

ON THE LOCAL VERSION OF PU'S PROBLEM

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1. Introduction. Let $\mathfrak{M} = \{(P^n, g)\}$ be the space of riemannian structures on the n -dimensional real projective space P^n . Let $\text{vol}(P^n, g)$ denote the volume of P^n with respect to the canonical measure ν_g derived from g , and $L_g(c)$ denote the length of a closed curve c relative to g . Now we define

$$\text{quot}_1(P^n, g) \equiv \text{vol}(P^n, g) / [\text{Inf} \{L_g(c) \mid c; \text{homologically non-trivial piecewise smooth closed curve on } P^n\}]^n.$$

Thus $\text{quot}_1(P^n, g)$ may be considered as a function over \mathfrak{M} .

Now Pu's problem states that " $\text{quot}_1(P^n, g) \geq \text{quot}_1(P^n, g_0)$ holds where g_0 denotes the canonical structure of constant curvature, and the equality holds if and only if (P^n, g) is of constant curvature". That is, the function $\text{quot}_1(P^n, g)$ on \mathfrak{M} takes the minimum value exactly at the riemannian structure of constant curvature. For $n=2$ the problem is solved affirmatively (Pu [6]). But for $n>2$ the problem is completely open. Some authors have tried to solve the problem for some classes of riemannian structures on P^n (i. e. for some subsets of \mathfrak{M}) (See I. Chavel [2], [3], [4], P.M. Pu [6], T. Sakai [7]).

$\text{Quot}_1(P^n, g)$ is not a differentiable function on \mathfrak{M} . That is, even if $g(t)$ is a differentiable one parameter family of riemannian structures on P^n , generally $\text{quot}_1(P^n, g)$ doesn't depend differentiably on t . In the present note we shall consider the following function f on \mathfrak{M} instead of quot_1 .

Let $G = SO(n+1)/SO(n-1) \times SO(2)$ be the Grassmann manifold of all real projective lines (i. e. closed geodesics of length π with respect to the metric g_0 of constant curvature 1) of $P^n = SO(n+1)/SO(n) \times (\pm I_{n+1})$. G is assumed to carry the bi-invariant riemannian structure which is derived from the Killing form of the Lie algebra of $O(n+1)$.

Now we define for (P^n, g)

$$f(P^n, g) \equiv \text{vol}(P^n, g) / \{c(P^n, g)\}^n, \quad \text{where}$$

$$c(P^n, g) \equiv (1/(\text{vol } G)) \int_G \left(\int_0^\pi \sqrt{g(\dot{c}(s), \dot{c}(s))} ds \right) \nu_G$$

In the above definition, $\text{vol } G$ denote the volume of G with respect to the bi-invariant metric defined above, and $c(s)$ is a closed geodesic in (P^n, g_0) of length

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π which is parametrized by arc length. This function f has been considered in M. Berger ([1]) in a more general setting.

In the first part of the present note we shall consider this function. It is known that f is a differentiable function on \mathfrak{M} and that g_0 of constant curvature is a critical point of f ; i. e. $d/dt(f(g_t))_{t=0}=0$ holds for any differentiable one parameter family $g(t)$ with $g(0)=g_0$ in \mathfrak{M} (See Berger [1]). We shall show that conversely any riemannian structure on P^n which is a critical point of f must be a metric of constant curvature.

Thus we have a following characterization of the riemannian structure of constant curvature on P^n .

THEOREM A. (P^n, g) is a critical point of f on \mathfrak{M} if and only if (P^n, g) is of constant curvature.

Remark. We have $f(g_0)=\text{quot}_1(P^n, g_0)$ and $f(g)\leq\text{quot}_1(P^n, g)$ for any $(P^n, g)\in\mathfrak{M}$.

In the second part of the present note we shall treat the generalized Pu's problem which has been proposed by Berger ([1]). Let $K_1=\mathbf{R}$, $K_2=\mathbf{C}$, $K_4=\mathbf{H}$, $K_8=\mathbf{Ca}$ be the fields of real numbers, complex numbers, quaternions, and Cayley numbers respectively. Let P_i^a be an a -(K_i)dimensional projective space ($i=1, 2, 4, 8$) and $\mathfrak{M}=\mathfrak{M}_i^a=\{(P_i^a, g)\}$ be the space of riemannian structures on P_i^a . We set for $1\leq b\leq a-1$

$$\text{carc}_b(P_i^a, g)=\text{Inf}\{\text{vol}(Y, g|_Y)|\iota: Y\subset P_i^a \text{ is a } (bi)\text{-dimensional compact orientable submanifold of } P_i^a \text{ and the image of a generator of } H_{bi}(Y) \text{ by } \iota_* \text{ is a non-zero element of } H_{bi}(P_i^a)\}$$

$$\text{carc}'_b(P_i^a, g)=\text{Inf}\{\text{vol}(Y, g|_Y)|Y(\iota\subset P_i^a) \text{ is diffeomorphic to } P_i^b \text{ and } \iota_* \text{ maps a generator of } H_{bi}(Y) \text{ onto a generator of } H_{bi}(P_i^a)\}$$

$$\text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g)=(\text{vol}(P_i^a, g))^b/(\text{carc}_b(P_i^a, g))^a$$

$$\text{quot}'_b(P_i^a, g)=(\text{vol}(P_i^a, g))^b/(\text{carc}'_b(P_i^a, g))^a.$$

Now Berger's problems state as follows;

$$I(a, b; i): \text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g)\geq\text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g_0) \quad \text{for } \forall g\in\mathfrak{M},$$

$$I'(a, b; i): \text{quot}'_b(P_i^a, g)\geq\text{quot}'_b(P_i^a, g_0) \quad \text{for } \forall g\in\mathfrak{M},$$

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where g_0 denotes the canonical riemannian structure of symmetric space of rank one on P_i^a .

In this general case, we shall consider the following function $f=f_i^{a,b}$ in stead of $\text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g)$. Let $G=G_i^{a,b}$ be a Grassmann manifold of b -dimensional projective subspaces of P_i^a . G carries a riemannian structure of symmetric space.

Now we define following Berger ([1]),

$$c(P_i^a, g) \equiv (\text{vol } G)^{-1} \int_{Y \in G} \text{vol}(Y, g|_Y) \nu_G$$

$$f(P_i^a, g) \equiv (\text{vol}(P_i^a, g))^b / (c(P_i^a, g))^a.$$

Then f is a “differentiable function” on \mathfrak{M} , and we have $f(P_i^a, g_0) = \text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g_0)$ and $f(P_i^a, g) \leq \text{quot}_b'(P_i^a, g) \leq \text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g)$. It is known that g_0 (the canonical riemannian structure of symmetric space of rank one) is a critical point of f ; i. e. $d/dt(f(g(t)))|_{t=0} = 0$ for and differentiable one parameter family $g(t)$ of riemannian structures on P_i^a with $g(0) = g_0$.

In the present note we shall calculate the second variation $d^2/dt^2(f(g(t)))|_{t=0}$ at g_0 and consider the problem; “For what $g(t)$, $d^2/dt^2(f(g(t)))|_{t=0} > 0$ holds?”. This implies the following result concerned with Berger’s problem.

THEOREM B. *Let $(P_i^a, g(t))$ be a differentiable one parameter family of riemannian structures on P_i^a such that $g(0) = g_0$ is the canonical metric on P_i^a and $g'(0) = \lambda g_0$ holds, where λ is a not constant function on P_i^a . Then there exists a positive number ε such that*

$$\text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g(t)) \geq \text{quot}_b'(P_i^a, g(t)) > \text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g_0)$$

holds for any $0 < |t| < \varepsilon$.

Remark. For $b = \iota = 1$, Chavel ([3]) has proved that for any $g(t)$ such that $g(0) = g_0$ and $g'(0)$ is not a constant multiple of g_0 , there exists a positive number ε such that $\text{quot}_1(P^n, g(t)) > \text{quot}_1(P^n, g_0)$ holds for $0 < |t| < \varepsilon$. But his proof depends on a theorem of Michel ([5]) which is valid only for real projective space. So Chavel’s method seems to be not valid for this general case.

Remark. If (P_i^a, g) is conformally related to the canonical structure, then it is known that $\text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g) \geq \text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g_0)$, where the equality holds if and only if $g = g_0$ up to the homothety. Since the condition “ $g'(0) = \lambda g_0$ ” means that $g(t)$ is conformally related to g_0 up to the first order, the theorem may be considered as the local version of the above result. Of course there are many $g(t)$ which satisfy $g'(0) = \lambda g_0$ but are not conformally related to g_0 .

2. Proof of Theorem A. First we shall sum up the formulas which are used in the sequel.

LEMMA 1. *Let M be a compact C^∞ -manifold and $g(t)$ be a differentiable one parameter family of riemannian structures on M . Then we have,*

$$(2.1) \quad \{\text{vol}(M, g(t))\}' = 1/2 \int_M \text{trace}_{g(t)} g'(t) \nu_{g(t)},$$

where $\text{trace}_{g(t)} g'(t)$ means the trace of the symmetric covariant 2-tensor $g'(t)$ with respect to $g(t)$, i. e. $\text{trace}_{g(t)} g'(t) = g^{ij}(t) g'_{ij}(t)$.

Proof of Lemma 1). This is well known. In fact we have

$$\{\nu_{g(t)}\}' = 1/2 \operatorname{trace}_{g(t)} g'(t) \quad (\text{See Berger [1]}).$$

LEMMA 2. *Let (M, g) be a compact riemannain manifold of dimension n , and $p: UM \rightarrow M$ be the unit tangent bundle. Then for any symmetric covariant 2-tensor h on M we have*

$$(2.2) \quad \int_M \operatorname{trace}_g h \nu_g = \frac{n}{\omega_{n-1}} \int \left\{ \int_{m \in M p^{-1}(m)} h(x, x) \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} \right\} \nu_g,$$

where ω_{n-1} denotes the volume of the unit sphere and $\nu_{p^{-1}(m)}$ denotes the measure of the $U_m M$ derived from g .

Proof of Lemma 2). This is also standard. For every $m \in M$, choose an orthonormal frame with respect to which h takes the form

$$h(x, x) = \lambda_1 x_1^2 + \lambda_2 x_2^2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n^2.$$

Then

$$\int_{p^{-1}(m)} h(x, x) \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \int_{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1} x_i^2 dS^{n-1} = \frac{\omega_{n-1}}{n} \operatorname{trace}_g h.$$

Let (P^n, g_0) denotes the n -dimensional real projective space with the canonical riemannian structure of constant curvature 1. Then the unit tangent bundle UP^n has the natural induced riemannian structure h_0 derived from g_0 (See the proof of Lemma 3). On the other hand let G be the Grassmann manifold of real projective lines (i. e. closed geodesic of length π in (P^n, g_0)) of P^n . We endow with G the canonical riemannian structure k_0 of symmetric space. To every unit tangent vector $x \in UP^n$, we assign $q(x) \in G$ which is the closed geodesic of (P^n, g_0) with the initial direction x . Then we have the bundle structure $q: UP \rightarrow G$. In the above notation we have

LEMMA 3. *$p: (UP^n, h_0) \rightarrow (P^n, g_0)$ and $q: (UP^n, h_0) \rightarrow (G, k_0)$ are riemannian submersions. The fiber $p^{-1}(m)$, $m \in M$ is an $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere of constant curvature 1 and the fiber $q^{-1}(c)$, $c \in G$ is a closed geodesic of length π in (UP^n, h_0) , where $q^{-1}(c)$ may be identified with real projective line c .*

Proof of Lemma 3). This follows from the following representations of (P^n, g_0) , (UP^n, h_0) , (G, k_0) as the riemannain homogeneous spaces :

$$\begin{aligned} (P^n, g_0) &= SO(n+1)/SO(n) \times \{\pm I_{n+1}\} \\ (UP^n, h_0) &= SO(n+1)/SO(n-1) \times \{\pm I_{n+1}\} \\ (G, k_0) &= SO(n+1)/SO(n-1) \times SO(2), \end{aligned}$$

where these homogeneous spaces are assumed to carry the bi-invariant normal homogeneous riemannian structures which are derived from the Killing form of the Lie algebra of $O(n+1)$. Then p, q are riemannian submersions and we have $p^{-1}(m) \cong SO(n)/SO(n-1)$ and $q^{-1}(c) \cong SO(2)/\{\pm I\}$.

LEMMA 4. Let a_1, \dots, a_n be positive real numbers. We put

$$A_i = \int_{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1} \frac{a_i x_i^2}{\sqrt{a_1 x_1^2 + \dots + a_n x_n^2}} dS^{n-1} \text{ (not summed with respect to } i\text{)}.$$

If $A_1 = \dots = A_n$ holds, we have $a_1 = \dots = a_n$.

Proof of Lemma 4). By an elementary calculus we get

$$A_1 - A_2 = (a_1 - a_2) \int_{S^{n-1}} (\text{positive function on } S^{n-1}) dS^{n-1}.$$

Now we shall return to the proof of Theorem A. We put $g(0) = g, g'(0) = h$ and assume that g is a critical point of f . Then for any digerentiable one parameter family $g(t)$ in \mathfrak{M} with $g(0) = g$, we have by (2.1)

$$(2.3) \quad d/dt(f(g(t)))|_{t=0} = (1/(2 \text{ vol } G)) \{c(g)\}^{-n-1} \left[\int_G \left\{ \int_0^\pi \|\dot{c}(s)\|_g ds \right\} \nu_G \right. \\ \left. \int_{P^n} \text{trace}_g h \nu_g - n \text{ vol}(P^n, g) \int_G \left\{ \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\dot{c}(s), \dot{c}(s))}{\|\dot{c}(s)\|_g} ds \right\} \nu_G \right] = 0.$$

Let $S^2(M)$ denote the space of symmetric covariant 2-tensor fields on M . So g is a critical point of f if and only if

$$\frac{\int_G \left\{ \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\dot{c}(s), \dot{c}(s))}{\|\dot{c}(s)\|_g} ds \right\} \nu_G}{\int_{P^n} \text{trace}_g h \nu_g} = \text{constant}$$

for any $h \in S^2(P^n)$. On the other hand by (2.2) and Lemma 3, using the integration along the fiber of riemannian submersion the left hand side of (2.4) takes the form

$$\frac{\omega_{n-1} \int_{P^n} \left\{ \int_{U_m^{(g)} P^n} \frac{h(x, x)}{\|x\|_g} \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} \right\} \nu_{g_0}}{n \int_{P^n} \left\{ \int_{U_m^{(g)} P^n} h(x, x) \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} \right\} \nu_g},$$

where $U_m^{(g)} P^n$ denote the space of unit tangent vectors at m with respect to the metric g . Note that $\nu_g(m) = \sqrt{\det(g_{ij}(m)) / \det((g_0)_{ij}(m))} \nu_{g_0}(m)$ holds. So if g is a critical point of f , then there exists a C^∞ -function $k(m)$ on P^n such that

$$(2.5) \quad \int_{P^n} \left\{ \int_{U_m^{(g)} P^n} \frac{h(x, x)}{\|x\|_g} \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} - k(m) \int_{U_m^{(g)} P^n} h(x, x) \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} \right\} \nu_{g_0} = 0$$

holds for any $h \in S^2(P^n)$. Then at every point $m \in P^n$, we have

$$(2.6) \quad \alpha_h(m) \equiv \int_{x \in U_m^{(g)} P^n} \frac{h_m(x, x)}{\|x\|_{g(m)}} \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} - k(m) \int_{U_m^{(g)} P^n} h_m(x, x) \nu_{p^{-1}(m)} = 0$$

for any $h \in S^2(P^n)$. In fact, assume that (2.6) is not satisfied for some $m \in P^n$ and $h \in S^2(M)$. Then we may assume that $m \rightarrow \alpha_h(m)$ is positive on some neigh-

borhood U of m . Choose a C^∞ -function φ ($\varphi \geq 0$) on P^n such that $\varphi=1$ on some $V(\subset U)$ and $\varphi=0$ outside of U . Then $\int_{P^n} \varphi \alpha_n \nu_{g_0} = \int_{P^n} \alpha_n \nu_{g_0} > 0$. This contradicts (2.5). Now take an orthonormal frame relative to g_0 in $T_m P^n$ so that g takes the form

$$g(x, x) = a_1 x_1^2 + \dots + a_n x_n^2 \quad (a_1, \dots, a_n > 0),$$

where x_i 's are the components of x with respect to this orthonormal basis. In (2.6) take especially $h(x, x) = x_i^2$. So we have

$$\int_{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1} \frac{x_i^2}{\sqrt{a_1 x_1^2 + \dots + a_n x_n^2}} dS^{n-1} = k(m) \int_{y_1^2 + \dots + y_n^2 = 1} \frac{y_i^2}{a_i} dS^{n-1}$$

where we have put $y_i^2 = a_i x_i^2$ (not summed). That is,

$$A_i = \int_{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1} \frac{a_i x_i^2}{\sqrt{a_1 x_1^2 + \dots + a_n x_n^2}} dS^{n-1} = k(m) \omega_{n-1} / n \quad (= \text{constant}).$$

So by Lemma 4 we have $a_1 = \dots = a_n$, that is, $g (= a g_0)$ is conformally related to the canonical riemannian structure on P^n . Finally we show that this positive C^∞ -function a on P^n must reduce to a constant. Let $h = \varphi g_0$ where φ is any C^∞ -function, then from (2.4) we have

$$\int_{P^n} \left\{ \left(\int_{P^n} a^n \nu_{g_0} \right) \frac{1}{a} - a^{n-2} \left(\int_{P^n} a \nu_{g_0} \right) \right\} \varphi \nu_{g_0} = 0$$

and consequently a must be a constant.

q. e. d.

3. Proof of Theorem B. Let $g = g_0$ be the riemannian structure of symmetric space of rank one on P_i^a . Let $g(t)$ be any differentiable one parameter family of riemannian structures on P_i^a with $g(0) = g_0$. Then it is known that $d/dt(f(g(t)))|_{t=0} = 0$. But g_0 is never a minimum value of f . In fact, φ_t be a one parameter family of diffeomorphism of P_i^a and set $g(t) = \varphi_t^* g_0$. Then we have $f(g(t)) \geq f(g_0)$. Now we shall calculate the second variation of f at g , i. e. $d^2/dt^2(f(g(t)))|_{t=0}$. The usefull tool is the integration along the fiber of the following two riemannian submersions. Let $V_i^{a,b}$ be the set of K_i -subspaces of real dimension b (tangent spaces to the b -dimensional projective subspaces of P_i^a) and $p: V_i^{a,b} \rightarrow P_i^a$ be the map which associate to $V \in V_i^{a,b}$ the point $m \in P_i^a$ such that $V \subset T_m P_i^a$. Let $q: V_i^{a,b} \rightarrow G$ be the map which associate to $V \in V_i^{a,b}$ the K_i -projective subspace $Y (\in G)$ tangent to V at $p(V)$. Then there are natural riemannian structures h_0, k_0 on $V_i^{a,b}$ and G respectively such that $p: (V_i^{a,b}, h_0) \rightarrow (P_i^a, g_0), q: (V_i^{a,b}, h_0) \rightarrow (G, k_0)$ are riemannian submersions (For the proof see Berger [1] pp. 26-31). In the following we put $g'(0) = h, g''(0) = k, \text{vol } P = \text{vol}(P_i^a, g_0)$, and $\text{vol } P' = \text{vol}(P_i^b, g_0)$. Then by Lemma 1 (See the proof of Lemma 1) we get

$$(3.1) \quad \{\text{vol}(Y, g(t)|_Y)\}''|_{t=0} = -1/2 \langle h, h \rangle_{P_i^a} + 1/2 \int_{P_i^a} \text{trace}_g k \nu_g \\ + 1/4 \int_{P_i^a} (\text{trace}_g h)^2 \nu_g,$$

where $\langle, \rangle_{P_i^a}$ denotes the global inner product by the integration.

$$(3.2) \quad \text{vol } G \{c(g(t))\}''|_{t=0} = -1/2 \int_{Y \in G} \langle h|_Y, h|_Y \rangle_Y \nu_G \\ + 1/2 \frac{b}{a} \frac{\text{vol } P' \cdot \text{vol } G}{\text{vol } P} \int_{P_i^a} \text{trace}_g k \nu_g + \frac{1}{4} \int_G \left\{ \int_Y (\text{trace}_{g|Y} k|_Y)^2 \nu_{g|Y} \right\} \nu_G.$$

From (3.1) and (3.2) we have

$$(3.3) \quad (\text{vol } P)^{-b+2} (\text{vol } P')^{a+2} d^2/dt^2(f(g(t)))|_{t=0} \\ = -\{b(a-b)/4a\} (\text{vol } P')^2 \left\{ \int_{P_i^a} \text{trace}_g h \nu_g \right\}^2 + (b \text{vol } P (\text{vol } P')^2/4) \\ \times \int_{P_i^a} (\text{trace}_g h)^2 \nu_g - b \text{vol } P (\text{vol } P')^2/2 \cdot \langle h, h \rangle_{P_i^a} \\ + a(\text{vol } P)^2 \text{vol } P'/(2 \text{vol } G) \int_{Y \in G} \langle h|_Y, h|_Y \rangle_Y \nu_G \\ - a(\text{vol } P)^2 \text{vol } P'/(4 \text{vol } G) \int_{Y \in G} \nu_G \int_Y (\text{trace}_{g|Y} h|_Y)^2 \nu_{g|Y}.$$

There are many $h=g'(0)$ which makes (3.3) negative. But such an h doesn't give a counter example to Berger's problem because $f(g) \geq \text{quot}_b(P_i^a, g)$ holds. On the other hand it seems interesting to find the class of $g'(0)$ which make (3.3) positive, because $f(g(t))$ takes the strictly minimal value at $t=0$ for such $g'(0)$.

Next we shall give an example of such $g'(0)$. We assume that $h=g'(0)=\lambda g_0$ holds, where λ is any C^∞ -function over P_i^a . In this case (3.3) takes the form

$$(3.4) \quad (\text{vol } P)^{-b+2} (\text{vol } P')^{a+2} d^2/dt^2(f(g(t)))|_{t=0} \\ = -\{ab(a-b)i^2\}/4a \cdot (\text{vol } P')^2 \left(\int_{P_i^a} \lambda \nu_g \right)^2 + (a^2 b i^2)/4 \cdot \text{vol } P \\ \times (\text{vol } P')^2 \left(\int_{P_i^a} \lambda \nu_g \right) - ab i/2 \cdot \text{vol } P (\text{vol } P')^2 \left(\int_{P_i^a} \lambda^2 \nu_g \right) \\ + ab i/2 \cdot \text{vol } P (\text{vol } P')^2 \left(\int_{P_i^a} \lambda^2 \nu_g \right) - (ab^2 i^2)/4 \cdot \text{vol } P (\text{vol } P')^2 \left(\int_{P_i^a} \lambda^2 \nu_g \right) \\ = \{ab(a-b)i^2\}/4 (\text{vol } P')^2 \left\{ \text{vol } P \int_{P_i^a} \lambda^2 \nu_g - \left(\int_{P_i^a} \lambda \nu_g \right)^2 \right\} \geq 0,$$

by virtue of Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, and equality holds if and only if λ is a constant function. This completes the proof of Theorem B.

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