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Comparison Theorem for Negatively Curved Sub-Riemannian Manifolds.

In this talk we prove a volume comparison theorem for manifolds satisfying the generalized curvature-dimension inequality introduced by Baudoin and Garofalo in the context of sub-Riemannian manifolds. In particular we establish:

- The volume doubling property;
- The Poincare inequality;
- The parabolic Harnack inequality.

The key ingredient is the study of dimensional reverse log-Sobolev inequalities for the heat semigroup and corresponding non-linear reverse Harnack type inequalities. (Received September 24, 2012)