

# Hessian metrics with application to functional inequalities

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# Generalized Bakry-Emery tensor

Metric measure space  $(g, m)$

$$\text{Ric}_{g,m,N} = \text{Ricci}_g + \text{Hess}P - \frac{1}{N-n} \nabla P \otimes \nabla P,$$

where

$$m = e^{-P} d\text{vol}_g.$$

Space  $(g, m)$  is called  $CD(K, N)$  space if

$$\text{Ric}_{g,m,N} \geq K \cdot g.$$

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Notations:

$$V_i = V_{x_i}, V_{ij} = V_{x_i x_j}, \dots \quad W^i = W_{x_i}(\nabla\Phi), W^{ij} = W_{x_i x_j}(\nabla\Phi), \dots$$

$$\Phi_i = \Phi_{x_i}, \Phi_{ij} = \Phi_{x_i x_j}, \Phi_{ijk} = \Phi_{x_i x_j x_k}, \dots$$

Standard notation agreements of Riemannian geometry...

Bakry-Emery tensor

$$\text{Ric}_{g, \mu, \infty}(i, j) = \frac{1}{2} V_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} W_{ij} + \frac{1}{4} \Phi_{ik}^l \Phi_{jl}^k$$

If  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are log-concave, then  $\text{Ric}_{g, \mu, \infty} \geq 0$ .

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Functional inequalities under  $CD(K, N)$  condition for  $N < 0$

**S. Ohta–A. Takatsu (2013); K.–E. Milman (2013)**

Brascamp-Lieb inequality for  $CD(0, N)$  spaces  $\frac{1}{N} \in (-\infty, \frac{1}{n}]$ :

$$\frac{N}{N-n} \text{Var}_\mu f \leq \int \langle \text{Ric}_{g,\mu,N}^{-1} \nabla f, \nabla f \rangle d\mu.$$

**E. Milman (2014)** Beyond traditional Curvature-Dimension I: new model spaces for isoperimetric and concentration inequalities in negative dimension.

## Application: entropic inequalities

When the "entropic" generalization of the Brascamb-Lieb inequality holds?

$$\int f^2 \log \frac{f^2}{\int f^2 d\mu} d\mu \leq 2C \int \langle (D^2 V)^{-1} \nabla f, \nabla f \rangle^2 d\mu,$$

where  $\mu = e^{-V} dx$  is a log-concave probability measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

**S. Bobkov, M. Ledoux** :  $V$  is convex,  $x \rightarrow V_{hh}(x)$  is concave  $\forall h \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

$$\text{Ent}_\mu f^2 \leq 3 \int \langle (D^2 V)^{-1} \nabla f, \nabla f \rangle d\mu.$$



**K., E. Milman.**

$V$  is convex,  $V^*$  is the Legendre transform of  $V$ :

$$V^*(y) = \sup_x (\langle x, y \rangle - V(x)),$$

$$F = \langle x, \nabla V^* \rangle - \log \det D^2 V^*$$

. Assume that for some  $C > 0$

$$D^2 F + \frac{1}{d} \nabla \log \det D^2 V^* \otimes \nabla \log \det D^2 V^* \geq 2C \cdot D^2 V^*(x).$$

Then

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## Product case

$$\Phi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \Phi_i(x_i).$$

$$\text{Ric}_{g,\mu,\infty} = D^2V + \text{diag} \left\{ V_{x_i} \frac{u_i'(x_i)}{u_i(x_i)} - \frac{u_i''(x_i)}{u_i(x_i)} \right\}$$

$$u_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Phi_i''}}.$$

The support  $\Omega$  of  $\mu$  is supposed to be orthant unconditional, i.e.

$$\Omega \subset (0, \infty)^n,$$

the outer normal of  $\partial\Omega \cap (0, \infty)^n$  has non-negative coordinates. Under this assumption  $\Omega$  is geodesically convex in metric  $g$  provided  $\Phi'(x_i) \leq 0, \forall i$ .

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