

# LECTURE - 8

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• Recall:  $\gamma: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$  is geodesic if  $\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} \dot{\gamma} \equiv 0$ .

Thm 7.2: For every  $p_0 \in M$ ,  $\exists$  a nbd  $U_0$  of  $p_0$  &  $\varepsilon, \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall p \in U_0, \forall v \in T_p M, |v| < \delta, \exists$  a unique geodesic  $\gamma_v: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $\gamma_v(0) = p$  &  $\gamma_v'(0) = v$ .

Cor 8.1: For every  $p_0 \in M, \exists$  a nbd  $U_0$  of  $p_0$  &  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  s.t.  $\forall p \in U_0, \forall v \in T_p M, |v| < \varepsilon_0, \exists$  a unique geodesic  $\gamma_v: (-2, 2) \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $\gamma_v(0) = p$  &  $\gamma_v'(0) = v$ . Moreover  $\Gamma: TU_0 \times (-2, 2) \rightarrow M, \Gamma(v, t) = \gamma_v(t) \in C^\infty$ .

Pf (Rescaling trick). Let  $U_0, \varepsilon, \delta$  be as above, and define  $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon\delta/2$ . Then if  $v \in T_p M, p \in U_0$  s.t.  $|v| < \varepsilon_0$ , then clearly  $|2v/\varepsilon| < \delta$ . Define

$$\gamma_v(t) := \gamma_{2v/\varepsilon}(\varepsilon t/2).$$

Thm 7.2  $\Rightarrow \gamma_v: (-2, 2) \rightarrow M$ , and is a geodesic.

Since  $\gamma_{2v/\varepsilon}(t')$  is geodesic &  $t' = \varepsilon t/2$  is a linear change of coordinates. Also,  $\gamma_v(0) = \gamma_{2v/\varepsilon}(0) = p$ .

$$\gamma_v'(0) = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \gamma_{2v/\varepsilon}'(0) = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{2v}{\varepsilon} = v.$$

Done!

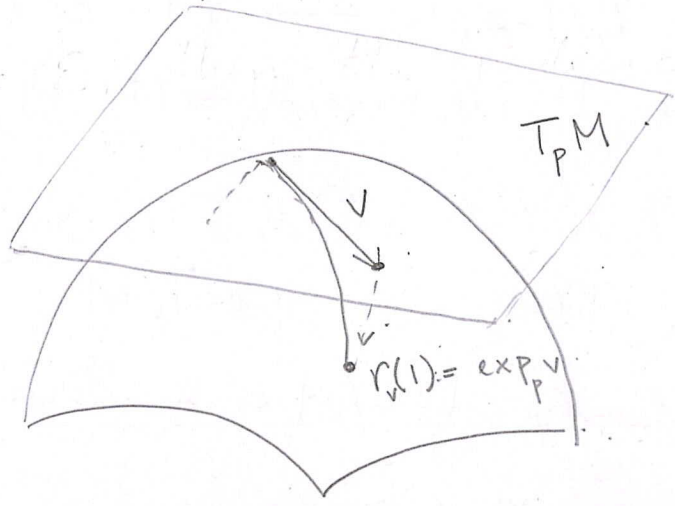
Def<sup>n</sup> ) The domain of the exponential map is defined to be

$$E = \{v \in TM \mid \gamma_v \text{ is defined on some interval containing } [0, 1]\}$$

and then the exponential map  $\exp: E \rightarrow M$  is defined by

$$\exp(v) := \gamma_v(0)$$

For each  $p \in M$ , we denote by  $\exp_p$ , the restriction of the map to  $E_p := E \cap T_p M$ .



Prop 8.2 : (a)  $E$  is an open subset of  $TM$  containing the zero section &  $E_p$  is star shaped w.r.t  $0 \in T_p M$ ; i.e if  $v \in E_p$ , then

(i)  $tv \in E_p \forall t \in [0, 1]$

(ii)  $\forall v \in T_p M, \gamma_v(t) = \exp_p(tv) \forall t \in [0, 1] \text{ s.t. } tv \in E_p$

(c)  $\exp: E \rightarrow M$  is smooth.

Pf: see Prop 5-7.

Th<sup>m</sup> 8.3: For any  $p \in M$ ,  $\phi: E \rightarrow M \times M$  defined by ③

$$\phi(v) = (\pi(v), \exp_{\pi(v)}(v))$$

is a local diffeomorphism from a nbd  $W_p$  of  $0_p$  in  $TM$  onto a nbd of  $(p, p) \in M \times M$ .

Pf: We use the inverse function. Let  $(U, \varphi)$  be a chart in a nbd of  $p$  w/ coordinates  $(x^1, \dots, x^n)$ .

Then  $TM|_U \approx U \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . In fact

$$(x^1, \dots, x^n, t^1, \dots, t^n) \longrightarrow t^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

$$\text{Clearly } T_{(p, \vec{0})} TM = \text{sp} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial t^n} \right\}$$

We also denote the induced coordinates on  $U \times U \subseteq M \times M$  by  $(x_{(1)}^1, \dots, x_{(1)}^n, x_{(2)}^1, \dots, x_{(2)}^n)$  i.e.

$$\text{for any } (q_1, q_2) \in U \times U, \quad x_{(1)}^i(q_1, q_2) = x^i(q_1)$$

$$x_{(2)}^i(q_1, q_2) = x^i(q_2)$$

Claim: In the coordinate system above

$$D_{(p, \vec{0})} \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \text{id} & \text{id} \\ 0 & \text{id} \end{pmatrix}$$

Pf: In these coordinates

$$\phi(x, \vec{v}) = (x, \exp_x \vec{v})$$

Note that if  $\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ , then  $\phi(x, \vec{0}) = (x, x)$ .

$$\text{and so, } D_{(p, \vec{0})} \phi \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(1)}^i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(2)}^i} \quad (4)$$

Similarly if  $n = p$ , then  $\phi(p, \vec{v}) = (p, \exp_p \vec{v})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} D_{(p, \vec{0})} \phi \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t^j} \right) &= \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} \phi(p, s \hat{e}_j) = \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} (p, \exp_p s \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}) \\ &= \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} (p, r_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}}(s)) \\ &= (0, r'_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}}(0)) \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(2)}^j} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } D_{(p, \vec{0})} \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \text{id} & \text{id} \\ 0 & \text{id} \end{pmatrix}$$

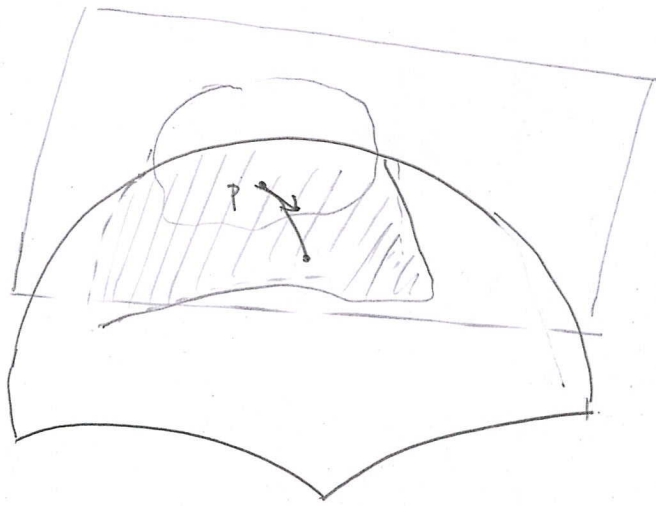
By inverse function theorem, the proof is complete since  $\det D_{(p, \vec{0})} \phi = 1 \neq 0$ .

(of the proof).

Cor 8.4 Let  $p \in M$ . Then  $\exists$  open nbd  $(0 \in \mathcal{V}) \subset T_p M$  &  $p \in \mathcal{U} \subset M$  of  $p$  s.t.  $\exp_p: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  is a diffeomorphism.

Rk: More invariantly if we identify  $T_0 T_p M \cong T_p M$ , then

$$(\exp_p)_* (v) = \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} \exp_p(sv) = \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} r_v(s) = r'_v(0) = v.$$



## • Normal Coordinates

Def<sup>n</sup> 1) A neighbourhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $p \in M$  that is the diffeomorphic image of a star shaped open nbd of  $0 \in T_p M$  under  $\exp_p$  is called a normal neighbourhood:

2) A normal coordinate chart on a normal nbd  $\mathcal{U}$  is a map  $\varphi := E^{-1} \circ \exp_p^{-1} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $E : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow T_p M$  is a isomorphism given by an orthonormal (w.r.t 'g') basis  $(E_1, \dots, E_n)$  of  $T_p M$  i.e.  $E(e_i) = E_i$ . The corresponding set of coordinates are called normal coordinates.

3) Let  $\{x^i\}$  be normal coordinates <sup>on  $\mathcal{U}$</sup>  centered at  $p \in M$ . For any  $x \in \mathcal{U}$ , the radial distance is defined by

$$r(x) = \left( \sum (x^i)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

& the <sup>unit</sup> radial vector field on  $\mathcal{U}$  is defined by (6)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} := \frac{x^i}{r} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

Prop 8.5: Let  $(\mathcal{U}, \varphi, (x^i))$  be any normal coordinate chart centered at  $p$ .

(a)  $\varphi(p) = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ .

(b) For any  $V = V^i \partial_i \in T_p M$ ,

$$\varphi \circ \gamma_V(t) = (tV^1, \dots, tV^n)$$

as long as  $\gamma_V(t) \in \mathcal{U}$ .

(c)  $\forall q \in \mathcal{U} - p$ ,  $\partial/\partial r|_q$  is the velocity vector of the unit speed geodesic from  $p$  to  $q$ .

(d)  $g_{ij}(p) = \delta_{ij}$ ,  $g_{ij,k}(p) = 0$ ,  $\Gamma_{ij}^k(p) = 0 \forall i, j, k$ .

Pf: (a)  $\varphi(p) = E^{-1} \circ \exp_p^{-1}(p)$

$$= E^{-1}(\vec{0}_p) = \vec{0}$$

(b). Recall that  $\gamma_V(t) = \gamma_{tV}(1) = \exp_p(tV)$ .

So

$$\varphi \circ \gamma_V(t) = E^{-1} \circ \exp_p^{-1} \exp_p(tV)$$

$$= E^{-1}(tV) = tE^{-1}(V)$$

But  $E_i = \partial_i$  (since  $E(x^1, \dots, x^n) = x^i E_i$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \varphi \circ r_v(t) &= t E^{-1}(V^i \partial_i) \\ &= t \cdot V^i e_i \\ &= (tV^1, \dots, tV^n). \end{aligned}$$

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(c). Let  $V \in T_p M$  s.t.  $q = \exp_p V$ . Let  $r(t) := \exp_p(tV/|V|)$ .  
Then  $|r'(0)| = 1$ . Since  $r$  is a geodesic,  $|r'(t)| = 1$  for all  $t$ .  
Also  $r(|V|) = q$ . Sp.  $V = V^i \partial_i$ .  
Since  $\partial_i$  are orthonormal,  $|V| = (\sum (V^i)^2)^{1/2}$ .

By (b),

$$r(t) = r_{V/|V|}(t) = \left( \frac{tV^1}{|V|}, \dots, \frac{tV^n}{|V|} \right).$$

$$\text{So } r'(t) = \frac{V^i}{|V|} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By def}^n \varphi(q) &= E^{-1} \circ \exp_p^{-1}(q) \\ &= E^{-1}(V^i \partial_i) \\ &= V^i e_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } r(q) = (\sum (V^i)^2)^{1/2} = |V| \text{ \& hence.}$$

$$r'(t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \Big|_q$$

(d). Since  $\{\partial_i\}$  is orthonormal at  $p$ ,  $g_{ij}(p) = \delta_{ij}$ .  
Now, let  $V = V^i \partial_i \in T_p M$ . By (b)  $r_v(t) = (tV^1, \dots, tV^n)$ .

From the geodesic equation, since  $\ddot{\gamma}^k = 0$ , ⑧

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k(\gamma_v(t)) v^i v^j = 0$$

Setting  $t=0$ ,  $\Gamma_{ij}^k(p) v^i v^j = 0 \quad \forall k$ .

Since this is true  $\forall v \in T_p M$ ,  $\Gamma_{ij}^k(p) = 0 \quad \forall i, j, k$

But, then by metric compatibility,

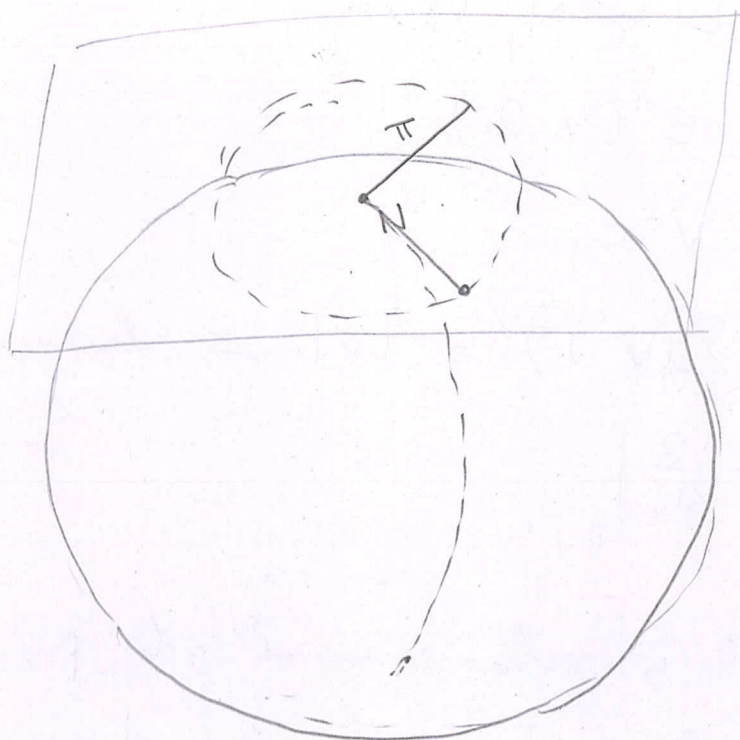
$$g_{ij,k}^{(p)} = \partial_k g(\partial_i, \partial_j) = g(\nabla_{\partial_k} \partial_i, \partial_j) + g(\partial_i, \nabla_{\partial_k} \partial_j)$$

$$= g(\Gamma_{ki}^l \partial_l, \partial_j) + g(\partial_i, \Gamma_{kj}^l \partial_l)$$

$$= 0$$

Example.  $S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$

$\exp_N$  is defined on all of  $T_N S^2 = \{(x, y, 1) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$



$\exp_N$  is a diffeo on  $B_\pi = \{(x, y, 1) \mid x^2 + y^2 < \pi^2\}$ .