

ASPECTS OF EINSTEIN METRICS ON 4 MANIFOLDS

(M^n, g) Riemannian manifold

$\text{Ric}_g = \lambda g$ most natural eqn imposed on metric

arose via Einstein's work in General Relativity. Lorentzian
interested in cases w/ splitting

$$\sum \times \mathbb{R} \simeq M$$

space time Want Existence & Uniqueness, std question for both geometry & PDE

Want nice local coordinates which simplify PDE: Einstein equation in harmonic coordinates

$$\Delta_g x^i = 0.$$

$$\Delta_g g_{\alpha\beta} + Q_{\alpha\beta}(g, \partial g) = -2 \text{Ric}_{\alpha\beta}$$

Leading order \rightarrow elliptic

System of 2nd order quasi linear eqns $\Rightarrow -2\lambda g_{\alpha\beta}$ This is equivalent to the Bochner formula

For Lorentzian metric have similarly $\square_g g_{\alpha\beta} + \dots$

In the Lorentzian (GR) case, the einstein equations are well posed. (1952 Chauvet Brault)

$(\sum, g, \dot{g}) \rightarrow \exists!$ solution on $M = \sum \times I$ Main Q: Long time behavior? Singularity formation?
orbifold κ , 2nd fundamental form Closely tied to Ricci flow

Let's turn back to Riemannian setting

Uniqueness ... more generally, structure of solutions space.

$E =$ set of all solutions of Einstein equations on $M \in \text{Met}^{\text{orb}}(M) \subseteq \text{Met}^{m,a}(M)$ \hookrightarrow
(M compact) normalize vol $M = 1$ Better to work with
closed κ , 2nd fundamental form Frechet space, not Banach

$\mathcal{E} := E / \text{Diff}(M) =$ moduli space of solutions

(Compare to YM moduli space, self dual instanton equations)
Donaldson's Thm

Basic Facts

- each component of \mathcal{E} is a finite dimensional real analytic variety (Proven by Koiso)
however dim = ?
- λ is constant on each component (Einstein metrics are critical pts of E-H action $\int_M Rg dv_g$).

Open Q: Are component of \mathcal{E} manifolds or orbifolds.

$n=2$] completely known & understood.
 $n=3$

$n=4$

$n>4$: much different behavior. Thm (Wang, Ziller) $\exists \infty$ -many components to \mathcal{E}_+ on $S^3 \times S^2$

dim 2 \mathcal{E} = Riemannian moduli space \sim Teichmüller Theory

- ① $S^2, \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_+ = \text{pt} \sim$ Riemann mapping theorem
- ② $T^2 \mathcal{E}_0 = \mathbb{H}^2 / \text{SU}(2,2)$



Weil-Peterson metric = L^2 metric

$$T_g(\text{Met}^\infty(M)) = S^2(M)$$

$$h = \frac{d}{dt} (g + t h) |_{t=0}$$

$$\langle h, k \rangle = \int_M \langle h, M \rangle_g(x) dV_g$$

W-P metric is L^2 metric restricted to \mathcal{E} , the 2-D submanifold.

- ③ $\sum g, g \geq 2$
- surface

$$\mathcal{E}_- = \frac{\mathbb{R}^{6g-6}}{\Gamma} \leftarrow \text{mapping class group}$$

Consider completion wrt WP

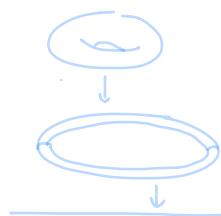
= L^2 metric

$\overline{\mathcal{E}_-}$ is compact

Note $\text{diam}_{WP} \mathcal{E}_- < \infty$

No infinite geodesics

boundary is hyperbolic cusps.



Example:



dim 3 $\mathcal{E}_+, \mathcal{E}_- = \text{pts}$ (Mostow rigidity thm) Calabi Weil.

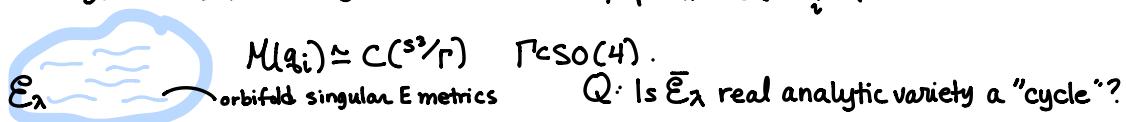
\mathcal{E}_0 = moduli space of flat metrics on M^3 .

dim 4 Picture is very similar to dim 2.

$M^4, \mathcal{E}_\lambda = \text{component of } \mathcal{E}, \lambda > 0$. extrinsic
In general \mathcal{E}_λ is noncompact. However you can take L^2 metric completion $\overline{\mathcal{E}}_\lambda$.

$\overline{\mathcal{E}}_\lambda$ is compact, $\partial \mathcal{E}_\lambda = \overline{\mathcal{E}}_\lambda - \mathcal{E}$ are orbifold singular E metrics. (V, g_∞).

g_∞ is C^∞ smooth away from a finite set of points $Q = \bigcup_i Q_i$.



$\lambda=0$ \mathcal{E}_0
 $\lambda=0$ component of \mathcal{E}

L^2 completion $\overline{\mathcal{E}_0} = \mathcal{E}_0 \cup \mathcal{E}_0^S$

complete, noncompact.

At ∞ in $\overline{\mathcal{E}_0}$ the E-metrics collapse in Cheeger Gromov sense
outside a finite # of singular pts.

$\forall x \in M, \text{inj}_{g_i}(x) \rightarrow 0, \text{inj}_{g_i}^2(y) | Rm|_{g_i}(y) \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall y$ away from finite number of pts

This was improved by Cheeger & Tian in '06, $|Rm|_{g_i}(y) \leq K$.

MAIN EXAMPLE: moduli space of K3 surfaces. (large cx structural limit)

$\lambda \neq 0$ $\mathcal{E}_\lambda, \overline{\mathcal{E}_\lambda} =$
• \mathcal{E}_λ
↑
• $\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{orb}$ - orbifold
 L^2 completion • cusps

Cheeger & Tian proved no collapse.

Question: Is $\overline{\mathcal{E}_\lambda}$ compact?

Next time: some aspects for methods of proof, how orbifold singularities arise
existence statements.