

4.3 Completeness, metric structure.

(M, g) = Riemannian manifold (connected)

Def: $d: M \times M \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ defined by

$$d(x, y) = \inf_{\gamma} L(\gamma),$$

where "inf" is taken over all piecewise smooth curves

γ joining x and y , is called the

distance (or metric) of (M, g) .

Thm: (M, d) is a metric space, i.e. d satisfies

$$(1) \quad d(x, y) \geq 0; \quad "=" \text{ iff } x = y.$$

$$(2) \quad d(x, y) = d(y, x),$$

$$(3) \quad d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y).$$

Pf: All are easy (Exs.) and we prove only

$$"d(x, y) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y".$$

Suppose $x \neq y$. If $y \in B_\delta$, where δ is given as in the "Thm" in the previous section, then

$$d(x, y) = L(\gamma), \text{ where } \gamma = \text{radial geodesic from } x \text{ to } y.$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, y) > 0,$$

Continuity argument $\Rightarrow d(x, y) = \delta > 0$ if $y \in \partial B_\delta$.

Hence if $y \notin B_\delta$, and $\sigma =$ curve joining x to y .

Choose the 1st point y_1 of σ on ∂B_δ and conclude that

$$L(\sigma) \geq L(\sigma|_{(x, y_1)}) \geq \delta > 0$$

Taking "inf" $\Rightarrow d(x, y) \geq \delta > 0$ ~~xx~~

In fact, we have a stronger theorem

Thm: The topology of (M, d) is the same as the

original topology of M .

(Pf: Ex a pages 61-62 of H. Wu or do Carmo.)

Def: A Riemann manifold (M, g) is said to be complete if the associated metric space (M, d) is complete.

egs: $(\mathbb{R}^n, \text{standard metric})$, $(S^n, \text{standard metric})$
are complete

Hopf-Rinow Thm: The following statements are equivalent on a Riemannian manifold (M, g) :

- (1) M is complete;
- (2) $\forall x \in M$, \exp_x defined on the whole $T_x M$;
- (3) $\exists x \in M$, \exp_x defined on the whole $T_x M$;
- (4) bounded closed subsets of M are compact.

Cor 1 of Hopf-Rinow Thm

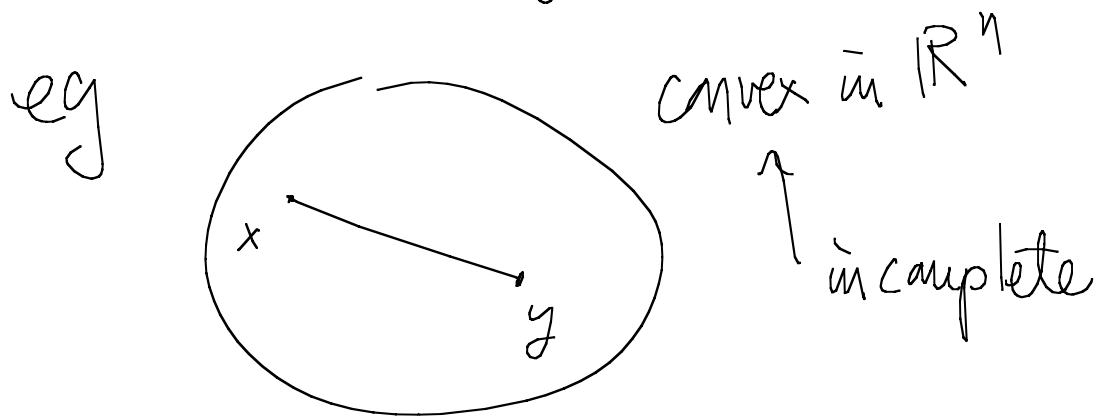
If (M, g) is complete, then $\forall x \neq y \in M$,
 \exists a minimizing geodesic γ joining x and y .

(Recall: all manifolds discussed in this course are assumed to be connected.)

Cor 2 : If (M, g) is complete, then $\forall x \in M$,

$\exp_x : T_x M \rightarrow M$ is surjective.

Notes : • The converse of Cor 1 of Hopf-Rinow Thm is not true in general :



• A general complete metric space may not have Heine-Borel property (4) of the thm)

eg: $S = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$ countable infinite set of distinct elements.

Define discrete metric d on S by

$$d(a_i, a_j) = 1 - \delta_{ij}$$

Then (S, d) is a complete metric space which is bounded.

$\Rightarrow S$ is a closed & bounded set but not compact.

Pf of Hopf-Rinow Thm:

(1) \Rightarrow (2) Let $\gamma = [0, \delta) \rightarrow M$ be a geodesic

$$\gamma(t) = \exp_x(tU) \quad \text{for some } U \in T_x M.$$

Suppose that $I = (a_1, b_1)$ is the maximal possible interval containing $[0, \delta)$ s.t. $\gamma(t)$ is defined.

Suppose $b_1 < +\infty$. Then M complete \Rightarrow

$$\exists y \in M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow b_1} \gamma(t) = y.$$

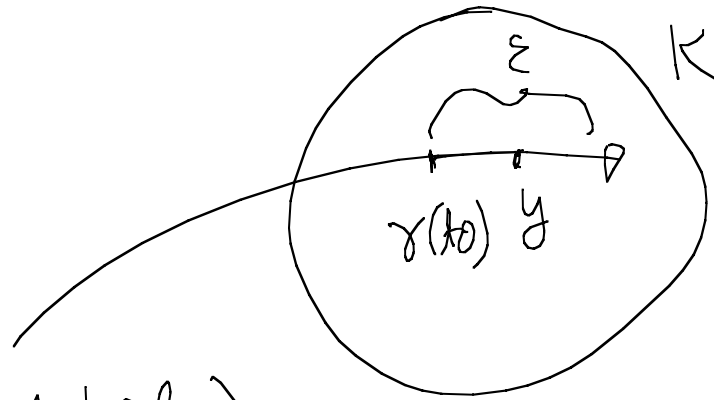
Let $K = \text{cpt nbd. of } y$.

ODE theory $\Rightarrow \exists \varepsilon > 0$ indep. of t_0 s.t.

$$" \quad \text{if } d(\gamma(t_0), y) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2},$$

then \exists geodesic $\zeta: [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow M$ s.t.

$$\zeta(0) = \gamma(t_0) \quad \& \quad \zeta'(0) = \gamma'(t_0) \quad "$$



(Ex = check the detail)

\Rightarrow joining ζ to γ gives an extension of γ beyond b_1 .

Hence $b_1 = +\infty$.

Similar argument $\Rightarrow a_1 = -\infty$

$\therefore \exp_x(tu)$ defined $\forall t \in (-\infty, \infty)$.

Since u is arbitrary, \exp_x defined on whole $T_x M$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) trivial

(4) \Rightarrow (1) is standard for metric space.

To prove (3) \Rightarrow (4), we claim

(5) Assume $x \in M$ as in (3), then $\forall y \in M$, \exists a minimizing geodesic joining x to y .

Pf of claim (5)

Let $\overline{B}(r) = \{y \in M : d(x, y) \leq r\}$

$$\Sigma(r) = \left\{ y \in \bar{B}(r) : y \text{ is joined to } x \text{ by } \right. \\ \left. \text{a min. geodesic.} \right\}$$

Then we need to show

$$\bar{B}(r) = \Sigma(r), \quad \forall r \in [0, \infty)$$

$$\text{Let } \mathcal{J} = \{ r \in [0, \infty) : \bar{B}(r) = \Sigma(r) \}$$

Then we have already shown that

if $r < \delta$ where $\delta > 0$ is given by the "Thm" in the previous section,

then $r \in \mathcal{J}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{J} \neq \emptyset.$$

Next: Since \exp_x defined on whole $T_x M \cong \mathbb{R}^n$
continuous dependence of $\exp_x(tu)$ on u

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{J}$ is closed.

To show \mathcal{J} is open, we need the following fact

(Ex, see do Carmo)

(*) $\left[\begin{array}{l} \forall \text{ cpt } K \subset M, \exists \varepsilon > 0 \text{ s.t.}, \\ \forall y, z \in K \text{ with } d(y, z) \leq \varepsilon, \\ \text{then } \exists \text{ a minimizing geodesic joining } y \& z. \end{array} \right.$

Note: This is a stronger result than the last Thm in §4.1
(in which one of the points has to be the center.)

Pf of openness: Define $K = \overline{B}(r)$, $\forall r$

Then $\overline{B}(r) \subset \exp_x(\overline{B}(r))$

$\Rightarrow \overline{B}(r)$ cpt. (since $\overline{B}(r)$ cpt in $T_x M$)
& \exp_x diffeo.

Applying (*), $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ with property stated in (*).

Let $\varepsilon' \in (0, \varepsilon)$ and $y \in \overline{B}(r + \varepsilon')$.

If $y \in \overline{B}(r)$, then $y \in \Sigma(r) \subset \Sigma(r + \varepsilon')$
($\because r \in \mathcal{G}$)

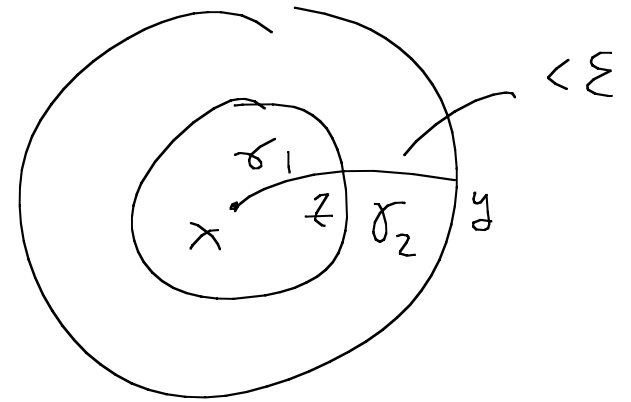
If $y \in \overline{B}(r + \varepsilon') \setminus \overline{B}(r)$, $\exists z \in \partial \overline{B}(r)$

$$\text{s.t. } d(x, y) = d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

(by using optness of $\partial \bar{B}(r)$ & definition of $d(x, y)$)

Then $r \in \mathcal{J} \Rightarrow$

\exists minimizing geodesic γ_1 joining
 x & z



On the other hand,

$$d(z, y) = d(x, y) - d(x, z) \leq r + \epsilon' - r = \epsilon' < \epsilon$$

$\stackrel{(*)}{\Rightarrow} \exists$ minimizing geodesic γ_2 joining z & y .

Then connecting γ_1 & γ_2 , we have a (piecewise smooth)

curve joining x & y with

$$\text{length} = d(x, z) + d(z, y) = d(x, y)$$

\Rightarrow it must be a minimizing geodesic.

Therefore \mathcal{J} is open.

Altogether, \mathcal{J} is open, closed, nonempty subset of $[0, \infty)$ $\Rightarrow \mathcal{J} = [0, \infty)$ \Rightarrow claim (5) ~~✗~~

Pf of (3) \Rightarrow (4)

By claim (5), \forall bounded & closed set K ,
 $\exists A > 0$ s.t. $d(x, k) \leq A$, $\forall k \in K$

$$\Rightarrow K \subset \exp_x(\bar{B}(A))$$

$$\Rightarrow K \text{ is cpt (since } \bar{B}(A) \text{ is cpt.)} \quad \#$$

This completes the proof of Hopf-Rinow Thm.

Pf of Cor 1 : Hopf-Rinow \Rightarrow (2) is true

(\Rightarrow (3) is true)

\Rightarrow claim (5) is true $\forall x \in M$

\Rightarrow Cor 1 is true $\#$

Ch5 Isometry, Space forms

(M, g) = complete Riemannian manifold (connected)

Def : (M, g) with constant sectional curvature \bar{c}
called a space form.

Thm1 : $\forall c \in \mathbb{R}$ & $n \geq 2$, \exists unique (up to isometry)
simply-connected space form of dimension n and
with constant sectional curvature c .

egs (proof later)

• $C=0$ (\mathbb{R}^n , standard flat metric)

• $C=+1$ (S^n , standard metric)

• $C=-1$ (\mathbb{B}^n , $\frac{4}{\left[1 - \sum_{i=1}^n (x^i)^2\right]^2} (dx^1 \otimes dx^1 + \dots + dx^n \otimes dx^n)$)

where $\mathbb{B}^n = \{(x^1, \dots, x^n) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x^i)^2 < 1\}$

(Hyperbolic n -space : unit ball model)

Def: Let M be a submanifold of \bar{M} equipped with the induced metric. Then M is called

a totally geodesic submanifold of \bar{M} if
a geodesic γ (of \bar{M}) tangents to M implies
 $\gamma \subset M$.

Note: Such a geodesic γ of \bar{M} must be a geodesic
of the submanifold M .

- egs:
- $\mathbb{R}^k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n = (x^1, \dots, x^k) \mapsto (x^1, \dots, x^k, 0, \dots, 0)$
gives a totally geodesic submanifold of \mathbb{R}^n .
 - $S^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ is not a totally geodesic submanifold
(since tangent lines to S^n don't stay in S^n .)

Let $\bullet M \subset \bar{M}$ be a submanifold

$\bullet M$ equipped with induced metric

$\bullet D, \bar{D} =$ Levi-Civita connections of M, \bar{M} respectively

(note: $D_X Y = (\bar{D}_X Y)^{\text{tangential part}}$)

Consider $S(X, Y) = D_X Y - \bar{D}_X Y, \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{P}(TM)$

(note: S defined for vector fields on M , not \bar{M})

Facts: $\bullet S(X_1 + X_2, Y) = S(X_1, Y) + S(X_2, Y)$

$\bullet S(X, Y) = S(Y, X)$

$\bullet \forall f \in C^\infty(M), S(fX, Y) = S(X, fY) = fS(X, Y)$

The last one \Rightarrow S defines a tensor field on M .

Pf of Symmetry: $S(X, Y) - S(Y, X)$

$$= (D_X Y - \bar{D}_X Y) - (D_Y X - \bar{D}_Y X)$$
$$= (D_X Y - D_Y X) - (\bar{D}_X Y - \bar{D}_Y X)$$
$$= [X, Y] - [X, Y] = 0 \quad (D, \bar{D} = \text{Levi-Civita})$$

others are easy (Ex.), ~~✗~~

Therefore, we can define a symmetric bilinear form

on $T_x M$, $\forall x \in M$:

$$\forall U, W \in T_x M, \quad S(U, W) = S(W, U) \quad \left(S_x(U, W) = S(U, W)_x \right)$$

where $V, W =$ extension of U, W .

Def: This S is called the 2nd fundamental form of M
in \bar{M} .

Lemma 2 = $M \subset \bar{M}$ totally geodesic

$\Leftrightarrow S \equiv 0$, where $S = 2^{\text{nd}}$ f.f. of M in \bar{M}

(i.e. $D_X Y = \bar{D}_X Y$)

Pf: (\Rightarrow) let $x \in M$ & $U \in T_x M \subset T_x \bar{M}$

let $\gamma =$ geodesic on \bar{M} with

$$\gamma(0) = x, \quad \gamma'(0) = U.$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{D}_{\gamma'} \gamma' = 0$$

By assumption, γ is also a geodesic of M

$$\Rightarrow D_{\gamma'} \gamma' = 0$$

Therefore $S(v, v) = S(\gamma'(0), \gamma'(0))$

$$= D_{\gamma'} \gamma' - \bar{D}_{\gamma'} \gamma' = 0$$

Symmetry of $S \Rightarrow S(v, w) = 0 \quad \forall v, w \in T_x M.$

(\Leftarrow) Suppose $S \equiv 0.$

Let γ be a geodesic of \bar{M} such that

$$\gamma(0) = x \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma'(0) = v \in T_x M \subset T_x \bar{M}.$$

By Existence & Uniqueness of geodesic in M ,

$\exists \xi = \text{geodesic of } M \text{ s.t.}$

$$\xi(0) = x, \quad \xi'(0) = v \in T_x M.$$

Then $S = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{D}_{\xi'(x)} \xi'(x) = D_{\xi'(x)} \xi'(x) = 0 \quad (\xi = \text{geo. of } M)$$

$\Rightarrow \xi$ is also a geodesic of \bar{M}

Then uniqueness $\Rightarrow \gamma = \xi \subset M$ ~~✗~~

Lemma 3 Let $M \subset \bar{M}$ be totally geodesic,

K, \bar{K} = sectional curvatures of M, \bar{M} respectively.

Then $\forall x \in M$, \forall 2-plane $\pi \subset T_x M \subset T_x \bar{M}$,

$$K(\pi) = \bar{K}(\pi)$$

(Pf = Immediately from Lemma 2)

eg = Let $\gamma = (a, b) \rightarrow \bar{M}$ be a smooth curve parametrized by arc-length. Suppose \exists isometry $\varphi: \bar{M} \rightarrow \bar{M}$

s.t.

$$\gamma((a, b)) = \{y \in \bar{M} = \varphi(y) = y\}$$

Then γ is a normalized geodesic.

Pf: We first note that \forall geodesic ξ in \bar{M} ,

$\varphi \circ \xi$ is also a geodesic in \bar{M} (since $\varphi = \text{isom.}$)

Now $\forall t_0 \in (a, b)$, take a geodesic

$$\zeta \subset \bar{M} \text{ s.t. } \begin{cases} \zeta(0) = \gamma(t_0) \\ \zeta'(0) = \gamma'(t_0) \end{cases}$$

Since $\gamma((a, b)) = \text{fixed point set of } \varphi$

$$d\varphi(\gamma'(t_0)) = \gamma'(t_0) \quad (\text{by diff. } \varphi \circ \gamma = \gamma)$$

$$\Rightarrow d\varphi(\zeta'(0)) = \zeta'(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\varphi \circ \zeta)'(0) = \zeta'(0) \quad (\text{since } \varphi(\zeta(0)) = \zeta(0))$$

Uniqueness of geodesic $\Rightarrow \varphi \circ \zeta = \zeta$

$$\Rightarrow \zeta \subset \{y \in \bar{M} \mid \varphi(y) = y\} = \gamma((a, b))$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma$ is normalized geodesic \times

Lemma 4: The set of fixed points of an isometry is a totally geodesic submanifold.
(not necessarily connected.)

Pf: Let $\varphi: \bar{M} \rightarrow \bar{M}$ be an isometry &

$M = \{y \in \bar{M} \mid \varphi(y) = y\}$ be the set of fixed points of φ .

If M is submanifold of \bar{M} , then the same argument as in the previous example implies

M is totally geodesic. So we only need to show

the following claim:

Claim: Let $x \in M$, $B(\delta) = \{v \in T_x \bar{M} : |v| < \delta\}$
 $B_\delta = \{y \in \bar{M} : d(x, y) < \delta\}$

where $\delta > 0$ small enough s.t.

$\exp_x : B(\delta) \rightarrow B_\delta$ is a diffeomorphism

$$\Rightarrow B_\delta = \exp_x(B(\delta))$$

Let $\mathcal{F} \subset T_x \bar{M}$ be a linear subspace defined by

$$\mathcal{F} = \{v \in T_x \bar{M} : d\varphi(v) = 0\}$$

Then

$$M \cap B_\delta = \exp_x(\mathcal{F} \cap B(\delta)).$$

Hence M is submanifold of \bar{M} .

Pf of Claim :

$$(1) \quad M \cap B_\delta \subset \exp_x(\mathcal{F} \cap B(\delta))$$

Pf: Let $y \in M \cap B_\delta \subset B_\delta$

$$\Rightarrow \exists v \in B(\delta) \text{ s.t. } \exp_x v = y.$$

$$\text{Let } \gamma(t) = \exp_x(tv) : [0, 1] \rightarrow \overline{M}$$

be the unique minimizing geodesic joining x to y .

Since $x, y \in M$, we have $\varphi(x) = x$ & $\varphi(y) = y$

$\Rightarrow \varphi \circ \gamma$ is also a minimizing geodesic joining x to y .

Uniqueness

$$\implies \varphi \circ \gamma = \gamma$$

$$\implies d\varphi(v) = v$$

$$\implies v \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$\therefore y = \exp_x v \in \exp_x(\mathcal{F} \cap B(\delta))$$

This proves (1).

$$(2) \exp_x(\mathcal{F} \cap B(\delta)) \subset M \cap B_\delta$$

Pf: Let $y \in \exp_x(\mathcal{F} \cap B(\delta))$.

Then $\exists v \in \mathcal{F} \cap B(\delta)$ such that

$$y = \exp_x v.$$

Let $\gamma(t) = \exp_x(tv) : [0, 1] \rightarrow \overline{M}$ be the

unique minimizing geodesic joining x to y .

Since $v \in \mathcal{F}$, $d\varphi(\gamma'(0)) = \gamma'(0)$

$\Rightarrow \varphi \circ \gamma$ & γ have the same initial values.

Uniqueness
 $\xrightarrow{\quad\quad\quad}$ $\varphi \circ \gamma = \gamma$

$\Rightarrow y = \gamma(1) = \varphi(\gamma(1)) = \varphi(y)$

$\Rightarrow y \in M \cap B_\delta$. ~~XXX~~

Lemma 5: $S^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ has constant sectional curvature $+1$,
 $\forall n \geq 2$.

Pf: " $n=2$ " is proved in undergrad DG (ex)

If $n \geq 3$, define

$$\tilde{\varphi}: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$(x^1, x^2, x^3, x^4, \dots, x^{n+1}) \mapsto (x^1, x^2, x^3, -x^4, \dots, -x^{n+1})$$

Then $|\tilde{\varphi}(x)| = |x|$ (Euclidean norm)

Hence $\tilde{\varphi}$ induces an isometry

$$\varphi: \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n.$$

The fixed points set

$$M = \{x \in \mathbb{S}^n : \varphi(x) = x\}$$

$$= \{(x^1, x^2, x^3, 0, \dots, 0) : (x^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 + (x^3)^2 = 1\}$$

$= S^2$
is a totally geodesic submanifold.

Hence $K_{S^n}(\Pi) = K_{S^2}(\Pi) = +1$,

\forall 2-plane $\Pi \subset T_x S^2$, where $x \in (x^1, x^2, x^3, 0, \dots, 0)$.

Repeat the argument for any 3 indices $i, j, k \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}$
and the fact S^n is invariant under rotation,
we have proved that $K_{S^n} \equiv +1$. ~~###~~