

Globally hyperbolic manifolds with special holonomy

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Aim of the talk: Construct globally hyperbolic manifolds with special holonomy

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 $G \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset SO(1, n + 1)_{\mathbb{R}v_0} \simeq Sim(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

1. Holonomy groups of Lorentzian manifolds

(M, g) Lorentzian manifold, complete, simply-connected.

$Hol(M, g) = \{ \mathcal{P}_\gamma^g \mid \mathcal{P}_\gamma^g : T_x M \rightarrow T_x M \text{ parallel transport along closed loops} \}$

Spitting Theorem: (H.Wu 1967)

$$(M, g) \simeq (N, h) \times (M_1, g_1) \times \cdots \times (M_k, g_k),$$

where (M_i, g_i) are flat or irreducible Riemannian manifolds and $(N^{1, n+1}, h)$ is a Lorentzian manifold that is either

- flat: trivial holonomy
- irreducible: holonomy = $SO_0(1, n + 1)$ or
- weakly irreducible & non-irreducible: holonomy $\subset SO(1, n + 1)_{\mathbb{R}v_0}$, v_0 lightlike.

$$\begin{aligned}
SO(1, n + 1) &\simeq Isom(H^{n+1}) \\
&\simeq Conf(\partial H^{n+1}) \simeq Conf(S^n) \simeq Conf(\mathbb{R}^n \cup \{\infty\})
\end{aligned}$$

$$SO(1, n + 1)_{\mathbb{R}v_0} \simeq Sim(\mathbb{R}^n) \simeq (\mathbb{R}^* \times SO(n)) \times \mathbb{R}^n$$



dilatation lin.isometry translation

$$\begin{pmatrix} a^{-1} & x^t & -\frac{1}{2}a\|x\|^2 \\ 0 & A & -aAx \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow (a, A, x)$$

Theorem: (Th. Leistner 2003)

$(M^{1,n+1}, g)$ weakly irreducible, non-irreducible Lorentzian manifold \implies

The connected holonomy group $H = \text{Hol}_0(M, g) \subset (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \text{SO}(n)) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ is isomorphic to

1. $(\mathbb{R}^+ \times G) \times \mathbb{R}^n$
2. $G \times \mathbb{R}^n$
3. $(A^\phi \times B) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ $\phi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \text{SO}(n)$ Homom.
 $A^\phi := \{a \cdot \phi(a) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}^+\} \subset \mathbb{R}^+ \times \text{SO}(n)$
4. $(B \times U^\psi) \times V$ $\mathbb{R}^n = U \oplus V, B \subset \text{SO}(V)$
 $\psi : U \rightarrow \text{SO}(V)$ Homom.
 $U^\psi := \{\psi(u) \cdot u \mid u \in U\} \subset \text{SO}(V) \times U$

where $G = \text{proj}_{\text{SO}(n)} H \subset \text{SO}(n)$ is the holonomy group of a Riemannian manifold, hence a product of $1, U(k_1), \text{SU}(k_2), \text{Sp}(k_3), \text{Sp}(k_4)\text{Sp}(1), G_2, \text{Spin}(7)$ or $K =$ stabilizer of a Riemannian symmetric space.

$G = Z(G) \cdot B$ in case 3. and 4.

Theorem: (A. Galaev 2005)

Any of the groups in Leistner's list can be realized as holonomy group of a polynomial Lorentzian metric on \mathbb{R}^{n+2}

Task: Describe global geometric models for Lorentzian manifolds with special holonomy.

Question: Which of the special Lorentzian holonomy groups can be realized by globally hyperbolic metrics?

Globally hyperbolic Lorentzian manifolds with special holonomy

Definition:

A Lorentzian manifold (M, g) is called globally hyperbolic iff

- (M, g) is strongly causal (for example if there exists a continuous function f on M which is strictly increasing along any future directed causal curve)
- $J^+(p) \cap J^-(q) \subset M$ is compact for all $p, q \in M$
 $J^\pm(p) := \{x \in M \mid \exists \gamma : p \rightarrow x \text{ causal, } \uparrow_+ (\downarrow_-)\}$

Some special properties of globally hyperbolic manifolds

- Normally hyperbolic operators have a global and unique forward and backward fundamental solution
- Existence of Cauchy surfaces
- Maximal causal geodesics: $p, q \in M, p \leq q$. Then there exists a causal geodesic from p to q of maximal length.

A partial answer:

Theorem (Baum/Müller 2005)

Any Lorentzian holonomy group of the form $G \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset SO(1, n + 1)$, where $G \subset SO(n)$ is the product of groups $1, SU(k_1), Sp(k_2), G_2$ or $Spin(7)$ can be realized by a globally hyperbolic metric.

Theorem (Leistner 2003)

An indecomposable Lorentzian manifold has **parallel spinors** if and only if its holonomy group is $G \times \mathbb{R}^n$, where G is a product of $1, SU(k_1), Sp(k_2), G_2$ or $Spin(7)$.

\implies We can use spinors to construct such metrics.

The idea for the construction of such metrics was inspired by a paper of Ch. Bär, P. Gauduchon, A. Moroianu (2004)

2. Spinors on curved spaces

Let $(M^{p,q}, g)$ be a semi-Riemannian spin manifold ($w_2(M) = 0$). Then on (M, g) there is a special complex vector bundle $S := Q \times_{Spin(p,q)} \Delta$ (spinor bundle) with a covariant derivative $\nabla^S : \Gamma(S) \rightarrow \Gamma(T^*M \otimes S)$ (spin connection) and a hermitian inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. ($n = p + q \geq 3$)

One can multiply vectors and spinors

$$X \in TM, \varphi \in S \longmapsto X \cdot \varphi \in S \quad \text{Clifford product}$$

such that the following rules hold

- $(X \cdot Y + Y \cdot X) \cdot \varphi = -2g(X, Y) \varphi$
- $\langle X \cdot \varphi, \psi \rangle = (-1)^{p-1} \langle \varphi, X \cdot \psi \rangle$
- $\nabla_X^S(Y \cdot \varphi) = (\nabla_X^g Y) \cdot \varphi + Y \cdot \nabla_X^S \varphi$
- $X(\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle) = \langle \nabla_X^S \varphi, \psi \rangle + \langle \varphi, \nabla_X^S \psi \rangle$

- φ spinor field $\implies V_\varphi$ vector field : $g(V_\varphi, X) = i^{p+1} \langle X \cdot \varphi, \varphi \rangle$.
- (M, g) Riemannian $\implies \text{Zero}(\varphi) \subset \text{Zero}(V_\varphi)$
 - (M, g) Lorentzian $\implies \text{Zero}(\varphi) = \text{Zero}(V_\varphi)$ and $g(V_\varphi, V_\varphi) \leq 0$.

A spinor field φ is called **parallel** if $\nabla^S \varphi = 0$.

- \implies
1. V_φ is parallel and $g(V_\varphi, V_\varphi) = \text{const}$
 2. $\text{Ric}(X) \cdot \varphi = 0 \quad \forall X \quad (*)$
 - (M, g) Riemannian $\implies \text{Ric} = 0$
 - (M, g) Lorentzian $\implies \text{Ric}^2 = 0$ ($\text{Ric}(TM)$ totally null)
 3. (M, g) has special holonomy

$$(*) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \sigma^k \cdot R^S(X, s_k) \varphi = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Ric}(X) \cdot \varphi$$

Holonomy groups and parallel sections

E vector bundle over M with covariant derivative $\nabla, x \in M$

$$Hol_x(E, \nabla) := \{ \mathcal{P}_\gamma^\nabla : E_x \rightarrow E_x \mid \text{parallel transport along } \gamma \mid \gamma \text{ loop in } x \}$$

P G -principal bundle over M with principal bundle connection $\omega, p \in P_x$

$$Hol_p(P, \omega) := \{ g \in G \mid \exists \text{ loop } \gamma \text{ in } x \text{ such that } \gamma_p^*(1) = p \cdot g \}$$

Let $\rho : G \rightarrow GL(V)$ be a representation, $E := P \times_G V$ and $\nabla = \nabla^\omega$.
 Fixing a $p \in P_x$ gives an isomorphism $E_x \simeq V$ such that

$$Hol_x(E, \nabla^\omega) = \rho(Hol_p(P, \omega))$$

Holonomy principle: There is a 1-1 correspondence between

$$\begin{aligned} \{ \varphi \in \Gamma(E) \mid \nabla^\omega \varphi = 0 \} & \quad \text{and} & \quad \{ v \in V \mid \rho(Hol_p(P, \omega))v = v \} \\ & & = \{ v \in V \mid \rho_*(\mathfrak{hol}_p(P, \omega))v = 0 \} \quad \text{if } \pi_1(M) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Parallel spinors and holonomy groups of metrics

Let $(M^{p,q}, g)$ be a spin manifold with the frame bundle P and spin structure (Q, f) .

$$\lambda : Spin(p, q) \longrightarrow SO(p, q) \quad \text{2-fold covering}$$

$$\rho : Spin(p, q) \longrightarrow GL(\Delta) \quad \text{spin representation}$$

$$TM := P \times_{SO(p,q)} \mathbb{R}^{p,q}$$

$p \in P_x$ frame in x

$$S := Q \times_{Spin(p,q)} \Delta$$

$q \in Q_x$ spin frame in x , $f(q) = p$

$$Hol_x(TM, \nabla^g) = Hol_p(P, \omega^{LC}) \subset SO(p, q)$$

$$Hol_x(S, \nabla^S) = \rho(Hol_q(Q, \omega^{LC})) \subset \rho(Spin(p, q))$$

Then $\lambda(Hol_q(Q, \omega^{LC})) = Hol_x(TM, \nabla^g) = Hol(M, g)$

$$hol_q(Q, \omega^{LC}) = (\lambda_*)^{-1} hol(M, g)$$

$$\{\varphi \in \Gamma(S) \mid \nabla^S \varphi = 0\} \equiv \{v \in \Delta \mid \rho_*(\lambda_*^{-1}(hol(M, g)))v = 0\}$$

Special holonomy of manifolds with parallel spinors

Riemannian case

- M is not symmetric ($Ric = 0$)
- $Hol(M, g)$ is a product of 1, $SU(k_1)$, $Sp(k_2)$, G_2 , $Spin(7)$.

Lorentzian case

- V_φ timelike and parallel $\Rightarrow (M, g) \simeq (\mathbb{R}, -dt^2) \times (\text{Riem. with parallel spinor})$
- V_φ lightlike and parallel \Rightarrow
 - $Hol(M, g) \subset SO(1, n+1)_{\mathbb{R}v_0}$
 - $Hol(M, g)$ has no dilatation part
 - $G = proj_{SO(n)} Hol(M, g)$ has no center

$$\Rightarrow Hol(M, g) = G \ltimes \mathbb{R}^n$$

where G is a product of 1, $SU(k_1)$, $Sp(k_2)$, G_2 , $Spin(7)$.

A special construction

Let (M, g_0) be a Riemannian spin manifold with a Codazzi tensor A . A is a symmetric $(1,1)$ -tensor field with $(\nabla_X^{g_0} A)(Y) = (\nabla_Y^{g_0} A)(X)$.

A spinor field $\varphi \in \Gamma(S_M)$ is called A -Codazzi spinor if

$$\nabla_X^S \varphi = iA(X) \cdot \varphi \quad \text{for all vector fields } X$$

Theorem: (Bär/Gauduchon/Moroianu'04)

Let (M, g_0) be a Riemannian spin manifold with an A -Codazzi spinor, then the Lorentzian cylinder

$$C := I \times M, \quad g_C := -dt^2 + (1 - 2tA)^* g_0$$

has a parallel spinor field.

- Questions:
- Find (all) Riemannian manifolds with A -Codazzi spinors.
 - When such Lorentzian cylinder is globally hyperbolic?
 - Which holonomy groups can be realized in this way?

Proof of Bär's Theorem:

Compare the spin geometry of the slice $M = M_0$ and the Lorentzian cylinder C :

Let φ be a spinor field on M_0 . Consider the parallel displacement along the t -lines

$\tilde{\varphi}(t, x) := \mathcal{P}_{\gamma_x(t)}(\varphi(x))$ (spinor field on C)

$$\nabla_X^C \tilde{\varphi} \Big|_{M_0} = \nabla_X^M \tilde{\varphi} + \partial_t \cdot A(X) \cdot \tilde{\varphi} \Big|_{M_0} = \nabla_X^M \varphi - iA(X) \cdot \varphi \quad X \in TM$$

- φ A-Codazzi spinor $\Rightarrow \nabla_X^C \tilde{\varphi} = 0$ on M_0 .
- $\nabla_{\partial_t}^C \tilde{\varphi} = 0$ by definition
- $R^C(\partial_t, X) = 0 \quad \forall X(x, t) = X(x)$ (A Codazzi tensor)
- $\nabla_{\partial_t}^C (\nabla_X^C \tilde{\varphi}) = R^{Sc}(\partial_t, X) \tilde{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} R^C(\partial_t, X) \cdot \tilde{\varphi} = 0$

$\Rightarrow \nabla_X^C \tilde{\varphi}$ is parallel along the t -lines and vanishes for $t = 0$

$\implies \tilde{\varphi}$ is parallel on the Lorentzian cylinder C

3. Classification of Riemannian manifolds with Codazzi spinors (invertible case)

Theorem: (Baum/Müller'05)

Let (M, g) be a complete Riemannian manifold with an A -Codazzi spinor for an invertible Codazzi tensor A , and let $\|A^{-1}\| \leq c$. Then

$$(M, g) \simeq (\mathbb{R} \times F, (A^{-1})^*(ds^2 + e^{-4s}g_F)),$$

where (F, h) is a complete Riemannian manifold with a parallel spinor and A^{-1} is a Codazzi-tensor on the warped product $(\mathbb{R} \times F, ds^2 + e^{-4s}g_F)$.

And vice versa:

Let (F, g_F) be a complete Riemannian manifold with a parallel spinor and a Codazzi tensor T whose eigenvalues are uniformly bounded from below.

Then there are Codazzi tensors B on the warped product $(\mathbb{R} \times F, ds^2 + e^{-4s}g_F)$ such that $\|B^{-1}\| \leq c$. The Riemannian manifold

$$M = \mathbb{R} \times F, \quad g = B^*(ds^2 + e^{-4s}g_F)$$

is complete and has an A -Codazzi spinor, where $A = B^{-1}$.

Proof:

- $\bar{g} = A^*g$ is a complete Riemannian metric. Let $\bar{\nabla} = \nabla\bar{g}$
- $\bar{\nabla}_X = A^{-1} \circ \nabla_X^g \circ A$
- There is an isomorphism $\varphi \in S_{(M,g)} \mapsto \bar{\varphi} \in S_{(M,\bar{g})}$ such that
 φ A-Codazzi spinor for $g \iff \bar{\varphi}$ imaginary Killing spinor for A^*g
 $\nabla_X \varphi = iA(X) \cdot \varphi \qquad \bar{\nabla}_X \bar{\varphi} = iX \cdot \bar{\varphi}$

- **Splitting theorem for manifolds with imaginary Killing spinors (Baum 1989):**

Let (M, \bar{g}) be a complete Riemannian manifold with an imaginary Killing spinor, then

$$(M, \bar{g}) \simeq (\mathbb{R} \times F, ds^2 + e^{-4s} g_F)$$

where (F, g_F) is a complete Riemannian manifold with parallel spinor.
And vice versa.

Codazzi tensors on warped products:

- T Codazzi tensor on (F, g_F) .
- $b(s)$ smooth function on \mathbb{R}
- $E(s)$ s -parameter family of $(1,1)$ -tensor fields on F :

$$E(s) := \frac{1}{f(s)} \left(T + \int_0^s b(\tau) \dot{f}(\tau) d\tau \cdot Id_{TF} \right)$$

$\implies B = \begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & E \end{pmatrix}$ is a Codazzi tensor on the warped product

$$(\mathbb{R} \times F, ds^2 + f(s)^2 g_F)$$

4. Globally hyperbolic manifolds with special holonomy

Theorem: (Baum/Müller'05)

Let (F, g_F) be a complete Riemannian manifold with a parallel spinor, T a Codazzi tensor on (F, g_F) with eigenvalues bounded from below. T defines Codazzi tensors B on the warped product $(\mathbb{R} \times F, ds^2 + e^{-4s} g_F)$ with $\|B^{-1}\| < c$. Let

$$C := I \times \mathbb{R} \times F, \quad g_C := -dt^2 + (B - 2t)^*(ds^2 + e^{-4s} g_F).$$

Then

- (C, g_C) is a globally hyperbolic.
- C is decomposable if and only if (F, g_F) has a flat factor.
- If (F, g_F) is (locally) a product of irreducible factors, then C is weakly irreducible

and

$$Hol_{(0,0,x)}^0(C, g_C) = (B^{-1} \circ Hol_x^0(F, g_F) \circ B) \times \mathbb{R}^{dim F}$$

Proof:

1. (C, g_C) is globally hyperbolic:

Consider the cylinder $C = I \times M$ with the metric

$$g_C = -dt^2 + g_t$$

where g_t is a smooth family of Riemannian metrics on M .

Let $g_t = g_0(A_t \cdot, A_t \cdot) = A_t^* g_0$. If

- g_0 is complete
- $\|A_t^{-1}\| < c_t$ for all $t \in I$,

then (C, g_C) is globally hyperbolic.

2. Holonomy groups of the Lorentzian cylinder (C, g_C) :

Calculate the parallel displacement \mathcal{P}_δ^C for $g_C = -dt^2 + (B - 2t)^*(ds^2 + e^{-4s}g_F)$:

$TC \simeq \mathbb{R}P \oplus ATF \oplus \mathbb{R}Q$, where $A = B^{-1}$ and P is parallel and lightlike.

Let $\delta(r) = (t(r), s(r), \gamma(r))$ be a loop in $(0, 0, x) \in C$. Then

$$\mathcal{P}_\delta^C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & (a_{1\gamma}, \dots, a_{n\gamma}) & * \\ 0 & B^{-1} \circ \mathcal{P}_\gamma^F \circ B & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \subset SO(n) \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset SO(1, n + 1)_{\mathbb{R}P}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{a}_{j\gamma}(r) &= 2g_F(v_j(r), \dot{\gamma}(r)) & v_j(r) &= \mathcal{P}_\gamma^F(v_j) \\ a_{j\gamma}(0) &= 0 & & (v_1, \dots, v_n) \text{ ON basis in } T_x F \end{aligned}$$

Solve the differential equation for a_γ .

Find the conditions under which the vectors a_γ generate the whole translation part.