

Prop: Let  $K \geq +1$ , then  $C(r) \leq 2\pi \sin r$ , for small  $r$ .

Pf: Consider a comparison function  $h(t) = \sin t$

$$\text{Then } \begin{cases} h'' + h = 0 \\ h(0) = 0 \\ h'(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (hf' - fh')' &= hf'' - fh'' \\ &= -Kh + fh \\ &= -(K-1)fh. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(0) = h(0) = 0$ ,  $f'(0) = h'(0) = 1$ , we have  
 $f \geq 0$ ,  $h \geq 0$  for small  $t > 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow (hf' - fh')' \leq 0 \quad \text{for small } t > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow hf' - fh' \leq h(0)f'(0) - f(0)h'(0) = 0 \quad \text{for small } t > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{f}{h}\right)' = \frac{hf' - fh'}{h^2} \leq 0 \quad \text{for small } t > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(t)}{h(t)} \leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\varepsilon)}{h(\varepsilon)} = \frac{f'(0)}{h'(0)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) \leq h(t) = \sin t \quad \text{for small } t > 0$$

Hence  $C(r) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(r) d\theta \leq 2\pi \sin r$  for small  $r > 0$ . ~~///~~

Prop : If  $K \leq -1$ , we have  $C(r) \geq 2\pi \sinh(r)$ .

(for small  $r$  at this moment)

Pf: Consider  $h(t) = \sinh t$ .

$$\text{Then } \begin{cases} h''(t) - h(t) = 0 \\ h(0) = 0 \\ h'(0) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (hf' - fh')' &= hf'' - fh'' \\ &= -Kfh - fh \\ &= -(K+1)fh \\ &\geq 0 \quad \text{for small } t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow h f' - f h' \geq h(0) f'(0) - f(0) h'(0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{f}{h} \right)' \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(t)}{h(t)} \geq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\varepsilon)}{h(\varepsilon)} = \frac{f'(0)}{h'(0)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) \geq \sin h(t) \quad \text{for small } t > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow C(r) \geq 2\pi \sinh(r) \quad \text{for small } r > 0.$$

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# Ch6 Jacobi field, Cartan-Hadamard Thm

## §6.1 Jacobi field

Let  $\gamma$  = normalized geodesic (i.e.  $|\gamma'| = 1$ )

Recall that the Jacobi eqt (for vector fields along  $\gamma$ )  
is

$$U'' + R_{\gamma'U} \gamma' = 0 \quad (\text{Jac})$$

where  $U'' = D_{\gamma'} D_{\gamma'} U$  ( $U' = D_{\gamma'} U$ )

Let  $\{e_1(t), \dots, e_n(t)\}$  be parallel vector fields along  $\gamma$

s.t.  $\forall x$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} e_1(x) = \gamma'(x) \\ \{e_i(x)\}_{i=1}^n \text{ is an orthonormal basis of } T_{\gamma(x)} M. \end{array} \right.$$

Then  $\forall$  vector field  $U$  along  $\gamma$ , we write

$$U(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n f^i(x) e_i(x), \text{ for some functions } f^i(x).$$

Similarly, the curvature can be written as

$$R_{e_i(x)e_j(x)} e_k(x) = \sum_{l=1}^n R_{ijk}^l(x) e_l(x),$$

where  $R_{ijk}^l(x) = \langle R_{e_i(x)e_j(x)} e_k(x), e_l(x) \rangle$

Then the eqt (Jac)  $\Rightarrow$

$$0 = U'' + R_{\gamma'} v \gamma'$$

$$= \left( \sum_i f^i e_i \right)'' + R_{e_1} v e_1$$

$$= \sum_i (f^i)'' e_i + R_{e_1} \left( \sum_l f^l e_l \right) e_1$$

$$= \sum_i (f^i)'' e_i + \sum_l f^l R_{e_1} e_l e_1$$

$$= \sum_i (f^i)'' e_i + \sum_l f^l \sum_i R_{i|e_1}^i e_i$$

$$= \sum_i \left[ (f^i)'' + \sum_l R_{i|e_1}^i f^l \right] e_i$$

$$\therefore (\text{Jac}) \Leftrightarrow \boxed{(f^{\bar{i}})'' + \sum_l R_{i|e_1}^{\bar{i}} f^l = 0 \quad \forall \bar{i}=1, \dots, n}$$

which is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order linear ODE system.

Lemma

(1) Let  $\gamma$  be a geodesic. Then given any  $v, w \in T_{\gamma(0)}M$ ,  
 $\exists$  a unique Jacobi field  $J(t)$  along  $\gamma$  s.t.

$$\begin{cases} J(0) = v \\ J'(0) = w. \end{cases}$$

(2) Unless  $J \equiv 0$ , the zero set of  $J(t)$  along  $\gamma$  is discrete.

(Pf: ODE theory)



Lemma 2: Let  $U$  be a vector field along a normalized geodesic  $\gamma$ . Then

$U$  is a Jacobi field along  $\gamma$

$\Leftrightarrow U$  is the transversal vector field of a one-parameter family of geodesics.

Pf: ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Proved in previous chapter.

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $v = U(0)$  &  $w = U'(0)$

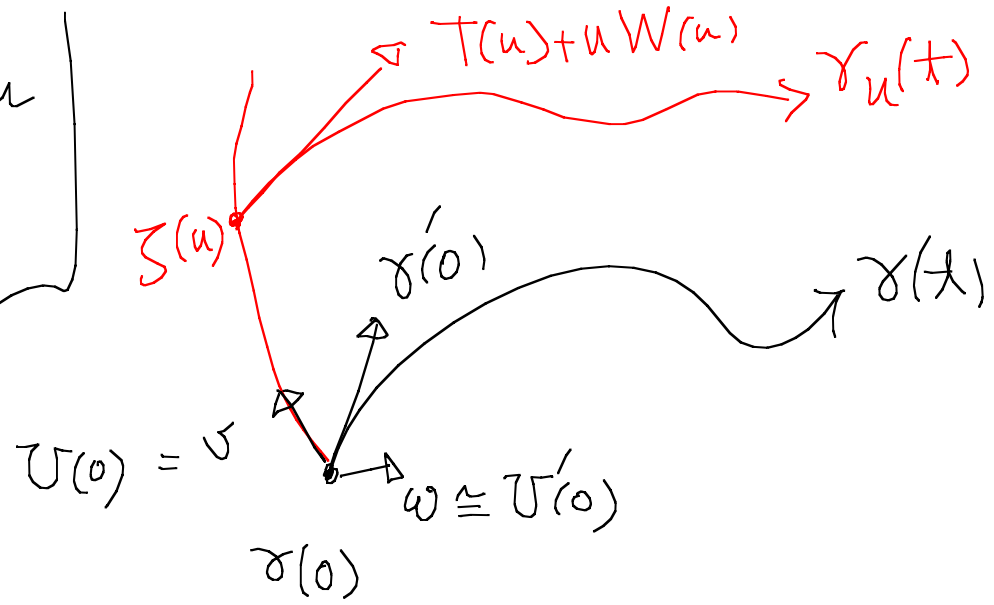
(by identifying  $T_{\vec{p}}(T_{\gamma(0)}M) \cong T_{\gamma(0)}M$ ,  $\forall \vec{p}$ )

And let  $\zeta: [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow M$  be a geodesic

st.  $\zeta(0) = \gamma(0)$  &  $\zeta'(0) = v$

Define parallel vector fields  $T(u)$  &  $W(u)$

for  $u \in [0, \varepsilon]$ ,  
along  $\zeta$  such that



$$T(0) = \gamma'(0) \text{ \& } W(0) = \omega$$

$\forall u \in [0, \varepsilon]$ , defines

$$\Gamma(t, u) = \gamma_u(t) = \exp_{\zeta(u)} \left[ t (T(u) + uW(u)) \right]$$

Let  $U_1 =$  transversal vector field of  $\gamma_u$  along  $\gamma = \gamma_0$ .

Then  $U_1$  is a Jacobi field.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Since } U_1(0) &= \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right|_{u=0} \gamma_u(0) \\
&= \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right|_{u=0} \exp_{\Sigma(u)}(0) \\
&= \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right|_{u=0} \Sigma(u) = \Sigma'(0) = v.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $T_1 = d\Gamma\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)$  is a vector field along  $\Gamma$  &  
when restricted to  $\gamma$ , we have

$$[T_1, U_1] = 0.$$

And hence

$$U_1'(0) = D_{\gamma'(0)} U_1 = D_{U_1(0)} T_1 \quad (\text{since } [T_1, U_1] = 0)$$

$$= D_U T_1 = D_{\zeta'(0)} T_1$$

Note that  $T_1(\zeta(u)) = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} \exp_{\zeta(u)} [t(T(u) + uW(u))]$

$$= T(u) + uW(u)$$

$$\therefore U_1'(0) = D_{\zeta'(0)} T_1 = D_{\zeta'(0)} [T(u) + uW(u)]$$

$$= W(0) \quad (\text{Since } T, W \text{ are parallel along } \zeta)$$

$$= \omega$$

Altogether  $U(0) = U_1(0)$  &  $U'(0) = U_1'(0)$ ,

Uniqueness of Jacobi field  $\Rightarrow U = U_1$

= transversal vector field ~~X~~

Lemma 3: Let  $U$  be a Jacobi field along a geodesic  $\gamma$ .

Then  $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$U = U^\perp + (at + b)\gamma',$$

where  $U^\perp$  is a Jacobi field s.t.  $\langle U^\perp, \gamma' \rangle = 0 \forall t$ .

Pf: Consider

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \langle U, \gamma' \rangle = \frac{d}{dt} (D_{\gamma'} \langle U, \gamma' \rangle)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (\langle U', \gamma' \rangle + \langle U, \cancel{D_{\gamma'} \gamma'} \rangle)$$

$$= \langle U'', \gamma' \rangle + 0$$

$$= -\langle R_{\gamma'} U, \gamma' \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle U, \gamma' \rangle = \tilde{a}t + \tilde{b} \quad \text{for some } \tilde{a}, \tilde{b} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\text{Let } U^\perp = U - \langle U, \frac{\gamma'}{|\gamma'|} \rangle \frac{\gamma'}{|\gamma'|}$$

$$= U - \left( \frac{\tilde{a}}{|\gamma'|^2} t + \frac{\tilde{b}}{|\gamma'|^2} \right) \gamma'$$

$$\text{Since } |\gamma'| \equiv \text{const.}, \quad U^\perp = U - (at + b) \gamma'$$

$$\text{with } a = \frac{\tilde{a}}{|\gamma'|^2}, \quad b = \frac{\tilde{b}}{|\gamma'|^2} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\text{and satisfies } \langle U^\perp, \gamma' \rangle = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(U^\perp)'' &= U'' - [(at+b)\gamma']'' \\
&= U'' = -R_{\gamma'} U \gamma' \\
&= -R_{\gamma'} U^\perp \gamma' - (at+b) R_{\gamma'} \gamma' \\
&= -R_{\gamma'} U^\perp \gamma'
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow U^\perp$  is a Jacobi field. ~~✗~~

Lemma 4 If  $U$  is a Jacobi field along a geodesic  $\gamma$

such that

$$\langle U(t_1), \gamma'(t_1) \rangle = \langle U(t_2), \gamma'(t_2) \rangle = 0$$

for 2 different  $t_1$  &  $t_2$ , Then  $\langle U(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle = 0, \forall t$ .

(Pf: Since  $\langle U(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle$  is linear in  $t$ )

In summary, we have the following facts of Jacobi fields:

(A) Let  $\zeta: [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow M$  be a curve in  $M$ ,  
 $u \mapsto \zeta(u)$

$T(u), W(u)$  parallel vector fields along  $\zeta$ .

Then  $\gamma_u(t) = \exp_{\zeta(u)} [t(T(u) + uW(u))]$

determines a 1-param. family of geodesics  $\{\gamma_u\}$

s.t. its transversal vector field  $U(t)$  along  $\gamma_0$



is a Jacobi field with 
$$\begin{cases} U(0) = \zeta'(0) \\ U'(0) = W(0) \end{cases}$$

(B) (If we take  $\zeta(u) \equiv x \in M$  (constant curve) in (A),  
then we have)

$\forall x \in M; T, \omega \in T_x M$ . Then the 1-param. family  
of geodesics  $\{\gamma_u\}$  defined by

$$\gamma_u(t) = \exp_x [t(T + u\omega)]$$

has a transversal vector field  $U(t)$  s.t.

$U(t)$  is a Jacobi field with

$$\begin{cases} U(0) = 0 \\ U'(0) = \omega. \end{cases}$$

(C) [Furthermore, adding condition  $\langle T, \omega \rangle = 0$  to (B)]

Let  $x \in M$ ;  $T, \omega \in T_x M$  s.t.  $\langle T, \omega \rangle = 0$ .

Let  $\gamma_u(t) = \exp_x [t(T + u\omega)]$ ,

Then the transversal vector field  $U(x)$  of  $\{\gamma_u\}$  is a normal Jacobi field with

$$\begin{cases} U(0) = 0 \\ U'(0) = \omega. \end{cases}$$

(normal Jacobi field  $\equiv$  Jacobi field normal to the geodesic)

The proof of (C) needs (extension of) Gauss Lemma.

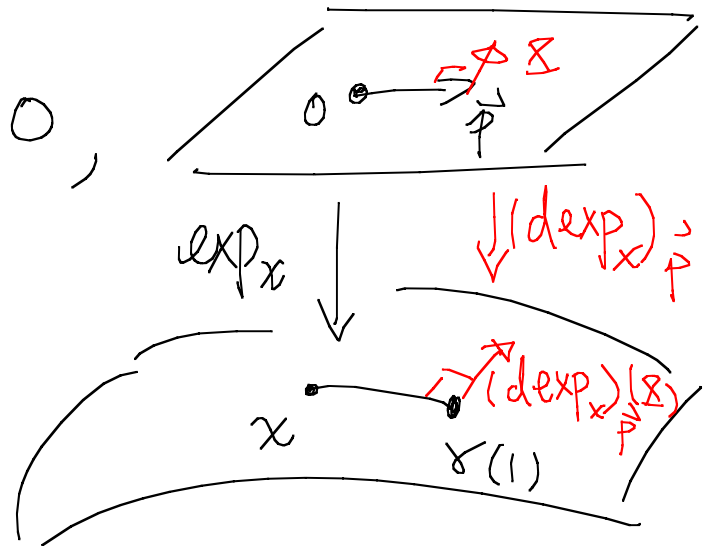
Lemma 5 (Gauss lemma)

Let  $M$  complete,  $x \in M$ ,  $\vec{p} \in T_x M$ ,  $\vec{\gamma} \in T_{\vec{p}}(T_x M) \cong T_x M$

If  $\langle \vec{p}, \vec{\gamma} \rangle = 0$ , then

$$\langle (d\exp_x)_{\vec{p}}(\vec{\gamma}), \gamma'(1) \rangle = 0,$$

where  $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow M$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $t \mapsto \exp_x(t\vec{p})$ .



Pf: Let  $\xi: [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow T_x M$  be a curve in  $T_x M$  s.t.,

$$\xi(0) = \vec{p}, \quad \xi'(0) = \underline{X}; \quad \text{and that}$$

$$\xi([0, \varepsilon]) \subset \bigcup_{|\vec{p}|}^{n-1} \subset T_x M.$$

Such  $\xi$  exists since  $\underline{X} \perp \vec{p}$  (ie  $\underline{X} \in T_{\vec{p}} \bigcup_{|\vec{p}|}^{n-1}$ )

Consider  $\Gamma: [0, 1] \times [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow M$

$$(t, u) \mapsto \exp_x [t \xi(u)]$$

Let  $T = d\Gamma\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)$  &  $U = d\Gamma\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u}\right)$ .

Then  $\gamma(t) = \Gamma(t, 0)$ ,

$$\gamma'(1) = T(\gamma(1))$$

$$\left( d\exp_x \right)_{\vec{p}} (\vec{X}) = \dot{U}(r(1)).$$

$$\text{Since } |\dot{\xi}(u)| = |\vec{p}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle T, T \rangle = |\vec{p}|^2 \quad (\text{geodesic has const. speed})$$

$$\therefore T \langle U, T \rangle = \langle D_T U, T \rangle + \langle U, D_T T \rangle \quad (\gamma = \text{geodesic})$$

$$= \langle D_U T + [T, U], T \rangle \quad ([T, U] = d\Gamma \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right])$$

$$= \langle D_U T, T \rangle = \frac{1}{2} U \langle T, T \rangle$$

$$= 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle U, T \rangle = \text{constant along } \gamma$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \langle U(t), T(t) \rangle = \langle U(0), T(0) \rangle = 0 \quad \text{with a red arrow pointing to } 0$$

Pf of (C): let  $\zeta: [0, \varepsilon] \rightarrow T_x M$

$$u \mapsto \zeta(T + u\omega)$$

assumption



$$\text{Then } \langle \zeta'(0), \zeta(0) \rangle = \langle \zeta\omega, \zeta T \rangle = \zeta^2 \langle \omega, T \rangle = 0,$$

$$\text{and } (d\exp_x)_{(\zeta T)}(\zeta'(0)) = U(\zeta) \quad \left( U = \text{transversal vector field of } \exp_x(\zeta(T + u\omega)) \right)$$

Consider the curve  $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow M$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \tau \end{matrix} \mapsto \exp_x(\tau \zeta T).$$

(Then  $\gamma_0(\zeta) = \exp_x(\zeta T)$ )

$$\Rightarrow \gamma'(1) = \frac{d}{d\tau} \Big|_{\tau=1} [\exp_x(\tau \zeta T)] = (d\exp_x)_{(\zeta T)}(\zeta T)$$

$$= \star \left( d\exp_x \right)_{(\star T)} (T)$$

$$= \star \gamma_0'(\star) \quad (\text{"'"} \text{ means derivative wrt } \star)$$

Applying the Gauss Lemma to  $\gamma$  and  $\Sigma = \zeta'(0)$ ,

$$\vec{p} = \zeta(0) = \star T \quad \left( \langle \vec{\Sigma}, \vec{p} \rangle = \langle \zeta'(0), \zeta(0) \rangle = 0 \right),$$

we have

$$\langle \zeta(\star), \gamma_0'(\star) \rangle = \left\langle \left( d\exp_x \right)_{(\star T)} (\zeta'(0)), \frac{1}{\star} \gamma'(1) \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\star} \langle \left( d\exp_x \right)_{(\star T)} (\Sigma), \gamma'(1) \rangle = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \zeta$  is normal. Other conclusions are clear from (B) ~~✗~~