## A REMARK ON A DISTORTION THEOREM IN SEVERAL COMPLEX VARIABLES

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ABSTRACT. A distortion theorem on a homogeneous bounded domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is obtained which is the generalization of Schwarz lemma.

## 1. Preliminaries

We denote a point z of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by the column vector  $z = (z_1, \ldots, z_n)'$ . We denote a mapping f(z) from a domain D in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  to  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by the column vector  $f(z) = (f_1(z), \ldots, f_n(z))'$ . The mapping f(z) is said to be holomorphic in D if each component function is holomorphic in D. We denote the Jacobian matrix of the mapping f(z) by

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \left( := \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \times f(z) \right),$$

where

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial z_n}\right).$$

Let D be a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .  $K_D(z,z)$  denotes the Bergman kernel function of D.

Let

$$T_D(z,z) = rac{\partial^2}{\partial z^* \partial z} \log K_D(z,z),$$

where

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z^*} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{z_1}}, ..., \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{z_n}}\right)'.$$

We define as follows: ([5])

$$K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z) = K_D^p(z,z)(\det T_D(z,z))^q,$$

$$T_{D,(p,q)}(z,z) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^* \partial z} \log K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z), (p,q \ge 0).$$

When p=1 and q=0,  $K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)$  and  $T_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)$  denote the ordinary Bergman kernel function  $K_D(z,z)$  and the Bergman metric tensor  $T_D(z,z)$  respectively.

We have the following relative biholomorphic invariant formula:

Let F be a biholomorphic mapping from D onto  $F(D)(:=\Delta)$ . Then

(1) 
$$K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z) = \left(\overline{\det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z)}\right)^{p+q} K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(F(z),F(z)) \left(\det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z)\right)^{p+q},$$

$$(2) T_{D,(p,q)}(z,z) = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z)\right)^* T_{\Delta,(p,q)}(F(z),F(z)) \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z)\right).$$

Throughout this paper, the symbols I, \*and× stand for transposition,conjugated transposition and Kronecker product, respectively.

We say the bounded domain D is a (p,q)-minimal domain with center at  $\tau \in D$  if  $K_{D,(p,q)}(z,\tau) = K_{D,(p,q)}(\tau,\tau), \forall z \in D$  holds. For p=1 and q=0, this concept coincides with the minimal domain in the sense of Maschler.

After Hahn ([3]), we define as follows:

$$c(D) := \left\{ t \in D \left| K_D(t, t) = \frac{1}{vol(D)} \right\} \right\},$$

$$m(D) := \left\{ t \in D \left| K_{D, (p,q)}(t, t) \le \min_{z \in D} K_{D, (p,q)}(z, z) \right\} \right\}.$$

The following facts are known: ([3],[8],[10]).

If  $K_D(z,z)$  becomes infinite everywhere on  $\partial D$ , then  $m(D) \neq \emptyset$  and  $m(D) \supset c(D)$ . For example, if D is a homogeneous bounded domain, then  $K_D(z,z)$  becomes infinite everywhere on  $\partial D$ , and so  $m(D) \neq \emptyset$  and  $m(D) \supset c(D)$ . The set c(D) consists of at most one point of D, and is non-empty if and only if c(D) = m(D) for p = 1 and q = 0. D is a minimal domain with center at t in the sense of Maschler if and only if  $\{t\} = c(D) \neq \emptyset$ .

## 2. DISTORTIONS ON A HOMOGENEOUS BOUNDED DOMAIN

At first we give the following Proposition obtained by Carathéodory and Cartan.

**Proposition** ([7]). Let D be a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , and let  $f: D \longrightarrow D$  be holomorphic. Let  $p \in D$ , and suppose that f(p) = p. Then

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(p) \right| \le 1.$$

If  $\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(p) \right| = 1$ , then f is an automorphism of D

Using the above Proposition and the biholomorphic invariant formulas (1) and (2), we have the following:

**Theorem 1.** Let D be a homogeneous bounded domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Let F be a biholomorphic map from D onto  $F(D) := \Delta$ . Let f be a holomorphic map from D into  $\Delta$ . Then

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \right|^{2(p+q)} \le \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(f(z),f(z))},$$

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \right|^2 \le \frac{\det T_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)}{\det T_{\Delta,(p,q)}(f(z),f(z))}, z \in D, p, q \ge 0.$$

*Proof.* Put  $f(t) = \alpha$ ,  $F(t) = \beta$ ,  $t \in D$ . Let  $\phi(w)$  be an automorphism of the homogeneous bounded domain  $\Delta$  such that  $\phi(\alpha) = \beta$ .

Let  $g:=F^{-1}\circ\phi\circ f$ . Then g is a holomorphic map from D into itself with g(t)=t. From the Proposition, we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(t) \right| = \left| \det \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (F^{-1} \circ \phi \circ f)(t) \right) \right| \le 1.$$

Noting that

$$\frac{\partial F^{-1}}{\partial w} = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z)\right)^{-1},$$

where w = F(z), by chain rule, we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(t) \right| \le \frac{\left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right|}{\left| \det \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial w}(\alpha) \right|}.$$

The biholomorphic relative invariants of  $K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)$  and  $T_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)$  give us the following:

$$K_{D,(p,q)}(t,t) = K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\beta,\beta) \left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right|^{2(p+q)},$$

$$K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\alpha,\alpha) = K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\beta,\beta) \left| \det \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial w}(\alpha) \right|^{2(p+q)},$$

$$\det T_{D,(p,q)}(t,t) = \det T_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\beta,\beta) \left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right|^{2},$$

$$\det T_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\alpha,\alpha) = \det T_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\beta,\beta) \left| \det \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial w}(\alpha) \right|^{2}.$$

Therefore the proof is completed, since we may take t to be an arbitrary point in D.

Remark. Since  $K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)$  and  $T_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)$  are the ordinary Bergman kernel function and the Bergman metric tensor for p=1 and q=0, we have

$$\left|\det\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z)\right|^2 \leq \frac{K_D(z,z)}{K_\Delta(f(z),f(z))} = \frac{\det T_D(z,z)}{\det T_\Delta(f(z),f(z))}$$

In particular, since the Bergman kernel function of the unit ball

$$B_n = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C}^n \, \middle| |z|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2 < 1 \right\}$$

is

$$K_{B_n}(z,z) = \frac{n!}{\pi^n} \frac{1}{(1-|z|^2)^{n+1}},$$

we have

$$\left|\det\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z)\right|^2 \le \left(\frac{1-|f(z)|^2}{1-|z|^2}\right)^{n+1}.$$

In the case of n=1 (i.e. for the unit disc), we have

$$|f'(z)| \le \frac{1 - |f(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2},$$

which is the well-known Schwarz Lemma.

Corollary ([2],[6]). Let f be a holomorphic map of a homogeneous bounded domain D into itself. Then we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \right|^{2(p+q)} \le \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)}{K_{D,(p,q)}(f(z),(f(z))}.$$

In particular,  $\tau_0 \in m(D)$ , which is non-empty, we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(\tau_0) \right| \le 1.$$

Remark. In Theorem 1, since  $\Delta$  is a homogeneous bounded domain, there exists  $\tau_0 \in m(\Delta)$ . Then we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \right|^{2(p+q)} \le \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\tau_0,\tau_0)}, z \in D.$$

In particular for p=1 and q=0, if  $\tau_0$  belongs to  $c(\Delta)$ , we have

$$\left|\det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z)\right|^2 \le K_D(z,z)vol(\Delta), z \in D.$$

**Theorem 2.** Let D be a bounded domain with  $t_0 \in m(D)$ . Let F be a biholomorphic map from D onto  $F(D) =: \Delta$  with  $\tau_0 = F(t) \in m(\Delta)$  for  $t \neq t_0$ . Then we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right|^{2(p+q)} \ge \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t_0, t_0)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\tau_0, \tau_0)}$$

$$\ge \left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t_0) \right|^{2(p+q)}.$$

In particular, if D is a homogeneous bounded domain and if f is a holomorphic map from D into  $F(D) =: \Delta$ , then we have

(3) 
$$\left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right| \ge \max \left\{ \left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(t) \right|, \left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(t_0) \right| \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Noting that  $t_0 \in m(D)$  and  $\tau_o \in m(\Delta)$ , we have, for  $\tau = F(t_0)$ ,

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right|^{2(p+q)} = \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t,t)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\tau_0,\tau_0)}$$

$$\geq \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t_0,t_0)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\tau_0,\tau_0)}$$

$$\geq \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t_0,t_0)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\tau,\tau)}$$

$$= \left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t_0) \right|^{2(p+q)}.$$

If D is a homogeneous domain with  $m(D) \neq \phi$ , then  $F(D) =: \Delta$  is also homogeneous with  $m(\Delta) \neq \phi$ . Therefore we have, for  $\tau_0 = F(t)$ ,

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right|^{2(p+q)} = \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t,t)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(\tau_0,\tau_0)}$$

$$\geq \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t,t)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(f(z),f(z))}$$

$$= \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t,t)}{K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)} \cdot \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)}{K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(f(z),f(z))}$$

$$\geq \frac{K_{D,(p,q)}(t,t)}{K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z)} \left| \det \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \right|^{2(p+q)} .$$

Since  $K_{D,(p,q)}(z,z) \ge K_{D,(p,q)}(t_0,t_0)$ , we have (3).

From Theorem 2 the following Corollary easily follows.

Corollary. Let D be a bounded minimal domain with center at  $t_0 \in c(D)$  in the sense of Maschler. Let F be a biholomorphic map from D onto  $F(D) =: \Delta$  with  $\tau_0 = F(t)$ . Let  $F(D) =: \Delta$  be a bounded minimal domain with center at  $\tau_0 \in c(\Delta)$ . Then we have

$$\left|\det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t)\right|^2 \ge \frac{vol(F(D))}{vol(D)} \ge \left|\det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t_0)\right|^2$$

where the equality signs hold if and only if  $t = t_0$ . In particular, if F is a volume preserving biholomorphic map, then we have

$$\left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t) \right| \ge 1 \ge \left| \det \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(t_0) \right|.$$

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