

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

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

↑ 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 2^{nd} 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 Choquet-Bruhat)

$(\Sigma, g, \dot{g}) \rightarrow \exists!$ solution on $M = \Sigma \times I$ Main Q: Long time behavior? Singularity formation?
 arb. initial \uparrow is 2^{nd} fundamental form closely tied to Ricci flow

Let's turn back to Riemannian setting

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

$\mathbb{E} =$ set of all solutions of Einstein equations on $M \subseteq \text{Met}^\infty(M) \subseteq \text{Met}^{m,a}(M) \leftarrow$
 (M compact closed) \uparrow normalize vol $M=1$ \uparrow Frechet space, not Banach Better to work with

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

(Compare to YM moduli space, self dual instanton equations)
 \uparrow 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 $\int_M R_g dv_g$).

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

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

$n=4$

$n > 4$: 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

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

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

It's noncompact and geometr. associated to collapse.

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

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

③ Σ_g , $g \geq 2$
surface

$$\mathcal{E}_- = \frac{\mathbb{R}^{6g-6}}{\Gamma}$$

Γ ← mapping class group

Consider completion wrt WP = L^2 metric

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

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

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.

$M^4, \mathcal{E}_\lambda =$ component of $\mathcal{E}, \lambda > 0$.

$\lambda > 0$ In general \mathcal{E}_λ is noncompact. However you can take L^2 metric completion $\bar{\mathcal{E}}_\lambda$.

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

\mathcal{Y}_∞ is C^∞ smooth away from a finite set of points $\mathcal{Q} = \cup_i q_i$.



$$M(q_i) \simeq C(\mathbb{S}^3/\Gamma) \quad \Gamma \subset \text{SO}(4)$$

orbifold singular E metrics

\mathcal{Q} : Is $\bar{\mathcal{E}}_\lambda$ real analytic variety a "cycle"?

$\lambda=0$ \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.

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

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

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

$\lambda < 0$ $\mathcal{E}_\lambda, \overline{\mathcal{E}}_\lambda = \cdot \mathcal{E}_\lambda$
 \uparrow
 L^2 completion $\cdot \mathcal{E}_\lambda^{orb}$ - orbifold
 $\cdot \text{cusps}$

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.