

Free actions of compact groups on unital C^* -algebras.

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metric geometry (1980's) How to get there from Riemann geometry.

First problems in dim 2

Today: _____ 3.

Tomorrow? ∞ -dim?

Stop playing with R-metrics and use subriemannian metrics.

ex: Heisenberg group and look at paths that are horizontal from a to b .

Q (Gromov 1993): ~~identity between Euclidean and Heisenberg~~ ~~distances are~~ Hölder: one has

$$d_E \leq d_{SP} \leq \sqrt{d_E}$$

But for which exponents $\alpha \in]0, 1[$ is there a local homeomorphism between euclidean space and M : let $\alpha(M) = \sup$ of such.

Let X metric space top dim $X = n$ and Hausdorff dim $X = Q$, then $\alpha(X) \leq \frac{n}{Q}$ (here $\frac{3}{4}$)

Let M subriemannian: then $\alpha(X) \leq \frac{n-1}{Q-1}$ (here $\frac{2}{3}$)

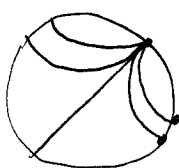
Let M further be a contact manifold (odd-dim, hyperplane field max $\frac{2n}{2n+1}$ non integrable)
top dim $2m+1$: $\alpha(X) \leq \frac{m+1}{m+2}$

A more complicated problem:

Π Riemann $-1 \leq \kappa \leq 0$ Π δ -pinched if sectional curvature between -1 and δ

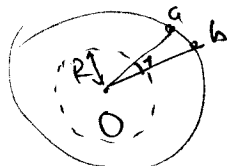
Optimal pinching $\delta(\Pi)$ of $\Pi = \inf \{ \delta \geq -1 : \Pi$ q-i to a complete R-manifold, simply connected, δ -pinched $\}$.

Ex: H^n_C hyperbolic plane is $-\frac{1}{4}$ -pinched. Is $\delta(H^n_C) = -\frac{1}{4}$?



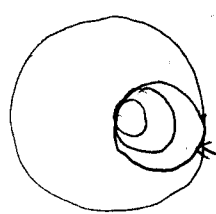
ideal boundary =

two geodesics are $\sim$ boundary if they remain δ



choose a metric d on rays starting from O the radius R such that two radii hit the circle R with points at distance δ . $d(a,b) = e^{-R}$.

Nostao - Nargulis 1960's



The Heisenberg group exists in $PU(m,1)$

horocycle, horosphere. They foliate the space

curvature between -1 and $-\frac{1}{4}$.

optimal pinching should probably be given by the natural metric

quasi-symmetric Holder-Lipschitz problem: a new exponent $q_{1,1}$

$a_{q_{1,1}}(H_{1,1}) \leq \frac{2}{3}$. You don't play with distance but with balls
→ like tennis

→ Hyperbolic metric space

Ph with Holder maps:

$$\mathcal{H}^4(\text{open}) \leq C \mathcal{H}^3(\partial \text{open})^{4/3} \quad \text{isoperimetric inequality (Pisot, Varopoulos)}$$

In Heisenberg groups, how to exclude horizontal curves.

NB: $\int |Du|^n$ is a conformal invariant, and even a q -conformal one.

And q -n maps are q -c.

→ and they are almost everywhere differentiable.

Coarea formula: a l.i. ($\equiv$ in Eucl. setting) $\int f = \int_{\mathbb{R}} dt \int_{u=t} \frac{f}{|Du|}$

$$0 < \int |Du|^n \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} dt \int_{u=t} |Du|^{n-1}$$

↑ a one-parameter family has dimension at least $n-1$.

but this is not known in SR geometry.

Nagami 2002 goes into the direction →

One has to replace Hausdorff measures by packing measures.
(infimum) $\rightarrow$ measures & enlargement (supremum).

(N, ε) -packing: N multiplicity
 ℓ enlargement.
f. Tricot.

Define the energy of f^{us} : $e u(B) = \text{measure}(u(B))$.

then there is a constant $\leq$:

$$E_u(X) \leq \int_M E_u^{p-1}(u^{-1}(m)) d\mu(m).$$

(3 lines proof).

$$\text{meas}(u(B)) \leq \text{diam}(u(B))^d \leq \text{diam}(B)^d.$$

→ energy and dimension

Th $\alpha \leq \frac{n-d}{Q-d}$ if $f: \mathbb{R}^n \xrightarrow{C^\alpha} X$
 $v: M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ submersion and $u = v \circ f^{-1}$
 $E_u^{Q/d} > 0$

→ $E_u^Q > 0$ if padding $d = Q$.

Are there submersions in $\mathbb{R}^2$? with $E_u^{Q/2} > 0$??

→ hard analysis.

→ then one would have $\leq \frac{n-2}{Q-2}$...

Conformally Hölder maps... but turned out to be useless.

Lipschitz assumption very useful

Hölder assumption: very crude.