# Tangent spaces and a metric on geodesic spaces 測地距離空間上の接空間と計量

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#### Abstract

In this work, we introduce a notion of tangent spaces to geodesic spaces with curvature bounded above. We first consider functions like inner products and angles with the functions. Further, we consider relations between newly proposed angle and the Alexandrov angle. We finally define the tangent space and a metirc on geodesic spaces.

### 1 Introduction

In Hilbert spaces, a monotone operator and its zero points play an important role for convex optimisations. Rockafellar [8] showed a weak convergence theorem with the proximal point algorithm for a maximal monotone operator. Since the subdifferential of a proper lower semicontinuous convex function is a maximal monotone operator and the set of zero points of the operator coincides with the minimisers of the function, we can apply the zero points approximation theorem to finding minimisers of the function.

On the other hand, Berg and Nikolaev [2] proposed the concept called quasilinearisation. It satisfies some properties like inner products in Hilbert spaces. After that, Khatibzadeh and Ranjbar [6] introduced a notion of maximal monotone operators to Hadamard spaces, and investigated some properties using dual spaces proposed by Ahmadi Kakavandi and Amini [1]. The dual space in the sense of [1] is known to generalise the usual dual spaces when the considered space is a linear space. However, it is not known what relations there are between the dual space of a Hadamard manifold and the Riemannian tangent space.

In 2021, Chaipunya, Kohsaka and Kumam [4] introduced a notion of the tangent

space to Hadamard spaces. Tangent spaces on a given Hadamard space were introduced earlier in [3]. In [4], for the technical convenience, they make a slight modification on the definition of tangent spaces.

In this paper, we adopt the similar methods of [4] and consider the tangent spaces of a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space. We first propose a function like inner products and a notion of angles. Further, we consider relations between newly proposed angle and the Alexandrov angle. After that, we define the tangent spaces and a metric on  $CAT(\kappa)$  spaces. In discussions about the tangent spaces, we mention the relation between the Euclidean cones in the sense of [3] and the tangent space proposed in this article.

### 2 Preliminaries

Let (X,d) be a metric space and let  $D \in ]0,\infty]$ . For  $x,y \in X$ , we call an isometric mapping  $\gamma_{xy}$  from [0,d(x,y)] into X a geodesic from x to y if  $\gamma_{xy}(0) = x$  and  $\gamma_{xy}(d(x,y)) = y$ . X is said to be uniquely D-geodesic if for each  $x,y \in X$  with d(x,y) < D, there is a unique geodesic. In a uniquely D-geodesic space, for  $x,y \in X$  with d(x,y) < D,  $\gamma_{xy}([0,d(x,y)]) \subset X$  is called a geodesic segment joining x and y, and we denote it by [x,y]. We denote a geodesic triangle with vertices  $x,y,z \in X$  by  $\triangle(x,y,z) = [y,z] \cup [z,x] \cup [x,z]$ .

To define a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space, we use the following notation called a model space. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $\kappa = 0$ , the n-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^n = M_0^n$  is the n-dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbb{E}^n$ . For  $\kappa > 0$ ,  $M_{\kappa}^n$  is the n-dimensional sphere  $(1/\sqrt{\kappa})\mathbb{S}^n$  whose metric is a length of a minimal great arc joining each two points. For  $\kappa < 0$ ,  $M_{\kappa}^n$  is the n-dimensional hyperbolic space  $(1/\sqrt{-\kappa})\mathbb{H}^n$  with the metric defined by a usual hyperbolic distance. The diameter of  $M_{\kappa}^n$  is denoted by  $D_{\kappa}$ , and is defined by  $D_{\kappa} = \infty$  if  $\kappa \leq 0$  and  $D_{\kappa} = \pi/\sqrt{\kappa}$  if  $\kappa > 0$ .  $M_{\kappa}^n$  is a complete uniquely  $D_{\kappa}$ -geodesic space for each  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ . For a geodesic triangle  $\Delta(x,y,z)$  satisfying that  $d(y,z) + d(z,x) + d(x,y) < 2D_{\kappa}$  in a uniquely  $D_{\kappa}$ -geodesic space X, there are points  $\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z} \in M_{\kappa}^2$  such that  $d(y,z) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{y},\overline{z}), \ d(z,x) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{z},\overline{x})$  and  $d(x,y) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{x},\overline{y})$ . We call the triangle having vertices  $\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z} \in M_{\kappa}^2$  a comparison triangle of  $\Delta(x,y,z)$ . Notice that it is unique up to an isometry of  $M_{\kappa}^2$ . For a specific choice of comparison triangles, we denote it by  $\Delta(\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z})$ . A point  $\overline{p} \in [\overline{x}, \overline{y}]$  is called a comparison point for  $p \in [x,y]$  if  $d(x,p) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{x}, \overline{p})$ .

Let  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  and X a uniquely  $D_{\kappa}$ -geodesic space. If for any  $x, y, z \in X$  with  $d(y, z) + d(z, x) + d(x, y) < 2D_{\kappa}$ , for any  $p, q \in \triangle(x, y, z)$ , and for the comparison points  $\overline{p}, \overline{q} \in \triangle(\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z})$  of  $M_{\kappa}^2$ , the CAT( $\kappa$ ) inequality

$$d(p,q) \le d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{p},\overline{q})$$

holds, then we call X a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ , the n-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^{n}$  is a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space.

Let X be a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v,w) + d(w,u) + d(u,v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v,w \in X$ . Note that then  $d(x,y) < D_{\kappa}$  for all  $x,y \in X$ . For  $x,y \in X$  and  $t \in [0,1]$ , we denote  $\gamma_{xy}((1-t)d(x,y))$  by  $tx \oplus (1-t)y$ . Note that  $tx \oplus (1-t)y$  tends to y as  $t \searrow 0$ . A subset C of X is said to be convex if  $tx \oplus (1-t)y \in C$  for each  $x,y \in C$  and  $t \in [0,1]$ . A nonempty convex subset of X is also  $CAT(\kappa)$  space.

We define a function  $c_{\kappa}$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $[0, \infty]$  by

$$c_{\kappa}(a) = \frac{1}{2}a^{2} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-\kappa)^{n-1}a^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\kappa} \left(1 - \cos\left(\sqrt{\kappa}a\right)\right) & (\kappa > 0); \\ \frac{1}{2}a^{2} & (\kappa = 0); \\ \frac{1}{-\kappa} \left(\cosh\left(\sqrt{-\kappa}a\right) - 1\right) & (\kappa < 0) \end{cases}$$

for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, we know

$$c'_{\kappa}(a) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(\sqrt{\kappa}a)}{\sqrt{\kappa}} & (\kappa > 0); \\ a & (\kappa = 0); \quad \text{and} \quad c''_{\kappa}(a) = \begin{cases} \cos(\sqrt{\kappa}a) & (\kappa > 0); \\ 1 & (\kappa = 0); \\ \cosh(\sqrt{-\kappa}a) & (\kappa < 0) \end{cases}$$

for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . We know the following properties of  $c_{\kappa}$ ,  $c'_{\kappa}$  and  $c''_{\kappa}$ :

- $c_{\kappa}$ ,  $c'_{\kappa}$  and  $c''_{\kappa}$  is continuous;

- $c_{\kappa} \colon [0, D_{\kappa}[ \to [0, \infty[$  is strictly increasing;  $c_{\kappa}(0) = c'_{\kappa}(0) = 0$  and  $c''_{\kappa}(0) = 1;$   $c'_{\kappa}(-a) = -c'_{\kappa}(a)$  and  $c''_{\kappa}(-a) = c_{\kappa}(a)$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Moreover, for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , we get the following equations:

$$1 = c''_{\kappa}(a) + \kappa c_{\kappa}(a);$$

$$1 = c''_{\kappa}(a)^{2} + \kappa c'_{\kappa}(a)^{2};$$

$$c'_{\kappa}(a+b) = c'_{\kappa}(a)c''_{\kappa}(b) + c'_{\kappa}(b)c''_{\kappa}(a);$$

$$c''_{\kappa}(a+b) = c''_{\kappa}(a)c''_{\kappa}(b) - \kappa c'_{\kappa}(a)c'_{\kappa}(b);$$

$$c''_{\kappa}(a) - c''_{\kappa}(b) = -2\kappa c'_{\kappa}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)c'_{\kappa}\left(\frac{a-b}{2}\right).$$

Note that it holds from l'Hospital's rule that

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{c'_{\kappa}(t)}{t} = \lim_{t \to 0} c''_{\kappa}(t) = 1.$$

For more details about the function  $c_{\kappa}$ , see [5].

For a metric space (X,d), we define a function  $\phi_{\kappa}$  from  $X^2$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  by

$$\phi_{\kappa}(x,y) = c_{\kappa}(d(x,y))$$

for each  $x, y \in X$ . We get the following properties of  $\phi_{\kappa}$ :

- $\phi_{\kappa}(x,y) \geq 0$  for all  $x,y \in X$ ;
- $\phi_{\kappa}(x,y) = 0$  if and only if x = y, where  $d(x,y) < 2D_{\kappa}$ ;
- $\phi_{\kappa}(x,y) = \phi_{\kappa}(y,x)$  for all  $x,y \in X$ .

For more details about  $\phi_{\kappa}$ , refer to [7].

#### 3 **Angles**

In this section, we consider angles on  $CAT(\kappa)$  spaces. We first introduce a function like inner products to metric spaces.

Let  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  and X a metric space such that  $d(u,v) < D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v \in X$ . For  $x, y, u, v \in X$ , we define a product by

$$\langle x\ominus y, u\ominus v\rangle_{\kappa} = c_{\kappa}''(d(x,y))\phi_{\kappa}(x,v) + \phi_{\kappa}(y,u) - c_{\kappa}''(d(x,y))\phi_{\kappa}(x,u) - \phi_{\kappa}(y,v).$$

If  $\kappa = 0$ , then this product is quasilinearisation in the sense of [2].

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  and X a metric space such that  $d(u,v) < D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v \in X$ . Then, the following hold:

- (i)  $\langle x \ominus y, u \ominus v \rangle_{\kappa} = -\langle x \ominus y, v \ominus u \rangle_{\kappa}$  for each  $u, v, x, y \in X$ ;

- $\begin{array}{ll} \text{(ii)} & \langle x\ominus x, u\ominus v\rangle_{\kappa} = 0 \text{ for each } u, x,y\in X;\\ \text{(iii)} & \langle x\ominus y, u\ominus u\rangle_{\kappa} = 0 \text{ for each } u,v,x\in X;\\ \text{(iv)} & \langle x\ominus y, x\ominus y\rangle_{\kappa} = c'_{\kappa}(d(x,y))^2 \text{ for all } x,y\in X;\\ \text{(v)} & \langle p\ominus x, p\ominus y\rangle_{\kappa} = \langle p\ominus y, p\ominus x\rangle_{\kappa} \text{ for all } p,x,y\in X. \end{array}$

*Proof.* Let  $u, v, x, y \in X$  and set d = d(x, y). Then, we easily get (i), (ii) and (iii). We show (iv). We know

$$\langle x \ominus y, x \ominus y \rangle_{\kappa} = c_{\kappa}''(d)\phi_{\kappa}(x,y) + \phi_{\kappa}(y,x) - c_{\kappa}''(d)\phi_{\kappa}(x,x) - \phi_{\kappa}(y,y)$$
$$= (c_{\kappa}''(d) + 1)\phi_{\kappa}(x,y).$$

If  $\kappa = 0$ , then

$$\langle x \ominus y, x \ominus y \rangle_{\kappa} = (c_0''(d) + 1) \phi_0(x, y) = d(x, y)^2 = c_0'(d(x, y))^2.$$

Suppose  $\kappa \neq 0$ . Then, we have

$$\langle x\ominus y, x\ominus y\rangle_{\kappa} = (c_{\kappa}''(d)+1)\,\phi_{\kappa}(x,y) = \frac{1}{\kappa}\left(c_{\kappa}''(d)+1\right)\left(1-c_{\kappa}''(d)\right) = \frac{1}{\kappa}\left(1-c_{\kappa}''(d)^2\right).$$

Since  $c_{\kappa}''(d)^2 + \kappa c_{\kappa}'(d)^2 = 1$ , we obtain

$$\langle x\ominus y, x\ominus y\rangle_{\kappa} = c'_{\kappa}(d(x,y))^2.$$

We finally show (v). Let  $p, x, y \in X$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p\ominus x, p\ominus y\rangle_{\kappa} &= c_{\kappa}''(d(p,x))\phi_{\kappa}(p,y) + \phi_{\kappa}(x,p) - \phi_{\kappa}(x,y) \\ &= \phi_{\kappa}(p,y) - (1 - c_{\kappa}''(d(p,x)))\phi_{\kappa}(p,y) + \phi_{\kappa}(x,p) - \phi_{\kappa}(x,y) \\ &= \phi_{\kappa}(p,y) - (1 - c_{\kappa}''(d(p,y)))\phi_{\kappa}(p,x) + \phi_{\kappa}(x,p) - \phi_{\kappa}(x,y) \\ &= c_{\kappa}''(d(p,y))\phi_{\kappa}(p,x) + \phi_{\kappa}(y,p) - \phi_{\kappa}(y,x) = \langle p\ominus y, p\ominus x\rangle_{\kappa} \,. \end{aligned}$$

This is the desired result and it completes the proof.

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(M_{\kappa}^n, d_{M_{\kappa}^n})$  the *n*-dimensional model space for  $\kappa \neq 0$ . For  $p, x, y \in M_{\kappa}^n$ , the angle  $\mathcal{L}_p^{\kappa}(x, y)$  of x and y at p is defined by

$$\angle_{p}^{\kappa}(x,y) = \arccos\left(\frac{c_{\kappa}''(d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(p,x))c_{\kappa}''(d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(p,y)) - c_{\kappa}''(d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(x,y))}{\kappa c_{\kappa}'(d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(p,x))c_{\kappa}'(d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(p,y))}\right)$$

if  $p \neq x$  and  $p \neq y$ ;  $\angle_p^{\kappa}(p,y) = \angle_p^{\kappa}(x,p) = \pi/2$ ;  $\angle_p^{\kappa}(p,p) = 0$ . We also define  $\angle_p^0(x,y)$  for  $p,x,y \in \mathbb{E}^n$  by the usual angle on the Euclidian space. For more details, refer to "The Law of Cosines in  $M_{\kappa}^n$  2.13" in [3, Chapter I.2].

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $p, x, y \in X$  with  $d(x, y) + d(y, p) + d(p, x) < 2D_{\kappa}$ . We define the  $\kappa$ -angle  $\angle_p^{\kappa}(x, y)$  of x and y at p by

$$\angle_p^{\kappa}(x,y) = \angle_{\overline{p}}^{\kappa}(\overline{x},\overline{y}),$$

where  $\triangle(\overline{p}, \overline{x}, \overline{y}) \subset M_{\kappa}^2$  is the comparison triangle of  $\triangle(p, x, y)$  and  $\measuredangle_{\overline{p}}^{\kappa}$  is the angle at  $\overline{p}$  with respect to  $M_{\kappa}^2$ .

Now, we can prove the following:

**Theorem 3.2.** Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ . Then,

$$\frac{\langle p \ominus x, p \ominus y \rangle_{\kappa}}{c'_{\kappa}(d(p,x))c'_{\kappa}(d(p,y))} = \cos \angle_{p}^{\kappa}(x,y)$$

for all  $p, x, y \in X$  with  $p \neq x$  and  $p \neq y$ , where  $\angle_p^{\kappa}(x, y)$  is the  $\kappa$ -angle of x and y at p.

*Proof.* Let  $p, x, y \in X$  with  $p \neq x$  and  $p \neq y$ . Then, we can take their comparison triangle  $\triangle(\overline{p}, \overline{x}, \overline{y})$  of the two-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^2$ . Note that  $d(x, y) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{x}, \overline{y})$ ,  $d(y, p) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{y}, \overline{p})$  and  $d(p, x) = d_{M_{\kappa}^2}(\overline{p}, \overline{x})$ . We first suppose that  $\kappa = 0$ . From the law of cosines with respect to  $\mathbb{E}^2$ , we have

$$\cos \angle_p^0(x,y) = \cos \angle_{\overline{p}}^0(\overline{x},\overline{y}) = \frac{d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\overline{p},\overline{x})^2 + d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\overline{p},\overline{y})^2 - d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\overline{x},\overline{y})^2}{2d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\overline{p},\overline{x})d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\overline{p},\overline{y})} \\
= \frac{d(p,x)^2 + d(p,y)^2 - d(x,y)^2}{2d(p,x)d(p,y)} = \frac{\langle p \ominus x, p \ominus y \rangle_0}{d(p,x)d(p,y)}.$$

We next assume that  $\kappa \neq 0$ . Then, from the definition of angles on  $M_{\kappa}^2$ ,

$$\begin{split} \cos \angle_p^\kappa(x,y) &= \cos \angle_{\overline{p}}^\kappa(\overline{x},\overline{y}) = \frac{c_\kappa''(d_{M_\kappa^2}(\overline{x},\overline{y})) - c_\kappa''(d_{M_\kappa^2}(\overline{p},\overline{x}))c_\kappa''(d_{M_\kappa^2}(\overline{p},\overline{y}))}{\kappa c_\kappa'(d_{M_\kappa^2}(\overline{p},\overline{x}))c_\kappa'(d_{M_\kappa^2}(\overline{p},\overline{y}))} \\ &= \frac{c_\kappa''(d(x,y)) - c_\kappa''(d(p,x))c_\kappa'(d(p,y))}{\kappa c_\kappa'(d(p,x))c_\kappa'(d(p,y))} \\ &= \frac{\langle p \ominus x, p \ominus y \rangle_\kappa}{c_\kappa'(d(p,x))c_\kappa'(d(p,y))}. \end{split}$$

This is the desired result.

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p, x, y \in X$ . From Theorem 3.2, we can redefine the  $\kappa$ -angle as follows:

$$\angle_p^{\kappa}(x,y) = \arccos\left(\frac{\langle p\ominus x, p\ominus y\rangle_{\kappa}}{c'_{\kappa}(d(p,x))c'_{\kappa}(d(p,y))}\right)$$

if  $p \neq x$  and  $p \neq y$ ;  $\angle_p^{\kappa}(p,y) = \angle_p^{\kappa}(x,p) = \pi/2$ ;  $\angle_p^{\kappa}(p,p) = 0$ . Moreover, we define the Alexandrov angle  $A_p(x,y)$  of x and y at p by

$$A_p(x,y) = \lim_{t \to 0} \angle_p^{\kappa}(\gamma_{px}(t), \gamma_{py}(t)) \in [0, \pi].$$

Here,  $\gamma_{px}$  and  $\gamma_{py}$  are geodesics from p to x and y, respectively. Note that  $A_p(p,y) = A_p(x,p) = \pi/2$  and  $A_p(p,p) = 0$ . From the definition, we get  $A_p(x,y) = A_p(y,x)$  and  $A_p(x,x) = 0$ . Further, the Alexandrov angle has the following property:

$$A_p(x,z) \le A_p(x,y) + A_p(y,z)$$

for any  $p, x, y, z \in X$ . For more details about the Alexandrov angles, for instance, refer to [3, Proposition 1.14 in Chapter I.1 and Proposition 3.1 in Chapter II.3].

**Theorem 3.3** (Bridson–Haefliger [3, Proposition 2.9 in Chapter I.2]). Let X be a nonempty convex subset such that  $d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(v,w) + d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(w,u) + d_{M_{\kappa}^{n}}(u,v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v,w \in X$  of the n-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^{n}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then,

$$A_p(x,y) = \measuredangle_p^{\kappa}(x,y)$$

for each  $p, x, y \in X$ , where  $\measuredangle_p^{\kappa}$  is the angle at p with respect to  $M_{\kappa}^n$ .

**Theorem 3.4** (Bridson–Haefliger [3, Proposition 1.7 in Chapter II.1]). Let X be a CAT $(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ . Then,

$$A_p(x,y) \le \measuredangle_{\overline{p}}^{\kappa}(\overline{x},\overline{y})$$

for each  $p, x, y \in X$  and its comparison triangle  $\triangle(\overline{p}, \overline{x}, \overline{y}) \subset M_{\kappa}^2$ , where  $\measuredangle_{\overline{p}}^{\kappa}$  is the angle at  $\overline{p}$  with respect to  $M_{\kappa}^2$ .

As a direct consequence of this theorem, we obtain the following lemma:

**Lemma 3.5.** Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ . Then,

$$A_p(x,y) \le \angle_p^{\kappa}(x,y)$$

for each  $p, x, y \in X$ , where  $\angle_p^{\kappa}$  is the  $\kappa$ -angle at p.

Further, the following theorem called the first variation formula holds:

**Theorem 3.6** (Bridson–Haefliger [3, Corollary 3.6 in Chapter II.3]). Let X be a CAT $(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v,w)+d(w,u)+d(u,v)<2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v,w\in X$ . Then,

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{d(p,y) - d(\gamma_{px}(t), y)}{t} = \cos A_p(x, y)$$

for each  $p, x, y \in X$  with  $p \neq x$ .

In what follows, we introduce a metric space with the Alexandrov angles.

**Lemma 3.7.** Let X be a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . We define a binary relation  $\sim_p$  on X by  $x \sim_p y$  if  $A_p(x,y) = 0$ , where  $A_p$  is the Alexandrov angle at p. Then,  $\sim_p$  is an equivalence relation on X.

*Proof.*  $\sim_p$  is obviously reflexive and symmetric. We show it has transitivity. We suppose  $x \sim_p y$  and  $y \sim_p z$ . Then,

$$0 \le A_p(x,z) \le A_p(x,y) + A_p(y,z) = 0$$

and thus  $x \sim_p z$ . Therefore,  $\sim_p$  is an equivalence relation on X.

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . For  $x \in X$ , we define an equivalence class of x by  $[x]_p = \{z \in X \mid x \sim_p z\}$ . Further, put

$$D_p X = X/\sim_p = \{[x]_p \mid x \in X\}.$$

Since  $A_p(x,p) = \pi/2$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $A_p(p,p) = 0$ ,  $[p]_p = \{p\}$ .

**Lemma 3.8.** Let X be a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then,  $(D_pX, A_p)$  is a metric space, where the distance function  $A_p$  is defined by  $A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) = A_p(x, y)$  for  $[x]_p, [y]_p \in D_pX$ .

*Proof.* We first show  $A_p(x_1, y_1) = A_p(x_2, y_2)$  for each  $x_1, x_2 \in [x]_p \in D_pX$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in [y]_p \in D_pX$ . Since  $A_p(x_1, x_2) = A_p(y_1, y_2) = 0$ , we have

$$|A_p(x_1, y_1) - A_p(x_2, y_2)| = |A_p(x_1, y_1) - A_p(x_1, y_2) + A_p(x_1, y_2) - A_p(x_2, y_2)|$$

$$\leq |A_p(x_1, y_1) - A_p(x_1, y_2)| + |A_p(x_1, y_2) - A_p(x_2, y_2)|$$

$$\leq A_p(y_1, y_2) + A_p(x_1, x_2) = 0.$$

Consequently, we can define a value  $A_p([x]_p, [y]_p)$  by  $A_p(x, y)$  for  $[x]_p, [y]_p \in D_pX$ . Let  $[x]_p, [y]_p, [z]_p \in D_pX$ . Then,  $A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) \ge 0$ ,  $A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) = A_p([y]_p, [x]_p)$  and

$$A_p([x]_p, [z]_p) \le A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) + A_p([y]_p, [z]_p).$$

Further,  $A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) = 0$  if and only if  $[x]_p = [y]_p$ . Therefore,  $(D_pX, A_p)$  is a metric space.

### 4 Tangent spaces

In this section, we introduce the tangent spaces on a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space with similar methods in [4].

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . We define a function  $\zeta_p$  from  $D_pX$  into  $\{0, 1\}$  by

$$\zeta_p([x]_p) = \begin{cases} 0 & ([x]_p = [p]_p); \\ 1 & ([x]_p \neq [p]_p) \end{cases}$$

for each  $[x]_p \in D_pX$ . We define a binary relation  $\simeq_p$  on  $[0, \infty[ \times D_pX \text{ by } (\lambda_1, [x]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_2, [y]_p)$  if one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([y]_p) = 0;$
- $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([y]_p) > 0$  and  $[x]_p = [y]_p$ .

Then, we get the following:

**Lemma 4.1.** Let X be a CAT $(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then,  $\simeq_p$  is an equivalence relation on  $[0, \infty[\times D_p X]$ .

Proof.  $\simeq_p$  is obviously reflexive and symmetric. We show it has transitivity. Suppose that  $(\lambda_1, [x]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_2, [y]_p)$  and  $(\lambda_2, [y]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_3, [z]_p)$ . If  $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([y]_p) = 0$ , then we obtain  $\lambda_3 \zeta_p([z]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([y]_p) = 0$ . It implies that  $(\lambda_1, [x]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_3, [z]_p)$ . If  $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([y]_p) > 0$  and  $[x]_p = [y]_p$ , then we get  $\lambda_3 \zeta_p([z]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([y]_p) > 0$ . Since  $(\lambda_2, [y]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_3, [z]_p)$ , we have  $[y]_p = [z]_p$ , which implies that  $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x]_p) = \lambda_3 \zeta_p([z]_p) > 0$  and  $[x]_p = [z]_p$ , and hence  $(\lambda_1, [x]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_3, [z]_p)$ . Therefore,  $\simeq_p$  is an equivalence relation on  $[0, \infty[ \times D_p X]$ .

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . We define a set  $T_pX$  by

$$T_pX = ([0, \infty[ \times D_pX)/\simeq_p.$$

Let us write  $\lambda[x]_p$  for  $[(\lambda, [x]_p)]_{\simeq_p} \in T_pX$ , where  $[(\lambda, [x]_p)]_{\simeq_p}$  is an equivalent class of  $(\lambda, [x]_p) \in [0, \infty[ \times D_pX]$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** Let X be a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Define a bifunction  $d_p$  on  $T_pX$  by

$$d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) = \sqrt{\lambda^2 \zeta_p([x]_p) + \mu^2 \zeta_p([y]_p) - 2\lambda \mu \zeta_p([x]_p) \zeta_p([y]_p) \cos A_p([x]_p, [y]_p)}$$

for each  $\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p \in T_pX$ . Then,  $(T_pX, d_p)$  is a semimetric space.

*Proof.* We first show

$$d_p((\lambda_1, [x_1]_p), (\mu_1, [y_1]_p)) = d_p((\lambda_2, [x_2]_p), (\mu_2, [y_2]_p))$$

for each  $(\lambda_1, [x_1]_p), (\lambda_2, [x_2]_p) \in \lambda[x]_p$  and  $(\mu_1, [y_1]_p), (\mu_2, [y_2]_p) \in \mu[y]_p$ . Since

$$(\lambda_1, [x_1]_p) \simeq_p (\lambda_2, [x_2]_p)$$
 and  $(\mu_1, [y_1]_p) \simeq_p (\mu_2, [y_2]_p)$ ,

we have  $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x_1]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([x_2]_p)$  and  $\mu_1 \zeta_p([y_1]_p) = \mu_2 \zeta_p([y_2]_p)$ . If  $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x_1]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([x_2]_p) = 0$  or  $\mu_1 \zeta_p([y_1]_p) = \mu_2 \zeta_p([y_2]_p) = 0$ , we easily get

$$d_p((\lambda_1, [x_1]_p), (\mu_1, [y_1]_p)) = d_p((\lambda_2, [x_2]_p), (\mu_2, [y_2]_p)).$$

We assume that  $\lambda_1 \zeta_p([x_1]_p) = \lambda_2 \zeta_p([x_2]_p) > 0$  and  $\mu_1 \zeta_p([y_1]_p) = \mu_2 \zeta_p([y_2]_p) > 0$ . Then, since  $[x_1]_p = [x_2]_p$  and  $[y_1]_p = [y_2]_p$ , we have

$$d_{p}((\lambda_{1}, [x_{1}]_{p}), (\mu_{1}, [y_{1}]_{p}))$$

$$= \sqrt{\lambda_{1}^{2} \zeta_{p}([x_{1}]_{p}) + \mu_{1}^{2} \zeta_{p}([y_{1}]_{p}) - 2\lambda_{1} \mu_{1} \zeta_{p}([x_{1}]_{p}) \zeta_{p}([y_{1}]_{p}) \cos A_{p}([x_{1}]_{p}, [y_{1}]_{p})}$$

$$= \sqrt{\lambda_{2}^{2} \zeta_{p}([x_{2}]_{p}) + \mu_{2}^{2} \zeta_{p}([y_{2}]_{p}) - 2\lambda_{2} \mu_{2} \zeta_{p}([x_{2}]_{p}) \zeta_{p}([y_{2}]_{p}) \cos A_{p}([x_{2}]_{p}, [y_{2}]_{p})}$$

$$= d_{p}((\lambda_{2}, [x_{2}]_{p}), (\mu_{2}, [y_{2}]_{p})).$$

We next show  $(T_pX, d_p)$  is a semimetric space. Let  $\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p \in T_pX$ . Note that

$$|\lambda \zeta_p([x]_p) - \mu \zeta_p([y_p])| \le d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) \le \lambda \zeta_p([x]_p) + \mu \zeta_p([y]_p).$$

Then,  $d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) = d_p(\lambda[y]_p, \mu[x]_p)$ ,  $d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) \ge 0$  and  $d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \lambda[x]_p) = 0$ . Assume that  $d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) = 0$ . Then, we get  $\lambda \zeta_p([x]_p) = \mu \zeta_p([y_p])$ . If  $\lambda \zeta_p([x]_p) = \mu \zeta_p([y_p]) = 0$ , then we have  $\lambda[x]_p = \mu[y]_p$ . If  $\lambda \zeta_p([x]_p) = \mu \zeta_p([y_p]) > 0$ , then

$$0 = d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p)^2 = 2\lambda^2 \zeta_p([x]_p) - 2\lambda^2 \zeta_p([x]_p) \cos A_p([x]_p, [y]_p)$$

and thus  $\cos A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) = 1$ . It means that  $A_p([x]_p, [y]_p) = 0$  and hence  $[x]_p = [y]_p$ . Therefore,  $\lambda[x]_p = \mu[y]_p$ . Consequently,  $(T_pX, d_p)$  is a semimetric space.

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Put  $S_pX = D_pX \setminus \{[p]_p\}$ . Note that  $(S_pX, A_p)$  is a metric space. Then, we denote the Euclidean cone  $C_0S_pX$  in the sense of [3], and define

$$C_0 S_p X = ([0, \infty[ \times S_p X) / \simeq_p,$$

where  $\simeq_p$  is the same equivalence relation adopted in  $T_pX$ . For more details about the Euclidean cones, see [3, Definition 5.6 in Chapter I.5]. From the definition of the Euclidean cone  $C_0S_pX$ , we get  $C_0S_pX \subset T_pX$ , and  $C_0S_pX$  can adopt the same semimetric of  $(T_pX, d_p)$ . Further, the following holds:

**Theorem 4.3** (Bridson–Haefliger [3, Proposition 5.9 in Chapter I.5]). Let X be a  $CAT(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then,  $(C_0S_pX, d_p)$  is a metric space. Namely,  $d_p$  satisfies the triangle inequality on  $C_0S_pX$ .

As a direct consequence of this theorem, we obtain the following:

**Theorem 4.4.** Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ . Then,  $(T_pX, d_p)$  is a metric space for each  $p \in X$ .

*Proof.* We show  $d_p$  satisfies the triangle inequality. Take  $\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p, \nu[z]_p \in T_pX$ . If  $[x]_p = [p]_p$ , then

$$d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \nu[z]_p) = \nu \zeta_p([z]_p) = \mu \zeta_p([y]_p) + \nu \zeta_p([z]_p) - \mu \zeta_p([y]_p)$$
  

$$\leq d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) + d_p(\mu[y]_p, \nu[z]_p).$$

In the same fashion, we obtain the inequality if  $[z]_p = [p]_p$ . Further, in the case  $[y]_p = [p]_p$ , we obtain

$$d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \nu[z]_p) \le \lambda \zeta_p([x]_p) + \nu \zeta_p([z]_p) = d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) + d_p(\mu[y]_p, \nu[z]_p).$$

Therefore, if one of the three elements  $[x]_p, [y]_p, [z]_p \in S_pX$  coincides with  $[p]_p$ , then the triangle inequality holds. We assume  $[x]_p \neq [p]_p, [y]_p \neq [p]_p$  and  $[z]_p \neq [p]_p$ . Then,  $\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p, \nu[z]_p \in C_0S_pX$ , where  $C_0S_pX \subset T_pX$  is the Euclidean cone of  $S_pX = D_pX \setminus \{[p]_p\}$ . Since  $(C_0S_pX, d_p)$  is a metric space, we get

$$d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \nu[z]_p) \le d_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) + d_p(\mu[y]_p, \nu[z]_p).$$

Consequently,  $(T_pX, d_p)$  is a metric space.

**Theorem 4.5.** Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ . Then,  $(C_0S_pX, d_p)$  and  $(T_pX, d_p)$  are isometric.

*Proof.* We show that there is a surjective isometric mapping from  $T_pX$  to  $C_0S_pX$ . We define a mapping  $\iota$  from  $T_pX$  to  $C_0S_pX$  by

$$\iota(\lambda[x]_p) = \begin{cases} \lambda[x]_p & \text{if } [x]_p \neq [p]_p; \\ [(0, [x]_p)]_{\simeq_p} & \text{if } [x]_p = [p]_p \end{cases}$$

for  $\lambda[x]_p \in T_pX$ . Then, the mapping  $\iota$  preserves the distance, namely, it is isometric. We show that it is surjective. Let  $\mu[y]_p \in C_0S_pX$ . From the definition of  $C_0S_pX$ , we have  $[y]_p \neq [p]_p$ . Then,  $\mu[y]_p = \iota(\mu[y]_p)$  if  $\mu > 0$ . Furthermore,  $0[y]_p = \iota(0[p]_p)$ . Hence,  $(C_0S_pX, d_p)$  and  $(T_pX, d_p)$  are isometric.

If X is a nonempty convex subset of the n-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(v,w) + d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(w,u) + d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(u,v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v,w \in X$ , then  $C_0S_pX$  is the usual Riemannian tangent space at  $p \in X$ . Namely,  $T_pX$  is also the Riemannian tangent space at  $p \in X$ . For details, see [3, "The Space of Directions" in Chapter II.3].

Let X be a  $\operatorname{CAT}(\kappa)$  space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v,w) + d(w,u) + d(u,v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v,w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . We call  $(T_pX,d_p)$  the tangent space over X at p. We write  $TX = \bigcup_{p \in X} T_pX$  and call it the tangent bundle of X. For  $x^* = \lambda[x]_p \in T_pX$ , we denote  $\nu\lambda[x]_p$  by  $\nu x^*$ . For each  $x \in X$ , we denote a normalised vector  $c'_{\kappa}(d(p,x))[x]_p \in T_pX$  by  $x_p$ . Similarly, for  $x \in X$ , we denote  $d(p,x)[x]_p \in T_pX$  by  $\widehat{x}_p$ . Note that

$$\frac{d(p,x)}{c_{\kappa}'(d(p,x))}x_p = \widehat{x}_p$$

for each  $x \in X$  with  $p \neq x$ . Further, set  $0_p = p_p$ . Note that  $0_p = \lambda p_p = 0x_p$  for each  $\lambda > 0$  and  $x \in X$ .

# 5 A metric on CAT( $\kappa$ ) spaces

Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ . For each  $p \in X$ , we define a function  $g_p: T_pX \times T_pX \to \mathbb{R}$  by

$$g_p(\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p) = \langle 0_p \ominus \lambda[x]_p, 0_p \ominus \mu[y]_p \rangle_0 = \lambda \mu \zeta_p([x]_p) \zeta_p([y]_p) \cos A_p([x]_p, [y]_p)$$

for each  $\lambda[x]_p, \mu[y]_p \in T_pX$ . Note that

$$g_p(x_p, y_p) = c'_{\kappa}(d(p, x))c'_{\kappa}(d(p, y))\cos A_p(x, y)$$

for each  $x, y \in X$ . We call a family of the functions  $\{g_p \mid p \in X\}$  a metric on X. Note that the following hold:

- $g_p(x^*, x^*) \ge 0$  for all  $p \in X$  and  $x^* \in T_pX$ ;
- $g_p(x^*, y^*) = g_p(y^*, x^*)$  for all  $p \in X$  and  $x^*, y^* \in T_pX$ ;
- $\lambda g_p(x^*, y^*) = g_p(\lambda x^*, y^*)$  for all  $p \in X, x^*, y^* \in T_pX$  and  $\lambda \ge 0$ ;
- $g_p(x^*, 0_p) = 0$  for all  $p \in X$  and  $x^* \in T_pX$ .

If X is a nonempty convex subset of the n-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(v,w) + d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(w,u) + d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(u,v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u,v,w \in X$ , then  $\{g_p \mid p \in X\}$  is the usual Riemannian metric. That is,  $g_p$  is an inner product on the Riemannian tangent space at  $p \in X$ .

At the end of this article, we prove the following theorems:

**Theorem 5.1.** Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then, for each  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$g_p(x_p, y_p) \ge \langle p \ominus x, p \ominus y \rangle_{\kappa}$$
.

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X$ . From Lemma 3.5, since  $A_p(x, y) \leq \angle_p^{\kappa}(x, y)$ ,

$$g_p(x_p, y_p) = c'_{\kappa}(d(p, x))c'_{\kappa}(d(p, y))\cos A_p(x, y)$$

$$\geq c'_{\kappa}(d(p, x))c'_{\kappa}(d(p, y))\cos \angle_p^{\kappa}(x, y) = \langle p \ominus x, p \ominus y \rangle_{\kappa}$$

and this is the desired result.

**Theorem 5.2.** Let X be a nonempty convex subset of the n-dimensional model space  $M_{\kappa}^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(v, w) + d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(w, u) + d_{M_{\kappa}^n}(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then, for each  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$g_p(x_p, y_p) = \langle p \ominus x, p \ominus y \rangle_{\kappa}$$
.

**Theorem 5.3.** Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then, for each  $x, y \in X$  with  $p \neq x$ ,

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{\phi_{\kappa}(p,y) - \phi_{\kappa}(tx \oplus (1-t)p,y)}{t} = \frac{d(p,x)}{c'_{\kappa}(d(p,x))} g_p(x_p,y_p).$$

*Proof.* Let  $p, x, y \in X$  with  $p \neq x$ . We denote  $z_t = tx \oplus (1-t)p$  and

$$f(t) = \frac{\phi_{\kappa}(p, y) - \phi_{\kappa}(z_t, y)}{t}$$

for  $t \in ]0,1]$ . Note that  $z_t = \gamma_{px}(td(p,x))$ . If  $\kappa = 0$ , then

$$f(t) = \frac{d(p,y)^2 - d(z_t,y)^2}{2t} = \frac{d(p,x)(d(p,y) + d(z_t,y))}{2} \cdot \frac{d(p,y) - d(\gamma_{px}(td(p,x)),y)}{td(p,x)}.$$

Therefore, from the first variation formula,

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{d(p,y) - d(\gamma_{px}(td(p,x)), y)}{td(p,x)} = \cos A_p(x,y)$$

and thus

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} f(t) = d(p, x)d(p, y)\cos A_p(x, y) = g_p(x_p, y_p).$$

Assume that  $\kappa \neq 0$ . Put  $D_t = (d(p, y) - d(z_t, y))/2$ . Then, we get

$$f(t) = \frac{c_{\kappa}''(d(z_t, y)) - c_{\kappa}''(d(p, y))}{\kappa t} = \frac{2}{t}c_{\kappa}'\left(\frac{d(z_t, y) + d(p, y)}{2}\right)c_{\kappa}'(D_t)$$

and therefore

$$f(t) = c'_{\kappa} \left( \frac{d(z_t, y) + d(p, y)}{2} \right) \frac{c'_{\kappa}(D_t)}{D_t} \cdot \frac{2D_t}{t}.$$

Note that  $D_t \to 0$  as  $t \searrow 0$  and hence  $c'_{\kappa}(D_t)/D_t$  tends to 1 as  $t \searrow 0$ . Further, it holds from the first variation formula that

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{2D_t}{t} = \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{d(p, y) - d(\gamma_{px}(td(p, x)), y)}{t} = d(p, x) \cos A_p(x, y).$$

Therefore, we have

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} f(t) = d(p, x) c_{\kappa}'(d(p, y)) \cos A_p(x, y) = \frac{d(p, x)}{c_{\kappa}'(d(p, x))} g_p(x_p, y_p).$$

Consequently, we obtain the desired result.

Corollary 5.4. Let X be a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d(v, w) + d(w, u) + d(u, v) < 2D_{\kappa}$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ , and let  $p \in X$ . Then, for each  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{\phi_{\kappa}(p,y) - \phi_{\kappa}(tx \oplus (1-t)p,y)}{t} = g_{p}(\widehat{x}_{p}, y_{p}).$$

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