



# Application of a new integral formula for two distributions with singularities on Riemannian manifolds

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## 1. The Volume of a Tube

### 1.1. The second fundamental forms of the tubular hypersurfaces

DEFINITION 1.1. Let  $P$  be a topologically embedded sub-manifold (possibly with boundary) in a Riemannian manifold  $M$ , then a **tube**  $T(P, r)$  of radius  $r \geq 0$  about  $P$  is the set

$$(1.2) \quad T(P, r) = \{m \in M : \text{there exists a geodesic } \xi \text{ of length } L(\xi) \leq r \\ \text{from } m \text{ meeting } P \text{ orthogonally}\}.$$

We shall also need a notation closely related to that of tube.

DEFINITION 1.3. We call a hypersurface of the form

$$P_t = \{m \in T(P, r) : \text{distance}(m, P) = t\}$$

the tubular hypersurface at distance  $t$  from  $P$ .

For  $0 < t \leq r$  the tubular hypersurfaces  $P_t$  form a natural foliation of the tubular region  $T(P, r) - P$ .

### 1.2. The volume of a tube in terms of the infinitesimal change of volume function

We assume that  $P$  is topologically embedded submanifold with compact closure of a complete Riemannian manifold  $M$ . For all  $r \geq 0$  both  $T(P, r)$  and  $P_r$  are measurable sets. Let

$$V_P^M(r) = \text{the } n - \text{dimensional volume of } T(P, r),$$

$$A_P^M(r) = \text{the } (n - 1) - \text{dimensional volume of } P_r.$$

It is easy to show that  $A_P^M(r)$  is the derivative of  $V_P^M(r)$ . We use the lemma:

**Lemma 1.4.** *Suppose that  $\exp_\nu : \{(p, v) \in \nu : \|v\| \leq r\} \mapsto T(P, r)$  is a diffeomorphism. Then*

$$A_P^M(r) = r^{n-q-1} \int_P \int_{S^{n-q-1}(1)} \mathcal{V}_u(r) dudP.$$

**Lemma 1.5.** *Suppose that  $\exp_\nu : \{(p, v) \in \nu : \|v\| \leq r\} \mapsto T(P, r)$  is a diffeomorphism. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dr} V_P^M(r) &= A_P^M(r) \\ &= r^{n-q-1} \int_P \int_{S^{n-q-1}(1)} \mathcal{V}_u(r) dudP. \end{aligned}$$

Proofs of this lemmas are available at [3].

## 2. Riemannian manifolds with singularities

In this section we work with Riemannian geometry of manifolds equipped with a pair of orthogonal plane fields. We want to generalize it to the case of plane fields with singularities, that is defined on a compact manifold except of singular set, the union of submanifolds of lower dimension. Till now, author produced a new integral formula ( see[4] ) obtained from integration of the divergence of a vector field built from Newton transforms of Weingarten operators applied to the mean curvature vectors of the plane fields under consideration. This formula, in a sense, analogous to the one obtained by Walczak in the 1990 [5].

We get reasonable applications of this formulae leading to provide obstructions for the existence of geometric structures - here, pairs of distributions - satisfying some geometric conditions (for example: being totally geodesic, minimal, umbilical and so on) on some special (locally symmetric, of constant curvature, positively/negatively curved and so on) Riemannian manifolds.

Let  $M$  be a Riemannian manifold,  $\dim M \geq 3$ , equipped with two complementary distributions  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ . We assume that

$$p + q = n, \quad \text{where } p = \dim D_1, \quad q = \dim D_2 \quad \text{and } n = \dim M.$$

Let us take a local orthonormal frame  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  adapted to  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ , i.e., we assume that  $e_i$  is tangent to  $D_1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p$  and  $e_\alpha$  is tangent to  $D_2$  for  $\alpha = p + 1, \dots, n$ .

The second fundamental forms  $B_m$  of  $D_m$  ( $m = 1, 2$ ) are defined as follows:

$$B_1(X_1, Y_1) = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_{X_1} Y_1 + \nabla_{Y_1} X_1)^\perp, \quad B_2(X_2, Y_2) = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_{X_2} Y_2 + \nabla_{Y_2} X_2)^\top$$

for vector fields  $X_m$  and  $Y_m$  tangent to  $D_m$ .

The integrability tensors  $T_m$  of  $D_m$  ( $m = 1, 2$ ) are defined as follows:

$$T_1(X_1, Y_1) = \frac{1}{2}[X_1, Y_1]^\perp, \quad T_2(X_2, Y_2) = \frac{1}{2}[X_2, Y_2]^\top$$

for vector fields  $X_m$  and  $Y_m$  tangent to  $D_m$ .

Then the mean curvature vectors  $H_m$  of  $D_m$  are given by

$$H_1 = \text{Trace}B_1 = \sum_i B_1(e_i, e_i) = \sum_i (\nabla_{e_i} e_i)^\perp$$

$$H_2 = \text{Trace}B_2 = \sum_\alpha B_2(e_\alpha, e_\alpha) = \sum_i (\nabla_{e_\alpha} e_\alpha)^\top.$$

Let us define the Weingarten operators by

$$A_1 : D_1 \times D_2 \rightarrow D_1, \quad \langle A_1(X, N), Y \rangle = \langle B_1(X, Y), N \rangle$$

for  $X, Y \in D_1, N \in D_2$

$$A_2 : D_2 \times D_1 \rightarrow D_2, \quad \langle A_2(X', N'), Y' \rangle = \langle B_2(X', Y'), N' \rangle$$

for  $X', Y' \in D_2, N' \in D_1$ .

Assume now that  $M$  has *bounded geometry* (i.e., bounded sectional curvature and injectivity radii  $r_x$ ,  $x \in M$ , separated away from zero). Let  $A$  be a finite set of singularities (points, closed curve, etc.) on  $M$  and codimension  $A = n - 2$ . Moreover, let  $f : M/A \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be a function defined on  $M$  outside a finite set  $A$ .

We denote the tube  $T(A, r)$  of radius  $r \geq 0$  about set  $A$  by  $N_A(r)$  and  $\delta N_A(r)$  as the tubular hypersurface at a distance  $r \geq 0$  from  $A$ .

We shall also need an one the well-known formula volume  $\delta N_\gamma(r) \simeq L(\gamma) \cdot \text{volume} S^{n-1}(r)$ , where  $\gamma \subset A$  is closed curve,  $L(\gamma)$  is length of the the curve  $\gamma$  and  $S^{n-1}(r) \subset R^n$  is sphere of radius  $r$ . In particular:

- in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  we obtain volume  $\delta N_\gamma(r) = 2r \cdot L(\gamma)$
- in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  we obtain volume  $\delta N_\gamma(r) = \pi r^2 \cdot L(\gamma)$

It leads to the following and useful lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.**

$$\text{If } \liminf_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\delta N_\gamma(r)} f > 0, \text{ then } \int_M f^2 = 0.$$

These lemma will be used extensively and will allow us to proof the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $M$  being a compact Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n \geq 3$  and  $A$  a finite subset of  $M$ . If  $\int_M \|H_1\| < \infty$  and  $\int_M \|H_2\| < \infty$  then*

$$(2.3) \quad \int_M (\|B_1\|^2 + \|B_2\|^2 - \|H_1\|^2 - \|H_2\|^2 - \|T_1\|^2 - \|T_2\|^2) = \int_M K(D_1, D_2),$$

where  $K(D_1, D_2)$  is a generalization on the Ricci curvature equal to the sum

$$\sum_{i,\alpha} \langle R(e_i, e_\alpha)e_\alpha, e_i \rangle$$

and called the mixed scalar curvature.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $M$  being a compact Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n \geq 3$  and  $A$  a finite subset of  $M$ . If  $\int_M \|A_1\| < \infty$  and  $\int_M \|A_2\| < \infty$  then*

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_M \langle Ric(H_2), H_1 \rangle = \\ & \int_M \langle H_1, (\nabla_{H_2} H_1)^\perp \rangle + \langle H_2, (\nabla_{H_1} H_2)^\top \rangle + \\ & \langle Tr^\perp(\nabla_\bullet T_1)(\bullet, H_2), H_1 \rangle + \langle Tr^\top(\nabla_\bullet T_2)(\bullet, H_1), H_2 \rangle + \\ & \langle A_1^{H_1}, \nabla_\bullet^\top H_2 \rangle + \langle A_2^{H_2}, \nabla_\bullet^\perp H_2 \rangle + \\ & \sum_i \langle A_1(H_2, (\nabla_{e_i} H_1)^\perp), e_i \rangle + \sum_\alpha \langle A_2(H_1, (\nabla_{e_\alpha} H_2)^\top), e_\alpha \rangle + \\ & 2 \sum_i \langle (\nabla_{T_1(e_i, H_2)} e_i)^\perp, H_1 \rangle + 2 \sum_\alpha \langle (\nabla_{T_2(e_\alpha, H_1)} e_\alpha)^\top, H_2 \rangle - \\ & \langle A_2(H_1, H_2), H_1 \rangle - \langle A_1(H_2, H_1), H_2 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 2.6.** *Equality (2.3) holds if and only if  $K(D_1, D_2) > 0$ .*

**Proposition 2.7.** *If distributions  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are totally geodesic and  $D_2$  is the orthogonal complement of  $D_1$ , then  $H_1 = 0$  and  $H_2 = 0$  and we get*

$$\int_M K(D_1, D_2) = \int_M (\|T_1\|^2 + \|T_2\|^2),$$

where  $H_m$  and  $T_m$  ( $m=1, 2$ ) denote mean curvature vectors and integrability tensors of distributions  $D_m$ , respectively.

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