

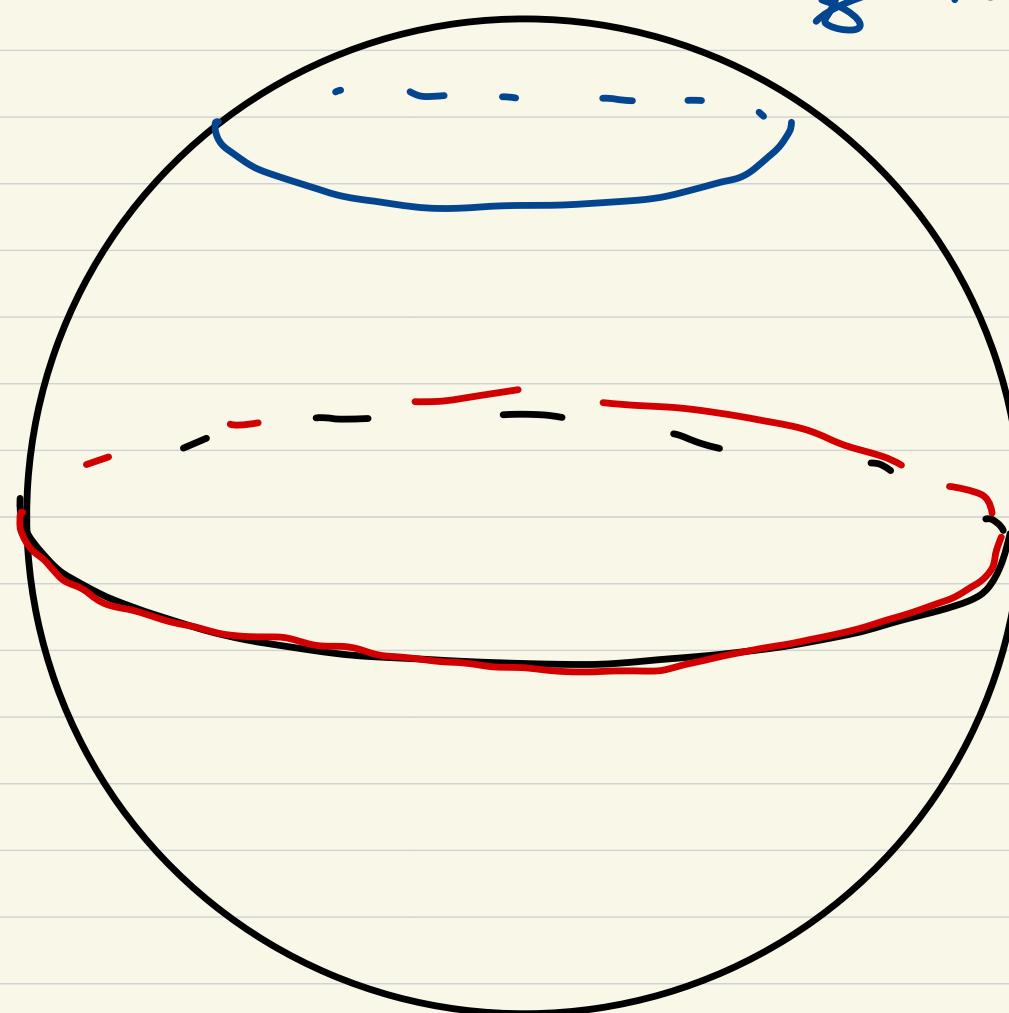
§ 8 Totally geodesic submanifolds
and homogeneous spaces of
reductive type

§ 8.1 Totally geodesic submanifolds

Setting : M a Riem. mfd.

Def 8.1.1 : A closed complete submanifold D
in M is said to be
totally geodesic
if any geodesic in D
is also a geodesic in M

Ex



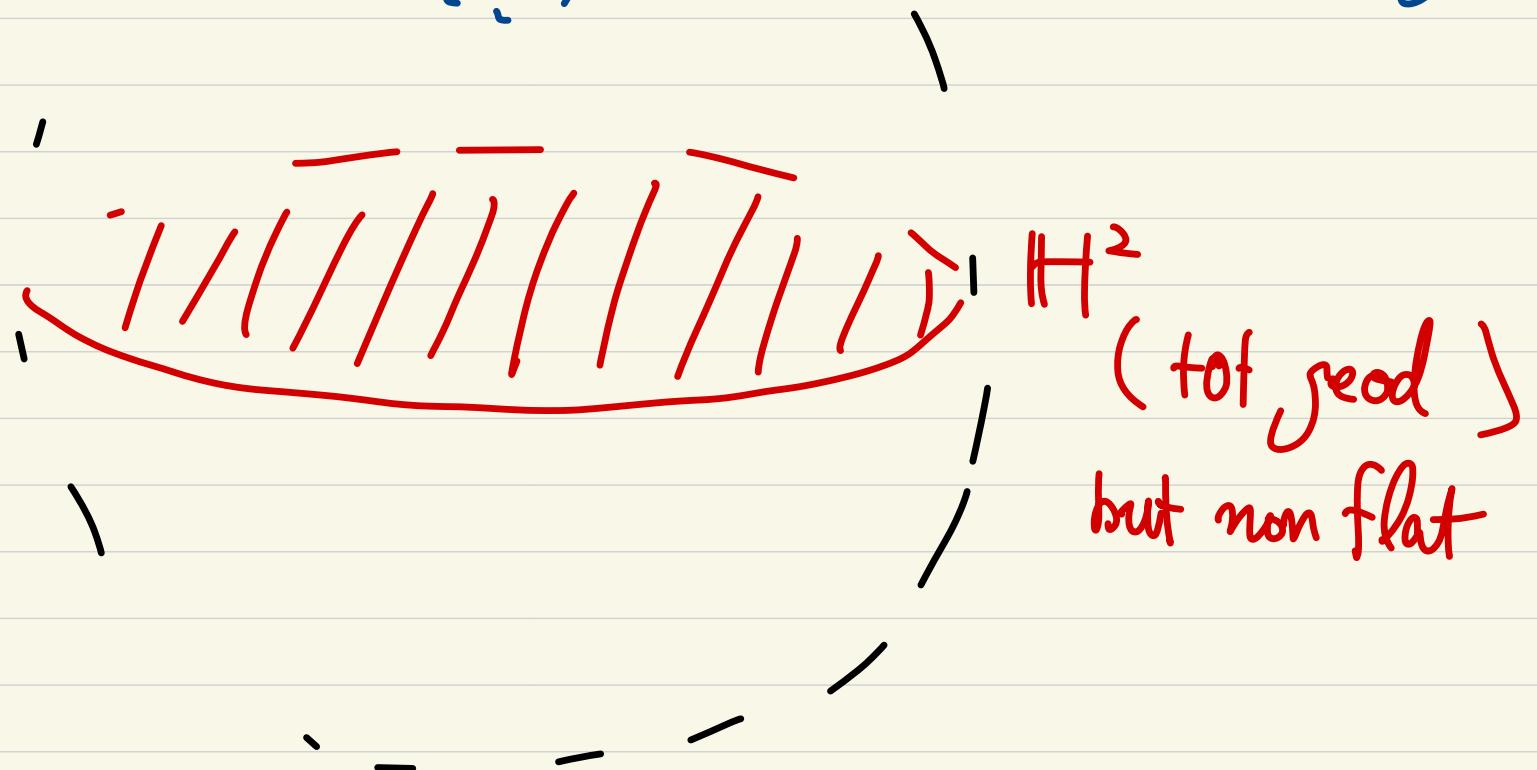
→ not tot. geod.

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Ex Poincaré ball



A horosphere
(not totally real)



§ 8.2 Homogeneous spaces of reductive type
realized as families of
totally geodesic submanifolds

Setting : G : a linear reductive Lie group

M : a Riem. symmetric space

equipped with

a G -inv. Riem. str.

Theorem 8.2.1

Let D be a totally geodesic
submfld in M .

Then

$$H_D := \{ g \in G \mid gD = D \}$$

is reductive in G

and

D is homogeneous

For each tot. good D in M

we put $X_D := \{gD \mid g \in G\}$.

Then X_0 is a homogeneous G -space
of reductive type

Theorem 8.2.2

Let X be a homogeneous G -space
of reductive type.

Then

$\exists D \subset M$: tot. geod.

$\exists f: X \rightarrow X_D$: proper G -equivariant
cont. surjective

Prop 8.2.3

L : a topological group

X, X' : a topological space

$L \curvearrowright X \curvearrowright X'$: continuous actions

Assume $\exists f : X \rightarrow X'$: conti proper L -equiv map

Then (i) $L \curvearrowright X$: proper

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(ii) $L \curvearrowright X'$: proper

We obtained the following

Setting : G : a linear reductive

M : a Riem. Symm space

X : a homog space of red. type

D : a tot. geod in M

with $\exists f : X \rightarrow X_D$: proper
G-eq.

Theorem 8.2.4

Let L be a closed subgp of G

(i) $L \triangleleft X$: proper

\Updownarrow

(ii) $L \triangleleft X_D$: proper

\Updownarrow

(iii) ${}^t C_M \subset M$: compact

$$L(C_M; X_D) := \{g \in L \mid \begin{array}{l} \exists D' \in X_D \\ \text{s.t.} \\ C_M \cap D' \neq \emptyset \\ g C_M \cap D' = \emptyset \end{array}\}$$

is compact.