

§ 隨波逐流的 S^3

For S^n of radius $r(t)$, the metric is given $g = r^2 \bar{g}$, where \bar{g} is the metric on the unit sphere. The sectional curvature are all $\frac{1}{r^2}$.

The metric of unit 3-sphere, $\bar{g} = ds^2 = d\psi^2 + \sin^2 \psi (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$

And of 3-sphere with radius $r=r(t)$, $g = ds^2 = r^2 d\psi^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \psi (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$

$$g = r^2 \bar{g}$$

For a n -sphere, $\text{Ric}(g) = (n-1)g$, so the Ricci flow equation becomes a ODE.

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial t} = -2\text{Ric}(g) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (r^2 \bar{g}) = -2(n-1)\bar{g} \Rightarrow \frac{dr^2}{dt} = -2(n-1)$$

$$r^2 = R_0^2 - 2(n-1)t$$

$r(t) = \sqrt{R_0^2 - 2(n-1)t}$, as $t \rightarrow \frac{R_0^2}{2(n-1)}$, the sphere shrinks to a point (a singularity).

Where $n=3$

Similarly, for hyperbolic n -space $H^n (n > 1)$, the Ricci flow reduces to the ODE

$$\frac{d(r^2)}{dt} = 2(n-1) \text{ which has the solution } r(t) = \sqrt{R_0^2 + 2(n-1)t}$$

So the solution expands out to infinity.