

Geometric Methods: Riemannian Geometry

RECAP: • Topology = study of shape



• An n-dimensional manifold M is a topological space which "looks" locally like \mathbb{R}^n .



TODAY: • Geometry = study of length, angles, volume etc.

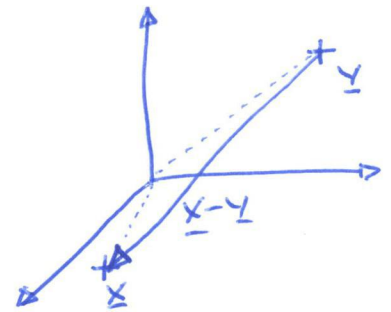
• Lengths useful e.g. distance to decision boundary, similarity.

In \mathbb{R}^n

$$d_{\text{Euclid}}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) = \sqrt{\langle \underline{x} - \underline{y}, \underline{x} - \underline{y} \rangle_{\text{Euclid}}}$$

$$\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle_{\text{Euclid}} := \sum_i u_i v_i$$

distance depends on scalar product.



BILINEAR FORMS

Consider linear transformation $\underline{x} \mapsto A\tilde{\underline{x}}$ so $x_i = \sum_j A_{ij}\tilde{x}_j$.

For scalar product to remain unchanged

$$\sum_i x_i y_i = \sum_i (\sum_j A_{ij}\tilde{x}_j) (\sum_k A_{ik}\tilde{y}_k)$$

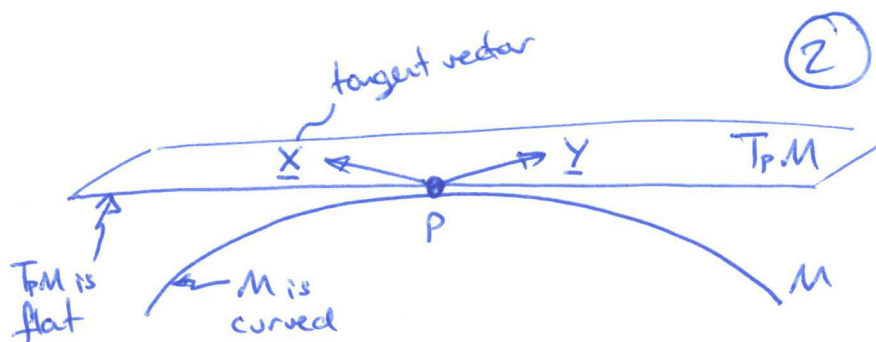
$$= \sum_{j,k} \tilde{x}_j \tilde{y}_k (\sum_i A_{ij} A_{ik})$$

C_{jk}

$$= \sum_{j,k} C_{jk} \tilde{x}_j \tilde{y}_k \leftarrow \text{most general form of scalar product}$$

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symmetric
positive def.

(M) Previously we encountered
tangent spaces $T_p M$
"space of derivatives at $p \in M$ "



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Def A Riemannian Metric $g_p: T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a symmetric, positive definite, bilinear form on tangent space at $p \in M$.

$$g_p(\underline{X}, \underline{Y}) = \sum_{ij} g_{ij}(p) X^i Y^j$$

"metric tensor"

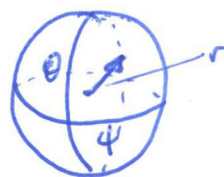
defined locally & everywhere + varies smoothly

• Norm of a tangent vector $\|\underline{X}\|_{T_p M} = \sqrt{g_p(\underline{X}, \underline{X})}$

Example Infinitesimals

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

cartesian: $ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2$



Eqns: $[dr \ d\theta \ d\phi] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & r^2 & \\ & & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dr \\ d\theta \\ d\phi \end{bmatrix} = [dx \ dy \ dz] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ dz \end{bmatrix}$

$g_{ij}(p)$ in spherical coords.

$g_{ij}(p)$ in cart.

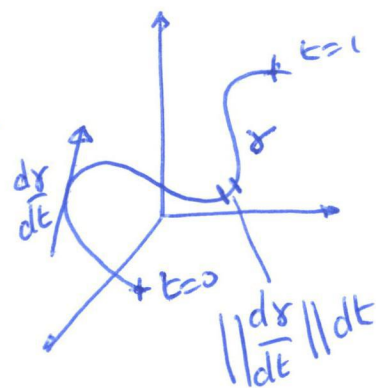
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Def A Riemannian manifold (M, g) is a smooth manifold M equipped with a Riemannian metric g

In (\mathbb{R}^n) given curve $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$L(\gamma) = \int_0^1 \underbrace{\left\| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right\|}_{\text{velocity}} dt = \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{ij} \delta_{ij} \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dx^j}{dt} \right)^{1/2} dt$
length

$\delta_{ij} = \text{identity}$



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In (M, g) $L(\gamma) = \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{ij} g_{ij}(\gamma(t)) \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dx^j}{dt} \right)^{1/2} dt$

Def The (geodesic) distance between points $p, q \in M$ is the length of the shortest curve where $\gamma(0) = p, \gamma(1) = q$.

$$d(p, q) = \inf_{\substack{\gamma: \gamma(0)=p \\ \gamma(1)=q}} L(\gamma)$$

Geodesics generalize straight lines to manifolds.

Usually easier to minimize "energy" $E(\gamma) := \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{i,j} g_{ij} \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dx^j}{dt} \right) dt$
 $\| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \|_{T_p M}^2$

Numerical solutions often only option. e.g. medical registration

Not a good ex

minimize $E(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} d_G(\text{Id}, \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 |I_0 \phi'(y) - J(y)|^2 dy$

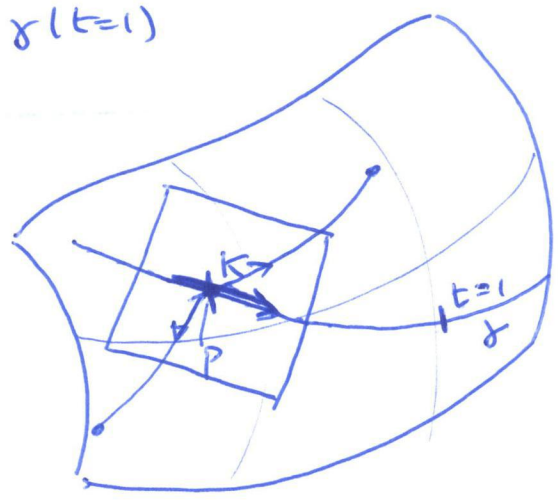
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Follow a geodesic through p in direction $\underline{K} \in T_p M, \gamma(0) = p$.

The exponential map $\exp_p: T_p M \rightarrow M$ is the point $\gamma(t=1)$ i.e.

$$\exp_p(\underline{K}) = \gamma(t=1)$$

- sometimes invertible
- not always one-to-one
- may not cover M



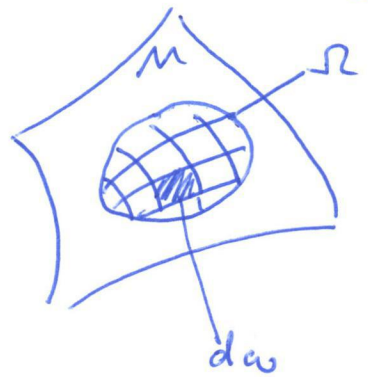
RIEMANN NORMAL COORDINATES

At p find basis change to make $g_{ij}(p) = \delta_{ij}$. \exp_p does this magically!

Volumes

What is the volume of $\Omega \subset M$?

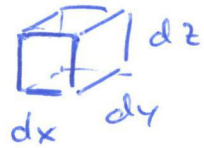
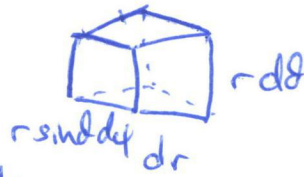
$$\text{volume} = \int_{\Omega} d\omega$$



Infinitesimal cube:

cart: $d\omega = dx dy dz$

sph: $d\omega = r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$



$$A_{\text{Euclid}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{\text{sph}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & r^2 & \\ & & r^2 \sin^2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A_{\text{Euclid}}) = 1$$

$$\det(A_{\text{sph}}) = r^4 \sin^2\theta$$

So maybe

$$\text{volume} = \int_{\Omega} \sqrt{\det A} dx_1 dx_2 \dots$$

naturally accounts for changes of basis.

No more pesky Jacobians.