

Special and General Relativity (PHZ 4601/5606) Fall 2017 Solutions

Set 3

8. Euclidean and hyperbolic rotations.

Transformation of the 2D Euclidean rotation.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'^1 \\ i x'^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(\zeta) & i \sinh(\zeta) \\ -i \sinh(\zeta) & \cosh(\zeta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^1 \\ i x^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and in components

$$\begin{aligned} x'^1 &= \cosh(\zeta) x^1 - \sinh(\zeta) x^0, \\ i x'^0 &= -i \sinh(\zeta) x^1 + i \cosh(\zeta) x^0, \end{aligned}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} x'^0 &= +\cosh(\zeta) x^0 - \sinh(\zeta) x^1, \\ x'^1 &= -\sinh(\zeta) x^0 + \cosh(\zeta) x^1, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'^0 \\ x'^1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(\zeta) & -\sinh(\zeta) \\ -\sinh(\zeta) & \cosh(\zeta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \end{pmatrix}$$