



Injectivity of the Dirichlet-to-Neumann Functional and the Schwarzian Derivative

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ABSTRACT

In this article, we show the relation between the Schwarz kernels of the Dirichlet-to-Neumann operators associated to the metrics g_0 and $h = F^*(e^{2\varphi}g_0)$ on the circular annulus A_R , and the Schwarzian Derivative of the argument function f of the restriction of the diffeomorphism F to the boundary of A_R .

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1 INTRODUCTION

Let $\mathcal{M}(\overline{\Omega})$ denote the space of all Riemannian metrics on a compact manifold $\overline{\Omega}$, with C^∞ boundary $\partial\Omega$, and denote by $\mathcal{O}_p(\partial\Omega)$ the space of continuous linear operators acting on $C^\infty(\partial\Omega)$.

The Dirichlet-to-Neumann functional Λ is a mapping from $\mathcal{M}(\overline{\Omega})$ into $\mathcal{O}_p(\partial\Omega)$ such that, for each $g \in \mathcal{M}(\overline{\Omega})$, Λ_g takes Dirichlet boundary values to Neumann boundary values. More precisely, if $u \in C^\infty(\overline{\Omega})$ is the unique solution of the Dirichlet problem $\Delta_g u = 0$ in Ω , $u|_{\partial\Omega} = \varphi \in C^\infty(\partial\Omega)$, then $\Lambda_g(\varphi) = du(v_g) \in C^\infty(\partial\Omega)$, where Δ_g (resp. v_g) is the Laplace-Beltrami operator (resp. unit interior normal vector field) associated to the metric g . The study of this functional goes back to the seminal paper of (Calderón 1980).

It is known (Lee and Uhlmann 1989) that Λ_g is in fact an elliptic self-adjoint pseudo-differential operator of order one, whose principal symbol is $|\xi|_{h_0}$, $\xi \in T^*\partial\Omega$, and $h_0 := g|_{\partial\Omega}$.

Let $\mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega})$ be the group of diffeomorphism of $\overline{\Omega}$. The semi-direct product $\mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega}) \times C^\infty(\overline{\Omega})$ (Polyakov 1987) of the groups $\mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega})$ and $C^\infty(\overline{\Omega})$ defined by

$$(F, \alpha) \bullet (H, \beta) = (F \circ H, \beta \circ F^{-1} + \alpha),$$

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provides a natural right action on $\mathcal{M}(\overline{\Omega})$, given by

$$g \bullet (F, \varphi) = F^* e^{2\varphi} g,$$

where F^* denotes the pull-back of F .

The main obstruction to injectivity, in the two-dimensional case, is the semidirect product of the groups of diffeomorphisms that restricts to the identity on the boundary, and the Abelian group of real-valued functions that equals zero on it. In fact, as formula (2.1) shows, the Dirichlet-to-Neumann Functional is constant on the orbits determined by $\mathcal{D}_0(\overline{\Omega}) \times \mathcal{C}_0^\infty(\overline{\Omega})$; this is a normal subgroup of $\mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega}) \times \mathcal{C}^\infty(\overline{\Omega})$.

With respect to the determination of the metric g from the Dirichlet-to-Neumann Operator, we recommend the papers (Lee and Uhlmann 1989), (Lassas and Uhlmann 2001) and (Lassas et al. 2003). In these papers, they solve, in a more general setting, the problem of recovering the manifold and the metric.

In the case of a fixed annulus, all metrics can be written as $h = F^* e^{2\varphi} g_0$, for g_0 coming from the pull-back of the euclidean metric in the annulus of radius 1 and R^2 , $R > 1$. We prove, in this special case, that the equality of the Dirichlet-to-Neumann Operators associated to both metrics h and g_0 gives us a relation involving the Schwarzian derivative of f (f the lifting to \mathbb{R} of the restriction to the boundary of the diffeomorphism F).

Furthermore, we also show that the conformal factor restricted to the boundary of the annulus is determined by f .

More precisely, we shall prove in Section 2 that, if Ω is the annulus

$$A_R = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{1}{R} < |z| < R \right\},$$

$g_0 \in \mathcal{M}(\overline{A_R})$ is conformal to the euclidean metric, $h = F^*(e^{2\varphi} g_0)$, where $F \in \mathcal{D}(\overline{A_R})$ and $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\overline{A_R})$; the equality of the Schwartz kernels of Λ_{g_0} and of Λ_h implies that the argument function f , of the restriction of F to ∂A_R , satisfies the differential equation

$$S(f) = \lambda(R)([f']^2 - 1) \quad \text{and} \quad e^{-\varphi \circ F} = f',$$

and $S(f)$ denotes the Schwarzian Derivative of f . It follows that, if $\lambda(R) \geq 0$, then $f' = 1$, $f(\theta) = \theta + c$ and φ equals zero on the boundary.

2 GEOMETRIC FORMULATION

Here on we will denote by \mathcal{N}_g the Schwartz kernel of Λ_g . We start with two lemmas.

LEMMA 2.1. *Given a two-dimensional compact manifold $\overline{\Omega}$ with \mathcal{C}^∞ boundary and $F \in \mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega})$, $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\overline{\Omega})$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}(\overline{\Omega})$, we have*

$$\Lambda_{F^* e^{2\varphi} g} = F^* \circ e^{-\varphi} \circ \Lambda_g \circ F^{-1*}. \quad (2.1)$$

PROOF. See (Gómez and Mendoza 2006). □

LEMMA 2.2. Let $\bar{\Omega}$ be a two-dimensional compact manifold with C^∞ boundary, $h = F^*(e^{2\phi}g)$ where $F \in \mathcal{D}(\bar{\Omega})$, $\phi \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})$, $g \in \mathcal{M}(\bar{\Omega})$ and E the unitary vector field to $\partial\Omega$, with respect to the metric $g|_{\partial\Omega}$. Then,

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{N}_{F^*g}(x, y) = \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y))F'(y), \\ \mathcal{N}_{e^{2\phi}g}(x, y) = e^{-\phi(x)}\mathcal{N}_g(x, y). \end{cases}$$

where F' denotes the real, valued function on $\partial\Omega$ such that $F_*E = F' E \circ F$.

PROOF. Let $x \in \partial\Omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{F^*g}(\psi)(x) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{N}_{F^*g}(x, y)\psi(y)v_h(y) \\ &= F^* \circ \Lambda_g \circ (F^{-1})^* \circ \psi(x) \\ &= F^* \circ \Lambda_g(\psi \circ F^{-1})(x) \\ &= \Lambda_g(\psi \circ F^{-1})(F(x)) \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), z)(\psi \circ F^{-1})(z)v_h(z) \end{aligned}$$

changing variables $F(y) = z$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{F^*g}(\psi)(x) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y))\psi(y)F^*(v_h)(y) \\ \Lambda_{F^*g}(\psi)(x) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y))\psi(y)F'(y)(v_h)(y) \end{aligned}$$

where F' denotes the unique real, valued function defined on $\partial\Omega$ such that

$$F_*E = F' E \circ F$$

and E is the tangent unitary vector field on $\partial\Omega$ such that $h(E, E) = 1$ and $v_h(E) = +1$. The above equation means at every point $p \in \partial\Omega$ the following: $F_*E(p)$ and $E \circ F(p)$ belong to the same one-dimensional tangent space $T_{F(p)}(\partial\Omega)$; consequently, the first one is a real multiple of the second. In fact, this multiple is unique and it is equal to $F'(p)$.

For the second equality,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{e^{2\phi}g}(\psi)(x) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{N}_{e^{2\phi}g}(x, y)\psi(y)v_h(y) \\ &= e^{-\phi(x)}\Lambda_g(\psi)(x) \\ &= e^{-\phi(x)} \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{N}_g(x, y)\psi(y)v_h(y) \end{aligned}$$

finishing the proof. □

The next Lemma establish, a relation between \mathcal{N}_g and the Green function $G(z, z')$ of the Laplacian Δ_g with Dirichlet condition on $\partial\Omega$ (Guillarmou and Sá Barreto 2009).

LEMMA 2.3. *The Schwartz kernel $\mathcal{N}_g(y, y')$ of Λ_g is given for $y, y' \in \partial\Omega$, $y \neq y'$, by*

$$\mathcal{N}_g(y, y') = \partial_n \partial_{n'} G(z, z') \Big|_{z=y, z'=y'}$$

where $\partial_n, \partial_{n'}$ are, respectively, the inward pointing vector fields to the boundary in variable z and z' .

PROOF. Let x be the distance function to the boundary in $\bar{\Omega}$; it is smooth in a neighborhood of $\partial\Omega$ and the normal vector field to the boundary is the gradient $\partial_n = \nabla^g x$ of x . The flow $e^{t\partial_n}$ of $\nabla^g x$ induces a diffeomorphism $\phi : [0, \epsilon)_t \times \partial\Omega \rightarrow \phi([0, \epsilon)_t \times \partial\Omega)$ defined by $\phi(t, y) := e^{t\partial_n}(y)$, and we have $x(\phi(t, y)) = t$. This induces natural coordinates $z = (x, y)$ near the boundary, these are normal geodesic coordinates. The function u is the unique solution of the Dirichlet problem $\Delta_g u = 0$ in Ω , and $u|_{\partial\Omega} = \varphi \in C^\infty(\partial\Omega)$ can be obtained by taking

$$u(z) := \chi(z) - \int_{\bar{\Omega}} G(z, z') (\Delta_g \chi)(z') dz'$$

where χ is any smooth function on $\bar{\Omega}$ such that $\chi = \varphi + O(x^2)$. Now, using Green's formula and $\Delta_g(z)G(z, z') = \delta(z - z') = \Delta_g(z')G(z, z')$, where $\delta(z - z')$ is the Dirac mass on the diagonal, we obtain for $z \in \Omega$

$$\begin{aligned} u(z) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} (\partial_{n'} G(z, z') \chi(z')) \Big|_{z'=y'} dy' - \int_{\partial\Omega} (G(z, z') (\partial_n \chi)(z')) \Big|_{z'=y'} dy' \\ u(z) &= \int_{\partial\Omega} (\partial_{n'} G(z, z')) \Big|_{z'=y'} \varphi(y') dy'. \end{aligned}$$

We have Taylor expansion $u(x, y) = \varphi(y) + x \Lambda_g \varphi(y) + O(x^2)$ near the boundary. Let $y \in \partial\Omega$ and take $\phi \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ supported near y . Thus, pairing with $\phi \in C^\infty(\partial\Omega)$ gives

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} u(x, y) \phi(y) dy = \int_{\partial\Omega} \varphi(y) \phi(y) dy - x \int_{\partial\Omega} \phi(y) \Lambda_g \varphi(y) dy + O(x^2). \quad (2.2)$$

Now taking ϕ with support disjoint to the support of φ , thus $\phi\varphi = 0$, and differentiating (2.2) in x , we see, in view of the fact that Green's function $G(z, z')$ is smooth outside the diagonal, that

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} \phi(y) \Lambda_g \varphi(y) dy = \int_{\partial\Omega} \int_{\partial\Omega} (\partial_n \partial_{n'} G(z, z')) \Big|_{z=y, z'=y'} \varphi(y') \phi(y) dy dy',$$

which proves the claim. \square

Let $(\partial\Omega, g)$ be a Riemannian manifold, and let us denote by $d_g(x, y)$ the geodesic distance between $x, y \in \partial\Omega$, and we denote $[d_g(x, y)]^2 = d_g^2(x, y)$. If

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow x} d_g^2(F(x), F(y)) \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y)) \neq 0$$

does not depend on x , we have the following result:

COROLLARY 2.4. *If $\Lambda_{F^*e^{2\varphi_g}} = \Lambda_g$ then $e^{-\varphi \circ F(x)} = F'(x)$ for $x \in \partial\Omega$.*

PROOF. Using the equalities of the Dirichlet-to- Neumann operators and Lemma 2.2 we have

$$\frac{d_g^2(x, y)}{d_g^2(F(x), F(y))} e^{-\varphi \circ F(x)} d_g^2(F(x), F(y)) \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y)) F'(y) = d_g^2(x, y) \mathcal{N}_g(x, y) \tag{2.3}$$

On the other hand, since

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow x} \frac{d_g(x, y)}{d_g(F(x), F(y))} = \frac{1}{F'(x)},$$

then, taking the limit when $y \rightarrow x$ in (2.3), the demonstration follows. □

REMARK 2.5. From Lemma 2.2 and Corollary 2.4 we have the following equation,

$$\mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y)) F'(x) F'(y) = \mathcal{N}_g(x, y). \tag{2.4}$$

The set of solutions of equation (2.4) is a group with multiplication law given by composition of functions, that is, if F and G are solutions of the equation (2.4), then, $G \circ F$ is solution of (2.4). In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{N}_g((G \circ F)(x), (G \circ F)(y)) (G \circ F)'(x) (G \circ F)'(y) \\ &= \mathcal{N}_g(G(F(x)), G(F(y))) G'(F(x)) G'(F(y)) F'(x) F'(y) \\ &= \mathcal{N}_g(F(x), F(y)) F'(x) F'(y) = \mathcal{N}_g(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

In what follows, we use an explicit formula for the Green’s Function of Δ_{g_0} on the annulus A_R (Bârza and Guisa 1998). There, g_0 is given in polar coordinates by:

$$g_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \right) (d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\theta^2), \tag{2.5}$$

and it is conformal to the euclidean metric, with conformal factor $f(\rho, \theta) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \right)$.

Then, the normal derivative of $u \in C^\infty(\overline{A_R})$, with respect to g_0 on $|z| = R$, is:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu_{g_0}} \Big|_{\rho=R} = \frac{2R^2}{1 + R^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=R}$$

Analogously, the normal derivative of u , with respect to g_0 on $|z| = \frac{1}{R}$, is:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu_{g_0}} \Big|_{\rho=\frac{1}{R}} = \frac{-2}{1 + R^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=\frac{1}{R}}$$

The Green’s function of $\overline{A_R}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} G(z, \zeta) = & \ln(rR) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \frac{r^n + (-r)^{-n}}{R^n} \frac{\rho^n + (-\rho)^{-n}}{R^n + (-R)^{-n}} \cos n(\theta - \alpha) \\ & - \ln |\rho e^{i\theta} - r e^{i\alpha}| - \ln \left| \frac{1}{\rho} e^{i(\theta+\pi)} - r e^{i\alpha} \right|, \end{aligned}$$

where $z = \rho e^{i\theta}$, $\frac{1}{R} \leq \rho \leq R$, $\zeta = r e^{i\alpha}$, $\frac{1}{R} < r < R$, $0 < \theta < 2\pi$, $0 < \alpha < 2\pi$.

LEMA 2.6. *The Schwartz kernel of Λ_{g_0} , $g_0 \in \mathcal{M}(\overline{A_R})$ being of the form (2.5), is*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(R e^{i\theta}, R e^{i\alpha}) &= \frac{4R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \frac{R^n - (-R)^{-n}}{R^n} \frac{R^n - (-R)^{-n}}{R^n + (-R)^{-n}} \cos n(\theta - \alpha) \\ &+ \frac{2R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)} - \frac{4R^4}{(1+R^2)^2} \frac{R^{-4} \cos(\theta - \alpha) + \cos(\theta - \alpha) + 2R^{-2}}{(R^{-2} + 2 \cos(\theta - \alpha) + R^2)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(R^{-1} e^{i\theta}, R^{-1} e^{i\alpha}) &= \frac{4R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \frac{\left(\frac{1}{R}\right)^n - \left(-\frac{1}{R}\right)^{-n}}{R^n} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{R}\right)^n - \left(-\frac{1}{R}\right)^{-n}}{R^n + (-R)^{-n}} \cos n(\theta - \alpha) \\ &+ \frac{2R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)} - \frac{4}{(1+R^2)^2} \cdot \frac{R^4 \cos(\theta - \alpha) + \cos(\theta - \alpha) + 2R^2}{(R^2 + 2 \cos(\theta - \alpha) + R^{-2})^2} \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

The equality above is in the distributions sense.

PROPOSITION 2.7. *Let $p, q \in \partial A_R$, then,*

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow q} d_{g_{eucl}}^2(p, q) \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(p, q) = \frac{-4R^4}{(1+R^2)^2} \quad \text{on } |z| = R \quad (2.8)$$

and

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow q} d_{g_{eucl}}^2(p, q) \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(p, q) = \frac{-4}{(1+R^2)^2} \quad \text{on } |z| = \frac{1}{R}, \quad (2.9)$$

where $d_{g_{eucl}}$ denotes the geodesic distance between p and q with respect to the Euclidean metric in ∂A_R .

PROOF. In order to prove equation (2.8), we write

$$a_n = \frac{(R^n - (-R)^{-n})^2}{R^n(R^n + (-R)^{-n})}.$$

Then, the sequence $b_n = n(a_n - 1)$ has the following property: $|b_n| < \frac{4n}{R^n} < C(k, R)n^{-k}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ where $C(k, R)$ is a constant that depends only on k and R . In fact, $\frac{n^{k+1}}{R^n} < \frac{(k+1)!}{(\ln R)^{k+1}}$. Hence, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos n(\theta - \alpha)$ represents a \mathcal{C}^∞ function. On the other hand, using the Fourier series of the function $f(x) = \ln(|\sin(\frac{x}{2})|)$, with $0 < x < \pi$, we have that

$$\ln\left(|\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)|\right) = -\left\{\ln 2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n}\right\},$$

that is,

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{2}\right) = -\left\{\ln 2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n}\right\},$$

which implies:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cos nx = -\frac{1}{1 - \cos x},$$

the equality being in the distributions sense.

Then, multiplying (2.6) by $d_{\bar{g}_{eucl}}^2(p, q)$ and taking the limit as $q \rightarrow p$, we get the following:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \alpha} \frac{-2R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \cdot \frac{R^2(\theta - \alpha)^2}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)} = \frac{-4R^4}{(1 + R^2)^2}.$$

Analogously, we get (2.9). □

REMARK 2.8. It follows from the proof of the Proposition (2.6) that the Schwartz kernel of Λ_{g_0} can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(Re^{i\theta}, Re^{i\alpha}) &= H(Re^{i\theta}, Re^{i\alpha}) - \frac{2R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)} \quad \text{on } |z| = R \\ \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(R^{-1}e^{i\theta}, R^{-1}e^{i\alpha}) &= H(R^{-1}e^{i\theta}, R^{-1}e^{i\alpha}) - \frac{2R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)} \quad \text{on } |z| = \frac{1}{R}, \end{aligned}$$

where H is a C^∞ function given by

$$H(Re^{i\theta}, Re^{i\alpha}) = \frac{4R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos n(\theta - \alpha) - \frac{R^{-2} \cos(\theta - \alpha) + R^2 \cos(\theta - \alpha) + 2}{(R^{-2} + 2 \cos(\theta - \alpha) + R^2)^2} \right\}. \tag{2.10}$$

TEOREMA 2.9. Let g_0 be a metric as in (2.5), $h = F^*(e^{2\varphi}g_0)$ where $F \in \mathcal{D}(\overline{A_R})$, $\varphi \in C^\infty(\overline{A_R})$ and $F(Re^{i\theta}) = Re^{if(\theta)}$. If $\Lambda_h = \Lambda_{g_0}$, then,

$$\begin{cases} S(f) = \lambda([f']^2 - 1) \\ e^{-\varphi \circ F} = f' \end{cases} \tag{2.11}$$

where $S(f)$ denotes the Schwarzian Derivative of f (see (2.18) and the line right after it).

PROOF. Using the equality of the Dirichlet-to-Neumann operators, it follows from Lemma 2.2 that

$$\mathcal{N}_{F^*e^{2\varphi}g_0}(x, y) = e^{-\varphi \circ F(x)} \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(F(x), F(y)) F'(y) = \mathcal{N}_{g_0}(x, y).$$

Writing $x = Re^{i\theta}$, $y = Re^{i\alpha}$ and using (2.8), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\varphi \circ F(Re^{i\theta})} \left\{ H(Re^{if(\theta)}, Re^{if(\alpha)}) - \frac{2R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \frac{1}{1 - \cos(f(\theta) - f(\alpha))} \right\} f'(\alpha) \\ = H(Re^{i\theta}, Re^{i\alpha}) - \frac{2R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have from Corollary 2.4 and (2.8) that $e^{-\varphi \circ F} = f'$ on the boundary. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ H(Re^{if(\theta)}, Re^{if(\alpha)}) - \frac{2R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \frac{1}{1 - \cos(f(\theta) - f(\alpha))} \right\} f'(\alpha) f'(\theta) \\ &= H(Re^{i\theta}, Re^{i\alpha}) - \frac{2R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

We obtain, then,

$$\begin{aligned} & H(Re^{if(\theta)}, Re^{if(\alpha)}) f'(\alpha) f'(\theta) - H(Re^{i\theta}, Re^{i\alpha}) \\ &= \frac{2R^2}{(1+R^2)^2} \left\{ \frac{f'(\alpha) f'(\theta)}{1 - \cos(f(\theta) - f(\alpha))} - \frac{1}{1 - \cos(\theta - \alpha)} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

Since the left hand side of the equation (2.12) is the C^∞ component of the Schwartz kernel, then if we take $\alpha \rightarrow \theta$, we get

$$H(R, R) \left\{ [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 \right\}.$$

In what concerns the right hand side of the equation (2.12), we use Taylor expansion of order 4 of the expression in brackets, for α near θ ; we get, with $\delta = \alpha - \theta$,

$$\frac{f'(\theta) \left\{ f'(\theta) + f''(\theta)\delta + f'''(\theta)\frac{\delta^2}{2!} \right\}}{[f'(\theta)]^2 \frac{\delta^2}{2!} + 3f'(\theta)f''(\theta)\frac{\delta^3}{3!} + \left\{ -[f'(\theta)]^4 + 3[f''(\theta)]^2 + 4f'(\theta)f'''(\theta) \right\} \frac{\delta^4}{4!}} - \frac{1}{\frac{\delta^2}{2!} - \frac{\delta^4}{4!}},$$

which can be written as follows,

$$\frac{\left\{ -[f'(\theta)]^2 - 3[f''(\theta)]^2 + 2f'(\theta)f'''(\theta) + [f'(\theta)]^4 \right\} \frac{\delta^4}{4!} + \mathcal{O}(\delta^5)}{[f'(\theta)]^2 \frac{\delta^4}{4!} + \mathcal{O}(\delta^5)}. \quad (2.13)$$

Since the limit exists, when $\delta \rightarrow 0$, we obtain from (2.12) and (2.13) that

$$3! \frac{(1+R^2)^2}{2R^2} H(R, R) \left\{ [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 \right\} = [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 - 3 \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]^2 + 2 \frac{f'''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)},$$

which implies:

$$\left\{ [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 \right\} \left\{ 3! \frac{(1+R^2)^2}{2R^2} H(R, R) - 1 \right\} = -3 \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]^2 + 2 \frac{f'''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)},$$

or, more precisely:

$$\left\{ [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 \right\} \left\{ 3! \frac{(1+R^2)^2}{2R^2} H(R, R) - 1 \right\} = 2 \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]' - \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]^2. \quad (2.14)$$

Let us denote $\lambda = \lambda(R)$, the expression

$$2\lambda(R) = 3! \frac{(1+R^2)^2}{2R^2} H(R, R) - 1. \quad (2.15)$$

Then, it, follows that

$$2\lambda(R) = \frac{4!}{2} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n - \frac{R^2}{(1 + R^2)^2} \right\} - 1, \tag{2.16}$$

where

$$b_n = n \left\{ \frac{-3(-1)^n + \frac{1}{R^{2n}}}{R^{2n} + (-1)^n} \right\}.$$

From equations (2.14) and (2.15) we have that

$$\left\{ [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 \right\} 2\lambda(R) = 2 \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]' - \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]^2, \tag{2.17}$$

which implies:

$$\left\{ [f'(\theta)]^2 - 1 \right\} \lambda(R) = \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]' - \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]^2 = \frac{f'''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} - \frac{3}{2} \left[\frac{f''(\theta)}{f'(\theta)} \right]^2. \tag{2.18}$$

The right-hand side of (2.18) is called the Schwarzian Derivative $S(f)$ of f (Navas 2007). □

REMARK 2.10. The numerical study of $\lambda(R)$ defined in (2.16) is done in Mendoza et al. 2009.

COROLLARY 2.11. *The solution of the equation (2.18) for $\lambda(R) \geq 0$ is $f'(\theta) = 1$.*

PROOF. Making the change of variables: $y(\theta) = \ln(f'(\theta))$, the equation (2.18) becomes

$$\left\{ e^{2y(\theta)} - 1 \right\} \lambda(R) = y''(\theta) - \frac{1}{2} [y'(\theta)]^2, \tag{2.19}$$

that is,

$$y'' = \frac{1}{2} [y']^2 + \lambda \{ e^{2y(\theta)} - 1 \}. \tag{2.20}$$

Since $f(\theta + 2\pi) = f(\theta) + 2\pi$, we have that f'' and f' are periodic of period 2π . Then, integrating (2.20) between 0 and 2π we obtain

$$0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} [y']^2 d\theta + \lambda \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} e^{2y} d\theta - 2\pi \right\}. \tag{2.21}$$

On the other hand,

$$0 \leq \int_0^{2\pi} 1 \cdot f' d\theta \leq \left(\int_0^{2\pi} 1 d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\int_0^{2\pi} [f']^2 d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

that is,

$$2\pi \leq \int_0^{2\pi} [f']^2 d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{2y} d\theta,$$

which implies that $y' = 0$. Because there is $0 \leq \theta_0 \leq 2\pi$ such that $f'(\theta_0) = 1$, we get $y = 0$. Therefore, $f' = 1$. □

It follows that F restricted to the exterior boundary is a rotation and φ equals zero there. The same conclusion holds for the restriction of F to the interior boundary.

The general solution of the equations (2.18) can be obtained using the formulas of Chuaqui et al. 2003, page 1.

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RESUMO

Neste artigo mostramos a relação entre os núcleos de Schwartz dos operadores Dirichlet-to-Neumann associados à métrica g_0 e $h = F^*(e^{2\phi}g_0)$, no anel circular A_R , e a Derivada Schwarziana da função argumento f , da restrição do difeomorfismo F à fronteira de A_R .

Palavras-chave: anel, Funcional Dirichlet-Neumann, Derivada Schwarziana.

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