

Advanced Topics in Geometry F (MTH.B502)

Sectional Curvature

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Addendum 1

Proposition (Prop 3.1; The local expression of the Lie bracket)

Let $(U; x^1, \dots, x^n)$ be a coordinate neighborhood of an n -manifold M . Then the Lie bracket of two vector fields

$$X = \sum_{j=1}^n \xi^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \quad Y = \sum_{j=1}^n \eta^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$$

is expressed as

$$[X, Y]f = X(Yf) - Y(Xf)$$

$$[X, Y] = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\xi^k \frac{\partial \eta^j}{\partial x^k} - \eta^k \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial x^k} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$$

$$(\omega^k(e_j) = \delta_j^k)$$

Proposition (Prop 3.2) $(\omega^k) = \text{dual basis}$

Let U be a domain of a Riemannian n -manifold (M, g) and $[e_1, \dots, e_n]$ an orthonormal frame on U . Then the connection form ω_i^j with respect to the frame $[e_j]$ is obtained as

$$\omega_i^j(e_k) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\langle [e_i, e_j], e_k \rangle + \langle [e_j, e_k], e_i \rangle + \langle [e_k, e_i], e_j \rangle \right),$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the inner product induced from g .

$$\star \omega_i^j = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_j^k(e_k) \omega^k$$

Exercise 3-1

Problem (Ex. 3-1)

"polar coord"

Consider a Riemannian metric

(r, θ) : coordinates

$$g = dr^2 + \{\varphi(r)\}^2 d\theta^2 \quad \text{on} \quad U := \{(r, \theta); 0 < r < r_0, -\pi < \theta < \pi\},$$

where $r_0 \in (0, +\infty]$ and φ is a positive smooth function defined on $(0, r_0)$ with

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +0} \varphi(r) = 0, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow +0} \varphi'(r) = 1.$$

Find a function φ such that (U, g) is flat.

$$K = d\Omega + \Omega \wedge \Omega = 0$$

(Hint: $[\partial/\partial r, (1/\varphi)\partial/\partial\theta]$ is an orthonormal frame.)

$$g = dr^2 + \{\varphi(r)\}^2 d\theta^2 \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \quad \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \quad \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right| = 1, \quad \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right| = \varphi$$

$$\omega^1 = dr \quad \omega^2 = \varphi d\theta$$

$$e_1 := \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \quad e_2 := \frac{1}{\varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \quad \Rightarrow [e_1, e_2] = \text{orthonormal}$$

$$[e_1, e_1] = [e_2, e_2] = 0$$

$$[e_1, e_2] = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r}, \frac{1}{\varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right] = -\frac{1}{\varphi^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{1}{\varphi} e_2$$

$$= -[e_2, e_1]$$

$$\omega_i^j(e_k) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\langle [e_i, e_j], e_k \rangle + \langle [e_j, e_k], e_i \rangle + \langle [e_k, e_i], e_j \rangle \right),$$

$$\left(\omega_{-1}^2 = -\omega_{-2}^1 \right)$$

$$\omega_2^1(e_1) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\langle [e_2, e_1], e_1 \rangle + \langle [e_1, e_1], e_2 \rangle = 0 \right.$$

$$\left. \omega_2^1(e_2) = \langle [e_1, e_2], e_2 \rangle = -\frac{1}{\varphi} \right.$$

$$\left. + \langle [e_1, e_2], e_2 \rangle \right)$$

$$\omega'_2(\mathbb{E}_1) = 0 \quad \omega'_2(\mathbb{E}_2) = -\frac{\psi'}{\phi}$$

$$\boxed{\omega'_2 = -\frac{\psi'}{\phi} \omega^2}$$

$$\Omega = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega'_2 \\ \omega^2_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \omega^2_1 \wedge \omega^2_2 = 0$$

$$= -\frac{\psi'}{\phi} \omega_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d\omega^2 = \sum_{s=1}^2 \omega^s \wedge \omega_s^2$$

Lem 2.17

$$= \omega^1 \wedge \omega_1^2$$

$$= \frac{\psi'}{\phi} \omega^1 \wedge \omega^2$$

$$\boxed{K = d\Omega + \Omega \wedge \Omega}$$

$$d\Omega = \left\{ -\left(\frac{\psi'}{\phi}\right)_r dr \wedge \omega^2_2 - \frac{\psi'}{\phi} d\omega^2_2 \right\} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \left\{ -\left(\frac{\psi'}{\phi}\right)_r - \left(\frac{\psi'}{\phi}\right)^2 \right\} \omega^1 \wedge \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = d\Omega + \Omega \wedge \Omega \approx d\Omega$$

$$\approx \left\{ -\left(\frac{e}{\phi}\right)' - \left(\frac{e}{\phi}\right)^2 \right\} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \omega^1 \wedge \omega^2$$

$$\approx \left(-\frac{e''}{e} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \omega^1 \wedge \omega^2$$

flat ($K=0$) $\iff \phi''=0$

$\iff \boxed{\phi = r}$

$x = r \cos \theta$

$y = r \sin \theta$

$dx^2 + dy^2$

$\boxed{g = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2}$

the Euclidean metric on \mathbb{R}^2 w.r. to the polar (good)

Exercise 3-2

Problem (Ex. 3-2)

Compute the curvature form of $H^2(-c^2)$ with respect to an orthonormal frame $[e_1, e_2]$ as in Exercise 2-2

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_u &= \Theta_1, & \mathcal{P}_v &= \frac{1}{c} \sinh cu \Theta_2 & \text{(identify)} \\ \sim \text{ "Parametrization" } & & \mathcal{P}_u &= d\phi \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right) \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \\ & & \mathcal{P}_v &= \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \\ \star \Theta_1 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, & \Theta_2 &= c \operatorname{cosech} cu \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \\ \Rightarrow \omega_j^i, & \kappa_j^i & &= \text{computable} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2-2

Problem (Ex. 2-2)

Let \mathbb{R}_1^3 be the 3-dimensional Lorentz-Minkowski space and

$$H^2(-c^2) = \left\{ (x^0, x^1, x^2) \in \mathbb{R}_1^3; \underbrace{- (x^0)^2 + (x^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 = -\frac{1}{c^2},}_{cx^0 > 0} \right\}$$

Verify that

$$\mathfrak{f} : (u, v) \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{c} \cosh cu, \frac{\cos v}{c} \sinh cu, \frac{\sin v}{c} \sinh cu \right)$$

gives a local coordinate system and

$$e_1 := (\sinh cu, \cos v \cosh cu, \sin v \cosh cu),$$

$$e_2 := (0, -\sin v, \cos v)$$

orthonormal

forms a orthonormal frame.

Today's Goal: To define the sectional curvature
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the curvature form $K = d\Omega + \Omega \wedge \Omega$

$$K \left((K_i^j) \right) = (d\omega_i^j + \sum_k (\omega_i^k \wedge \omega_k^j))$$

space of "constant curvature" ?

\exists ? function(s) determined by (K_i^j)

Preliminaries: Differential Forms

$$\alpha \in \Gamma(\wedge^2 T^*M), \omega, \mu \in \Gamma(T^*M)$$

2-form *1 form*

$$\alpha(X, Y) = -\alpha(Y, X)$$

$$(\omega \wedge \mu)(X, Y) = \omega(X)\mu(Y) - \omega(Y)\mu(X),$$

$$(\alpha \wedge \omega)(X, Y, Z) = (\omega \wedge \alpha)(X, Y, Z)$$

$$\uparrow \quad := \alpha(X, Y)\omega(Z) + \alpha(Y, Z)\omega(X) + \alpha(Z, X)\omega(Y). \quad \checkmark$$

skew symmetric "3 form"

$$\checkmark \quad (\omega \wedge \mu) \wedge \lambda \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \omega \wedge (\mu \wedge \lambda)$$

\uparrow
1 form

Preliminaries: Differential Forms

$$\alpha \in \Gamma(\wedge^2 T^*M), \omega, \mu \in \Gamma(T^*M), f \in \mathcal{F}(M)$$

$$df(X) = Xf$$

df : 1-form

$$d\omega(X, Y) = X\omega(Y) - Y\omega(X) - \omega([X, Y]) \quad d\omega: 2\text{-form}$$

$$d\alpha(X, Y, Z) = X\alpha(Y, Z) + Y\alpha(Z, X) + Z\alpha(X, Y) \\ - \alpha([X, Y], Z) - \alpha([Z, X], Y) - \alpha([Y, Z], X). \quad]$$

$$\underline{ddf} = 0, \quad \underline{dd\omega} = 0, \quad d(\mu \wedge \omega) = d\mu \wedge \omega \ominus \mu \wedge d\omega.$$

Preliminaries: Exterior products

- ▶ V : n -dimensional vector space with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$
 - ▶ $[e_1, \dots, e_n]$: an orthonormal basis
- $\wedge^2 V := \text{Span} \{e_i \wedge e_j, i < j\}$
- $V \wedge V$
- formal exterior product
- orthonormal.
- (2-Grassmann of V)

$$\textcircled{*} \quad X \wedge Y \in \wedge^2 V$$

$\Pi \subset V$: 2-dim subspace

$$\parallel$$

$$\text{Span} \{X, Y\}$$

$\wedge^2 V / \mathbb{R}^*$
 : the set of
 2-dim subspaces

$$X \wedge Y \in \wedge^2 V$$