

SR geodesics

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We proved that  $\exists$  length minimizer  $\forall q_0, q_1 \in \overline{B(q_0, r)}$   
for  $r$  suff. small

In general the lack of compactness comes from  
the non-completeness of  $M$ , but  $M$  is locally cpt

because  $\forall q_0 \exists U$  neigh. of  $q_0$  suff. small

st  $U$  is complete (diffeomorphic to a disk in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )

On a SR manifold the following are equivalent

(1)  $(M, d_{SR})$  is complete

(2)  $\overline{B(x, r)}$  is compact  $\forall r > 0$

(3)  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  st  $\forall x, \overline{B(x, \varepsilon)}$  cpt

• (Riemannian) Hopf-Rinow theorem  
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(1)  $(M, d)$  complete

(2) closed + bounded = cpt

(3)  $M$  is geodesically complete  $\exp_x: T_x M \rightarrow M$

on SR-mflds, if there are no abn. minimizers and

$\exists x: \exp_x: T_x^* M \rightarrow M$

$\Rightarrow M$  is complete

Notational remark: if  $X \in \text{Vec}(M)$ , it acts on  $TM$  and  $T^*M$   
via  $e^{-tX}_*$  and  $(e^{-tX})^*$

This last action induces a flow on  $T^*M$

$$(e^{-tX})^* = e^{t\vec{h}_X} \quad \text{where } h_X(\lambda) = \langle \lambda, X \rangle$$

we also stated that if  $P_t^{X_t}$  is the flow for  $X_t$

$$\Rightarrow (P_{t,0}^{X_t})^* = P_{0,t}^{\vec{h}_{X_t}} \quad \text{the flow associated to } \vec{h}_{X_t} \text{ on } T^*M$$



We use  $P_{qt}^{X_t}$  for the flow of a user-sent v.f.

because the notations  $P_t^{X_t}$  and  $e^{tX_t}$  are misleading

# Recap of the Pontryagin extremals

$\{X_1, \dots, X_m\}$   
generating family

if  $\gamma$  admissible

$u = (u_1(t), u_2(t), \dots, u_m(t))$  is a

minimal control for  $\gamma \Rightarrow u \in L^\infty([0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m)$

$\gamma$  extremal of the  $J$  functional (with the constraint  $\begin{matrix} \gamma(0) = q_0 \\ \gamma(1) = q_1 \end{matrix}$ )

iff  $(N) \quad \langle \lambda(t), X_i \rangle_{\gamma(t)} = u_i(t)$

$(A) \quad \langle \lambda(t), X_i \rangle_{\gamma(t)} = 0$

$$\lambda(t) = (P_{t,0}^{\bar{X}})^* \lambda_0$$

$$\bar{X} = \sum_i u_i(t) X_i$$

Observe that normal extremals are smooth

Indeed,  $\dot{\lambda}(t) = \vec{H}(\lambda(t))$  and  $H$  is a smooth function

on  $C^\infty(T^*M) \Rightarrow \lambda(t)$  smooth  
(even if  $\dot{\lambda}(t) = \vec{H}$  a.e.)

—————  $u$  —————

Regularity of abnormal extremals  $\rightarrow$  open question

The Endpoint map is defined on a broader class of controls

$$u \in L^2([0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m)$$

$$J(\gamma_u) = \int \sum u_i^2(t) dt$$

$\gamma_u =$  maximal solution of

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\gamma}_u = \sum u_i X_i \\ \gamma_u(0) = q_0 \end{cases}$$

$$U_{q_0} = \{u \in L^2 : \gamma_u \text{ is defined on } [0,1]\}$$

• Lemma:  $U_{q_0}$  is open in  $L^2$

→ Proof (Sketch): first observe  $l(y_u) \leq \|u\|_{L^2}$ , therefore for  $\varepsilon$  sufficiently small  $B_{L^2}(0, \varepsilon) \subset U_{q_0}$ .

To prove that  $U_{q_0}$  is open we want to show that

$d(y_{u+v}(t), y_u(t)) \rightarrow 0$  uniformly wrt  $\|v\|_{L^2}$ . (Exercise)

because we choose a opt neigh  $K$  of  $y_u$ , we set  $\forall t$

$d_0 = \min_t (dK, y_u(t))$  and choose  $\|v\|_{L^2}$  suff. small that  $d(y_{u+v}, y_u) < d_0$

□

# Endpoint map

$$E_{q_0}: \mathcal{U}_{q_0} \subset L^2 \longrightarrow M \quad \text{st} \quad E_{q_0}(u) = \gamma_u(1)$$

analogously  $E_{q_0}^t(u) = \gamma_u(t)$

- \*  $E_{q_0}$  is weakly continuous (weak  $L^2$  topology)  
( $u_n \rightarrow u$  if  $\langle u_n, v \rangle \rightarrow \langle u, v \rangle$   
 $\forall v \in L^2$ )
- \*  $\forall q_0 \in M$  if  $M$  is complete  
 $\Rightarrow \forall q \in M \exists$  length minimizer from  $q_0$  to  $q$

Theorem:  $E_{q_0}$  is weakly continuous

We want to prove that  $u_n \rightarrow u \Rightarrow E_{q_0}(u_n) \rightarrow E_{q_0}(u)$

By the UBP (Unif. Boundedness Principle),  $\{u_n\}_{L^2}$  is bounded

$$\|u_n\|_{L^2} < r_0 \quad \forall n \Rightarrow J_n = J_{u_n} \subset \overline{B(q_0, r_0)}$$

if we reparam. the  $J_n$  by constant speed, they are unif.

Lipschitz  $\Rightarrow$  by A.A.,  $\{J_n\}$  has opt closure  
in the sense of unif. convergence

$\exists \gamma: [0,1] \rightarrow M$  st  $\gamma_n \rightarrow \gamma$  uniformly

$$\gamma_n(t) = q_0 + \int_0^t \underbrace{\sum u_{n,i}(t)}_{\text{blue}} \underbrace{X_i(\gamma_n(t))}_{\text{orange}} \xrightarrow{\text{then}} q_0 + \int_0^t \sum u_i(t) X_i(\gamma(t))$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\gamma(t)$

$\downarrow$   
this conv.  
weakly  
to  $u_i(t)$   
for  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\downarrow$   
this conv.  
strongly  
to  $X_i(\gamma(t))$   
because  $\gamma_n(t) \rightarrow \gamma(t)$   
uniformly

so  $\gamma(t)$  must be  $\gamma_a(t)$   $\square$

A central  $u \in \mathcal{U}_{q_0}$  is a **minimizer** if  $\|u\|_{L^2} = d(q_0, E_{q_0}(u))$

• **Theorem:** KCM opt  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_k = \{u \text{ minimizers} : E_q(u) \in k\}$

is compact in the strong  $L^2$  topology (is the topology ass. to  $\|\cdot\|_{L^2}$ )

$\rightarrow$  Proof:  $\{u_n\} \subset \mathcal{M}_k$ , as before  $\|u_n\|_{L^2}$  is bounded

$\Rightarrow \{u_n\}$  is weakly opt.  $\Rightarrow$  (up to subseq.)  $u_n \rightharpoonup_{L^2} u \in L^2$

therefore  $E_{q_0}(u_n) \rightarrow E_{q_0}(u) \in K$

$$\|u_n\|_{L^2} = d(q_0, E_{q_0}(u_n)) \rightarrow d(q_0, E_{q_0}(u))$$

because they  
are minimizers

weak semicont. of the  $L^2$ -norm  $\Rightarrow$

$$\|u\|_{L^2} \leq \liminf \|u_n\|_{L^2} = d(q_0, E_{q_0}(u)) \leq \|u\|_{L^2}$$

$u$  is a minimizer,  $u \in \mathcal{M}_K$  and  $\|u_n\|_{L^2} \rightarrow \|u\|_{L^2}$

this implies  $\|u_n - u\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$   $\square$

• Theorem:  $E_{g_0}$  is smooth on  $\mathcal{U}_{g_0}$  and

$$\forall u \in \mathcal{U}_{g_0} \quad D_u E_{g_0}(u) = \int_0^1 (P_{t,1}^u)_* \left( \sum v_i(t) X_i \right) \Big|_{\partial u(1)} dt$$

$$v \in L^2([0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m) \longrightarrow T_{\partial u(1)} M$$

## Volterra expansion

We would like to have something like  $f(t) = f(0) + \int_0^t \dot{f}(s) ds$   
which is true on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and is true in coordinates  
on any smooth mfd  $M$ .

Also it is true  $\forall a \in C^\infty(\mathcal{O}_p)$ ,

$$\widehat{f(t)a} = a(f(0)) + \int_0^t \langle da, \dot{f}(s) \rangle ds = \widehat{f(0)a} + \int_0^t \widehat{\dot{f}(s)a} ds$$

Hope:  $\hat{\gamma}(t) = \hat{\gamma}(0) + \int_0^t \hat{\gamma}(\cdot) ds$  to make sense  
for diffeomorphisms

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We need to set up a functional analysis setting  
for the operators acting on  $C^\infty(M)$

if  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $K \subset M$  cpt

$$\|f\|_{\alpha, K} := \sup_K \{ |X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_l} f| : 0 \leq l \leq \alpha \}$$

the set of semi-norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\alpha, K}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $K \subset M$  subsets

induce a topology on  $C^\infty(M)$  does not depend on the basis that we choose on TM

$\triangleleft \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  a basis of TM not a generating family

Fact: with this topology,  $C^\infty(M)$  is Fréchet  
(complete, metrizable, loc convex, topological vec. space)

if  $P \in \text{Diff}(M)$ , exercise:  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$  opt  $\exists C_{\alpha, P, k} > 0$

st  $\forall f \in C^\infty(M)$ ,  $\|\hat{P}f\|_{\alpha, k} \leq C \cdot \|f\|_{\alpha, P(k)}$

this allows to define  $\|P\|_{\alpha, k} := \sup \{ \|\hat{P}f\| : \|f\| \leq 1 \}$   
the same can be done with v.f.

\*  $f_t$  is **continuous**: if it is continuous as a function of  $t$  wrt the topology

\*  $f_t$  is **measurable**: if  $t \mapsto \hat{q} f_t = f_t(q)$  is measurable  $\forall q \in M$

\*  $f_t$  is **loc. integrable**: if  $\int_{t_0}^{t_1} \|f_t\|_{d,K} dt < +\infty \quad \forall d \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall K \subset M_{opt}$

\*  $f_t$  is **abs. integrable**: if  $\exists b_t$  loc integrable st  
$$f_t = f_0 + \int_0^t b_s ds \quad \forall t$$

\*  $f_t$  is **loc. Lipschitz**: if  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $K \subset \mathbb{M}$  cpt

$$\exists C = C(\alpha, K) \text{ st}$$

$$\|f_t - f_s\|_{\alpha, K} \leq C \cdot |t - s|$$

A family of op.  $\{A_t\}$  on  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is continuous/measurable

if  $t \mapsto A_t f$  is continuous/measurable  $\forall f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$

non-autonomous v.f. is a family of v.f.  $X_t$   
which is measurable and loc. bounded

non-autonomous flow is a family of diffeomorphism  $P_t$   
which is AC

the flow of a non-aut v.f. is a non-aut flow

If  $A_t, B_t$  are families of operators on  $C^\infty(M)$

$$\int_0^t B_s ds : a \in C^\infty(M) \mapsto \int_0^t B_s a ds$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} B_t : a \longmapsto \frac{d}{dt} (B_t a)$$

if the families are derivable  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (A_t \circ B_t) = A_t' \circ B_t + A_t \circ B_t'$$

Goal: We would like to write a flow  $P_{s,t}$  in terms of an associated (non-aut) v.f.  $X_t$  "as an integral"

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If  $P$  is the flow associated to  $X_t$

$\Rightarrow$  the ODE of  $X_t$  is  $\frac{d}{dt}g(t) = g(t) \circ X_t$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} P_{s,t} = P_{s,t} \circ X_t$  with  $P_{s,s} = \text{id}$   $\forall s \in \mathbb{R}$

A notation like the following is often used

$$P_{s,t} = \int_s^t X_\tau d\tau \quad \text{or} \quad \overrightarrow{\text{exp}} \int_s^t X_\tau d\tau$$

look at the difference with  $\int_s^t X_\tau d\tau$

For now we set  $P_{0,t} = P_t$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{P}_t = P_t \circ X_t \\ P_0 = \text{id} \end{cases} \Rightarrow P_t = \int_0^t X_s ds = \text{id} + \int_0^t P_s \circ X_s ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_t &= \text{id} + \int_0^t \left( \text{id} + \int_0^{s_2} P_{s_2} \circ X_{s_2} ds_2 \right) \circ X_{s_1} ds_1 = \\ &= \text{id} + \int_0^t X_{s_1} ds_1 + \int_0^t \int_{\boxed{0 \leq s_2 \leq s_1 \leq t}} P_{s_2} \circ X_{s_2} \circ X_{s_1} ds_1 ds_2 \end{aligned}$$

In the end

$$\int_0^t X_s ds = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Delta_k(t)} X_{s_k} \otimes X_{s_{k-1}} \otimes \dots \otimes X_{s_1} ds_1 \dots ds_k$$

$$\Delta_k(t) = \{ (s_1, \dots, s_k) : 0 \leq s_k \leq \dots \leq s_1 \leq t \}$$

Observation 1: if  $X_t$  is autonomous  $\int_0^t X_s ds = \sum \underbrace{\text{Vol}(\Delta_k(t))}_{\frac{t^k}{k!}} \cdot X^k = e^{tX}$

Exercise: if  $[X_{t_1}, X_{t_2}] = 0 \quad \forall t_1, t_2 \Rightarrow \int_0^t X_s ds = e^{\varphi_t}$ ,  $\varphi_t = \int_0^t X_s ds$

The expression we stated formally has good convergence properties

• Theorem: if  $(L, \|\cdot\|) \subset C^\infty(M)$  is a Banach space

$X_t a \in L$ ,  $\forall a \in L$  &  $t \in I$

and  $X_t$  is bounded for  $t \in I$  wrt  $\|\cdot\|$

$$\Rightarrow \left\| \int_{\Delta_k(t)} X_{s_k} \circ \dots \circ X_{s_1} a \right\| \leq \int_{\Delta_k(t)} \|X_{s_k}\| \dots \|X_{s_1}\| \cdot \|a\| = \frac{1}{k!} \left( \int_0^t \|X_s\| \right)^k \cdot \|a\|$$

this gives convergence

For a more precise result we call  $S_N(t) = \sum_{k=0}^N \int X_{s_k}^0 - 0 X_{s_1}$

• Theorem:  $\forall t > 0, \alpha, N \in \mathbb{N}, k \subset M \text{ opt}, a \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$

$$\left\| \left( \int_0^t X_s ds - S_N(t) \right) a \right\|_{\alpha, k} \leq \frac{C}{N!} \cdot e^{C \cdot D_t} \cdot \left( \int_0^t \|X_s\|_{\alpha+N-1, k'} \right)^N \cdot \|a\|_{\alpha+N, k'}$$

for some  $k \subset k' \subset M$  &  $C = C_{\alpha, N, k'} > 0$

with  $D_t = \int_0^t \|X_s\|_{\alpha, k'}$

In our case  $X_t = \sum u_i(t) X_i$ , if we set  $\|u\|_{1,t} = \|u\|_{L^1([0,t])}$

$$\text{LHS} \leq \frac{C}{N!} \cdot e^{C \cdot \|u\|_{1,t}} \cdot \|u\|_{1,t}^N \cdot \|a\|_{2+N, K'}$$

$$\text{If } Q_t = P_{t,0} = P_t^{-1} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{Q}_t = -X_t \odot P_t \\ Q_0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$Q_t =: \int_0^t -X_s ds$$

you can obtain similar expressions  
as the ones for  $P_t$

## Differential of $E_{q_0}$

In this formalism we recall that  $P_* X = P^{-1} \circ X \circ P$   
 $= \text{Ad}(P^{-1}) X$

we will use  $\text{Ad}(P^{-1})$  instead of  $P_*$

We want to study perturbations of a flow

suppose  $\dot{q}(t) = X_t + Y_t$  we look at  $Y_t$  as a perturbation of  $X_t$

If  $P_t = \overrightarrow{\int X_s ds}$  then

$$\overrightarrow{\int_0^t (X_s + Y_s) ds} = \left( \overrightarrow{\int_0^t \text{Ad}(P_s) Y_s ds} \right) \odot P_t$$

→ Proof:  $S_t := \overrightarrow{\int (X_s + Y_s) ds} = \underline{R_t} \odot \underline{P_t} \Rightarrow R_t = S_t \odot P_t^{-1}$

by definition  $\dot{S}_t = \underline{\dot{S}_t} = \underline{\dot{R}_t} \odot \underline{\dot{P}_t} + \underline{R_t} \odot \underline{\dot{P}_t}$

$$\Rightarrow S_t \odot Y_t = \dot{R}_t \odot \dot{P}_t \Rightarrow \dot{R}_t = S_t \odot Y_t \odot P_t^{-1}$$

$$\dot{R}_t = \delta_t \odot \gamma_t \odot P_t^{-1} = R_t \odot \text{Ad}(P_t) \gamma_t$$

$$\Rightarrow R_t = \int \text{Ad}(P_s) \gamma_s ds$$

□

## Theorem

$$D_u E_{g_0}(v) = \int_0^1 (P_{t,1}^u)^{-1} (\sum \nu_i X_i) \Big|_{g_0(1)} dt$$

→ Proof: by what we said, we know

$$E_{g_0}(u) = g_0 \circ \int_0^1 \sum u_i X_i$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{g_0}(u+v) = g_0 \circ \int_0^1 \sum u_i X_i + \sum \nu_i X_i = g_0 \circ \int_0^1 \text{Ad}(P_s^u) (\sum \nu_i X_i) \circ P_1^u$$

let's work it out for  $u=0$

$$E_{q_0}(v) = q_0 \circ \int_0^1 \sum v_i X_i \quad \text{we use the estimates of}$$

before

$$\left\| \left( \int_0^1 \sum v_i X_i - \int_0^1 \sum v_i X_i \right) a \right\|_{\alpha, k} \leq C \cdot e^C \cdot |v|_2 \cdot |v|_2^2 \cdot \|a\|_{\alpha+1, k}$$

the RHS is an  $\mathcal{O}(|v|_2^2)$

therefore taking the differential only the first order remains

for other  $u \in L^2$ , observe that  $\text{Ad}(P_s^u) = \begin{pmatrix} P_s^u \\ 0_s \end{pmatrix}^*$

and you have to make an additional composition

with  $P_s^u$

