

COMP 760 Week 6: Extrinsic view of Riemannian Geometry

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Admin stuff week 6



Project Advice

- Start immediately. Don't wait till the last few weeks.
- Try to fail fast. If its empirical get a minimum working example asap. Usually Google Collab is good at this.
- Try to visualize results as much as possible. Plot loss curves, generated samples, ELBO.
- Think about as many sanity checks as possible. For example, are generated samples actually on the manifold?

Extrinsic View



Review: Smooth Manifolds

\mathcal{M} – smooth

- d -dim topological space (paracompact, Hausdorff, and second countable).
- $\{(U_i, \psi_i)\}$ collection of charts that satisfy a compatibility condition.
- A smooth function f on \mathcal{M} is the map $f \circ \phi^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- The set of smooth functions on \mathcal{M} is denoted by $C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$

Review: Tangent Spaces

$$D(fg) = f(x)D(g) + g(x)D(f) \quad \text{Derivation}$$

- The set of all derivations at $x \in \mathcal{M}$ is called the tangent space $\mathcal{T}_x \mathcal{M}$

$$\mathcal{T}_x \mathbb{R}^d = \text{span} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_d} \right\}$$

Pushforward Maps (Differentials)

- If X is a vector field on \mathcal{M} then we can define a new function point wise $X(f)(x) = X(x)(f)$ for some $f \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$.
- Now let $f: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$, the differential df is a map $\mathcal{T}\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}\mathcal{N}$. Note df is a co-vector.
- If f^{-1} exists the corresponding map df^{-1} is called the pullback.
- The pullback in coordinates satisfies $(df_x)^{-1} = (df^{-1})_{f(x)}$

Tangent Space Basis

- Let $\tilde{x} = (\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_d) = \phi(x)$ be local coordinates and $d\phi_x : \mathcal{T}_x \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\phi(x)} \mathbb{R}^d$ be an isomorphism.
- Then we can define basis vectors on \tilde{E}_i on $\mathcal{T}_x \mathcal{M}$ as:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{E}_i &= (d\phi_x)^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \right) \\ &= (d\phi^{-1})_{\phi(x)} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Tangent Space Basis

- The tangent space $\mathcal{T}_x\mathcal{M}$ of \mathcal{M} at x is spanned by $\{\tilde{E}_1, \dots, \tilde{E}_d\}$.
- Any tangent vector V can be represented by $\sum_{i=1}^d \tilde{v}_i \tilde{E}_i$ for some coordinate-dependent coefficients \tilde{v}_i .

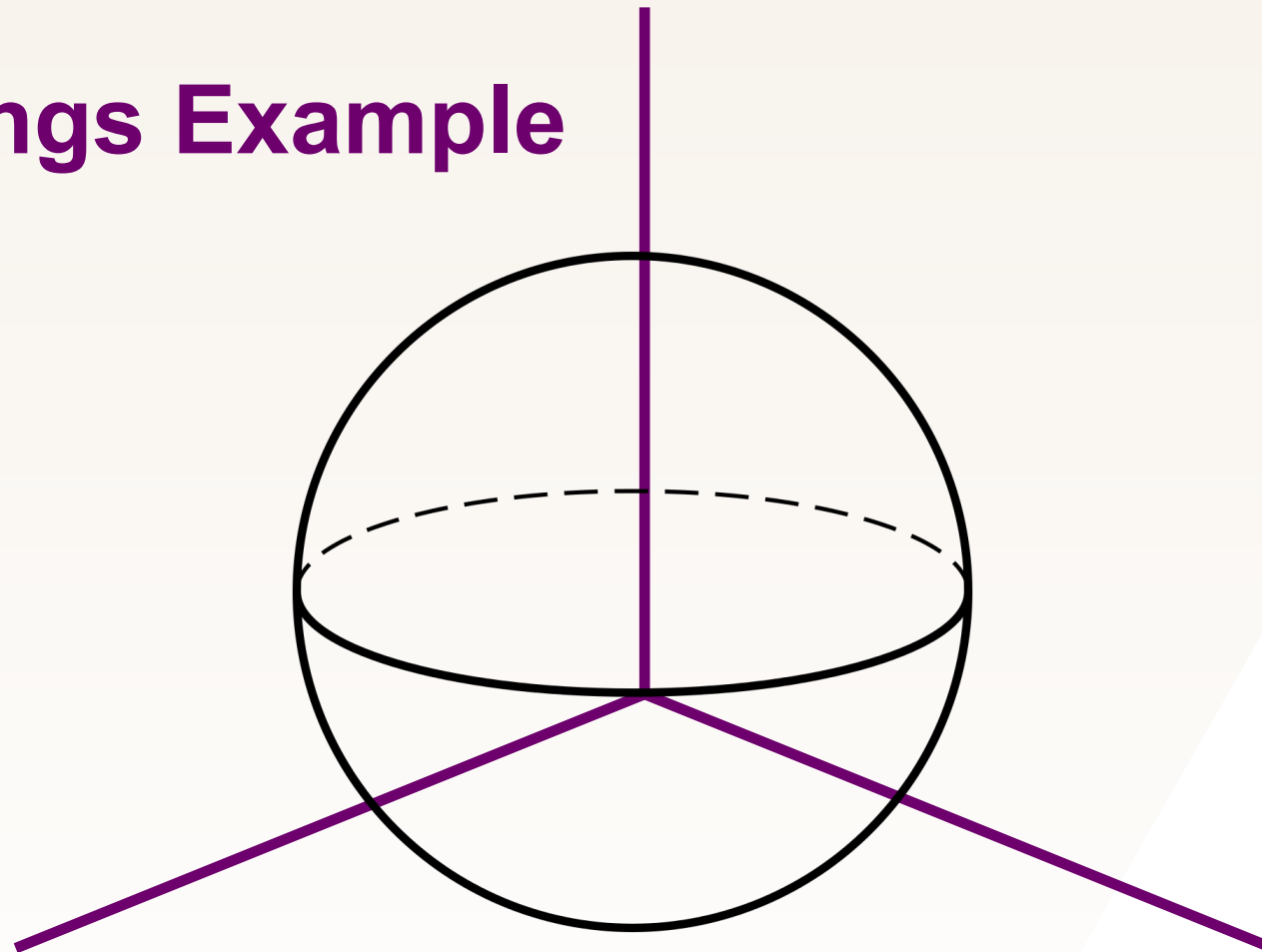
Embeddings

- A manifold is embedded in \mathbb{R}^m if there is an inclusion map $\iota : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, where $m > d$.

$$\iota(x) = x \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{M}$$

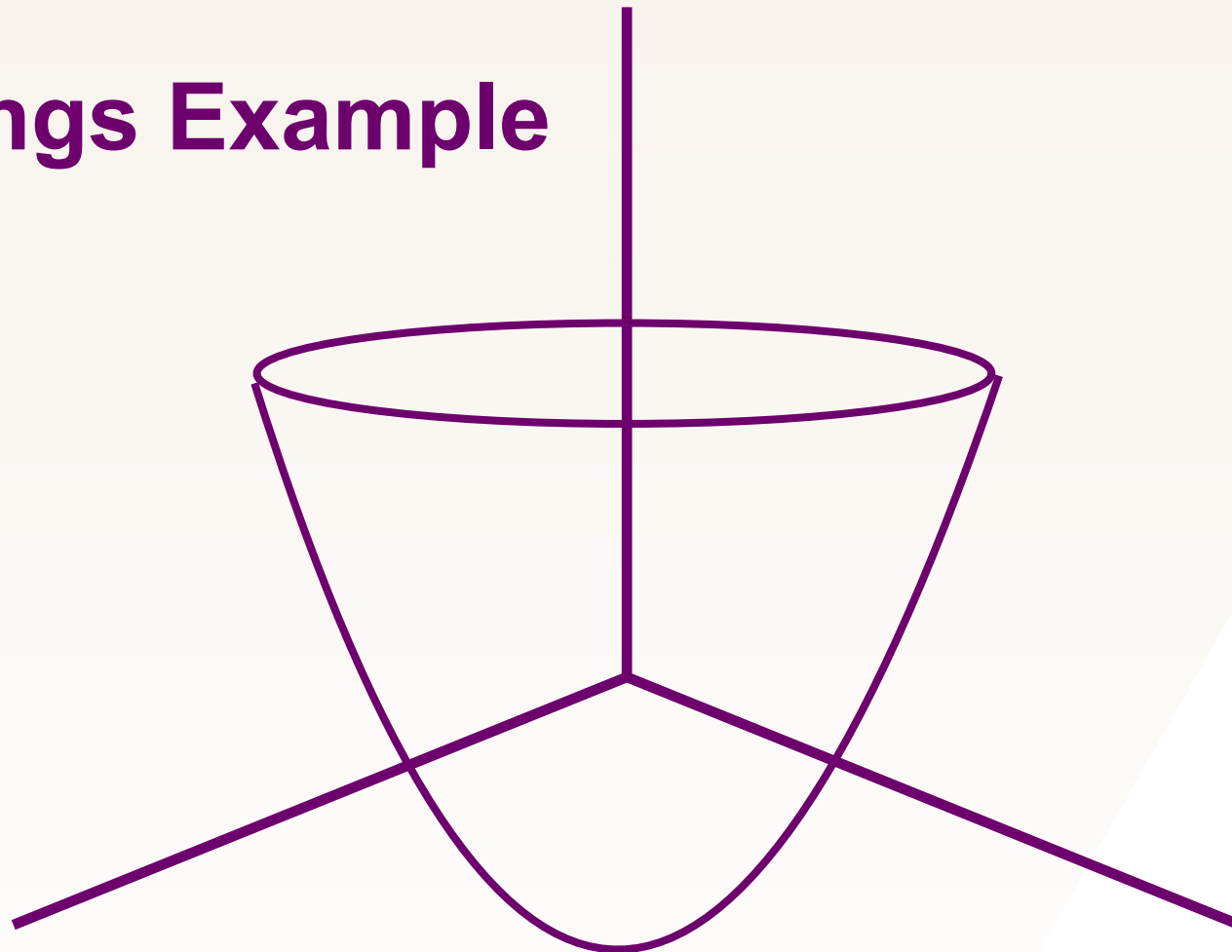
- The Nash Embedding Theorem guarantees that every smooth manifold can be embedded for a suitable m .

Embeddings Example



\mathbb{S}^2 sphere embedded in \mathbb{R}^3

Embeddings Example



\mathbb{H}^2 embedded in \mathbb{R}^3

Tangent Space Basis in Extrinsic Coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{E}_i &= (d\phi^{-1})_{\phi(x)} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \right) \\ &= (dl^{-1})_{l(x)} (dl \circ \phi^{-1})_{\phi(x)} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \longrightarrow \text{Ambient Space basis}\end{aligned}$$

A Tangent Vector in Extrinsic Coordinates

$$\sum_{i=1}^d \tilde{v}_i \tilde{E}_i = \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^m \tilde{v}_i \frac{\partial \phi_j^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^m \bar{v}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

Where $\bar{v}_j = \sum_{i=1}^d \tilde{v}_i \frac{\partial \phi_j^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_i}$

Note that $\iota \circ (\phi^{-1})$ is a map from $\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.

It takes $\phi(x) \rightarrow \iota(x)$ which is ϕ_j^{-1} for the j -th coordinate.

Riemannian Metric

$$g_x : \mathcal{T}_x \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{T}_x \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{M}$$

- Since g is an inner product, we also write
$$g(u, v) = \langle u, v \rangle_g$$
- Euclidean metric: \bar{g} for \mathbb{R}^m is:

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

Riemannian Metric Continued

- For any $U, V \in \mathcal{T}_x \mathcal{M}$ inner product with the Euclidean metric is:

$$\langle U, V \rangle_{\bar{g}} = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^m \bar{u}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \sum_{j=1}^m \bar{v}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle_{\bar{g}} = \sum_{i=1}^m \bar{u}_i \bar{v}_i = \bar{u}^\top \bar{v}$$

Riemannian Metric in Local Coordinates

- Given a set of basis vectors (e.g. \tilde{E}_i) we can write this in matrix form:

$$\langle U, V \rangle_g = \sum_{i,j} \tilde{u}_i \tilde{v}_j \langle \tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j \rangle_g = \sum_{i,j} \tilde{u}_i \tilde{v}_j g_{ij} = \tilde{u}^\top G \tilde{v}$$

Where we used the fact $g_{ij} := \langle \tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j \rangle_g$

Riemannian Metric via the Inclusion Map

- Consider \mathcal{M} embedded in a higher dimensional Euclidean space then $g = \iota^* \bar{g}$ (we pullback the metric).

$$g_x(u, v) = \bar{g}(d\iota_x(u), d\iota_x(v))$$



We push forward the tangent vectors to the ambient space.

Riemannian Metric via the Inclusion Map

- Expanding this out explicitly for g_{ij} :

$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} &= \left\langle d\iota_x(\tilde{E}_i), d\iota_x(\tilde{E}_j) \right\rangle_{\bar{g}} \\ &= \left\langle \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial \phi_k^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}, \sum_{k'=1}^m \frac{\partial \phi_{k'}^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{k'}} \right\rangle_{\bar{g}} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial \phi_k^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_i} \frac{\partial \phi_k^{-1}}{\partial \tilde{x}_j} \end{aligned}$$

Riemannian Metric via the Inclusion Map

- If we let $\psi = \phi^{-1}$, then we can write:

$$G = \frac{d\psi^\top}{d\tilde{x}} \frac{d\psi}{d\tilde{x}}$$

Riemannian Gradient

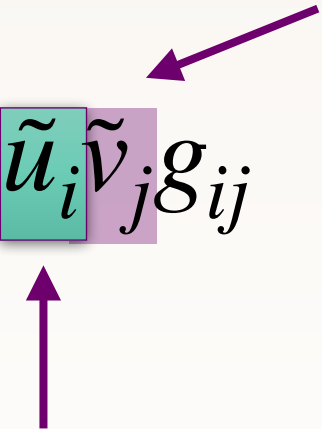
- Similar to the definition of coordinate-free definition of Gradient in Euclidean spaces we define: $\nabla_g : f \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M}) \mapsto \nabla_g f \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$

$$\left\langle \nabla_g f, V \right\rangle_g = \boxed{V(f)} \quad \text{For any } V \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$$

Directional Derivative

Riemannian Gradient: Explicit Coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}\left\langle \nabla_g f, V \right\rangle_g &= V(f) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^d \tilde{u}_i \tilde{v}_j g_{ij}\end{aligned}$$



Recall $V(f) = \sum_{j=1}^d \tilde{v}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_j} f \circ \phi^{-1}$

Riemannian Gradient: Explicit Coordinates

- Since v is arbitrary, this means for all j

$$\left\langle \nabla_g f, V \right\rangle_g = V(f)$$

$$\left\langle \nabla_g f, V \right\rangle_g = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \tilde{u}_i \tilde{v}_j g_{ij}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^d \tilde{u}_i g_{ij} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_j} f \circ \phi^{-1}$$

\implies

Components of G^{-1}

\downarrow

$$\tilde{u}_i = \sum_{j=1}^d g^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_j} f \circ \phi^{-1}.$$

Riemannian Divergence

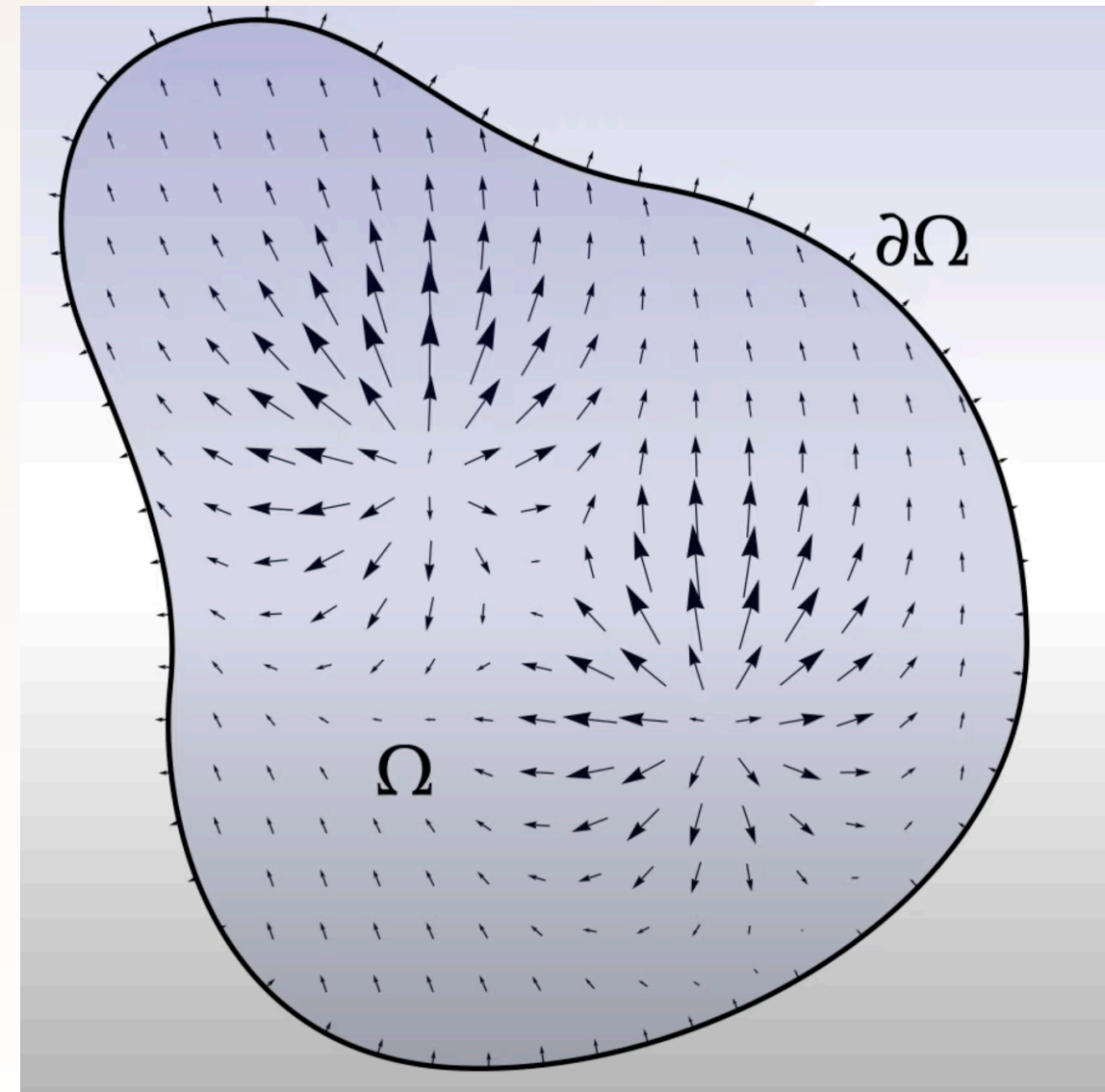
Theorem: For any compactly supported $f \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$, $\int_{\mathcal{M}} \nabla_g \cdot f d\mu_g = 0$.



Divergence Theorem

Regular Vector Calculus

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot X dA = \int_{\partial\Omega} n \cdot X dl$$



Divergence Theorem

Regular Vector Calculus

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot X dA = \int_{\partial\Omega} n \cdot X dl$$

$$\int_{\Omega} d \star \alpha = \int_{\partial\Omega} \star \alpha$$



Integrating the normal component of a field.

Affine Connection

- An affine connection allows us to compare a vector field at nearby points and is denoted using the operator $\nabla : \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M}) \times \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$.
- We use the notation $U, V \mapsto \nabla_U V$ for $U, V \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$

Linearity in U
Linearity in V
Product Rule

An affine connection satisfies the following properties.

Euclidean Connection

● If $U, V \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{R}^m)$, the Euclidean connection $\bar{\nabla}$ is defined as

$$\bar{\nabla}_U V = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \bar{u}_j \frac{\partial \bar{v}_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

Tangential Connection

- Consider \mathcal{M} embedded in a higher dimensional Euclidean space. The Tangential connection is:

$$\nabla_U^\top V = \boxed{P} \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{U}} \bar{V}$$



Tangential Projection

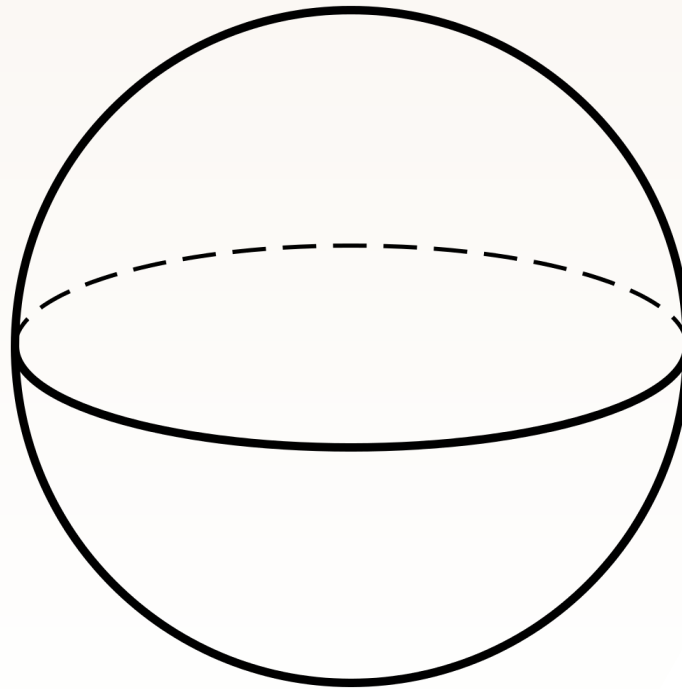
$$(PV)(x) = \sum_{j=1}^m (\boxed{P_x} \bar{v})_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

Spherical Geometry



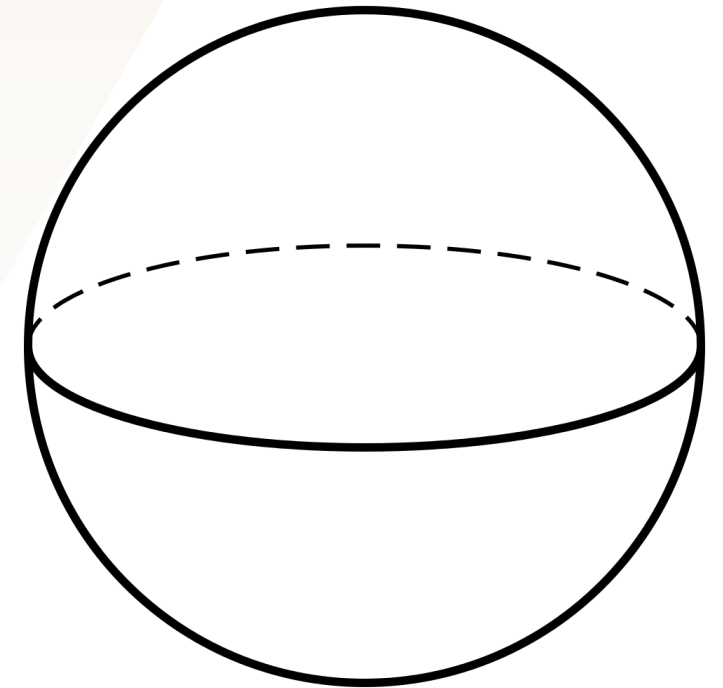
Spherical Geometry

- An d -sphere is $\mathbb{S}^d = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} : ||x||_2 = 1\}$



Spherical Geometry

- Alternatively, for $K > 0$, $\mathbb{S}_K^d = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = 1/K\}$
- For $d = 2$ and $K = 1$ we can use polar coordinates to represent any $x \in \mathbb{S}^2$.
Let $\theta \in [0, \pi)$ and $\psi \in [0, 2\pi)$ then
 $r(\theta, \psi) = (\sin(\theta)\cos(\psi), \sin(\theta)\sin(\psi), \cos(\theta))$
- The volume form is then
 $\sqrt{\det |G(\theta, \psi)|} = \sin(\theta)$

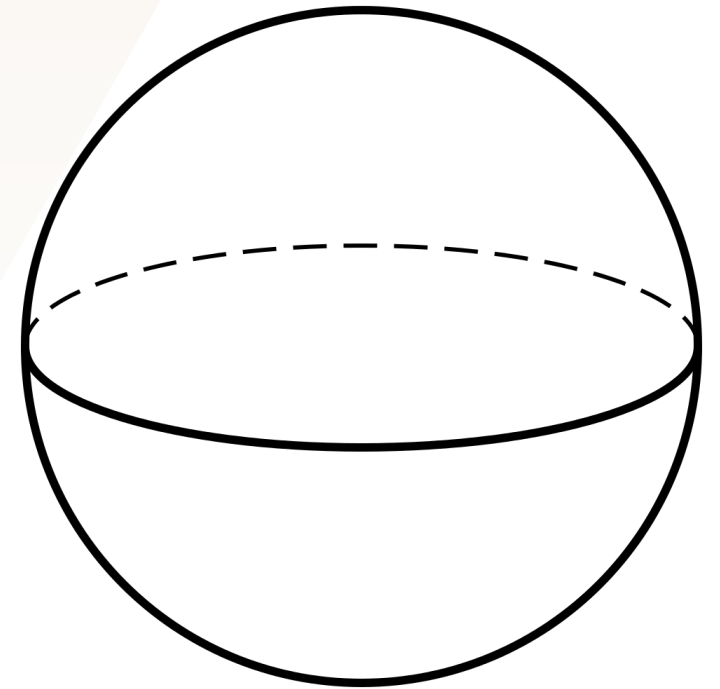


Distances on a Sphere

- For $K = 1$, $d(x, y) = \cos^{-1}(\langle x, y \rangle_2)$

- Intuitively, as $K \rightarrow 0$ the space gets flatter and since $\langle x, x \rangle_2 = 1/K$ for a point on the sphere we see that

$\lim_{K \rightarrow 0^+} \langle x, x \rangle_2 = \infty$ —i.e. all points go to infinity.



Tangential Connection: Example Sphere

- We can derive the Tangential projection by any incremental change in x , denoted by dx , will need to leave the norm $||x||_2$ unchanged.

$$d||x||_2^2 = 2x dx = 0$$

- This means x is normal to the tangential linear subspace and the orthogonal projection can be found by subtracting the normal component.

$$P_x = I - \frac{xx^\top}{||x||_2^2}$$

Sphere: Closest Point Projection

- The closest point onto a sphere is given by $\pi(x)$

$$\pi(x) = \frac{x}{||x||_2}$$

- One can verify this is the point on \mathbb{S}^d that minimizes the Euclidean distance from $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \setminus \{0\}$.