

Erratum to “Manifolds with Bakry-Emery Ricci Curvature Bounded Below”, Advances in Pure Mathematics, Vol. 6 (2016), 754-764

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Lemma 3.5. *Let $(M, g, e^{-f}dvol_g)$ be a complete smooth metric measure space with $Ric_f \geq 0$; fix $p \in M$; if there exists c so that $|f(x)| \leq c$ then for $R \geq r > 0$*

$$\frac{Vol_f(B(p, R))}{Vol_f(B(p, r))} \leq e^{4c} \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^n$$

Proof

Let x be a point in M and let $\gamma: [0, r] \rightarrow M$ be a minimal geodesic joining p to x and $(e_i(t))_{1 \leq i \leq n-1}$ be a parallel orthonormal vector fields along γ . Set

$$Y_i(t) = \frac{t}{r} e_i(t).$$

By the second variation formula we have:

$$\begin{aligned} m(r) = \Delta r &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} I(Y_i, Y_i) \\ &= \int_0^r \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \|Y_i'(t)\|^2 - \langle R(Y_i(t), \gamma'(t))\gamma'(t), Y_i(t) \rangle \right) dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r^2} \int_0^r (n-1-t^2 Ric(\gamma'(t))) dt \\ &\quad - \frac{n-1}{r} + \int_0^r \frac{t^2}{r^2} Hess(f)(\gamma', \gamma') dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{n-1}{r} + \int_0^r \frac{t^2}{r^2} (f \circ \gamma)^n dt \\
&= \frac{n-1}{r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \int_0^r \frac{d}{dt} \left(t^2 (f \circ \gamma)'(t) \right) dt - \frac{2}{r^2} \int_0^r t (f \circ \gamma)'(t) dt \\
&= \frac{n-1}{r} + \partial_r f - \frac{2}{r} f(x) + \frac{2}{r^2} \int_0^r (f \circ \gamma)(t) dt
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
m_f(r) &= \Delta r - \partial_r f = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\ln(A_f(r, \theta)) \right) \\
&\leq \frac{n-1}{r} + \partial_r f - \frac{2}{r} f(x) + \frac{2}{r^2} \int_0^r (f \circ \gamma)(t) dt
\end{aligned}$$

For all positive reals r and s , integrating this relation we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_r^s m_f(t) dt &= \ln \left(\frac{A_f(s, \theta)}{A_f(r, \theta)} \right) \leq \left(\frac{s}{r} \right)^{n-1} + 2 \int_r^s \left(\frac{1}{t^2} \int_0^t f(u) du - \frac{1}{t} f(t) \right) dt \\
&= \ln \left(\frac{s}{r} \right)^{n-1} - \left(\frac{2}{t} \int_0^t f dt \right) \Big|_r^s + 2 \int_r^s \frac{1}{t} f dt - 2 \int_r^s \frac{1}{t} f dt \\
&= \ln \left(\frac{s}{r} \right)^{n-1} - \left(\frac{2}{t} \int_0^t f dt \right) \Big|_r^s \leq \ln \left(\frac{s}{r} \right)^{n-1} + 4c
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have $r^{n-1} A_f(s, \theta) \leq e^{4c} A_f(r, \theta) s^{n-1}$. Hence

$$\int_0^R \int_{s^{n-1}} r^{n-1} A_f(s, \theta) d\theta dr \leq e^{4c} \int_0^R \int_{s^{n-1}} A_f(r, \theta) d\theta dr$$

which implies

$$\frac{R^n}{n} \int_{s^{n-1}} A_f(s, \theta) d\theta \leq e^{4c} s^{n-1} \int_0^R \int_{s^{n-1}} A_f(r, \theta) d\theta dr = e^{4c} s^{n-1} \text{vol}_f(B(p, R))$$

and integrating from 0 to R with respect to s we obtain the conclusion.