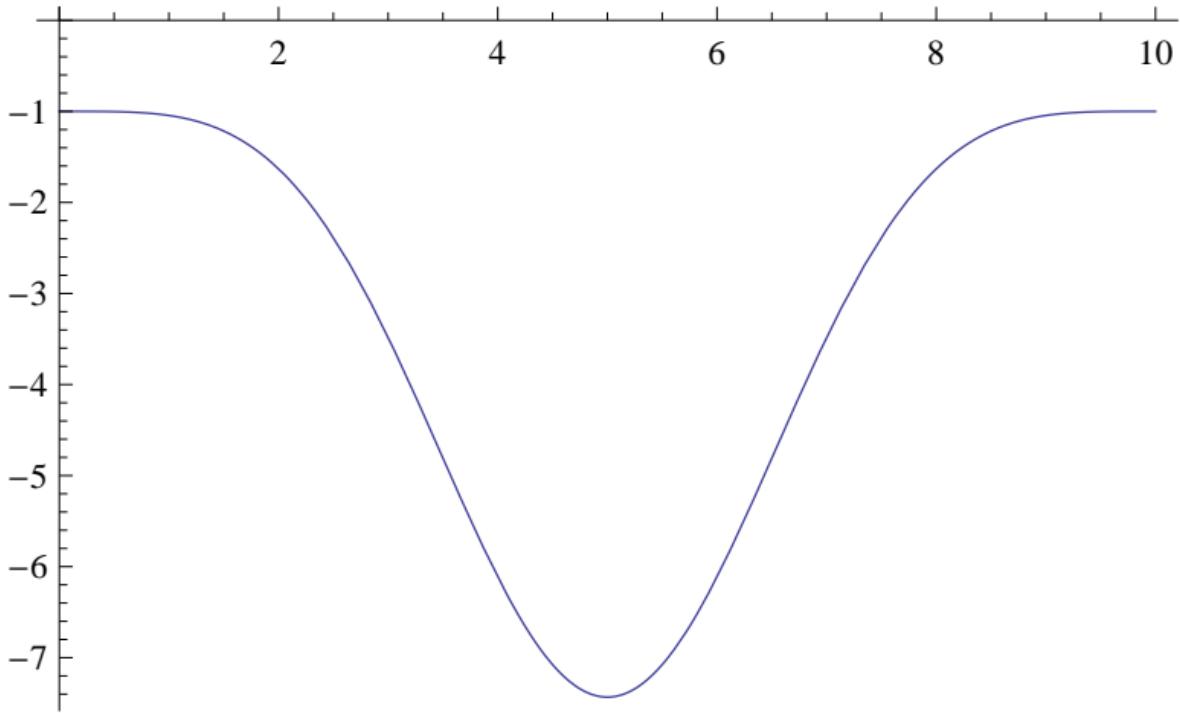
Therefore

$$F'' = \frac{b(\mathcal{P} + c) - a}{(\mathcal{P} + c)^2},$$

where

$$a = -4c^3 + cg_2 - g_3 > 0, \quad b = \frac{g_2}{2} - 6c^2 > 0,$$

and F'' vanishes exactly once in $(0, \omega_1)$ and thus $F > 0$.



$$K_{e^\psi |dz|} \text{ for } r = e^{-5}$$

Curvature of the “Bergman” metric $K_P(z, z)|dz|^2$

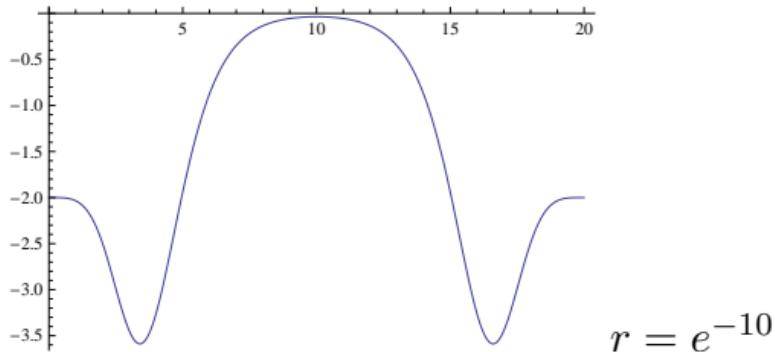
$$R_1 = 2K_{\psi_{z\bar{z}}|dz|^2} = -\frac{(\log \psi_{z\bar{z}})_{z\bar{z}}}{\psi_{z\bar{z}}} = -\frac{Q \circ \mathcal{P}}{(\mathcal{P} + c)^3},$$

where

$$Q(x) = 2(x + c)^3 + b(x + c) - a.$$

Therefore

$$R'_1 = \frac{2b(\mathcal{P} + c) - 3a}{(\mathcal{P} + c)^4} \mathcal{P}'.$$



Curvature of the Bergman metric $(\log K_P(z, z))_{z\bar{z}}|dz|^2$

$$R_2 := 2 K_{(\log \psi_{z\bar{z}})_{z\bar{z}}|dz|^2} = -\frac{(\log(\log \psi_{z\bar{z}})_{z\bar{z}})_{z\bar{z}}}{(\log \psi_{z\bar{z}})_{z\bar{z}}}$$

Since $\psi_{z\bar{z}} = (\mathcal{P} + c)e^t$, we can compute that

$$R_2 = 2 - (\mathcal{P} + c)^3 \frac{S \circ \mathcal{P}}{(Q \circ \mathcal{P})^3},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S(y - c) &= 24y^6 + 60by^4 - 96(a + bc)y^3 + 6(36ac - b^2)y^2 \\ &\quad + 24aby - 12a^2 + b^3 + 12abc. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$R'_2 = (\mathcal{P} + c)^3 \frac{W \circ \mathcal{P}}{(Q \circ \mathcal{P})^4} \mathcal{P}',$$

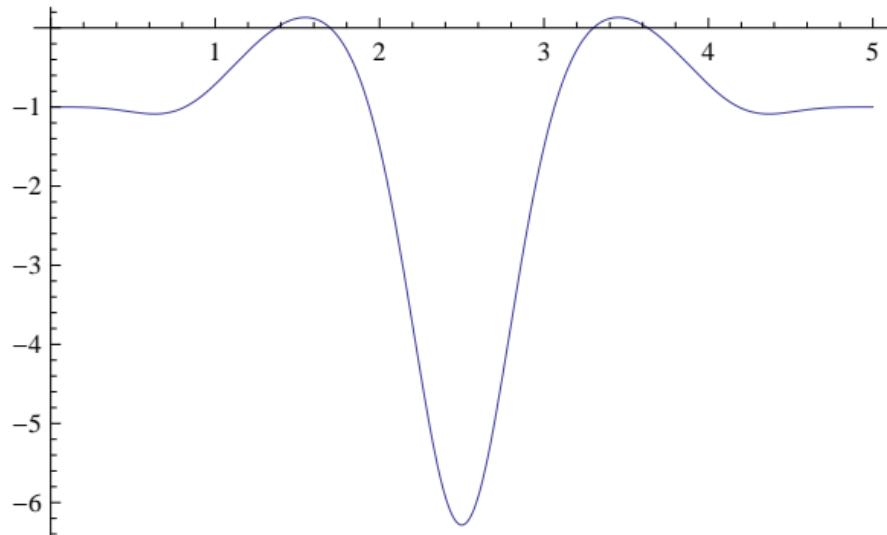
where W is a polynomial of degree 7.

$$\begin{aligned}W(y - c) = & -36a^3 + 3ab^3 + 36a^2bc + 96a^2by - 54ab^2y^2 \\& + 1080a^2cy^2 - 720a^2y^3 + 24b^3y^3 - 864abcy^3 \\& + 948aby^4 + 288b^2cy^4 - 288b^2y^5 + 1728acy^5 \\& - 360ay^6 - 576bcy^6 + 96by^7\end{aligned}$$

Proposition. $W(\mathcal{P}(\omega_1)) > 0$

Conjecture. $W(\mathcal{P}(\omega_1/2)) < 0$

$$R'_2 = (\mathcal{P} + c)^3 \frac{W \circ \mathcal{P}}{(Q \circ \mathcal{P})^4} \mathcal{P}',$$



$$r = e^{-2.5}$$