

Convergence of the solutions
in the ergodic approximation
of the HJ equation

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Idea: For every $\lambda > 0$ and $x \in M$, we define $\tilde{\mu}_x^\lambda \in \mathcal{P}(TM)$ as

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