Sreekrishna Palaparthi\* (sp49@buffalo.edu), 244 Mathematics Building, University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY 14260. Upper bound for the length of an n<sup>th</sup>-shortest closed geodesic in a hyperbolic knot complement in S<sup>3</sup>.

The length of a shortest closed geodesic in a finite volume hyperbolic 3-manifold can be arbitrarily large. In contrast, Colin Adams and Alan Reid showed that the length of a shortest closed geodesic in a hyperbolic knot or link complement in  $S^3$  is less than 7.171646... In this talk we will show that the length of an  $n^{th}$ -shortest closed geodesic (n > 1) in a hyperbolic knot complement in  $S^3$  is also bounded above and we will produce an explicit upper bound for this length, which will be a logarithmic function of n. (Received August 21, 2008)