

9. Übungszettel zur Vorlesung „Räume nichtpositiver Krümmung“

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Each question is worth 4 points.

Aufgabe 9.1 (Semisimple isometries of products)

Let X and Y be CAT(0) spaces and let g and h be isometries of X and Y respectively. Show that the isometry of $X \times Y$ given by $(x, y) \mapsto (g(x), h(y))$ is semisimple if and only if both g and h are semisimple.

Aufgabe 9.2 (Isometries of \mathbb{H}^2)

Using the Poincaré upper half space model of the hyperbolic space, we may identify \mathbb{H}^2 with the upper half complex plane $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im } z > 0\}$. Consider the action of $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ on \mathbb{H}^2 given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} z = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}.$$

- Show that $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ acts transitively on \mathbb{H}^2 .
- Show that the stabilizer of i is $O(2)$.

Aufgabe 9.3 (Semisimple isometries of \mathbb{H}^2)

Determine all the semisimple elements in $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ in its action on \mathbb{H}^2 .

Aufgabe 9.4 (Adjoint)

Let $M(n, \mathbb{R})$ denote the algebra of $n \times n$ matrices with real entries. For $A \in M(n, \mathbb{R})$, A^t will denote the transpose of A . For $A \in M(n, \mathbb{R})$, define an endomorphism ad_A on $M(n, \mathbb{R})$ by $\text{ad}_A(B) = AB - BA$.

Verify that the formula $(A|B) = \text{Tr}(AB^t)$ defines a scalar product on $M(n, \mathbb{R})$. Show that if X is a symmetric matrix in $M(n, \mathbb{R})$, then ad_X is a self-adjoint operator on $M(n, \mathbb{R})$, i.e., for any $A, B \in M(n, \mathbb{R})$, we have $(\text{ad}_X A|B) = (A|\text{ad}_X B)$.

9.*-Aufgabe (Trace, det, and exp)

Show that for $A \in M(n, \mathbb{R})$, $\exp(\text{Tr}(A)) = \det(\exp A)$.

Abgabe bis: Donnerstag, den 21.1.2021, 8 Uhr online im Learnwebkurs.