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Riemannian geometry Lecture 15

Sectional curvature  $(M, g)$ ,  $p \in M$ ,  $\Pi_p \subset T_p M$  2-dim subspace  $= \text{span}\{X_p, Y_p\}$

$$K(\Pi_p) := \frac{R(X_p, Y_p, X_p, Y_p)}{G(X_p, Y_p, X_p, Y_p)} \rightarrow \left( \text{area} \begin{array}{c} Y_p \\ \swarrow \searrow \\ X_p \end{array} \right)^2$$

Ricci curvature tensor (0,2)-tensor symmetric

$$\text{Ric}(Y, Z) := \text{tr} R(\cdot, Y, \cdot, Z) \\ = \text{tr} (X \mapsto R(X, Z)Y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ric}(Y, Z) = \text{Ric}(Z, Y) \quad \hookrightarrow \text{a linear transformation } T_p M \rightarrow T_p M.$$

$p$   $(U, x)$  chart  $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right\}_{i=1}^n$

$$\text{Ric}_{pq} := \text{Ric} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^p}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^q} \right) = \text{tr} \left( X \mapsto R(X, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^p}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^q} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \mapsto R \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^p} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^q} = \boxed{R^k_{qip}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right)$$

$$\text{Ric}_{pq} = \sum_{i=1}^n R^i_{qip} = \sum_{l,i=1}^n \delta_l^i R^l_{qip} = \sum_{l,i} g^{il} \underline{g_{jl} R^l_{qip}}$$

$$= \sum_{i,j} g^{ij} R_{jqip}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Ric}(X, Y) = \text{Ric}(Y, X) \quad (0,2)\text{-tensor} \\ g(X, Y) = g(Y, X) \quad (0,2)\text{-tensor} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Ric}(X, X) = 0, \forall X \\ \text{Ric}(X, Y) = 0, \forall X, Y \end{array} \right.$$

$$0 = \text{Ric}(X+Y, X+Y) = \text{Ric}(X, X) + \text{Ric}(X, Y) + \text{Ric}(Y, X) + \text{Ric}(Y, Y)$$

$$0 = \text{Ric}(X+Y, X+Y) = \underbrace{\text{Ric}(X, X)}_0 + \underbrace{\text{Ric}(X, Y) + \text{Ric}(Y, X)}_{= 2\text{Ric}(X, Y)} + \underbrace{\text{Ric}(Y, Y)}_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ric}(X, Y) = 0, \forall X, Y$$

$$\text{Ric}(X, X)(p) = \text{Ric}(X_p, X_p)$$

$$\frac{\text{Ric}(X, X)}{g(X, X)} = \text{Ric}\left(\frac{X}{\sqrt{g(X, X)}}, \frac{X}{\sqrt{g(X, X)}}\right)$$

Definition The Ric. mfd  $(M, g)$  is called an Einstein manifold with Einstein constant  $k$ , if

$$\text{Ric}(X, X) = k g(X, X), \forall X \in \Gamma(TM)$$

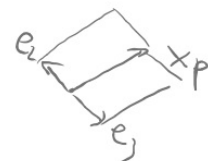
i.e.  $M$  has "constant Ricci curvature".

Prop. A Ric. manifold is an Einstein manifold with Einstein constant  $k$  iff  $\text{Ric} = k g$

Pf.  $S := \text{Ric} - k g$  symmetric  $(0, 2)$ -tensor  
 $S(X, X) = 0, \forall X \Rightarrow S(X, Y) = 0, \forall X, Y. \square$

Rmk:  $p \in M, X_p \in T_p M$ . unit tangent vector.  $e_1$   
 Extend it to be an orthonormal basis  $\{X_p, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  of  $T_p M$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ric}(X_p, X_p) &= \text{tr } R(\cdot, X_p, \cdot, X_p) \\ &= \sum_{i=2}^n R(e_i, X_p, e_i, X_p) \\ &= \sum_{i=2}^n K(\Pi_{\{e_i, X_p\}}) \end{aligned}$$



If  $(M, g)$  has constant sectional curvature  $k$ , then  $(M, g)$  is Einstein with constant  $\underline{(n-1)k}$ .

Thm (Schur) Let  $(M, g)$  be a connected Ric. mfd of  $n \geq 3$ .

$$\text{If } \text{Ric}(X_p, X_p) = \underline{f(p)} g(X_p, X_p) \quad \forall X_p \in T_p M.$$

where  $f(p)$  depends only on  $p$ .

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Remark ① If  $K(\Pi_p) = f(p)$  depends only on  $p$ ,

then  $\frac{\text{Ric}(X_p, X_p)}{g(X_p, X_p)} = (n-1)f(p)$  depends only on  $p$

Thm  $\implies (n-1)f(p) \equiv \text{constant} \implies f(p) \equiv \text{const. } \square$

② By assumption, we have  $\text{Ric} = f g$

Taking covariant derivative  $\nabla_V \text{Ric} = \nabla_V (f g)$   
 $= V(f) g$

Proof.  $\forall p \in M, X_p(f) = 0, \forall X_p \in T_p M.$

Pick a normal coordinate  $(U, x)$  around  $p$

$$\text{Ric} = f g \iff \boxed{\text{Ric}_{kl} = f g_{kl}}$$

$$\nabla g = 0$$

Then for any  $h \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\text{Ric}_{kl;h} = (f g_{kl})_{;h} = f_{;h} g_{kl} + f \overset{=0}{g_{kl;h}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{Ric}_{kl}}{\partial x^h} + \boxed{\text{Ric}_{kl} \Gamma} = f_{;h} g_{kl}$$

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$$\boxed{\text{Ric}_{kl;h} = f_{;h} g_{kl}}$$

$$\text{Ric}_{kl;h} = (g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{ikjl})_{;h} = \underline{g^{ij}_{;h}} \text{Ric}_{ikjl} + g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{ikjl;h}$$

$$= g^{ij} \underline{\text{Ric}_{ikjl;h}}$$

(Exercise)

$$g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{khjl} = -g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{kjhl}$$

$$= -(g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{kj})_{;l}$$

$$= -\text{Ric}_{kh;l}$$

By 2<sup>nd</sup> Bianchi identity

$$0 = g^{ij} (\text{Ric}_{kj;l} + \text{Ric}_{lkhj} + \boxed{\text{Ric}_{khjl}})$$

$$= f_{;h} g_{kl} + g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{lkhj} - f_{;l} g_{kh}$$

$$\implies 0 = f_{;h} g_{kl} - f_{;l} g_{kh} + g^{ij} \text{Ric}_{lkhj}, \forall h, k, l = 1, \dots, n$$

Set  $k=l$  and sum over  $l$ , we have, restricting to  $p$ .

$$0 = f_{;h}(p) \sum_{k=1}^n g_{kk}(p) - \sum_{k=1}^n f_{;k}(p) g_{kk}(p) - \sum_{i=1}^n g^{ij} \sum_{k=1}^n \text{Ric}_{kibh;i}(p)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= f_{,h}(p) \sum_{k=1}^n g_{kk}(p) - \sum_{k=1}^n f_{,k}(p) \underbrace{g_{kh}(p)} - \sum_{ij} g_{ij}(p) \sum_{k=1}^n R_{kikh} g_{ij}(p) \\
&= n f_{,h}(p) - f_{,h}(p) - \sum_{i,k} R_{kikh} g_{ij}(p) \\
&= (n-1) f_{,h}(p) - \sum_{i,k,l} (g_{kl} R_{kikh} g_{ij}) \cdot (p) \\
&= (n-1) f_{,h}(p) - \sum_i R_{icih} g_{ij}(p) \\
&= (n-1) f_{,h}(p) - \sum_i f_{,i}(p) g_{ih}(p) \\
&= (n-1) f_{,h}(p) - f_{,h}(p) \\
&= \underline{(n-2)} f_{,h}(p)
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $n \geq 3$ , we obtain  $f_{,h}(p) = 0$ ,  $\forall h = 1, \dots, n$ .

In conclusion,  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $\forall X_p \in T_p M$ , we have  $X_p(f) = 0$ .  
 $\Rightarrow f \equiv \text{const}$  □

Scalar curvature: The scalar curvature  $S$  is defined as the trace of the Ricci curvature tensor, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \text{tr Ric} \stackrel{(u,x)}{=} g^{ij} Ric_{ij} \\
&= \text{tr}(X \rightarrow \# Ric(X, \cdot))
\end{aligned}$$

Recall:  $g(\# Ric(X, \cdot), Y) = Ric(X, Y)$

$X_p$  unit tangent vector,  $\{X_p, e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  orthonormal basis

$$\begin{aligned}
Ric(X_p, X_p) &= \text{tr} R(\cdot, X_p \cdot, X_p) \\
\langle \cdot, X_p \rangle &= \sum_{i=1}^n R(e_i, X_p e_i, X_p) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle R(e_i, X_p) X_p, e_i \rangle \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle R(X_p, e_i) e_i, X_p \rangle, \quad \forall X_p.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \# Ric(X_p, \cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^n R(X_p, e_i) e_i$$

$X_p \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n R(X_p, e_i) e_i$  linear transformation

$$S = \text{tr Ric} = \text{tr}(X_p \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n R(X_p, e_i) e_i)$$

$$0 = \text{tr Ric} = \text{tr} (X_p \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n K(X_p, e_i) e_i)$$

Remark.  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  orthonormal basis of  $T_p M$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(p) &= \text{tr Ric}(\cdot, \cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Ric}(e_i, e_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n R(e_i, e_j, e_i, e_j) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n K(\pi_{\{e_i, e_j\}}) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i < j} K(\pi_{\{e_i, e_j\}}) \\ &\quad \binom{n}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Remark. If  $(M, g)$  has constant (sectional) curvature  $k$ , we have  $\text{Ric} = (n-1)k g$ , and  $S = n(n-1)k$

If  $(M, g)$  is Einstein with constant  $k$ , then

$$S = nk$$

Prop. An  $n$  ( $n \geq 3$ ) dim'd Rie. mfd  $(M, g)$  is Einstein

iff  $\text{Ric} = \frac{S}{n} g$

Proof:  $\Rightarrow$  by definition

$\Leftarrow$   $\text{Ric} = \underbrace{\left(\frac{S}{n}\right)}_{f(p)} g$  Schur.  $\Rightarrow \frac{S}{n} \equiv \text{const.} \quad \square$

Remark.  $n=2$   $K(\pi_p) = \frac{\text{Ric}(X_p, X_p)}{g(X_p, X_p)} = \frac{1}{2} S(p)$

$n=3$  There is no difference in knowing  $K$  or  $\text{Ric}$ .

$\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  orthonormal basis of  $T_p M$

$$K(e_i, e_j) = K(\pi_{\{e_i, e_j\}})$$

$$\begin{cases} K(e_1, e_2) + K(e_1, e_3) = \text{Ric}(e_1, e_1) \\ K(e_1, e_2) + K(e_2, e_3) = \text{Ric}(e_2, e_2) \\ K(e_1, e_3) + K(e_2, e_3) = \text{Ric}(e_3, e_3) \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} K(e_1, e_2) \\ K(e_1, e_3) \\ K(e_2, e_3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Ric(e_1, e_1) \\ Ric(e_2, e_2) \\ Ric(e_3, e_3) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \neq 0$$

Prop.  $(M^3, g)$  is Einstein iff  $(M^3, g)$  has constant sectional curvature.

Proof  $\square$

Rank: "Ric  $\geq k$ ",  $\forall X, Ric(X, X) \geq kg(X, X)$

$$\frac{Ric(X, X)}{g(X, X)} \geq k$$

Rayleigh quotient.

$$X \mapsto \# Ric(X, \cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^2 Ric(X, e_i) e_i$$

At  $p \in M$ , the optimal  $k$  is the least eigenvalue of  $X \mapsto \# Ric(X, \cdot)$ .

Lohkamp.

Thm (Ann. Math. 1994) For each manifold  $M^n, n \geq 3$ ,

$\exists$  a complete metric  $g_M$ , with

$$-a(n) g_M < Ric(g_M) < -b(n) g_M$$

with constants  $a(n) > b(n) > 0$  depending only on the dim.  $n$

Thm For each manifold  $M^n, n \geq 3$ ,  $\exists$  a complete metric  $g_M$  with negative Ricci curvature and finite volume

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Bochner identity.  $(M, g)$  Ric. mfd.  $f \in C^\infty(M)$

$$\text{grad} f, \text{Hess} f, \Delta f = \text{tr Hess} f \quad \rightarrow X_p$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta |\text{grad} f|^2 = \underbrace{|\text{Hess} f|^2}_{\geq \frac{1}{n} (\Delta f)^2} + \langle \text{grad}(\Delta f), \text{grad} f \rangle + Ric(\text{grad} f, \text{grad} f)$$

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$$(U, x) \quad |grad f|^2 = \langle grad f, grad f \rangle = g_{kl} g^{ik} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} g^{jl} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j}$$

$$\downarrow \quad grad f = \left[ g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} = \frac{g^{jl} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^l} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j}}{\partial x^k}$$

$$|Hess f|^2 = g^{ik} g^{jl} Hess f \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right) Hess f \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \right)$$

$$= g^{ik} g^{jl} f_{;ij} f_{;kl}$$

$(U, x)$  normal around  $p$ .  $\sum_{i,j} f_{;ij}^2(p)$   $\square$

Proof: Prove it pointwisely.  $\forall p \in M$ , pick a normal chart  $(U, x)$  of  $p$ .

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta |grad f|^2(p) = \frac{1}{2} g^{kl} \left( g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right)_{;kl}(p)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right)_{;kk}(p)$$

$$\stackrel{\nabla g=0}{=} \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( g^{ij} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right)_{;k} \right)_{;k}(p)$$

$$\stackrel{\nabla g=0}{=} \frac{1}{2} \sum_k g^{ij} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right)_{;kk}(p)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,i} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)_{;k} \right]_{;k}(p) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,i} \left( 2 \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right) \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)_{;k} \right)_{;k}(p)$$

$$= \sum_{k,i} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)_{;k} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)_{;k}(p) + \sum_{k,i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)_{;kk}(p)$$

$$= \sum_{k,i} (f_{;ik})^2(p) + \sum_{k,i} f_{;i} f_{;ikk}(p)$$

Ricci ident  $\sum_{k,i} (f_{;ik})^2(p) + \sum_{k,i} f_{;i} f_{;kk}(p)$

Ricci identity  $\sum_{k,i} (f_{;ik})^2(p) + \sum_{k,i} f_{;i} (f_{;kki} + f_{;ik} R^h_{kik})(p)$

$$= \sum_{k,i} (f_{;ik})^2(p) + \sum_{k,i} f_{;i} f_{;ikki}(p) + \sum_{k,i} f_{;i} f_{;ik} R^h_{kik}(p)$$

$$\sum_{k,i} (f_{;ik})^2(p) = g^{ij} g^{kl} f_{;ik} f_{;jl}(p) = |Hess f|^2(p)$$

$$\sum_{k,i} \nabla_{j;k} (p) = \underline{g^{ij} g^{kl} f_{;ik} f_{;jl}} (p) = |\text{Hess} f|^2 (p).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k,i} f_{;i} (p) f_{;kk} (p) &= \underline{g^{ij} (p) f_{;i} (p) (g^{kl} f_{;kl})_{;j}} (p) \\ &= \langle \text{grad} f, \text{grad} \Delta f \rangle (p). \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{k,i} f_{;i} f_{;ih} R^{\text{h}}_{kik} (p) = \sum_{h,k,i} f_{;i} f_{;ih} \underline{R_{hik} (p)}$$

$$= \sum_{h,i} f_{;i} f_{;ih} \left( \sum_k R_{hik} \right) (p) \quad \underline{g_{hm} R^m_{kik} (p)}$$

$$= \sum_{h,i} f_{;i} f_{;ih} \text{Ric}_{hi} (p)$$

$$= \text{Ric} (\text{grad} f, \text{grad} f) (p)$$

□

$$\underline{|\text{Hess} f|^2 \geq \frac{1}{n} (\Delta f)^2}$$

$$(U, x) \text{ around } p: \sum_{i,j} (f_{;ij})^2 (p) \quad \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_i f_{;ii} \right)^2 (p)$$

$$\geq \sum_i (f_{;ii})^2 (p) \geq \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_i f_{;ii} \right)^2 (p)$$

Cauchy-Schwarz.

Bochner identity  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta |\text{grad} f|^2 \geq \frac{1}{n} (\Delta f)^2 + \underline{\langle \text{grad} f, \text{grad} \Delta f \rangle} + \text{Ric} (\text{grad} f)$$

Thm.  $(M^n, g), \quad \text{Ric} (X, X) (p) \geq K(p) g(X, X) (p), \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM)$   
 $p \in M.$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \Delta |\text{grad} f|^2_{(p)} - \langle \text{grad} f, \text{grad} \Delta f \rangle_{(p)} \geq \frac{1}{n} (\Delta f)^2_{(p)} + K(p) |\text{grad} f|^2_{(p)}$$

$\forall f \in C^\infty(M)$

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