

Exercice 1. (Quaternions) The division ring \mathbb{H} (or by abuse of language, the non-commutative field) of quaternions is generated over the reals by three elements $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ with the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}^2 = \mathbf{j}^2 = \mathbf{k}^2 &= -1, \\ \mathbf{ij} = -\mathbf{ji} = \mathbf{k}, \quad \mathbf{jk} = -\mathbf{kj} = \mathbf{i}, \quad \mathbf{ki} = -\mathbf{ik} = \mathbf{j}. \end{aligned}$$

Quaternionic multiplication is performed in the usual manner (like polynomial multiplication) taking the above relations into account. If $a \in \mathbb{H}$, we write

$$a = (a_s, \mathbf{a}_v) = a_s + a_v^1 \mathbf{i} + a_v^2 \mathbf{j} + a_v^3 \mathbf{k}$$

for the *scalar* and *vectorial part of the quaternion*, where $a_s, a_v^1, a_v^2, a_v^3 \in \mathbb{R}$. Quaternions having zero scalar part are also called *pure quaternions*.

(a) Show that with the above notation, quaternionic multiplication has the expression

$$ab = (a_s b_s - \mathbf{a}_v \cdot \mathbf{b}_v, a_s \mathbf{b}_v + b_s \mathbf{a}_v + \mathbf{a}_v \times \mathbf{b}_v).$$

In addition, every quaternion $a = (a_s, \mathbf{a}_v)$ has a conjugate $\bar{a} = (a_s, -\mathbf{a}_v)$, that is, the real numbers are fixed by the conjugation and $\bar{\mathbf{i}} = -\mathbf{i}, \bar{\mathbf{j}} = -\mathbf{j}, \bar{\mathbf{k}} = -\mathbf{k}$.

(b) Show that $\overline{ab} = \bar{b}\bar{a}$ and that every quaternion $a \neq 0$ has an inverse given by $a^{-1} = \bar{a}/|a|^2$, where

$$|a|^2 := a\bar{a} = \bar{a}a = a_s^2 + \|\mathbf{a}_v\|^2.$$

- (c) Show that the unit quaternions $S^3 := \{a \in \mathbb{H} \mid |a| = 1\}$ form a Lie group that is isomorphic to $SU(2)$.
- (d) Show that the Lie Algebra of S^3 is isomorphic to the pure quaternions \mathbb{R}^3 and obtain explicit formulas for the adjoint action and the Lie bracket.
- (e) Give an explicit expression for a 2 : 1 Lie group homomorphism $S^3 \rightarrow SO(3)$.
(Hint: Use the Lie group homomorphism $\pi : SU(2) \rightarrow SO(3)$ and the Lie group isomorphism between S^3 and $SU(2)$ found in part (c)).

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- (a) and (b) Follow by a simple direct calculation.
- (c) Define the map,

$$a = a_s + a_v^1 \mathbf{i} + a_v^2 \mathbf{j} + a_v^3 \mathbf{k} \in S^3 \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a_s - ia_v^3 & -a_v^2 - ia_v^1 \\ a_v^2 - ia_v^1 & a_s + ia_v^3 \end{pmatrix} \in SU(2).$$

It is clear that it is a diffeomorphism. Moreover, a direct calculation shows that it is a group homomorphism and therefore a Lie group isomorphism.

- (d) Since the Lie algebra of S^3 is the tangent space at 1, it follows that it is isomorphic to the pure quaternions \mathbb{R}^3 . We begin by determining the adjoint action of S^3 on its Lie algebra.

If $a \in S^3$ and \mathbf{b}_v is a pure quaternion, the derivative of conjugation is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ad}_a \mathbf{b}_v &= a \mathbf{b}_v a^{-1} = a \mathbf{b}_v \frac{\bar{a}}{|a|^2} = \frac{1}{|a|^2} (-\mathbf{a}_v \cdot \mathbf{b}_v, a_s \mathbf{b}_v + \mathbf{a}_v \times \mathbf{b}_v)(a_s, -\mathbf{a}_v) \\ &= \frac{1}{|a|^2} (0, 2a_s(\mathbf{a}_v \times \mathbf{b}_v) + 2(\mathbf{a}_v \cdot \mathbf{b}_v)\mathbf{a}_v + (a_s^2 - \|\mathbf{a}_v\|^2)\mathbf{b}_v). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $a(t) = (a_s(t), \mathbf{a}_v(t)) \in S^3$ is a smooth curve such that $a(0) = (a_s(0), \mathbf{a}_v(0)) = (1, \mathbf{0})$ and $a'(0) = (a'_s(0), \mathbf{a}'_v(0)) = (0, \mathbf{a}_v)$, the Lie bracket $[\mathbf{a}_v, \mathbf{b}_v]$ of the pure quaternions $\mathbf{a}_v, \mathbf{b}_v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{a}_v, \mathbf{b}_v] &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \text{Ad}_{a(t)} \mathbf{b}_v \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \frac{1}{|a(t)|^2} (0, 2a_s(t)(\mathbf{a}_v(t) \times \mathbf{b}_v) + 2(\mathbf{a}_v(t) \cdot \mathbf{b}_v)\mathbf{a}_v(t) + (a_s(t)^2 - \|\mathbf{a}_v(t)\|^2)\mathbf{b}_v) \\ &= (0, 2(\mathbf{a}_v \times \mathbf{b}_v)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the Lie Algebra of S^3 is \mathbb{R}^3 relative to the Lie bracket given by twice the cross product of vectors.

(e) As in part (c) we associate the matrix

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a_s - ia_v^3 & -a_v^2 - ia_v^1 \\ a_v^2 - ia_v^1 & a_s + ia_v^3 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SU}(2).$$

to the unit quaternion $a = a_s + a_v^1 \mathbf{i} + a_v^2 \mathbf{j} + a_v^3 \mathbf{k} \in S^3$. The rotation matrix $A = \pi(U) \in \text{SO}(3)$ is defined by the condition

$$\begin{aligned} (A\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= (\pi(U)\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = U(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})U^\dagger \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a_s - ia_v^3 & -a_v^2 - ia_v^1 \\ a_v^2 - ia_v^1 & a_s + ia_v^3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^3 & x^1 - ix^2 \\ x^1 + ix^2 & x^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\times \begin{pmatrix} a_s + ia_v^3 & a_v^2 + ia_v^1 \\ -a_v^2 + ia_v^1 & a_s - ia_v^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= [(a_s^2 + (a_v^1)^2 - (a_v^2)^2 - (a_v^3)^2)x^1 + 2(a_v^1 a_v^2 - a_s a_v^3)x^2 + 2(a_s a_v^2 + a_v^1 a_v^3)x^3]\sigma_1 \\ &\quad + [2(a_v^1 a_v^2 - a_s a_v^3)x^1 + (a_s^2 - (a_v^1)^2 + (a_v^2)^2 - (a_v^3)^2)x^2 + 2(a_v^2 a_v^3 - a_s a_v^1)x^3]\sigma_2 \\ &\quad + [2(a_v^1 a_v^3 - a_s a_v^2)x^1 + 2(a_s^2 a_v^1 + a_v^2 a_v^3)x^2 + (a_s^2 - (a_v^1)^2 - (a_v^2)^2 + (a_v^3)^2)x^3]\sigma_3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, taking into account that $a_s^2 + (a_v^1)^2 + (a_v^2)^2 + (a_v^3)^2 = 1$, we find that the expression for the matrix A is

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{pmatrix} 2a_s^2 + 2(a_v^1)^2 - 1 & 2(-a_s a_v^3 + a_v^1 a_v^2) & 2(a_s a_v^2 + a_v^1 a_v^3) \\ 2(a_s a_v^3 + a_v^1 a_v^2) & 2a_s^2 + 2(a_v^2)^2 - 1 & 2(-a_s a_v^1 + a_v^2 a_v^3) \\ 2(-a_s a_v^2 + a_v^1 a_v^3) & 2(a_s a_v^1 + a_v^2 a_v^3) & 2a_s^2 + 2(a_v^3)^2 - 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (2a_s^2 - 1)I + 2a_s \hat{\mathbf{a}}_v + 2\mathbf{a}_v \otimes \mathbf{a}_v, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{a}_v \otimes \mathbf{a}_v$ is the symmetric matrix whose (i, j) entry equals $a_v^i a_v^j$. The map

$$a \in S^3 \mapsto (2a_s^2 - 1)I + 2a_s \hat{\mathbf{a}}_v + 2\mathbf{a}_v \otimes \mathbf{a}_v \in \text{SO}(3)$$

is called the *Euler-Rodrigues parametrization*.

Exercise 2. Show that the 2 to 1 Lie group homomorphism $\pi : \text{SU}(2) \rightarrow \text{SO}(3)$ has the following explicit expression

$$\pi \left(\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\bar{\beta} \\ \beta & \bar{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Re}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) & \text{Im}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) & 2 \text{Re}(\bar{\alpha}\beta) \\ -\text{Im}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) & \text{Re}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) & 2 \text{Im}(\bar{\alpha}\beta) \\ -2 \text{Re}(\alpha\beta) & -2 \text{Im}(\alpha\beta) & |\alpha|^2 - |\beta|^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfy $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$.

Corrigé exercice 2. Motivated by the map of S^3 to $\text{SU}(2)$, write an element of $\text{SU}(2)$ as follows

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\bar{\beta} \\ \beta & \bar{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} y^0 - iy^3 & -y^2 - iy^1 \\ y^2 - iy^1 & y^0 + iy^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = (y^0)^2 + (y^1)^2 + (y^2)^2 + (y^3)^2 = 1$. The adjoint of A is given by

$$A^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} y^0 + iy^3 & y^2 + iy^1 \\ -y^2 + iy^1 & y^0 - iy^3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For any $\mathbf{x} = (x^1, x^2, x^3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= x^1 \sigma_1 + x^2 \sigma_2 + x^3 \sigma_3 \\ &= x^1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + x^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix} + x^3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} x^3 & x^1 - ix^2 \\ x^1 + ix^2 & -x^3 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

A straightforward (but lengthy) direct computation gives the following entries for $A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^\dagger$:

$$\begin{aligned} (A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^\dagger)_{11} &= - (A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^\dagger)_{22} \\ &= 2x^1 (-y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) + 2x^2 (y^0 y^1 + y^2 y^3) \\ &\quad + x^3 ((y^0)^2 + (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^\dagger)_{12} &= \overline{(A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^\dagger)_{21}} \\ &= x^1 ((y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 + (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2) + 2x^2 (y^1 y^2 - y^0 y^3) \\ &\quad + 2x^3 (y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) \\ &\quad - i [2x^1 (y^1 y^2 + y^0 y^3) + x^2 ((y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 + (y^2)^2) \\ &\quad + 2x^3 (y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1)] \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^\dagger &= \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} x^1 ((y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 + (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2) + 2x^2 (y^1 y^2 - y^0 y^3) \\ \quad + 2x^3 (y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) \end{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ &+ \begin{bmatrix} 2x^1 (y^1 y^2 + y^0 y^3) + x^2 ((y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 + (y^2)^2) \\ \quad + 2x^3 (y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1) \end{bmatrix} \sigma_2 \\ &+ \begin{bmatrix} 2x^1 (-y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) + 2x^2 (y^0 y^1 + y^2 y^3) \\ \quad + x^3 ((y^0)^2 + (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2) \end{bmatrix} \sigma_3. \end{aligned}$$

From the formula $(\pi(A)\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = A(\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})A^{-1}$ in the text, we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(A)\mathbf{x} &= \\ & \begin{bmatrix} x^1 ((y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 + (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2) + 2x^2 (y^1 y^2 - y^0 y^3) + 2x^3 (y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) \\ 2x^1 (y^1 y^2 + y^0 y^3) + x^2 ((y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 + (y^2)^2) + 2x^3 (y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1) \\ 2x^1 (-y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) + 2x^2 (y^0 y^1 + y^2 y^3) + x^3 ((y^0)^2 + (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= B \begin{bmatrix} x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

where B is the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} (y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 + (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2 & 2(y^1 y^2 - y^0 y^3) & 2(y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) \\ 2(y^1 y^2 + y^0 y^3) & (y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 + (y^2)^2 & 2(y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1) \\ 2(-y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3) & 2(y^0 y^1 + y^2 y^3) & (y^0)^2 + (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

As indicated at the beginning of this solution, we have $\alpha := y^0 - iy^3$ and $\beta := y^2 - iy^1$. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha|^2 &= (y^0)^2 + (y^3)^2, & |\beta|^2 &= (y^2)^2 + (y^1)^2, \\ \alpha^2 &= (y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 - 2iy^0 y^3, & \beta^2 &= (y^2)^2 - (y^1)^2 - 2iy^1 y^2 \\ \alpha\beta &= y^0 y^2 - y^1 y^3 + i(-y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1), & \bar{\alpha}\beta &= y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3 + i(y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) &= (y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 + (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2, \\ \operatorname{Im}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) &= y^1 y^2 - y^0 y^3 \\ -\operatorname{Im}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) &= y^1 y^2 + y^0 y^3, \\ \operatorname{Re}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) &= (y^0)^2 - (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 + (y^2)^2 \\ -2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha\beta) &= 2(-y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3), \\ -2\operatorname{Im}(\alpha\beta) &= 2(y^2 y^3 + y^0 y^1) \\ 2\operatorname{Re}(\bar{\alpha}\beta) &= 2(y^0 y^2 + y^1 y^3), \\ 2\operatorname{Im}(\bar{\alpha}\beta) &= 2(y^2 y^3 - y^0 y^1) \\ |\alpha|^2 - |\beta|^2 &= (y^0)^2 + (y^3)^2 - (y^1)^2 - (y^2)^2, \end{aligned}$$

which proves the formula.

Exercise 3. This exercise concerns *Euler angles*, that are important in the context of rigid body mechanics.

(a) Show that the map

$$(\theta, \varphi, \psi) \in]0, \pi[\times [0, 2\pi[\times [-2\pi, 2\pi[\rightarrow$$

$$U := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\bar{\beta} \\ \beta & \bar{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \in \text{SU}(2) \mid \alpha\beta \neq 0 \right\}$$

given by $\alpha = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}}$, $\beta = \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi-\psi}{2} + \pi}$ is a bijection. Thus, every element of $\text{SU}(2)$ with $\alpha\beta \neq 0$ can be uniquely written as

$$A(\varphi, \theta, \psi) := \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}} & i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{-i\frac{\varphi-\psi}{2}} \\ i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi-\psi}{2}} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{-i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

for $(\varphi, \theta, \psi) \in [0, 2\pi[\times]0, \pi[\times [-2\pi, 2\pi[$.

(b) Use the preceding exercise to show that the 2 to 1 Lie group homomorphism $\pi : \text{SU}(2) \rightarrow \text{SO}(3)$ restricted to this open subset $U \subset \text{SU}(2)$ is given by

$$\pi \left(\begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}} & i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{-i\frac{\varphi-\psi}{2}} \\ i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi-\psi}{2}} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{-i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi \sin \psi & \cos \psi \sin \varphi + \cos \theta \cos \varphi \sin \psi & \sin \theta \sin \psi \\ -\sin \psi \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi \cos \psi & -\sin \psi \sin \varphi + \cos \theta \cos \varphi \cos \psi & \sin \theta \cos \psi \\ \sin \theta \sin \varphi & -\sin \theta \cos \varphi & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

The angles (φ, θ, ψ) appearing in these representations of elements of $\text{SU}(2)$ and $\text{SO}(3)$ are called *Euler angles*. It is possible to give a geometrical interpretation of the Euler angles for elements of $\text{SO}(3)$ in terms of three successive rotations. For elements of $\text{SO}(3)$ we have $(\theta, \varphi, \psi) \in]0, \pi[\times [0, 2\pi[\times [0, 2\pi[$.

Corrigé exercice 3. Since $\text{SU}(2)$ is diffeomorphic to

$$S^3 = \{(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1\}$$

we will show that the map given in the statement is a bijection onto $V := \{(\alpha, \beta) \in S^3 \mid \alpha\beta \neq 0\}$. The condition $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$ implies that $|\alpha|$ is arbitrary in the interval $[0, 1]$. Thus it can be uniquely written as $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$. Then $|\beta| = \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$. Since $\alpha\beta \neq 0$, we must have $\theta \neq 0, \pi$ and hence $0 < \theta < \pi$. Therefore $\alpha = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{iA}$ and $\beta = \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{iB}$, where $A, B \in \mathbb{R}$. Now write

$$A = \frac{\varphi + \psi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{\pi + \varphi - \psi}{2},$$

which is equivalent to

$$\varphi = A + B - \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \psi = A - B + \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Thus it remains to show that the map

$$(\varphi, \psi) \in [0, 2\pi[\times [-2\pi, 2\pi[\mapsto \left(e^{i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}}, e^{i\frac{\pi+\varphi-\psi}{2}} \right) \in S^1 \times S^1$$

is bijective. Take $A, B \in [0, 2\pi[$ to describe uniquely (e^{iA}, e^{iB}) . Then $0 \leq A + B - \frac{\pi}{2} < \frac{5\pi}{2}$, which is an interval of length larger than 2π , so if we take φ to be $A + B - \frac{\pi}{2}$ modulo 2π , we get an angle in the interval $[0, 2\pi[$. Now take $A \in [0, 2\pi[$ and $B \in]0, 2\pi]$ to uniquely describe (e^{iA}, e^{iB}) . Then

$-\frac{3\pi}{2} \leq A - B + \frac{\pi}{2} < \frac{5\pi}{2}$, which is an interval of length 4π , so we can take ψ to be $A - B + \frac{\pi}{2}$ modulo 4π to get an angle in the interval $[-2\pi, 2\pi[$. This shows that the map is surjective.

To show injectivity, let

$$e^{i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}} = e^{i\frac{\varphi'+\psi'}{2}} \quad \text{and} \quad e^{i\frac{\pi+\varphi-\psi}{2}} = e^{i\frac{\pi+\varphi'-\psi'}{2}},$$

which is equivalent to

$$\frac{\varphi + \psi}{2} - \frac{\varphi' + \psi'}{2} = 2k\pi \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\varphi - \psi}{2} - \frac{\varphi' - \psi'}{2} = 2l\pi,$$

for some $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore $\varphi + \psi - \varphi' - \psi' = 4k\pi$ and $\varphi - \psi - \varphi' + \psi' = 4l\pi$ which implies $\varphi - \varphi' = 2(k+l)\pi$ and $\psi - \psi' = 2(k-l)\pi$. But since both $\varphi, \varphi' \in [0, 2\pi[$ and $\varphi = \varphi' + 2(k+l)\pi$, it follows that $k = -l$ and hence $\varphi = \varphi'$. But then $\psi = \psi' + 4k\pi$ and since both $\psi, \psi' \in [-2\pi, 2\pi[$ it follows that $k = 0$ and hence $\psi = \psi'$. Thus the map is also injective.

(b) In the notations of the preceding Exercise, we have $\alpha = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi+\psi}{2}}$ and $\beta = i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\frac{\varphi-\psi}{2}}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha|^2 &= \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} & |\beta|^2 &= \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \\ \alpha^2 &= \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i(\varphi+\psi)} & \beta^2 &= -\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i(\varphi-\psi)} \\ \alpha\beta &= i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi} & \bar{\alpha}\beta &= i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{-i\psi} \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) &= \cos \psi \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi \sin \psi, \\ \operatorname{Im}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) &= \cos \psi \sin \varphi + \cos \theta \cos \varphi \sin \psi \\ -\operatorname{Im}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) &= -\sin \psi \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi \cos \psi, \\ \operatorname{Re}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) &= -\sin \psi \sin \varphi + \cos \theta \cos \varphi \cos \psi \\ -2 \operatorname{Re}(\alpha\beta) &= \sin \theta \sin \varphi, \\ -2 \operatorname{Im}(\alpha\beta) &= -\sin \theta \cos \varphi \\ 2 \operatorname{Re}(\bar{\alpha}\beta) &= \sin \theta \sin \psi, \\ 2 \operatorname{Im}(\bar{\alpha}\beta) &= \sin \theta \cos \psi \\ |\alpha|^2 - |\beta|^2 &= \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

which proves the formula for the homomorphism π .