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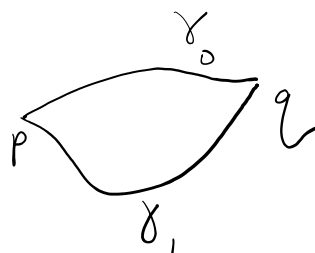
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Geodesic: local existence and uniqueness \Leftarrow ODE

Hopf-Rinow: global results
geometry in large

Existence of shortest geodesics in a given homotopy class.

Def: $\gamma_0, \gamma_1 : I = [0, 1] \rightarrow M$
with $\gamma_0(0) = p = \gamma_1(0)$
 $\gamma_0(1) = q = \gamma_1(1)$



If \exists continuous map $\Gamma : I \times I \rightarrow M$

$$\text{s.t. } \Gamma(0, s) = p, \quad \forall s \in I,$$

$$\Gamma(1, s) = q, \quad \forall s \in I$$

$$\Gamma(t, 0) = \gamma_0(t), \quad \Gamma(t, 1) = \gamma_1(t)$$

Then we ~~can~~ say γ_0 and γ_1 are homotopic.

Closed: $c_0, c_1 : S^1 \rightarrow M$

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Aim: Find shortest curve in a given homotopy class.

Lemma: Let M be compact Riem. mfd. ~~β_0~~

Let $\rho_0 > 0$ be a number s.t. $\forall p, q \in M, d(p, q) < \rho_0$

$\Rightarrow \exists$! shortest curve from p to q .

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$$(S')$$

$$d(\gamma_0(t), \gamma_1(t)) \leq \rho$$

$$\forall t \in I \quad (S')$$

$$\gamma_1(t)$$

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pf: $\exists!$ shortest curve $\mathcal{C} : I \rightarrow M$ s.t. $\mathcal{C}(0) = \gamma_0(0), \mathcal{C}(1) = \gamma_1(1)$
 parametrized prop. to arc length. $t \in I = [0, 1]$

$$\Gamma : I \times I \rightarrow M$$

$$(t, s) \mapsto \Gamma(t, s) = \mathcal{C}_t(s)$$

$$= \exp_{\gamma_0(t)} \left(s \exp_{\gamma_0(t)}^{-1} \gamma_1(t) \right)$$

$$s \in [0, 1] = I$$

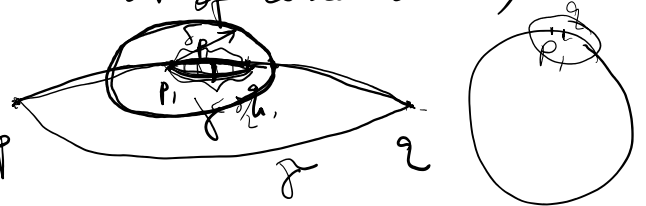
Prop: γ is a shortest curve in its homotopy class \square

\exists a parametrization s.t.
 Then $\gamma = \gamma(t)$ is a geodesic.

(either with of curves with fixed endpoints or of closed curves)

Proof: $I = [0, 1]$
 $\text{Length}(\gamma) \leq \text{Length}(\tilde{\gamma})$

parametrized \swarrow where $\tilde{\gamma}$ homotopic \uparrow
 prop. to arc length to γ s.t. $\tilde{\gamma}(0) = p, \tilde{\gamma}(1) = q$.



If γ is not a geodesic, then there exists points

p_1, q_1 on γ s.t. length of the arc from p_1 to q_1 is smaller $< \delta/2$ ($B_{p_1}(\delta_{p_1})$ is a ~~total~~ normal neighborhood of p_1), and this arc is not a geodesic. We can then replace the original arc by the unique shortest geodesic from p_1 to q_1 .

$$p_1 \quad \overline{B_{p_1}(\delta_{p_1})} \quad \text{compt.}$$

$$\exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall q \in \overline{B_{p_1}(\delta_{p_1})}$$

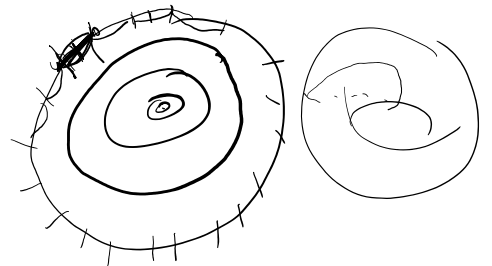
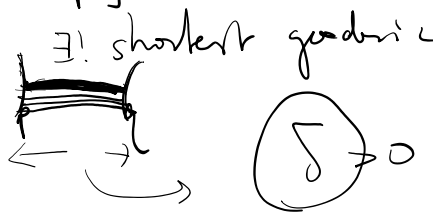
$B_q(\delta)$ is a normal neighborhood of q .

\Rightarrow The "new" curve is homotopic to the original one.

Theorem 4.1 Let M be a compact Rie wld. \square

Then every homotopy class of closed curves in M contains a curve which is a shortest curve in its homotopy class and a geodesic.

Proof:



$$\inf_{\gamma \in [\gamma_0]} \text{Length}(\gamma)$$

Choose a minimizing sequence $(\gamma_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

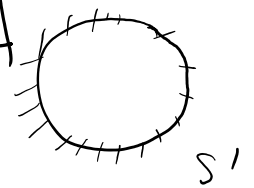
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Length}(\gamma_n) = \inf_{\gamma \in [\gamma_0]} \text{Length}(\gamma)$$

For each curve $\gamma_n: S^1 \rightarrow M$

parametrised proportionally to arc lengths

$$\exists \left[0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m < t_{m+1} = 2\pi \right]$$

$$\text{s.t. } \text{Length}(\gamma_n | [t_{j-1}, t_j]) < \frac{\delta}{2}$$



Replacing $\gamma_n | [t_{j-1}, t_j]$ by the shortest geodesic between

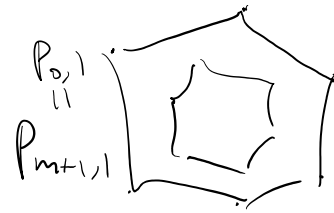
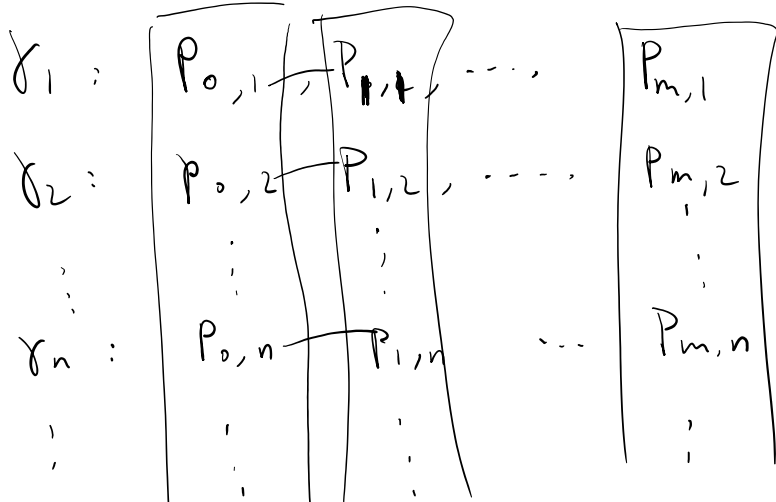
$\gamma_n(t_{j-1})$ and $\gamma_n(t_j)$

- \Rightarrow
- in the same homotopic class.
 - length no increasing.

$(\gamma_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ minimizing sequence,

$\sup_n \{ \text{Length}(\gamma_n) \} < \infty \Rightarrow$ We can choose m to

be a uniform constant.



M compact

"diagonal argument"

\exists subsequence,



$\forall j, \exists P_{j-1,n}, P_{j,n} \in \gamma$ shortest geodesic

$$d(P_0, P_1) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} d(P_{0,j}, P_{1,j}) \leq \frac{\delta}{2} < \delta$$

γ piecewise geodesic, closed, in the same homotopy class as γ_n .

$$\text{Length}(\underline{\gamma}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Length}(\underline{\gamma_n}) = \inf_{\gamma \in [\gamma_0]} \text{Length}(\gamma).$$

① M compact.

Thm 4.2 Let M be a complete

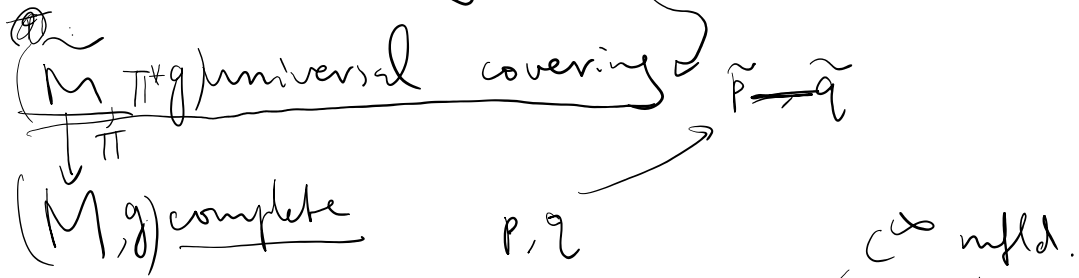


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Rie. mfd., $p, q \in M$. Every homotopy class of curves from p to q contains a geodesic γ that minimizing length among all curves in the same homotopy class.



If M is simply connected, Hopf - Rinzow.



Recall: A covering map $\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ is a continuous map which is surjective, such $\forall p \in M$, $\exists U \ni p$, is evenly covered:

every connected component of $\pi^{-1}(U)$ is mapped homeomorphically onto U .

Any Rie metric $\overset{\text{isometry}}{\uparrow} \text{on } \tilde{M}$ induces a Rie metric on M . \rightarrow A smooth covering map.

π : a Riemannian covering map.

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Lemma: \tilde{M}, M , Rie mfd's.

$\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ is Riemannian covering map.

Then if M is complete, then \tilde{M} is also complete.

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M is complete iff \tilde{M} is complete

Proof: \Rightarrow $\forall \tilde{p} \in \tilde{M}, \forall \tilde{v} \in T_{\tilde{p}}\tilde{M}$ 

$p = \pi(\tilde{p}), v = d\pi_{(\tilde{p})}(\tilde{v}) \in T_p M$

M cpl. $\Rightarrow \exists$ a geodesic γ s.t. $\gamma(0) = p, \dot{\gamma}(0) = v$ is defined on $[0, \infty)$

Path Lifting

$\forall \gamma: I \rightarrow M$ contin. $\exists \tilde{\gamma}: I \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ s.t.

$\pi \circ \tilde{\gamma} = \gamma$

$\Rightarrow \exists!$ Lift of $\gamma, \tilde{\gamma}$ s.t. $\tilde{\gamma}(0) = \tilde{p}$

$\pi \circ \dot{\tilde{\gamma}} = \dot{\gamma} \Rightarrow \dot{\tilde{\gamma}}(0) = \tilde{v}$

and $\tilde{\gamma}$ is defined on $[0, \infty)$

Hopf-Rinow \Rightarrow

\tilde{M} complete.

" \Leftarrow " $\forall p \in M, \forall v \in T_p M$

$\exists \gamma: I \rightarrow M$ geodesic $\gamma(0) = p, \dot{\gamma}(0) = v$

Let $\tilde{\gamma}$ be a lift of γ in \tilde{M} starting at \tilde{p}

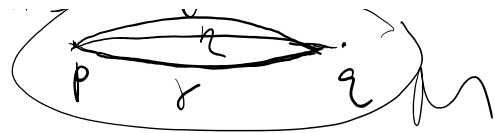
π local isometry $\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}$ is a geodesic 

\tilde{M} complete $\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}$ is defined $[0, \infty)$

$\pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}|_I = \gamma$ 

Proof of 4.2.

Proof of T.C.



Consider $\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ a universal covering map. Riemannian

$\sigma: [0,1] \rightarrow M$ from p to q $[0]$

Choose $\tilde{p} \in \pi^{-1}(p)$, and $\tilde{\sigma}$ be the lift of σ starting at \tilde{p} $\tilde{\sigma}: [0,1] \rightarrow \tilde{M}$

denote $\tilde{q} =: \tilde{\sigma}(1)$

In particular, $\pi(\tilde{q}) = \pi \circ \tilde{\sigma}(1) = \sigma(1) = q$

\tilde{M} cpl. $\Rightarrow \exists$ shortest geodesic $\tilde{\gamma}$ from \tilde{p} to \tilde{q} .

π local isometry $\gamma := \pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}$ is a geodesic in M from p to q .

① $\tilde{\sigma}: [0,1] \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ $\tilde{\sigma}(0) = \tilde{p}, \tilde{\sigma}(1) = \tilde{q}$

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$\tilde{\sigma}$ is homotopic to $\tilde{\gamma}$ in \tilde{M}

$\pi \circ \tilde{\gamma} = \gamma, \pi \circ \tilde{\sigma} = \sigma \Rightarrow \gamma$ and σ is homotopic.

② If $\eta \in [0] : I \rightarrow M$, $\underline{\text{Hins}} \text{Length}(\gamma) \leq \text{Length}(\eta)$

$\pi \circ \tilde{\gamma} = \gamma \quad \tilde{\gamma}(0) = \tilde{p}$

$\exists!$ lift $\tilde{\eta}$ of η starting at \tilde{p}
 $\tilde{\eta}$ ends at \tilde{q} . (Monodromy theorem)

$\Gamma: I \times I \rightarrow M$ continuous

$$\Gamma(0,0) = p.$$

$$\text{Length}(\tilde{\eta}) \geq \text{Length}(\tilde{\gamma})$$

$$\parallel \text{Length}(\eta) \geq \parallel \text{Length}(\gamma) \Rightarrow \gamma \text{ is a shortest one} \quad \square$$

Thm. $(M, g), (\tilde{M}, \tilde{g})$

\tilde{M} complete, $\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ ~~Rie covering map~~
local isometry

$\Rightarrow M$ complete, $\pi: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ Rie. covering map.

Proof based on local existence and uniqueness
of geodesic. \square

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