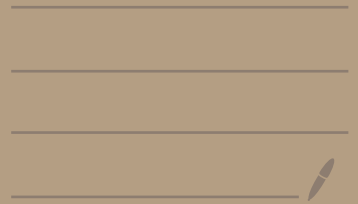


LECTURE 1.3.



POINCARÉ INEQUALITY (UNDER RICCI CURVATURE BOUNDS)

Proposition [Cf. Lemma 6.1. 8194]

Let (M^n, g) be complete Riemannian manifold with $\text{Ric} \geq -(n-1)\delta$, $\delta > 0$. Let $p \geq 1$, $0 \in M$, $R > 0$.

Assume $B_{5R}(0) \Subset M$.

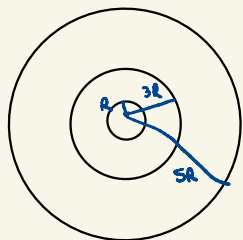
Hence $\exists C_1, C_2$ depending only on p and n such that

$$\int_{B_R(0)} |\varphi|^p \leq C_1 R^p e^{C_2 \sqrt{\delta} \cdot R} \int_{B_R(0)} |\nabla \varphi|^p \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(B_R(0))$$

Pf. (Idea)

take $x_0 \in \partial B_{3R}(0)$ and let $\rho(x) := d(x, x_0)$

Hence by Laplacian comparison and $2R \leq \rho \leq 4R$ on $B_R(0)$,
 $\Delta \rho \leq \alpha(n, \delta, R)$ on $B_R(0)$



From Laplacian comparison again

$$\Delta e^{-2\alpha \rho} \geq 2\alpha^2 e^{-2\alpha \rho} \quad \text{on } B_R(0)$$

Now test the previous with $\varphi \geq 0$, $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(B_R(0))$ and use $2R \leq \rho \leq 4R$ on $B_R(0)$ to conclude the proof.

for $p=1$ and $\varphi \geq 0$. For obtaining with 1-1 notice

$\|\nabla \varphi\| = |\nabla \varphi|$ a.e. and with $p \neq 1$ use it on $|\varphi|^p + \text{Hölder}$.

CHENG-YAU GRADIENT ESTIMATES

$$\left(\Delta u = -\lambda u \right)$$

under Ricci lower bounds

Prop. [Ch. 3.1 SYG4; Theorem 1.1. (104)]

Let (M^n, g) be complete Riemannian manifold with $\text{Ric} \geq -(n-1)k$, $k > 0$. Let $p \in M$, $R > 0$, $\lambda \geq 0$.

Assume

- $f \in C^\infty(B_{2R}(p))$,
- $f \geq 0$ on $B_{2R}(p)$,
- $\Delta f = -\lambda f$ on $B_{2R}(p)$

then, $\forall 0 < \varepsilon < 2$

$$\sup_{B_R(p)} \frac{|\nabla f|^2}{f^2} \leq \frac{(4(n-1)^2 + 2\varepsilon)k}{4-2\varepsilon} + C(n) \left((1+\varepsilon^{-1})R^{-2} + \lambda \right).$$

E.g., for $\varepsilon = 1$

$$\sup_{B_R(p)} \frac{|\nabla f|^2}{f^2} \leq C(n) \left(k + R^{-2} + \lambda \right)$$

Proof. [Starting idea] $h := \log f$. then $\Delta h = -|\nabla h|^2 - \lambda$.
Study $G := \phi |\nabla h|^2$, ϕ cut-off function, at maximum point.

SOLVABILITY OF $\Delta u = c$

Proposition Let (M^n, g) be a complete noncompact Riemannian manifold. Let $p \in M$. Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the following hold for a.e. $R \in (0, \infty)$

- $\partial B_R(p)$ is a Lipschitz submanifold

- Given $f \in \text{Lip}(\bar{B}_R(p))$,

$\exists u_R \in C^\infty(B_R(p)) \cap C^0(\bar{B}_R(p))$ s.t

$$(D) \begin{cases} \Delta u_R = c & B_R(p) \\ u_R = f & \partial B_R(p) \end{cases}$$

"Proof": The first item is a consequence of Piffard, see [Rif ou]

The existence for the Dirichlet problem

(D) is classical [for $C^{2,\alpha}$ domains, with bdy datum in C^α , with $\Delta u \in C^\alpha$ the solution is $C^{2,\alpha}$ in the interior and C^α to the bdy] see [GT],

then 6.3-6.4(6.5). In the case we are dealing with, i.e., Lipschitz bdy, the solution is still smooth in the interior but just $C^1(\bar{B}_R(p))$ for some $\gamma > 0$, see

[Chapter 2.6. Fernández Real - Ros Otton W]

MOSER ITERATION

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \Delta u \geq -\lambda u \text{ on } B_2 \Rightarrow \sup_{B_1} |u| \lesssim \int_{B_1} u^2 \\ \text{under Ricci lower bounds} \end{array} \right)$$

Preliminaries

Thm I [Heb 00, Theorem 3.2. page 54. ; Varopoulos; Coulhon - Saloff-Coste] see also

(M, g) smooth, complete, n -dim Riem. manifold.

Assume $\text{Ric} \geq k^{(I)}$, $|B_1(x)| \geq \nu > 0^{(II)} \forall x \in M$.

Then $\forall u \in C_c^\infty(M)$

$$\left(\int_M |u|^{n/n-1} d\text{Vol} \right)^{n-1/n} \leq C(n, k, \nu) \left(\int_M |Du| + |u| d\text{Vol} \right)$$

Pf.

[Sketch, see Heb00 Lemma 3.2. p. 57; Lemma 3.3. p. 59]

(I) \Rightarrow Poincaré

$$\forall x \in M \forall r \leq R \forall u \in C_c^\infty(B_r(x)) \int_{B_r(x)} |u - \bar{u}_r(x)| \leq C(n, k, R) \int_{B_r(x)} |Du|$$

Then with (II)

$$\forall \Omega \text{ with } \text{Vol}(\Omega) \leq \eta(n, k, \nu) \quad \text{Per}(\Omega) \geq C(n, k, \nu) \text{Vol}(\Omega)^{\frac{n-1}{n}}$$

Then by Corollary

$$\forall x \in M \quad \forall u \in C_c^\infty(B_\delta(x)) \quad \left(\int_M |u|^{n/n-1} \right)^{n-1/n} \leq A(n, k, \nu) \int |Du|$$

$\delta(n, k, \nu)$

And then conclude by a patching argument.

Cor. I

(M, g) smooth, complete, n -dim Riem. manifold.

Assume $\text{Ric} \geq k$ ^(I), $|B_1(x)| \geq \nu > 0$ ^(II) $\forall x \in B_1(p)$

Then $\forall u \in C_c^\infty(B_1(p))$

$$\left(\int_{B_1(p)} |u|^{n/n-1} d\text{Vol} \right)^{n-1/n} \leq C(n, k, \nu) \int_{B_1(p)} |Du| d\text{Vol}$$

Pf. Localize the previous argument, use Bishop-Gromov, and the (1,1)-Poincaré.

Cor. II

(M, g) smooth, complete, n -dim Riem. manifold.

Assume $\text{Ric} \geq k$ ^(I), $|B_1(x)| \geq \nu > 0$ ^(II) $\forall x \in B_R(p)$

Then $\forall r \leq R \quad \forall u \in C_c^\infty(B_r(p))$

$$\left(\int_{B_r(p)} |u|^{n/n-1} d\text{Vol} \right)^{n-1/n} \leq C(n, k, \nu, R) r \int_{B_r(p)} |Du| d\text{Vol}$$

Pf. Scaling

Rk. From the Thm I we obtain with a classical argument (page 27, Heb 00) that $\forall q \in [1, n) \forall u \in C_c^\infty(M)$ we have [under the same hypotheses, there]

$$\left(\int_M |u|^{q^*} \right)^{1/q^*} \leq C(n, k, \nu) \left[\left(\int_M |Du|^q \right)^{1/q} + \left(\int_M |u|^q \right)^{1/q} \right]$$

where $q^* = \frac{nq}{n-q}$

Analogously in Cor 2I, with the same hypotheses in there we have

$$\forall q \in [1, n) \forall r \leq R \forall u \in C_c^\infty(B_r(p))$$

$$\left(\int_{B_r(p)} |u|^{q^*} \right)^{1/q^*} \leq C(n, k, \nu, R, q) r \left(\int_{B_r(p)} |Du|^q \right)^{1/q}$$

cf.
Thm I [Li 96, Lemma 11.1 ; MOSER ITERATION]

(M, g) smooth, complete, n -dim. Riemannian manifold

Assume $\text{Ric} \geq k$, $\text{Vol}(B_r(x)) \geq v > 0 \quad \forall x \in B_R(p)$

Assume $u \geq 0$ smooth on $B_R(p)$,

$\exists \lambda > 0$ s.t. $\Delta u \geq -\lambda u$ on $B_R(p)$

Then $\forall \theta > 0 \exists C := C(\theta, n, k, R, v, \lambda)$

$$\sup_{x \in B_{\frac{R}{2}}(p)} |u(x)| \leq C \left(\int_{B_R(p)} |u|^\theta \right)^{1/\theta}$$

Proof.

By scaling I can assume $\text{Vol}(B_R(p)) = 1$

Fix $\alpha \geq 1$. From $\Delta u \geq -\lambda u$, $\forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(B_R(p))$

$$-\int \Delta u \phi^2 u^{2\alpha-1} \leq \int \lambda \phi^2 u^{2\alpha}$$

|| interpretation by parts

$$2 \int \langle \nabla u, \nabla \phi \rangle \phi u^{2\alpha-1} + (2\alpha) \int \phi^2 u^{2\alpha-2} |\nabla u|^2$$

$$\geq 2 \int \langle \nabla u, \nabla \phi \rangle \phi u^{2\alpha-1} + \alpha \int \phi^2 u^{2\alpha-2} |\nabla u|^2$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\int |\nabla(\phi u^\alpha)|^2 - \int |\nabla \phi|^2 u^{2\alpha} \right]$$

Hence

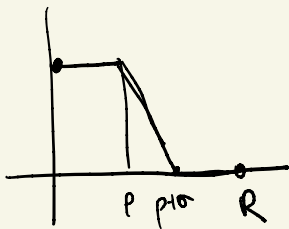
$$\int |\nabla(\phi u^a)|^2 \leq \int |\nabla \phi|^2 u^{2a} + a \int 2\phi^2 u^{2a}$$

Sobolev
CONSTANT

$$\frac{C_S}{R^2} \left[\int (\phi u^a)^{2^*} \right]^{2/2^*}$$

Taking the cut-off

ϕ as in the picture (odp)
we have $\forall 0 < \rho < \rho + \sigma < R$,



$$\left(\int_{B_\rho(\rho)} u^{2^*} \right)^{2/2^*} \leq \frac{R^2}{C_S} \left(a\lambda + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right) \int_{B_{\rho+\sigma}(\rho)} u^{2^*}$$

and then, being $\|u\|_{m, \rho} := \left(\int_{B_\rho(\rho)} |u|^m \right)^{1/m}$,

$$\|u\|_{2^*, \rho}^{2^*} \leq \left(\frac{R^2}{C_S} \left(a\lambda + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right) \right)^{1/2^*} \|u\|_{2^*, \rho+\sigma}^{2^*}$$

For simplicity, let's give the proof only for $k=2$.

Define $\begin{cases} a_i = \mu^i & \forall i \geq 0 \\ \sigma_i = \frac{1}{2^{i+2}} R & \forall i \geq 0 \\ \rho_i = R - \sum_{j=0}^i \sigma_j & \forall i \geq 0 \end{cases}$

$$M = \frac{M}{k-2}$$

Notice $\rho_i \rightarrow R/2$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$

Hence $\forall i \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \| \text{all } \underline{2a_{i+1}}, \underline{p_i} &\leq \left[\prod_{j=0}^i \left(\frac{R^2}{C_S} \left(a_j \lambda + \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2} \right) \right)^{1/2 a_j} \right] \| \text{all}_{2,R} \\ &= \prod_{j=0}^i \left(\frac{R^2}{C_S} \left(\lambda \mu^j + \frac{2^{2i+4}}{R^2} \right) \right)^{1/2 \mu^j} \| \text{all}_{2,R} \\ &\leq \prod_{j=0}^i \left(\frac{R^2}{C_S} \lambda + \frac{16}{C_S} \right)^{1/2 \mu^j} \max\{\mu, 4\}^{1/2 \mu^j} \cdot \| \text{all}_{2,R} \end{aligned}$$

For $i \rightarrow +\infty$, LHS $\rightarrow \| \text{all}_{\infty, R/2}$

$$\text{LHS} \leq \left[\left(\frac{R^2}{C_S} \lambda + \frac{16}{C_S} \right)^{1/2} \right]^{\frac{M}{\mu-1}} \cdot \tilde{C} \cdot \| \text{all}_{2,R}$$

Rk. The same Master-Iteration can be performed on \blacksquare
 annuli!

SOME FACTS ABOUT GH-DISTANCE & CONVERGENCE

References [BB101, chapters 7-8]
 [Peterson 16, Chapter 11]
 [Villani 09, Chapter 24]
 [GMS15]

• The GH-distance

Def. Let (X, d^X) , (Y, d^Y) be metric spaces

Then

$$d_{GH}((X, d^X), (Y, d^Y)) = \inf_{(Z, d^Z)} \left\{ d_{\#}^Z(X, Y) : \begin{array}{l} i_X: (X, d^X) \xrightarrow{\text{isometric}} (Z, d^Z) \\ i_Y: (Y, d^Y) \xrightarrow{\text{isometric}} (Z, d^Z) \end{array} \right\}$$

↓ ↓
one can give the pointwise envelope in the RHS by adding $d(X, Y)$ Hausdorff distance on (Z, d^Z)

Ex. It works also for cpt metric spaces. I.e., if X, Y are cpt, then $d_{GH}(X, Y) = 0 \iff X \stackrel{\text{isometric}}{\cong} Y$

Moreover $(\{\text{cpt. metric spaces}\} / \sim, d_{GH})$ is a complete, separable metric space
↪ isometry

• Approach with the GH-approximations

Def. We say that $f: (X, d^X) \rightarrow (Y, d^Y)$ is ε -GH-approximation if the following hold

- (i) $\sup_{(x_1, x_2) \in X \times X} |d^Y(f(x_1), f(x_2)) - d^X(x_1, x_2)| \leq \varepsilon$;
- (ii) $\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X \quad d^Y(f(x), y) \leq \varepsilon$.

The GH-distance can be measured, up to constants, by the GH-approximations

Lemma Given $(X, d^X), (Y, d^Y)$ metric spaces,

$$\frac{2}{3} d_{GH}(X, Y) \leq \inf \{ \varepsilon : \exists f: X \rightarrow Y \ \varepsilon\text{-GH-approx} \} \leq d_{GH}(X, Y)$$

Rk $d_{GH}(X, Y)$ might be $+\infty$ if X, Y not

cpt... Some adjustments needed in the noncompact case.

The GH-convergence in the noncompact case

All the spaces from now on will be complete and separable. A general definition of pGH convergence is found in [BB10], Def. 2.1.1.]

Def. We say that $(X_i, d_i, x_i) \xrightarrow{pGH} (Y, d^Y, y)$

if $\exists (Z, d^Z)$ and $\psi_i: (X_i, d_i) \rightarrow (Z, d^Z)$;

$\psi: (Y, d^Y) \rightarrow (Z, d^Z)$ isometric embeddings s.t. the

following holds. $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R} > 0 \exists r_0(\varepsilon, R)$ s.t.

$$\psi_i(B_R(x_i)) \subseteq \overline{B_\varepsilon}^{\text{closed tubular neighborhood}}(\psi(B_R(y))) \quad \forall i \geq i_0$$

$$\psi(B_R(y)) \subseteq \overline{B_\varepsilon}(\psi_i(B_R(x_i))) \quad \forall i \geq i_0$$

Rk. • Such a convergent is metrizable [GMS15, Thm 3.15] with a distance D [Locally on average of the pGH distances between $(B_R(x_i), x_i)$ and $(B_R(y), y)$ $R \rightarrow \infty$] and the equivalence class of pointed metric space endowed with D is complete and separable [GMS15, Thm 3.17]

• The previous notion is equivalent to [BB10, Def. 8.2.1] in the class of locally uniformly doubling pointed metric spaces [GMS15, 3.30-33]

Rk. Given a realization space (Z, d^Z) , one can define convergence of points $x_n \in X_n \rightarrow x \in X$ and of sets $E_n \subseteq X_n \rightarrow E \subseteq X$ just by reading them in the realization (Z, d^Z) .

Def. Assume $(X_J, d_J, x_J) \xrightarrow{p \in \mathbb{H}} (Y, d^Y, y)$ and let (Z, d^Z) be a realization. We say that $f_J: X_J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ converge pointwise to $f: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ if the following holds

$$\forall x_J \xrightarrow{p \in \mathbb{H}} y, \quad f_J(x_J) \rightarrow f(y)$$

We say that the convergence is uniform if $\forall \varepsilon \exists N$ s.t. the following holds

$$\forall J \geq N \quad \forall x_J \in X_J \quad \forall y \in Y \quad d^Z(x_J, y) \leq N^{-1} \Rightarrow |f_J(x_J) - f(y)| \leq \varepsilon$$

Thm. Arzela-Ascoli

Assume $(X_J, d_J, x_J) \xrightarrow{p \in \mathbb{H}} (Y, d^Y, y)$ and let (Z, d^Z) be a realization. Assume $f_J: X_J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are L -Lipschitz and $\sup_{J \in \mathbb{H}} |f_J(x_J)| < +\infty$. Hence $\exists f_\infty: X_\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ L -Lipschitz s.t. $f_J|_{B_R(x_J)} \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f|_{B_R(y)} \quad \forall R > 0$ up to subsequences.

Prop. Gromov Compactness

Let \mathcal{C} be a class of compact metric spaces with diam $X \leq D \forall X \in \mathcal{C}$. TFAE:

- \mathcal{C} is pre-compact in the GH-topology
- $\exists N_1: (0, D) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ s.t. $\text{Gap}_X(\epsilon) \leq N_1(\epsilon) \quad \forall \epsilon \in (0, D) \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{C}$
Maximum number of disjoint $\frac{\epsilon}{2}$ -balls in X
- $\exists N_2: (0, D) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ s.t. $\text{Cov}_X(\epsilon) \leq N_2(\epsilon) \quad \forall \epsilon \in (0, D) \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{C}$
Minimum number of ϵ -balls needed to cover X

Localizing the previous criterion and using Bishop-Gromov comparison one has the following

Prop. The class of pointed complete Riemannian manifolds with $\text{Ric} \geq k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{R}$ is precompact in the pointed Gromov-Hausdorff topology

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