

Erratum to: How to recognize a 4-ball when you see one

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The proof of Lemma 6.2 in the previous article [GZ] is incomplete as stated. For our purposes, it suffices to prove this lemma for a specific choice of $\tau \in \mathcal{T}$. So the statement and proof of Lemma 6.2 should be replaced by the following.

Lemma 6.2. *For $\tau = \exp$ we have $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} l(s) = 0$.*

Proof. Since J is ω_τ -compatible and w is J -holomorphic, we have

$$|\dot{\gamma}_s|_\tau = |\partial_t w|_\tau = |\partial_s w|_\tau,$$

hence $|\dot{\gamma}_s|_\tau^2 = |\nabla w|_\tau^2/2$. The choice $\tau = \exp$ and condition (J2) give us a curvature bound on the corresponding metric. This allows us to apply the mean value inequality [32, Lemma 4.3.1], cp. the computations on page 84 of [32]. For s large, the assumptions of that lemma are satisfied, so there is a constant C depending only on the geometry of the manifold such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\dot{\gamma}_s(t)|_\tau^2 &= \frac{1}{2} |\nabla w(s+it)|_\tau^2 \\ &\leq C \int_{B_1(s+it) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times [0, \pi])} |\nabla w|_\tau^2 \\ &\leq C \int_{[s-1, \infty) \times [0, \pi]} |\nabla w|_\tau^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $|\dot{\gamma}_s(t)|_\tau \rightarrow 0$ uniformly in t for $s \rightarrow \infty$. □

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