

$$\frac{D}{dv} V^a = 0$$

$\lambda(t, v)$ for every fixed t is the point obtained from $\lambda(t)$ after moving an affine parameter v along the integral curves of V^a . ($\int_V Z^a = 0$)
congruence of geodesics.

$$\frac{D}{dt} Z^a = \frac{D}{dt} V^a \quad (I)$$

v and $t(t)v$ are valid affine parameters for null geodesics

The co-dimension 1 subspace orthogonal to V^a includes V^a itself because V^a is null. We quotient this subspace identifying vectors that only differ from each other by a multiple of V^a . Denote this co-dimension 2 subspace by $S_p M$. If L^a is the other null vector with $g(V, L) = -1$, $h_{ab} = g_{ab} + 2V_{(a}L_{b)}$ projects a vector onto $(S_p M)_\perp$

For null surfaces, it induces a Riemannian metric. From (I), $\frac{D}{dv} Z^a = Z^b \nabla_b V^a$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D^2 Z^a}{dv^2} &= V^c \nabla_c (V^d \nabla_d Z^a) = V^c \nabla_c (Z^e \nabla_e V^a) = V^c \nabla_c Z^e \nabla_e V^a + V^c Z^e \nabla_c \nabla_e V^a = V^c \nabla_c Z^e \nabla_e V^a + V^c Z^e \nabla_c \nabla_e V^a \\ &= R_{ced}{}^a V^d V^e Z^c = Z^c \nabla_c V^d \nabla_d V^a + V^e Z^c \nabla_c \nabla_e V^a - R_{ced}{}^a V^d V^e Z^c = Z^c \nabla_c (V^d \nabla_d V^a) - R_{ced}{}^a V^d V^e Z^c \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{D^2 Z^a}{dv^2} = -R^a{}_{bcd} Z^c V^b V^d \quad (\text{Jacobi eq. / Geodesic Deviation eq.}) \quad (II) \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_c (V^a L_a) = 0 \quad V^b \nabla_b (Z^a V_c) = V_a V^b \nabla_b Z^a = V_a Z^b \nabla_b V^a = 0 \quad \text{So we take } Z^a \text{ such that } g(Z, L) = 0 \text{ / } p.$$

The solutions to $\frac{D}{dv} Z^a = \nabla_b V^a Z^b$ (1st order linear ODE) are of the form $Z^a(v) = E^a{}_b(v) Z^b|_q$

Plugging into (I) and (II), $\frac{d}{dv} E_{ab} = \nabla_c V_a E^c{}_b$ and $\frac{d^2}{dv^2} E_{ab} = -R_{acde} V^c V^e E^c{}_b$ (III)

Def.:	$\omega_{ab} = h^c{}_a h^d{}_b \nabla_{[c} V_{d]}$ (vorticity tensor)	$\theta_{ab} = h^c{}_a h^d{}_b \nabla_{[c} V_{d]}$	} $\frac{d}{dv} \det E = \det(\theta_{ca} E^c{}_b)$ $= \det \theta_{ca} \det E$
	$\sigma_{ab} = \theta_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} h_{ab} \theta$ (shear tensor)	$\theta = V^a V_a$ (expansion)	

$$h^a{}_c h^d{}_b \nabla^c V^d = \frac{1}{2} \theta h_{ab} + \sigma_{ab} + \omega_{ab}$$

From (III), $\omega_{ab} = - (E^{-1})^c{}_{[a} \frac{d}{dv} E_{b]}^c$

$$\theta_{ab} = (E^{-1})^c{}_{[a} \frac{d}{dv} E_{b]}^c \quad \left[\text{Tr} \left(\frac{dA}{dx} A^{-1} \right) \right]$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{\det E} \frac{d}{dv} \det E \quad \left[\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{d}{dx} \det A \right]$$

From (IV), $\frac{d^2}{dv^2} E_{ab} = -R_{acde} V^c V^e E^c{}_b \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dv} \omega_{ab} = 2\omega_{c[a} \theta_{b]}^c \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dv} (E_{ca} \omega^c{}_b E^d{}_b) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

From the above: \rightarrow Because $\frac{d}{dv} \det E$ is not singular everywhere (otherwise (IV) would break), $\theta \rightarrow -\infty \Leftrightarrow \det E \rightarrow 0$

$\rightarrow E_{ca} \omega^c_d F^d_b$ is a constant along each geodesic. In particular, if one starts with a point q in which $E=0$, $\omega_{ab}=0$ wherever E is regular.

Def.: A point $p \in \mathcal{X}(v)$ is conjugate to $q \in \mathcal{X}(v)$ if $\exists J^a \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ nonzero, Jacobi field that vanishes at p and q .

Multiplying (IV) by E^{-1}_{bc} and taking the symmetric part; $\frac{d}{dv} \theta_{ab} = -R_{acbd} V^c V^d - \omega_{ac} \omega^c_b - \theta_{ac} \theta^c_b$, whose

trace yields $\frac{d}{dv} \theta = -R_{ab} V^a V^b + 2\omega^2 - 2\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \theta^2$ (Landsau-Raychaudhuri eq.).

If one seeks conjugate points of q , $d\omega^2=0$ and $\frac{d}{dv} \theta = -R_{ab} V^a V^b - 2\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \theta^2$.

If $R_{ab} V^a V^b \geq 0$ everywhere (see below) $\frac{d\theta}{dv} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \theta^2 < 0 \Rightarrow \theta \leq \frac{2}{v - (v_0 - \frac{2}{\theta(v_0)})}$

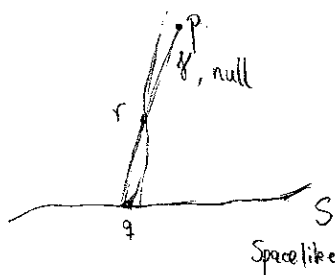
and there will be a conjugate point if $\theta(v_0) < 0$ (unless the geodesic can't be extended this far).

Null energy condition (NEC) states that $T_{ab} V^a V^b \geq 0$ for all null vectors V^a . If one uses Einstein's Eq,

$R_{ab} = 8\pi (T_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ab} T^c_c)$, this is equivalent to $R_{ab} V^a V^b \geq 0$.

The NEC follows from the Weak Energy Condition (WEC).

For timelike geodesics, focusing requires $R_{ab} W^a W^b \geq 0$ for all timelike W^a . This is the Strong Energy Condition.



If $\exists r$, conjugate point, we can deform γ to create a timelike curve from S to p .

We'll discuss this in the next lecture.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) = g\left(\frac{D}{\partial s} \frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) + g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{D}{\partial s} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)$$

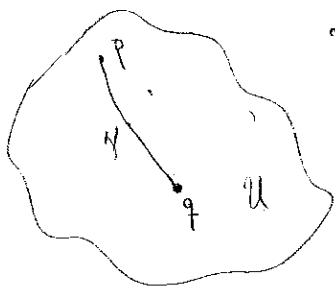
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) = \frac{1}{g} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial}{\partial s}\right) = 0$$

But $\frac{D}{\partial s} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} = \underbrace{f_{\frac{\partial}{\partial s}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}}_{\text{on } \mathcal{S}} + \frac{D}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} = \frac{D}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial s}$

"Symmetry lemma".

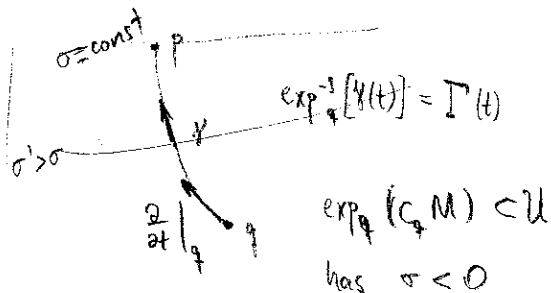
$g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)$ is constant in S . Because $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Big|_q = 0$ and $q \in \mathcal{S}$, $g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) \Big|_{\mathcal{S}} = 0$. Hence,

the timelike geodesics through q are orthogonal to the surfaces $\{p \in M \mid g(\exp_q^{-1} p, \exp_q^{-1} p) = \sigma\}$.



U convex normal neighbourhood of q .

$\exists X \in T_p M; p = \exp_q X$



Since $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ is orthogonal to $\sigma = \text{const}$, $p \in \exp_q(C_q M)$.

If is not timelike, but still causal, take $Y \in T_q M$; $\exp_q(Y)$ is timelike, with $g(Y, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}) \Big|_q < 0$

Repeat the analysis for the integral curve of $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \epsilon Y$. Conclude that p is reached by

$\overline{\exp_q(C_q M)} = \exp_q(\overline{C_q M})$.

for each ϵ .

\rightarrow If $p \in U$ can be reached by a causal curve from q that is not timelike, p lies on a null geodesic from q .

\rightarrow As a corollary, $I^\pm(p)$ are open sets.