

5.1. Sectional curvature of submanifolds. Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{g})$ be a Riemannian manifold with sectional curvature $\bar{\text{sec}}$. Let $p \in \bar{M}$ and $L \subset T\bar{M}_p$ an m -dimensional linear subspace.

1. Prove that there is some $r > 0$ such that for the open ball $B_r(0) \subset T\bar{M}_p$, the set $M := \exp_p(L \cap B_r(0))$ is an m -dimensional submanifold of $\bar{M}$.
2. Let g be the induced metric on M and let sec be the sectional curvature of M . Show that for $E \subset TM_p$, we have $\text{sec}_p(E) = \bar{\text{sec}}_p(E)$ and if L is a 2-dimensional subspace, then $\text{sec} \leq \bar{\text{sec}}$ on M .

5.2. Codazzi equation. Let $M \subset \bar{M}$ be a submanifold of the Riemannian manifold $(\bar{M}, \bar{g})$. For the second fundamental form h of M , we define

$$(D_X^\perp h)(Y, W) := (\bar{D}_X(h(Y, W)))^\perp - h(D_X Y, W) - h(Y, D_X W),$$

where $W, X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$. Show that the Codazzi equation

$$(\bar{R}(X, Y)W)^\perp = (D_X^\perp h)(Y, W) - (D_Y^\perp h)(X, W)$$

holds for all $W, X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$.

5.3. Asymptotic expansion of the circumference. Let M be a manifold, $E \subset TM_p$ a linear 2-plane and $\gamma_r \subset E$ a circle with center 0 and radius $r > 0$ sufficiently small. Show that

$$L(\exp(\gamma_r)) = 2\pi \left(r - \frac{\text{sec}(E)}{6} r^3 + \mathcal{O}(r^4) \right)$$

for $r \rightarrow 0$.