

Homework 3, Math 277, due Friday, March 20.

Given  $\kappa > 0$ , an ancient solution is  $\kappa$ -noncollapsed at all scales if : For any  $r > 0$  and any radius- $r$  metric ball  $B$  in a time slice, for which  $|Riem| \leq r^{-2}$  on  $B$ , we have  $r^{-n} \text{vol}(B) \geq \kappa$ .

Any blowup limit of a finite-time singularity is an ancient solution which is  $\kappa$ -noncollapsed at all scales for some  $\kappa > 0$  (provided that the original Ricci flow is on a compact manifold).

The following manifolds have standard ancient solutions. For which of them is there some  $\kappa > 0$  so that it is  $\kappa$ -noncollapsed at all scales? Justify your answer.

1.  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
2.  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1} \times S^1$ .
3.  $T^n$ .
4.  $S^n$ , where  $n \geq 2$ .
5.  $\mathbb{R} \times S^{n-1}$ , where  $n \geq 3$ .
6. The cigar soliton.
7.  $\mathbb{R} \times (\text{cigar soliton})$ .
8. The Bryant soliton. (This is a 3-dimensional rotationally symmetric gradient steady soliton. The metric at time 0 takes the form  $g = dr^2 + \mu(r)h_{S^2}$ , where  $h_{S^2}$  is the standard metric on  $S^2$  and  $\mu(r) \sim r$  for large  $r$ . Its sectional curvatures decay like  $r^{-1}$ .)