

### 33. Notes on Some Classical Series Associated with Discrete Subgroups of $U(1, n; C)$ on $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \partial B^n$

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Let  $U(1, n; C)$  be the group of unitary transformations. In the previous paper [2], we discussed the action of discrete subgroups of  $U(1, n; C)$  on  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \cdots \times \partial B^n$ , where  $\partial B^n$  is the boundary of the complex unit ball. In [4], P. J. Nicholls considered the convergence of some series associated with discrete subgroups of Möbius transformations on the products of the boundary of the unit ball in real  $n$ -space.

Our purpose is to show two theorems on some classical series associated with discrete subgroups of  $U(1, n; C)$  acting on  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \partial B^n$ . Throughout this paper  $G$  denotes a discrete subgroup of  $U(1, n; C)$ . Let  $\{g_1, g_2, \dots\}$  be a complete list of elements of  $G$ . If  $g_k$  is an element of  $G$ , then  $g_k$  is represented by a matrix  $(a_{ij}^{(k)})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n+1}$ . Let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  and  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be points in  $\partial B^n$ .

**Theorem 1.** *The series*

$$\sum_{g_k \in G} \left( \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right| \right)^{-2n}$$

*converges for almost every triple  $(x, y, z)$  in  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \partial B^n$ .*

**Theorem 2.** *If  $\sum_{g_k \in G} |a_{11}^{(k)}|^{-m}$  converges for  $m > 0$ , then the series*

$$\sum_{g_k \in G} \left( \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right| \right)^{-m}$$

*converges for every distinct points  $x, y$  and  $z$  in  $\partial B^n$ .*

We shall give our proofs.

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Let  $\Gamma(g_k)$  be the set of  $(x, y, z)$  in  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \partial B^n$  for which

$$\left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right| > 1.$$

Set

$$F = \bigcap_{g_k \neq id} \Gamma(g_k).$$

It follows from [2, Theorem 11] that  $F$  is a fundamental set for the group action on  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \partial B^n$ . Since  $F$  is of positive measure and has no  $G$ -equivalent points,

$$\sum_{g_k \in G} \sigma^*(g_k(F)) < \infty,$$

where  $\sigma^*$  is the product measure on  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \partial B^n$  derived from the measure  $\sigma$  on  $\partial B^n$  (see [2, p. 288]). For  $(x, y, z) \in F$

$$\sum_{g_k \in G} \sigma^*(g_k(F)) = \sum_{g_k \in G} \int_{g_k(F)} d\sigma^*$$

$$= \int_F \sum_{g_k \in G} \left( \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right| \right)^{-2n} d\sigma(x)d\sigma(y)d\sigma(z).$$

Hence the series

$$\sum_{g_k \in G} \left( \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right| \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right| \right)^{-2n}$$

converges almost everywhere in  $F$ . Thus our proof is complete.

Let  $s=(s_1, \dots, s_n)$  and  $t=(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  be points of  $\overline{B^n}$ . We define

$$d^*(s, t) = \left| 1 - \sum_{j=1}^n \overline{s_j t_j} \right|^{1/2}$$

(see [2, p. 288] and [3, Proposition 3.2]).

To prove Theorem 2 we prepare two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $p_k$  be a point such that  $g_k(p_k)=0$ . Define*

$$\delta = \min \{d^*(x, y), d^*(y, z), d^*(z, x)\},$$

where  $x, y$  and  $z$  are distinct points in  $\partial B^n$ . Then at least one of  $d^*(p_k, x)$ ,  $d^*(p_k, y)$  and  $d^*(p_k, z)$  is greater than  $\delta/2$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that all three are smaller than  $\delta/2$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d^*(x, y) &\leq d^*(p_k, x) + d^*(p_k, y) < \delta, \\ d^*(y, z) &\leq d^*(p_k, y) + d^*(p_k, z) < \delta, \\ d^*(z, x) &\leq d^*(p_k, z) + d^*(p_k, x) < \delta. \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $g_k$  be an element of  $G$  with  $g_k(p_k)=0$ . Then*

$$\left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right|^{-1} \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right|^{-1} \leq 2d^*(y, z)^{-2}.$$

*Proof.* First we note that  $p_k = (-a_{12}^{(k)}/a_{11}^{(k)}, -a_{13}^{(k)}/a_{11}^{(k)}, \dots, -a_{1, n+1}^{(k)}/a_{11}^{(k)})$  and  $d^*(g_k(y), g_k(z)) \leq \sqrt{2}$ . Using [2, Lemma 5], we see

$$\begin{aligned} \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right|^{-1} \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right|^{-1} &= \frac{d^*(p_k, p_k)^2}{d^*(p_k, y)^2 d^*(p_k, z)^2} \\ &= \frac{d^*(g_k(y), g_k(z))^2}{d^*(y, z)^2} \\ &\leq 2d^*(y, z)^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus our lemma is proved.

Now we are ready to prove Theorem 2.

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Using Lemma 3, we may assume that  $d^*(p_k, x) > \delta/2$ . Then we see

$$d^*(p_k, x)^2 = \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right|^{-1} |a_{11}^{(k)}|^{-1} > \delta^2/4.$$

Therefore  $|a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1}|^{-1} \leq 4|a_{11}^{(k)}|^{-1} \delta^{-2}$ . It follows from Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} x_{j-1} \right|^{-1} \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} y_{j-1} \right|^{-1} \left| a_{11}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} a_{1j}^{(k)} z_{j-1} \right|^{-1} \\ \leq 8|a_{11}^{(k)}|^{-1} \delta^{-2} d^*(y, z)^{-2} \\ \leq 8|a_{11}^{(k)}|^{-1} \delta^{-4}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus our theorem is completely proved.

**Remark 5.** It is known that if  $m > 2n$ , then the series  $\sum_{g_k \in G} |a_{11}^{(k)}|^{-m}$  converges for a discrete subgroup  $G$  of  $U(1, n; C)$  (see [1, Theorem 5.2]).

**Remark 6.** In the case where  $G$  acts on  $\partial B^n \times \partial B^n \times \cdots \times \partial B^n$  with more than three factors, similar results are proved by a slight modification of our proofs.

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