TED SUFFRIDGE, Department of Mathematics, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506 Invariant mappings on the ball and extremal problems

The concept of "linear invariant family" was introduced by Pommerenke in his 1964 paper in Mathematische Annalen. A family \mathcal{F} of functions that are analytic on the unit disk and normalized by f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1 with $f'(z) \neq 0$ when |z| < 1 is linear invariant provided that the function $K_{\varphi}f \in \mathcal{F}$ whenever $f \in \mathcal{F}$. Here, φ is a holomorphic automorphism of the unit disk, and $K_{\varphi}f$ is obtained by forming the composition $f \circ \varphi$ and normalizing the result. The functions that have the property $K_{\varphi}f = f$ for certain automorphisms φ are of particular interest and in fact the solution of many extremal problems on a family \mathcal{F} is one of these "invariant" functions. We discuss the extension of these ideas to mappings $f: B \to \mathbb{C}^n$, where B is the Euclidean ball in \mathbb{C}^n , and in fact characterize the invariant mappings for given linear invariant familes of mappings, in a theorem that gives a procedure for constructing all such mappings.

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