

# Commutator Estimates

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$$(3) \quad \| (v \cdot w)_\varepsilon - (v_\varepsilon \cdot w_\varepsilon) \|_0 \leq \varepsilon^{2\alpha} \|v\|_\alpha \|w\|_\alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned} (v \cdot w)_\varepsilon - v_\varepsilon \cdot w_\varepsilon &= \int v(x-y) w(x-y) \varphi_\varepsilon(y) dy - v_\varepsilon w_\varepsilon \\ &= \int (v(x-y) - v(x)) (w(x-y) - w(x)) \varphi_\varepsilon(y) dy \\ &\quad + \underbrace{v w_\varepsilon + w v_\varepsilon - v w - v_\varepsilon w_\varepsilon}_{-(v-v_\varepsilon)(w-w_\varepsilon)} \end{aligned}$$

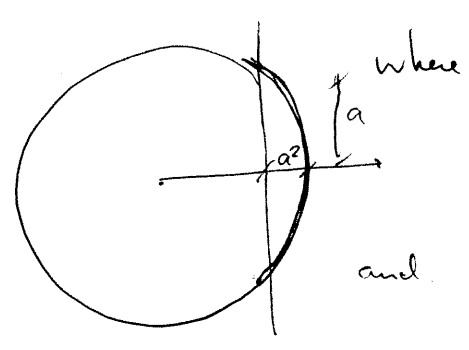
$$(3') \quad \| (v \cdot w)_\varepsilon - v_\varepsilon \cdot w_\varepsilon \|_k \leq \varepsilon^{2\alpha-k} \|v\|_\alpha \|w\|_\alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial^a \left[ (v \cdot w)_\varepsilon - v_\varepsilon \cdot w_\varepsilon \right] &= \partial^a (v \cdot w)_\varepsilon - \sum_{b \leq a} \binom{a}{b} \partial^b v_\varepsilon \partial^{a-b} w_\varepsilon \\ &= \partial^a (v \cdot w)_\varepsilon - (\partial^a v_\varepsilon) w_\varepsilon - v_\varepsilon (\partial^a w_\varepsilon) - \sum_{0 < b < a} \binom{a}{b} \partial^b v_\varepsilon \partial^{a-b} w_\varepsilon \\ &= \int \partial^a \varphi_\varepsilon(y) (v(x-y) - v(x)) (w(x-y) - w(x)) dy \\ &\quad - \sum_{0 < b < a} \binom{a}{b} \int \partial^b \varphi_\varepsilon(y) (v(x-y) - v(x)) dy \int \partial^{a-b} \varphi_\varepsilon(y) (w(x-y) - w(x)) dy \end{aligned}$$

Isometric Immersions  $M^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  in  $C^{1,\alpha}$

Recall one step

$$\tilde{u}(x) = u(x) + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left\{ \gamma_1(x, \lambda x \cdot \xi) \tilde{\zeta}(x) + \gamma_2(x, \lambda x \cdot \xi) \tilde{\eta}(x) \right\}$$



where  $\gamma =$  unit normal to  $u(\Omega)$   $\tilde{\zeta} = \frac{\eta}{|\xi|}$   
 $\tilde{\eta} = \nabla_u (\nabla_u^T \nabla_u)^{-1} \xi$   $\tilde{\xi} = \frac{\xi}{|\xi|^2}$

and  $(1 + \dot{\gamma}_1)^2 + \dot{\gamma}_2^2 = 1 + |\xi|^2 a^2$

This time also interested in development of  $\|u\|_{C^2}$  along the iteration.

Now  $\|\tilde{\zeta}\|_{C^{k+1}} ; \|\tilde{\eta}\|_{C^{k+1}} \sim \|u\|_{C^{k+2}}$

$$\nabla_{\tilde{u}}^T \nabla_{\tilde{u}} = \nabla_u^T \nabla_u + a^2 \xi \otimes \xi + \text{dominating term}$$
$$+ \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( |a| |\nabla a| + |a| |\nabla^2 u| \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left( |\nabla a|^2 + |a|^2 |\nabla^2 u|^2 \right)$$

and

metric error in  $C^0$

$$\|\tilde{u} - u\|_{C^{k+2}} \lesssim \lambda^{k+1} \|a\|_0 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( \|a\|_{k+2} + \|u\|_{k+3} \right)$$

$$\|\tilde{u} - u\|_{C^1} \lesssim \|a\|_0 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( \|a\|_1 + \|u\|_2 \right)$$

→ loss of derivative

One Solution: mollify at each stage

Stage

$$h = g - \nabla u^T \nabla u$$

mollify  $h$  and  $g$  at length-scale  $\ell$ ,  
and estimate all norms in terms of

$$\delta := \|h\|_0 \quad \& \quad \|u\|_2$$

- $\|u_\ell\|_{k+2} \approx \ell^{-k} \|u\|_2$
- $\|u_\ell - u\|_1 \approx \ell \|u\|_2$
- $\|g_\ell - \nabla u_\ell^T \nabla u_\ell\|_k \leq \|g_\ell - (\nabla u^T \nabla u)_\ell\|_k + \|(\nabla u^T \nabla u)_\ell - \nabla u_\ell^T \nabla u_\ell\|_k$   
 $\leq \ell^{-k} \delta^2 + \ell^{2-k} \|u\|_2^2$   
↑  
commutator

Forced to choose

$$\ell \|u\|_2 = \delta$$

so that

- $\|u_\ell - u\|_1 \approx \delta$
- $\|g_\ell - \nabla u_\ell^T \nabla u_\ell\|_k \leq \delta^2 \ell^{-k}$
- $\|u_\ell\|_{k+2} \approx \delta \ell^{-(k+1)}$

Decomposition of  $h_e = g_e - \nabla u_e^T \nabla u_e$  into primitive metrics,

$$h_e = \sum_{i=1}^{n_x} a_i^2 \xi^i \otimes \xi^i$$

$$\Rightarrow \|a_i\|_0 \sim \|h_e\|_0^{1/2} = \delta$$

$$\|a_i\|_{k+1} \sim \frac{\|h_e\|_{k+1}}{\|h_e\|_0^{1/2}} = \delta \rho^{-(k+1)}$$

Warning: Notation is a bit sloppy. In all estimates there is a constant dependency on  $k$ . So we can combine ignoring it as long as only  $k \leq N$  for some  $N$  is considered.

For the first step:

$$\begin{aligned} C^0 \text{ error in metric} &: \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( \delta^2 \frac{1}{\rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left( \frac{\delta^2}{\rho^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\delta^2}{\lambda \rho} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda \rho} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Increase in } C^{k+2} \text{ norm} \quad \delta \lambda^{k+1} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \delta \rho^{-(k+2)}$$

$$\text{So best choice is } \lambda \geq \frac{1}{\rho}, \text{ e.g. } \lambda = \frac{k}{\rho} \quad (k \geq 1)$$

$$\text{so that metric error} = \frac{\delta^2}{k}$$

$$\text{increase in } C^{k+2} = \delta \rho^{-(k+1)} k^{k+1}$$

increase in  $C^1 = \delta$

For the second step:  $\|a_2\|$  has same bounds  
 $\|u_2\|_{k+2} \sim \delta e^{-(k+1)} K^{k+1}$

Also, if estimates hold for  $\|u_1\|_{k+2}$  &  $k=0,1,\dots,N$   
then for  $\|u_2\|_{k+2}$  for  $k=0,1,\dots,N-1$

New metric error

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_2} \left( \frac{\delta^2}{e} + \frac{\delta^2}{e} K \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \left( \frac{\delta^2}{e^2} + \delta^4 \frac{K^2}{e^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\delta^2 K}{\lambda_2 e} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 K} + \frac{\delta^2 K}{\lambda_2 e} \right)$$

So choose  $\lambda_2 = K^2 e^{-1}$  so that

$$C^0 \text{ metric error} = \frac{\delta^2}{K}$$

Then  $C^{k+2}$  increase =  $\delta e^{-(k+1)} K^{2(k+1)}$

so that

$$\|u_3\|_{k+2} \sim \delta e^{-(k+1)} K^{2(k+1)}$$

$$\|u_3 - u_2\|_1 \sim \delta$$

Repeat now with  $u_4, \dots, u_{n+1}$  with

$$\lambda_j = e^{-1} K^j$$

Obtain after  $n_*$  steps  $\tilde{u} = u_{n_*+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \|g_{n_*} - \nabla_{\tilde{u}}^T \nabla_{\tilde{u}} \tilde{u}\|_0 &\approx \frac{1}{K} \delta^2 \\ \|\tilde{u} - u\|_0 &\approx \delta \\ \|\tilde{u} - u\|_2 &\approx \|u\|_2 K^{n_*} \end{aligned}$$

for any  $K \geq 1$ .

Iteration over stages

Starting with  $u$  fix  $\delta_0, M_0$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla u^T \nabla u - g\|_0 &\leq \delta_0^2 \\ \|u\|_2 &\leq M_0 \end{aligned}$$

At each  $n$  stages we obtain  $u_k$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \|g - \nabla u_k^T \nabla u_k\|_0 &\leq \delta_k^2 \\ \|u_k\|_2 &\leq M_k \\ \|u_{k+1} - u_k\|_1 &\leq C \cdot \delta_k \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta_{k+1}^2 = C \frac{\delta_k^2}{K}$  and  $M_{k+1} = C/M_k K^{n_*}$   
 $= M_k (CK)^{n_*}$

$$\mu_k = \mu_0 K^{kn_x}$$

$$\delta_k = \delta_0 K^{-k/2}$$

hence  $\|u_{k+1} - u_k\|_1 \leq \delta_0 K^{-k/2}$

$$\|u_{k+1} - u_k\|_2 \leq \mu_0 K^{kn_x}$$

Interpolation

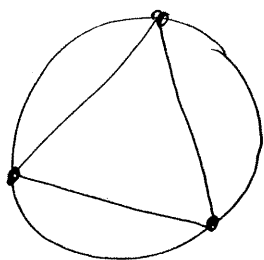
$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{k+1} - u_k\|_{1,\alpha} &\leq (\delta_0 K^{-k/2})^{1-\alpha} (\mu_0 K^{kn_x})^\alpha \\ &= \delta_0^{1-\alpha} \mu_0^\alpha K^{k(\alpha n_x - \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha))} \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha n_x - \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha) = \alpha(n_x + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{1}{2} < 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \alpha < \frac{1}{1+2n_x}$$

→ Convergence in  $C^{1,\alpha}$  for such  $\alpha$ .

Number of steps ?

for  $\epsilon$  hood of  $I$  can be covered by a single simplex, e.g.



with vertices which are rank-one matrices.

ej.  $\left\{ (e_i + e_j) \otimes (e_i + e_j) : i \leq j \right\} = \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$   
 is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{n \times n}$   $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$  matrices

So best hope locally:  $n_* = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha < \frac{1}{1+n+n^2}$$

$$n=2 : \alpha < \frac{1}{7}$$

Globally: need to cover  $M^n$  with charts.

$$n \geq \text{of overlaps} = n+1$$

$\Rightarrow$   $n \geq$  of steps increases by factor  $n+1$ .

$n=2$  alternatively, at each stage change into conformal coordinates, i.e.

$$h = g - \nabla u^T \nabla u = a(x) \left( \xi^1 \otimes \xi^1 + \xi^2 \otimes \xi^2 \right)$$

then  $n_* = 2$ , so

$$\alpha < \frac{1}{5}$$



# Rigidity $M^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ | Bounded Extrinsic Curvature

for a (smooth) surface with smooth isometric embedding,

$$K_g dA = N^* d\sigma$$

$\swarrow$  Gauss curvature       $\swarrow$  Area form =  $\sqrt{|\det g|} dx$        $\swarrow$  unit normal  
 $\nwarrow$  area form on  $S^2$

Definition: Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be open and  $u \in C^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^3)$  an immersion. The surface  $u(\Omega)$  has bounded extrinsic curvature

if there exists a constant  $c$ .

$$\sum_{i=1}^k |N(E_i)| \leq c$$

for any finite collection  $\{E_i\}$  of pairwise disjoint closed subsets of  $\Omega$ .

## Theorem ( Pogorelov )

Closed  $C^1$  surfaces with positive Gauss curvature and bounded extrinsic curvature are convex.

Area formula:

$$(A) \quad \int_V f(N(x)) K_g(x) dA(x) = \int_{S^2} f(y) \deg(y, V, N) d\sigma(y)$$

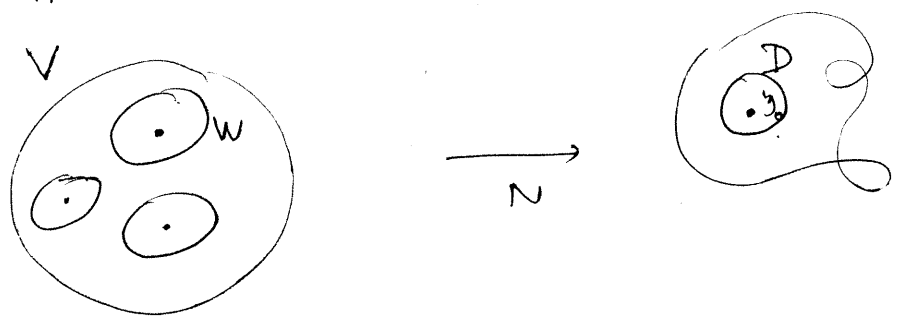
for  $V^{qm} \subset \subset M$  and  $f \in C^1(S^2)$ .

If  $(M^2, g)$  smooth but  $u: M^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  only  $C^1$ ,  
 LHS & RHS of (A) still make sense, but don't have  
 to be equal.

Assuming that (A) holds, ~~then~~  $K_g > 0$  everywhere,

- (i)  $\deg(y, V, N) \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in S^2$
- (ii)  $\deg(y, V, N) \geq 1 \quad \forall y \in N(V) \setminus N(\partial V)$

(ii) If not,  $\exists y_0 \in N(V) \setminus N(\partial V)$  s.t.  $\deg(y_0, V, N) = 0$



$$W = N^{-1}(D) \cap V$$

$$\begin{aligned} \deg(y, W, N) &= \text{const. for } y \in D \\ &= \deg(y_0, W, N) = \deg(y_0, V, N) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$0 = \int_{S^2} \deg(y, W, N) \, d\sigma = \int_W K_g \, dA > 0$$

Now, given  $\{E_i\}$  <sup>closed</sup>, cover with  $\{V_i\}$  <sup>open, smooth  $\partial V_i$</sup> ,  
 $\sum_i |N(E_i)| \leq \sum_i |N(V_i) \setminus N(\partial V_i)| + |N(\partial V_i)|$  <sup>= 0 if  $N \in C^{1/2}$</sup>   
 $= \sum_i \int_{V_i} \deg(y, V_i, N) = \sum_i \int_{V_i} K_g \leq \int_{\cup V_i} K_g < \infty$

Remains to understand when (A) can hold.

Claim: (A) holds if  $u \in C^{1/3+}$ .

Proof: Again mollify  $u \rightarrow u_\varepsilon$ ,  $N_\varepsilon$ ,  $dA^\varepsilon$   
 $N_\varepsilon \rightarrow N$  uniformly, so RHS converges

LHS

$$\int_V f(N^\varepsilon) K^\varepsilon dA^\varepsilon = \int_V f(N^\varepsilon(x)) K^\varepsilon(x) \sqrt{\det g^\varepsilon(x)} dx$$

$$\Gamma_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2} g^{im} \left( \partial_k g_{jm} + \partial_j g_{mk} - \partial_m g_{kj} \right)$$

$$R_{i\ell jk} = g_{im} \left( \partial_k \Gamma_{ij}^m - \partial_j \Gamma_{ik}^m + \Gamma_{ij}^p \Gamma_{k\ell}^m - \Gamma_{ik}^p \Gamma_{j\ell}^m \right)$$

$$K = \frac{R_{1212}}{\det g}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\det g} \left( c_0 \partial g^2 + c_1(x) \partial g \cdot \partial g \right)$$

$$\boxed{u \in C^{1,\alpha} \quad \alpha > \frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\|u_\varepsilon - u\|_1 \leq \varepsilon^\alpha \|u\|_{1,\alpha}$$

$$\|g_\varepsilon - (g)_\varepsilon\|_k \leq \varepsilon^{2\alpha-k} \|u\|_{1,\alpha}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \|g_\varepsilon - g\|_k \leq \varepsilon^{2\alpha-k} \|u\|_{1,\alpha}^2 \quad (g \in C^\infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\Gamma^\varepsilon - \Gamma\|_0 \lesssim \varepsilon^{2\alpha-1}$$

ie. converges uniformly!

The only issue is with  $\partial^2 g$ , ie.

$$\int_V f(N^\varepsilon(x)) \partial_{ke} g_{ij}^\varepsilon (\det g^\varepsilon)^{-1/2} dx$$

$$= \int_V \psi^\varepsilon \partial_{ke} g_{ij}^\varepsilon$$

$$\psi^\varepsilon = f(N^\varepsilon) (\det g^\varepsilon)^{-1/2} \in C_c^\infty$$

$$= - \int_V \partial_k \psi^\varepsilon \partial_e g_{ij}^\varepsilon$$

and  $\|\psi^\varepsilon\|_k \lesssim \varepsilon^{\alpha-k}$

$$= - \int_V \partial_k \psi^\varepsilon (\partial_e g^\varepsilon - \partial_e g)$$

$$- \int_V \partial_k \psi^\varepsilon \partial_e g$$

$$= - \int_V \partial_k \psi^\varepsilon (\partial_e g^\varepsilon - \partial_e g)$$

$$+ \int_V \psi^\varepsilon \partial_{ke} g$$

$$\underbrace{\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \quad \varepsilon^{2\alpha-1}}_{\varepsilon^{3\alpha-2}}$$

$\rightarrow 0$   
(g smooth!)