

# CARTAN - HADAMARD'S Theorem

From last time: Taylor expansion of  $f(t) = |J(t)|^2$ , where  $J(0) = 0, J'(0) =$

$$f'(0) = 0, f''(0) = 2|w|^2, f'''(0) = 0$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = -8 \langle R(w, \gamma'(0)) \gamma'(0), w \rangle$$

If  $\gamma$  is normalized, and  $J(t) \perp \gamma'(t)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle R(w, \gamma'(0)) \gamma'(0), w \rangle &= \sec(w, \gamma'(0)) \cdot \left( |w \wedge \gamma'(0)| \right) \\ &= \sec(w, \gamma'(0)) \cdot \left( |w|^2 |\gamma'(0)|^2 - \langle \gamma'(0), w \rangle^2 \right) \\ &= \sec(w, \gamma'(0)) \cdot |w|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = -8|w|^2 \cdot \sec(w, \gamma'(0)), \text{ and}$$

$$f(t) = f(0) + f'(0)t + \frac{1}{2}f''(0)t^2 + \frac{1}{6}f'''(0)t^3 + \frac{1}{24}f^{(4)}(0)t^4 + o(t^4)$$

$$= |w|^2 t^2 - \frac{1}{3}|w|^2 \sec(w, \gamma'(0)) t^4 + o(t^4)$$

$$= |w|^2 t^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3} \sec(\pi) t^2 + o(t^2) \right)$$

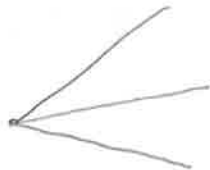
$$|J(t)| = \sqrt{f(t)} = |w| t \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{1}{6} \sec(\pi) t^2 + o(t^2) \right)$$

$$= |w| t - \frac{1}{6} |w| \cdot \sec(\pi) t^3 + o(t^3)$$

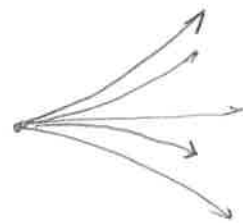
$\sec(\pi) > 0$   
 $|J(t)|$



$\sec(\pi) = 0$



$\sec(\pi) < 0$

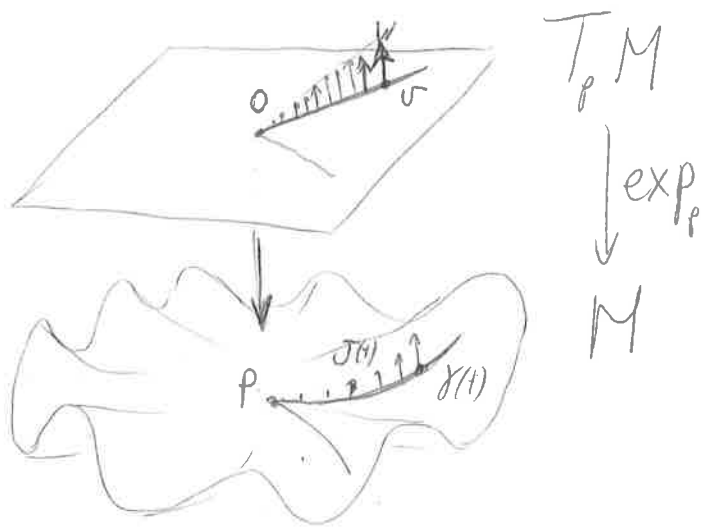


Thm (Cartan - Hadamard)

$(M, g)$  complete mfd w/  $\text{sec} \leq 0$ . Then the universal cover  $\tilde{M}$  is diff. to  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Pf:  $p \in M$

$\exp_p: T_p M \rightarrow M$



Step 1:  $\exp_p$  local diffeo:

Take  $v \in T_p M$ ,  $w \in T_v(T_p M) \cong T_p M$

Want to prove  $(d_v \exp_p)w \neq 0$ .

Define  $\gamma(t) = \exp_p tv$ ,  $J(t) = (d_{tv} \exp_p)tw$

$\Rightarrow J(t)$  is a J field w/  $J(0) = 0$ ,  $J'(0) = w$ ,  $J(1) = (d_v \exp_p)w$

$$(|J|^2)' = 2 \langle J, J' \rangle \quad (|J|^2)'' = 2 \langle J', J' \rangle + 2 \langle J, J'' \rangle$$

$$= 2 \langle J', J' \rangle - 2 \langle R(J, \gamma') \gamma', J \rangle$$

$$= 2 |J'|^2 - 2 \sec(\angle(J(t), \gamma'(t))) \cdot |J \wedge \gamma'|^2$$

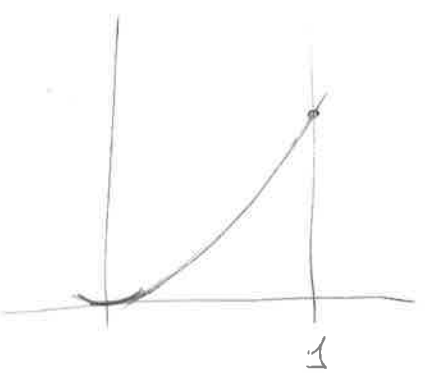
$$\geq 2 |J'|^2 \geq 0 \quad (> 0 \text{ at } t=0)$$

$\Rightarrow f(t) = |J(t)|^2$  is convex, and strongly convex around  $t=0$ , and

$f(0) = f'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow f(1) > 0$

$\Rightarrow |J(1)|^2 = |d_v \exp_p w|^2 > 0$

Step 2: define the metric  $(T_p M, \overline{g})$ , so that  $\exp_p: (T_p M, \overline{g}) \rightarrow (M, g)$  is a (local) isometry,



$\Rightarrow \bar{g}$  geodesics of  $T_p M$  from 0 =  $\exp_p^{-1}$ (geodesic in  $M$  from  $p$ ) =  $\exp_p^{-1}(\exp_p tv) = tv$

$\Rightarrow (T_p M, \bar{g})$  is complete, and

$\exp_p: T_p M \rightarrow M$  satisfies

$$|(d_v \exp_p) w|_{\bar{g}}^2 = |w|_{\bar{g}}^2 \quad \underline{\exp_p \text{ expanding map}}$$

$\Rightarrow \exp_p$  is a covering space +  $T_p M$  simply connected

$\Rightarrow T_p M \underset{\text{diff}}{\cong} \mathbb{R}^n$  is the universal cover of  $M$ . ▣

Cor: If  $M$  has  $\text{sec} \leq 0$ , then

1.  $\pi_i(M) = 0 \quad i \geq 2$

2.  $\pi_1(M)$  has elements of infinite order

3. If  $\pi_1(M) = 0$ ,  $M \underset{\text{diff}}{\cong} \mathbb{R}^n$

Pf:

1. Follows from facts that  $\pi_i(\mathbb{R}^n) = 0 \quad (\mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{P})$ , and for any covering  $\tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ ,  $\pi_i(\tilde{M}) \cong \pi_i(M) \quad \forall i \geq 2$

2. If  $\gamma \in \pi_1(M)$  has finite order,  $\langle \gamma \rangle = \Gamma \subseteq \pi_1 M$ , and  $\Gamma \curvearrowright \tilde{M} = \mathbb{R}^n$  acts freely, contradiction (finite cyclic groups cannot act freely on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )

3. Clear.

Cor:  $S^n$  cannot admit metrics of  $\text{sec} \leq 0$