

# **SUB-RIEMANNIAN SANTALÓ FORMULA AND APPLICATIONS**

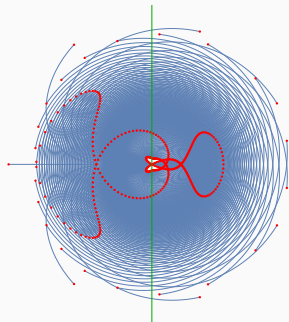
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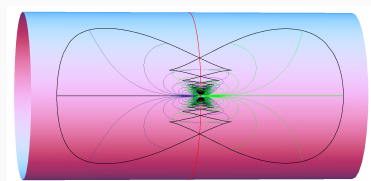


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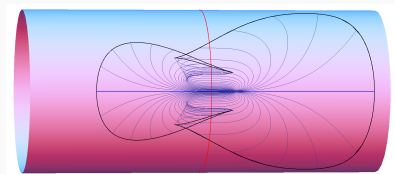
# MOTIVATIONS

Understand singular geometries that present **classical tunnelling** and **quantum confinement**

But most of the usual “tools” are missing



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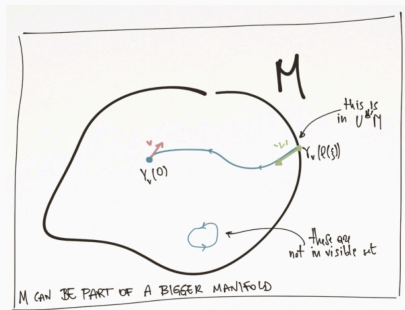


(b) geodesics starting from the the point (.3,0)

**Figure 1:** Geodesics for Grushin cylinder; red singular set; black wave front

# INGREDIENTS

$(M, g)$   $n$ -dimensional compact Riemannian manifold,  $\partial M \neq \emptyset$  and smooth,  $d\omega$  Riemannian volume,  $n_q$  ( $q \in \partial M$ ) unit inward normal.



- $UM = \{v \in TM \mid \|v\| = 1\}$  unit tangent bundle
- $\phi_t : UM \rightarrow UM$  geodesic flow, geodesic curve  $\gamma_v(t) : M \rightarrow M$
- $\ell(v) \in [0, +\infty]$  exit time of the geodesic
- $U^{\text{vis}}M = \{v \in UM \mid \ell(-v) < +\infty\}$  visible unit tangent bundle

# CLASSICAL SANTALÓ FORMULA

Let  $F : UM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable function. Then

$$\int_{U^*_M} F d\mu = \int_{\partial M} d\sigma(q) \int_{U_q^+ \partial M} d\eta(v) \int_0^{\ell(v)} dt F(\phi_t(v)) g(v, n_q)$$

where

- $d\mu$  is the *Liouville measure*;
- $d\sigma(q)$  is the surface measure on  $\partial M$ ;
- $d\eta(v)$  is an oportune measure on

$$U_q^+ \partial M := \{v \in U_q M \mid q \in \partial M, g(v, n_q) > 0\}.$$

Santaló formula implies the following inequalities [Croke and Derdzinski 1980, 1984, 1987].

- Hardy-Poincaré-like inequality: for  $f \in C_0^\infty(M)$ ,

$$\int_M |\nabla f|^2 \geq \frac{n\pi^2}{L^2} \int_M |f|^2,$$

where  $L$  is the length of the longest geodesic in  $M$ ;

- Isoperimetric-like inequality:

$$\frac{\sigma(\partial M)}{\omega(M)} \geq \frac{2\pi|\mathbb{S}^{k-1}|}{|\mathbb{S}^k|} \frac{\theta^\sharp}{\text{diam}(M)};$$

- few others, but you got the idea...

⇒ **powerful tool for geometric inequalities in a geometric way**

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$\Rightarrow$

- *horizontal curves*  $\gamma(t)$ :  $\dot{\gamma}(t) \in D_{\gamma(t)}$  a.e.
- *length*  $(\gamma) = \int_0^T \|\dot{\gamma}(t)\|_g dt$  induces distance  $d$
- well defined *horizontal gradient*  $(\nabla_H)$  and *divergence*
- *Laplace-Beltrami*  $-\Delta f = \operatorname{div}(\nabla_H f)$  on  $L^2(M, g)$

The inner product is defined only on  $D$ , and there is no canonical way to extend it on  $TM \Rightarrow$  work on the **cotangent space**



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Like the classical formula if you replace  $(UM, \phi_t)$  with  $(U^*M, \varphi_t)$  where  $U^*M = \{\xi \in T^*M \mid H(\xi) = \frac{1}{2}\}$  and  $\varphi_t : U^*M \rightarrow U^*M$ . The little  $r$  stands for “after reduction”.

Also redefine  $n_q \in T^*\partial M$  and  $U^{\star}M \subseteq U^*M$

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The additional condition holds for at least the following:  
submersions, contact geometries, systems with symmetries, CR geometries, quaternionic (real and complex) and octonionic fibrations, any Carnot group

With the previous formula one can immediately show the following.  
Let  $f \in C_0^\infty(M)$ .

- **Hardy-like inequality:**

$$\int_M |\nabla_H f|^2 d\omega \geq \frac{k\pi^2}{|\mathbb{S}^{k-1}|} \int_M \frac{f^2}{R^2} d\omega$$

where  $\frac{1}{R^2} = \int_{U_q^* M^r} \frac{1}{L^2(\xi)} d\eta^r(\xi)$ ;

- $p$ -Hardy inequalities,  $p > 1$  (omitted);
- Poincaré-like inequality:  $\int_M |\nabla_H f|^2 d\omega \geq \frac{k\pi^2}{L^2} \int_M f^2 d\omega$ ;
- Isoperimetric-like inequality (omitted);
- Bound on the first Dirichlet eigenvalue:  $\lambda_1(M) \geq \frac{k\pi^2}{L^2}$

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Also, if  $D$  is the principal bundle, the Laplace-Beltrami is the usual magnetic Laplacian.

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