

第三章 Curvature

(1) Overview

黎曼流形(M,g) 先給定度量，演算五個基本的式子：

$$(1) \text{ Christoffel symbol } \Gamma_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2} g^{il} \left(\frac{\partial g_{kl}}{\partial x^j} + \frac{\partial g_{jl}}{\partial x^k} - \frac{\partial g_{jk}}{\partial x^l} \right)$$

(2) Covariant derivative ∇

(3) Equation of a geodesic

$$(4) \text{ Riemannian curvature } R_{ijk}^l = \frac{\partial \Gamma_{jk}^l}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial \Gamma_{ik}^l}{\partial x^j} + \sum_m \Gamma_{jk}^m \Gamma_{im}^l - \sum_m \Gamma_{ik}^m \Gamma_{jm}^l$$

$$(5) \text{ Einstein equation } G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R$$

(2) Covariant derivatives ∇

(M,g) is a Riemann manifold, then there is a unique symmetric connection ∇ on TM compatible with the metric.

The covariant derivative operator ∇ perform the partial derivative, but in a way independent of coordinates.

1. Linearity $\nabla(T+S) = \nabla T + \nabla S$
2. Leibniz rule $\nabla(T \otimes S) = (\nabla T) \otimes S + T \otimes (\nabla S)$
 $\nabla_X(fY) = X \cdot f Y + f \nabla_X Y$
3. Commutes with contractions
4. $\nabla_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi$ for a scalar ϕ

Torsion-free $\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y]$; $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\lambda = \Gamma_{(\mu\nu)}^\lambda$

Metric compatibility $X \cdot \langle Y, Z \rangle = \langle \nabla_X Y, Z \rangle + \langle Y, \nabla_X Z \rangle$; $\nabla_\rho g_{\mu\nu} = 0$

When ∇ compatible with metric and torsion free then ∇ is called Levi-Civita connection (Riemannian connection).

$\nabla_\mu V^\nu = \partial_\mu V^\nu + \Gamma_{\mu\lambda}^\nu V^\lambda$ the covariant derivative of a vector.

$\nabla_{\mu}\omega_{\nu} = \partial_{\mu}\omega_{\nu} - \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda}\omega_{\lambda}$ the covariant derivative of a one-form ◦

Covariant derivative of Y along X

$$X = \sum_i X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \quad Y = \sum_i Y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \quad \text{then} \quad \nabla_X Y = \sum_i (XY^i + \sum_{j,k} \Gamma_{jk}^i X^j Y^k) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

Covariant derivative of ω along X

$$\nabla_X \omega = \sum_i (X\omega^i - \sum_{jk} \Gamma_{ji}^k X^j \omega_k) dx^i$$

The covariant divergence of V^{μ} is given by $\nabla_{\mu}V^{\mu} = \partial_{\mu}V^{\mu} + \Gamma_{\mu\lambda}^{\mu}V^{\lambda}$

Show that $\Gamma_{\mu\lambda}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_{\mu}(\sqrt{|g|}V^{\mu})$, and Stokes theorem in curved-space :

$$\int_{\Sigma} \nabla_{\mu}V^{\mu} \sqrt{|g|} d^n x = \int_{\partial\Sigma} n_{\mu}V^{\mu} \sqrt{|\gamma|} dx^{n-1} x$$

Where n_{μ} is normal to $\partial\Sigma$, and γ_{ij} is the induced metric on $\partial\Sigma$ ◦

(3) Parallel transport and Geodesics

The covariant derivative quantifies the instantaneous rate of change of a tensor field in comparison to what the tensor would be if it were “parallel transported” ◦

Moving a vector along a path, keeping constant all the while, is known as parallel transport ◦

平行移動與共變微分相互決定 ◦

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} V^{\mu} + \Gamma_{\sigma\rho}^{\mu} \frac{dx^{\sigma}}{d\lambda} V^{\rho} = 0 \quad \text{The equation of parallel transport for a vector ◦}$$

The concept of moving a vector along a path, keeping constant all the while, is known as parallel transport ◦

The notion of parallel transport is obviously dependent on the connection, and different connections lead to different answers. If the connection is metric-compatible, the metric is always parallel transported with respect to it:

$$\frac{D}{d\lambda} g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{dx^\sigma}{d\lambda} \nabla_\sigma g_{\mu\nu} = 0. \quad (3.41)$$

It follows that the inner product of two parallel-transported vectors is preserved. That is, if V^μ and W^ν are parallel-transported along a curve $x^\sigma(\lambda)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{d\lambda} (g_{\mu\nu} V^\mu W^\nu) &= \left(\frac{D}{d\lambda} g_{\mu\nu} \right) V^\mu W^\nu + g_{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{D}{d\lambda} V^\mu \right) W^\nu + g_{\mu\nu} V^\mu \left(\frac{D}{d\lambda} W^\nu \right) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.42)$$

This means that parallel transport with respect to a metric-compatible connection preserves the norm of vectors, the sense of orthogonality, and so on.

§ geodesics

在廣義相對論中，一個自由粒子走的路徑(世界線)是測地線，此時黎曼流形的度量決定了空間的曲率。

等價(效)原理(equivalence principle)指出重力場決定伽利略時空的曲線，這些曲線是對稱聯絡(Cartan connection)的測地線。

A geodesic is a curve along which the tangent vector is parallel-transported。

$$\frac{D}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^\mu}{d\lambda} = 0 \quad \text{or alternatively}$$

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\lambda^2} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\sigma} \frac{dx^\rho}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^\sigma}{d\lambda} = 0$$

測地線的求法：

- (1) 古典微分幾何
- (2) 能量的 [Euler-Lagrange](#) 方程
- (3) 從平行移動 協變微分
- (4) 古典力學的最小耦合原理(minimal-coupling principle)
- (5) 從熱力學 heat flow 方程看測地線
- (6) [變分法](#)

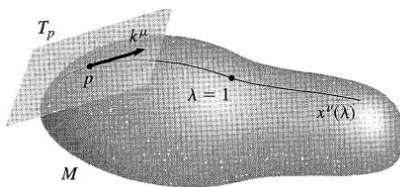
(4) Properties of Geodesics

Proper time :

An important property of geodesics in spacetime with Lorentzian metric is that the character (timelike/null/spacelike) of the geodesic , relative to a metric-compatible connection , never changes .

This is simply because parallel transport preserves inner products , and the character is determined by the inner product of the tangent vector with itself .

Defining an exponential map : (by means of the geodesic)



$$\exp_p : T_p \rightarrow M$$

The exponential map takes a vector in T_p to a point in M that lies at unit affine parameter along the geodesic to which the vector is tangent .

The singularity theorem of Hawking and Penrose :

For certain matter content , spacetime in general relativity are almost guaranteed to be geodesically incomplete .

Riemann normal coordinates at p :

$$\partial_\sigma g_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Provide a realization of locally inertial coordinates .

(5) The Expanding Universe Revivisted

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t)[dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2] = -dt^2 + a^2(t)\delta_{ij}dx^i dx^j$$

後面有用變分法求 geodesic , 而後求 Christoffel symbols 的方法 .

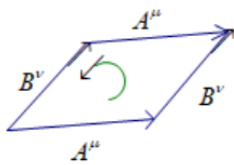
The cosmological redshift :

The wavelength of the photon is inversely proportional to the frequency , and in an expanding universe the wavelength therefore grows with time .

The universe is expanding , and that expansion stretches light traveling through space in a phenomenon known as cosmological redshift .

The greater the redshift , the greater the distance the light has traveled .

(6) The Riemann Curvature Tensor



向量 V^ρ 沿 $A^\mu \rightarrow B^\nu \rightarrow A^\mu \rightarrow B^\nu$ (無窮小的 loop) 的方向平行移動 回原點的改變量

$$\delta V^\rho = R^\rho_{\sigma\mu\nu} V^\sigma A^\mu B^\nu$$

Riemann curvature tensor , Ricci curvature tensor

定義 $R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z$

$$R^l_{ijk} = \frac{\partial \Gamma^l_{jk}}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial \Gamma^l_{ik}}{\partial x^j} + \sum_m \Gamma^m_{jk} \Gamma^l_{im} - \sum_m \Gamma^m_{ik} \Gamma^l_{jm} \quad \text{Riemann tensor}$$

$$R_{ijkl} = \sum_m R^m_{ijk} g_{ml} \quad \text{curvature tensor}$$

$$R_{ij} = \sum_k R^k_{ikj} \quad \text{Ricci curvature tensor}$$

$$R = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{scalar curvature}$$

$$G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R \quad \text{Einstein tensor}$$

(7) Properties of the Riemann Tensor

The curvature R of a Riemannian manifold has the following properties :

1. $R(fX_1 + gX_2, Y_1) = fR(X_1, Y_1) + gR(X_2, Y_1)$
 $R(X_1, fY_1 + gY_2) = fR(X_1, Y_1) + gR(X_1, Y_2)$
2. $R(X, Y)(Z + W) = R(X, Y)Z + R(X, Y)W$
 $R(X, Y)fZ = fR(X, Y)Z$
3. $R(X, Y)Z + R(Y, Z)X + R(Z, X)Y = 0$ Bianchi identity $R_{ijkl} + R_{iklj} + R_{iljk} = 0$
4. $R_{ijkl} = -R_{jikl} = -R_{jilk} = R_{klij}$

(8) Symmetries and Killing Vectors

Noether 定理 1915 年：守恆律來自系統對稱。

Every differentiable symmetry of the action of a physical system with conservative forces has a corresponding conservative law。

A manifold M possesses a symmetry if the geometry is invariant under a certain transformation that maps M to itself。

Symmetries of the metric are called isometries。

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§ Killing vector field

Let $x: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be local coordinates on open set $W \subset M$ 。

We take $\omega = \sum_i \omega_i dx^i$, then $\nabla_X \omega = \sum_i (X \cdot \omega_i - \sum_{j,k} \Gamma_{ji}^k X^j \omega_k) dx^i$

Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold with Levi-Civita connection ∇ , and let

$\psi_t: M \rightarrow M$ be a 1-parameter group of isometries。

The vector field $X \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ defined by $X_p := \frac{d}{dt}_{t=0} \psi_t(p)$ is called Killing vector field associated to ψ_t .

或者直接以 $L_X g = 0$ (Killing equation) 為定義。

Killing vector fields are used to discuss the isometries in GR .

A vector fields on (M, g) that preserve the metric .

The flows generated by Killing fields are continuous isometries on the manifold .

Example

In R^3 with metric $ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2$, independent of the metric components w.r.t. x , y , and z immediately yields three Killing vectors :

$$X^\mu = (1, 0, 0), Y^\mu = (0, 1, 0), Z^\mu = (0, 0, 1)$$

These clearly represent the three translations .

For polar coordinates , $x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$, $y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$, $z = r \cos \theta$

$$ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

Now the metric (the *same* metric, just in a different coordinate system) is manifestly independent of ϕ . We therefore know that $R = \partial_\phi$ is a Killing vector. Transforming back to Cartesian coordinates, this becomes

$$R = -y\partial_x + x\partial_y. \quad (3.185)$$

The Cartesian components R^μ are therefore $(-y, x, 0)$. Since this represents a rotation about the z -axis, it is straightforward to guess the components of all three rotational Killing vectors:

$R^\mu = (-y, x, 0)$, $S^\mu = (z, 0, -x)$, $T^\mu = (0, -z, y)$ representing rotations about the z , y , and x -axes , respectively .

The Killing vectors for the two-sphere S^2 with metric $ds^2 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$

Since this sphere can be thought of as the locus of points at unit distance from the origin in \mathbf{R}^3 , and the rotational Killing vectors all rotate such a sphere into itself, they also represent symmetries of S^2 . To get explicit coordinate-basis representations for these vectors, we first transform the three-dimensional vectors (3.186) to polar coordinates $x^{\mu'} = (r, \theta, \phi)$. A straightforward calculation reveals

$$R = \partial_\phi, S = \cos\phi\partial_\theta - \cot\theta\sin\phi\partial_\phi, T = -\sin\phi\partial_\theta - \cot\theta\cos\phi\partial_\phi$$

The three rotational Killing vectors in \mathbf{R}^3 are exactly the same as those of S^2 in spherical polar coordinates ◦

(9) Maximally Symmetric Spaces

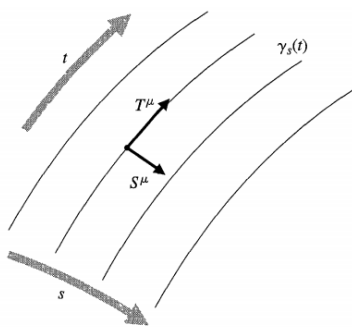
Maximally symmetric Euclidean spaces of negative curvature are hyperboloids \mathbf{H}^n ◦

Poincare half plane :

Gauss-Bonnet theorem $\chi(M) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_M R\sqrt{|g|}d^n x$

(10) Geodesic Deviation

We consider a one-parameter family of geodesics $\gamma_s(t)$ ◦



A set of geodesics $\gamma_s(t)$, with tangent vector T^μ ◦

The vector field S^μ measures the deviation between nearby geodesics ◦

$$T^\mu = \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial t} , S^\mu = \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial s}$$

We define the “relative velocity of geodesics” : $V^\mu = (\nabla_T S)^\mu = T^\rho \nabla_\rho S^\mu$ and

“Relative acceleration of geodesics” : $A^\mu = (\nabla_T V)^\mu = T^\rho \nabla_\rho V^\mu$

$T^\alpha \nabla_\alpha = \frac{D}{d\tau}$, and $A^\mu =$ taking the directional covariant derivative of X along T

$$\text{twice} = T^\alpha \nabla_\alpha (T^\beta \nabla_\beta X^\mu)$$

Since S and T are basis vectors adapted to a coordinates system , then $[S, T]=0$

(torsion free , $\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y]$)

From $[X, Y]^\mu = X^\lambda \partial_\lambda Y^\mu - Y^\lambda \partial_\lambda X^\mu = X^\lambda \nabla_\lambda Y^\mu - Y^\lambda \nabla_\lambda X^\mu$, we have

$S^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\mu = T^\rho \nabla_\rho S^\mu$ this means that $\nabla_S T = \nabla_T S$

$$\begin{aligned} A^\mu &= T^\rho \nabla_\rho (T^\sigma \nabla_\sigma S^\mu) \\ &= T^\rho \nabla_\rho (S^\sigma \nabla_\sigma T^\mu) \\ &= (T^\rho \nabla_\rho S^\sigma) (\nabla_\sigma T^\mu) + T^\rho S^\sigma \nabla_\rho \nabla_\sigma T^\mu \\ &= (S^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\sigma) (\nabla_\sigma T^\mu) + T^\rho S^\sigma (\nabla_\sigma \nabla_\rho T^\mu + R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu) \\ &= (S^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\sigma) (\nabla_\sigma T^\mu) + S^\sigma \nabla_\sigma (T^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\mu) - (S^\sigma \nabla_\sigma T^\rho) \nabla_\rho T^\mu \\ &\quad + R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu T^\rho S^\sigma \\ &= R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu T^\rho S^\sigma . \end{aligned} \tag{3.207}$$

$A^\mu = T^\rho \nabla_\rho (T^\sigma \nabla_\sigma S^\mu)$ Relative acceleration of geodesics $= \nabla_T (\nabla_T S)$

$$= T^\rho \nabla_\rho (S^\sigma \nabla_\sigma T^\mu) \quad \because \nabla_T S = \nabla_S T$$

$$= (T^\rho \nabla_\rho S^\sigma) (\nabla_\sigma T^\mu) + T^\rho S^\sigma \nabla_\rho \nabla_\sigma T^\mu \quad \text{Leibniz rule}$$

$$= (S^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\sigma) (\nabla_\sigma T^\mu) + T^\rho S^\sigma \nabla_\sigma \nabla_\rho T^\mu + R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu T^\rho S^\sigma$$

$$= (S^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\sigma) (\nabla_\sigma T^\mu) + T^\rho S^\sigma \nabla_\sigma (T^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\mu) - (S^\rho \nabla_\rho T^\sigma) \nabla_\sigma T^\mu + R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu T^\rho S^\sigma$$

$$= R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu T^\rho S^\sigma$$

$A^\mu = \frac{D^2}{dt^2} S^\mu = R^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} T^\nu T^\rho S^\sigma$ is the geodesic deviation equation .

By a Jacobi field usually is meant a vector field along a geodesic in a pseudo-Riemannian manifold which obeys the geodesic deviation equation.

設 J 為測地線 $\gamma(t)$ 上的向量場，若

$$\nabla_T^2 J + R(J, T)T = 0, \text{ 其中 } T = \frac{d\gamma}{dt}, (\nabla_T^2 J \text{ 即 } \frac{D^2 J}{dt^2})$$

則稱 J 為 $\gamma(t)$ 上的 Jacobi 場。

定理 J 是 γ 上切於 geodesic variation $\hat{\gamma}$ 上 $\Leftrightarrow J$ 是 γ 上的一個 Jacobi 場。

\Rightarrow

$$R(J, T)T = \nabla_J \nabla_T T - \nabla_T \nabla_J T - \nabla_{[J, T]} T$$

$$\text{其中 } \nabla_T T = 0, \nabla_J T = \nabla_T J, [J, T] = 0 (\because [\frac{\partial \hat{\gamma}}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial \hat{\gamma}}{\partial t}] = 0)$$

$$\text{所以 } \nabla_T^2 J + R(J, T)T = 0$$