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# 1 Topological manifold and Differentiable Structure

**Definition 1.1** (Topological  $n$ -manifold). A topological manifold of dimension  $n$  is a topological space  $M$  which is locally homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  w.r.t. the standard topology, i.e., for any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U \subset M$  of  $p$ , and there exists a local homeomorphism  $\phi : U \rightarrow \phi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  (a bijective continuous map with continuous inverse).

- $(U, \phi)$  is a chart for  $M$  around  $p$ .
- $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in U$  are coordinates of  $U$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  where  $x_i : U \subset M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are  $C^0$ .

**Remark 1.1.** We require in addition for the topology of  $M$  to satisfy the following

- $M$  is a Hausdorff topological space, i.e., for any  $p, q \in M$  distinct, there exists disjoint open neighborhoods  $U$  around  $p$  and  $V$  around  $q$ .
- $M$  is second countable, i.e.,  $M$  has a countable basis of open sets. So every open set of  $M$  is a union of elements in this countable collection.

**Example 1.1.** Standard example:  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . It is topological  $n$ -manifold that is Hausdorff and second countable with basis  $\{B_r(a) \mid a \in \mathbb{Q}^n, r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

Recall Quotient Topology, which is one way to construct topology on some set.

**Definition 1.2** (Quotient Topology). Let  $\pi : X \rightarrow M$  be surjective map from a topological space  $X$  to some set  $M$ . One wish to use topology of the source  $X$  to equip a topology on  $M$ .  $U \subset M$  is open in the quotient topology defined by the surjective map  $\pi$  iff the preimage  $\pi^{-1}(U) \subset X$  is open. It is not hard to see that

- $\pi : X \rightarrow M$  is continuous for  $M$  equipped with quotient topology.
- Let  $Y$  be any topological space. Then  $f : M \rightarrow Y$  is continuous iff  $f \circ \pi : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & & \\
 \pi \downarrow & \searrow f \circ \pi & \\
 M & \xrightarrow{f} & Y
 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

**Example 1.2** (Bug-eyed line; Line with 2 origins). Consider 2 copies of the real line.

$$\pi : \mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\} \rightarrow M = (\mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\}) / \{(x, 0) \sim (x, 1) \text{ iff } x \neq 0\}$$

for  $M$  equipped with quotient topology. Then  $M$  is a topological 1-dim manifold, second countable, but it is not Hausdorff.

**Example 1.3** (Bunching Line). Consider 2 copies of the real line.

$$\pi : \mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\} \rightarrow M = (\mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\}) / \{(x, 0) \sim (x, 1) \text{ iff } x < 0\}$$

for  $M$  equipped with quotient topology. Then  $M$  is a 1-manifold, second countable, but the positive part has 2 copies, so not Hausdorff.

**Example 1.4** (Long Line). The usual ray is  $[0, \infty) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} [i-1, i)$ . But Long ray is countable copies of this. Imagine if put 2 rays together one gets  $\mathbb{R}$ , if put 2 long rays one gets the long line. It is connected, Hausdorff, 1-manifold, but not 2nd countable. (This is example 45 in "Counterexamples in topology" by Steen-Seebach).

**Definition 1.3** (Atlas). An atlas of a topological  $n$ -manifold  $M$  is a collection of charts for  $M$

$$\Phi = \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \bigcup_{\alpha} U_\alpha = M$$

along with transition functions  $\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}$  that are homeomorphism

$$\phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \subset \mathbb{R}^n \xrightarrow{\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}} \phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

**Definition 1.4** (Differentiable Structure & Differentiable  $n$ -manifold).  $k$  positive integer or  $\infty$ .

- A  $C^k$ -atlas on a topological manifold  $M$  is an atlas  $\Phi = \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  for  $M$  s.t. all the transition functions  $\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}$  are  $C^k$  diffeomorphisms.

- We say two  $C^k$ -atlas  $\Phi = \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  and  $\Psi = \{(V_\beta, \psi_\beta) \mid \beta \in J\}$  are equivalent (compatible) if  $\Phi \cup \Psi$  is again a  $C^k$  atlas.
- A  $C^k$ -differentiable structure on a topological manifold  $M$  is an equivalence class of  $C^k$ -atlases on  $M$ .
- A  $C^k$ -manifold is a topological manifold  $M$  equipped with a  $C^k$ -differentiable structure.

If  $k = \infty$ , the above  $C^\infty$ -differentiable structure is called smooth structure,  $C^\infty$  manifolds are smooth manifolds, and  $C^\infty$  maps are smooth maps.

**Example 1.5.** The Bug-eyed line, the Branching Line and the Long Line are  $C^\infty$ -manifolds.

**Example 1.6.** The real projective space  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  or  $(\mathbb{R}P^n)$  is

- A set  $P_n(\mathbb{R}) := \{\ell \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid 1 - \dim \ell - \text{vector subspace}\}$
  - One has 2 equivalent ways to define Topology on  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$ . First of all equip  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  with quotient topology defined by  $\pi : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{R})$  that maps  $x \mapsto \mathbb{R}x$ . Notation  $\pi(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) = [x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}]$ .
- (a) Let  $\pi : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\})/\{x \sim \lambda x \text{ iff } \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}\}$  be surjective quotient map s.t.

$$x \sim y \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \text{ s.t. } y = \lambda x$$

- (b) Let  $\mathbb{S}^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i^2 = 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . Let  $\pi : \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n/\{x \sim -x\}$  be surjective quotient map s.t.

$$x \sim y \in \mathbb{S}^n \quad \text{iff} \quad x = -y$$

In fact,

$$P_n(\mathbb{R}) = (\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\})/\{x \sim \lambda x \text{ iff } \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}\} = \mathbb{S}^n/\{x \sim -x\}$$

Claim:  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  is compact and Hausdorff.

Proof.  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  is equivalently equipped with quotient topology defined by  $\pi|_{\mathbb{S}^n} : \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{R})$ . Since  $\pi|_{\mathbb{S}^n}$  is continuous, and  $\mathbb{S}^n$  is compact,  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  is Hausdorff and compact.  $\square$

- $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  is a topological  $n$ -manifold with an Atlas.

Proof. For Atlas,  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ , define

$$U_i := \{[x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}] \in P_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid x_i \neq 0\} \subset P_n(\mathbb{R}) \quad (2)$$

Then  $U_i$  is an open subset of  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  since  $\pi^{-1}(U_i) = \{(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid x_i \neq 0\}$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ . Indeed  $P_n(\mathbb{R}) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} U_i$ . Define  $\phi_i : U_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  that maps

$$\phi_i([x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}]) := \left( \frac{x_1}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{i-1}}{x_i}, \frac{x_{i+1}}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_i} \right) \quad (3)$$

and is bijection with inverse map  $\phi_i^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow U_i$

$$\phi_i^{-1}(y_1, \dots, y_n) := [y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}, 1, y_i, \dots, y_n]$$

In fact, one has the following diagram for each  $i = 1, \dots, n+1$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \pi^{-1}(U_i) \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi_i \\ P_n(\mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & U_i \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \swarrow s_i \\ \mathbb{R}^n \\ \xleftarrow{\phi_i^{-1}} \\ U_i \end{array}$$

If define  $s_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U_i) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$  s.t.  $s_i(y_1, \dots, y_n) := (y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}, 1, y_i, \dots, y_n)$ . Then  $\phi_i^{-1} = \pi_i \circ s_i$  as composition of continuous function is continuous. For  $\phi_i$ , notice

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \phi_i \circ \pi_i : \pi^{-1}(U_i) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R}^n \\ (x_1, \dots, x_n) & \longmapsto & \left( \frac{x_1}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{i-1}}{x_i}, \frac{x_{i+1}}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_i} \right) \end{array}$$

is indeed a continuous map. Hence using (1) due to quotient topology defined on  $U_i$ , one has  $\phi_i : U_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  continuous. Thus  $\phi_i$  are homeomorphisms. One obtain  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  as a topological  $n$ -manifold with atlas  $\Phi = \{(U_i, \phi_i)\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$  on  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  where open sets  $U_i$  and local homeomorphisms are given by (2) and (3).  $\square$

- Transition functions  $\phi_i \circ \phi_j^{-1}$  make  $(P_n(\mathbb{R}), \Phi)$  a  $C^\infty$ -manifold of dimension  $n$ .

*Proof.* WLOG  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \{[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n+1}] \mid x_1, x_2 \neq 0\}$ , so

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_2 \circ \phi_1^{-1}(y_1, \dots, y_n) &= \phi_2([1, y_1, \dots, y_n]) \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{y_1}, \frac{y_2}{y_1}, \dots, \frac{y_n}{y_1} \right)\end{aligned}$$

The transition functions

$$\phi_2 \circ \phi_1^{-1} : \phi_1(U_1 \cap U_2) = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \longrightarrow \phi_2(U_1 \cap U_2) = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$$

are indeed smooth maps. Same works for general  $i, j$ . In general, for  $i > j$  s.t.  $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} P_n(\mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & U_i \cap U_j & & \\ & & \downarrow \phi_i & \searrow \phi_j & \\ \mathbb{R}^n & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \phi_i(U_i \cap U_j) & \xrightarrow{\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1}} & \phi_j(U_i \cap U_j) \xrightarrow{\text{open}} \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

for any  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \phi_i(U_i \cap U_j)$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1}(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \phi_j([x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, 1, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n]) \\ &= \left( \frac{x_1}{x_j}, \dots, \frac{x_{j-1}}{x_j}, \frac{x_{j+1}}{x_j}, \dots, \frac{x_{i-1}}{x_j}, \frac{1}{x_j}, \frac{x_{i+1}}{x_j}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{x_j} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\Phi$  is a  $C^\infty$  atlas on  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$ . □

## 2 Differentiable Maps

**Definition 2.1** ( $C^k$  maps). Let  $M$  be  $C^\ell$  manifold of dimension  $m$  and  $N$  a  $C^\ell$  manifold of dimension  $n$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq \ell \leq \infty$ . A continuous map  $f : M \rightarrow N$  is  $C^k$ -differentiable if for any  $p \in M$ , there exists a  $C^\ell$ -chart  $(U, \phi)$  for  $M$  around  $p$  and  $(V, \psi)$  for  $N$  around  $f(p)$  s.t.  $f(U) \subset V$ , and  $g := \psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}$  is  $C^k$ . When  $k = \infty$ ,  $C^\infty$  maps are smooth maps.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} M & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & p \in U & \xrightarrow{f} & V & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & N \\ & & \downarrow \phi & & \downarrow \psi & & \\ \mathbb{R}^m & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \phi(U) & \xrightarrow{g} & \psi(V) & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

**Remark 2.1.** The above  $C^k$  is indeed well-defined.

- If  $\tilde{g} := \tilde{\psi} \circ f \circ \tilde{\phi}^{-1}$  is another composition for  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{\phi})$  chart of  $M$  around  $p$  and  $(\tilde{V}, \tilde{\psi})$  chart of  $N$  around  $f(p)$  then  $\tilde{g} = (\tilde{\psi} \circ \psi^{-1}) \circ (\psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}) \circ (\phi \circ \tilde{\phi}^{-1}) = (\tilde{\psi} \circ \psi^{-1}) \circ g \circ (\phi \circ \tilde{\phi}^{-1})$  remains  $C^k$  as transition functions are  $C^\ell$  diffeomorphisms and  $g$  is  $C^k$ . Hence Definition 2.1 works for any charts, and  $f$   $C^k$  map is well-defined.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $\pi : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{R})$  where  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  real projective space, which we know is  $C^\infty$ - $n$  manifold.  $\pi$  is continuous. In fact, projection  $\pi$  is a  $C^\infty$  map.

*Proof.* For any  $p \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ , recall  $U_i$  and  $\phi_i$  as in (2) and (3).  $\pi(p) \in P_n(\mathbb{R})$ , so there exists some  $i$  s.t.  $\pi(p) \in U_i$ . Hence  $p \in \pi^{-1}(U_i)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & p \in \pi^{-1}(U_i) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & U_i & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & P_n(\mathbb{R}) \\ & & \downarrow id & & \downarrow \phi_i & & \\ \mathbb{R}^{n+1} & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \pi^{-1}(U_i) & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathbb{R}^n & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

$g := \phi_i \circ \pi \circ id^{-1} : \pi^{-1}(U_i) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.

$$g(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \left( \frac{x_1}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{i-1}}{x_i}, \frac{x_{i+1}}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_i} \right)$$

is a  $C^\infty$  map. □

**Definition 2.2** (Diffeomorphism).  $M, N$   $C^\infty$  manifold.  $f : M \rightarrow N$  continuous.  $\dim M = m, \dim N = n$ .

- $f$  is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism if  $f$  is a homeomorphism, and  $f, f^{-1}$  are  $C^\infty$  maps. In particular,  $m = n$ .
- For  $p \in M$ ,  $f$  is a local diffeomorphism ( $C^\infty$ ) at  $p$  if there exist a open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $V$  of  $f(p)$  in  $N$  s.t.  $f|_U : U \rightarrow V$  is a  $C^\infty$ -diffeomorphism. In particular,  $m = n$ .

**Remark 2.2.** For  $M$   $C^k$ -manifold of dimension  $m$ ,  $U \subset M$  open.  $\Phi := \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  some  $C^k$ -atlas of  $M$ . Then  $\Phi_U := \{(U_\alpha \cap U, \phi_\alpha|_{U_\alpha \cap U}) \mid \alpha \in I, U_\alpha \cap U \neq \emptyset\}$  is  $C^k$ -atlas for  $U$ . So  $U$  is a  $C^k$ -manifold of dimension  $m$ .

## 2.1 Submersion and Immersion

**Definition 2.3** (Submersion/Immersion in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ).  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) : U \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is  $C^k$ -map for  $1 \leq k \leq \infty$  and  $U$  open.  $f$  is a submersion (immersion) at  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in U$  if

$$df_x : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \text{ s.t. } df_x := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m}(x) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(x) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_m}(x) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1}(x) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_m}(x) \end{pmatrix} \text{ is surjective (injective)}$$

under whose case  $m \geq n$  ( $m \leq n$ ).  $f$  is a submersion (immersion) if  $f$  is a submersion (immersion) at every  $x \in U$ .

**Example 2.2** (Canonical Submersion). For  $m \geq n$ ,  $\pi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $\pi(x_1, \dots, x_m) := (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is projection. Here  $d\pi_x = \pi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Example 2.3** (Canonical Immersion). For  $m \leq n$ ,  $i : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $i(x_1, \dots, x_m) := (x_1, \dots, x_m, 0, \dots, 0)$  where  $di_x = i : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Definition 2.4** (Submersion/Immersion). Let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $C^\infty$ -manifold of dimension  $m, n$ .  $f : M \rightarrow N$   $C^\infty$  map is a submersion (immersion) at  $p \in M$  if there exists  $(U, \phi)$  chart for  $M$  around  $p$  and  $(V, \psi)$  chart for  $N$  around  $f(p)$  s.t.

- $f(U) \subset V$  and
- $g := \psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}$  the  $C^\infty$  map is a submersion (immersion) at  $\phi(p)$ , which implies  $m \geq n$  ( $m \leq n$ ).

$f$  is a submersion (immersion) if  $f$  is a submersion (immersion) at any point  $p \in M$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{f} & N \\ \cong & & \cong \\ \mathbb{R}^m & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

$\downarrow \phi \qquad \qquad \downarrow \psi$

**Remark 2.3.** This is well-defined as  $\tilde{g} = (\tilde{\psi} \circ \psi^{-1}) \circ (\psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}) \circ (\phi \circ \tilde{\phi}^{-1}) = (\tilde{\psi} \circ \psi^{-1}) \circ g \circ (\phi \circ \tilde{\phi}^{-1})$  and so

$$d\tilde{g}_{\tilde{\phi}(p)} = d(\tilde{\psi} \circ \psi^{-1})_{g(\phi(p))} \circ (dg)_{\phi(p)} \circ d(\phi \circ \tilde{\phi}^{-1})_{\tilde{\phi}(p)} \text{ is surjective (injective)}$$

for  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{\phi})$  another chart of  $M$  around  $p$  and  $(\tilde{V}, \tilde{\psi})$  another chart of  $N$  around  $f(p)$  s.t.  $f(\tilde{U}) \subset \tilde{V}$ .

**Proposition 2.1.**  $M$   $C^\infty$ -manifold of dimension  $m$  and  $N$   $C^\infty$ -manifold of dimension  $n$ .

- If  $f$  is a submersion (immersion) at  $p \in M$  ( $m \geq n$  ( $m \leq n$ )), then there exists charts  $(U, \phi)$  for  $M$  around  $p$  and  $(V, \psi)$  for  $N$  around  $f(p)$  s.t.

$$\phi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^m \qquad \psi(f(p)) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

and

$$g = \psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1} : \phi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \psi(V) \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ is the canonical submersion (immersion)}$$

i.e.

$$g(x_1, \dots, x_m) = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \qquad (g(x_1, \dots, x_m) = (x_1, \dots, x_m, 0, \dots, 0))$$

- If  $f$  is both a submersion and an immersion at  $p$ , i.e.,  $dg_0 : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n=m}$  is a linear isomorphism, then  $f$  is a local diffeomorphism at  $p$ .

*Proof.* Follows from the Rank Theorem. □

## 2.2 Smooth Embedding and Submanifolds

**Definition 2.5** ( $C^\infty$  Embedding & Submanifolds).  $f : M \rightarrow N$   $C^\infty$  map between  $C^\infty$ -manifolds. dimension  $M = m$ , dimension  $N = n$ . We say  $f$  is a smooth embedding if

- $f$  is a smooth immersion at any point  $p \in M$  (implies  $m \leq n$ ) and
- $f : M \rightarrow f(M) \subset N$  is a homeomorphism w.r.t. the subspace topology.

In this case, we call  $f(M)$  a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $N$  of dimension  $m$ .

**Remark 2.4.** Embedding  $\implies$  Injective + Immersion, but the converse is not true.

**Definition 2.6** (Alternative definition of submanifold). Let  $N$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $n$ ,  $M$  subset of  $N$ .  $M$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $N$  of dimension  $m \leq n$  if

- for any  $p \in M$ , there exists chart  $(U, \phi)$  for  $N$  around  $p$  s.t.  $\phi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and
- $\phi(U \cap M) = \phi(U) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \times \{0\})$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 M & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & p \in U \cap M & \xrightarrow{id} & p \in U & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & N \\
 & & \downarrow \phi|_{U \cap M} & & \downarrow \phi & & \\
 \mathbb{R}^m & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \phi(U) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \times \{0\}) & \longrightarrow & \phi(p) = 0 \in \phi(U) & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \mathbb{R}^n
 \end{array}$$

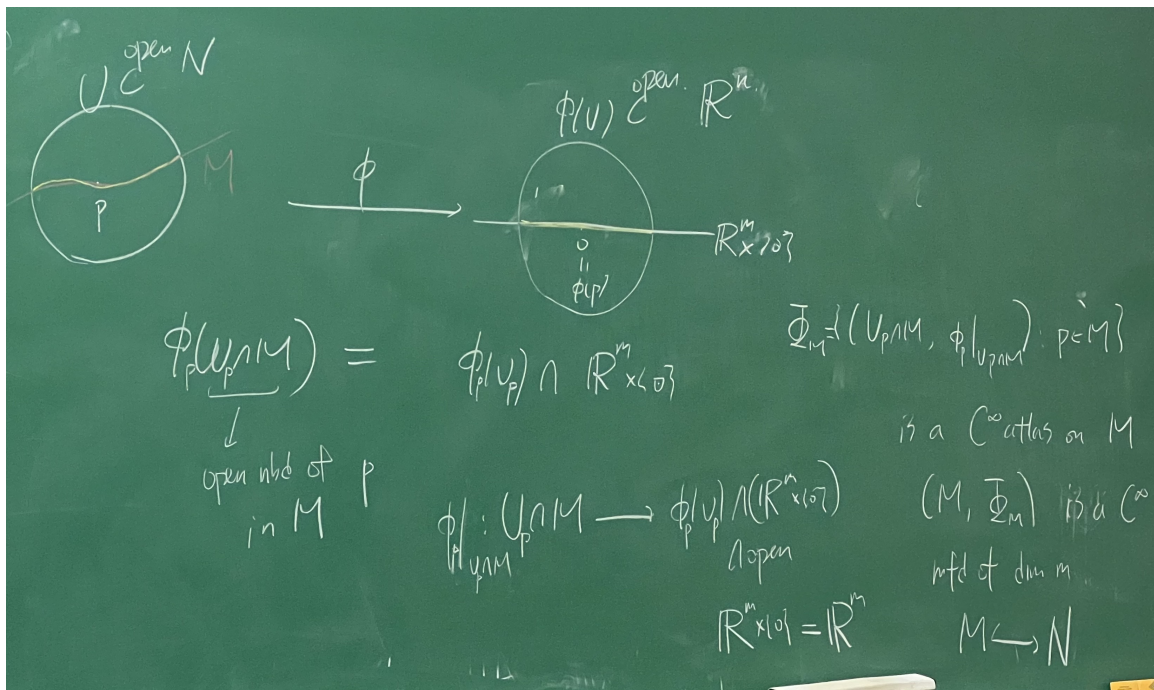


Figure 1: Chart for point on Submanifold Definition 2.6

*Proof for  $M \subset N$  is smooth manifold of dimension  $m$  in Definition 2.6.* For any  $p \in M$ , there exists local charts  $(U_p, \phi_p)$  for  $N$  around  $p$  s.t.  $\phi_p(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Moreover,  $\phi_p(U_p \cap M) = \phi_p(U_p) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \times \{0\})$ . One wish to define an Atlas on  $M$ . Indeed, let  $\Phi_M := \{(U_p \cap M, \phi_p|_{U_p \cap M}) \mid p \in M\}$ . Since  $U_p$  are open in  $N$ ,  $M \subset N$ , w.r.t. the subspace topology,  $U_p \cap M$  are open neighborhoods of  $p$  in  $M$ . Moreover,  $\phi_p(U_p \cap M) = \phi_p(U_p) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \times \{0\}) \subset (\mathbb{R}^m \times \{0\}) \cong \mathbb{R}^m$  are open w.r.t. subspace topology. Hence  $\phi_p|_{U_p \cap M}$  are local homeomorphisms to subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , equipping  $M$  with topological  $m$ -manifold structure. That  $M = M \cap N = \bigcup_{p \in M} M \cap U_p$  and transition functions inherits  $C^\infty$  w.r.t. subspace topology make  $M$  a  $m$ -dim  $C^\infty$  manifold.  $\square$

**Example 2.4.**  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  for  $f(t) := (x(t), y(t))$ ,  $f'(t) = (x'(t), y'(t))$ , then

$$df_t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad df_t(v) := \begin{pmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \end{pmatrix} v$$

$f$  is immersion at  $t$  iff  $f'(t) \neq (0, 0)$ . For example

- $f(t) = (t, t^2)$ ,  $f'(t) = (1, 2t)$  is a immersion, and in fact,  $C^\infty$ -embedding since  $f$  is a homeomorphism (in particular, bijective) from  $\mathbb{R}$  onto  $f(\mathbb{R})$ .
- $f(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$  then  $f'(t) = (-\sin t, \cos t)$  so  $f(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{S}^1$ . This is immersion but not embedding because  $f$  is not injective.
- $f(t) = (t^3 - 4t, t^2 - 4)$  then  $f'(t) = (3t^2 - 4, 2t)$ .  $f$  is a immersion but not an embedding because  $f$  is not injective at  $(0, 0)$ . Note both  $t = -2$  and  $t = 2$  correspond to  $f(-2) = f(2) = (0, 0)$ .
- $f(t) = (t^3, t^2)$ ,  $f'(t) = (3t^2, 2t)$ . This is not immersion at  $t = 0$ . But  $f(\mathbb{R})$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

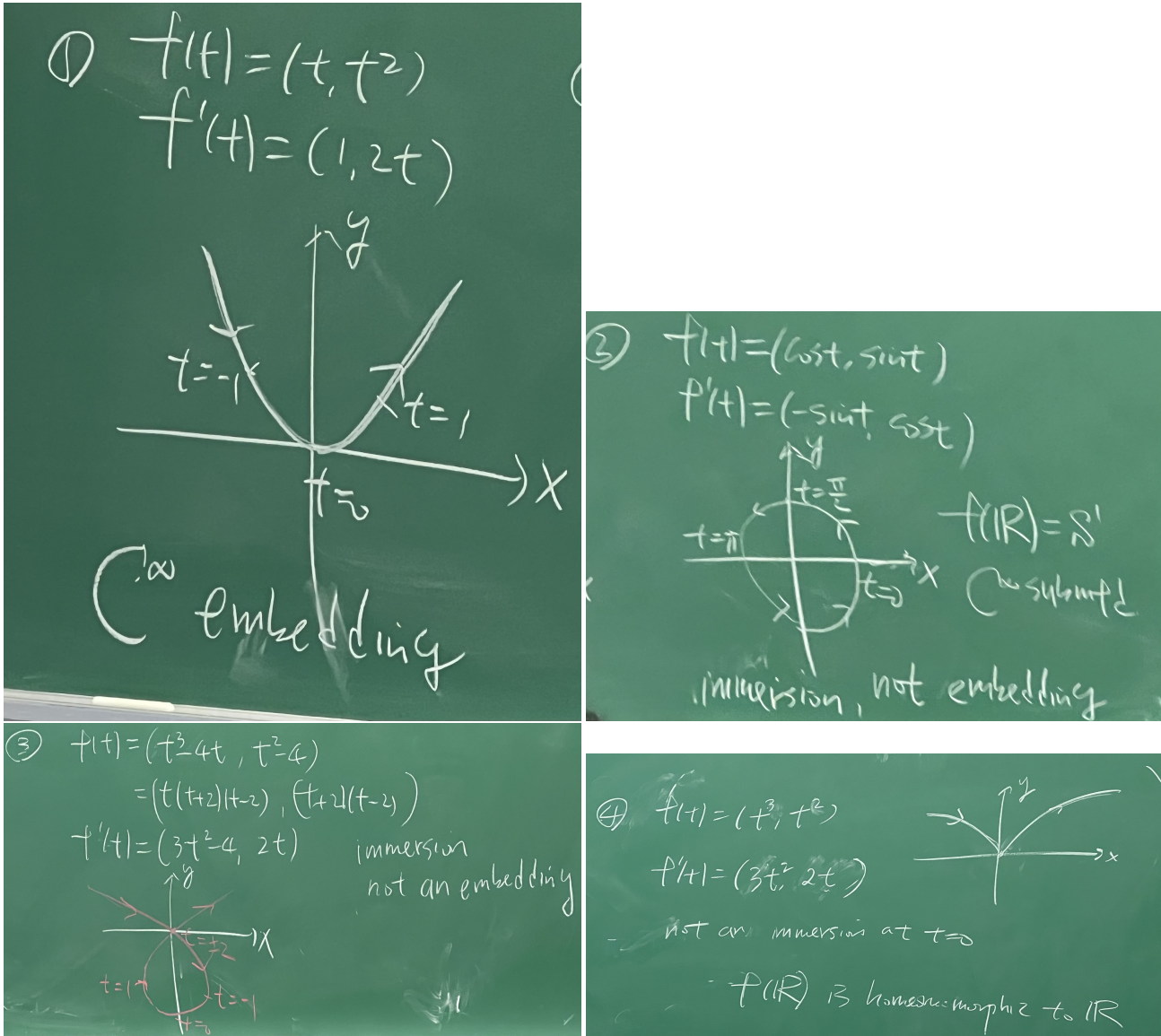


Figure 2: Examples from Example 2.4

**Example 2.5** (counter-example for injective immersion but not embedding).  $f : (-3, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  smooth

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} (0, -t - 2) & -3 < t < -1 \\ \dots & -1 < t < \frac{-1}{\pi} \\ (-t, -\sin(\frac{1}{t})) & \frac{-1}{\pi} < t < 0 \end{cases}$$

This is not an embedding because  $f(-3, 0) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is not a topological manifold. In particular,  $f^{-1}$  is not continuous at the point  $(0, 0)$ , hence that  $f$  needs to be homeomorphism fails.

Now we discuss tool to construct a smooth submanifold using preimage of a regular value.

**Remark 2.5.** An immediate observation says preimage of singletons are closed subsets.



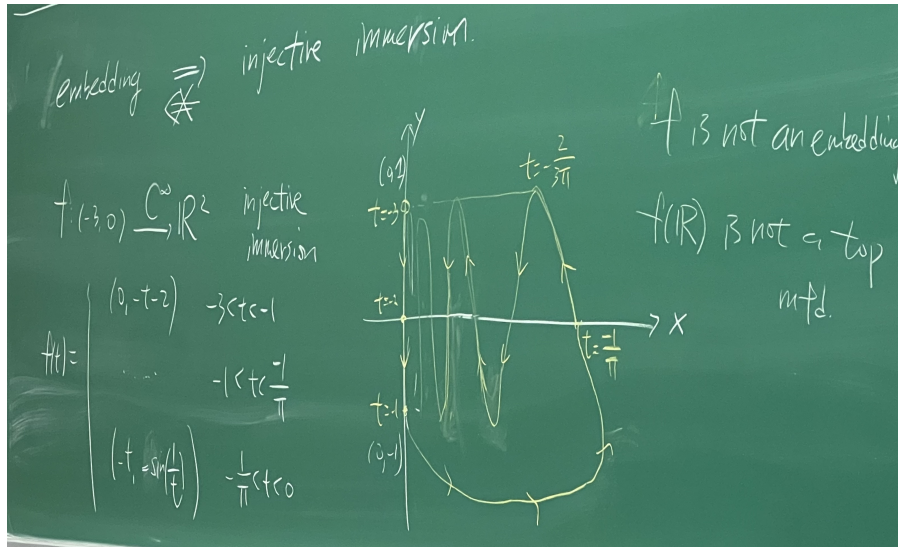


Figure 3: Counter-example for injective immersion but not embedding Example 2.5

- A topological manifold  $M$  may not be a Hausdorff ( $T_2$ ) space. But this is always a  $T_1$  space, i.e., for any  $p, q \in M$  s.t.  $p \neq q$ , there exists  $U, V$  open subsets of  $M$  s.t.  $p \in U$  but  $q \notin U$  and  $q \in V$  but  $p \notin V$ . This is equivalent to saying for any  $p \in M$ ,  $\{p\}$  the singleton is closed in  $M$ .
- Hence for any  $f : M \rightarrow N$  continuous map between topological manifolds, for any  $q \in N$ ,  $f^{-1}(q) \subset M$  is in fact closed.

**Definition 2.7** (Critical Value & Regular Value).  $M, N$  smooth manifolds, and  $f : M \rightarrow N$  smooth map.

- We say  $p \in M$  is a critical point of  $f$  if  $f$  is not a submersion at  $p$ .
- $q \in N$  is a critical value of  $f$  if there exists  $p \in M$  critical point of  $f$  s.t.  $p \in f^{-1}(q)$ .
- $q \in N$  is a regular value of  $f$  if  $q$  is not a critical value of  $f$ . In other words, for any  $p \in f^{-1}(q)$ ,  $f$  is a submersion at  $p$ .

In particular, if  $f^{-1}(q)$  is empty, then  $q \in N$  is regular value of  $f$ .

**Theorem 2.1** (Preimage Theorem).  $M, N$  smooth manifolds, and  $f : M \rightarrow N$  smooth map. Suppose  $q \in N$  is a regular value of  $f$ , and suppose  $f^{-1}(q)$  is not empty (hence  $\dim(M) = m \geq \dim(N) = n$ ). Then  $f^{-1}(q)$  is a closed smooth submanifold of  $M$  of dimension  $m - n \geq 0$ .

**Example 2.6.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $f(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_{n+1}^2$ .  $f$  is  $C^\infty$  map, and  $df_x : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$df_x = (2x_1, \dots, 2x_{n+1})$$

the only critical point is  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  and the only critical value is  $0 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Regular values are  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . By Preimage Theorem, for any  $a > 0$

$$f^{-1}(a) = \{(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid \sum_i x_i^2 = a\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1} =: \mathbb{S}^n(\sqrt{a})$$

is a  $C^\infty$ -submanifold of dimension  $n$ .  $\mathbb{S}^n(1) = \mathbb{S}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of dimension  $n$ . If  $a = 0$ ,  $f^{-1}(0) = 0$  is just single point. If  $a < 0$ ,  $f^{-1}(0) = \emptyset$ .

**Example 2.7** (Orthogonal Group).  $O(n) := \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid AA^T = I_n \text{ } n \times n \text{ identity}\} \subset M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$  where the latter is linear isomorphism. The subset  $O(n) \subset M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  of dimension  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ .

*Proof.* Define  $f : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n^2} \rightarrow S_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$  where  $S_n(\mathbb{R})$  are real  $n \times n$  symmetric matrices. Define  $f(A) = AA^T - I_n$  so  $O(n) = f^{-1}(0)$ . Now if  $B = f(A)$ ,  $b_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}a_{kj} - \delta_{ij}$ . So  $f$  is  $C^\infty$  map. It remains to show that 0 is a regular value of the map  $f$ . For any  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $df_A : \mathbb{R}^{n^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$

$$df_A(B) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(A+hB) - f(A)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(A+hB)(A^T+hB^T) - I_n - (AA^T - I_n)}{h} = BA^T + AB^T \quad (4)$$

Claim: for  $A \in f^{-1}(0) = O(n)$ , for  $C \in S_n(\mathbb{R})$ , there exists  $B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  s.t.  $C = df_A(B) = BA^T + AB^T$ . But

$$\begin{aligned} C &= df_A(B) = BA^T + AB^T = BA^T + (BA^T)^T \\ \implies \text{Let } BA^T &= \frac{1}{2}C \iff B = \frac{1}{2}CA \end{aligned}$$

so  $B = \frac{1}{2}CA \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  gives  $df_A(B) = \frac{1}{2}CAA^T + A\frac{1}{2}A^TC = C$ . Moreover, we conclude that  $O(n)$  is submanifold of  $M_n(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$  of dimension  $n^2 - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ .  $\square$

**Example 2.8.** Similarly,  $O(n, \mathbb{C}) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) \mid A\bar{A}^T = I_n\} \subset M_n(\mathbb{C})$ .  $O(n, \mathbb{C})$  is  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$  of dimension  $n^2$ . ( $M_n(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n^2}$ ).

### 3 Orientation

**Definition 3.1** (Orientation). Let  $M$  be  $C^k$  manifold of dimension  $n$ . We say  $M$  is orientable if there exists a  $C^k$ -atlas  $\Phi = \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in I}$  on  $M$  s.t. for any  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

is  $C^k$  diffeomorphism, and for any  $x \in \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$ ,

$$d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})_x \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) := \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \det(A) \neq 0\} \quad \text{where } \det(d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})_x) > 0 \quad (5)$$

Note we only require there exists one such Atlas.

- If  $M$  is orientable, an orientation  $\Phi$  on  $M$  is a choice of  $C^k$ -atlas satisfying (5).
- if both  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  on  $M$  satisfy (5), we say they define the same orientation if  $\Phi \cup \Psi$  still satisfies (5).

**Example 3.1** ( $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ ).  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$  is orientable. One compute

$$\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1} : \phi_i(U_i \cap U_j) \subset \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \phi_j(U_i \cap U_j) \subset \mathbb{C}^n$$

its differential

$$d(\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1})_{y_1, \dots, y_n} : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n \quad \mathbb{C} - \text{linear map}$$

In general, for  $L$  a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x + iy \in \mathbb{C}^n & \xrightarrow{L} & L(x + iy) \in \mathbb{C}^n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} & \xrightarrow{L_{\mathbb{R}}} & L_{\mathbb{R}}(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \end{array}$$

there exists  $C \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  s.t.

$$x + iy \mapsto C(x + iy) \quad \text{for } C = A + iB \text{ where } A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

hence

$$C(x + iy) = (A + iB)(x + iy) = (Ax - By) + i(Bx + Ay) \quad \text{i.e. } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} A & -B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} A & -B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix}\right) = |\det(C)|^2$ . So  $L$  being linear isomorphism implies  $\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} A & -B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix}\right) > 0$ . Hence

$$\det(d(\phi_j \circ \phi_i^{-1})_{y_1, \dots, y_n}) > 0$$

More generally, if  $M$  is a complex manifold of complex dimension  $n$ , then  $M$  is an orientable  $C^\infty$  manifold of real dimension  $2n$ . It is indeed oriented.

**Example 3.2** ( $P_n(\mathbb{R})$ ). For real,  $P_n(\mathbb{R})$  is orientable  $\iff n$  is odd. Look at some examples.  $P_1(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{S}^1$  so orientable, but  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  is not.

## 4 Tangent Space and Tangent Bundles

Idea: first, let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dim  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+k}$ . For any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $U$  open neighborhood of  $p$  that maps  $\phi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Now we view its inverse

$$\phi^{-1} : \phi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow M \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+k}$$

as smooth embedding so

$$d(\phi^{-1})_{\phi(p)} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+k}$$

is injective linear map. We define the tangent space

$$T_p M = \text{Im}(d(\phi^{-1})_{\phi(p)}) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+k}$$

This is well-defined as if there's another chart  $(V, \psi)$  around  $p$  s.t.  $T_p M = \text{Im}(d(\psi^{-1})_{\psi(p)})$ , then  $d(\psi \circ \phi^{-1})_{\phi(p)}$  transits smoothly.

### 4.1 Tangent Space and Differential

**Definition 4.1** (Tangent Space).  $M$   $C^k$  manifold for  $k \geq 1$  of dimension  $n$ .  $p \in M$ .

$$T_p M := \{(U, \phi, u) \mid (U, \phi) \text{ is } C^k \text{ chart for } M \text{ around } p, u \in \mathbb{R}^n\} / \sim_p$$

where

$$(U, \phi, u) \sim_p (V, \psi, v) \iff d(\psi \circ \phi^{-1})_{\phi(p)}(u) = v$$

define the map

$$\theta_{U, \phi, p} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow T_p M \quad \text{s.t. } u \mapsto [U, \phi, u] \quad \text{this is bijection} \quad (6)$$

Use this to equip  $T_p M$  with the structure of a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ . This structure is well-defined because diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}^n & & \\ d(\psi \circ \phi^{-1})_{\phi(p)} \downarrow & \searrow \theta_{U, \phi, p} & \\ \mathbb{R}^n & \xrightarrow{\theta_{U, \psi, p}} & T_p M \end{array}$$

Notice the diagram is equivalent to saying

$$d(\psi \circ \phi^{-1})_{\phi(p)} = \theta_{U, \psi, p}^{-1} \circ \theta_{U, \phi, p} \quad (7)$$

Call  $T_p M$  tangent space to  $M$  at  $p$ . A tangent vector to  $M$  at  $p$  is an element in  $T_p M$ .

**Definition 4.2** (Differential).  $M, N$   $C^k$  manifolds  $k \geq 1$  with dimension  $m, n$ .  $f : M \rightarrow N$   $C^k$  map. The differential of  $f$  at  $p$  is a linear map

$$df_p : T_p M \rightarrow T_{f(p)} N$$

s.t. for any  $(U, \phi)$   $C^k$  chart around  $p$  in  $M$  and  $(V, \psi)$   $C^k$  chart around  $f(p)$  in  $N$ , letting  $g = \psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1}$  be local representation of  $f$ ,  $df_p$  denotes the composition

$$df_p := \theta_{V, \psi, f(p)} \circ dg_{\phi(p)} \circ \theta_{U, \phi, p}^{-1} \quad \text{so} \quad df_p([U, \phi, u \in \mathbb{R}^m]) := [V, \psi, dg_{\phi(p)}(u) \in \mathbb{R}^n]$$

Indeed the diagram for differential commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} M & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & p \in U & \xrightarrow{f} & V & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & N & & T_p M & \xrightarrow{df_p} & T_{f(p)} N \\ & & \downarrow \phi & & \downarrow \psi & & & & \theta_{U, \phi, p} \uparrow & & \theta_{V, \psi, f(p)} \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^m & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \phi(p) \in \phi(U) & \xrightarrow{g} & \psi(V) & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \mathbb{R}^n & & \mathbb{R}^m & \xrightarrow{dg_{\phi(p)}} & \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

**Theorem 4.1.**  $f$  is a submersion (immersion) at  $p$  if  $df_p : T_p M \rightarrow T_{f(p)} N$  is surjective (injective).

**Lemma 4.1** (Chain Rule for manifolds). If  $f : M_1 \rightarrow M_2$  and  $g : M_2 \rightarrow M_3$  are  $C^k$  maps between  $C^k$  manifolds, where  $k \geq 1$ .

- $g \circ f : M_1 \rightarrow M_3$  is  $C^k$
- For any  $p \in M_1$ ,  $df_p : T_p M_1 \rightarrow T_{f(p)} M_2$ ,  $dg_{f(p)} : T_{f(p)} M_2 \rightarrow T_{g(f(p))} M_3$ , then

$$d(g \circ f)_p = dg_{f(p)} \circ df_p : T_p M_1 \rightarrow T_{g \circ f(p)} M_3$$

One has tool to construct tangent space via preimage theorem.

**Theorem 4.2** (Linear Subspace and closed submanifold). • If  $M \subset N$  for  $C^\infty$  manifolds. Let  $i : M \rightarrow N$  be inclusion map (hence smooth embedding, in particular, immersion at any point). For any  $p \in M$ ,

$$di_p : T_p M \rightarrow T_p N \quad \text{is an injection}$$

$T_p M$  is a linear subspace of  $T_p N$ .

- If  $f : M \rightarrow N$   $C^\infty$  map with  $q \in N$  regular value of  $f$  s.t.  $f^{-1}(q)$  is not empty. Hence  $m = \dim M \geq n = \dim N$ . By Preimage theorem,  $S := f^{-1}(q) \subset M$  is a closed submanifold of  $M$  of dimension  $n - m$ . Now for any  $p \in S$

$$T_p S = \ker(df_p : T_p M \cong \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow T_{f(p)} N \cong \mathbb{R}^n) \quad (8)$$

In other words, there is a short exact sequence of real vector spaces

$$0 \rightarrow T_p S \rightarrow T_p M \rightarrow T_{f(p)} N \rightarrow 0$$

One make use of (8) to compute explicitly tangent space of submanifolds.

**Example 4.1.** For any  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have linear isomorphism  $T_p \mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^n$  given by (6)

$$[\mathbb{R}^n, id, u] \in T_p \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \theta_{\mathbb{R}^n, id, p}^{-1}([\mathbb{R}^n, id, u]) = u \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

**Example 4.2** ( $T_x \mathbb{S}^n$ ).  $f : \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for  $f(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i^2$ .  $f$  is  $C^\infty$  map, 1 is regular value of  $f$ . so  $\mathbb{S}^n := f^{-1}(1)$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $f$  of dimension  $n$ . For any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{1+n}$ ,  $df_x(v) = 2x \cdot v$ . And for any  $x \in \mathbb{S}^n$ , using (8)

$$T_x \mathbb{S}^n := \{v \in T_x \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \mid df_x(v) = 0\} = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \mid x \cdot v = 0\} \subset T_x \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \cong \mathbb{R}^{1+n}$$

where the linear isomorphism is viewed via  $\theta_{\mathbb{R}^{1+n}, id, x}$  (6).

**Example 4.3** ( $T_A O(n)$ ).  $O(n) = f^{-1}(I_n)$  for

$$f : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n^2} \rightarrow S_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \quad \text{s.t. } f(A) = AA^T$$

here  $I_n$  is a regular value of  $f$ . For any  $A \in O(n)$ , using Remark (8)

$$T_A O(n) = \{B \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid df_A(B) = 0\} \subset T_A M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

where  $\cong$  is done via  $\theta_{M_n(\mathbb{R}), id, A}$  (6). Then recalling  $df_A(B) = BA^T + AB^T$  (4)

$$T_A O(n) = \{B \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid BA^T + AB^T = 0\}$$

In particular at identity

$$T_{I_n} O(n) = \{B \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid B + B^T = 0\} \quad \text{skew symmetric matrices}$$

## 4.2 Tangent Bundle

**Definition 4.3** (Tangent Bundle). Given  $C^k$  manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$  where  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . We will construct the tangent bundle  $TM$  of  $M$  as a  $C^{k-1}$  manifold of dimension  $2n$ .

- As a set, the tangent bundle of  $M$  is

$$TM = \{(p, v) \mid p \in M, v \in T_p M\} = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} T_p M$$

Define  $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$  as  $(p, v) \mapsto p$ .  $\pi$  is a surjective map.

- Topology. If  $(U, \phi)$  is a  $C^k$  chart for  $M$ , we define

$$\tilde{\phi} : \pi^{-1}(U) \subset TM \rightarrow \phi(U) \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n} \quad \text{s.t. } (p, v) \mapsto (\phi(p), \theta_{(U, \phi, p)}^{-1}(v))$$

where  $\theta_{(U, \phi, p)}(u) = [U, \phi, u] \in T_p M$ . It is bijection. Now take any  $C^k$  atlas  $\Phi = \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  on  $M$ .

$$F : \bigsqcup_{\alpha \in I} \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow TM \quad \text{s.t. } (x, u) \mapsto (\phi_\alpha^{-1}(x) \in M, \theta_{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha, \phi_\alpha^{-1}(x))}(u) \in T_{\phi_\alpha(x)} M)$$

We equip  $TM$  with the quotient topology determined by the surjective map  $F$ . Then  $TM$  is a topological  $2n$ -manifold with

1.  $\tilde{\Phi} = \{(\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha), \tilde{\phi}_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  Atlas
2.  $\tilde{\phi}_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \subset TM \rightarrow \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  s.t.  $(p, v) \mapsto (\phi(p), \theta_{(U, \phi, p)}^{-1}(v))$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
TM & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & (p, v) \in \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & p \in U_\alpha & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & M \\
& & \downarrow \tilde{\phi}_\alpha & & \downarrow \phi_\alpha & & \\
\mathbb{R}^{2n} & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^n & \xrightarrow{\pi_{can}} & \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & \mathbb{R}^n
\end{array}$$

where the diagram commutes and  $\pi_{can} = \phi_\alpha \circ \pi \circ \tilde{\phi}_\alpha^{-1}$  is the canonical submersion from  $\phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  onto the first  $n$  coordinates  $\phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- We wish to compute transition functions. For any  $U$  open set of  $M$ , one may identify

$$\pi^{-1}(U) = TU = \bigsqcup_{p \in U} T_p U$$

Note  $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \cap \pi^{-1}(U_\beta) = \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$ . And given two charts  $(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)$ ,  $(U_\beta, \phi_\beta)$  for  $M$ , we have two corresponding charts  $(TU_\alpha, \tilde{\phi}_\alpha)$ ,  $(TU_\beta, \tilde{\phi}_\beta)$  for  $TM$ . Hence

$$\tilde{\phi}_\alpha(\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \cap \pi^{-1}(U_\beta)) = \tilde{\phi}_\alpha(\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)) = \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

For any  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$

$$\tilde{\phi}_\beta \circ \tilde{\phi}_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad (x, u) \mapsto (\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}(x), \theta_{U_\beta, \phi_\beta, \phi_\beta^{-1}(x)}^{-1} \circ \theta_{U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha, \phi_\alpha^{-1}(x)}(u))$$

using diagram (7), one may write our transition function as

$$\tilde{\phi}_\beta \circ \tilde{\phi}_\alpha^{-1}(x, u) := (\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}(x), d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})_x(u))$$

Since  $\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}$  is  $C^k$  in  $x \in \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$  while  $d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})_x$  is  $C^{k-1}$  in  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , our  $\tilde{\phi}_\beta \circ \tilde{\phi}_\alpha^{-1}(x, u)$  are  $C^{k-1}$  maps in  $(x, u) \in \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . So  $\tilde{\Phi}$  is a  $C^{k-1}$  atlas on  $TM$ .  $(TM, \tilde{\Phi})$  is a  $C^{k-1}$  manifold of dimension  $2n$ .

- Our surjective map  $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$  is  $C^{k-1}$  map due to  $\pi = \phi_\alpha^{-1} \circ \pi_{can} \circ \tilde{\phi}_\alpha$  as composition with  $C^{k-1}$  charts. For  $k \geq 2$ ,  $\pi$  is a submersion.
- Moreover,  $TM$  is orientable  $C^{k-1}$  manifold of dimension  $2n$ , even though  $M$  might not be.

**Definition 4.4.** Suppose  $f : M \rightarrow N$   $C^k$  map where  $k \geq 1$  or  $k = \infty$ . Define

$$df : TM \rightarrow TN \quad \text{s.t. } (p, v) \mapsto (f(p), df_p(v)) \quad \text{for } p \in M \text{ and } v \in T_p M$$

**Proposition 4.1.** If  $f : M \rightarrow N$  is  $C^k$  map between  $C^k$  manifolds where  $k \geq 1$ . Then  $df : TM \rightarrow TN$  is a  $C^{k-1}$  map between  $C^{k-1}$  manifolds. For  $k \geq 2$ ,  $d(df) : T(TM) \rightarrow T(TN)$  is defined.

- If  $f$  is a submersion (immersion), then  $df$  is a submersion (immersion). If  $f$  is submersion (immersion) at some point  $p \in M$ , then  $df$  is a submersion (immersion) at  $(p, v)$  for any  $v \in T_p M$ .
- If  $N$  is smooth manifold of dimension  $n$  and  $M$  smooth submanifold of dimension  $m \leq n$ . Then  $TM = \{(p, v) \mid p \in M, v \in T_p M\} \subset TN = \{(p, v) \mid p \in N, v \in T_p N\}$   $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $2n$ . Hence  $TM$  is  $C^\infty$  submanifold of dimension  $2m$ .

**Example 4.4.** Recall  $id : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .  $TS^n \subset T\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \xrightarrow{id} \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \times \mathbb{R}^{1+n}$ . Here

$$\begin{aligned}
TS^n &= \{(x, v) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \times \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \mid x \in S^n, v \in T_x S^n\} \\
&= \{(x, v) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \times \mathbb{R}^{1+n} \mid x \cdot x = 1, x \cdot v = 0\}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$TO(n) = \{(A, B) \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \times M_n(\mathbb{R}) : AA^T = I_n, BA^T + AB^T = 0\} \subset TM_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong M_n(\mathbb{R}) \times M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$TO(n)$  is  $C^\infty$  submanifold of dimension  $n(n-1)$ .

## 5 Vector Bundles

### 5.1 Vector Bundle and examples

**Definition 5.1** (Vector Bundles). Let  $M$  be  $C^k$  manifold with  $n = \dim M$ . A  $C^k$  real vector bundle of rank  $r$  over  $M$  is

- a  $C^k$  manifold  $E$  together with
- a surjective  $C^k$  map

$$\pi : E \rightarrow M$$

s.t.

1. *Local Trivialization.* There exists an open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  of  $M$  (not necessarily the open charts) and a family of associated  $C^k$  diffeomorphisms  $h_\alpha$  for  $k \geq 1$  (or homeomorphism for  $k = 0$ )

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \subset E \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

s.t. for  $pr_1 : (p, v) \in U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \mapsto p \in U_\alpha$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) & & \\ h_\alpha \downarrow & \searrow \pi_\alpha & \\ U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r & \xrightarrow{pr_1} & U_\alpha \end{array}$$

the diagram commutes  $\pi_\alpha := \pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)} = pr_1 \circ h_\alpha$  (implying  $\pi$  is a submersion if  $k \geq 1$ )

2. *Transition Functions.* For any  $U_\alpha, U_\beta$  open subsets of  $M$  (not necessarily homeomorphic to open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ).

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad h_\beta : \pi^{-1}(U_\beta) \rightarrow U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{local trivializations}$$

Then for any  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$

$$h_\beta \circ h_\alpha^{-1} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{s.t. } (p, v) \mapsto (p, g_{\beta\alpha}(p)(v)) \quad \text{is a } C^k \text{ diffeomorphism}$$

where

$$\mathbb{R}^r \cong \{p\} \times \mathbb{R}^r \xrightarrow{g_{\beta\alpha}(p)} \{p\} \times \mathbb{R}^r \cong \mathbb{R}^r$$

s.t.  $g_{\beta\alpha}(p) \in GL(r, \mathbb{R})$  a linear isomorphism between  $\mathbb{R}^r$  for any  $p$ . In other words

$$g_{\beta\alpha} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \det(A) \neq 0\} \subset M_n(\mathbb{R}) \quad C^k \text{ map}$$

Here  $E$  is called total space and  $M$  is called the base of the vector bundle.

**Definition 5.2** (Alternative definition of vector bundle). Let  $M$  be a  $C^k$  manifold,  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ . We say  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  is  $C^k$  real vector bundle of rank  $r$  with total space  $E$  and base  $M$  if

- $E$  is a  $C^k$  manifold
- $\pi$  is a surjective  $C^k$  map

and

- For any  $x \in M$ , the fiber of  $E$  at  $x$ ,  $E_x := \pi^{-1}(x)$ , is equipped with the structure of a real vector space of dimension  $r$ .  $\pi$  is defined by

$$E = \bigsqcup_{x \in M} E_x \xrightarrow{\pi} M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \pi(E_x) = x$$

- *Local Trivialization.* For any  $x \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  in  $M$  and a  $C^k$  diffeomorphism  $h : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^r$  s.t.  $\pi = pr_1 \circ h$  diagram commutes and

$$\forall x \in U, h|_{E_x} : E_x \rightarrow \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{is a linear isomorphism}$$

**Remark 5.1.** It follows from the above definition that  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^k$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  with total space  $E$  and base  $M$ . Hence one may find open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  of the base  $M$  where the open cover is not necessarily the local coordinate chart. And the local trivializations

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{are } C^k \text{ diffeomorphisms}$$

s.t.  $\pi_\alpha := \pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)} = pr_1 \circ h_\alpha$  diagram commutes and

$$\forall x \in U_\alpha \quad h_\alpha|_{E_x} : E_x \rightarrow \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{is a linear isomorphism}$$

Now one may consider transition functions

$$h_\beta \circ h_\alpha^{-1} : (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{s.t. } (x, v) \mapsto (x, g_{\alpha\beta}(x)v)$$

where  $g_{\alpha\beta} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{R}) \subset M_r(\mathbb{R})$  s.t.  $x \mapsto g_{\alpha\beta}(x) = (g_{\alpha\beta}(x))_{ij}$  is  $C^k$  map

**Example 5.1** (Product Vector Bundle).  $E = M \times \mathbb{R}^r$  where  $\pi = pr_1 : E \rightarrow M$ . This is product vector bundle of rank  $r$  over  $M$

**Definition 5.3** (vector bundle isomorphism). Let  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$  and  $\pi_F : F \rightarrow M$  be 2  $C^k$  vector bundles over the same  $C^k$  manifold  $M$ . A  $C^k$  vector bundle isomorphism from  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$  to  $\pi_F : F \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^k$  diffeomorphism  $h$

$$h : E \rightarrow F \quad \text{s.t. } \pi_E = \pi_F \circ h \text{ diagram commutes}$$

in other words

$$\forall x \in M, \quad h|_{E_x} : E_x \rightarrow F_x \quad \text{is a linear isomorphism}$$

We say 2  $C^k$  vector bundles are isomorphic if there exists such a  $C^k$  isomorphism.

**Example 5.2** (Trivial Vector Bundle). We say a  $C^k$  vector bundle  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  is trivial vector bundle of rank  $r$  if it is isomorphic to the product vector bundle  $pr_1 : M \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow M$ . In other words, there exists  $h : E \rightarrow M \times \mathbb{R}^r$   $C^k$  diffeomorphism (or homeomorphism for  $k = 0$ ) s.t.

1.  $\pi = pr_1 \circ h$  diagram commutes.
2. the restriction of  $h$  to each fiber  $E_x$  is a linear isomorphism

$$h|_{E_x} : E_x \subset E \rightarrow \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

In a word,  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  is trivial vector bundle if there exists only one global trivialization  $h : E \rightarrow M \times \mathbb{R}^r$ .

**Example 5.3** (Tangent Bundle). Let  $M$  be a  $C^k$  manifold where  $k \geq 1$ . Then  $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^{k-1}$  vector bundle over  $M$  of rank  $n = \dim M$ . Recall we've constructed

$$TM = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} T_p M \quad \text{with } \Phi = \{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\} \text{ } C^k \text{ atlas on } M$$

$$\text{a new } \tilde{\Phi} = \{(\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha), \tilde{\phi}_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\} \text{ } C^{k-1} \text{ atlas on } TM$$

- Local Trivialization of  $TM$ .

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t. } (p, v) \mapsto (p, \theta_{U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha, p}^{-1}(v))$$

- Transition Functions (as  $C^{k-1}$  manifold of dimension  $2n$ )

$$\tilde{\phi}_\beta \circ \tilde{\phi}_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t. } (x, u) \mapsto (\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}(x), d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})_x(u))$$

$$h_\beta \circ h_\alpha^{-1} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t. } (p, u) \mapsto (p, d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})_{\phi_\alpha(p)}(u))$$

## 5.2 Sections

**Definition 5.4** ( $C^\ell(M)$ ). For  $M$  a  $C^k$  manifold, let  $C^\ell(M)$  be space of  $C^\ell$  functions for  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\ell \leq k$ . One has inclusion  $C^k(M) \subset C^{k-1}(M) \subset \dots$

**Definition 5.5** ( $C^k$  section). A  $C^k$  section of a  $C^k$  vector bundle  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  over  $C^k$  manifold  $M$  is a  $C^k$  map  $s : M \rightarrow E$  s.t.  $\pi \circ s : M \rightarrow M$  is the identity map, i.e.

$$\forall x \in M, \quad s(x) \in E_x = \pi^{-1}(x)$$

Define

$$C^k(M, E) = \{C^k \text{ sections } s : M \rightarrow E\}$$

Indeed  $C^k(M, E)$  is itself vector space

**Lemma 5.1.** For any  $f \in C^k(M)$  and  $s \in C^k(M, E)$ , one has  $fs \in C^k(M, E)$  where for any  $x \in M$ ,  $fs(x) := f(x)s(x)$  where  $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $s(x) \in E_x$ . So  $C^k(M, E)$  is a  $C^k(M)$ -module.

**Proposition 5.1.** Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^k$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  over a  $C^k$  manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$ . Then it is trivial iff there exists  $C^k$  sections  $\{s_1, \dots, s_r\}$  of  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  s.t. for any  $x \in M$ ,  $\{s_1(x), \dots, s_r(x)\} \subset E_x$  is a basis of  $E_x$ .

*Proof.*  $\implies$  .  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  is trivial, then there exists  $h : E \rightarrow M \times \mathbb{R}^r$   $C^k$  diffeomorphism that is global trivialization s.t.  $\pi = pr_1 \circ h$  diagram commutes. For any  $C^k$  section  $s : M \rightarrow E$ , their composition are

$$(h \circ s)(x) = (x, f(x)) \quad \text{for } f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r \text{ } C^k \text{ map}$$

For  $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$  standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^r$ , one define for  $1 \leq i \leq r$

$$s_i := h^{-1}(x, e_i)$$

Then  $s_i$  are  $C^k$  sections of  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ . Now for any  $x \in M$ , using  $h|_{E_x}$  as linear isomorphism between  $E_x$  and  $\mathbb{R}^r$

$$E_x \xrightarrow{h|_{E_x}} \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r = \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{s.t.} \quad h \circ s_i(x) = (x, e_i) \mapsto e_i$$

so  $\{s_1(x), \dots, s_r(x)\}$  are basis of  $E_x$ .

$\impliedby$  . Let  $\{s_1, \dots, s_r\}$  be  $C^k$  sections of  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  s.t. for any  $x \in M$ ,  $s_1(x), \dots, s_r(x) \in E_x$  is a basis of  $E_x \cong \mathbb{R}^r$ . Define

$$\phi : M \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow E \text{ s.t. } \phi(x, v) := \sum_{i=1}^r v_i s_i(x) \in E_x \subset E$$

Then  $pr_1 = \pi \circ \phi$  diagram commutes. For any  $x \in M$ ,  $\{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r \xrightarrow{\phi|_{\{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r}} E_x$  is a linear isomorphism. It remains to show that  $\phi$  is a  $C^k$  diffeomorphism so that  $\phi$  is a vector bundle isomorphism between the product vector bundle and  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ . Since  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^k$  vector bundle, there exists open cover  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  of  $M$  and local trivializations s.t.  $\pi = pr_1 \circ h_\alpha$  diagram commutes. One needs to check that  $h_\alpha \circ \phi : U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$  is a  $C^k$  diffeomorphism. But for any  $j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$

$$h_\alpha \circ s_j : U_\alpha \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \text{ s.t. } (x) \mapsto (x, \begin{pmatrix} s_{1j}(x) \\ \vdots \\ s_{rj}(x) \end{pmatrix}) \text{ where } s_{ij}(x) \text{ are } C^k \text{ functions on } U_\alpha$$

hence  $A(x) = (s_{ij}(x)) \in GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ . Now

$$h_\alpha \circ \phi(x, v) = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix} = h_\alpha \left( \sum_{i=1}^r v_i s_i(x) \right) = (x, \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^r v_j s_{1j}(x) \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^r v_j s_{rj}(x) \end{pmatrix}) = (x, A(x)v) \text{ where } A(x) = \begin{pmatrix} s_{11}(x) & \cdots & s_{1r}(x) \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ s_{r1}(x) & \cdots & s_{rr}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

here  $(h_\alpha \circ \phi)(x, v) = (x, A(x)v)$  and  $(h_\alpha \circ \phi)^{-1}(x, u) = (x, A(x)^{-1}u)$  so  $A, A^{-1} : U_\alpha \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{R})$  are  $C^k$  maps. Hence  $h_\alpha \circ \phi$  indeed defines  $C^k$  diffeomorphisms.  $\square$

## 6 Derivations and Vector Fields

### 6.1 Local Derivations and Tangent Space Isomorphism

**Definition 6.1** (Germs). Let  $M$  be  $C^k$  manifold.  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ . Given  $p \in M$ , we define

$$C_p^k(M) = \{(f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \mid U \text{ open neighborhood of } p \text{ in } M, f \text{ is } C^k \text{ function}\} / \sim_p$$

where we write the equivalence class as

$$(f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\sim} (g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \iff \text{there exists open neighborhood } W \text{ of } p \text{ in } M \text{ s.t. } W \subset U \cap V \text{ and } f|_W = g|_W$$

an element  $[f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$  in  $C_p^k(M)$  is called a germ of  $C^k$  functions at  $p$ .

**Remark 6.1.**  $C^k(M) \subset C^{k-1}(M) \subset \dots$  and  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $C_p^k(M) \subset C_p^{k-1}(M) \subset \dots$ . These are inclusion of subrings.

$$\begin{aligned} [f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] + [g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] &= [f + g : U \cap V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \\ [f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}][g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] &= [fg : U \cap V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \end{aligned}$$



**Remark 6.2.** One has useful ring homomorphisms that simplifies the problem.

- If  $(U, \phi)$  is a  $C^k$  chart for  $M$  around  $p$  s.t.  $\phi(p) = 0$

$$C_p^k(M) \rightarrow C_0^k(\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ s.t. } [f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] = [f|_{U \cap V} : U \cap V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \mapsto [f \circ \phi^{-1} : \phi(U \cap V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$$

is a ring isomorphism

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$$C^k(M) \rightarrow C_p^k(M) \text{ s.t. } (f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \mapsto [f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$$

is a surjective ring homomorphism. To see it is surjective, given  $[f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \in C_p^k(M)$ , there exists  $\beta \in C^k(V)$  with  $\text{supp}(\beta) \subset V$  s.t.  $(\beta : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\sim} (1 : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ . Hence

$$[f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] = [\beta f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$$

and  $\beta f$  can be extended to  $M$  due to Hausdorff topology on  $M$ . But it is not injective.

- If  $M$  is a real analytic  $C^w$  manifold and  $U \subset M$  open connected, then for any  $p \in U$ , we may consider  $C^w(U) \rightarrow C_p^w(U)$  s.t.

$$(f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \mapsto [f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$$

This is injective ring homomorphism. But it is not surjective.

$$C^w(\mathbb{R}) \subset C^w(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \hookrightarrow C_0^w(\mathbb{R})$$

Look at elements of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ , e.g.,  $\frac{1}{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\frac{2}{\varepsilon})^{n+1} x^n \in C_0^w(\mathbb{R}) \setminus C^w(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ .

**Definition 6.2** (Derivation). A Derivation on  $C_p^k(M)$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map

$$\delta : C_p^k(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. Leibniz rule } \delta(fg) = \delta(f)g + f\delta(g) \text{ is satisfied}$$

If  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\delta_1, \delta_2$  are derivations on  $C_p^k(M)$ , then

$$c_1\delta_1 + c_2\delta_2 : C_p^k(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } (c_1\delta_1 + c_2\delta_2)(f) := c_1\delta_1(f) + c_2\delta_2(f)$$

is also a derivation. Hence the set of derivations on  $C_p^k(M)$  has the structure of a vector space.

**Example 6.1.**  $k \geq 1$ .

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(0) : C_0^k(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $[f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \mapsto \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(0) \in \mathbb{R}$  Then  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(0)$  is a derivation for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .
- For any  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\sum_i a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(0) : C_0^k(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a derivation.

**Lemma 6.1.**  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ .

(i) If  $\delta : C_0^k(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a derivation and  $c$  is a constant, then  $\delta(c) = 0$ .

*Proof.*  $\delta(c) = c\delta(1)$  by  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear, and

$$\delta(1) = \delta(1 \cdot 1) = \delta(1) \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot \delta(1) \implies \delta(1) = 0$$

□

(ii)  $\delta$  is a derivation on  $C_0^0(\mathbb{R}) \iff \delta \equiv 0$ .

*Proof.* By  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear and (i),  $\delta(f) = \delta(f - f(0))$ . May assume  $f(0) = 0$ . Then  $f = f_+ + f_-$  with

$$f_{\pm} = \frac{f \pm |f|}{2} \text{ for } f_{\pm} \in C_0^0(\mathbb{R}), f_+ \geq 0, f_- \leq 0, f_{\pm}(0) = 0$$

One may assume that  $f \geq 0$  and  $f(0) = 0$ . Now we may do

$$g = \sqrt{f} \in C_0^0(\mathbb{R}) \text{ so that } \delta(f) = \delta(g^2) = \delta(g)g(0) + g(0)\delta(g) = 0$$

Hence  $f$  must be 0. □

(iii)  $\delta$  is a derivation on  $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  then  $\delta = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(x_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(0)$

*Proof.* Want to show for any  $f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\delta(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(x_i) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(0)$ . So fix  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , define  $g(t) := f(tx)$  so that  $g'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(tx)$  Then

$$f(x) - f(0) = g(1) - g(0) = \int_0^1 g'(t) dt = \sum_i x_i \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(tx) dt$$

Define  $h_i(x) := \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(tx) dt$  so that  $h_i \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $h_i(0) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(0) dt = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(0)$

$$\delta(f) = \delta(f - f(0)) = \sum_i \delta(x_i h_i) = \sum_i \delta(x_i) h_i(0) + \sum_i x_i(0) \delta(h_i) = \sum_i \delta(x_i) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(0)$$

□

**Remark 6.3.**  $1 \leq k < \infty$  and  $n > 0$ . Then the vector space of derivations on  $C_0^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is infinite dimensional.

From now on we discuss smooth derivations.

**Definition 6.3** ( $D_p M$ ). Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $n$ ,  $p \in M$ . We denote  $D_p M$  as the vector space of derivations on  $C_p^\infty(M)$ .

**Theorem 6.1** (Linear isomorphism between  $T_p M$  and  $D_p M$ ). Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $n$ ,  $p \in M$ . Define  $(U, \phi)$  a  $C^\infty$  chart for  $M$  around  $p$ , and we write  $\phi : U \rightarrow \phi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open with

$$\phi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in C^\infty(U; \mathbb{R}^n)$$

Then there is linear isomorphism between  $T_p M$  and  $D_p M$

$$T_p M \rightarrow D_p M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathbb{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) \text{ s.t. } [U, \phi, u] \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p)$$

with the derivation  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) : C_p^\infty(M) \cong C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p)f := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(f \circ \phi^{-1})(\phi(p)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(f \circ \phi^{-1})(0)$$

noticing that  $C_p^\infty(M) \cong C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $[f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \mapsto [f \circ \phi^{-1} : \phi(U) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$

## 6.2 Global Derivations and Smooth Vector Field isomorphism

**Definition 6.4** (smooth vector field). A  $C^\infty$  vector field on  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  is a  $C^\infty$  section of  $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$ , call it  $X : M \rightarrow TM$ . Notice this implies for any  $p \in M$ ,  $X(p) \in T_p M$ . Write

$$\mathfrak{X} = C^\infty(M, TM) = \{C^\infty \text{ vector fields on } M\}$$

**Theorem 6.2** (Isomorphism as  $C^\infty(U)$ -module). Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold of dim  $n$ .

- For  $(U, \phi)$   $C^\infty$  chart with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} : U \rightarrow TU = \pi^{-1}(U) \text{ s.t. } p \mapsto \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) \in D_p M = T_p M = T_p U$$

is a  $C^\infty$  vector field on  $U$ .

- In particular,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  as  $C^\infty$  vector fields on  $U$  implies by definition that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  is  $C^\infty$  section of  $TU \rightarrow U$ . Hence for any  $p \in M$ ,

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) \right\}_{i=1}^n \text{ is a basis of } T_p M = T_p U$$

Moreover

$$\mathfrak{X}(U) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n C^\infty(U) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

is isomorphism as free  $C^\infty(U)$ -module.

- In general, for  $s : U \rightarrow TU$  continuous section, for any  $p \in U$

$$s(p) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(p) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) \quad a_i(p) \in \mathbb{R} \quad a_i : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

and  $s$  is a  $C^k$  vector field iff  $a_i \in C^k(U)$ .

**Definition 6.5** (Derivation in  $C^\infty(M)$ ). Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold. A derivation on  $M$  is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map

$$\delta : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M) \text{ s.t. } \delta(fg) = \delta(f)g + f\delta(g) \text{ for } f, g \in C^\infty(M)$$

Let  $D(M)$  be set of all derivations  $C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$ . If  $\delta_1, \delta_2 \in D(M)$ ,  $c_1, c_2 \in C^\infty(M)$ , then

$$c_1\delta_1 + c_2\delta_2 : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M) \text{ s.t. } (c_1\delta_1 + c_2\delta_2)(f) := c_1\delta_1(f) + c_2\delta_2(f)$$

is also a derivation.  $D(M)$  is a  $C^\infty(M)$ -module.

**Remark 6.4.** For any  $p \in M$ , there is a localizing  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map. Suppose

$$D(M) \rightarrow D_p(M) \text{ s.t. } \delta \mapsto \delta(p) \text{ where } \delta(p) : C_p^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ with } [f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \mapsto (\delta f)(p) \in \mathbb{R}$$

It is also useful to define

$$\delta_p : C_p^\infty(M) \rightarrow C_p^\infty(M) \text{ s.t. } [f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \mapsto [\delta f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}]$$

## 7 Lie Derivative on smooth functions

### 7.1 Lie Derivative and Lie Brackets

**Definition 7.1** (Lie Derivative). Define  $L_X$

$$\mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow D(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad X \mapsto L_X$$

with

$$L_X : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f \mapsto L_X(f) := Xf$$

and

$$Xf(p) = X(p)f \quad \forall X(p) \in T_pM = D_p \quad \text{and} \quad Xf : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

one use local coordinates to check this is  $C^\infty$  function. On  $(U, \phi)$   $X = \sum_i^n a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  for  $a_i \in C^\infty(U)$ . This is a morphism of  $C^\infty(M)$ -modules. Indeed this is an isomorphism.

*Proof that  $D(M) \cong \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .* We have surjectivity. Given any  $\delta \in D(M)$

$$X(p) := \delta(p) \in D_pM = T_pM$$

and define  $X : M \rightarrow TM$ . One use local coordinates to check that  $X$  is  $C^\infty$ . For injectivity, if  $X \neq 0$ , there exists  $p \in M$  s.t.  $X(p) \neq 0$ . Then there exists  $f \in C_p^\infty(M)$  s.t.  $X(p)f \neq 0$  implying  $L_X f \neq 0$ . We conclude  $D(M) \cong \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 7.2** (Lie Bracket). For  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) = D(M)$ , define

$$[X, Y] : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M) \text{ s.t. } [X, Y]f := XYf - YXf$$

Then  $[X, Y]$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map. Indeed it also satisfies the Liebniz rule so  $[X, Y]$  defines a derivation.

$$[X, Y](fg) = ([X, Y]f)g + f([X, Y]g)$$

So  $[X, Y] \in D(M) = \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . More explicitly, for  $(U, \phi)$   $C^\infty$  chart on  $M$  with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  local coordinates. One may write on  $U$

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \quad Y = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \quad \text{for } a_j, b_j \in C^\infty(U)$$

So

$$[X, Y] = \sum_j \left( \sum_i a_i \frac{\partial b_j}{\partial x_i} - b_i \frac{\partial a_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

**Proposition 7.1.**

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (X, Y) \mapsto [X, Y]$$

satisfies

(i)  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear in both  $X, Y$ . (not  $C^\infty$ -linear)

$$[c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2, Y] = c_1 [X_1, Y] + c_2 [X_2, Y]$$

(ii)  $[X, Y] = -[Y, X]$

(iii) Jacobi Identity.

$$[[X, Y], Z] + [[Y, Z], X] + [[Z, X], Y] = 0 \tag{9}$$

with these above,  $(\mathfrak{X}(M), [\cdot, \cdot])$  is a Lie algebra over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

## 7.2 Differential as map between Derivations

**Definition 7.3** (pullback of  $C^\ell(N)$ ). Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be  $C^k$ -map between  $C^k$  manifolds, and let  $\ell \leq k$  be a positive integer. Then the map  $F$  induces the pullback

$$F^* : C^\ell(N) \rightarrow C^\ell(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f \mapsto f \circ F$$

For a point  $p \in M$ , we get a map  $F_p^*$  local pullback s.t.

$$F_p^* : C_{F(p)}^\ell(N) \rightarrow C_p^\ell(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad [(V, f)] \mapsto [F^{-1}(V), f \circ F]$$

**Remark 7.1.** If  $M$  and  $N$  are  $C^k$  manifolds, and  $F : M \rightarrow N$  is continuous map, then for each  $p \in M$ , there exists local pullback  $F_p^*$  s.t.

$$F_p^* : C_{F(p)}^0(N) \rightarrow C_p^0(M)$$

here  $F$  is a  $C^k$  map iff for each  $p \in M$ ,  $F_p^*(C_{F(p)}^k(N))$  is a subring of  $C_p^k(M)$ . We may also use this to define  $C^k$  maps.

**Lemma 7.1.** Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be a smooth map between smooth manifolds. For each  $p \in M$ , the differential

$$dF_p : T_p M = D_p M \rightarrow T_{F(p)} N = D_{F(p)} N$$

is given by the map

$$dF_p(X)f = X(F^*f) = X(f \circ F)$$

for any  $X \in T_p M = D_p M$  and  $f \in C_{F(p)}^\infty(N)$ .

*Proof.* Pass to local coordinates. Assume  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open subset and  $N \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open subset.  $p = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $F(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then one write

$$F(x) = (y_1(x), \dots, y_n(x)) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Then for any tangent vector  $X \in T_0 \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $X = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(0)$

$$dF_p(X) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial x_i}(0) a_i \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}(0) \in T_0(N)$$

To compute explicitly

$$LHS = dF_p(X)f = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_i \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial x_i}(0) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_j}(0)$$

$$RHS = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(f \circ F)(0)$$

which is equal by chain rule. □

**Remark 7.2.** We may also use  $dF_p(X)f = X(F^*f)$  to define  $dF_p$ .

### 7.3 Differential as map between curve velocity

**Definition 7.4** (smooth curve). Let  $M$  be smooth manifold. A smooth curve in  $M$  is a smooth map  $\gamma : (a, b) \rightarrow M$  for  $-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$ . Notation: for any  $t \in (a, b)$ , let  $\gamma'(t)$  or  $\frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t)$  to denote the tangent vector  $d\gamma_t(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}) \in T_{\gamma(t)}M$ .

**Example 7.1.** If  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$  then the smooth map

$$\gamma : (a, b) \rightarrow M \text{ s.t. } \gamma(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$$

where  $x_i : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are  $C^\infty$  functions on  $(a, b)$ . Then

$$\gamma'(t) = (x'_1(t), \dots, x'_n(t)) = \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\gamma(t))$$

**Lemma 7.2.** Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold and  $\gamma : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$  be a smooth curve. Let  $\gamma(0) = p$ . Then  $\gamma'(0)$  is a derivation at  $p$  s.t.

$$\gamma'(0)f = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (f \circ \gamma)$$

*Proof.* This is special case of  $dF_p(X)f = X(F^*f)$ . □

**Remark 7.3.** One may alternatively define the derivation  $\gamma'(0) : C_p^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The tangent space  $T_pM$  is hence the collection of all such  $\gamma'(0)$ . Under this definition,  $dF_p : T_pM \rightarrow T_{F(p)}N$  of a smooth map  $F : M \rightarrow N$  at  $p \in M$  is defined by

$$dF_p : T_pM \rightarrow T_{F(p)}N \text{ s.t. } \gamma'(0) \mapsto (F \circ \gamma)'(0)$$

## 8 Integral Curves and Flows

### 8.1 Integral Curve Local Existence and Uniqueness

**Definition 8.1** (Integral Curves). Let  $X$  be a smooth vector field on a smooth manifold  $M$  and let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  be a smooth curve. We say that  $\gamma$  is a integral curve of  $X$  if

$$\gamma'(t) = X(\gamma(t)) \quad \forall t \in I$$

**Example 8.1.**  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\gamma(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$  for  $x_i : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  smooth functions on  $I$ . A smooth vector field on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is of the form

$$X(x) = (a_1(x), \dots, a_n(x)) = \sum_i a_i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

where  $a_i$  are smooth functions s.t.  $a_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Therefore  $X$  can be viewed as a smooth map from  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .  $\gamma$  is an integral curve of  $X$  is equivalent to the solution to the system of ODEs

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) = a_i(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

**Theorem 8.1** (Local Existence and Uniqueness of Integral Curves). Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold and  $X$  be a smooth vector field on  $M$ .

(i) For any  $p \in M$  there is an open interval  $I_p \subset \mathbb{R}$  containing 0 and an integral curve  $\phi_p : I_p \rightarrow M$  of  $X$  s.t.

$$\phi_p(0) = p \quad \text{and} \quad I_p \text{ is a maximal interval for such } \phi_p$$

(ii) Moreover, this integral curve is unique in the following sense. If  $\gamma : I' \rightarrow M$  is integral curve of the vector field  $X$  on  $I'$  s.t.  $\gamma(0) = p$ , then the interval  $I' \subset I_p$  and the curve  $\gamma$  is the restriction  $\gamma = \phi_p|_{I'}$ .

(iii) Existence of Local Flow. For any  $p \in M$ , there is

- an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$
- an open interval  $I$  of 0 in  $\mathbb{R}$
- a smooth map  $\phi : I \times U \rightarrow M$  (local flow)

s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(t, q) = X(\phi(t, q)) \\ \phi(0, q) = q \end{cases} \quad \forall (t, q) \in I \times U$$

*Proof.* Assume  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $p = 0$  then the proof is a theorem in ODE. □

**Example 8.2.**  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $p = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Suppose  $X$  is the identity vector field so  $X(x) = x$  for any  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt}x_i = x_i \\ x_i(0) = a_i \end{cases} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

hence  $x_i = a_i e^t$ . We conclude that the integral curves are straight lines emanating the origin. We also calculate the local flow

$$\phi : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \text{ s.t. } \phi(t, x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1 e^t, \dots, x_n e^t)$$

or in short,  $\phi(t, x) = e^t x$ .

**Example 8.3.**  $M = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| < 1\}$ , and  $X$  is identity vector field. If  $p = a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  then

$$\phi_p : I_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \text{ s.t. } \phi_p(t) = e^t a \text{ for } I_p = (-\infty, -\log |a|)$$

**Example 8.4.** Given flow  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.

$$\phi(t, (x, y)) := \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) & -\sin(t) \\ \sin(t) & \cos(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

To find the corresponding vector field, use  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(0, q) = X(\phi(0, q)) = X(q)$ . So

$$X((x, y)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(0, (x, y)) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(t) & -\cos(t) \\ \cos(t) & -\sin(t) \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{t=0} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -y \\ x \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence  $X(x, y) = -y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$ .

## 8.2 Integral Curves Global Existence

**Definition 8.2** (Global Flow).  $\phi_t : U \rightarrow M$  for  $\phi_t(q) := \phi(t, q)$  This tells us where the point in  $M$  gets mapped after flowing a certain time  $t$ .

**Remark 8.1.** Let  $\phi_{t_1} \circ \phi_{t_2} = \phi_{t_1+t_2}$  on the subset of  $M$  where both sides are defined.

**Lemma 8.1.** Let  $X$  be smooth vector field on a smooth manifold  $M$  s.t. the support of  $X$  is compact, where

$$\text{supp}(X) := \overline{\{p \in M \mid X(p) \neq 0\}}$$

Then there exists a unique smooth map  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow M$  where

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}(t, q) = X(\phi(t, q)) \quad \text{with } \phi(0, q) = q$$

In other words, we have a global flow

$$\phi_t : M \rightarrow M$$

which exists for all times  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof.* It suffices to prove existence. Let  $K = \text{supp}(X)$ . First step, look at  $V = M \setminus K$  open,  $X(q) = 0$  for any  $q \in V$ . Then define

$$\phi : \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow M \text{ s.t. } \phi(t, q) = q$$

Then  $\phi$  is smooth and

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}(t, q) = 0 = X(q) = X(\phi(t, q)) \quad \text{with } \phi(0, q) = q$$

Step 2, given  $p \in K$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U_p$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $\varepsilon_p > 0$  s.t. there is a  $C^\infty$  map

$$\psi_p : (-\varepsilon_p, \varepsilon_p) \times U_p \rightarrow M$$

a local flow which satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \psi_p}{\partial t}(t, q) = X(\psi_p(t, q)) \\ \psi_p(0, q) = q \end{cases}$$

Moreover, if  $p_1, p_2 \in K$  and  $U_{p_1} \cap U_{p_2} \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$\psi_{p_1}|_{(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times (U_{p_1} \cap U_{p_2})} = \psi_{p_2}|_{(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times (U_{p_1} \cap U_{p_2})}$$

where  $\varepsilon := \min\{\varepsilon_{p_1}, \varepsilon_{p_2}\} > 0$ . So we obtain a smooth map  $\psi(t, q)$  defined on  $(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times (U_{p_1} \cup U_{p_2})$ . Since  $K$  is compact,  $K \subset \bigcup_{p \in K} U_p$  hence there are finitely many  $p_1, \dots, p_N \in K$  s.t.  $K \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^N U_{p_i}$ . Let  $\varepsilon := \min\{\varepsilon_{p_1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{p_N}\} > 0$  and  $U := \bigcup_{i=1}^N U_{p_i}$  we obtain a smooth map

$$\psi : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times U \rightarrow M$$

s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}(t, q) = X(\psi(t, q)) \\ \psi(0, q) = q \end{cases}$$

Step 3, again by uniqueness

$$\phi|_{(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times (U \cap V)} = \phi : \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow M \quad \text{and} \quad \psi : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times U \rightarrow M$$

We also have  $U \cup V = M$  so we obtain

$$\phi : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times M \rightarrow M$$

satisfying assumptions. Step 4, for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $|t| < n\varepsilon$ , we define  $\phi(t, q) = \phi(\frac{t}{n}, \phi(\frac{t}{n}, \dots, \phi(\frac{t}{n}, q)))$ . Then  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow M$  satisfy the assumptions.  $\square$

### 8.3 Flow and Lie Derivative on Vector Fields

Now we talk about Flow and Lie derivative.

**Definition 8.3** (Lie Derivative). *Let  $M$  be smooth manifold, let  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M) = C^\infty(M, TM)$  space of smooth vector fields on  $M$ , which is  $C^\infty(M)$ -module. Recall that  $L_X : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$  s.t.  $L_X f := Xf$  is a derivation. We extend this definition via*

$$L_X : \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \text{ s.t. } Y \mapsto L_X Y := [X, Y]$$

Notice

$$\begin{aligned} L_X(fY) &= (L_X f)Y + fL_X Y \quad \text{for } f \in C^\infty(M) \text{ and } Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \\ L_{fX}(g) &= fL_X(g) \quad \text{for } f, g \in C^\infty(M), \text{ and } X \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \end{aligned}$$

but in general  $L_{fX}(Y) \neq fL_X Y$  since

$$L_{fX}(Y) = [fX, Y] = f[X, Y] - Y(f)X = fL_X Y - Y(f)X$$

**Definition 8.4** (pushforward and pullback of smooth vector fields). *Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism. Define the pushforward*

$$\begin{aligned} F_* : \mathfrak{X}(M) &\rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(N) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad X \mapsto F_* X \\ (F_* X)(p) &:= dF_{F^{-1}(p)}(X(F^{-1}(p))) \in T_p N \end{aligned}$$

where  $p \in N$ ,  $F^{-1}(p) \in M$ , and  $X(F^{-1}(p)) \in T_{F^{-1}(p)} M$ . Define pullback

$$F^* := (F^{-1})_* : \mathfrak{X}(N) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M)$$

**Proposition 8.1** (Lie Derivative using Flow).  *$M$  smooth manifold,  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ ,  $p \in M$  and  $U$  open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $M$ . Let  $\phi_t : U \rightarrow M$  smooth be flow of  $X$  at  $p$  for  $t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then*

- For  $[f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}] \in C_p^\infty(M)$ , pick a representative  $f$

$$(L_X f)(p) := X(p)f = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (\phi_t^* f)(p)$$

- $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$  for  $V$  open neighborhood of  $p$

$$(L_X Y)(p) := [X, Y](p) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (\phi_t^* Y)(p) = - \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (\phi_{t*} Y)(p) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{Y(p) - (d\phi_t)_{\phi_{-t}(p)}(Y(\phi_{-t}(p)))}{t} \quad (10)$$

using the fact

$$\phi_{t*} Y = -(\phi_{-t})_* Y = -\phi_t^* Y$$

and recalling  $(\phi_{t*} Y)(p) = (d\phi_t)_{\phi_{-t}(p)}(Y(\phi_{-t}(p)))$

**Lemma 8.2.** *If  $h : (-\delta, \delta) \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $(t, q) \mapsto h(t, q)$  is  $C^\infty$  map for  $U \subset M$  open,  $\delta > 0$ , and suppose that  $h(0, q) = 0$ . Then there exists  $C^\infty$  map  $g : (-\delta, \delta) \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.*

$$h(t, q) = tg(t, q)$$

*Proof.* Fix  $t, q$ . Let  $u(s) := h(st, q)$ . Then  $\frac{d}{ds}u(s) = t \frac{\partial}{\partial t}h(st, q)$  with

$$h(t, q) = h(t, q) - h(0, q) = u(1) - u(0) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{ds}u(s) ds = t \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t}h(st, q) ds = tg(t, q)$$

where  $g(t, q) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t}h(st, q) ds$ . Here  $g$  is  $C^\infty$  map. Notice  $g(0, q) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}h(0, q) ds = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}h(0, q)$ . □

*Proof of Proposition 8.1.* For  $f \in C_p^\infty(M)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} (\phi_t^* f)(p) &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(\phi_t(p)) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} (f \circ \phi_p)(t) \\ &= \phi_p'(0)f = X(p)f \end{aligned}$$

since  $\phi_p(t) = \phi_t(p)$  for  $\phi_p : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$  integral curves of  $X$  s.t.  $\phi_p(0) = p$  and  $\phi_p'(t) = X(\phi_p(t))$ . Now for the second item, claim that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} (\phi_{t*} Y)(p)(f) = -[X, Y](p)f \quad \forall f \in C_p^\infty(M)$$

To see this, let

$$h(t, q) = f \circ \phi_t(q) - f(q)$$

Here  $h : (-\delta, \delta) \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^\infty$  with  $h(0, q) = 0$ . By lemma 8.2, there exists  $C^\infty$   $g : (-\delta, \delta) \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $h(t, q) = tg(t, q)$ . For fixed  $t \in (-\delta, \delta)$ ,  $g_t : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  smooth with  $g_t(q) := g(t, q)$ . So

$$f \circ \phi_t(q) = f(q) + h(t, q) = (f + tg_t)(q)$$

Also note

$$g_0(q) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}h(0, q) = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f \circ \phi_t(q) = X(q)f$$

from first item. Hence using Lemma 7.1

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi_{t*} Y)(p)(f) &= (d\phi_t)_{\phi_{-t}(p)}(Y(\phi_{-t}(p)))f = Y(\phi_{-t}(p))(f \circ \phi_t) \\ &= Y(\phi_{-t}(p))(f + tg_t) = Y(\phi_{-t}(p))f + Y(\phi_{-t}(p))(tg_t) \\ \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} Y(\phi_{-t}(p))(f \circ \phi_t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} (Yf)(\phi_{-t}(p)) + Y(p)g_0 = -X(p)Yf + Y(p)Xf = -[X, Y](p)f \end{aligned}$$

□

## 9 Frobenius Theorem

### 9.1 Subbundle

**Definition 9.1** (subbundle). *Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ .  $F \subset E$  is a subbundle of rank  $k \leq r$  if for any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and a local trivialization*

$$h : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad C^\infty \text{ diffeomorphism}$$

s.t. diagram  $\pi = pr_1 \circ h$  commutes and

$$h(F \cap \pi^{-1}(U)) = U \times (\mathbb{R}^k \times \{0\}) \quad \text{for } \mathbb{R}^k \times \{0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^r$$

**Remark 9.1.** *Some remarks for a smooth Subbundle  $F$  of  $E$*

- Recall for any  $x \in U$ ,  $E_x \cong \mathbb{R}^r$

$$E_x = \pi^{-1}(x) \rightarrow \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r \text{ is linear isomorphism}$$

While in the case of  $F$  as subbundle, for any  $x \in U$ ,  $F_x := F \cap E_x$  is a subspace of dimension  $k$  in  $E_x$ .



**Proposition 9.1** (Subbundle Equivalent Definition). *Given  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  smooth vector bundle of rank  $r$  over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ . For any  $x \in M$ ,  $F_x \subset E_x$  is subspace of dimension  $k \leq r$ . Take disjoint union*

$$F := \bigsqcup_{x \in M} F_x \subset E := \bigsqcup_{x \in M} E_x$$

*Then  $F$  is a  $C^\infty$  subbundle of  $E$  of rank  $k$  iff for any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $C^\infty$  sections  $\{s_1, \dots, s_k\} \subset C^\infty(U; \pi^{-1}(U) = E|_U)$  s.t. for any  $q \in U$*

$$s_1(q), \dots, s_k(q) \text{ is a basis of } F_q$$

**Example 9.1.**  $E = \{(\ell, v) \mid \ell \in P_n(\mathbb{R}), v \in \ell\} \subset P_n(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .  $E$  is a smooth vector bundle of rank 1 of the product vector bundle. Here  $pr_1 : P_n(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{R})$ .

## 9.2 Distribution: Involutive and Completely Integrable

**Definition 9.2** (distribution). *Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold. A  $C^\infty$  distribution of dimension  $k$  for  $k \leq n$  on  $M$  is a collection  $\{F_p \subset T_p M \mid p \in M\}$  where  $F_p$  are  $k$ -dimensional subspaces of  $T_p M$  s.t.*

$$F = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} F_p \subset TM = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} T_p M$$

*is a  $C^\infty$  subbundle of  $TM$  of rank  $k$ .*

**Remark 9.2.** *One has an equivalent definition for smooth distribution using Prop 9.1*

- *The collection  $\{F_p \subset T_p M \mid p \in M\}$  of  $k$ -dimensional subspaces of  $T_p M$  is a smooth distribution iff for any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in \mathfrak{X}(U)$  s.t. for any  $q \in U$*

$$F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} X_i(q)$$

**Remark 9.3.** *Given a smooth subbundle  $F \rightarrow M$  of  $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$ , and denoting  $C^\infty(M, F)$  as space of smooth sections of the subbundle  $F \rightarrow M$ . Then*

$$C^\infty(M, F) \subset C^\infty(M, TM) = \mathfrak{X}(M)$$

*is  $C^\infty(M)$ -submodule.*

**Definition 9.3** (involutive and integrable). *Let  $F$  be  $C^\infty$  distribution of dimension  $k$  on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$ .*

- *We say  $F$  is involutive if  $C^\infty(M, F)$  is a Lie subalgebra of  $(\mathfrak{X}(M), [\cdot, \cdot])$ .*

$$X, Y \in C^\infty(M, F) \implies [X, Y] \in C^\infty(M, F)$$

- *$F$  is completely integrable if for any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $(U, \phi)$  for  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$   $C^\infty$ -chart for  $M$  around  $p$  s.t.*

$$F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(q) \quad \forall q \in U$$

*This is equivalent to saying for any  $p \in M$ , there is a  $k$ -dimensional submanifold  $S \subset M$  s.t.  $p \in S$  and for any  $q \in S$ , the subspace  $T_q S = F_q$ .*

**Example 9.2.** *One has some examples motivating the Frobenius Theorem*

- *For  $\dim F = \dim M$ , then  $F_p = T_p M$  for any  $p \in M$ , here  $F$  is involutive and completely integrable.*
- *For  $\dim F = 1$ ,  $F$  is involutive and completely integrable.*
- *For  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  open, there exists 2-dim distributions not involutive and not completely integrable.*

**Theorem 9.1** (Frobenius Theorem). *A  $C^\infty$  distribution  $F$  on a  $C^\infty$  manifold is completely integrable if and only if it is involutive.*

*Proof.* Let  $k := \text{rank } F \leq n = \dim M = \text{rank } TM$ . For  $\implies$ . If  $F$  completely integrable, for any  $X, Y \in C^\infty(M, F)$ , for any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $(U, \phi)$   $C^\infty$  chart for  $M$  around  $p$  s.t. for any  $q \in U$

$$F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(q)$$

On  $U$ ,  $X = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  and  $Y = \sum_{j=1}^k b_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$  so

$$[X, Y] = \sum_j^k \left( \sum_i^k a_i \frac{\partial b_j}{\partial x_i} - b_i \frac{\partial a_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \implies [X, Y] \in C^\infty(M, F)$$

For  $\impliedby$ . Let  $F$  involutive. As a distribution, since  $F$  is smooth subbundle of  $TM$ , for any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $X_1, \dots, X_k \in \mathfrak{X}(U)$  s.t.

$$F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} X_i(q) \quad \text{for any } q \in U$$

For any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $(U, \phi)$   $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  so  $X_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$  for  $a_{ij} \in C^\infty(U)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ . For any  $p \in U$ , consider

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \cdots & a_{kn} \end{pmatrix} (q) \text{ of rank } k$$

by permuting  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  if necessary, we may assume the minor matrix

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1k} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \cdots & a_{kk} \end{pmatrix} (p) \neq 0$$

Due to smoothness of  $a_{ij}$ , by shrinking  $U$  if necessary, we may assume

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1k} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \cdots & a_{kk} \end{pmatrix} (q) \neq 0 \quad \text{for any } q \in U$$

Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1k} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \cdots & a_{kk} \end{pmatrix}$  so  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j=1}^k : U \rightarrow GL(k, \mathbb{R})$  and  $A^{-1} =: (a^{ij})_{i,j=1}^k : U \rightarrow GL(k, \mathbb{R})$  are smooth. Using  $A^{-1}A = I_k$  we write

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^k a^{i\ell} a_{\ell j} = \delta_{ij}$$

For  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , define

$$E^i := \sum_{j=1}^k a^{ij} X_j \in \mathfrak{X}(U) \quad \text{for any } q \in U$$

Hence for any  $q \in U$ ,  $F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} E^i(q)$ . Using  $X_j = \sum_{\ell=1}^n a_{j\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}$

$$\begin{aligned} E^i &:= \sum_{j=1}^k a^{ij} \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^n a_{j\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \right) = \sum_{\ell=1}^k \delta_{i\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n \gamma_\ell^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n \gamma_\ell^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \\ \implies [E^i, E^j] &= \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n \gamma_\ell^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n \gamma_\ell^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \right] \\ &= \sum_{m=k+1}^n c_m^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \end{aligned}$$

For any  $q \in U$

$$[E^i, E^j](q) \in \bigoplus_{m=k+1}^n \mathbb{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m}(q) =: G_q$$

where  $\dim G_q = n - k$ . Now  $G$  is completely integrable distribution of dimension  $n - k$  on  $U$ . Since  $F$  is involutive with  $E^i \in C^\infty(U, F|_U)$ , for any  $q \in U$

$$[E^i, E^j](q) \in F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} E^i(q)$$

But as vector spaces  $F_q \cap G_q = \{0\}$ , so

$$[E^i, E^j](q) = 0$$

Conclusion: If  $F$  is an involutive  $C^\infty$  distribution of dimension  $k$  on  $M$ , then for any  $p \in M$ , there exists smooth chart  $(U, \phi)$  for  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $E^1, \dots, E^k \in \mathfrak{X}(U)$  s.t.  $E^i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n \gamma_\ell^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}$

$$[E^i, E^j] = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \forall q \in U \quad F_q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{R} E^i(q)$$

The strategy is to construct new coordinates  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  on  $U' \subset U$  s.t.  $E^i = \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$  on  $U'$ . Recall Assignment 4(2): For  $M$   $C^\infty$  manifold,  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  with  $[X, Y] = 0$ , let  $p \in M$ , and suppose  $\phi_s^X \circ \phi_t^Y(p)$  and  $\phi_t^Y \circ \phi_s^X(p)$  are defined for  $(s, t) \in I \times J$  with  $I, J$  open intervals containing 0, then one has

$$\phi_s^X \circ \phi_t^Y(p) = \phi_t^Y \circ \phi_s^X(p) \quad \forall (s, t) \in I \times J$$

Hence to use this, we may assume  $\phi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Define for  $V$  open neighborhood of  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\psi : V \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow M \text{ s.t. } \psi(t_1, \dots, t_n) := \phi_{t_1}^{E^1} \circ \phi_{t_2}^{E^2} \circ \dots \circ \phi_{t_k}^{E^k} \circ \phi^{-1}(0, \dots, 0, t_{k+1}, \dots, t_n)$$

Then  $\psi$  is a  $C^\infty$  map. But for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  one in fact has

$$\psi(t_1, \dots, t_k) = \phi_{t_i}^{E^i}(\psi(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, 0, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_k))$$

For fixed  $t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_k$ . Integral curve of  $E^i$  are

$$\gamma(s) := \psi(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, s, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_n) \text{ with } \gamma(0) = \psi(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, 0, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_n)$$

so for  $\psi : V \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow M$

$$d\psi_t\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}\right) = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t_i}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = E^i(\psi(t_1, \dots, t_n)) \quad \forall t = (t_1, \dots, t_n) \in V$$

At  $t = 0$ ,  $d\psi_0\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}\right) = \begin{cases} E^i(p) & 1 \leq i \leq k \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) & k+1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$  Hence  $d\psi_0 : T_0V \cong \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow T_pM$  is a linear isomorphism. There exists open neighborhood  $V'$  of 0 in  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $U'$  of  $p$  in  $M$   $U' \subset U$  s.t.

$$\psi|_{V'} : V' \rightarrow U' \quad \text{is a } C^\infty \text{ diffeomorphism}$$

Then define  $\phi' := (\psi|_{V'})^{-1} : U' \rightarrow V' \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $E^i = \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}$  on  $U' \subset U$ , where  $\phi' = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$ .  $\square$

**Example 9.3** (1-dim distribution  $F$ ). For any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $U$  open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $M$ ,  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(U)$  s.t. for any  $q \in U$ ,  $F_q = \mathbb{R}X(q)$ . For  $k$ -dim distribution  $F$ , involutive iff completely integrable, this is foliation.

## 10 Operation on Vector Bundles

Recall operations on vector spaces.  $V, W$  finite dimensional vector spaces of dimension  $r, s$ . Then

- $V^*$  dual vector space is of dimension  $r$
- $V \oplus W$  direct sum dimension  $r + s$
- $V \otimes W$  tensor product dimension of  $rs$
- $V^{\otimes k} = V \otimes \dots \otimes V$   $k$ -tensor product of  $V$ , dimension of  $r^k$ .
- $\Lambda^k V$  Wedge product, dimension  $\binom{r}{k}$ .

Let  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$  and  $\pi_F : F \rightarrow M$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundles of rank  $r, s$  over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ . Let the fibers be denoted as  $E_p := \pi_E^{-1}(p) \cong \mathbb{R}^r$  and  $F_p := \pi_F^{-1}(p) \cong \mathbb{R}^s$  for any  $p \in M$ , i.e.,

$$\pi_E : E = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} E_p \rightarrow M \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_F : F = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} F_p \rightarrow M$$

Since each  $E_p, F_p$  has structure of a vector space, one may perform the above vector space operations to fibers and define the following bundles at the set level.

- $E^* := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} E_p^*$  where  $E_p^* := (E_p)^*$ .
- $E \oplus F := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} (E \oplus F)_p$  where  $(E \oplus F)_p := E_p \oplus F_p$ .
- $E \otimes F := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} (E \otimes F)_p$  where  $(E \otimes F)_p := E_p \otimes F_p$ .
- $E^{\otimes k} := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} (E^{\otimes k})_p$  where  $(E^{\otimes k})_p := E_p^{\otimes k}$ .
- $\Lambda^k E := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} (\Lambda^k E)_p$  where  $(\Lambda^k E)_p := \Lambda^k E_p$ .

## 10.1 Dual Bundle

Let  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundles of rank  $r$  over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ .

- As a set, let  $E^* := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} E_p^*$ .
- As a map, let  $\pi_{E^*} : E^* \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $\pi_{E^*}(E_p^*) := \{p\}$ .

We wish to construct  $\pi_{E^*} : E^* \rightarrow M$  a smooth vector bundle of rank  $r$ . First recall the smooth structure on  $E$ .

- (i) Local Trivialization and Smooth Frame. Since  $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$  is vector bundle of rank  $r$ , there exists  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  open cover of  $M$  and local trivializations

$$h_\alpha^E : \pi_E^{-1}(U_\alpha) \subset E \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

$C^\infty$  diffeomorphisms s.t.  $\pi_E = pr_1 \circ h_\alpha^E$ . For any  $x \in U_\alpha$ ,  $h_\alpha^E|_{E_x} : E_x = \pi_E^{-1}(x) \rightarrow \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^r$  are linear isomorphisms. One shall notice that

- $h_\alpha^E$  are local trivialization iff
- $h_\alpha^E$  are isomorphisms from  $\pi_E^{-1}(U_\alpha)$  to the product vector bundle of rank  $r$  over  $U_\alpha$  iff
- There exists  $C^\infty$  frame  $e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r}$  where  $e_{\alpha_i} \in C^\infty(U_\alpha, \pi_E^{-1}(U_\alpha))$ . In particular, for any  $x \in U_\alpha$ ,  $\{e_{\alpha_i}(x)\}_{i=1}^r$  are defined as

$$e_{\alpha_i} : U_\alpha \rightarrow \pi_E^{-1}(U_\alpha) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad e_{\alpha_i}(x) = (h_\alpha^E)^{-1}(x, e_i)$$

where  $e_i = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$  are standard basis in  $\mathbb{R}^r$ . Notice

$$(h_\alpha^E)^{-1} : U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow \pi_E^{-1}(U_\alpha) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (x, v) \mapsto (x, \sum_{i=1}^r v_i e_i(x))$$

- (ii) Smooth Transition Functions. On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , one has smooth frames  $\{e_{\alpha_i}(x)\}_{i=1}^r$  defined by  $h_\alpha^E$  and  $\{e_{\beta_i}(x)\}_{i=1}^r$  defined by  $h_\beta^E$ . Due to definition of vector bundle, one has the linear isomorphisms in  $\mathbb{R}^r$

$$(g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x))_{i,j=1}^r \in C^\infty(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta; GL(r, \mathbb{R}))$$

s.t.

$$e_{\alpha_j}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^r e_{\beta_i}(x) g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{ij}$$

or in short

$$e_\alpha = e_\beta g_{\beta\alpha}^E$$

with notation  $e_\alpha = [e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r}]$  and  $e_\beta = [e_{\beta_1}, \dots, e_{\beta_r}]$ . The  $g_{\beta\alpha}^E$  corresponds to the transition functions

$$h_\beta^E \circ (h_\alpha^E)^{-1} : (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

via the following

$$\begin{aligned}
h_\beta^E \circ (h_\alpha^E)^{-1}(x, v) &= h_\beta^E(x, \sum_{j=1}^r v_j e_{\alpha_j}(x)) \\
&= h_\beta^E(x, \sum_{j=1}^r v_j \sum_{i=1}^r e_{\beta_i}(x) g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{ij}) \\
&= h_\beta^E(x, \sum_{i=1}^r (\sum_{j=1}^r v_j g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{ij}) e_{\beta_i}(x)) \\
&= (x, g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)v)
\end{aligned}$$

So the transition functions  $h_\beta^E \circ (h_\alpha^E)^{-1}$  are given by

$$h_\beta^E \circ (h_\alpha^E)^{-1}(x, v) = (x, g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)v)$$

Now one wish to define the smooth structure on the set  $E^*$ .

(i) Local Trivialization and Smooth Frame. For smooth frames, define

$$e_{\alpha_i}^* : U_\alpha \rightarrow \pi_{E^*}^{-1}(U_\alpha) = \bigsqcup_{x \in U_\alpha} E_x^* \subset E^*$$

s.t. for any  $x \in U_\alpha$  with  $e_{\alpha_j}(x) \in E_x$ ,  $e_{\alpha_i}^*(x) \in (E^*)_x = (E_x)^*$ , we have

$$\langle e_{\alpha_i}^*(x), e_{\alpha_j}(x) \rangle = \delta_{ij} \quad (11)$$

i.e.,  $\{e_{\alpha_i}^*(x)\}_{i=1}^r$  is a dual basis for the dual space  $E_x^*$  w.r.t.  $\{e_{\alpha_i}(x)\}_{i=1}^r$  as basis of  $E_x$ . For local trivializations, define

$$h_\alpha^{E^*} : \pi_{E^*}^{-1}(U_\alpha) \subset E^* \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad s.t. \quad (x, \sum_{i=1}^r v_i e_{\alpha_i}^*(x)) \mapsto (x, v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix})$$

bijection. We use this bijection to equip  $\pi_{E^*}^{-1}(U_\alpha)$  with topology and a smooth structure s.t. the map  $h_\alpha^{E^*}$  is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism. Then  $\pi_{E^*}^{-1}(U_\alpha)$  is a  $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $n + r$  where  $n = \dim M$ . Indeed  $\pi_{E^*} = pr_1 \circ h_\alpha^{E^*}$  for any  $x \in U_\alpha$  and  $E_x^* \cong \mathbb{R}^r$ .

(ii) Smooth Transition Functions. On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ , recall

$$e_{\alpha_j}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^r e_{\beta_i}(x) g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{ij} \in E_x$$

Then by our definition of  $e_{\beta_k}^*$  (11)

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle e_{\beta_k}^*(x), e_{\alpha_j}(x) \rangle &= \sum_{i=1}^r \delta_{ik} g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{ij} = g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{kj} \\
\implies e_{\beta_k}^*(x) &= \sum_{i=1}^r g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x)_{ki} e_{\alpha_i}^*(x) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^r e_{\alpha_i}^*(x) (g_{\beta\alpha}^E(x))_{ik}^T \\
&:= \sum_{i=1}^r e_{\alpha_i}^*(x) g_{\alpha\beta}^{E^*}(x)_{ik} \\
\implies (g_{\beta\alpha}^E)^{-1} &= g_{\alpha\beta}^{E^*} = (g_{\beta\alpha}^E)^T
\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$g_{\beta\alpha}^{E^*} = ((g_{\beta\alpha}^E)^T)^{-1} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{R}) \quad is \ C^\infty \ map$$

The transition map

$$h_\alpha^{E^*} \circ (h_\beta^{E^*})^{-1} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

is given by

$$h_{\alpha}^{E^*} \circ (h_{\beta}^{E^*})^{-1}(x, v) = (x, g_{\alpha\beta}^{E^*}(x)v) = (x, (g_{\beta\alpha}^E)^T(x)v)$$

while its inverse is given by

$$h_{\beta}^{E^*} \circ (h_{\alpha}^{E^*})^{-1}(x, v) = (x, g_{\beta\alpha}^{E^*}(x)v) = (x, ((g_{\beta\alpha}^E)^T)^{-1}(x)v)$$

The above smooth structures gives

$$\pi_{E^*} : E^* \rightarrow M \text{ is } C^{\infty} \text{ vector bundle of rank } r$$

## 10.2 Other Operations

Similarly, for  $\{e_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^r$   $C^{\infty}$  frame of  $E|_{U_{\alpha}} := \pi_E^{-1}(U_{\alpha})$  and  $\{f_{\alpha_j}\}_{j=1}^s$   $C^{\infty}$  frame of  $F|_{U_{\alpha}} := \pi_F^{-1}(U_{\alpha})$

- $\{e_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^r \cup \{f_{\alpha_j}\}_{j=1}^s$  is  $C^{\infty}$  frame of  $(E \oplus F)|_{U_{\alpha}}$ .
- $\{e_{\alpha_i} \otimes f_{\alpha_j} \mid 1 \leq i \leq r, 1 \leq j \leq s\}$  is  $C^{\infty}$  frame of  $(E \otimes F)|_{U_{\alpha}}$ .
- $\{e_{\alpha_{i_1}} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\alpha_{i_k}} \mid 1 \leq i_1 \leq \cdots \leq i_k \leq r\}$  is  $C^{\infty}$  frame of  $(\Lambda^k E)|_{U_{\alpha}}$  for  $k \leq r$ .

## 11 Tensor Bundles

### 11.1 Tensor and Forms

**Definition 11.1** (Cotangent Bundle). *Let  $M$  be  $C^{\infty}$  manifold with dimension  $n$ . Let  $p \in M$*

- A cotangent vector at  $p \in M$  is a vector in  $T_p^*M := (T_pM)^*$ .
- $T_p^*M$  is the cotangent vector space at  $p$ .
- $T^*M := (TM)^* = \bigsqcup_{p \in M} T_p^*M$  a  $C^{\infty}$  vector bundle of rank  $n$  is the cotangent bundle.

**Definition 11.2** ( $(r, s)$ -tensor and  $s$ -form). *Let  $M$  be  $C^{\infty}$  manifold with dimension  $n$ .*

- $T_s^r(M) := (TM)^{\otimes r} \otimes (T^*M)^{\otimes s}$  is  $C^{\infty}$  vector bundle of rank  $n^{r+s}$ . A  $C^{\infty}$   $(r, s)$ -tensor on  $M$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  section of  $T_s^r(M)$ .

$$\text{Space of smooth } (r, s)\text{-tensors on } M := C^{\infty}(M, T_s^r(M))$$

- $\Lambda^s T^*M$  is  $C^{\infty}$  vector bundle of rank  $\binom{n}{k}$ . A  $C^{\infty}$   $s$ -form on  $M$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  section of  $\Lambda^s T^*M \subset T_s^0 M = (T^*M)^{\otimes s}$ .

$$\Omega^s(M) := C^{\infty}(M, \Lambda^s T^*M)$$

is the space of  $C^{\infty}$   $s$ -forms on  $M$ .

**Remark 11.1.** *Given smooth manifold  $M$ .*

- $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$  is  $(0, 0)$ -tensor.
- $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  is  $(1, 0)$ -tensor.
- 1-form are exactly  $(0, 1)$ -tensors.
- $s$ -forms are examples of  $(0, s)$ -tensors.

**Example 11.1** (Differential of smooth function). *Let  $M$  be smooth manifold of dimension  $n$ . Let  $p \in M$  and  $(U, \phi)$  a  $C^{\infty}$  chart around  $p$  where  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . Let  $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$ , then its differential  $df$*

$$df_p : T_p U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \in T_p^* U$$

and satisfies

$$\langle df, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \rangle = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \in C^{\infty}(U)$$

Hence  $df$  is  $(0, 1)$ -tensor, or equivalently, 1-form.

**Example 11.2** ( $dx_i$ , tensors and forms in local coordinates). *We pass to local coordinates. Let  $(U, \phi)$  be  $C^{\infty}$  chart for  $M$  with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  for  $x_i \in C^{\infty}(U)$ .*

(i) The differentials of coordinate functions  $\{dx_i\}$  are smooth sections of  $T^*M|_U = T^*U \rightarrow U$  s.t.

$$dx_i : U \rightarrow T^*M|_U \quad \text{s.t. } p \mapsto (dx_i)_p : T_pM \rightarrow T_{\phi(p)}\mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{R}$$

$$(dx_i)_p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(p)\right) := \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial x_j} = \delta_{ij}$$

where  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\}$  is  $C^\infty$  frame of  $TM|_U = TU$ . Hence  $\{dx_i\}$  is the  $C^\infty$  dual frame of  $T^*M|_U = T^*U$ .

(ii) For any  $f \in C^\infty(U)$  one writes

$$df = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} dx_i$$

More generally, on  $U$ ,  $C^\infty$  vector fields as  $(1,0)$ -tensors are

$$\sum_i^n a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

where  $a^i \in C^\infty(U)$ , and  $C^\infty$  1-forms as  $(0,1)$ -tensors are

$$\sum_i a_i dx_i$$

where  $a^i \in C^\infty(U)$ .

(iii)  $C^\infty$   $(r,s)$ -tensors are

$$\sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_r \leq n \\ 1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n}} a_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_r}} \otimes dx_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{j_s} \quad (12)$$

for  $a_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \in C^\infty(U)$ . And  $C^\infty$   $s$ -form is

$$\sum_{1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n} a_{j_1, \dots, j_s} dx_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{j_s}$$

with convection  $dx_1 \wedge dx_2 = dx_1 \otimes dx_2 - dx_2 \otimes dx_1$ .

## 11.2 Pullback and Pushforwards

**Definition 11.3** (Pullback of  $(0,s)$ -tensor under  $C^\infty$  map). Let  $M, N$  smooth manifolds.  $\phi : M \rightarrow N$   $C^\infty$  map.

(i)  $d\phi_p : T_pM \rightarrow T_{\phi(p)}N$ . One get pullback dual map  $d\phi_p^* : T_{\phi(p)}^*N \rightarrow T_p^*M$  s.t.

$$d\phi_p^*(Y)(X) := Y(d\phi_p(X)) \quad \forall X \in T_pM \quad \text{and} \quad Y \in T_{\phi(p)}^*N$$

which generalizes to  $s$  inputs

$$(d\phi_p^*)^{\otimes s} : (T_s^0N)_{\phi(p)} = (T_{\phi(p)}^*N)^{\otimes s} \rightarrow (T_s^0M)_p = (T_p^*M)^{\otimes s}$$

s.t.

$$(d\phi_p^*)^{\otimes s}(Y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes Y_s)(X_1, \dots, X_s) := (Y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes Y_s)(d\phi_p^{\otimes s}(X_1, \dots, X_s))$$

$$= (Y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes Y_s)(d\phi_p(X_1), \dots, d\phi_p(X_s))$$

$\forall X_1 \dots X_s \in T_pM$  and  $Y_1 \dots Y_s \in T_{\phi(p)}^*N$ .

(ii) We define the pullback of  $(0,s)$ -tensor

$$\phi^* : C^\infty(N, T_s^0N) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, T_s^0M) \quad T \mapsto \phi^*T$$

from  $(0,s)$ -tensor on  $N$  to  $(0,s)$ -tensor on  $M$  s.t.  $\forall p \in M$

$$(\phi^*T)(p) := (d\phi_p^*)^{\otimes s}(T(\phi(p)))$$

where  $T(\phi(p)) \in T_s^0(N)_{\phi(p)}$  and  $(d\phi_p^*)^{\otimes s}(T(\phi(p))) \in T_s^0(N)_{\phi(p)} \in T_s^0(M)_p$ . In particular, for  $T \in \Omega^s(N)$ , for any  $X_1, \dots, X_s \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$(\phi^*T)(X_1, \dots, X_s) := T(d\phi(X_1), \dots, d\phi(X_s))$$

One can check  $\phi^*T : M \rightarrow T_s^rM$  is a  $C^\infty$  section using local coordinates.

(iii) The above definition works for pullback of  $s$ -forms, i.e.  $\phi^* : \Omega^s(N) \rightarrow \Omega^s(M)$ . As a particular example, consider  $\Omega^1(N)$  the space of 1-forms.

(a) If  $f \in C^\infty(N) = \Omega^0(N)$ , so  $df \in \Omega^1(N)$  as in Example 11.1. For any  $q \in N$

$$df(q) = df_q : T_q N \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad df = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_i} dy_i \quad \text{on } V$$

where  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is local coordinates on  $V \subset N$  open. One has the following commutative lemma

**Lemma 11.1.**  $\phi^* df = d(\phi^* f) \in \Omega^1(M)$

*Proof.* For any  $p \in M$

$$(\phi^* df)(p) = d\phi_p^*(df_{\phi(p)}) = df_{\phi(p)} \circ d\phi_p = d(f \circ \phi)_p = d(\phi^* f)(p)$$

□

(b) If more generally take any 1-form over  $N$  with smooth frame  $\{dy_i\}_{i=1}^n$  in local coordinates, one has

$$\phi^* dy_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial x_j} dx_j \in \Omega^1(M)$$

so for the local coordinate representation,

$$\phi^* \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i dy_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i \circ \phi) \phi^* dy_i \in \Omega^1(M)$$

for  $a_i \in C^\infty(N)$ .

**Example 11.3.** Let  $\phi : (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be

$$\phi(r, \theta) := (r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta)) = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

We'd like to compute  $\phi^* dx$ ,  $\phi^* dy$  and  $\phi^*(dx \wedge dy)$ . Recall  $\phi^*(x) = r \cos(\theta)$  and  $\phi^*(y) = r \sin(\theta)$ .

1.  $\phi^*(dx) = d(\phi^* x) = d(r \cos(\theta)) = \cos(\theta) dr - r \sin(\theta) d\theta$ .
2.  $\phi^*(dy) = d(\phi^* y) = d(r \sin(\theta)) = \sin(\theta) dr + r \cos(\theta) d\theta$ .
3.  $\phi^*(dx \wedge dy) = d(\phi^* x) \wedge d(\phi^* y) = r \cos^2(\theta) dr \wedge d\theta + r \sin^2(\theta) dr \wedge d\theta = r dr \wedge d\theta$ .

We may also compute

$$\begin{aligned} \phi^*(-y dx + x dy) &= -r \sin(\theta)(\cos(\theta) dr - r \sin(\theta) d\theta) + r \cos(\theta)(\sin(\theta) dr + r \cos(\theta) d\theta) \\ &= r^2 d\theta \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 11.2.** For  $M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M_2 \xrightarrow{g} M_3$

$$(g \circ f)^* = f^* g^* : C^\infty(M_3, T_s^0(M_3)) \rightarrow C^\infty(M_1, T_s^0(M_1))$$

**Definition 11.4** (Pullback and Pushforward of  $(r, s)$ -tensor under  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism). Let  $M, N$  be smooth manifolds with the same dimension. Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism with inverse  $F^{-1} : N \rightarrow M$ . Note for any  $p \in M$  we have  $F(p) \in N$ .

(i) Define pullback  $F^* : C^\infty(N, T_s^r(N)) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, T_s^r M)$  that takes  $(r, s)$ -tensor  $T$  on  $N$  to  $F^* T$ , a  $(r, s)$ -tensor on  $M$

$$(F^* T)(p) := (dF_p^{-1})^{\otimes r} \otimes ((dF_p)^*)^{\otimes s} (T(F(p)))$$

for  $T(F(p)) \in (T_s^r N)_{F(p)} = (T_{F(p)} N)^{\otimes r} \otimes (T_{F(p)}^* N)^{\otimes s}$ . One can check  $F^* T : M \rightarrow T_s^r M$  is a  $C^\infty$  section using local coordinates.

(ii) Define pushforward

$$F_* := (F^{-1})^* : C^\infty(M, T_s^r M) \rightarrow C^\infty(N, T_s^r N)$$

**Lemma 11.3.** For  $M_1 \xrightarrow{F} M_2 \xrightarrow{G} M_3$   $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism.

$$(G \circ F)^* = G^* \circ F^*$$



**Example 11.4.** Let  $M = \{(r, \theta) \mid r > 0, |\theta| < \frac{\pi}{2}\}$  and  $F : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.  $F(r, \theta) = (r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta))$ . Consider the pullback of tensor field  $A = \frac{1}{x^2} dy \otimes dy$  by  $F$

$$\begin{aligned} F^*A &= \frac{1}{r^2 \cos^2(\theta)} d(r \sin(\theta)) \otimes d(r \sin(\theta)) \\ &= \frac{1}{r^2 \cos^2(\theta)} (\sin(\theta) dr + r \cos(\theta) d\theta) \otimes (\sin(\theta) dr + r \cos(\theta) d\theta) \\ &= \frac{\tan^2(\theta)}{r^2} dr \otimes dr + \frac{\tan(\theta)}{r} (dr \otimes d\theta + d\theta \otimes dr) + d\theta \otimes d\theta \end{aligned}$$

### 11.3 Lie Derivatives of Tensors

We discuss Lie Derivative  $L_X$  on  $(r, s)$ -tensors for  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

**Definition 11.5** (Lie Derivative on Tensors). Given  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  for  $M$   $C^\infty$  manifold. We want to define  $L_X : C^\infty(M, T_s^r M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, T_s^r M)$  s.t.  $T \mapsto L_X T$  extending

$$\begin{aligned} L_X : C^\infty(M) &\rightarrow C^\infty(M) \text{ s.t. } f \mapsto L_X f = Xf && \text{on } (0, 0) \text{ - tensor} \\ L_X : \mathfrak{X}(M) &\rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \text{ s.t. } Y \mapsto L_X Y := [X, Y] && \text{on } (1, 0) \text{ - tensor} \end{aligned}$$

- Approach 1. We want to define  $L_X : \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M)$   $(0, 1)$ -tensors by requiring that it is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear and satisfies the following Leibnitz rule: For any

$$\alpha \in \Omega^1(M) \in C^\infty(M, T^*M = T_1^0(M)) \quad \text{and} \quad Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) = C^\infty(M, TM = T_0^1(M))$$

note  $\alpha(Y) \in C^\infty(M)$  s.t.

$$\alpha(Y)(p) = \alpha(p)(Y(p)) \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{for } \alpha(p) : T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

The Leibnitz rule is

$$\begin{aligned} L_X(\alpha(Y)) &= (L_X \alpha)(Y) + \alpha(L_X Y) \\ (L_X \alpha)(Y) &= L_X(\alpha(Y)) - \alpha(L_X Y) \\ &= X(\alpha(Y)) - \alpha([X, Y]) \end{aligned}$$

The only way to define  $L_X$  is as following

- Define  $L_X : \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M)$  s.t. For any

$$\alpha \in \Omega^1(M) \in C^\infty(M, T^*M = T_1^0(M)) \quad \text{and} \quad Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) = C^\infty(M, TM = T_0^1(M))$$

$$(L_X \alpha)(Y) = X(\alpha(Y)) - \alpha([X, Y])$$

- tensor product

$$L_X(S \otimes T) = (L_X S) \otimes T + S \otimes (L_X T)$$

this extends to tensors of any type.

- Approach 2. Given  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  we want to define  $L_X T$  where  $T$  is  $(r, s)$ -tensor on  $M$ , using the local flow of  $X$ . For any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$ , for  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\phi_t : U \xrightarrow{C^\infty} M \quad t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$$

Define

$$(\tilde{L}_X T)(p) := \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (\phi_t^* T)(p)$$

where  $(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \xrightarrow{C^\infty} (T_p^r M)_p = (T_p M)^{\otimes r} \otimes (T_p^* M)^{\otimes s}$  maps  $t \mapsto (\phi_t^* T)(p)$ . We have seen that

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{L}_X f)(p) &= X(p)f \quad \forall f \in C^\infty(M) \\ (\tilde{L}_X Y)(p) &= [X, Y](p) \quad \forall Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \end{aligned}$$

Claim:  $\tilde{L}_X T = L_X T$  for any  $T$  tensor on  $M$  of any type  $(r, s)$ . It suffices to check that

- (a)  $(\tilde{L}_X \alpha)(Y) = X(\alpha(Y)) - \alpha([X, Y])$  for any

$$\alpha \in \Omega^1(M) \in C^\infty(M, T^*M = T_1^0(M)) \quad \text{and} \quad Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) = C^\infty(M, TM = T_0^1(M))$$

(b)

$$\tilde{L}_X(S \otimes T) = (\tilde{L}_X S) \otimes T + S \otimes (\tilde{L}_X T)$$

To do so, one use local flow

$$\begin{cases} \phi_t^*(\alpha(Y)) = \phi_t^*(\alpha)\phi_t^*(Y) \\ \phi_t^*(\alpha(S \otimes T)) = \phi_t^*(S) \otimes \phi_t^*(T) \end{cases}$$

and take derivative  $\frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0}$  to determine uniquely.

**Lemma 11.4.** For  $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$ ,  $\tau \in \Omega^\ell(M)$  and  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$L_X(\omega \wedge \tau) = (L_X\omega) \wedge \tau + \omega \wedge (L_X\tau)$$

**Lemma 11.5.** For  $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$ ,  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  and  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$L_X(f\omega) = L_X(f)\omega + f(L_X\omega) = (Xf)\omega + fL_X\omega$$

**Lemma 11.6** (Leibnitz Rule for Lie Derivative). For any  $\omega \in \Omega^s(M)$ ,  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $Y_1, \dots, Y_s \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$L_X(\omega(Y_1, \dots, Y_s)) = (L_X\omega)(Y_1, \dots, Y_s) + \sum_{i=1}^s \omega(Y_1, \dots, Y_{i-1}, [X, Y_i], Y_{i+1}, \dots, Y_s)$$

**Example 11.5.** Let  $\omega = -ydx + xdy \in \Omega^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , and  $X = -y\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{S}^1)$ . We want to compute  $L_X\omega$ . Using that  $L_X$  is a derivation and  $L_X$  commutes with  $d$

$$\begin{aligned} L_X(-ydx + xdy) &= -L_X(ydx) + L_X(xdy) \\ &= -(L_X(y)dx + yL_X(dx)) + (L_X(x)dy + xL_X(dy)) \\ &= -L_X(y)dx - yd(L_X(x)) + L_X(x)dy + xd(L_X(y)) \end{aligned}$$

it suffices to compute

$$\begin{aligned} L_X(x) &= -yL_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}}(x) + xL_{\frac{\partial}{\partial y}}(x) = -y \\ L_X(y) &= \left(-y\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)y = x \end{aligned}$$

so

$$L_X(-ydx + xdy) = -x dx + y dy - y dy + x dx = 0$$

**Example 11.6.** Let  $A \in C^\infty(M, T_2^0(M))$  be covariant 2-tensor field for  $M$  with dimension  $n$ . Let  $V \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . We wish to compute  $L_V A$  in local coordinates. First note  $L_V(dx^i) = d(L_V x^i) = d(Vx^i) = dV^i = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial V^i}{\partial x^k} dx^k$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L_V(A_{ij}dx^i \otimes dx^j) &= L_V(A_{ij})dx^i \otimes dx^j + A_{ij}(d(Vx^i) \otimes dx^j + dx^i \otimes d(Vx^j)) \\ &= \left(VA_{ij} + A_{kj}\frac{\partial V^k}{\partial x^i} + A_{ik}\frac{\partial V^k}{\partial x^j}\right) dx^i \otimes dx^j \end{aligned}$$

## 11.4 Exterior and Interior derivatives on Forms

We discuss exterior and interior derivatives on forms. Let  $L_X : \Omega^s(M) \rightarrow \Omega^s(M)$  be Lie derivative on  $s$ -forms.

**Definition 11.6** (Exterior Derivative on forms).  $d : \Omega^s(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{s+1}(M)$  is exterior derivative if it is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear and satisfies

(a) For any  $f \in C^\infty(M) = \Omega^0(M)$ ,  $df \in \Omega^1(M)$ ,  $df(p) = df_p : T_p M \rightarrow T_{f(p)}\mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{R}$  where  $df(X) = X(f)$  for  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , i.e.,  $df$  is the differential of  $f$ .

(b) For any  $f \in \Omega^0(M)$  we have  $df \in \Omega^1(M)$  and  $d(df) = 0$

(c) For  $\alpha \in \Omega^r(M)$  and  $\beta \in \Omega^s(M)$

$$d(\alpha \wedge \beta) = d\alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^r \alpha \wedge d\beta$$

In local coordinates  $(U, \phi)$   $C^\infty$  chart on  $M$ . For  $\alpha \in \Omega^s(M)$ , on  $U$

$$\alpha = \sum_{1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n} a_{j_1, \dots, j_s} dx_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{j_s}$$

for  $a_{j_1, \dots, j_s} \in C^\infty(U)$ . Then we compute

$$\begin{aligned} d\alpha &= d \left( \sum_{1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n} a_{j_1, \dots, j_s} dx_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{j_s} \right) \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n} da_{j_1, \dots, j_s} \wedge dx_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{j_s} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial a_{j_1, \dots, j_s}}{\partial x_k} dx_k \wedge dx_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{j_s} \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 11.1.** Let  $d$  be the exterior derivative.

(i)  $dd\omega = 0$  for any  $\omega \in \Omega^s(M)$ .

(ii) For  $F : M \rightarrow N$   $C^\infty$  map, for any  $\omega \in \Omega^s(N)$

$$d(F^*\omega) = F^*(d\omega) \in \Omega^{s+1}(M)$$

This is naturality of  $d$  that it commutes with pullbacks  $d \circ F^* = F^* \circ d$

(iii) For  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $\omega \in \Omega(M)$

$$d(L_X\omega) = L_X(d\omega) \in \Omega^{s+1}(M)$$

so  $d$  commutes with Lie derivatives  $d \circ L_X = L_X \circ d$

(iv) For  $\alpha \in \Omega^s(M)$  and  $X_0 \cdots X_s \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$(d\alpha)(X_0 \cdots X_s) = \sum_{i=0}^s (-1)^i X_i \left( \alpha(X_0, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_s) \right) + \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq s} (-1)^{i+j} \alpha \left( [X_i, X_j], X_0, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_s \right)$$

or in short, for  $\alpha \in \Omega^1(M)$ ,  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$(d\alpha)(X, Y) = X\alpha(Y) - Y\alpha(X) - \alpha([X, Y]) \quad (13)$$

*Proof for Prop 11.1 (iv)  $\Omega^1(M)$  case.* By linearity in  $\mathbb{R}$ , it suffices to assume  $\alpha = fdg$  where  $f, g \in C^\infty(U)$  for  $U$  open set on  $M$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (d\alpha)(X, Y) &= (df \wedge dg)(X, Y) = df(X)dg(Y) - dg(X)df(Y) = (Xf)Yg - (Xg)Yf \\ X\alpha(Y) &= X((fdg)(Y)) = X(f)dg(Y) + fX(dg(Y)) = (Xf)Yg + fX(Yg) \\ Y\alpha(X) &= Y(fdg(X)) = YfXg + fY(Xg) \\ \alpha([X, Y]) &= fdg(XY - YX) = fXYg - fYXg \end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 11.7.** • Let  $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , then

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz$$

• Let  $\alpha = Adx + Bdy + Cdz$  for  $A, B, C \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d\alpha &= dA \wedge dx + dB \wedge dy + dC \wedge dz \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial A}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} dz \right) \wedge dx + \left( \frac{\partial B}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} dz \right) \wedge dy + \left( \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} dz \right) \wedge dz \\ &= -\frac{\partial A}{\partial y} dx \wedge dy + \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} dz \wedge dx + \frac{\partial B}{\partial x} dx \wedge dy - \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} dy \wedge dz - \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} dz \wedge dx + \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} dy \wedge dz \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial B}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A}{\partial y} \right) dx \wedge dy + \left( \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \right) dy \wedge dz + \left( \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} \right) dz \wedge dx \end{aligned}$$

• Let  $\alpha = Cdx \wedge dy + Ady \wedge dz + Bdz \wedge dx$  for  $A, B, C \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$

$$\begin{aligned} d\alpha &= dC \wedge dx \wedge dy + dA \wedge dy \wedge dz + dB \wedge dz \wedge dx \\ &= \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} dz \wedge dx \wedge dy + \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} dy \wedge dz \wedge dx \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} \right) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d^2 = 0$ , this is to say for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ ,  $\text{curl}(\nabla f) = 0$ , and for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ ,  $\text{div}(\text{curl}(X)) = 0$ .

**Definition 11.7** (Interior Derivative on forms).  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Define interior derivative

$$i_X : \Omega^s(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{s-1}(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \alpha \in \Omega^s(M) \mapsto i_X \alpha \in \Omega^{s-1}(M)$$

by satisfying the following

- $i_X f = 0$  for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ .
- $(i_X \alpha)(Y_1, \dots, Y_{s-1}) = \alpha(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_{s-1})$  for  $Y_1, \dots, Y_{s-1} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

**Proposition 11.2.** Let  $i_X$  denote interior derivative

(i)  $i_X \circ i_X \omega = 0$  for any  $\omega \in \Omega^s(M)$

(ii)  $\alpha \in \Omega^r(M), \beta \in \Omega^s(M)$

$$i_X(\alpha \wedge \beta) = i_X \alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^r \alpha \wedge i_X \beta$$

(iii) Cartan's formula.

$$d \circ i_X + i_X \circ d = L_X$$

**Lemma 11.7.** For any  $\omega \in \Omega^s(M), X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$L_X(i_Y \omega) - i_Y(L_X \omega) = i_{[X, Y]} \omega$$

## 12 Riemannian Metric

Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold.

**Definition 12.1** (Riemannian Metric). *A Riemannian Metric on  $M$  is a  $C^\infty$   $(0, 2)$ -tensor  $g$  on  $M$  s.t.  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $g(p) \in T_p^*M \otimes T_p^*M$*

$g(p) : T_pM \times T_pM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defines an inner product s.t.  $(v_1, v_2) \mapsto g(p)(v_1, v_2)$

- $g(p)(v_1, v_2) = g(p)(v_2, v_1)$
- $g(p)(v, v) > 0$  if  $v \neq 0$

Let  $n = \dim M$ . Then the tensor bundle  $T_2^0M = T^*M \otimes T^*M = S^2T^*M \oplus \Lambda^2T^*M$  splits into product of symmetric and anti-symmetric tensor bundles, with rank  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$  and  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  respectively.

For any  $p \in M$ ,

- $(S^2T^*M)_p = \{\text{symmetric bilinear forms on } T_pM\}$
- $(\Lambda^2T^*M)_p = \{\text{skew-symmetric bilinear forms on } T_pM\}$

and  $g \in C^\infty(M, S^2T^*M) = \{C^\infty \text{ symmetric } (0, 2)\text{-tensors}\}$ .

The pair  $(M, g)$  is a Riemannian manifold.

In local coordinates, let  $(U, \phi)$  be  $C^\infty$  chart for  $M$  with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .

$$dx_i dx_j := \frac{dx_i \otimes dx_j + dx_j \otimes dx_i}{2} \in C^\infty(U, S^2 T^*M|_U)$$

So  $\{dx_i dx_j \mid 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n\}$  is  $C^\infty$  frame of  $S^2 T^*M|_U = S^2 T^*U$ . Recall that on the other hand

$$\{dx_i \wedge dx_j := dx_i \otimes dx_j - dx_j \otimes dx_i \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$$

is  $C^\infty$  frame of  $\Lambda^2 T^*M|_U$ . One may write

$$dx_i^2 = dx_i dx_i = dx_i \otimes dx_i$$

And on  $U$

$$g = \sum_{ij} g_{ij} dx_i \otimes dx_j = \sum_{ij} g_{ij} dx_i dx_j \quad g_{ij} = g_{ji}$$

For  $\dim M = 2$  with  $(x_1, x_2)$ ,

$$g = g_{11} dx_1^2 + 2g_{12} dx_1 dx_2 + g_{22} dx_2^2$$

**Example 12.1** (Euclidean and Polar coordinates). *Let  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$  with Euclidean metric*

$$g_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n dx_i^2 = \sum_{ij} g_{ij} dx_i dx_j$$

so  $g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$

- For  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with  $(x, y) = (r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta))$ , one may write in polar coordinates

$$g_0 = dx^2 + dy^2 = (\cos(\theta)dr - r \sin(\theta)d\theta)^2 + (\sin(\theta)dr + r \cos(\theta)d\theta)^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2$$

- For  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with  $(x, y, z) = (\rho \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta), \rho \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta), \rho \cos(\phi))$  for  $\rho > 0$ ,  $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$  and  $\phi \in (0, \pi)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} g_0 &= dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 \\ &= (\sin(\phi) \cos(\theta)d\rho - \rho \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi)d\theta + \rho \cos(\phi) \cos(\theta)d\phi)^2 + (\sin(\phi) \sin(\theta)d\rho + \rho \cos(\theta) \sin(\phi)d\theta + \rho \cos(\phi) \sin(\theta)d\phi)^2 \\ &\quad + (\cos(\phi)d\rho - \rho \sin(\phi)d\phi)^2 \\ &= d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\phi^2 + \rho^2 \sin^2(\phi) d\theta^2 \end{aligned}$$

One may also do for smooth frames

- On  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $dx^2 + dy^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2$ . We have  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\}$  orthonormal with

$$\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rangle = 1 = \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \rangle \quad \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \rangle = 0$$

We have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \quad \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$$

as orthonormal basis

- On  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 = d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\phi^2 + \rho^2 \sin^2(\phi) d\theta^2$  with orthonormal frame  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\}$ . One has

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \rho}, \quad \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}, \quad \frac{1}{\rho \sin(\phi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \quad \text{on open dense subset } U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

as orthonormal basis.

**Definition 12.2** (pullback of riemannian metric).  $(M, g)$  Riemannian manifold. If  $f : M' \rightarrow M$  is  $C^\infty$  map from  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M'$  to  $M$ . Then  $f^*g$  is a  $C^\infty$  symmetric  $(0, 2)$ -tensor on  $M'$ . Moreover, for  $f^*g$  to define an inner product so that it equips a Riemannian metric on  $M'$ , we have the following equivalent conditons: For any  $p \in M'$ , for any  $v \neq 0 \in T_p M'$

$$(f^*g)(v, v) := g(p)(df_p(v), df_p(v)) > 0$$

iff for any  $p \in M'$ ,

$$df_p : T_p M' \rightarrow T_{f(p)} M \quad \text{is injective}$$

iff  $f$  is an immersion

**Remark 12.1.** If  $(M, g)$  is Riemannian manifold and  $M' \subset M$  a  $C^\infty$  manifold,  $i : M' \rightarrow M$  inclusion map as  $C^\infty$  embedding. Then  $(M', i^*g)$  is a Riemannian submanifold. For any  $p \in M' \subset M$ ,

$$(i^*g)(p) : T_p M' \times T_p M' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is the restriction of  $g(p) : T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

**Example 12.2** (Canonical metric on  $\mathbb{S}^n(r)$ ).  $\mathbb{S}^n(r) := \{(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i^2 = r^2\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  for  $r > 0$ . Define  $i_r : \mathbb{S}^n(r) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  inclusion.

$$g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^n(r)} := i_r^* g_0 = i_r^*(dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_{n+1}^2)$$

defines canonical metric on the round sphere of radius  $r$ . For  $n = 3$

$$g_0 = d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\phi^2 + \rho^2 \sin^2(\phi) d\theta^2$$

One has

$$g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^n(r)} = i_r^* g_0 = r^2(d\phi^2 + \sin^2(\phi) d\theta^2) \quad \text{for } (\phi, \theta)$$

local coordinates on  $U \subset \mathbb{S}^2(r)$  open.

**Definition 12.3.**  $f : (M_1, g_1) \rightarrow (M_2, g_2)$  is a  $C^\infty$  map between two Riemannian manifolds.

- We say  $f$  is an isometric immersion if  $f$  is an immersion and  $f^*g_2 = g_1$ .
- We say  $f$  is an isometric embedding if  $f$  is an embedding and  $f^*g_2 = g_1$ .
- We say  $f$  is an isometry (local isometry) if  $f$  is a diffeomorphism (local diffeomorphism) and  $f^*g_2 = g_1$

**Example 12.3.**  $i_r : (\mathbb{S}^n(r), g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^n(r)}) \mapsto (\mathbb{R}^{n+1}, g_0)$  is an isometric embedding.

**Example 12.4.**  $A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ .  $L_A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  linear isomorphism  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto Ax$  is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism.

For  $g_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n dx_i^2$ , when is  $L_A$  an isometry between  $(\mathbb{R}^n, g_0)$ ? i.e., when is  $L_A^*g_0 = g_0$ ? Note for  $A = (a_{ij})$ ,

$$(Ax)_i = \sum_j a_{ij}x_j$$

$$L_A^*x_i = \sum_j a_{ij}x_j$$

$$L_A^*dx_i = d(L_A^*x_i) = \sum_j a_{ij}dx_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_A^*g_0 &= L_A^*\left(\sum_{i=1}^n dx_i^2\right) = \sum_{i,j,k} (a_{ij}dx_j)(a_{ik}dx_k) = \sum_{j,k=1}^n \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}a_{ik}\right) dx_j dx_k \\ &= \sum_{j,k=1}^n (A^T A)_{jk} dx_j dx_k \end{aligned}$$

So  $L_A^*g_0 = g_0$  iff  $A^T A = T_n$  iff  $A \in O(n)$ . For  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $T_b : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $x \mapsto x + b$ . Here  $T_b^*x_i = x_i + b_i$ ,  $T_b^*dx_i = dx_i$  and  $T_b^*g_0 = g_0$ .

**Theorem 12.1.**  $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0)$  is an isometry iff

$$f(x) = Ax + b \quad \text{for } A \in O(n) \text{ and } b \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

i.e.,  $f$  is a rigid motion.

Observe that,  $A \in O(n+1)$  and  $L_A : (\mathbb{R}^{n+1}, g_0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{n+1}, g_0)$  is an isometry and  $L_A(\mathbb{S}^n) = \mathbb{S}^n$ . So  $L_A : (\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$  is an isometry.

$$g_{can} = i^*g_0 \quad L_A^*g_0 = L_A^*g_0$$

**Theorem 12.2.**  $f : (\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$  is an isometry iff  $f : \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n$  is  $f(x) = Ax$  for some  $A \in O(n+1)$ .

**Example 12.5.**  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  where  $f(t) := (\cos(t), \sin(t))$ . So

$$f^*g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^1} = f^*i^*(dx^2 + dy^2) = (d(\cos(t)))^2 + (d(\sin(t)))^2 = (-\sin(t)dt)^2 + (\cos(t)dt)^2 = dt^2$$

$f : (\mathbb{R}, dt^2) \rightarrow (\mathbb{S}^1, g_{can})$  is a local isometry, and in fact a covering map.

**Definition 12.4** (Product Metric). If  $(M_1, g_1)$  and  $(M_2, g_2)$  are Riemannian manifolds, then

$$g_1 \times g_2 := \pi_1^*g_1 + \pi_2^*g_2$$

is a Riemannian metric on  $M_1 \times M_2$ . For any  $p_i \in M_i$ ,  $T_{(p_1, p_2)}(M_1 \times M_2) = T_{p_1}M_1 \oplus T_{p_2}M_2$  so that

$$(T_{(p_1, p_2)}(M_1 \times M_2)(g_1 \times g_2)(p_1, p_2)) = (T_{p_1}M_1g_1(p_1)) \oplus (T_{p_2}M_2g_2(p_2))$$

The product metric writes

$$(g_1 \times g_2)_{(p_1, p_2)} : T_{(p_1, p_2)}(M_1 \times M_2) \times T_{(p_1, p_2)}(M_1 \times M_2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \langle (u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2) \rangle = \langle u_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle u_2, v_2 \rangle \quad \forall u_i, v_i \in T_{p_i}M_i$$

**Example 12.6.**  $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0 = dt_1^2 + \dots + dt_n^2) \rightarrow (T^n := \mathbb{S}^1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{S}^1, g_{can} \times \dots \times g_{can}) \subset (\mathbb{R}^{2n}, g_0)$  the flat  $n$ -torus.

$$f(t_1, \dots, t_n) = (\cos(t_1), \sin(t_1), \dots, \cos(t_n), \sin(t_n))$$

$f$  is a local isometry.

## 13 Volume, Length and Distance

### 13.1 Volume

Riemannian metric gives rise to volume, length and distance.

**Definition 13.1** (Volume Form). A volume form on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$  is a nowhere vanishing  $C^\infty$   $n$ -form  $\nu \in \Omega^n(M) = C^\infty(M, \Lambda^n T^*M)$

**Lemma 13.1.** Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold. Then the following are equivalent:

- There exists a volume form  $\nu \in \Omega^n(M)$  on  $M$
- $\Lambda^n T^*M$  is trivial.

- $M$  is orientable.

Hence a volume form  $\nu \in \Omega^n(M)$  determines an orientation on  $M$ .  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  volume forms determine the same orientation iff  $\nu_1 = \rho\nu_2$  for some  $\rho \in C^\infty(M)$  with  $\rho > 0$ .

*Proof of Existence of Volume form implies orientable.* Suppose  $\nu \in \Omega^n(M)$  is a volume form on  $M$ . We may choose  $C^\infty$  atlas  $\{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  where  $\phi_\alpha = (x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_n^\alpha)$  on  $M$  s.t., on  $U_\alpha$

$$\nu = a_\alpha dx_1^\alpha \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\alpha \quad a_\alpha \in C^\infty(U_\alpha) \quad a_\alpha > 0$$

On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$

$$\nu = a_\beta dx_1^\beta \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\beta = a_\alpha dx_1^\alpha \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\alpha$$

For

$$\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \rightarrow \phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \quad (x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_n^\alpha) \mapsto (x_1^\beta(x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_n^\alpha), \dots)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} dx_1^\beta \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\beta &= \left( \sum_{j_1} \frac{\partial x_1^\beta}{\partial x_{j_1}^\alpha} dx_{j_1}^\alpha \right) \wedge \dots \wedge \left( \sum_{j_n} \frac{\partial x_n^\beta}{\partial x_{j_n}^\alpha} dx_{j_n}^\alpha \right) \\ \implies \det(d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})) &= \det\left(\frac{\partial x_i^\beta}{\partial x_j^\alpha}\right) \\ \implies a_\beta dx_1^\beta \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\beta &= a_\beta \det(d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})) dx_1^\alpha \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\alpha \\ &= a_\alpha dx_1^\alpha \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\alpha \\ \implies \det(d(\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1})) &= \frac{a_\beta}{a_\alpha} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Proposition 13.1** (Orientable implies Existence of compatible volume form). *Suppose  $(M, g)$  is an oriented Riemannian manifold. Then there exists a unique volume form  $\nu \in \Omega^n(M)$  where  $n = \dim M$  which is compatible with  $g$  and the orientation. In fact, in local coordinates*

$$\nu_g(p) = \sqrt{\det(g_{ij})} (dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n)(p)$$

**Remark 13.1.** For any  $p \in M$ , let  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  be an ordered orthonormal basis of  $(T_p M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p)$  where  $\langle e_j, e_j \rangle_p = \delta_{ij}$  is the inner product defined by  $g(p)$ . Let  $\{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  be the atlas defining the given orientation. For  $p \in U_\alpha$ , one has coordinates  $\phi_\alpha = (x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_n^\alpha)$ .  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  is compatible with the orientation in the sense that

$$e_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j^\alpha}(p) \quad A = (a_{ij}) \quad \det(A) > 0$$

Hence

$$(dx_1^\alpha \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n^\alpha)_p(e_1, \dots, e_n) > 0$$

Let  $(e_1^*, \dots, e_n^*)$  be ordered basis of  $T_p^* M$  dual to  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$ . Then

$$\nu(p) = e_1^* \wedge \dots \wedge e_n^* \in \Lambda^n T_p^* M$$

iff  $\nu(p)(e_1, \dots, e_n) = 1$  for any ordered orthonormal basis  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  of  $(T_p M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p)$  compatible with the orientation.

$$\langle e_j, e_j \rangle_p = g(p)(e_i, e_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad g(p) = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^* \otimes e_i^*$$

*Proof of 13.1.* For Existence, for any  $p \in M$ , define  $\nu(p) := e_1^* \wedge \dots \wedge e_n^*$  as above.  $(U, \phi)$  is  $C^\infty$  chart on  $M$  compatible with the orientation for  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . On  $U$ ,  $g_{ij} = \sum_{i,j} g_{ij} dx_i dx_j$  for  $g_{ij} = g_{ji} \in C^\infty(U)$ . Let  $p \in U$ , let  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  be the orthonormal basis of  $T_p M$  compatible with the orientation. Then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) = \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} e_j \quad B = (b_{ij}) \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \quad \det(B) > 0$$



Then

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{ij}(p) &= \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p), \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(p) \right\rangle \\
&= \left\langle \sum_k b_{ik} e_k, \sum_\ell b_{j\ell} e_\ell \right\rangle \\
&= \sum_{k,\ell} b_{ik} b_{j\ell} \delta_{k\ell} \\
&= \sum_k b_{ik} b_{jk} = (BB^T)_{ij} \\
\implies \nu(p) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}(p), \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}(p) \right) &= \nu(p) \left( \sum_j b_{1j} e_1, \dots, \sum_j b_{nj} e_n \right) \\
&= \det(B) \nu(p)(e_1, \dots, e_n) = \det(B) \\
\nu(p) &= \det(B) (dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n) \\
&= \sqrt{\det(g_{ij})} (dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n)(p)
\end{aligned}$$

using  $\det(g_{ij}(p)) = \det(BB^T) = (\det B)^2$ . Now on  $U$  with  $g = \sum_{ij} g_{ij} dx_i dx_j$ ,  $\nu = \sqrt{\det(g_{ij})} dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$ . We write  $\nu_g = \nu$ .  $\square$

**Example 13.1.**  $\mathbb{S}^2(r) = r^2(d\phi^2 + \sin^2(\phi)d\theta^2)$  with  $(\phi, \theta) = (x_1, x_2)$ . Here

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 \sin^2(\phi) \end{pmatrix} \implies \det(g) = r^4 \sin^2(\phi)$$

So  $\nu = \sqrt{\det(g)} d\phi \wedge d\theta = r^2 \sin(\phi) d\phi \wedge d\theta$ . Hence

$$\text{Vol}(\mathbb{S}^2(r), g_{\text{can}}^{\mathbb{S}^2(r)}) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi r^2 \sin \phi d\phi d\theta = 4\pi r^2$$

## 13.2 Length

**Definition 13.2** (Length). For  $(M, g)$  Riemannian manifold,  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^\infty$  curve for  $-\infty < a < b < \infty$ . For any  $t \in (a, b)$ ,  $\gamma'(t) \in T_{\gamma(t)}M$ .

$$|\gamma'(t)|_{g(\gamma(t))} = \sqrt{\langle \gamma'(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle} = \sqrt{g(\gamma(t))(\gamma'(t), \gamma'(t))}$$

Define

$$\ell_g(r) := \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$$

Recall  $f : (M, g) \rightarrow (N, h)$  is isometric immersion, iff for any  $p \in M$ ,

$$\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle_p = \langle df_p(v_1), df_p(v_2) \rangle_{f(p)}$$

the former defined by  $g(p)$  and the latter defined by  $h(f(p))$ . Then for any  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow M$   $C^\infty$  curve,  $f \circ \gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow N$  is also  $C^\infty$  curve. Moreover

$$\ell_g(\gamma) = \ell_h(f \circ \gamma)$$

**Example 13.2.**  $H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y > 0\}$ .  $g_0 = dx^2 + dy^2$  Euclidean metric.  $h = \frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2}$  is hyperbolic metric. For  $\gamma_1 : [x_0, x_1] \rightarrow H$  s.t.  $\gamma_1(t) := (t, y_0)$  and  $\gamma_2 : [y_0, y_1] \rightarrow H$  s.t.  $\gamma_2(t) = (x_0, t)$ , then

$$\gamma_1'(t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\gamma(t)) \quad \gamma_2'(t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\gamma(t))$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
g_0(x, y) \left( a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, c \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + d \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) &= ac + bd \\
h(x, y) \left( a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, c \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + d \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) &= \frac{ac + bd}{y^2} \\
|\gamma'_1(t)|_{g_0} &= 1 = |\gamma'_2(t)|_{g_0} \\
|\gamma'_1(t)|_h &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{y_0^2}} = \frac{1}{y_0} \\
|\gamma'_2(t)|_h &= \frac{1}{t} \\
\ell_{g_0}(\gamma_1) &= \int_{x_0}^{x_1} |\gamma'_1(t)|_{g_0} dt = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} dt = x_1 - x_0 \\
\ell_{g_0}(\gamma_2) &= \int_{y_0}^{y_1} |\gamma'_2(t)|_{g_0} dt = \int_{y_0}^{y_1} dt = y_1 - y_0 \\
\ell_h(\gamma_1) &= \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{dt}{y_0} = \frac{x_1 - x_0}{y_0} \\
\ell_h(\gamma_2) &= \int_{y_0}^{y_1} \frac{dt}{t} = \log(y_1) - \log(y_0) = \log\left(\frac{y_1}{y_0}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\lambda > 0$   $\phi_\lambda : H \rightarrow H$  s.t.

$$\phi_\lambda(x, y) = (\lambda x, \lambda y)$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi^* x &= \lambda x & \phi^* dx &= \lambda dx \\
\phi_\lambda^* g_0 &= \phi_\lambda^*(dx^2 + dy^2) = \lambda^2(dx^2 + dy^2) = \lambda^2 g_0 \\
\ell_{g_0}(\phi_\lambda \circ \gamma) &= \lambda \ell_{g_0}(\gamma) \\
\phi_\lambda^* h &= \phi_\lambda^* \left( \frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2} \right) = \frac{\lambda^2 dx^2 + \lambda^2 dy^2}{\lambda^2 y^2} = h
\end{aligned}$$

Hence for any  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\phi_\lambda : (H, h) \rightarrow (H, h)$  is an isometry.

### 13.3 Distance

More generally if  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  is a piecewise  $C^\infty$  curve s.t.  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow M$  is continuous. i.e., let  $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{k-1} < t_k = b$  we have

$$\gamma|_{[t_i, t_{i+1}]} \quad C^\infty \quad i = 0, \dots, k$$

Then  $\gamma'(t_i^+)$  and  $\gamma'(t_i^-)$  exist. so

$$\ell_g(\gamma) := \sum_{i=0}^k \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} |\gamma'(t)|_g dt$$

**Definition 13.3.** Let  $(M, g)$  be a connected Riemannian manifold. Then for any  $p, q \in M$ , there exists  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$  piecewise  $C^\infty$  curve s.t.

$$\gamma(0) = p \quad \gamma(1) = q$$

We define the distance between  $p, q$  determined by  $g$  to be

$$d_g(p, q) := \inf\{\ell_g(\gamma) \mid \gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M \text{ piecewise } C^\infty \gamma(0) = p, \gamma(1) = q\} \in [0, \infty)$$

Then

- $d_g(p, q) = d_g(q, p)$  and  $d_g(p, p) = 0$
- $d_g(p, q) + d_g(q, r) \geq d_g(p, r)$ .

In fact, if  $M$  is Hausdorff, then  $d_g(p, q) = 0 \implies p = q$ , Then  $(M, d_g)$  is a metric space.

**Example 13.3** (Bugged-eyed Line).  $M = (\mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\}) / ((x, 0) \sim (x, 1))$ . Euclidean metric  $dx^2$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define  $\pi : \mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\} \rightarrow M$  as the projection. There exists a unique metric  $g$  on  $M$  s.t.  $\pi^* g = dx^2$ . Now  $[0, 0] \neq [0, 1]$  in  $M$  but  $d_g([0, 0], [0, 1]) = 0$ .

**Lemma 13.2.** If  $f : (M_1, g_1) \rightarrow (M_2, g_2)$  is an isometry, then

$$d_{g_2}(f(p), f(q)) = d_{g_1}(p, q) \quad \forall p, q \in M_1$$

**Proposition 13.2.** For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $g_0 = dx_1^2 + \cdots + dx_n^2$

$$d_{g_0}(x, y) = |x - y| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

*Proof.*  $d_{g_0}(x, x) = 0$ . Suppose  $x \neq y$ , let  $d = |x - y| > 0$ . Then there exists  $A \in O(n)$  s.t. upon rotation,  $A(x - y) = (d, 0, \dots, 0)$ . Then since translation by  $y$  is an isometry and that rotation by  $O(n)$  is isometry

$$\begin{aligned} d_{g_0}(x, y) &= d_{g_0}(x - y, 0) = d_{g_0}(A(x - y), 0) = d_{g_0}((d, 0, \dots, 0), 0) \\ &= d_{g_0}((0, \dots, 0), (d, 0, \dots, 0)) \end{aligned}$$

It remains to show that  $d_{g_0}((0, \dots, 0), (d, 0, \dots, 0)) = d$ . Consider  $\gamma : [0, 1] \xrightarrow{C^\infty} \mathbb{R}^n$  smooth curve so

$$\gamma(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) \quad \gamma(0) = (0, \dots, 0), \gamma(1) = (d, 0, \dots, 0)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_{g_0}(\gamma) &= \int_0^1 |\gamma'(t)|_{g_0} dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{x_1'(t)^2 + \cdots + x_n'(t)^2} dt \geq \int_0^1 |x_1'(t)| dt \\ &\geq \int_0^1 x_1'(t) dt = d - 0 = d \\ &= \ell_{g_0}(\gamma_0) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma_0(t) = (dt, 0, \dots, 0)$  so  $\gamma_0(0) = 0$  and  $\gamma_0(1) = (d, 0, \dots, 0)$ . In fact if  $\phi : (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0)$  is any isometry, then

$$|\phi(x) - \phi(y)| = |x - y|$$

□

## 14 Discrete Group Action

Let  $G$  be a group acting on  $M$ , where  $M$  is

- a set
- a topological space
- a topological manifold
- a  $C^\infty$  manifold
- a  $C^\infty$  manifold equipped with a Riemannian metric  $g$ .

Denote  $M/G$  as set of  $G$ -orbits, where  $M/\sim$  s.t.

$$x_1 \sim x_2 \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists g \in G \text{ s.t. } x_2 = gx_1$$

- For  $M$  a set,  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$  is a surjective map.
- For  $M$  a topological space,  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$  equips  $M/G$  with the quotient topology. Hence  $\pi$  is a surjective continuous map.
- For  $M$  topological manifold, when is  $M/G$  also a topological manifold?
- When does  $M/G$  admit a  $C^\infty$  structure s.t.  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$  is  $C^\infty$  manifold?
- When does  $M/G$  admit a Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  s.t.

$$\pi : (M, g) \rightarrow (M/G, \hat{g})$$

is a local isometry?

## 14.1 Group Action on Set

**Definition 14.1** (Left/Right Group Action on Set). *Let  $G$  be a group and  $M$  be a set. A left (right) action of  $G$  on  $M$  is a map*

$$\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \phi(g, x) \equiv g \cdot x \quad (x \cdot g)$$

where for any  $g \in G$ , the map

$$\phi_g : M \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \phi_g(x) := g \cdot x$$

is a bijection s.t. the following holds

- $e \in G$  identity gives  $\phi_e : M \rightarrow M$  identity map.
- For any  $g_1, g_2 \in G$

1. For left action,  $\phi_{g_1} \circ \phi_{g_2} = \phi_{g_1 g_2}$ . In other words

$$g_1 \cdot (g_2 \cdot x) = (g_1 g_2) \cdot x \quad \forall x \in M$$

2. For right action,  $\phi_{g_1} \circ \phi_{g_2} = \phi_{g_2 g_1}$ . In other words

$$(x \cdot g_2) \cdot g_1 = x \cdot (g_2 g_1) \quad \forall x \in M$$

- In both cases,  $\phi_{g^{-1}} \circ \phi_g = \phi_e = id_M \implies \phi_{g^{-1}} = \phi_g^{-1} : M \rightarrow M$ . Hence  $\phi_g$  as bijection is automatic.

For any  $g \in G$ , it corresponds to bijection  $\phi_g : M \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $\phi_g(x) = g \cdot x$  on  $M$ . Hence

$$G \rightarrow (\mathbf{Perm}(M), \circ)$$

where  $\mathbf{Perm}(M) = \{\phi : M \rightarrow M \mid \phi \text{ is bijection}\}$  and  $\circ$  denotes composition. We have group homomorphism

1. For Left group action

$$g \in G \mapsto \phi_g \in (\mathbf{Perm}(M), \circ) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \phi_{g_1} \circ \phi_{g_2} = \phi_{g_1 g_2}$$

2. For right group action

$$g \in G \mapsto \phi_{g^{-1}} \in (\mathbf{Perm}(M), \circ) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \phi_{g_1^{-1}} \circ \phi_{g_2^{-1}} = \phi_{g_2^{-1} g_1^{-1}} = \phi_{(g_1 g_2)^{-1}}$$

**Definition 14.2** (Free and Transitive). *Let  $G$  be group and act on a set  $M$ . We assume left action.*

- The  $G$ -action is Free if for any  $p \in M$

$$g \cdot p = p \iff g = e \text{ identity} \in G$$

- The  $G$ -action is transitive if for any  $p, q \in M$ , there exists  $g \in G$  s.t.  $g \cdot p = q$

**Definition 14.3** (Stabilizer and Orbit). *Let  $G$  be group and act on a set  $M$ . We assume left action. For any  $p \in M$*

- $G_p := \{g \in G \mid g \cdot p = p\}$  denotes the stabilizer of  $p \in M$ .
- $G \cdot p := \{g \cdot p \in M \mid g \in G\}$  denotes the orbit of  $p \in M$ .

**Lemma 14.1.** *One has interpretations using stabilizer and orbit.*

- $G$  acts freely on  $M$  if  $G_p = \{e\}$  for each  $p \in M$ .
- $G$  acts transitively on  $M$  if  $M = G \cdot p$  for some  $p \in M$ , which further implies  $M = G \cdot p$  for any  $p \in M$ .

## 14.2 Group Action on Topological Space

**Definition 14.4** (Continuous Group Action on Topological Space). *Suppose  $M$  is a topological space and  $G$  is a group acting on  $M$  (on the left/right). We say the action of  $G$  on  $M$  is a continuous if*

$$\forall g \in G \quad \phi_g : M \rightarrow M \text{ is continuous}$$

A continuous action of a group  $G$  on a topological space  $M$  gives rise to a group homomorphism

$$G \mapsto (\mathbf{Homeo}(M), \circ)$$

where  $\mathbf{Homeo}(M) := \{\varphi : M \rightarrow M \mid \varphi \text{ is homeomorphism}\}$ .

**Definition 14.5** (Properly Discontinuous Group Action). *Let  $M$  be topological space and let  $G$  be a group acting continuously on  $M$ . We say the action of  $G$  on  $M$  is ‘properly discontinuous’ if for every  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  s.t.*

$$U \cap \phi_g(U) = \emptyset \quad \forall g \in G \setminus \{e\}$$

where  $e$  denotes the identity.

**Remark 14.1** (Properly Discontinuous Group Action  $\implies$  Free Group Action). *This implies*

$$\phi_{g_1}(U) \cap \phi_{g_2}(U) = \emptyset \quad \forall g_1 \neq g_2 \in G$$

*This further implies  $G$  acts freely on  $M$  in the sense that if  $p \in M$ , then  $g \cdot p = p$  iff  $g = e$ .*

**Proposition 14.1.** *Let  $G$  be a group and  $M$  be a topological space. If  $G$  acts continuously and properly discontinuously on  $M$ , then*

$$\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$$

with  $M/G$  equipped with quotient topology is a covering map.

*Proof.* Let  $\bar{p} \in M/G$  and  $p \in \pi^{-1}(\bar{p}) \in M$ . There exists neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  s.t.  $\phi_{g_1}(U) \cap \phi_{g_2}(U) = \emptyset$  for any  $g_1, g_2 \in G$  with  $g_1 \neq g_2$ . Let  $\bar{U} = \pi(U) \subset M/G$  then  $\bar{p} \in \bar{U}$  and

$$\pi^{-1}(\bar{U}) = \bigsqcup_{g \in G} \phi_g(U)$$

is disjoint union of open sets in  $M$ . Hence  $\pi^{-1}(\bar{U})$  is open in  $M$  and so  $\bar{U}$  is an open neighborhood of  $\bar{p}$  in  $M/G$ . Moreover, for any  $g \in G$

$$\pi|_{\phi_g(U)} : \phi_g(U) \rightarrow \bar{U}$$

is a homeomorphism. □

**Corollary 14.1.** *If  $M$  is topological manifold of dimension  $n$  and  $G$  is a group acting continuously and properly discontinuously on  $M$ , then  $M/G$  is a topological manifold of same dimension  $n$ .*

**Proposition 14.2** ( $M/G$  Hausdorff). *Let  $M$  be a topological space. Suppose that a group  $G$  acts continuously and properly discontinuously on  $M$ , and if  $p, q \in M$  are not in the same orbit of the group action, i.e.,*

$$\pi(p) \neq \pi(q) \in M/G$$

for quotient map  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$ , then

- there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $V$  of  $q$  in  $M$  s.t.

$$U \cap \phi_g(V) = \emptyset \quad \forall g \in G \setminus \{e\}$$

which implies

$$\phi_{g_1}(U) \cap \phi_{g_2}(U) = \emptyset \quad \forall g_1 \neq g_2 \in G$$

- $M/G$  with the quotient topology defined by  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$  is Hausdorff.

*Proof.* Suppose  $\bar{p}, \bar{q} \in M/G$  s.t.  $\bar{p} \neq \bar{q}$ . Choose  $p, q \in M$  s.t.  $\pi(p) = \bar{p}$  and  $\pi(q) = \bar{q}$ . By assumption that  $G$  acts continuously and properly discontinuously, there exists  $U_1$  open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $M$  s.t.  $U_1 \cap \phi_g(U_1) = \emptyset$  for any  $g \in G \setminus \{e\}$ . Similarly there exists  $V_1$  open neighborhood of  $q$  in  $M$  s.t.  $V_1 \cap \phi_g(V_1) = \emptyset$  for any  $g \in G \setminus \{e\}$ . Secondly, by assumption that  $\bar{p} \neq \bar{q}$ , there exists  $U_2$  open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $M$  and  $V_2$  of  $q$  s.t.  $U_2 \cap \phi_g(V_2) = \emptyset$  for any  $g \in G \setminus \{e\}$ . Then define

$$\bar{U} := \pi(U_1 \cap U_2) \quad \bar{V} := \pi(V_1 \cap V_2)$$

$\bar{U}$  is open neighborhood of  $\bar{p}$  in  $M/G$  and  $\bar{V}$  is open neighborhood of  $\bar{q}$  in  $M/G$  where  $\bar{U} \cap \bar{V} = \emptyset$ . Thus  $M/G$  is Hausdorff. □

### 14.3 Group Action on Smooth Manifold

**Definition 14.6** (Smooth Group Action on Smooth Manifold). *Suppose that a group  $G$  acts on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ . We say that the action is smooth if*

$$\forall g \in G \quad \phi_g : M \rightarrow M \quad \text{is } C^\infty$$

Hence  $\phi_g$  is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism. We have a group homomorphism

$$G \rightarrow (\mathbf{Diff}(M), \circ)$$

where  $\mathbf{Diff}(M) = \{\phi : M \rightarrow M \mid \phi \text{ is } C^\infty \text{ diffeomorphism}\}$ . Note  $\mathbf{Diff}(M) \subset \mathbf{Homeo}(M) \subset \mathbf{Perm}(M)$ .

**Theorem 14.1.** *Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold and let  $G$  be a group. If  $G$  acts on  $M$  smoothly and properly discontinuously, then there exists a unique  $C^\infty$  structure on  $M/G$  s.t. the covering map  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$  is a local diffeomorphism.*

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold with smooth charts  $\{(V_i, x_i)\}$  where  $x_i : V_i \rightarrow M$ .

- Since  $G$  acts properly discontinuously on  $M$ , for any  $p \in M$ , we may choose  $(V, x)$  open chart where  $x(V) \subset U$  for  $U$  open neighborhood of  $M$  around  $p$  s.t.

$$U \cap \phi_g(U) = \emptyset \quad \forall g \neq e \in G$$

Thus  $\pi|_U$  is injective, hence  $y = \pi \circ x : V \rightarrow M/G$  is injective. The family  $\{(V_i, y_i)\}$  covers  $M/G$ . It suffices to show for any  $y_1 = \pi \circ x_1 : V_1 \rightarrow M/G$  and  $y_2 = \pi \circ x_2 : V_2 \rightarrow M/G$  s.t.  $y_1(V_1) \cap y_2(V_2) \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $y_1^{-1} \circ y_2$  smooth.

- Let  $\pi_i := \pi|_{x_i(V_i)}$ . Let  $q \in y_1(V_1) \cap y_2(V_2)$  and  $r = y_2^{-1}(q) = x_2^{-1} \circ \pi_2^{-1}(q)$ . Let  $W \subset V_2$  be a neighborhood of  $r$  s.t.  $(\pi_2 \circ x_2)(W) \subset y_1(V_1) \cap y_2(V_2)$ . Then the restriction of  $y_1^{-1} \circ y_2$  to  $W$  is given by

$$y_1^{-1} \circ y_2|_W = x_1^{-1} \circ \pi_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2 \circ x_2$$

It suffices to show  $\pi_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2$  is smooth at  $p_2 = \pi_2^{-1}(q)$ .

- Let  $p_1 = \pi_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2(p_2)$  then  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are equivalent in  $M$ , hence there exists  $g \in G$  s.t.  $gp_2 = p_1$ . Thus the restriction  $\pi_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2|_{x_2(W)}$  coincides with the diffeomorphism  $\phi_g|_{x_2(W)}$ . Since  $G$  acts smoothly on  $M$ , we know it is smooth at  $p_2$ .

□

### 14.4 Group Action on Riemannian Manifold

**Definition 14.7** (Isometric Group Action on Riemannian Manifold). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold and let  $G$  be a group acting on  $M$  smoothly. We say this  $G$ -action on  $(M, g)$  is isometric w.r.t. the given Riemannian structure if*

$$\forall a \in G \quad \phi_a : (M, g) \rightarrow (M, g) \quad \text{is an isometry, i.e., } \phi_a^*g = g$$

**Theorem 14.2** (Existence of Riemannian Metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $M/G$ ). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Let  $G$  be group. If  $G$  acts on  $(M, g)$  smoothly, properly discontinuously, and isometrically, then there exists a unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $M/G$  s.t.*

$$\pi : (M, g) \rightarrow (M/G, \hat{g})$$

is a local isometry, i.e.,  $\pi^*\hat{g} = g$ .

**Definition 14.8** (Metric on  $(M/G, \hat{g})$ ). *Notice for any  $\bar{p} \in M/G$ , for any  $p \in \pi^{-1}(\bar{p}) \in M$ ,*

$$d\pi_p : T_p M \rightarrow T_{\bar{p}}(M/G)$$

is a linear isomorphism. In particular

$$d\pi_p^{-1} : T_{\bar{p}}(M/G) \rightarrow T_p M$$

is injective. We define

$$\hat{g}(\bar{p})(v_1, v_2) := g(p)(d\pi_p^{-1}(v_1), d\pi_p^{-1}(v_2))$$

This is well-defined independent of  $p$ .

**Example 14.1.**  $G = \{\pm 1\} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  acts on  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$  s.t. for any  $g \in G$ ,  $\phi_g : \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n$  mapping  $x \mapsto g \cdot x$ . Here the only choice is  $\phi_{\pm 1}(p) = \pm p$  for any  $p \in \mathbb{S}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . Then  $G$  acts smoothly, isometrically and properly discontinuously on  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$ . There exists unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $P_n(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{S}^n / \{\pm 1\}$  s.t.

$$\pi : (\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can}) \rightarrow (P_n(\mathbb{R}), \hat{g})$$

is a local isometry  $\pi^* \hat{g} = g_{can}$  and a covering map of degree 2. In particular for  $n = 1$ ,

$$\pi : (\mathbb{S}^1, g_{can}) \rightarrow (P_1(\mathbb{R}), \hat{g}) \cong \left( \mathbb{S}^1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right), g_{can}^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

diffeomorphic to circle of radius a half. To see this, we consider

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mathbb{R}, dt) & & (\mathbb{R}^2, dx^2 + dy^2) \\ & \searrow^{i_1 \pi_2} & \nearrow^{i_2} \\ \pi_1 \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ (\mathbb{S}^1, g_{can}) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & (\mathbb{S}^1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right), g_{can}^{\frac{1}{2}}) \end{array}$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1(t) &= (\cos(t), \sin(t)) \\ \pi_2(t) &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \cos(2t), \frac{1}{2} \sin(2t)\right) \\ \pi_1^* g_{can} &= (i_1 \circ \pi_1)^*(dx^2 + dy^2) = (-\sin(t)dt)^2 + (\cos(t)dt)^2 = dt^2 \\ \pi_2^* g_{can}^{\frac{1}{2}} &= (i_2 \circ \pi_2)^*(dx^2 + dy^2) = (-\sin(2t)dt)^2 + (\cos(2t)dt)^2 = dt^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 14.2.**  $G = (\mathbb{Z}^n, +)$  acts on  $(\mathbb{R}^n, g_0 = \sum_i dx_i^2)$  by

$$\phi_m(x) := x + m$$

for any  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . This action is smooth and isometric and properly discontinuous. Then there exists a unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{Z}^n$  s.t.  $\pi$  is a local isometry

$$\pi : (\mathbb{R}^n, g_0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{Z}^n, \hat{g}) \cong \left( \left( \mathbb{S}^1\left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right) \right)^n, g_{can}^{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \times \cdots \times g_{can}^{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \right)$$

is diffeomorphic to flat torus. In particular for  $n = 1$ ,  $\pi(t) := \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \cos(2\pi t), \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi t)\right)$ . Thus

$$\pi^* g_{can}^{\frac{1}{2\pi}} = (i \circ \pi)^*(dx^2 + dy^2) = (-\sin(2\pi t)dt)^2 + (\cos(2\pi t)dt)^2 = dt^2$$

**Definition 14.9** (Orientation preserving map). Let  $f : M_1 \rightarrow M_2$  be a local diffeomorphism between oriented  $C^\infty$  manifolds. We say  $f$  is orientation preserving if for any  $p \in M_1$ , there exists smooth chart  $(U, \phi)$  for  $M_1$  around  $p$  that is compatible with the orientation on  $M_1$ , then  $f : U \rightarrow f(U) \subset M_2$  is a diffeomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M_1 & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & U \\ & \searrow f & \downarrow \phi \\ M_2 & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & f(U) \xrightarrow{\phi \circ f^{-1}} \phi(U) \xrightarrow{\text{open}} \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

where  $(f(U), \phi \circ f^{-1})$  is a  $C^\infty$  chart for  $M_2$  around  $f(p)$  compatible with the orientation on  $M_2$ .

**Theorem 14.3.** Let  $M$  be an oriented  $C^\infty$  manifold and let  $G$  be a group. If  $G$  acts on  $M$  smoothly, properly discontinuously and for any  $g \in G$ ,  $\phi_g : M \rightarrow M$  is orientation preserving, then there exists a unique orientation on  $M/G$  s.t.  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$  is orientation preserving.

## 15 Lie Group

**Definition 15.1** (Lie Group). A Lie group is a group  $G$  with the structure of a  $C^\infty$  manifold s.t.

$$\lambda : G \times G \rightarrow G \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (x, y) \mapsto xy^{-1}$$

is a  $C^\infty$  map.

**Remark 15.1.** Given Lie Group  $G$ , its smooth structure satisfies the following

- *Inverse.*  $G \rightarrow G$  s.t.  $x \mapsto x^{-1}$  is a  $C^\infty$  map.
- *Multiplication.*  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  s.t.  $(x, y) \mapsto xy$  is a  $C^\infty$  map.
- *Left Multiplication.* For any  $x \in G$ ,  $L_x : G \rightarrow G$  s.t.  $y \mapsto L_x(y) := xy$  is a  $C^\infty$  map.
- *Right Multiplication.* For any  $x \in G$ ,  $L_y : G \rightarrow G$  s.t.  $y \mapsto R_x(y) := yx$  is a  $C^\infty$  map.

**Example 15.1.** We have a sequence of examples.

- $(\mathbb{R}^n, +)$
- $(GL(n, \mathbb{R}), \circ)$  with global coordinates  $(a_{ij})$ , and group action given by matrix multiplication.
  - The manifold  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  has connected component  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})_+ = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid \det(A) > 0\}$  as a connected Lie Group.
  - The Special Linear Group  $SL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid \det(A) = 1\} \subset GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  is Lie subgroup of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ .
  - The Orthogonal Group  $O(n) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid A^T A = I_n\}$  and the Special Orthogonal Group  $SO(n) = O(n) \cap SL(n, \mathbb{R})$  are Lie Subgroups of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ .
- $(GL(n, \mathbb{C}), \circ)$  with global coordinates  $(a_{ij})$  with values in  $\mathbb{C}$ , and group action by matrix multiplication.
  - The Unitary Group  $U(n) := \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid A^* A = \overline{A}^T A = I_n\}$
  - and the Special Unitary Group  $SU(n) := \{A \in U(n) \mid \det A = 1\}$

## 15.1 Left/Right/Bi-invariant Tensor

**Definition 15.2** (Left/Right/Bi-Invariant Tensors). Let  $G$  be Lie group.

- A tensor  $T$  on  $G$  is left-invariant if

$$L_x^* T = T \iff (L_x)_* T = T \quad \forall x \in G$$

due to  $(L_x)_* = ((L_x)^{-1})^* = (L_{x^{-1}})^*$ .

- A tensor  $T$  on  $G$  is right-invariant if

$$R_x^* T = T \iff (R_x)_* T = T \quad \forall x \in G$$

- We say  $T$  is bi-invariant if it is both left invariant and right invariant.

**Remark 15.2.** Given Lie group  $G$ . If  $T$  is either left or right invariant on  $G$ , then  $T$  is determined by the value  $T(e)$ , i.e., the value of  $T$  at the identity  $e \in G$ .

- A function  $f \in C^\infty(G) = C^\infty(G, T_0^0 G)$  is left or right invariant iff  $f$  is constant.
- A vector field  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(G) = C^\infty(G, T_0^1(G))$

1. left invariant iff

$$X(x) = d(L_x)_e(X(e)) \quad \forall x \in G$$

2. right invariant iff

$$X(x) = d(R_x)_e(X(e)) \quad \forall x \in G$$

**Remark 15.3** (Evaluation Map as Linear Isomorphism to  $(T_s^r G)_e$ ). Given  $G$  Lie group. Then a tensor  $T$  on  $G$  is an element of

$$T \in C^\infty(G, T_s^r G) = \{\text{smooth } (r, s) \text{- tensors on } G\}$$

Write  $\tilde{e}v_e$  as evaluation map of the tensor at the identity element  $e \in G$

$$\tilde{e}v_e : C^\infty(G, T_s^r G) \rightarrow (T_s^r G)_e$$

and its restriction  $ev_e$  on either Left/Right/Bi-invariant Tensors as

$$ev_e : \{\text{left/right/bi invariant } (r, s)\text{-tensors on } G\} \rightarrow (T_s^r G)_e$$



- For left-invariant tensors, the diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\{\text{left invariant } (r, s)\text{-tensors on } G\} & & \\
\mathbb{R}\text{-Linear Subspace} & \searrow^{ev_e} & \\
C^\infty(G, T_s^r G) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{ev}_e} & (T_s^r G)_e \\
\downarrow \Psi & & \downarrow \Psi \\
T & \xrightarrow{\quad\quad\quad} & T(e)
\end{array}$$

where

$$(T_s^r G)_e = (T_e G)^{\otimes r} \otimes (T_e^* G)^{\otimes s} \cong \mathbb{R}^{(\dim G)^{r+s}}$$

Observation:

$$ev_e : \{\text{left invariant } (r, s)\text{-tensors on } G\} \rightarrow (T_s^r G)_e \quad \text{is a } \mathbb{R}\text{-linear isomorphism} \quad (14)$$

- Injectivity. If  $T$  is left invariant, then for any  $x \in G$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
T_e G & \xrightleftharpoons[(dL_{-x})_x]{(dL_x)_e} & T_x G \\
T_x^* G & \xrightleftharpoons[(dL_{-x})_x^*]{(dL_x)_x^*} & T_e^* G
\end{array}$$

- Notice for any  $x \in G$ ,

$$T(x) = ((dL_x)_e)^{\otimes r} \otimes ((dL_x)_x)^{\otimes s} (T(e))$$

- Similarly, for right-invariant

$$\{\text{right invariant } (r, s)\text{-tensors on } G\} \xrightarrow{ev_e} (T_s^r G)_e \quad \text{as linear isomorphism}$$

- However, for Bi-invariant tensors on  $G$

$$\{\text{bi invariant } (r, s)\text{-tensors on } G\} \xrightarrow{ev_e} (T_s^r G)_e$$

The evaluation maps is only injective linear map. The image is

$$\{\xi \in (T_s^r G)_e \mid \xi \text{ is invariant under the adjoint action } \}$$

## 15.2 Left/Right-Invariant Vector Fields as Lie-Subalgebra

We first recall the definition for  $F$ -related vector fields.

**Definition 15.3** ( $F$ -related smooth vector fields). Let  $F : M \xrightarrow{C^\infty} N$  between smooth manifolds  $M$  and  $N$ .  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ ,  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$ . We say  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $F$ -related if for any  $p \in M$

$$dF_p(X(p)) = Y(F(p))$$

**Lemma 15.1** (Equivalence for  $F$ -related). Given  $F : M \xrightarrow{C^\infty} N$ , and  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ ,  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$

- $X$  and  $Y$  are  $F$ -related iff

$$X(F^* f) = F^*(Y(f)) \quad \forall f \in C^\infty(N)$$

- If  $F$  is diffeomorphism, then  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $F$ -related iff

$$Y = F_* X$$

**Lemma 15.2** ( $F$ -related preserves Lie-Bracket). For  $F : M \xrightarrow{C^\infty} N$  where  $X_1, X_2 \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $Y_1, Y_2 \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$  and  $X_i, Y_i$  are  $F$ -related. Then  $[X_1, X_2]$  and  $[Y_1, Y_2]$  are  $F$ -related.

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C^\infty(N)$

$$\begin{aligned}
[X_1, X_2](F^* f) &= X_1(X_2(F^* f)) - X_2(X_1(F^* f)) \\
&= X_1(F^*(Y_2(f))) - X_2(F^*(Y_1(f))) \\
&= F^*(Y_1(Y_2(f))) - F^*(Y_2(Y_1(f))) = F^*[Y_1, Y_2](f)
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 15.1.**  $F : M \xrightarrow{C^\infty} N$  is smooth diffeomorphism, hence pushforward under  $F$

$$F_* : \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(N) \quad X \mapsto F_*X$$

defines  $X$  and  $F_*X$  as  $F$ -related vector fields. Thus

$$F_*[X_1, X_2] = [F_*X_1, F_*X_2]$$

One realize that Left/Right-invariant vector fields are automatically  $L_a/R_a$ -related to themselves for any  $a \in G$ .

**Definition 15.4** (Left/Right Invariant Vector Field).  $G$  Lie Group.

$$\mathfrak{X}(G)^L := \{\text{Left Invariant } C^\infty \text{ vector fields on } G\}$$

$$\mathfrak{X}(G)^R := \{\text{Right Invariant } C^\infty \text{ vector fields on } G\}$$

**Lemma 15.3.** Using (14) we have  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear isomorphism

- $T_eG = \mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{X}(G)^L$  described by

$$\xi \rightarrow (X_\xi^L)(x) := (dL_x)_e(\xi) \quad \forall x \in G$$

where  $X_\xi^L$  is the unique left invariant vector field on  $G$  s.t.  $X_\xi^L(e) = \xi$ .

- $T_eG = \mathfrak{g} \cong \mathfrak{X}(G)^R$  described by

$$\xi \rightarrow (X_\xi^R)(x) := (dR_x)_e(\xi) \quad \forall x \in G$$

where  $X_\xi^R$  is the unique right invariant vector field on  $G$  s.t.  $X_\xi^R(e) = \xi$ .

**Lemma 15.4** ( $T_eG$  as Lie-subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{X}(G)$  w.r.t. Lie-Bracket). For  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^L$

- $[X, Y] \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^L$ . This is because for any  $a \in G$ ,

$$(L_a)_*[X, Y] = [(L_a)_*X, (L_a)_*Y] = [X, Y]$$

- This shows that  $\mathfrak{X}(G)^L \cong T_eG = \mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{X}(G)$  is a Lie-subalgebra of  $(\mathfrak{X}(G), [\cdot, \cdot])$  where we define

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : T_eG \times T_eG \rightarrow T_eG \quad (\xi, \eta) \mapsto [X_\xi^L, X_\eta^L](e)$$

**Definition 15.5** ( $\mathfrak{g}$ ). The Lie Algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  of  $G$  is defined to be  $T_eG$  equipped with the above  $[\cdot, \cdot]$ .

Similarly, for  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^R$

- $[X, Y] \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^R$ .
- $\mathfrak{X}(G)^R \cong T_eG = \mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{X}(G)$  with Lie Bracket forms Lie-subalgebra

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : T_eG \times T_eG \rightarrow T_eG \quad (\xi, \eta) \mapsto [X_\xi^R, X_\eta^R](e)$$

**Proposition 15.1** (Trivial  $TG$ ). The Tangent Bundle of a Lie Group  $G$  is trivial, i.e.  $TG$  has a global trivialization. In fact

$$T_s^r G = (TG)^{\otimes r} \otimes (T^*G)^{\otimes s}$$

is a trivial vector bundle for any  $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$  be a basis of  $\mathfrak{g} = T_eG$ . Then  $X_{\xi_1}^L, \dots, X_{\xi_n}^L$  forms a global  $C^\infty$  frame of  $TG$ . This is because for any  $x \in G$ ,  $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow T_xG$  s.t.  $\xi \mapsto X_\xi^L(x) = (dL_x)_e(\xi)$  is a linear isomorphism. Define the map

$$\phi : G \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow TG \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (x, \xi) \mapsto (x, X_\xi^L(x)) \quad (15)$$

Notice  $\phi$  is a  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism. Then  $\phi^{-1} : TG \rightarrow G \times \mathfrak{g}$  is a global trivialization of  $TG$ .  $\square$

**Example 15.2.** Let  $G = (\mathbb{R}^n, +)$ . For any  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ , the vector field

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

is bi-invariant. We have

$$\mathfrak{X}(G)^L = \mathfrak{X}(G)^R = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \mid (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\} \cong \mathbb{R}^n$$

Then the Lie bracket  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  on  $T_eG = \mathfrak{g} = T_0\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^n$  is trivial. The map (15) is given by

$$\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow T\mathbb{R}^n \quad (x, y) \mapsto \left( x, \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

**Example 15.3.** Let  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \det A \neq 0\}$ . Recall  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) = M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$ . Then for any  $A \in G$ , define map

$$L_A : G \subset M_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow G \quad \text{s.t.} \quad B \mapsto AB$$

and consequently

$$\begin{aligned} (dL_A)_{I_n} : T_{I_n}G \cong M_n(\mathbb{R}) &\rightarrow T_AG \cong M_n(\mathbb{R}) & (dL_A)_{I_n}(\xi) &= A\xi \\ (dR_A)_{I_n} : T_{I_n}G \cong M_n(\mathbb{R}) &\rightarrow T_AG \cong M_n(\mathbb{R}) & (dR_A)_{I_n}(\xi) &= \xi A \end{aligned}$$

We see hence, for  $A = (a_{ij}) \in GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  and  $\xi = (\xi_{ij}) \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) = M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , where  $\frac{\partial}{\partial a_{ij}}$  are global  $C^\infty$  vector fields on  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_\xi^L(A) &= A\xi = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}\xi_{kj} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial a_{ij}} \\ X_\xi^R(A) &= \xi A = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \xi_{ik}a_{kj} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial a_{ij}} \end{aligned}$$

The map  $\phi$  (15) is given by

$$\phi : G \times \mathfrak{g} = GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow TG = GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \quad (A, \xi) \mapsto (A, A\xi)$$

If moreover  $H$  is a Lie subgroup of  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  and  $\mathfrak{h} = T_eH$  is the Lie subalgebra,  $\phi$  restricts to

$$\phi|_{H \times \mathfrak{h}} : H \times \mathfrak{h} \subset G \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow TH \subset TG$$

- Let  $H = SL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid \det A = 1\}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{\xi \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid \text{Tr} \xi = 0\}$ . Note

$$TSL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{(A, \xi) \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \times M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \det(A) = 1, \text{Tr}(A^{-1}\xi) = 0\}$$

and we have

$$\phi : SL(n, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathfrak{sl}(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow TSL(n, \mathbb{R}) \quad (A, \xi) \mapsto (A, A\xi)$$

- Let  $H = O(n)$  or  $H = SO(n)$ . Note  $I_n \in SO(n) \subset O(n)$  and

$$\mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{so}(n) := \{\xi \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid \xi^T + \xi = 0\} = T_{I_n}O(n) = T_{I_n}SO(n)$$

Also note

$$TSO(n) = \{(A, \xi) \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \times M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid A^T A = I_n, 0 = (A^{-1}\xi) + (A^{-1}\xi)^T = A^T \xi + \xi^T A\}$$

hence we have

$$\phi : SO(n) \times \mathfrak{so}(n) \rightarrow TSO(n) \quad (A, \xi) \mapsto (A, A\xi)$$

### 15.3 Integral Curve and Local Flow of Left/Right Invariant Vector Fields

**Lemma 15.5.** For  $F : M \xrightarrow{C^\infty} N$ ,  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$   $F$ -related. If  $\gamma$  is integral curve of  $X$ ,  $F \circ \gamma$  is integral curve of  $Y$ .

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} (F \circ \gamma)'(t) &= (dF)_{\gamma(t)}(\gamma'(t)) \\ &= (dF)_{\gamma(t)}(X(\gamma(t))) \\ &= Y(F(\gamma(t))) = Y(F \circ \gamma(t)) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 15.2.** Let  $G$  be a Lie group.

- If  $\gamma$  be integral curve of  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^L$ . Then for any  $a \in G$ ,  $L_a \circ \gamma$  is an integral curve of  $(L_a)_* X = X$ .
- Similarly, if  $\gamma$  is integral curve of  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^R$ , then  $R_a \circ \gamma$  is an integral curve of  $(R_a)_* X = X$ .

**Definition 15.6** (Local Flow of Left/Right-Invariant Vector Field). Let  $G$  be a Lie group.  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} = T_eG$ . Then

- let  $\phi_\xi^L$  denote the local flow of  $X_\xi^L \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^L$

- and  $\phi_\xi^R$  denote the local flow of  $X_\xi^R \in \mathfrak{X}(G)^R$ .

**Remark 15.4.** Indeed by Local Existence Theory of integral curve 8.1, there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$ , an open neighborhood  $V$  of  $e$  and

$$\phi_\xi^L : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times V \xrightarrow{C^\infty} G$$

such that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi_\xi^L(t, x) = X_\xi^L(\phi_\xi^L(t, x)) \\ \phi_\xi^L(0, x) = x \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 15.6** (Left/Right multiplication preserves left/right invariant integral curves). *Let  $G$  be a Lie group.  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} = T_e G$ .*

- Let  $\phi_\xi^L$  be local flow of  $X_\xi^L$ . For any  $a \in G$

$$L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L(t, x) = \phi_\xi^L(t, L_a(x))$$

i.e.

$$a \phi_\xi^L(t, x) = \phi_\xi^L(t, ax)$$

- Let  $\phi_\xi^R$  be local flow of  $X_\xi^R$ . For any  $a \in G$

$$R_a \circ \phi_\xi^R(t, x) = \phi_\xi^R(t, R_a(x))$$

i.e.

$$\phi_\xi^R(t, x)a = \phi_\xi^R(t, xa)$$

This is to say left(right) multiplication by ‘ $a$ ’ carries an integral curve of left(right) invariant vector field to another integral curve of such vector field.

*Proof.* By uniqueness of local integral curve, it suffices to show

$$\begin{cases} (L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L)(0, x) = ax \\ \frac{d}{dt}(L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L)(t, x) = X_\xi^L((L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L)(t, x)) \end{cases}$$

The first item is true due to

$$(L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L)(0, x) = a \cdot \phi_\xi^L(0, x) = ax$$

The second is true due to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}(L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L)(t, x) &= d(L_a)_{\phi_\xi^L(t, x)} \left( \frac{d}{dt} \phi_\xi^L(t, x) \right) \\ &= d(L_a)_{\phi_\xi^L(t, x)} (X_\xi^L(\phi_\xi^L(t, x))) \\ &= X_\xi^L(L_a \circ \phi_\xi^L(t, x)) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Proposition 15.2.** *Let  $G$  be a Lie group.  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g} = T_e G$ . Then  $\phi_\xi^L$  and  $\phi_\xi^R$  are defined on  $\mathbb{R} \times G$ .*

*Proof.* We prove for  $\phi_\xi^L$ . There exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $V$  open neighborhood of  $e$  in  $G$  s.t.

$$(\phi_\xi^L)_t : V \rightarrow G \quad x \mapsto \phi_\xi^L(t, x)$$

is defined for any  $t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ . Since for any  $a \in G$ , from Lemma 15.6

$$(\phi_\xi^L)_t(ax) = (a\phi_\xi^L)_t(x) \iff (\phi_\xi^L)_t \circ L_a(x) = L_a \circ (\phi_\xi^L)_t(x)$$

We have

$$\phi_\xi^L : L_a(V) \rightarrow G$$

defined for any  $t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  for any  $a \in G$ . Thus by arbitrariness of  $a \in G$

$$(\phi_\xi^L)_t(x) = \phi_\xi^L(t, x)$$

is defined for any  $t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  for any  $x \in G$ . Thus

$$(\phi_\xi^L)_{nt}(x) = (\phi_\xi^L)_t \circ \cdots \circ (\phi_\xi^L)_t(x)$$

is defined for any  $t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ , for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and for any  $x \in G$ . Thus

$$(\phi_\xi^L)_t(x)$$

is defined for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and for any  $x \in G$ .

□

**Example 15.4.** Take  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  or any Lie subgroup of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  (e.g.  $SL(n, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $O(n)$ ,  $SO(n)$ ), for any  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$

$$X_\xi^L(A) = A\xi \quad X_\xi^R(A) = \xi A$$

and moreover

$$\phi_\xi^L(t, A) = A \exp(t\xi) \quad \phi_\xi^R(t, A) = \exp(t\xi)A$$

where  $\exp(B) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{B^n}{n!}$  for any  $B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ . We use such observation to extend notion of exponential to any Lie Group.

**Definition 15.7** (Exponential Map). For  $G$  Lie group and  $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$  Lie algebra of  $G$ . Define

$$\exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \xi \mapsto \phi_\xi^L(1, e)$$

where  $e$  is the identity for  $G$ .

**Remark 15.5.** Note for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$

$$\exp(t\xi) = \phi_{t\xi}^L(1, e) = \phi_\xi^L(t, e)$$

and for any  $x \in G$

$$\phi_\xi^L(t, x) = x \phi_\xi^L(t, e) = x \exp(t\xi)$$

Thus

$$(\phi_\xi^L)_t = R_{\exp(t\xi)} : G \rightarrow G$$

## 15.4 Left/Right/Bi-Invariant Riemannian Metric

**Definition 15.8** (Left/Right-invariant Riemannian Metric). As special case to Definition 15.2, let  $G$  be Lie group and  $g \in C^\infty(G, S^2 T^*G)$  be Riemannian metric on  $G$ . We say

- $g$  is Left-invariant if

$$(L_x)^* g = g \iff (L_x)_* g = g \quad \forall x \in G$$

iff

$$L_x : (G, g) \rightarrow (G, g) \quad \text{is an isometry} \quad \forall x \in G$$

- $g$  is right-invariant if

$$(R_x)^* g = g \iff (R_x)_* g = g \quad \forall x \in G$$

iff

$$R_x : (G, g) \rightarrow (G, g) \quad \text{is an isometry} \quad \forall x \in G$$

**Remark 15.6.** Let  $G$  be Lie group and  $g$  be Riemannian metric on  $G$ . We have one-to-one correspondence between

$$\{\text{left-invariant metrics on } G\} \iff \{\text{Inner-products on } T_e G\}$$

1.  $g$  is left-invariant iff

$$g(x)(U, V) = g(e) (d(L_{x^{-1}})_x U, d(L_{x^{-1}})_x V) \quad \forall x \in G, U, V \in T_x G$$

2.  $g$  is right-invariant iff

$$g(x)(U, V) = g(e) (d(R_{x^{-1}})_x U, d(R_{x^{-1}})_x V) \quad \forall x \in G, U, V \in T_x G$$

We shall illustrate not every Lie group  $G$  admits a bi-invariant metric.

**Example 15.5.** Let

$$G = \{g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid g(t) = yt + x \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in (0, \infty)\}$$

be the group of proper affine linear transformations of  $\mathbb{R}$  s.t. multiplication is defined by composition. For  $g_1(t) = y_1 t + x_1$ ,  $g_2(t) = y_2 t + x_2$

$$g_1 \circ g_2(t) := g_1(y_2 t + x_2) + x_1 = y_1 y_2 t + (y_1 x_2 + x_1)$$

We may thus identify  $(G, \circ)$  with the Half plane  $(H, \cdot)$  where the set

$$H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y > 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

is equipped with multiplication given by

$$(x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2) := (y_1 x_2 + x_1, y_1 y_2)$$

The multiplication defines a smooth map  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  whose identity element is  $e = (0, 1)$  and inverse is given by  $(x, y)^{-1} = (-\frac{x}{y}, \frac{1}{y})$ . Hence  $G$  defined a Lie group. We note that the Left group action takes the form

$$L_{a,b}(x, y) = (bx + a, by) = b(x, y) + a$$

Hence

$$(dL_{a,b})_{(x,y)} : T_{(x,y)}H = \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow T_{(x,y)}H = \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad v \mapsto bv$$

where the left-invariant vector fields on  $G$  takes the form

$$\mathfrak{X}^L(G) = \mathbb{R}y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \oplus \mathbb{R}y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \{y(a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial}{\partial y}) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

and the left-invariant 1-forms on  $(G, \circ)$  takes the form

$$\mathbb{R} \frac{1}{y} dx \oplus \mathbb{R} \frac{1}{y} dy = \{\frac{1}{y}(adx + bdy) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

One may also observe a left-invariant Riemannian metric on  $(H, \cdot) \cong (G, \circ)$

$$h = \frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2} = (\frac{dx}{y})^{\otimes 2} + (\frac{dy}{y})^{\otimes 2}$$

$h$  is in fact the unique left-invariant Riemannian metric on  $(H, \cdot) \cong (G, \circ)$  s.t.

$$h(0, 1) = dx^2 + dy^2$$

It is easy to check that  $h$  is not right-invariant metric since

$$R_{a,b}(x, y) = (ay + x, by) \neq (bx + a, by)$$

Indeed there is no bi-invariant Riemannian metric on  $(H, \cdot) \cong (G, \circ)$ .

**Example 15.6.** Bi-invariant Riemannian metrics on  $(\mathbb{R}^n, +)$  takes the form

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} dx_i dx_j$$

for  $a_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}$  where  $(a_{ij})$  is symmetric positive definite matrix. In particular,  $g_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n dx_i^2$  is a bi-invariant Riemannian metric.

**Lemma 15.7.** If  $G$  is compact Lie group, then there exists a bi-invariant Riemannian metric on  $G$ .

**Example 15.7** (Bi-invariant metric on  $SO(n)$ ). Let  $a_{ij} : GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be entries of the matrix, hence  $a_{ij}$  are global coordinates on  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ . Let  $\tilde{g}_n$  be Riemannian metric on  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  defined by

$$\tilde{g}_n := \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{ij}^2$$

Let

$$i : SO(n) \rightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{R})$$

be the inclusion map, which is smooth embedding. Then

$$g_n = i^* \tilde{g}_n \tag{16}$$

is a bi-invariant Riemannian metric on  $SO(n)$ .

*Proof.* Recall

$$SO(n) = \{(a_{ij}) \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \mid A^T A = I_n \quad \det(A) = 1\}$$

Given  $g_n := i^* \tilde{g}_n$  where  $\tilde{g}_n := \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2$  is Riemannian metric defined on  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ , we want to show  $g_n$  is both left and right invariant, i.e. for any  $B = (b_{i,j}) \in SO(n)$ , and for any  $A = (a_{i,j}) \in SO(n)$

$$(L_B)^* \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2 \right) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2 \quad (R_B)^* \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2 \right) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2$$

Indeed, since

$$L_B : SO(n) \rightarrow SO(n) \quad (a_{ij}) \mapsto \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_{ik} a_{kj} \right)_{i,j}$$

We may calculate explicitly

$$\begin{aligned} (L_B)^*(\tilde{g}_n) &= \sum_{i,j} d \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_{ik} a_{kj} \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_{ik} da_{kj} \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_{ik} da_{kj} \right) \left( \sum_{m=1}^n b_{im} da_{mj} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \sum_{k,m=1}^n b_{ik} b_{im} da_{kj} da_{mj} \\ &= \sum_{k,m=1}^n \sum_{i,j} b_{ki}^T b_{im} da_{kj} da_{mj} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n da_{kj} da_{kj} = \sum_{j,k=1}^n da_{kj}^2 = \tilde{g}_n \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, since

$$R_B : SO(n) \rightarrow SO(n) \quad (a_{ij}) \mapsto \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \right)_{i,j}$$

We do same calculations

$$\begin{aligned} (R_B)^*(\tilde{g}_n) &= \sum_{i,j} d \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_{kj} da_{ik} \right) \left( \sum_{m=1}^n b_{mj} da_{im} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \sum_{k,m=1}^n b_{kj} b_{mj} da_{ik} da_{im} \\ &= \sum_{k,m=1}^n \sum_{i,j} b_{jk}^T b_{mj} da_{ik} da_{im} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n da_{jk} da_{jk} = \sum_{j,k=1}^n da_{jk}^2 = \tilde{g}_n \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 15.1** (John Miler). *A connected Lie Group admits a bi-invariant Riemannian metric iff it is isomorphic to  $G \times \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $G$  is a compact Lie Group and  $(\mathbb{R}^n, +)$  is additive group.*

## 15.5 Adjoint Representation

**Definition 15.9** (Adjoint Representation  $Ad$  of Lie Group  $G$ ). *Let  $G$  be a Lie group. For any  $a \in G$ ,*

$$R_{a^{-1}} \circ L_a : G \rightarrow G \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x \mapsto axa^{-1}$$

*is a diffeomorphism. For  $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$  the Lie Sub-algebra*

1.  $R_{a^{-1}} \circ L_a(e) = e$  sends  $e$  to the identity  $e$ .
2. Hence we get  $Ad(a) := d(R_{a^{-1}} \circ L_a)_e : T_e G \rightarrow T_e G$  a linear isomorphism.
3. Furthermore we have a group homomorphism

$$Ad : G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad a \mapsto Ad(a) := d(R_{a^{-1}} \circ L_a)_e \quad (17)$$

*where  $GL(\mathfrak{g}) = \{\mathbb{R} - \text{linear isomorphisms from } \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}\}$ . One may in fact generalize this to*

$$G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g}^{\otimes r} \otimes (\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\otimes s}) = GL((T_s^r G)_e)$$

'Ad' the representation of  $G$  is called the adjoint representation.

**Remark 15.7.** In particular, if  $G$  is abelian, then the adjoint representation is trivial

$$\begin{aligned} R_{a^{-1}} \circ L_a &= Id_G : G \rightarrow G && \text{is the identity } \forall a \in G \\ Ad(a) &= Id_{\mathfrak{g}} : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g} && \forall a \in G \end{aligned}$$

In this case, left invariant iff right invariant iff bi-invariant.

**Example 15.8.**  $(\mathbb{R}^n, +)$  is abelian. For any  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$L_a = R_a : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad x \mapsto x + a$$

with

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \in \mathfrak{X}(G)$  bi-invariant vector fields.
- $dx_i \in \Omega^1(G)$  bi-invariant 1-forms.
- $\sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_r \\ j_1, \dots, j_s}} a_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_r}} \otimes dx_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{j_s}$  are bi-invariant  $(r, s)$ -tensors if  $a_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}$  are constants.

**Proposition 15.3** (Adjoint Representation  $ad$  of Lie Algebra  $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$ ). Let  $G$  be a Lie group and  $Ad$  be its adjoint representation (17). For any  $\xi, \eta \in \mathfrak{g}$

$$ad(\xi)(\eta) := \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} Ad(\exp(t\xi))\eta = [\xi, \eta]$$

The map

$$ad : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(\mathfrak{g})$$

is the Adjoint representation of the Lie Algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X_\xi^L$  be the unique left invariant vector field on  $G$  s.t.  $X_\xi^L(e) = \xi \iff X_\xi^L(x) = (dL_x)_e(\xi)$ . Similarly, define  $X_\eta^L$ . Then

$$[\xi, \eta] = [X_\xi^L, X_\eta^L](e) \in \mathfrak{g} = T_e G$$

Let  $(\phi_\xi^L)_t = R_{\exp(t\xi)} : G \rightarrow G$  be the local flow of  $X_\xi^L$ . Using (10) and then using  $X_\eta^L$  is left-invariant

$$\begin{aligned} [X_\xi^L, X_\eta^L](e) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{X_\eta^L(e) - ((\phi_\xi^L)_t)_* X_\eta^L(e)}{t} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{X_\eta^L(e) - (R_{\exp(t\xi)})_* X_\eta^L(e)}{t} \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} (R_{\exp(-t\xi)})_* X_\eta^L(e) \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} ((R_{\exp(-t\xi)})_* (L_{\exp(t\xi)})_* X_\eta^L)(e) \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} ((R_{\exp(-t\xi)} \circ L_{\exp(t\xi)})_* X_\eta^L)(e) \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} d(R_{\exp(-t\xi)} \circ L_{\exp(t\xi)})_e (X_\eta^L(e)) \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} Ad(\exp(t\xi))\eta \end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 15.9** (Adjoint Representation for General Linear Group). Let  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  or its subgroups. For any  $A \in G$ ,

$$R_A^{-1} \circ L_A : G = GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \subset M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n^2} \rightarrow G \quad B \mapsto ABA^{-1}$$

is linear in  $B$ , so

$$Ad(A) = d(R_A^{-1} \circ L_A)_{I_n} : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R}) \quad \eta \mapsto A\eta A^{-1}$$

Thus

$$Ad(\exp(t\xi))\eta = e^{t\xi}\eta e^{-t\xi}$$

and

$$ad(\xi)(\eta) = [\xi, \eta] = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} e^{t\xi}\eta e^{-t\xi} = \xi\eta - \eta\xi$$



## 16 Continuous Group Action

Recall we have defined smooth group action. Let  $G$  be in particular, a Lie Group.

**Definition 16.1** (Smooth Lie Group Action on smooth Manifold). *Let  $G$  be Lie group and let  $M$  be a smooth manifold. Let  $\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M$  be a left action of  $G$  on  $M$*

$$\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M \quad \phi(g, x) := g \cdot x$$

The action is  $C^\infty$  if  $\phi$  is  $C^\infty$  map, i.e.

$$\forall g \in G \quad \phi_g : M \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x \mapsto g \cdot x$$

is  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism.

### 16.1 Continuous Action of Topological Group

We want sufficient condition on  $\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $M/G$  equipped with the quotient topology is ‘nice’. To do so, we discuss bit of point set topology.

**Definition 16.2** (Topological Group). *A topological group  $G$  is a group equipped with a topology (hence a topological space) s.t.*

$$G \times G \rightarrow G \quad (x, y) \mapsto xy^{-1}$$

is continuous.

**Remark 16.1.** *That  $G$  is a topological group indeed implies both group multiplication and inversion are continuous*

$$\begin{aligned} G &\rightarrow G & x &\mapsto x^{-1} \\ G \times G &\rightarrow G & (x, y) &\mapsto x \cdot y \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 16.3** (Continuous Group Action on Topological Space). *Let  $G$  be a topological group and let  $M$  be a topological space. Let*

$$\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M \quad (g, x) \mapsto g \cdot x$$

be a Left  $G$ -action on  $M$ . We say this action is continuous if  $\phi$  is a continuous map, i.e.

$$\forall g \in G \quad \phi_g : M \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x \mapsto g \cdot x$$

is homeomorphism. Here  $\phi_{g^{-1}} = (\phi_g)^{-1}$ .

**Lemma 16.1.** *Let  $G$  be a group equipped with the discrete topology. Then  $\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M$  is continuous iff*

$$\forall g \in G \quad \phi_g : M \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x \mapsto g \cdot x$$

is continuous.

*Proof.*  $\implies$ . If  $\phi$  is continuous, then

$$i_g : M \rightarrow G \times M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x \mapsto (g, x)$$

is continuous due to discrete topology on  $G$ . As composition,  $\phi_g = \phi \circ i_g$  is continuous.

$\impliedby$ . Suppose each  $\phi_g$  is continuous. Given  $U \subset M$  open subset, note

$$\phi^{-1}(U) = \bigcup_{g \in G} (\{g\} \times \phi_g^{-1}(U))$$

Since  $G$  itself is open as topological space and all  $\phi_g^{-1}(U)$  are open,  $\phi^{-1}(U)$  is open.  $\square$

Recall the definition of ‘proper’.

**Definition 16.4** (Proper Continuous Map). *Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous map. We say  $f$  is proper if for any  $K \subset Y$  compact subset of  $Y$ , we have  $f^{-1}(K) \subset X$  as compact subset of  $X$ .*

**Definition 16.5** (Proper Group Action). *Let  $G$  be a topological group and  $M$  be a topological space. Let  $\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M$  be a continuous left  $G$ -action on  $M$ . The action is proper if*

$$\theta : G \times M \rightarrow M \times M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \theta(g, x) = (g \cdot x, x)$$

is proper, i.e., for any  $K \subset M \times M$  compact, the preimage  $\theta^{-1}(K)$  is compact.

**Proposition 16.1** (Equivalence for ‘Proper Group Action’). *If  $G$  is a topological group and  $M$  is a Hausdorff topological space, then the following conditions on a continuous group action  $\phi : G \times M \rightarrow M$  are equivalent*

(i) *The action is proper.*

(ii) *For any compact set  $K \subset M$*

$$G_k := \{g \in G \mid \phi_g(K) \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$$

*is compact.*

**Definition 16.6** (Locally Compact). *Recall  $M$  topological space is locally compact implies for any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $U$  in  $M$  and a compact subset  $K$  in  $M$  s.t.  $U \subset K$ .*

Given topological group  $G$  acting continuously and properly on a locally compact Hausdorff topological space  $M$ , the quotient remains Hausdorff.

**Theorem 16.1.** *If  $G$  is a topological group,  $M$  is a locally compact Hausdorff topological space, and  $G$  acts continuously and properly on  $M$ , then  $M/G$  equipped with the quotient topology is Hausdorff.*

## 16.2 Smooth Lie Group Action and Smooth Fiber Bundle

**Definition 16.7** (Smooth Fiber Bundle).  $\pi : E \rightarrow B$  is a  $C^\infty$  fiber bundle with total space  $E$ , base  $B$  and fiber  $F$  if

- $E, B, F$  are  $C^\infty$  manifolds.
- $\pi$  is a surjective  $C^\infty$  map.
- *Local Trivializations.* There exists  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  open cover of  $B$  and  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphisms

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times F$$

s.t. the diagram commutes  $\pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)} = pr_1 \circ h_\alpha$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) & & \\ h_\alpha \downarrow & \searrow \pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)} & \\ U_\alpha \times F & \xrightarrow{pr_1} & U_\alpha \end{array}$$

Hence  $\pi$  is a  $C^\infty$  submersion.

**Example 16.1** ( $C^\infty$  fiber bundles). *One has some examples for fiber bundle.*

- $pr_1 : E = B \times F \rightarrow B$  product fiber bundle.
- $\pi : E \rightarrow B$   $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  is indeed a  $C^\infty$  fiber bundle with total space  $E$ , base  $B$  and fiber  $\mathbb{R}^r$ . But the converse is not true. This is because that  $\pi$  is a fiber bundle only implies the transition functions take the form

$$h_\beta \circ h_\alpha^{-1} : (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad (x, v) \mapsto (x, \phi_x(v))$$

for some  $\phi_x : \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$   $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism, but not necessarily  $GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ .

- A covering space is a  $C^\infty$  fibration with discrete fiber.

**Theorem 16.2** (Quotient Manifold Theorem). *Let  $G$  be a Lie Group and  $M$  be a  $C^\infty$  manifold that is Hausdorff and second countable. If  $G$  acts on  $M$  smoothly, freely and properly, then  $M/G$  equipped with quotient topology is a topological manifold (hence  $\dim M/G = \dim M - \dim G$ ), and there exists a unique  $C^\infty$  structure on  $M/G$  s.t. the quotient map*

$$\pi : M \rightarrow M/G$$

is a  $C^\infty$  fiber bundle with fiber  $G$  (hence  $\pi$  is a smooth submersion).

**Example 16.2** (Hopf Fibration).

$$\mathbb{S}^1 := \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\} = U(1)$$

is a Lie group. Let

$$\phi : \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^{2n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{2n+1} := \left\{ (z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} |z_i|^2 = 1 \right\} \quad \phi(\lambda, (z_1, \dots, z_{n+1})) := (\lambda z_1, \dots, \lambda z_{n+1})$$

Then  $\mathbb{S}^1$  acts on  $\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}$  smoothly, freely and properly. The quotient map

$$\pi : \mathbb{S}^{2n+1} \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{C}) := \mathbb{S}^{2n+1}/\mathbb{S}^1 = (\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\})/\mathbb{C}^*$$

is a  $C^\infty$  fiber bundle w.r.t. the  $C^\infty$  structure on  $\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}$  (which agrees with the  $C^\infty$  structure on  $\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}$  as a  $(2n+1)$ -dim submanifold of  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} = \mathbb{R}^{2n+2}$ ) and the  $C^\infty$  structure on  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Therefore the  $C^\infty$  structure on  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$  agrees with the  $C^\infty$  structure on  $\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}/\mathbb{S}^1$  given by the Quotient Manifold Theorem. Here  $\pi$  is a circle bundle (fiber bundle with fiber  $\mathbb{S}^1$ ) known as the Hopf Fibration.

### 16.3 Riemannian Submersion

Let  $f : (M, g) \rightarrow N$  be a  $C^\infty$  submersion (hence  $m = \dim M \geq n = \dim N$ ) from a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  to a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $N$ .

**Definition 16.8** (Horizontal Distribution). We define a horizontal distribution  $H := \{H_p \subset T_p M \mid p \in M\}$  (defined by  $f$  and  $g$ ) which is a  $C^\infty$  distribution of dimension  $n = \dim N$  as follows.

- For any  $p \in M$ , let  $q = f(p) \in N$ . By Preimage Theorem,  $F := f^{-1}(q)$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of dimension  $m - n$  where  $m = \dim M$ . We have a short exact sequence of vector spaces

$$0 \rightarrow T_p F \rightarrow T_p M \xrightarrow{df_p} T_q N \rightarrow 0$$

- Define  $H_p$  to be the orthogonal complement of  $T_p F$  in  $T_p M$ , i.e.

$$H_p := \{v \in T_p M \mid \langle u, v \rangle_p = 0 \quad \forall u \in T_p F\}$$

Hence  $\dim H_p = n$ . In fact we have orthogonal decomposition w.r.t.  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$

$$T_p M = T_p F \oplus H_p$$

- We check  $H := \{H_p \subset T_p M \mid p \in M\}$  is  $C^\infty$  distribution of dimension  $n$ . Indeed, for any  $p \in M$

$$df_p|_{H_p} : H_p \xrightarrow{\cong} T_{f(p)} N$$

is a linear isomorphism.

**Definition 16.9** (Riemannian Submersion). Let  $f : (M, g) \rightarrow (N, h)$  be a  $C^\infty$  submersion between Riemannian manifolds, and let  $\{H_p \mid p \in M\}$  be the horizontal distribution defined by  $f$  and  $g$ . We say  $f$  is a Riemannian submersion if for any  $u, v \in H_p$

$$\langle u, v \rangle_p = \langle df_p(u), df_p(v) \rangle_{f(p)} \quad (18)$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$  is inner product defined by  $g(p)$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{f(p)}$  is inner product defined by  $h(f(p))$ . This is equivalent to saying

$$df_p|_{H_p} : H_p \rightarrow T_{f(p)} N$$

is a linear isometry (isomorphism of inner product spaces).

**Theorem 16.3** (Metric on  $M/G$  for Riemannian Submersion). Suppose that a Lie group  $G$  acts on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  (where  $M$  is Hausdorff and 2nd countable) smoothly, freely, properly and isometrically, i.e.

$$\forall a \in G \quad \phi_a : M \rightarrow M \quad \phi_a^* g = g$$

Then there exists a unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $M/G$  s.t.

$$\pi : (M, g) \rightarrow (M/G, \hat{g})$$

is a Riemannian Submersion, i.e.,

$$d\pi|_{H_p} : H_p \rightarrow T_{\pi(p)}(M/G)$$

is a linear isometry.

*Proof.* To define

$$\hat{g}(q) : T_q(M/G) \times T_q(M/G) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

pick any  $p \in \pi^{-1}(q)$  so that

$$H_p \xrightarrow{d\pi_p|_{H_p}} T_q(M/G)$$

as linear isomorphism. Then we may write for any  $u, v \in T_q(M/G)$

$$\hat{g}(q)(u, v) := g(p) \left( \left( d\pi_p|_{H_p} \right)^{-1}(u), \left( d\pi_p|_{H_p} \right)^{-1}(v) \right) \quad (19)$$

Note this is well-defined because the RHS is independent of the choice of  $p \in \pi^{-1}(q)$ , since any other  $p' \in \pi^{-1}(q)$  is of the form  $p' = a \cdot p$  for some  $a \in G$ , and  $\phi_a^*g = g$ , i.e.,  $(d\phi_a)_p : H_p \rightarrow H_{\phi_a(p)}$  is linear isometry. The diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_p & & \\ (d\phi_a)_p \downarrow & \searrow^{d\pi_p} & \\ H_{a \cdot p} & \xrightarrow{d\pi_{a \cdot p}} & T_q(M/G) \end{array}$$

□

**Example 16.3.**  $\mathbb{S}^1$  acts on  $(\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}, g_{can})$  smoothly, freely, properly and isometrically. There exists a unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}_{can}$  on  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$  s.t.

$$\pi : (\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}, g_{can}) \rightarrow (P_n(\mathbb{C}), \hat{g}_{can})$$

is a Riemannian Submersion. In particular, for  $n = 1$ ,

$$\pi : (\mathbb{S}^3, g_{can}) \rightarrow P_1(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{S}^2$$

and moreover

$$(P_1(\mathbb{C}), \hat{g}_{can}) \cong (\mathbb{S}^2, \frac{1}{4}g_{can})$$

Hence

$$\pi : \mathbb{S}^3(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2(\frac{1}{2})$$

is a Riemannian Submersion.

*Proof for  $(P_1(\mathbb{C}), \hat{g}_{can}) \cong (\mathbb{S}^2, \frac{1}{4}g_{can})$ .* One look at commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{S}^3 & & \\ f \downarrow & \searrow^{\pi} & \\ \mathbb{S}^2 & \xrightarrow{j} & P_1(\mathbb{C}) \end{array}$$

with diffeomorphism

$$j^{-1} : P_1(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2 \quad s.t. \quad [z_1, z_2] \mapsto \left( \frac{2z_1\bar{z}_2}{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2}, \frac{|z_2|^2 - |z_1|^2}{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2} \right)$$

and

$$f : \mathbb{S}^3 = \{(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 = 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2 = \{(\omega, z) \in \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R} \mid |\omega|^2 = z^2 = 1\} \quad s.t. \quad (z_1, z_2) \mapsto (2z_1\bar{z}_2, |z_2|^2 - |z_1|^2)$$

We've defined  $\hat{g}_{can}$  as the unique metric on  $P_1(\mathbb{C})$  s.t.  $\pi = j \circ f : (\mathbb{S}^3, g_{can}) \rightarrow (P_1(\mathbb{C}), \hat{g}_{can})$  is a Riemannian submersion. To show that  $(P_1(\mathbb{C}), \hat{g}_{can})$  is isometric to  $(\mathbb{S}^2, \frac{1}{4}g_{can})$ , it suffices to compute  $j^*\hat{g}_{can}$  and verify that

$$j^*\hat{g}_{can} = \frac{1}{4}g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^2(1)}$$

To do so, write coordinates on  $\mathbb{S}^3$  as

$$\begin{cases} z_1 = \sin(\lambda)e^{i\theta_1} \\ z_2 = \cos(\lambda)e^{i\theta_2} \end{cases}$$

and if we write  $z_j = x_j + \sqrt{-1}y_j$  we have

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \sin(\lambda) \cos(\theta_1) \\ y_1 = \sin(\lambda) \sin(\theta_1) \\ x_2 = \cos(\lambda) \cos(\theta_2) \\ y_2 = \cos(\lambda) \sin(\theta_2) \end{cases}$$

as coordinates on  $\mathbb{S}^3$ . We compute metric  $g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^3(1)}$  so that

$$g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^3(1)} = d\lambda^2 + \sin^2(\lambda)d\theta_1^2 + \cos^2(\lambda)d\theta_2^2$$

We use spherical metric on  $\mathbb{S}^2$  as

$$\begin{cases} x = \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) \\ y = \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) \\ z = \cos(\phi) \end{cases}$$

and recall that

$$g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^2(1)} = d\phi^2 + (\sin^2(\phi))d\theta^2$$

Now we look at

$$f : (z_1, z_2) = (\sin(\lambda)e^{i\theta_1}, \cos(\lambda)e^{i\theta_2}) \mapsto (2\sin(\lambda)e^{i\theta_1} \cos(\lambda)e^{-i\theta_2}, \cos^2(\lambda) - \sin^2(\lambda)) = (\sin(2\lambda)e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}, \cos^2(\lambda) - \sin^2(\lambda))$$

But  $\sin(2\lambda)e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_2)} = \sin(\phi)e^{i\theta}$  in  $\mathbb{S}^2(1)$ , so  $\phi = 2\lambda$  and  $\theta = \theta_1 - \theta_2$

$$df\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda}\right) = 2\frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \quad df\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_1}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \quad df\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_2}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta}$$

Thus

$$\ker(df) = \mathbb{R}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_1} + \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_2}\right)$$

and as its orthogonal complement, the horizontal subspace  $H$  writes

$$H = (\ker(df))^\perp = \mathbb{R}\frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda} \oplus \mathbb{R}\left(\cos^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_1} - \sin^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_2}\right)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} j^*\hat{g}_{can}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\phi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi}\right) &= g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^3(1)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda}, \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda}\right) = \frac{1}{4} \\ j^*\hat{g}_{can}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\phi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta}\right) &= g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^3(1)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial\lambda}, \cos^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_1} - \sin^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_2}\right) = 0 \\ j^*\hat{g}_{can}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta}, \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta}\right) &= g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^3(1)}\left(\cos^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_1} - \sin^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_2}, \cos^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_1} - \sin^2(\lambda)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_2}\right) \\ &= \sin^2(\lambda)\cos^4(\lambda) + \cos^2(\lambda)\sin^4(\lambda) = \sin^2(\lambda)\cos^2(\lambda) = \frac{1}{4}\sin^2(2\lambda) = \frac{1}{4}\sin^2(2\phi) \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$j^*\hat{g}_{can} = \frac{1}{4}d\phi^2 + \frac{1}{4}\sin^2(2\phi)d\theta^2 = \frac{1}{4}g_{can}^{\mathbb{S}^2(1)}$$

□

## 16.4 Homogeneous Spaces

**Theorem 16.4** (Cartan-Von Neumann). *Let  $G$  be a Lie Group, and let  $H$  be a closed subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $H$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $G$ . Therefore  $H$  is a Lie subgroup of  $G$ , i.e.,  $H$  is both a subgroup and a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $G$ .*

**Theorem 16.5.** *Let  $G$  be a Lie group and let  $H$  be a closed subgroup of  $G$ . From Cartan-Von Neumann, we know  $H$  is a closed Lie subgroup of  $G$ .*

(i) *Then we consider the action  $H$  on  $G$  by right multiplication. This action is free, proper and smooth. The Quotient*

$$G/H = \{aH \mid a \in G\}$$

*is the set of left cosets of  $H$ . There is a unique structure of smooth manifold on  $G/H$  s.t. the projection*

$$\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$$

*is a smooth fiber bundle with fiber  $H$  (hence  $\pi$  defines smooth submersion), using the Quotient Manifold Theorem 16.2.*

(ii) *Let  $G$  act on  $G/H$  on the left by*

$$G \times G/H \rightarrow G/H \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (a, bH) \mapsto abH \tag{20}$$

*left multiplication. Note*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (a, b) \in G \times G & \xrightarrow{m} & ab \in G \\ \downarrow id_G \times \pi & & \downarrow \pi \\ (a, bH) \in G \times G/H & \longrightarrow & abH \in G/H \end{array}$$

*Then  $G \times G/H \rightarrow G/H$  as in (20) is a  $C^\infty$   $G$ -action on  $G/H$ .*

**Definition 16.10** (*G*-homogeneous Space). Let  $M$  be a  $C^\infty$  manifold. Let  $G$  be a Lie Group.  $M$  is a  $G$ -homogeneous space if  $G$  acts smoothly and transitively on  $M$ .

In fact any  $G$ -homogeneous space is the form of (20) if we consider left action.

**Lemma 16.2** (Stabilizer of  $G$ -homogeneous Space). For any  $x \in M$ , recall

$$G_x := \{a \in G \mid a \cdot x = x\}$$

is the isotropy group (stabilizer) of  $x$ . Assume  $G$  Lie group and  $M$  is a  $G$ -homogeneous space.

- Using Cartan-Von Neumann  $G_x$  is a closed subgroup of  $G$ , hence  $G_x$  is a Lie subgroup.
- Using  $G$  is transitive action, for any  $y \in M$ ,  $y = bx$  for some  $b \in G$ . So

$$\forall a \in G_y = G_{b \cdot x} \iff a \cdot (b \cdot x) = b \cdot x \iff (b^{-1}ab) \cdot x = x \iff b^{-1}ab \in G_x$$

$$\text{Then } G_{b \cdot x} = bG_x b^{-1}.$$

**Theorem 16.6** (Characterisation of  $G$ -homogeneous Space). Let  $M$  be a  $G$ -homogeneous space. Let  $x \in M$  and let  $H = G_x$  be the stabilizer of the  $G$ -action at  $x$ . Then the bijection

$$G/H \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad aH \mapsto a \cdot x \quad (21)$$

is a  $C^\infty$  diffeomorphism.

**Remark 16.2.** Now for some  $M$  just a set, we identify it as transient action of some Lie Group  $G$ .

**Example 16.4** ( $SO(n+1)/SO(n) \cong \mathbb{S}^n$ ). We run through the construction as in Theorem 16.5 with  $G = SO(n+1)$  and  $H = SO(n)$ . Then let  $SO(n+1)$  act smoothly and transitively on

$$\mathbb{S}^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid |x| = 1\} \quad \text{where} \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

via

$$SO(n+1) \times \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (A, x) \mapsto Ax$$

Hence by definition,  $\mathbb{S}^n$  is  $SO(n+1)$ -homogeneous Space. Using Theorem 16.6, we expect

(i)  $H = SO(n) \cong SO(n+1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  stabilizer of column vector in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  with all 0 but 1 at the bottom, under

group action  $SO(n+1)$ . Indeed, the stabilizer of  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid B \in SO(n) \right\} \cong SO(n)$$

(ii) As a consequence,  $\mathbb{S}^n$  is diffeomorphic to  $SO(n+1)/SO(n)$  via (21)

$$SO(n+1)/SO(n) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{S}^n \quad ASO(n) \rightarrow A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For simplicity, denote

$$f : \mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow SO(n+1)/SO(n)$$

as the diffeomorphism.

**Example 16.5** ( $(SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g}) \cong (\mathbb{S}^n, 2g_{can})$ ). In fact,  $(SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g})$  is isometric to  $(\mathbb{S}^n, \lambda g_{can})$  for some  $\lambda > 0$  constant. On one hand, equipped with Riemannian Metric, it is easy to check  $SO(n+1)$  acts isometrically on  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$ . On the other hand

(i) Recall

$$i : SO(n) \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong \left( \mathbb{R}^{n^2}, \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2 \right)$$

Then as in (16)

$$g_n := i^* \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2 \right)$$

is a bi-invariant Riemannian metric on  $SO(n)$ .

(ii) Since  $SO(n) \subset SO(n+1)$  is closed subgroup, as in Theorem 16.5,  $(SO(n), g_n)$  acts on  $(SO(n+1), g_{n+1})$  smoothly, freely, properly by right multiplication.

(iii) In fact  $SO(n)$  also acts on  $SO(n+1)$  isometrically. Then using Theorem 16.3, there exists a unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on the quotient  $SO(n+1)/SO(n)$  s.t.

$$\pi : (SO(n+1), g_{n+1}) \rightarrow (SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g})$$

is a Riemannian submersion. We can indeed check that  $SO(n+1)$  acts smoothly, transitively, and isometrically on  $(SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g})$  on the left.

Since  $SO(n+1)$  acts transitively and isometrically on both  $(SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g})$  and  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$ , it suffices to show that

$$f^* \hat{g} = \lambda g_{can} \quad \text{at} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{S}^n$$

which implies  $(SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g})$  is isometric to  $\mathbb{S}^n(\sqrt{\lambda})$ .

*Proof.* We want to show

$$f^* \hat{g} = \lambda g_{can}$$

for some  $\lambda > 0$ . Recall that

$$f^{-1} : SO(n+1)/SO(n) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad ASO(n) \mapsto A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is a diffeomorphism. Also recall that

$$\pi : (SO(n+1), g_{n+1}) \rightarrow (SO(n+1)/SO(n), \hat{g}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad A \mapsto ASO(n)$$

hence

$$f^{-1} \circ \pi : (SO(n+1), g_{n+1}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad A \mapsto A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Also notice

$$T_{I_{n+1}} SO(n+1) = \{A \in GL(n+1, \mathbb{R}) \mid A + A^T = 0\}$$

and

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbb{S}^n = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid v \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0\} = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid v_{n+1} = 0\}$$

So the differential of  $f^{-1} \circ \pi$  at  $I_{n+1}$  writes

$$d(f^{-1} \circ \pi)_{I_{n+1}} : T_{I_{n+1}}SO(n+1) \rightarrow T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbb{S}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad B \mapsto B \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the kernel writes

$$\text{Ker}(d(f^{-1} \circ \pi)_{I_{n+1}}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid B \in T_{I_n}SO(n) \right\} \subset T_{I_{n+1}}SO(n+1)$$

We would love to determine the Horizontal Distribution. Indeed,

$$H_{I_{n+1}} := \text{Ker}(d(f^{-1} \circ \pi)_{I_{n+1}})^\perp = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v \\ -v^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid v \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\}$$

so that  $H_{I_{n+1}} \oplus \text{Ker}(d(f^{-1} \circ \pi)_{I_{n+1}}) = T_{I_{n+1}}SO(n+1)$ . To compute  $f^*\hat{g}$ , we need to recall

$$g_{n+1} := i^* \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^{n+1} da_{ij}^2 \right) \quad \text{where} \quad i : SO(n+1) \hookrightarrow GL(n+1, \mathbb{R})$$

We compute for any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  s.t.  $v_{n+1} = 0$ . We denote  $\hat{v} := (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$ . Using (19)

$$\begin{aligned} f^*\hat{g}_{SO(n)}(v, v) &= (f)^*\hat{g}_{SO(n)}(v, v) \\ &= (f)^*(g_{n+1})_{I_{n+1}}(d\pi_{I_{n+1}}|_{H_{I_{n+1}}}^{-1}(v), d\pi_{I_{n+1}}|_{H_{I_{n+1}}}^{-1}(v)) \\ &= (g_{n+1})_{I_{n+1}}(d(f^{-1} \circ \pi)_{I_{n+1}}|_{H_{I_{n+1}}}^{-1}(v), d(f^{-1} \circ \pi)_{I_{n+1}}|_{H_{I_{n+1}}}^{-1}(v)) \\ &= (g_{n+1})_{I_{n+1}} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \hat{v} \\ -\hat{v}^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \hat{v} \\ -\hat{v}^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (dv_i)^2 = 2g_{can}(v, v) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f^*\hat{g} = 2g_{can}$  and so  $\lambda = 2$ . □

**Example 16.6** (Real/Complex Grassmannian  $G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R})$  or  $G_{k,n}(\mathbb{C})$ ). As a set

$$G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R}) := \{V \subset \mathbb{R}^n \mid V \text{ } k\text{-dimensional subspace of } \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

In particular,  $G_{1,n}(\mathbb{R}) = P_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})$ . Aiming for Theorem 16.6, let  $G = O(n)$  and  $M = G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R})$ , here  $O(n)$  acts transitively on  $G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R})$ . For the first  $k$  coordinates  $\mathbb{R}^k \times \{(0, \dots, 0)\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , the stabilizer is

$$O(k) \times O(n-k) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & C \end{pmatrix} \mid B, C \in O(n) \right\}$$

As a set,

$$G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R}) \cong O(n)/O(k) \times O(n-k)$$

the RHS is a  $C^\infty$  manifold. Since

$$O(n) \xrightarrow{i} M_n(\mathbb{R}) \quad g_n = i^* \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n da_{i,j}^2 \right)$$

is a bi-invariant Riemannian metric on  $O(n)$ .  $O(k) \times O(n-k)$  acts smoothly, freely, properly and isometrically on  $(O(n), g_n)$ . There is a unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on  $G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R}) = O(n)/O(k) \times O(n-k)$  s.t.

$$(O(n), g_n) \rightarrow (G_{k,n}(\mathbb{R}) = O(n)/O(k) \times O(n-k), \hat{g})$$

is a Riemannian submersion. In particular take  $k = 1$  and  $n + 1$

$$P_n(\mathbb{R}) = G_{1,n+1}(\mathbb{R}) = \frac{O(n+1)}{O(1) \times O(n)}$$



Notice  $O(n+1)/O(n) = SO(n+1)/SO(n)$  hence

$$P_n(\mathbb{R}) = \frac{O(n+1)}{O(1) \times O(n)} = \frac{1}{\{\pm 1\}} \frac{O(n+1)}{O(n)} = \frac{1}{\{\pm 1\}} \frac{SO(n+1)}{SO(n)} = \frac{\mathbb{S}^n(\sqrt{\lambda})}{\{\pm 1\}}$$

How about Complex Grassmannian? For  $G_{k,n}(\mathbb{C})$ , we replace  $O(n)$  with  $U(n)$  where

$$U(n) := \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid A^*A = \bar{A}^T A = I_n\}$$

and identify

$$U(n) \xrightarrow{i} M_n(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}^{n^2} \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n^2}$$

so that for  $a_{i,j} = b_{i,j} + \sqrt{-1}c_{i,j}$

$$g_n = i^* \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n db_{i,j}^2 + dc_{i,j}^2 \right)$$

Then there is unique Riemannian metric  $\hat{g}$  on

$$G_{k,n}(\mathbb{C}) = U(n)/U(k) \times U(n-k)$$

and

$$(U(n), g_n) \rightarrow (G_{k,n}(\mathbb{C}), \hat{g})$$

is Riemannian submersion.

$$P_n(\mathbb{C}) = \frac{U(n+1)}{U(1) \times U(n)} = \frac{\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}(\sqrt{\lambda})}{U(1)}$$

**Example 16.7.** Recall

$$\pi : \mathbb{C}^n \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow P_{n-1}(\mathbb{C}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \mapsto [z_1, \dots, z_n] = \text{Span}\{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$$

for  $\Phi = \{(U_i, \phi_i) \mid i = 1, \dots, n\}$  and

$$U_i = \{[z_1, \dots, z_n] \mid z_i \neq 0\} \xrightarrow{\phi_i} \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad [z_1, \dots, z_n] \mapsto \left( \frac{z_1}{z_i}, \frac{z_2}{z_i}, \dots, \frac{z_{i-1}}{z_i}, \frac{z_{i+1}}{z_i}, \dots, \frac{z_n}{z_i} \right)$$

Then

$$\Pi : \left\{ A = \begin{pmatrix} z_{11} & \cdots & z_{1n} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ z_{k1} & \cdots & z_{kn} \end{pmatrix} \mid \text{Rank}(A) = k \right\} \rightarrow G_{k,n}(\mathbb{C}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad A \mapsto \text{Span of row vectors of } A$$

Here

$$\Phi = \{(U_I, \phi_I) \mid I = \{i_1, \dots, i_k\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}, 1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n, |I| = k\}$$

and

$$U_I = \Pi \left( \left( \begin{pmatrix} z_{11} & \cdots & z_{1n} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ z_{k1} & \cdots & z_{kn} \end{pmatrix} \mid \det \begin{pmatrix} z_{1i_1} & \cdots & z_{1i_k} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ z_{ki_1} & \cdots & z_{ki_k} \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 \right) \right)$$

For  $A \in U_I$ ,

$$\phi_I : [A = ((A_I)_{k \times k} \mid (A_{I'})_{k \times (n-k)})] = [(I_k \mid A_I^{-1} A_{I'})] \mapsto A_I^{-1} A_{I'} \in M_{k \times (n-k)}(\mathbb{C})$$

## 17 Connections on Vector Bundles

### 17.1 Connections on a $C^\infty$ Vector Bundle

**Definition 17.1** (Connection on  $C^\infty$  vector bundle). Let  $M$  be  $C^\infty$  manifold and fix  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  a  $C^\infty$  vector bundle over  $M$  of rank  $r$ . A connection on  $E$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map

$$\nabla : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times C^\infty(M, E) := \{C^\infty \text{ sections of } \pi : E \rightarrow M\} \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (X, s) \mapsto \nabla_X s$$

s.t. for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , for any  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$ , and for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$

(i)  $\nabla_f X s = f \nabla_X s$ , i.e.,  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear in  $X$ .

(ii) For fixed  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , the map  $\nabla_X : C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E)$  satisfies Leibniz Rule, i.e.,

$$\nabla_X(fs) = X(f)s + f\nabla_X s$$

Here  $\mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $C^\infty(M, E)$  are  $C^\infty(M)$ -modules.

**Remark 17.1.** (i) implies given  $p \in M$ , for any  $v \in T_p M$  and  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$ , we may define

$$\nabla_v s \in E_p = \pi^{-1}(p) \subset E$$

**Definition 17.2** (Affine Connection on smooth manifold). An affine connection on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  is a connection on the tangent bundle  $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$ , i.e., a  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map

$$\nabla : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (X, Y) \mapsto \nabla_X Y$$

s.t. for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $f, g \in C^\infty(M)$

(i)  $\nabla_{fX+gY}Z = f\nabla_X Z + g\nabla_Y Z$ ,  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear.

(ii) Leibniz Rule, for fixed  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$\nabla_X(fY) = X(f)Y + f\nabla_X Y \quad (22)$$

**Lemma 17.1.** If  $E$  and  $F$  are  $C^\infty$  vector bundles on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  and  $\phi : C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, F)$  is  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear, i.e. for  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  and  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$

$$\phi(fs) = f\phi(s)$$

Then  $\phi \in C^\infty(M, E^* \otimes F)$ .

*Proof.* On  $U \subset M$  open, let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}, \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$  be  $C^\infty$  frame of  $E|_U$  and  $F|_U$  respectively. Then in local coordinates

$$\phi(e_i) = \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} f_j \quad \text{for} \quad a_{ij} \in C^\infty(U)$$

we have

$$\phi = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} e_i^* \otimes f_j$$

for  $\{e_1^*, \dots, e_r^*\}$   $C^\infty$  frame of  $E^*|_U$  dual to  $(e_1, \dots, e_r)$ . □

We introduce the following notation.

**Definition 17.3** ( $E$ -valued  $p$ -forms).  $\Omega^p(M, E) := C^\infty(M, \Lambda^p T^*M \otimes E)$  space of  $E$ -valued  $p$ -forms.

**Remark 17.2** ( $\nabla s$ ). For a fixed  $s \in C^\infty(M, E) = \Omega^0(M, E)$ , let

$$\nabla s : \mathfrak{X}(M) = C^\infty(M, TM) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad X \mapsto \nabla_X s$$

then  $\nabla s$  is  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear by (i). We may view  $\nabla s$  as a smooth section of  $T^*M \otimes E$ , i.e.

$$\nabla s \in C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes E) = \Omega^1(M, E) \quad (23)$$

**Definition 17.4** (Connection on  $C^\infty$  vector bundle (Alternative Formulation)). Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^\infty$  vector bundle over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ . A connection on  $E$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map

$$\nabla : \Omega^0(M, E) = C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad s \mapsto \nabla s$$

such that for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ , and for any  $s \in \Omega^0(M, E) = C^\infty(M, E)$

$$\nabla(fs) = df \otimes s + f\nabla s \quad (24)$$

where  $\nabla s$  is as in (23).

*Well-definedness.* Recall in general, for any  $\alpha \in \Omega^p(M) = C^\infty(M, \Lambda^p T^*M)$  and  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$

$$\alpha \otimes s \in \Omega^p(M, E) = C^\infty(M, \Lambda^p T^*M \otimes E)$$

Hence for  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ ,  $df \in \Omega^1(M) = C^\infty(M, T^*M)$ , and so

$$df \otimes s \in C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes E) = \Omega^1(M, E)$$

□

**Lemma 17.2** ( $\Omega^1(M, \text{End}(E))$ ). Given  $E$  as  $C^\infty$  vector bundle over  $M$ . Let  $F = T^*M \otimes E$ . Then any  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear map

$$\phi : C^\infty(M, E) = \Omega^0(M, E) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes E) = \Omega^1(M, E)$$

can be viewed as  $\phi \in C^\infty(M, E^* \otimes T^*M \otimes E) = C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes \text{End}(E)) = \Omega^1(M, \text{End}(E))$  via Lemma 17.1.

**Lemma 17.3.** If  $\nabla_0$  and  $\nabla_1$  are two connections on the same vector bundle  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ , then

$$\nabla_1 - \nabla_0 : \Omega^0(M, E) = C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E) = C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes E) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad s \mapsto \nabla_1 s - \nabla_0 s$$

is  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear. This corresponds to a section of

$$E^* \otimes T^*M \otimes E = T^*M \otimes \text{End}(E)$$

according to Lemma 17.1, i.e.,  $\nabla_1 - \nabla_0$  can be viewed as an element in

$$C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes \text{End}(E)) = \Omega^1(M, \text{End}(E))$$

*Proof.* For any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  and  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_1 - \nabla_0)(fs) &= \nabla_1(fs) - \nabla_0(fs) \\ &= (df \otimes s + f\nabla_1 s) - (df \otimes s + f\nabla_0 s) \\ &= f(\nabla_1 s - \nabla_0 s) = f(\nabla_1 - \nabla_0)s \end{aligned}$$

□

**Definition 17.5** ( $A(E)$  Space of Connections on Vector Bundle). Let  $A(E)$  be the space of connections on  $E$ . Then  $A(E)$  is an affine space associated to the vector space  $\Omega^1(M, \text{End}(E))$ . Indeed, for any  $\nabla_0 \in A(E)$ ,  $\phi \in \Omega^1(M, \text{End}(E))$

$$(\nabla_0 + \phi) : \Omega^0(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E)$$

so  $\nabla_0 + \phi \in A(E)$ . Note  $\Omega^1(M, \text{End}(E))$  is  $\infty$ -dimensional if  $\dim M > 0$  and  $\text{rank} E > 0$ .

**Remark 17.3** (Connection on  $C^\infty$  Vector Bundle in Local Coordinates). Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  over  $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $n$ . We write our connection on  $E$

$$\nabla : \Omega^0(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E) \quad s \mapsto \nabla s$$

in local coordinates.

(i) Suppose  $(U, \phi)$  for  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a  $C^\infty$  chart for  $M$  where  $n = \dim M$  such that  $E|_U := \pi^{-1}(U)$  is trivial. So

$$h : \pi^{-1}(U) = E|_U \subset E \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^r \subset M \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

is local trivialization. Then we have  $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\} \subset C^\infty(U, E|_U)$  as a  $C^\infty$  frame of  $E|_U \rightarrow U$

$$e_j : U \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad e_j(x) := h^{-1}(x, \hat{e}_j) \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{e}_j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $r = \text{rank} E$ . For any  $s \in C^\infty(U, E|_U)$ , we write smooth section

$$s = \sum_{k=1}^r a^k e_k \in C^\infty(U, E|_U)$$

in local coordinates for  $a^k \in C^\infty(U)$ .

(ii) We have  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}\}$  as  $C^\infty$  frame of  $TM|_U = TU$ . To let  $\nabla$  act on  $s$ , we first discuss what  $\nabla$  is acting on  $e_j$ . In fact, on  $U$  we define the Christoffel Symbols  $\Gamma_{i,j}^k \in C^\infty(U)$  s.t.

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} e_j := \sum_{k=1}^r \Gamma_{i,j}^k e_k \in C^\infty(U, E|_U) \quad (25)$$

We further define connection 1-form  $\omega_j^k \in \Omega^1(U)$  s.t.

$$\nabla e_j = \sum_{k=1}^r \omega_j^k \otimes e_k \quad (26)$$

holds. This uses only trivialization of  $E|_U$  (but not trivialization of  $T^*M|_U$ ). This also used the observation that the element  $\nabla e_j$  is an  $E$ -valued one-form on  $U$ , i.e.

$$\nabla e_j \in \Omega^1(U, E|_U) = C^\infty(U, T^*U \otimes E|_U)$$

Plugging (25) into above (26) we may identify

$$\sum_{k=1}^r \Gamma_{i,j}^k e_k = \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} e_j = \sum_{k=1}^r \omega_j^k \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right) e_k \implies \omega_j^k \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right) = \Gamma_{i,j}^k$$

Thus obtaining

$$\omega_j^k = \sum_{i=1}^n \Gamma_{i,j}^k dx_i \in \Omega^1(U) = C^\infty(U, T^*U) \quad (27)$$

Plugging back into (26) we have explicit form in both Christoffel Symbols and connection 1-forms.

$$\nabla e_j = \sum_{k=1}^r \omega_j^k \otimes e_k = \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^n \Gamma_{i,j}^k dx_i \otimes e_k$$

Now we discuss how  $\nabla$  transits between two intersecting coordinate charts.

(i) Now take open cover  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  of the base  $M$  and

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

local trivializations. Let

$$e_{\alpha_j} : U_\alpha \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad e_{\alpha_j}(x) := h_\alpha^{-1}(x, \hat{e}_j)$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , i.e.,  $e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r}$  are  $C^\infty$  frames of  $E|_{U_\alpha}$ . For any  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$g_{\beta\alpha} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \xrightarrow{C^\infty} GL(r, \mathbb{R}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad e_{\alpha_j}(x) = e_{\beta_i}(x) g_{\beta\alpha}(x)_{i,j}$$

and we have transition functions

$$h_\beta \circ h_\alpha^{-1} : (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \cap \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (x, v) \mapsto (x, g_{\beta\alpha}(x)v)$$

for  $v \in \mathbb{R}^r$ . Since  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$  is a section, on  $U_\alpha$  we have

$$s = \sum_{j=1}^r s_\alpha^j e_{\alpha_j} = e_\alpha s_\alpha \quad \text{for} \quad s_\alpha^j \in C^\infty(U_\alpha), \quad e_\alpha = [e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r}], \quad s_\alpha := \begin{pmatrix} s_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ s_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} \in C^\infty(U_\alpha, \mathbb{R}^r) \quad (28)$$

Now  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$  is a  $C^\infty$  section iff  $s \in C^\infty(U_\alpha, \mathbb{R}^r)$  and  $s_\beta = g_{\beta\alpha} s_\alpha$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ . Indeed, on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$

$$s = e_\alpha s_\alpha = e_\beta g_{\beta\alpha} s_\alpha = e_\beta s_\beta$$

(ii) Now suppose that we're given a connection  $\nabla$  on  $E$ . On  $U_\alpha$  we define connection 1-form  $(\omega_\alpha)_j^k \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha)$  for  $j, k = 1, \dots, r$  as in (26) by

$$\nabla e_{\alpha_j} = \sum_{k=1}^r (\omega_\alpha)_j^k \otimes e_{\alpha_k} \quad (\omega_\alpha)_j^k \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha)$$

So

$$\nabla e_\alpha = [\nabla e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, \nabla e_{\alpha_r}] = e_\alpha \omega_\alpha \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \omega_\alpha := \begin{pmatrix} (\omega_\alpha)_1^1 & \cdots & (\omega_\alpha)_1^r \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ (\omega_\alpha)_r^1 & \cdots & (\omega_\alpha)_r^r \end{pmatrix} \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, \mathfrak{gl}(r, \mathbb{R})) = M_r(\mathbb{R})$$

where  $\mathfrak{gl}(r, \mathbb{R})$  is the Lie algebra of  $GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ .

(iii) On  $U_\alpha$  we defined

$$(\nabla s)_\alpha := \begin{pmatrix} (\nabla s)_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ (\nabla s)_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, \mathbb{R}^r)$$

by

$$\nabla s = \sum_{j=1}^r (\nabla s)_\alpha^j \otimes e_{\alpha_j} \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, E|_{U_\alpha}) = C^\infty(U_\alpha, T^*U_\alpha \otimes E|_{U_\alpha})$$

where  $(\nabla s)_\alpha^j \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha) = C^\infty(U_\alpha, T^*U_\alpha)$ . So

$$\nabla s = e_\alpha (\nabla s)_\alpha$$

But on the other hand, by Leibniz Rule, we may unpack the definition

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla s &= \nabla \left( \sum_{j=1}^r s_\alpha^j e_{\alpha_j} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^r ds_\alpha^j \otimes e_{\alpha_j} + \sum_{j=1}^r s_\alpha^j \nabla e_{\alpha_j} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^r ds_\alpha^j \otimes e_{\alpha_j} + \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r s_\alpha^j (\omega_\alpha)_j^k \otimes e_{\alpha_k} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^r \left( ds_\alpha^j + \sum_{k=1}^r (\omega_\alpha)_k^j s_\alpha^k \right) \otimes e_{\alpha_j} = \sum_{j=1}^r (\nabla s)_\alpha^j \otimes e_{\alpha_j} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(\nabla s)_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} (\nabla s)_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ (\nabla s)_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} = d \begin{pmatrix} s_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ s_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} (\omega_\alpha)_1^1 & \cdots & (\omega_\alpha)_r^1 \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ (\omega_\alpha)_1^r & \cdots & (\omega_\alpha)_r^r \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ s_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} = ds_\alpha + \omega_\alpha s_\alpha$$

Or in short hand notation

$$\nabla s = \nabla(e_\alpha s_\alpha) = \nabla e_\alpha s_\alpha + e_\alpha ds_\alpha = e_\alpha \omega_\alpha s_\alpha + e_\alpha ds_\alpha = e_\alpha (ds_\alpha + \omega_\alpha s_\alpha)$$

Combining with  $\nabla s = e_\alpha (\nabla s)_\alpha$  we obtain

$$(\nabla s)_\alpha = ds_\alpha + \omega_\alpha s_\alpha \quad (29)$$

(iv) One may ask: On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , how are  $\omega_\alpha$  and  $\omega_\beta$  related? On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , we align both representations, and using (28)

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla e_\beta &= e_\beta \omega_\beta = e_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} \omega_\beta \\ \nabla e_\beta &= \nabla(e_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta}) = \nabla e_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} + e_\alpha dg_{\alpha\beta} = e_\alpha \omega_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} + e_\alpha dg_{\alpha\beta} \end{aligned}$$

for  $g_{\alpha\beta} \in C^\infty(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta, \mathfrak{gl}(r))$ ,  $dg_{\alpha\beta} \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta, \mathfrak{gl}(r))$  and  $\omega_\beta \in \Omega^1(U_\beta, \mathfrak{gl}(r))$ . Hence

$$g_{\alpha\beta} \omega_\beta = \omega_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} + dg_{\alpha\beta} \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, \mathfrak{gl}(r))$$

Rewriting yields

$$\omega_\beta = g_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} \omega_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} + g_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} dg_{\alpha\beta} \quad (30)$$

Hence that

$$\nabla : \Omega^0(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E)$$

is connection on  $E$  iff for any  $\omega \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, \mathfrak{gl}(r))$  it satisfies (30)

$$\omega_\beta = g_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} \omega_\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} + g_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} dg_{\alpha\beta} \quad \text{on} \quad U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$$

**Remark 17.4.** Let  $E$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$ . Let  $P : GL(E) \rightarrow M$  be the frame bundle over  $M$ , i.e.

$$GL(E)_x = \{(e_1, \dots, e_r) \mid \text{ordered basis of } E_x \cong \mathbb{R}^r\}$$

This is fiber bundle with fiber  $GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ , so-called principal  $GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ -bundle.  $M = GL(E)/GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ . Our previous example  $G \rightarrow G/H$  is principal  $H$ -bundle. There is notation of connection on  $GL(E)$  iff  $GL(r, \mathbb{R})$ -valued 1-form  $\omega \in \Omega^1(GL(E), \mathfrak{gl}(r))$  with some properties. Then

$$e_\alpha = [e_{1\alpha}, \dots, e_{r\alpha}] : U_\alpha \rightarrow P^{-1}(U_\alpha)$$

with  $\omega_\alpha = e_\alpha^* \omega \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, \mathfrak{gl}(r))$ .

## 17.2 Connections on Pullback Vector Bundle

**Definition 17.6** (Pullback Vector Bundles). Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be a  $C^\infty$  map between  $C^\infty$  manifolds. Let

$$\pi : E \rightarrow N$$

be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle on  $N$  of rank  $r$ . Define

$$\tilde{\pi} : F^*E \rightarrow M$$

the pullback vector bundle as  $C^\infty$  vector bundle on  $M$  of rank  $r$  s.t.

(i) As a set,

$$F^*E := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} E_{F(p)}$$

where  $E_{F(p)} \cong \mathbb{R}^r$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F^*E & \longrightarrow & E \\ \downarrow \tilde{\pi} & & \downarrow \pi \\ M & \xrightarrow{F} & N \end{array}$$

In other words

$$F^*E := \{(x, (y, v)) \in M \times E \mid F(x) = y = \pi(y, v)\} \subset M \times E$$

s.t.  $x \in M$ ,  $y \in N$  and  $v \in E_y$ .

(ii)  $F^*E$  is a  $C^\infty$  submanifold of  $M \times E$ . Let  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  be open cover of  $N$  with

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

as local trivializations. Then using  $F : M \rightarrow N$  is  $C^\infty$  map

$$\{F^{-1}(U_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$$

is open cover of  $M$ . We want to define

$$\tilde{h}_\alpha : \tilde{\pi}^{-1}(F^{-1}(U_\alpha)) \rightarrow F^{-1}(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

as local trivialization of the vector bundles  $\tilde{\pi} : F^*E \rightarrow M$ .

**Definition 17.7** (Pullback Sections). Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow N$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $N$ . Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be smooth map. For

$$s : N \rightarrow E$$

$C^\infty$  section of  $N$ . We define  $F^*s \in C^\infty(M, F^*E)$

$$F^*s : M \rightarrow F^*E \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (F^*s)(p) := s(F(p)) \in E_{F(p)} = (F^*E)_p \quad \forall p \in M$$

as smooth section of  $F^*E$  s.t. the diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F^*E & \longrightarrow & E \\ F^*s \uparrow & & s \uparrow \\ M & \xrightarrow{F} & N \end{array}$$

Now, to define the local trivialization for  $F^*E$ , given

$$h_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$$

local trivializations of  $\pi : E|_{U_\alpha} \rightarrow U_\alpha$  and  $\{e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r}\}$  as  $C^\infty$  frame of  $E|_{U_\alpha}$ , recall

$$e_{\alpha_j} : U_\alpha \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) = E|_{U_\alpha} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad e_{\alpha_j}(y) := h_\alpha^{-1}(y, \hat{e}_j) \quad \text{for} \quad \hat{e}_j := \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We have pullback sections  $\{F^*e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, F^*e_{\alpha_r}\}$  as  $C^\infty$  frame for  $F^*E|_{F^{-1}(U_\alpha)}$  and we define

$$\tilde{h}_\alpha : \tilde{\pi}^{-1}(F^{-1}(U_\alpha)) \rightarrow F^{-1}(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^r \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \tilde{h}_\alpha^{-1}(x, \hat{e}_j) := (F^*e_{\alpha_j})(x) = e_{\alpha_j}(F(x))$$

We define our surjective map as

$$\tilde{\pi} : F^*E \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (p, v) \in M \times ((F^*E)_p = E_{F(p)}) \mapsto p$$

(iii) *Transition Functions.* On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , for  $e_\alpha = e_\beta g_{\beta\alpha}^E$  where  $e_\alpha = [e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r}]$

$$g_{\beta\alpha}^E : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \xrightarrow{C^\infty} GL(r, \mathbb{R})$$

Note for  $F^{-1}(U_\alpha) \cap F^{-1}(U_\beta) = F^{-1}(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$ , the diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & F^{-1}(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \\ & & \downarrow F \\ N & \xrightarrow{\text{open}} & U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \nearrow F^* g_{\beta\alpha}^E = g_{\beta\alpha}^E \circ F \\ \xrightarrow{g_{\beta\alpha}^E} \\ \searrow \end{array} \quad GL(r, \mathbb{R})$$

Then

$$F^* e_\alpha = [F^* e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, F^* e_{\alpha_r}] = F^* e_\beta F^* g_{\beta\alpha}^E$$

and hence

$$g_{\beta\alpha}^{F^* E} := F^* g_{\beta\alpha}^E$$

Notice  $s \in C^\infty(N, E)$  iff

$$s_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} s_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ s_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} \in C^\infty(U_\alpha, \mathbb{R}^r)$$

and  $s_\beta = g_{\beta\alpha}^E s_\alpha$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$  upon writing  $s = e_\alpha s_\alpha$ . Hence we have  $F^* s \in C^\infty(M, F^* E)$  s.t.

$$(F^* s)_\alpha = F^* s_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} F^* s_\alpha^1 \\ \vdots \\ F^* s_\alpha^r \end{pmatrix} \in C^\infty(F^{-1}(U_\alpha), \mathbb{R}^r)$$

Now we consider the special case  $E = TN$ . Then the pullback tangent bundle writes

$$\tilde{\pi} : F^* TN \rightarrow M$$

We consider the space of connections on the  $C^\infty$  vector bundle  $F^* TN$ , i.e.  $C^\infty(M, F^* TN)$

**Definition 17.8** (Pushforward and Pullback of Vector Field into Connection of Pullback Tangent Bundle). *Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  smooth map. Define*

$$F_* : \mathfrak{X}(M) = C^\infty(M, TM) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, F^* TN) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad X \mapsto (F_* X)(p) := dF_p(X(p)) \in T_{F(p)} N = (F^* TN)_p \quad (31)$$

*This is smooth section of pushforward bundle. Now we define pull-back*

$$F^* : \mathfrak{X}(N) = C^\infty(N, TN) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, F^* TN) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad Y \mapsto (F^* Y)(p) := Y(F(p)) \in T_{F(p)} N = (F^* TN)_p \quad (32)$$

*If moreover  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$  are  $F$ -related as in Definition 15.3 then*

$$F_* X = F^* Y \in C^\infty(M, F^* TN)$$

In particular, we study elements in  $C^\infty(M, F^* TN)$ .

**Definition 17.9** ( $C^\infty$  vector field along  $F$ ). *For  $F : M \rightarrow N$  smooth map between  $C^\infty$  manifold. A  $C^\infty$  vector field along  $F$  is a  $C^\infty$  map*

$$V : M \rightarrow TN \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \forall p \in M, \quad V(p) \in E_{F(p)} = (F^* E)_p$$

*We may view  $V$  as a  $C^\infty$  section of  $F^* TN$ , i.e.,  $V \in C^\infty(M, F^* TN)$ .*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & & \\ \downarrow F & \searrow V & \\ N & \xleftarrow{\pi} & TN \end{array}$$

More generally, for smooth vector bundle  $\pi : E \rightarrow N$ , we study elements in  $C^\infty(M, F^* E)$ .

**Definition 17.10** ( $C^\infty$  section along  $F$ ). For  $F : M \rightarrow N$  smooth map between  $C^\infty$  manifold. Let

$$\pi : E \rightarrow N$$

be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  on  $N$ . A  $C^\infty$  section of  $\pi : E \rightarrow N$  along  $F$  is a  $C^\infty$  map

$$V : M \rightarrow E \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \forall p \in M, \quad V(p) \in E_{F(p)} = (F^*E)_p$$

We may view  $V$  as a  $C^\infty$  section of  $F^*E \rightarrow M$ , i.e.,  $V \in C^\infty(M, F^*E)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & & \\ F \downarrow & \searrow V & \\ N & \xleftarrow{\pi} & E \end{array}$$

### 17.3 Pullback Connection

**Definition 17.11** (Pullback Connection). Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be  $C^\infty$  map between  $C^\infty$  manifolds. Let

$$\pi : E \rightarrow N$$

be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle, and on it a connection

$$\nabla : \Omega^0(N, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(N, E)$$

Then there exists a unique connection on  $\tilde{\pi} : F^*E \rightarrow M$  called the pullback connection s.t.

$$F^*\nabla : \Omega^0(M, F^*E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, F^*E) \quad F^*s \mapsto (F^*\nabla)(F^*s) := F^*(\nabla s) \quad \forall s \in \Omega^0(N, E), \quad F^*s \in \Omega^0(M, F^*E) \quad (33)$$

or in particular

$$\forall p \in M, \quad \forall v \in T_pM, \quad (F^*\nabla)_v(F^*s) := (\nabla_{dF_p(v)}s)(F(p)) \in E_{F(p)} = (F^*E)_p \quad (34)$$

**Remark 17.5.** We make sense of the definition (33). We've defined pullback as in (32)

$$F^* : \Omega^0(N, E) = C^\infty(N, E) \rightarrow \Omega^0(M, F^*E) = C^\infty(M, F^*E)$$

We may extend

$$F^* : \Omega^p(N, E) \rightarrow \Omega^p(M, F^*E)$$

as  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map s.t. for any  $\alpha \in \Omega^p(N)$  and  $s \in C^\infty(N, E)$

$$F^*(\alpha \otimes s) \mapsto F^*\alpha \otimes F^*s \quad (35)$$

where  $F^*\alpha \in \Omega^p(M)$  and  $F^*s \in C^\infty(M, F^*E)$ . Thus for any  $s \in \Omega^0(N, E)$  and  $\nabla s \in \Omega^1(N, E)$ , (34) can be rewritten as the following

$$F^*(\nabla s) = (F^*\nabla)(F^*s) \in \Omega^1(M, F^*E)$$

using

$$(F^*\alpha)(p)(v) := \alpha(dF_p(v)) \quad \forall p \in M, \quad v \in T_pM, \quad \alpha \in \Omega^1(N)$$

*Pullback Connection in Local Coordinates.* Let  $r = \text{rank } E$ .

- (i) 1. For  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  as open cover of  $N$ , the local trivializations write

$$h_\alpha^E : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r \iff e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, e_{\alpha_r} \text{ } C^\infty \text{ frame of } E|_{U_\alpha}$$

On  $U_\alpha$

$$\nabla e_{\alpha_j} = \sum_{k=1}^r (\omega_\alpha^{E, \nabla})_j^k \otimes e_{\alpha_k} \quad \forall (\omega_\alpha^{E, \nabla})_j^k \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha) \quad U_\alpha \subset N \text{ open}$$

and  $\omega_\alpha^{E, \nabla} \in \Omega^1(U_\alpha, \mathfrak{gl}(r, \mathbb{R}))$  are connection 1-forms associated with  $\nabla$  on  $U_\alpha$ .

2. On  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , recall (30)

$$\omega_\beta^{E, \nabla} = (g_{\alpha\beta}^E)^{-1} \omega_\alpha^{E, \nabla} g_{\alpha\beta}^E + (g_{\alpha\beta}^E)^{-1} dg_{\alpha\beta}^E \quad (36)$$

for transition functions  $g_{\alpha\beta}^E$  on  $\pi : E \rightarrow N$

$$g_{\alpha\beta}^E : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{R})$$



- (ii) 1. For  $\{F^{-1}(U_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in I\}$  open cover of  $M$ , we have  $F^*e_{\alpha_1}, \dots, F^*e_{\alpha_r}$   $C^\infty$  frame of  $F^*E|_{F^{-1}(U_\alpha)}$ . Using (35)

$$(F^*\nabla)(F^*e_{\alpha_j}) = F^*(\nabla e_{\alpha_j}) = F^*\left(\sum_{k=1}^r (\omega_\alpha^{E,\nabla})_j^k \otimes e_{\alpha_k}\right) = \sum_{k=1}^r (F^*\omega_\alpha^{E,\nabla})_j^k \otimes F^*e_{\alpha_k}$$

Now

$$\omega_\alpha^{F^*E, F^*\nabla} := F^*\omega_\alpha^{E,\nabla} \in \Omega^1(F^{-1}(U_\alpha), \mathfrak{gl}(r, \mathbb{R}))$$

2. On  $F^{-1}(U_\alpha) \cap F^{-1}(U_\beta)$ ,  $F^*$  acting on (36) yields

$$\omega_\beta^{F^*E, F^*\nabla} = (g_{\alpha\beta}^{F^*E})^{-1} \omega_\alpha^{F^*E, F^*\nabla} g_{\alpha\beta}^{F^*E} + (g_{\alpha\beta}^{F^*E})^{-1} dg_{\alpha\beta}^{F^*E}$$

Hence

$$\{\omega_\alpha^{F^*E, F^*\nabla}\} \subset \Omega^1(F^{-1}(U_\alpha), \mathfrak{gl}(r, \mathbb{R}))$$

defines a connection  $F^*\nabla$  on  $\tilde{\pi} : F^*E \rightarrow M$ .

□

## 17.4 Covariant Derivative

**Definition 17.12** (Covariant Derivative). Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^\infty$  vector bundle over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  together with a connection

$$\nabla : \Omega^0(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad s \mapsto \nabla s$$

or equivalently

$$\nabla : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E) \quad (X, s) \mapsto \nabla_X s$$

For any  $C^\infty$  curve

$$c : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad t \mapsto c(t)$$

- (i) Define the covariant derivative along  $c$  as the pullback connection under  $c$  evaluated at  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \in \mathfrak{X}(I)$ . Recall (34)

$$\frac{D}{dt} : C^\infty(I, c^*E) = \{C^\infty \text{ sections of } E \text{ along } c : I \rightarrow M\} \rightarrow C^\infty(I, c^*E) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad s \mapsto \frac{Ds}{dt} := (c^*\nabla)_{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} s$$

- (ii) In particular if pick  $E = TM$  tangent bundle so that  $C^\infty(M, E) = C^\infty(M, TM) = \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$\nabla : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad (X, Y) \mapsto \nabla_X Y$$

is an affine connection as in Definition 17.2, then

$$\frac{D}{dt} : C^\infty(I, c^*TM) \rightarrow C^\infty(I, c^*TM) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad V \mapsto \frac{DV}{dt}$$

- (iii) Leibniz rule holds

$$\frac{D}{dt}(fs) = \frac{df}{dt}s + f \frac{Ds}{dt} \quad \forall f \in C^\infty(I), \quad s(t) \in C^\infty(I, c^*E) \quad (37)$$

*Covariant Derivative in Local Coordinates.* In local coordinates, for  $(U, \phi)$   $C^\infty$  chart with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . We have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}$$

smooth frame of  $TM|_U = TU$  where  $n = \dim M$ , and

$$e_1, \dots, e_r$$

$C^\infty$  frame of  $E|_U$  where  $r = \text{rank } E$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla e_j &= \sum_{k=1}^r \omega_j^k \otimes e_k = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \Gamma_{ij}^k dx_i \otimes e_k \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} e_j &= \sum_{k=1}^r \Gamma_{ij}^k e_k \quad \text{for } \Gamma_{ij}^k \in C^\infty(U) \end{aligned}$$

If  $E = TM$  and  $r = n$ , so  $e_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$  we have

$$\phi \circ c(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$$

and the diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I & \xrightarrow{c} & M \\ \downarrow \text{open} & & \downarrow \text{open} \\ I' & \xrightarrow{c} & U \\ & \searrow \phi \circ c & \downarrow \phi \\ & & \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

The curve velocity writes

$$c'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(c(t)) \in C^\infty(I', c^*TM)$$

for  $s \in C^\infty(I, c^*E)$  we have

$$s(t) = \sum_{j=1}^r s^j(t) e_j(c(t)) = \sum_{j=1}^r s^j(t) (c^* e_j)(t)$$

Now we write, using Leibniz Rule (37)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Ds}{dt}(t) &= (c^*\nabla)_{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} s = (c^*\nabla)_{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^r s^j c^* e_j \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{ds^j}{dt}(t) e_j(c(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^r s^j (c^*\nabla)_{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} (c^* e_j) \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} (c^*\nabla)_{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} (c^* e_j) &= \nabla_{(dc_t)(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})} e_j(c(t)) = \nabla_{c'(t)} e_j(c(t)) \\ &= \nabla_{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(c(t))} e_j(c(t)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \left( \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(c(t))} e_j(c(t)) \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \Gamma_{ij}^k(c(t)) e_k(c(t)) \end{aligned}$$

Notice

$$(dc_t)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) = \frac{dc}{dt}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(c(t)) \in T_{c(t)}M$$

Hence for

$$s = \sum_{j=1}^r s^j(t) e_j(c(t))$$

we have

$$\frac{Ds}{dt}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^r \left( \frac{ds^k}{dt}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \Gamma_{ij}^k(c(t)) \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) s^j(t) \right) e_k(c(t)) \quad (38)$$

In particular, if we have affine connection  $\nabla$ , then  $V(t) = \sum_{j=1}^r V^j(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(c(t))$  is a  $C^\infty$  vector field along  $c : I \rightarrow M$ , and we have expression

$$\frac{DV}{dt} = \sum_{k=1}^r \left( \frac{dV^k}{dt} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n (\Gamma_{ij}^k \circ c) \frac{dx_i}{dt} V^j \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(c(t)) \quad (39)$$

□

## 17.5 Parallel Transport

**Definition 17.13** (Parallel Section). Let  $V \in C^\infty(I, c^*E)$ , i.e. a  $C^\infty$  section of  $E$  along  $c$ . We say  $V$  is parallel w.r.t.  $\nabla$  if

$$\frac{DV}{dt} = 0 \quad \forall t \in I$$

**Proposition 17.1.** Let  $c : I \xrightarrow{C^\infty} M$  be  $C^\infty$  curve. Given any  $t_0 \in I$  and any  $v \in E_{c(t_0)} \cong \mathbb{R}^r$  fiber of  $E$  over  $c(t_0)$  where  $r = \text{rank } E$ . Then there exists a unique parallel section  $V$  of  $E$  along  $c$  s.t.  $V(t_0) = v$ .

*Proof.* WLOG assume  $c : I \rightarrow U \subset M$  open with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\phi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open, i.e.,  $(U, \phi)$  is  $C^\infty$  chart for  $M$ . Let  $n = \dim M$ .  $E|_U$  is trivialized iff there exists  $e_1, \dots, e_r$   $C^\infty$  frame of  $E|_U$ . We thus have on  $U$

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} e_j = \sum_{k=1}^r \Gamma_{ij}^k e_k$$

For  $(\phi \circ c)(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$  and  $c'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(c(t))$  and hence

$$V(t) = \sum_{j=1}^r V^j(t) e_j(c(t))$$

Using (38), the condition  $\frac{DV}{dt} = 0$  holds iff

$$\frac{dV^k}{dt} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r (\Gamma_{ij}^k \circ c) \frac{dx_i}{dt} V^j = 0 \quad k = 1, \dots, r$$

For  $v = \sum_{j=1}^r v^j e_j(c(t_0)) \in E_{c(t_0)}$  we have initial conditions  $V(t_0) = v$  iff

$$V^k(t_0) = v^k \quad k = 1, \dots, r$$

Thus we have 1st order ODE. Directly Apply Existence and Uniqueness theorem.  $\square$

**Definition 17.14** (Parallel Transport). Define for any  $t \in I$

$$P_{c, t_0, t} : E_{c(t_0)} \rightarrow E_{c(t)} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad v = V(t_0) \mapsto V(t)$$

where  $V \in C^\infty(I, c^*E)$  is the unique  $C^\infty$  section of  $E$  along  $c$  s.t.

$$\frac{DV}{dt} = 0$$

and  $V(t_0) = v$ .  $P_{c, t_0, t}$  is parallel transport along  $c$  (defined by  $(E, v)$ ).

**Example 17.1.** In particular, let  $E = TM$ ,  $\nabla$  is affine connection on  $M$  (which is a connection on  $TM$ ). Then we define parallel transport along  $c : I \rightarrow M$   $C^\infty$  curve, for any  $t_0, t_1 \in I$ ,

$$P_{c, t_0, t_1} : T_{c(t_0)}M \rightarrow T_{c(t_1)}M$$

This is a linear isomorphism.

## 18 Riemannian Connection

Recall Affine Connection as in Definition 17.2.

**Definition 18.1** (Symmetric affine connection). An affine connection  $\nabla$  on a smooth manifold  $M$  is symmetric if for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y]$$

In Local Coordinates. Recall as in (25) with  $e_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} - \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} &= \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right] = 0 \\ \sum_k (\Gamma_{ij}^k - \Gamma_{ji}^k) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\Gamma_{ij}^k = \Gamma_{ji}^k$ .  $\square$

**Definition 18.2** (Compatible with metric). *An affine connection  $\nabla$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is compatible with the Riemannian metric  $g$  if for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  we have*

$$Z(g(X, Y)) = g(\nabla_Z X, Y) + g(X, \nabla_Z Y)$$

where  $g(X, Y) \in C^\infty(M)$ . In fact, compatibility with the metric is equivalent to

$$\nabla_Z g = 0 \quad \forall Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad (40)$$

**Proposition 18.1** (Equivalence with Compatibility with Metric). *Let  $\frac{D}{dt}$  be defined along  $c : I \rightarrow M$  smooth curve by an affine connection  $\nabla$  on  $M$  which is compatible with a Riemannian metric  $g$  on  $M$ . For  $V, W$  smooth vector fields along  $c : I \rightarrow M$ , i.e.,  $V, W \in C^\infty(I, c^*TM)$ , the metric inner product writes*

$$\langle V, W \rangle(t) = (g(c(t)))(V(t), W(t))$$

where  $\langle V, W \rangle \in C^\infty(I)$ . Then we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle V, W \rangle(t) = \left\langle \frac{DV}{dt}, W \right\rangle + \left\langle V, \frac{DW}{dt} \right\rangle \quad (41)$$

(i) In fact,  $\nabla$  is compatible with  $g$  iff (41) holds.

(ii) In particular,  $\nabla$  is compatible with  $g$  implies whenever  $V, W$  are parallel, we have

$$\langle V, W \rangle = \text{constant}$$

In fact the converse holds as well.

In the following we note the more general relationship between  $\nabla$  and pullback connection.

**Proposition 18.2.** *Suppose  $F : M \xrightarrow{\cong} (N, h)$  from smooth manifold  $M$  to Riemannian manifold  $(N, h)$ . Let*

$$F_* : \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, F^*TN) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad X \mapsto (F_*X)(p) := dF_p(X(p)) \in T_{F(p)}N = (F^*TN)_p$$

be pushforward as in (31). Let  $\nabla$  be affine connection on  $N$  and  $D := F^*\nabla$  be the pullback connection on  $F^*TN$  as in (33).

(i) If  $\nabla$  is symmetric, then

$$D_X(F_*Y) - D_Y(F_*X) = F_*([X, Y]) \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad (42)$$

(ii) If  $\nabla$  is compatible with the Riemannian metric  $h$  then

$$X\langle V, W \rangle = \langle D_X V, W \rangle + \langle V, D_X W \rangle \quad \forall X \in \mathfrak{X}(M), \quad \forall W, V \in C^\infty(M, F^*TN) \quad (43)$$

**Theorem 18.1** (Levi-Civita). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Then there exists a unique affine connection  $\nabla$  on  $M$  which is symmetric and compatible with the metric  $g$ . Such connection is called the Levi-Civita Connection.*

*Proof of Uniqueness.* Take any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , if we have compatibility with the metric  $g$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} X(g(Y, Z)) &= g(\nabla_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z) \\ Y(g(Z, X)) &= g(\nabla_Y Z, X) + g(Z, \nabla_Y X) \\ Z(g(X, Y)) &= g(\nabla_Z X, Y) + g(X, \nabla_Z Y) \end{aligned}$$

Now add up first two and subtract the third, using  $g$  is symmetric tensor, and then using  $\nabla$  is symmetric affine connection

$$\begin{aligned} X(g(Y, Z)) + Y(g(Z, X)) - Z(g(X, Y)) &= g(\nabla_X Y + \nabla_Y X, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z - \nabla_Z X) + g(X, \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Z Y) \\ &= 2g(\nabla_Y X, Z) + g(Z, \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z - \nabla_Z X) + g(X, \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Z Y) \\ &= 2g(\nabla_Y X, Z) + g(Z, [X, Y]) + g(Y, [X, Z]) + g(X, [Y, Z]) \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$g(\nabla_Y X, Z) = \frac{1}{2} (X(g(Y, Z)) + Y(g(Z, X)) - Z(g(X, Y)) - g(Y, [X, Z]) - g(X, [Y, Z]) - g(Z, [X, Y])) \quad (44)$$

This uniquely determines  $\nabla_Y X$  for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Existence.* We define  $\nabla_Y X$  as above and check that  $\nabla$  is symmetric and compatible with the Riemannian metric  $g$ .  $\square$

*Local Coordinates.* Let  $Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ ,  $X = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$  and  $Z = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$  as in (44). Then making use of (25) with  $e_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$  so that

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \quad (45)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= g(\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}) = g(\sum_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}) = \sum_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^\ell g_{\ell k} \\ RHS &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}) - g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, 0) - g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, 0) - g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}, 0) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (g_{ik,j} + g_{kj,i} - g_{ij,k}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $g_{ij,k} := \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x_k}$ . Hence  $LHS = RHS$  gives

$$\Gamma_{ij}^\ell = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n g^{\ell k} (g_{ik,j} + g_{kj,i} - g_{ij,k}) \quad (46)$$

$\square$

**Example 18.1.** Consider  $(\mathbb{R}^n, g = dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_n^2)$  where  $g_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$ . Then  $g_{ij,k} = 0$  with

$$\Gamma_{ij}^\ell = 0 \quad \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = 0 \quad \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

Then for  $c: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  smooth curve with  $c(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$

$$V(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n V^j(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (c(t))$$

$C^\infty$  vector field. Then plugging in (38) we see

$$\frac{DV}{dt}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{dV^j}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (c(t))$$

and  $\frac{DV}{dt} = 0$  iff  $\frac{dV^j}{dt}(t) = 0$ .

**Example 18.2.** Consider  $(\mathbb{S}^2, g_{can} = d\phi^2 + \sin^2(\phi)d\theta^2)$ . For spherical coordinates  $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$  and  $\phi \in (0, \pi)$ .

$$(x, y, z) = (\sin(\phi) \cos(\theta), \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta), \cos(\phi))$$

And  $(x_1, x_2) = (\phi, \theta)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} g_{11} &= 1 \\ g_{12} &= g_{21} = 0 \\ g_{22} &= \sin^2(\phi) \\ g^{11} &= 1 \\ g^{12} &= g^{21} = 0 \\ g^{22} &= \frac{1}{\sin^2(\phi)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $g_{ij} = 0$  for any  $i \neq j$  and  $g^{kk} = \frac{1}{g_{kk}}$ . Using (45) we derive relations

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} &= \Gamma_{11}^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Gamma_{11}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = \Gamma_{12}^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Gamma_{12}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= \Gamma_{22}^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Gamma_{22}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g_{22,1} = 2 \sin(\phi) \cos(\phi)$  and  $g_{ij,k} = 0$  otherwise, So using (46) we compute

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{11}^1 &= \Gamma_{11}^2 = \Gamma_{12}^1 = \Gamma_{21}^1 = \Gamma_{22}^2 = 0 \\ \Gamma_{12}^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^2 (g^{2k}(g_{1k,2} + g_{k2,1} - g_{12,k})) = \frac{1}{2g_{22}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} g_{22} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \log(\sin^2(\phi)) = \frac{\cos(\phi)}{\sin(\phi)} = \cot(\phi) = \Gamma_{21}^2 \\ \Gamma_{22}^1 &= \frac{1}{2} g^{11}(0 + 0 - g_{22,1}) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (\sin^2(\phi)) = -\sin(\phi) \cos(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} &= \Gamma_{11}^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Gamma_{11}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = 0 \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = \Gamma_{12}^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Gamma_{12}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \cot(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= \Gamma_{22}^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + \Gamma_{22}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = -\sin(\phi) \cos(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}\end{aligned}$$

Hence for (26) with  $e_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$

$$\nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_{k=1}^2 \omega_j^k \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} &= d\phi \otimes \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} + d\theta \otimes \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = (\cot(\phi)d\theta) \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= d\phi \otimes \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + d\theta \otimes \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = (\cot(\phi)d\phi) \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \sin(\phi) \cos(\phi) d\theta \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\omega_1^1 = 0$ ,  $\omega_1^2 = \cot(\phi)d\theta$ ,  $\omega_2^1 = -\sin(\phi) \cos(\phi)d\theta$  and  $\omega_2^2 = \cot(\phi)d\phi$ . The connection 1-form writes

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1^1 & \omega_1^2 \\ \omega_2^1 & \omega_2^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sin(\phi) \cos(\phi)d\theta \\ \cot(\phi)d\theta & \cot(\phi)d\phi \end{pmatrix} \in \Omega^1(U, \mathfrak{gl}(2, \mathbb{R}))$$

Alternatively, we can choose a different frame. Using Leibniz rule (22)

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_1 &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}} = \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \\ \nabla_2 &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}} = \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \\ e_1 &:= \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \\ e_2 &:= \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \nabla_1 e_1 &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = 0 \\ \nabla_1 e_2 &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \left( \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) = -\frac{\cos(\phi)}{\sin^2(\phi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = 0 \\ \nabla_2 e_1 &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = \cot(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \cos(\phi) e_2 \\ \nabla_2 e_2 &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \left( \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) = \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} (-\sin(\phi) \cos(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) = -\cos(\phi) e_1\end{aligned}$$

Hence for  $\nabla e_j = \sum_{k=1}^2 \tilde{\omega}_j^k \otimes e_k$ , since

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla e_1 &= d\phi \otimes \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} e_1 + d\theta \otimes \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} e_1 = d\theta \otimes \nabla_2 e_1 = \cos(\phi) d\theta \otimes e_2 \\ \nabla e_2 &= d\phi \otimes \nabla_1 e_2 + d\theta \otimes \nabla_2 e_2 = -\cos(\phi) d\theta \otimes e_1\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$[\nabla e_1, \nabla e_2] = [e_1, e_2] \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\cos(\phi) \\ \cos(\phi) & 0 \end{pmatrix} d\theta$$

and so our  $\tilde{\omega}$  writes

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\omega}_1^1 & \tilde{\omega}_1^2 \\ \tilde{\omega}_2^1 & \tilde{\omega}_2^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\cos(\phi)d\theta \\ \cos(\phi)d\theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \Omega^1(U, \mathfrak{so}(2))$$

**Remark 18.1.** In general if  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  are local **orthonormal frame** of  $TM|_U = TU$ , and  $\nabla$  is an affine connection compatible with the Riemannian metric, then

$$\begin{aligned} d\langle e_i, e_j \rangle &= \langle \nabla e_i, e_j \rangle + \langle e_i, \nabla e_j \rangle \\ \nabla e_j &= \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_j^k \otimes e_k \\ \omega_j^k &= -\omega_k^j \implies \omega \in \Omega^1(U, \mathfrak{so}(n)) \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 18.1.** Let  $F : (M, g) \rightarrow (N, h)$  be an isometric immersion. For any  $p \in M$ , let  $\pi_p$  be the orthogonal projection from  $T_{F(p)}N$  to the image of

$$dF_p : T_pM \rightarrow T_{F(p)}N$$

Let  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$   $F$ -related to  $\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$ , and let  $\nabla, \tilde{\nabla}$  be Levi-Civita connections respectively on  $(M, g)$  and  $(N, h)$ . Then for any  $p \in M$

$$dF_p((\nabla_X Y)(p)) = \pi_p((\tilde{\nabla}_{\tilde{X}} \tilde{Y})(F(p)))$$

## 19 Geodesic

**Definition 19.1.** Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be  $C^\infty$  curve. We say  $\gamma$  is geodesic at  $t_0 \in I$  if

$$\frac{D}{dt} \frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t_0) = 0 \in T_{\gamma(t_0)}M$$

where  $\frac{D}{dt}$  is the covariant derivative defined by the Levi-civita connection on  $(M, g)$ . We say  $\gamma$  is geodesic if

$$\frac{D}{dt} \left( \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right) \equiv 0$$

**Lemma 19.1.** If  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  is a geodesic in a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  then

$$|\gamma'| := \left| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{g(t) \left( \frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t), \frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t) \right)} = \text{constant}$$

*Proof.* Using  $\frac{D}{dt}$  defined by Levi-civita connection, which is compatible with the metric, (41)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left\langle \frac{d\gamma}{dt}, \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{D}{dt} \frac{d\gamma}{dt}, \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{d\gamma}{dt}, \frac{D}{dt} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right\rangle = 0$$

□

*Local Coordinates.* Let  $(U, \phi)$  for  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be  $C^\infty$  chart on  $M$  where  $n = \dim M$ . On  $U$  we have

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_k \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

where

$$\Gamma_{ij}^\ell = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k g^{\ell k} (g_{ik,j} + g_{kj,i} - g_{ij,k})$$

WLOG assume

$$\gamma : I \rightarrow U \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathbb{R}^n$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \phi \circ \gamma(t) &= (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) \\ \gamma'(t) &= \sum_k \frac{dx_k}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(\gamma(t)) \\ V(t) &= \sum_{k=1}^n V^k(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(t) \\ \frac{DV}{dt}(t) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \frac{dV^k}{dt}(t) + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k(\gamma(t)) \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) V^j(t) \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(\gamma(t)) \end{aligned}$$

Now take the curve velocity  $V(t) = \gamma'(t) \equiv \frac{d\gamma}{dt}$  to be the  $C^\infty$  vector field along  $\gamma$ . By matching coefficients we have  $V^k(t) = \frac{dx_k}{dt}(t)$ . so

$$\frac{D}{dt} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} = 0 \iff \frac{d^2 x_k}{dt^2} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k \circ \gamma \frac{dx_i}{dt} \frac{dx_j}{dt} = 0 \quad \forall k = 1 \dots n \quad (47)$$

This is a system of 2nd order ODEs in  $x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)$ . Denote

$$y_i(t) := \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t)$$

Then they satisfy

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_k}{dt} = y_k \\ \frac{dy_k}{dt} = - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k \circ \gamma y_i y_j \end{cases}$$

This is a system of 1st order ODE in  $x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)$  and  $y_1(t), \dots, y_n(t)$ . Hence there exists unique solution if given initial data  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} x_i(t_0) &= a_i \\ y_i(t_0) &= b_i = \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t_0) \end{aligned}$$

or in other words

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(t_0) &= \phi^{-1}(a_1, \dots, a_n) =: p \\ \gamma'(t_0) &= \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 19.1** (Existence and Uniqueness Theory for Geodesic). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Given any  $p \in M$  and  $v \in T_p M$*

- *There exists a geodesic  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $0 \in I$ ,  $\gamma(0) = p$  and  $\gamma'(0) = v$ .*
- *If  $\beta : I' \rightarrow M$  is a geodesic s.t.  $\beta(0) = p$ ,  $\beta'(0) = v$  then we must have*

$$I' \subset I \quad \beta = \gamma|_{I'}$$

**Example 19.1.** *Let  $(\mathbb{R}^n, g_0 = dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_n^2)$  then*

$$g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \quad \Gamma_{ij}^k = 0$$

Hence using (47)

$$\frac{D}{dt} \gamma'(t) = 0 \iff \frac{d^2 x_k}{dt^2} = 0$$

so for

$$\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad t \mapsto (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$$

Given any  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $b \in T_a \mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^n$  the unique geodesic  $\gamma(t)$  with  $\gamma(0) = a$  and  $\gamma'(0) = b$  writes

$$\gamma(t) = a + bt \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

**Example 19.2.** *Let  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$ . Given  $p \in \mathbb{S}^n$  and  $v \in T_p \mathbb{S}^n$ . Recall*

$$(p, v) \in T\mathbb{S}^n \subset T\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

for  $|p| = 1$  and  $\langle p, v \rangle = 0$ . The unique geodesic  $\gamma(t)$  in  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$  is given by

$$\gamma(t) = \begin{cases} p & \text{if } v = 0 \\ \cos(|v|t)p + \sin(|v|t) \frac{v}{|v|} & \text{if } v \neq 0 \end{cases}$$



## 19.1 Geodesic Field and Geodesic Flow

For  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  smooth curve in  $M$  and  $V$  a  $C^\infty$  vector field along  $\gamma$ , the tuple

$$\tilde{\gamma}(t) = (\gamma(t), V(t))$$

defines a smooth curve in  $TM$  s.t. the diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I & & \\ \tilde{\gamma} \downarrow & \searrow \gamma & \\ TM & \xrightarrow{\pi} & M \end{array}$$

In particular we prescribe initial data  $\gamma(0) = p$  and  $\gamma'(0) = v$  for  $(p, v) \in TM$ . Notice  $\gamma$  is a geodesic in  $(M, g)$ , i.e.,  $\frac{D}{dt} \frac{d}{dt} \gamma = 0$  iff  $\gamma(t)$  and  $V(t)$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma'(t) &= V(t) \\ \frac{DV}{dt}(t) &= 0 \\ \tilde{\gamma}(0) &= (p, v) \end{aligned}$$

Here we send  $\gamma$  to  $(\gamma, \gamma')$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  to  $\pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}$ . Now for any  $(p, v) \in TM$ , define  $G(p, v) \in T_{(p,v)}(TM)$  as follows.

**Definition 19.2** (Geodesic Field). *Let  $\gamma : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$  be the unique geodesic in  $(M, g)$  s.t.  $\gamma(0) = p$ ,  $\gamma'(0) = v$ . Let*

$$\tilde{\gamma} : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow TM \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \tilde{\gamma}(t) = (\gamma(t), \gamma'(t))$$

Define

$$G(p, v) := \tilde{\gamma}'(0) \in T_{\tilde{\gamma}(0)}(TM) = T_{(p,v)}(TM)$$

Claim that  $G \in \mathfrak{X}(TM)$ .

*Local Coordinates.* For  $(U, \phi)$  where  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is  $C^\infty$  chart for  $M$ . We have  $(\pi^{-1}(U), \tilde{\phi})$

$$\tilde{\phi} : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \phi(U) \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \tilde{\phi} = (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

Now for any  $(p, v) \in \pi^{-1}(U)$ ,  $p \in U$  and  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p) \in T_p M$ ,

$$\tilde{\phi}(p, v) = (\phi(p), y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

note

$$\phi \circ \gamma(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$$

implies

$$\tilde{\phi} \circ \tilde{\gamma}(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t), y_1(t), \dots, y_n(t))$$

Hence writing into equations

$$\begin{aligned} G(\tilde{\gamma}(t)) &:= \frac{d\tilde{\gamma}}{dt}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\tilde{\gamma}(t)) + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{dy_k}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k}(\tilde{\gamma}(t)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{dt}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\tilde{\gamma}(t)) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^n (\Gamma_{ij}^k \circ \gamma)(t) y_i(t) y_j(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k}(\tilde{\gamma}(t)) \end{aligned}$$

On  $\pi^{-1}(U)$  we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_n}$$

as  $C^\infty$  frame of  $T(TM)|_{\pi^{-1}(U)}$ . Hence

$$G = \sum_{k=1}^n y_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^n (\Gamma_{ij}^k \circ \phi^{-1}(x_1, \dots, x_n)) y_i y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} \quad (48)$$

$G$  is a  $C^\infty$  vector field on  $TM$  known as the geodesic field. The flow of  $G$  is called the geodesic flow. For any  $(p, v) \in TM$ , using Theorem 8.1, there exists  $\delta > 0$  and an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $(p, v)$  in  $TM$  s.t. geodesic flow  $\phi$  exists

$$\phi : (-\delta, \delta) \times U \xrightarrow{C^\infty} TM \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (t, q, w) \mapsto \phi(t, q, w)$$

for any  $t \in (-\delta, \delta)$ ,  $q \in M$  and  $w \in T_pM$ . (From here on we abuse of notation to denote  $\phi$  as flow instead of coordinates) Then they solve

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}(t, q, w) = G(\phi(t, q, w)) \\ \phi(0, q, w) = (q, w) \end{cases}$$

Using the geodesic flow, one may construct geodesics in  $M$  using any initial data in the neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $(p, v)$

$$\gamma := \pi \circ \phi : (-\delta, \delta) \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow M \quad (t, q, w) \mapsto \gamma(t, q, w)$$

For fixed  $(q, w) \in \mathcal{U} \subset TM$  s.t.  $q \in M$  and  $w \in T_qM$ , we have

$$\gamma_{q,w} : (-\delta, \delta) \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad t \mapsto \gamma(t, q, w) =: \gamma_{q,w}(t)$$

as a geodesic with  $\gamma_{q,w}(0) = q$  and  $\gamma'_{q,w}(0) = w$ . □

**Example 19.3.** For  $(\mathbb{R}^n, g = dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_n^2)$ , we know  $\Gamma_{ij}^k = 0$ . One identify  $T\mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  so geodesic field writes

$$G : T\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{2n} \rightarrow T(T\mathbb{R}^n) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (x, y) \mapsto \sum_{k=1}^n y_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

and solving ODEs give the geodesic flow

$$\phi : \mathbb{R} \times T\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow T\mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (t, x, y) \mapsto (x + ty, y)$$

along with nearby geodesics in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\gamma : \mathbb{R} \times T\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (t, x, y) \mapsto x + ty$$

**Example 19.4.** For  $(\mathbb{S}^n, g_{can})$  we have geodesics in  $\mathbb{S}^n$

$$\gamma : \mathbb{R} \times T\mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \gamma(t, x, y) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } y = 0 \\ \cos(|y|t)x + \sin(|y|t)\frac{y}{|y|} & \text{if } y \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

For geodesic flows, we either have

$$\phi : \mathbb{R} \times T\mathbb{S}^n \rightarrow T\mathbb{S}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (t, x, y) \mapsto (x, 0)$$

or

$$\phi(t, x, y) = (\cos(|y|t)x + \sin(|y|t)\frac{y}{|y|}, -\sin(|y|t)|y|x + \cos(|y|t)y)$$

making use of

$$\phi(t, q, w) = (\gamma(t, q, w), \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial t}(t, q, w))$$

so  $|\frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial t}(t, q, w)| = |w|$ . Geodesic Flow preserves the sphere bundle, for

$$S_{|v|}(TM) = \{(p, v) \in TM \mid |v| = r\}$$

with  $r > 0$ . The geodesic field  $G(p, v)$  is tangent to  $S_{|v|}(TM)$ .

**Proposition 19.1.** If  $(M, g)$  is compact Riemannian manifold. Then the geodesic flow is defined on  $\mathbb{R} \times TM$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &: \mathbb{R} \times TM \rightarrow TM \\ \gamma &: \mathbb{R} \times TM \rightarrow M \end{aligned}$$

## 19.2 Exponential Map

Now we study homogeneity of geodesics. Let  $\phi : (-\delta, \delta) \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow TM$  be geodesic flow with  $\mathcal{U} \subset TM$ . Let  $\gamma : (-\delta, \delta) \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $\gamma := \pi \circ \phi$  and so

$$\phi(t, p, v) = (\gamma(t, p, v), \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\gamma(t, p, v)) \quad \forall (t, p, v) \in (-\delta, \delta) \times \mathcal{U}$$

**Lemma 19.2** (Homogeneity of geodesics). For  $\gamma(t, p, v)$  flow defined for  $t \in (-\delta, \delta)$  as above, then for any  $a > 0$ , the flow  $\gamma(t, p, av)$  is defined for  $t \in (-\frac{\delta}{a}, \frac{\delta}{a})$  and

$$\gamma(t, p, av) = \gamma(at, p, v)$$

*Proof.* Fix  $(p, v) \in \mathcal{U}$  and consider  $\gamma = \gamma_{p,v} : (-\delta, \delta) \rightarrow M$  as geodesic on  $M$ . For another curve  $\beta$ , observe

$$\beta : \left(-\frac{\delta}{a}, \frac{\delta}{a}\right) \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \beta(t) = \gamma(at) \quad \beta'(t) = a\gamma'(at)$$

also satisfies the geodesic equation  $\frac{D\beta'}{dt} = 0$  but with  $\beta(0) = p$  and  $\beta'(0) = av$ . By uniqueness Theorem 8.1

$$\gamma(t, p, av) = \beta(t) = \gamma(at) = \gamma(at, p, v)$$

□

Now consider  $(p, 0) \in TM$ . For any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $\mathcal{U} \subset TM$  of  $(p, 0)$ , and there exists  $\delta > 0$  s.t.

$$\gamma : (-\delta, \delta) \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad t \mapsto \gamma(t, q, v)$$

is the unique trajectory of geodesic field  $G \in \mathfrak{X}(TM)$  which satisfies initial conditions

$$\gamma(0, q, v) = (q, v) \quad \forall (q, v) \in \mathcal{U}$$

In particular, it is possible to choose  $\mathcal{U}$  with parameter  $\varepsilon > 0$  controlling the size of tangent vectors. There exists  $V$  open neighborhood of  $p$  in  $M$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  and

$$\mathcal{U}_{V,\varepsilon} := \{(q, w) \mid q \in V, w \in T_qM, |w| < \varepsilon\}$$

this is to say  $\gamma(t, q, w)$  is defined for  $t \in (-\delta, \delta)$ ,  $q \in V$ ,  $|w| < \varepsilon$ . But then by homogeneity 19.2, choose  $a = \frac{\delta}{2}$   $\gamma(t, q, w)$  is defined for  $t \in (-2, 2)$ ,  $q \in V$ ,  $|w| < \frac{\varepsilon\delta}{2}$ .

**Lemma 19.3** (Interval of Existence for geodesic uniformly large in Neighborhood of  $p$ ). *For any  $p \in M$ , there exists open neighborhood  $V$  of  $p$  and there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\gamma(t, q, w)$  is defined for  $t \in (-2, 2)$ ,  $q \in V$ ,  $w \in T_qM$  and  $|w| < \varepsilon$ , i.e., on*

$$\gamma : (-2, 2) \times \mathcal{U}_{V,\varepsilon} \subset \mathbb{R} \times TM \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (t, q, w) \mapsto \gamma(t, q, w)$$

as the unique geodesic with  $\gamma(0, q, w) = q$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\gamma(0, q, w) = w$  for any  $q \in V$  and  $|w| < \varepsilon$ .

**Definition 19.3** (Exponential Map). *For any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $\mathcal{U}_{V,\varepsilon}$  as in Lemma 19.3. Define*

$$\exp : \mathcal{U}_{V,\varepsilon} \subset TM \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \exp(q, w) = \gamma(1, q, w) = \gamma(|w|, q, \frac{w}{|w|}) \quad \forall q \in V, |w| < \varepsilon$$

on  $\mathcal{U}_{V,\varepsilon} \subset TM$  open. Also define its restriction to the tangent space  $T_qM$  for any  $q \in V$

$$\exp_q : B_\varepsilon(0) \subset T_qM \rightarrow M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \exp_q(v) := \exp(q, v) \quad \forall q \in V, |v| < \varepsilon$$

**Remark 19.1.** *Why is this called an exponential map? If given  $G$  Lie group and  $g$  bi-invariant Riemannian metric.*

$$\exp = \exp_e : T_eG = \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$$

is defined for the whole Lie algebra and coincides with the previous definition 15.7.

**Proposition 19.2** (Exponential Map as Diffeomorphism). *For any  $p \in M$ , there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  s.t.*

$$\exp_p : B_\varepsilon(0) \subset T_pM \rightarrow M \quad \exp_p(v) := \exp(p, v) \quad \forall |v| < \varepsilon$$

is a diffeomorphism of  $B_\varepsilon(0)$  onto an open subset of  $M$ .

*Proof.* By Inverse Function Theorem, it suffices to prove that

$$(d\exp_p)_0 : T_0(T_pM) \cong T_pM \rightarrow T_pM$$

is the identity.

$$(d\exp_p)_0(v) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \exp_p(tv) = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \gamma(t, p, v) \right|_{t=0} = v$$

Hence  $\exp_p : B_\varepsilon(0) \rightarrow M$  is a local diffeomorphism at the origin  $0 \in B_\varepsilon(0)$ , i.e., there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  s.t.

$$\exp_p : B_\varepsilon(0) \subset T_pM \rightarrow \exp_p(B_\varepsilon(0)) \subset M$$

is a diffeomorphism.

$$B_\varepsilon(p) := \exp_p(B_\varepsilon(0))$$

is the geodesic ball of radius  $\varepsilon > 0$  centered at  $p$ .

□

**Example 19.5.** For  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$\exp_p : T_p \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad v \mapsto p + v$$

**Example 19.6.** For  $M = \mathbb{S}^n$

$$\exp_p(v) = \begin{cases} p & v = 0 \\ \cos(|v|)p + \sin(|v|)\frac{v}{|v|} & v \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

This is diffeomorphism of  $B_\pi(0)$  onto  $\mathbb{S}^n \setminus \{-p\}$ .

**Lemma 19.4** (Geodesic Frame). *Let  $(M, g)$  be Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n$  and let  $p \in M$ . There exists an open neighborhood  $U \subset M$  of  $p$  and  $n$  vector fields  $E_1, \dots, E_n \in \mathfrak{X}(U)$  s.t.*

- (i) For any  $q \in U$ ,  $\{E_1(q), \dots, E_n(q)\}$  is an ONB of  $T_q M$ .
- (ii)  $(\nabla_{E_i} E_j)(p) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Choose a normal neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$ , i.e., there exists a neighborhood  $0 \in V \subset T_p M$  s.t.  $\exp_p : V \rightarrow U$  is a diffeomorphism. Consider an orthonormal frame  $\{E_1(p), \dots, E_n(p)\}$  of  $T_p M$ . For any  $q \in U$ , there is a unique geodesic  $\gamma$  in  $U$  s.t.  $\gamma(0) = p$  and  $\gamma(1) = q$ . Define

$$\{E_1(q), \dots, E_n(q)\} \subset T_q M$$

to be the parallel transport of  $\{E_1(p), \dots, E_n(p)\}$  along  $\gamma$  to  $q$ . Since parallel transport is linear isometry,  $\{E_1(q), \dots, E_n(q)\} \subset T_q M$  remain orthonormal frame. Suppose  $\gamma$  is geodesic with  $\gamma(0) = p$  and  $\gamma'(0) = E_i(p)$ . Since  $E_j$  is parallel vector field along  $\gamma$ , we have

$$\nabla_{\gamma'(0)} E_j = \nabla_{E_i} E_j(p) = 0$$

□

### 19.3 Minimizing Properties of Geodesics

Some notations.

- Let  $s : A \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \xrightarrow{C^\infty} M$  be a parametrized surface in a smooth manifold  $M$ . Let  $(u, v)$  be global coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \in \mathfrak{X}(A) \quad \frac{\partial s}{\partial u}(u, v) \frac{\partial s}{\partial v}(u, v) \in T_{s(u, v)} M \equiv (s^* TM)_{(u, v)}$$

- We used  $s_* \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$  and  $s_* \frac{\partial}{\partial v}$  in place of Do Carmo's notation  $\frac{\partial s}{\partial u}$  and  $\frac{\partial s}{\partial v} \in C^\infty(A, s^* TM)$ , i.e.,  $\frac{\partial s}{\partial u}$  and  $\frac{\partial s}{\partial v}$  are vector fields along the parametrized surface  $s : A \rightarrow M$ .
- If  $\nabla$  is an affine connection on  $M$ , then let  $D = s^* \nabla$ , we denote

$$\frac{D}{du} := D_{\frac{\partial}{\partial u}}, \quad \frac{D}{dv} := D_{\frac{\partial}{\partial v}} : C^\infty(A, s^* TM) \rightarrow C^\infty(A, s^* TM)$$

**Lemma 19.5.** *If  $\nabla$  is a symmetric affine connection on  $M$ , then*

$$\frac{D}{dv} \frac{\partial s}{\partial u} = \frac{D}{du} \frac{\partial s}{\partial v}$$

*Proof.* Using (42)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{dv} \frac{\partial s}{\partial u} - \frac{D}{du} \frac{\partial s}{\partial v} &= D_{\frac{\partial}{\partial v}} s_* \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - D_{\frac{\partial}{\partial u}} s_* \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \\ &= s^* \nabla_{s_* \frac{\partial}{\partial v}} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - s^* \nabla_{s_* \frac{\partial}{\partial u}} \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \\ &= s_* \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 19.6** (Gauss Lemma). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian Manifold.  $p \in M$  and  $v \in T_p M$  such that  $\exp_p(v)$  is defined (i.e., defined on line segment connecting  $0$  and  $v$  as in Definition 33). For any  $w \in T_p M = T_v(T_p M)$*

$$\langle (d \exp_p)_v(v), (d \exp_p)_v(w) \rangle = \langle v, w \rangle \quad \forall v, w \in T_p M \quad (49)$$

notice  $(d \exp_p)_v(v), (d \exp_p)_v(w) \in T_{\exp_p(v)} M$ .

*Proof.* Define

$$f : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \times (-\delta, 1 + \delta) \rightarrow M \quad s.t. \quad f(s, t) := \exp_p(t(v + sw))$$

for  $\delta, \varepsilon > 0$  sufficiently small. For any  $s \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  define  $f_s$

$$f_s : (-\delta, 1 + \delta) \rightarrow M \quad s.t. \quad f_s(t) := f(s, t) = \exp_p(t(v + sw))$$

Here  $f_s$  is geodesic with initial position  $f_s(0) = p$  and initial velocity  $f'_s(0) = v + sw$ . Now using  $f_s$  is geodesic

$$\frac{D}{dt} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(s, t) = \frac{D}{dt} f'_s(t) = 0$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(s, t) \right\|^2 &= \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(s, t), \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(s, t) \right\rangle = \langle f'_s(t), f'_s(t) \rangle = \langle f'_s(0), f'_s(0) \rangle \\ &= \langle v + sw, v + sw \rangle \\ &= \langle v, v \rangle + 2s\langle v, w \rangle + s^2\langle w, w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Now we differentiate

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, s) &= \exp_p(t(v + sw)) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, s) &= (d \exp_p)_{t(v+sw)}(v) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(t, s) &= (d \exp_p)_{t(v+sw)}(tw) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, 0) &= (d \exp_p)_{tv}(v) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(t, 0) &= (d \exp_p)_{tv}(tw) \end{aligned}$$

Now the LHS is equal to

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(1, 0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(1, 0) \right\rangle$$

We differentiate using compatibility with the Riemannian metric  $g$  (41), and that metric is symmetric

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right\rangle &= \left\langle \frac{D}{dt} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \frac{D}{dt} \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \frac{D}{ds} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (\langle v, v \rangle + 2s\langle v, w \rangle + s^2\langle w, w \rangle) \\ &= \langle v, w \rangle + s|w|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(1, 0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(1, 0) \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(0, 0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(0, 0) \right\rangle &= \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right\rangle(t, 0) dt = \int_0^1 \langle v, w \rangle dt = \langle v, w \rangle \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(1, 0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(1, 0) \right\rangle &= \langle (d \exp_p)_v(v), (d \exp_p)_v(w) \rangle \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(0, 0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(0, 0) \right\rangle &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Proposition 19.3** (Geodesic Locally Minimize length). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold.  $p \in M$ . Let  $U$  be a normal neighborhood of  $p$  in  $M$ , i.e., there exists  $U'$  open neighborhood of  $0$  in  $T_p M$  s.t.  $\exp_p$  is defined on  $U'$  and maps  $U'$  diffeomorphically to  $U = \exp_p(U')$ . Let  $B = B_\delta(p) \subset U$  be a geodesic ball of radius  $\delta > 0$  centered at  $p$ . Let  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow B$  be the geodesic segment s.t.*

$$\gamma(0) = p \quad \gamma(1) = q \neq p \quad \gamma'(0) =: v_0 \in T_p M$$

i.e.

$$\gamma(t) = \exp_p(tv_0), \quad q = \gamma(1) = \exp_p(v_0), \quad \ell(\gamma) = |v_0|$$

Now for any  $c : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$  piecewise  $C^\infty$  curve in  $M$  s.t.  $c(0) = c(1) = q$ . We have

$$\ell(c) \geq \ell(\gamma)$$

Moreover,  $\ell(c) = \ell(\gamma)$  implies

$$\gamma([0, 1]) = c([0, 1])$$

*Proof.* WLOG

- Assume  $c([0,1]) \subset B$  otherwise consider the smallest  $t_1 \in [0,1]$  s.t.  $c(t_1) \in \partial B$  and show that  $\ell(c) \geq \ell(c|_{[0,t_0]}) \geq \delta > \ell(\gamma)$ .
- Assume  $c(t) \neq p$  for  $t > 0$ . Otherwise consider the largest  $t_2 \in (0,1)$  s.t.  $c(t_2) = p$ . Consider  $c|_{[t_2,1]}$  and show  $\ell(c) \geq \ell(c|_{[t_2,1]}) \geq \ell(\gamma)$ .

Define  $b : [0,1] \rightarrow B_\delta(0) \subset T_p M$  s.t.

$$b(t) = \exp_p^{-1}(c(t)) \iff c(t) = \exp_p(b(t))$$

so  $b(t)$  is piecewise smooth curve in  $T_p M$ . By our assumption,  $b(t) \neq 0$  for  $t > 0$ . Let  $r(t) = |b(t)|$  so

$$r : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

is piecewise  $C^\infty$ . We have  $r(t) > 0$  for any  $t > 0$ . For  $t > 0$

$$v(t) := \frac{b(t)}{|b(t)|}$$

so  $v : (0,1] \rightarrow T_p M$  is piecewise  $C^\infty$ . Hence using Compatibility with the metric

$$\langle v(t), v(t) \rangle = 1 \implies \langle v(t), v'(t) \rangle = 0$$

Then for  $0 < t \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} c(t) &= \exp_p(b(t)) = \exp_p(r(t)v(t)) \\ \frac{d}{dt}c(t) &= (d\exp_p)_{b(t)}(r'(t)v(t) + r(t)v'(t)) \\ \left| \frac{d}{dt}c(t) \right|^2 &= \langle (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(r'(t)v(t) + r(t)v'(t)), (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(r'(t)v(t) + r(t)v'(t)) \rangle \\ &= (r'(t))^2 \langle (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v(t)), (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v(t)) \rangle \\ &\quad + 2r(t)r'(t) \langle (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v(t)), (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v'(t)) \rangle \\ &\quad + (r(t))^2 \langle (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v'(t)), (d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v'(t)) \rangle \\ &= r'(t)^2 \langle v(t), v(t) \rangle + 2r(t)r'(t) \langle v(t), v'(t) \rangle + (r(t))^2 |(d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v'(t))|^2 \\ &= r'(t)^2 + (r(t))^2 |(d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v'(t))|^2 \end{aligned}$$

where the last step uses Gauss Lemma (49). Hence

$$\left| \frac{dc(t)}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{r'(t)^2 + (r(t))^2 |(d\exp_p)_{r(t)v(t)}(v'(t))|^2} \geq |r'(t)| \geq r'(t)$$

so

$$\ell(c) \geq \int_0^1 \left| \frac{dc(t)}{dt} \right| dt \geq \int_\varepsilon^1 r'(t) dt = r(1) - r(\varepsilon)$$

for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Note  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} r(\varepsilon) = 0$  so using  $r(1) = |v_0| = \ell(\gamma)$  yields

$$\ell(c) \geq \ell(\gamma)$$

Furthermore  $\ell(c) = \ell(\gamma) \iff v'(t) = 0$  and  $r'(t) \geq 0$ . Then

$$v(t) = \frac{v_0}{|v_0|}$$

is constant unit vector. Now

$$c(t) = \exp_p\left(r(t) \frac{v_0}{|v_0|}\right) \quad r'(t) \geq 0 \quad r(0) = 0 \quad r(1) = 0$$

and

$$\gamma(t) = \exp_p(tv_0) \quad c(0) = \gamma(0) = p \quad c(1) = \gamma(1) = \exp_p(v_0) = q$$

hence

$$c([0,1]) = \gamma([0,1])$$

□

## 20 Curvature

### 20.1 Curvature on Smooth Vector Bundle

Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be  $C^\infty$  vector bundle over a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ . Let  $r = \text{rank } E$  and  $n = \dim M$ . Let

$$\nabla : \Omega^0(M, E) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M, E) \quad s \mapsto \nabla s$$

be smooth connection on  $E$ . For any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  we know  $\nabla_X s \in C^\infty(M, E)$

**Definition 20.1** (Curvature  $F_\nabla$ ). For any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  define  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map

$$F_\nabla(X, Y) : C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E) \quad s \mapsto \nabla_X \nabla_Y s - \nabla_Y \nabla_X s - \nabla_{[X, Y]} s =: F_\nabla(X, Y)s$$

Then

- $F_\nabla$  is anti-symmetric  $F_\nabla(X, Y) = -F_\nabla(Y, X)$  and
- $(X, Y, s) \mapsto F_\nabla(X, Y)s$  is  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear in  $X, Y, s$ .

*Linearity.* Since  $F_\nabla(X, Y) = -F_\nabla(Y, X)$  it suffices to show that for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , for any  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$  for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$

- (i)  $F_\nabla(fX, Y)(s) = fF_\nabla(X, Y)s$
- (ii)  $F_\nabla(X, Y)(fs) = fF_\nabla(X, Y)s$ .

We check (i).

$$\begin{aligned} F_\nabla(fX, Y)(s) &= \nabla_{fX} \nabla_Y s - \nabla_Y \nabla_{fX} s - \nabla_{[fX, Y]} s \\ &= f \nabla_X \nabla_Y s - \nabla_Y (f \nabla_X s) - \nabla_{f[X, Y] - Y(f)X} s \\ &= f \nabla_X \nabla_Y s - Y(f) \nabla_X s - f \nabla_Y \nabla_X s - f \nabla_{[X, Y]} s + Y(f) \nabla_X s \\ &= f(\nabla_X \nabla_Y s - \nabla_Y \nabla_X s - \nabla_{[X, Y]} s) = fF_\nabla(X, Y)s \end{aligned}$$

□

**Remark 20.1.** Since  $E^* \otimes E = \text{End}(E)$ , for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$F_\nabla(X, Y) \in C^\infty(M, \text{End}(E))$$

On the other hand we write

$$F_\nabla : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \times C^\infty(M, E) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E) \quad (X, Y, s) \mapsto F_\nabla(X, Y)s$$

is  $C^\infty(M)$ -linear. Hence

$$F_\nabla \in C^\infty(M, T^*M \otimes T^*M \otimes E^* \otimes E)$$

Since  $F_\nabla(X, Y) = -F_\nabla(Y, X)$  we in fact have

$$F_\nabla \in C^\infty(M, (\Lambda^2 T^*M) \otimes \text{End}(E)) = \Omega^2(M, \text{End}(E))$$

**Definition 20.2** (Metric  $h$  on Smooth Vector Bundle). Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^\infty$  vector bundle of rank  $r$  on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ .

- (i) A metric on  $E$  is a  $C^\infty$  section  $h \in C^\infty(M, \text{Sym}^2 E^*)$  such that for any  $p \in M$

$$h(p) : E_p \times E_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is an inner product on  $E_p$ .

- (ii) We say a connection  $\nabla$  on  $E$  is compatible with  $h$  if for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  for any  $s, t \in C^\infty(M, E)$

$$Xh(s, t) = h(\nabla_X s, t) + h(s, \nabla_X t)$$

for  $h(s, t) \in C^\infty(M)$ .

**Proposition 20.1** (Anti-Self adjoint). If  $\nabla$  is a connection on  $E \rightarrow M$  compatible with a metric  $h$ . Then for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , the curvature  $F_\nabla(X, Y) \in C^\infty(M, \text{End}(E))$  is anti-self adjoint.

$$h(F_\nabla(X, Y)s, t) = -h(F_\nabla(X, Y)t, s) = -h(s, F_\nabla(X, Y)t) \quad \forall s, t \in C^\infty(M, E)$$

*Proof.*

$$h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)s, t) + h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)t, s) = h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)(s + t), (s + t)) - h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)s, s) - h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)t, t)$$

It suffices to show that

$$h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)s, s) = 0 \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad \forall s \in C^{\infty}(M, E)$$

so the RHS vanishes. But

$$\begin{aligned} h(F_{\nabla}(X, Y)s, s) &= h(\nabla_X \nabla_Y s, s) - h(\nabla_Y \nabla_X s, s) - h(\nabla_{[X, Y]} s, s) \\ &= Xh(\nabla_Y s, s) - h(\nabla_Y s, \nabla_X s) - Yh(\nabla_X s, s) + h(\nabla_X s, \nabla_Y s) - \frac{1}{2}[X, Y]h(s, s) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}XYh(s, s) - \frac{1}{2}YXh(s, s) - \frac{1}{2}[X, Y]h(s, s) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

Now let  $\nabla$  be an affine connection on a  $C^{\infty}$  manifold  $M$ , i.e.,  $\nabla$  is a connection on  $TM$ .

## 20.2 Riemannian Curvature and Riemannian Curvature Tensor

In the Riemannian setting, first consider  $F_{\nabla}$  curvature over  $E = TM$  over tangent bundle.

**Definition 20.3** (Riemannian Curvature). *For any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , define*

$$R_{\nabla}(X, Y) : \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad R_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z := -F_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z = \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - Z - \nabla_{[Y, X]} Z \quad (50)$$

**Lemma 20.1.** *We have for  $X(M) = C^{\infty}(M, TM)$*

$$R_{\nabla} : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (X, Y, Z) \mapsto R_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z$$

is  $C^{\infty}(M)$ -linear in  $X, Y, Z$ .

$$R_{\nabla} \in \Omega^2(M, \text{End}(TM)) = C^{\infty}(M, \Lambda^2 T^*M \otimes T^*M \otimes TM) \subset C^{\infty}(M, TM \otimes (T^*M)^{\otimes 3})$$

where  $TM \otimes (T^*M)^{\otimes 3} = T_3^1 M$ . Hence  $R_{\nabla}$  is (1, 3)-tensor on  $M$ .

**Proposition 20.2** (First Bianchi Identity). *If  $\nabla$  is a symmetric affine connection on  $M$ , i.e.,*

$$\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y] \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$$

Then

$$R_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z + R_{\nabla}(Y, Z)X + R_{\nabla}(Z, X)Y = 0$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z + R_{\nabla}(Y, Z)X + R_{\nabla}(Z, X)Y &= \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_{[Y, X]} Z \\ &\quad + \nabla_Z \nabla_Y X - \nabla_Y \nabla_Z X - \nabla_{[Z, Y]} X \\ &\quad + \nabla_X \nabla_Z Y - \nabla_Z \nabla_X Y - \nabla_{[X, Z]} Y \end{aligned}$$

Now using that the connection is symmetric we reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z + R_{\nabla}(Y, Z)X + R_{\nabla}(Z, X)Y &= \nabla_Y [X, Z] + \nabla_Z [Y, X] + \nabla_X [Z, Y] - \nabla_{[X, Z]} Y - \nabla_{[Y, X]} Z - \nabla_{[Z, Y]} X \\ &= [Y, [X, Z]] + [Z, [Y, X]] + [X, [Z, Y]] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

where we used Jacobi Identity (9). □

Now we define Riemannian Curvature Tensor using Riemannian Curvature.

**Proposition 20.3** (Riemannian Curvature Tensor). *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold and let  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection determined by  $g$ . Define*

$$R : \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow C^{\infty}(M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad R(X, Y, Z, T) := g(R_{\nabla}(X, Y)Z, T) \quad (51)$$

Then  $R$  is a (0, 4)-tensor, i.e.  $R(X, Y, Z, T)$  is  $C^{\infty}(M)$ -linear in  $X, Y, Z, T$ . Moreover



(a) First Bianchi Identity holds

$$R(X, Y, Z, T) + R(Y, Z, X, T) + R(Z, X, Y, T) = 0 \quad (52)$$

(b)  $R \in C^\infty(M, \text{Sym}^2(\Lambda^2 T^* M))$ , i.e., for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

(b1)  $R(X, Y, Z, T) = -R(Y, X, Z, T)$  anti-symmetric in first 2 coordinates.

(b2)  $R(X, Y, Z, T) = -R(X, Y, T, Z)$  anti-symmetric in 2 coordinates.

(b3)  $R(X, Y, Z, T) = R(Z, T, X, Y)$  symmetric w.r.t. the 2 sets of coordinates.

(b1) and (b2) together gives  $R \in C^\infty(M, \Lambda^2 T^* M \otimes \Lambda^2 T^* M)$ . With (b3),  $R \in C^\infty(M, \text{Sym}^2(\Lambda^2 T^* M))$ .

$R$  is called the Riemannian Curvature Tensor of  $(M, g)$ .

*Proof.* (b1) is clear from definition. That  $\nabla$  is compatible with  $g$  implies (b2). Assume (b1) and (b2) we derive (b3) using elementary algebra.  $\square$

*Local Coordinates of Riemannian Curvature.* Let  $(U, \phi)$  be  $C^\infty$  chart on  $M$ . Let  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be local coordinates on  $U$ . Let  $T$  be any  $(r, s)$ -tensor on  $M$ . Then locally on  $U$ ,  $T$  takes the form (12)

$$T = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_r \leq n \\ 1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_s \leq n}} T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_r}} \otimes dx_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{j_s} \quad \text{for } T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \in C^\infty(U)$$

For  $\nabla$  Levi-Civita connection. Write

$$g = \sum_{i, j} g_{i, j} dx_i dx_j$$

where  $g_{ij} := g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}) \in C^\infty(U)$ . Recall we have Levi-Civita connection s.t.

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_k \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

where

$$\Gamma_{ij}^\ell = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k g^{\ell k} (g_{ik, j} + g_{kj, i} - g_{ij, k}) \quad g_{\ell j, i} := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} g_{\ell j}$$

Define  $R_{ijk}^m \in C^\infty(U)$  by

$$R_{\nabla} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} = \sum_m R_{ijk}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \quad (53)$$

On  $U$ , recall  $R_{\nabla} \in C^\infty(M, T_3^1 M)$

$$R_{\nabla} = \sum_{i, j, k, m} R_{ijk}^m dx_i \otimes dx_j \otimes dx_k \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m}$$

as (1, 3)-tensor. Using definition (50)

$$R_{\nabla} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} = \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} - \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} - \nabla_{[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}]} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

where by computations

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \left( \sum_\ell \Gamma_{ik}^\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \right) \\ &= \sum_\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Gamma_{ik}^\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} + \sum_\ell \Gamma_{ik}^\ell \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \\ &= \sum_m \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Gamma_{ik}^m + \sum_\ell \Gamma_{ik}^\ell \Gamma_{j\ell}^m \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \left( \sum_\ell \Gamma_{jk}^\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \right) \\ &= \sum_\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Gamma_{jk}^\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} + \sum_\ell \Gamma_{jk}^\ell \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \\ &= \sum_m \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Gamma_{jk}^m + \sum_\ell \Gamma_{jk}^\ell \Gamma_{i\ell}^m \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \\ \nabla_{[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}]} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have local coordinate representations

$$R_{ijk}^m := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Gamma_{ik}^m - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Gamma_{jk}^m + \sum_{\ell} \Gamma_{ik}^{\ell} \Gamma_{j\ell}^m - \sum_{\ell} \Gamma_{jk}^{\ell} \Gamma_{i\ell}^m \quad (54)$$

□

*Local Coordinates of Riemannian Curvature Tensor.* For  $(U, \phi)$  with  $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and

$$g = \sum_{ij} g_{ij} dx_i dx_j$$

with  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  Christoffel symbols (46). On  $U$ , since  $R \in C^\infty(M, T_4^0 M)$  is  $(0, 4)$ -tensor

$$R = \sum_{i,j,k,\ell=1}^n R_{i,j,k,\ell} dx_i \otimes dx_j \otimes dx_k \otimes dx_\ell$$

and using Definition (51)

$$\begin{aligned} R_{i,j,k,\ell} &:= R\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}\right) = g\left(R_{\nabla}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}\right) \\ &= g\left(\sum_m R_{ijk}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}\right) = \sum_m R_{ijk}^m g_{m\ell} \in C^\infty(U) \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, using Proposition 20.3

- (a)  $R_{ijk\ell} + R_{jkil} + R_{kij\ell} = 0.$
- (b)  $R_{ijk\ell} = -R_{jik\ell} = -R_{ij\ell k} = R_{klij}.$

□

**Example 20.1.** For  $\dim M = 1$  then

$$R = R_{1111}(dx_1 \otimes dx_1 \otimes dx_1 \otimes dx_1)$$

But this immediately implies  $R_{1111} \equiv 0$  via Bianchi identity. Hence for  $\dim M = 1$ ,  $R = R_{\nabla} = 0$ .

### 20.3 Sectional Curvature

In general, an inner product on a vector space  $V \cong \mathbb{R}^n$  induces an inner product on  $\Lambda^2 V$  as follows. If  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\} \subset V$  is an ONB, then

$$\{e_i \wedge e_j \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$$

is an ONB of  $\Lambda^2 V$ .

**Definition 20.4** (Sectional Curvature). Let  $(M, g)$  be Riemannian manifold with  $R$  Riemannian curvature  $(0, 4)$  tensor. Let  $p \in M$ , let  $\sigma$  be the 2 dim subspace of  $T_p M$ , i.e.,  $\sigma \in Gr(2, T_p M)$ . We define the sectional curvature of  $\sigma$  to be

$$K(p, \sigma) := \frac{R(p)(x, y, x, y)}{|x \wedge y|^2} \quad (55)$$

where  $x, y$  is any basis of  $\sigma$  and

$$|x \wedge y|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle \langle y, y \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle^2$$

Alternatively, one may define

$$K(p, \sigma) := R(p)(e_1, e_2, e_1, e_2)$$

where  $e_1, e_2$  is an orthonormal basis of  $\sigma$ . Then  $K(p, \sigma) \in \mathbb{R}$  is well-defined independent of choice of  $x, y, e_1, e_2$ .

**Remark 20.2.** Given  $\sigma \subset T_p M$  2-dim subspace, let  $e_1, e_2$  be orthonormal basis and  $x, y$  any basis. If

$$\begin{aligned} x &= ae_1 + be_2 \\ y &= ce_1 + de_2 \quad ad - bc \neq 0 \\ \implies R(p)(x, y, x, y) &= (ad - bc)^2 R(p)(e_1, e_2, e_1, e_2) \\ |x \wedge y|^2 &= (ad - bc)^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 20.1.** *The Riemannian curvature tensor  $R$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is determined by its sectional curvature  $K(p, \sigma)$  for any  $p \in M$  and for any  $\sigma \in Gr(2, T_p M)$ , i.e.*

$$\{R(X, Y, Z, T) \mid X, Y, Z, T \in \mathfrak{X}(M)\}$$

is determined by

$$\{R(X, Y, X, Y) \mid X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)\}$$

*Proof.* Follows from the following lemma in linear algebra 20.2. □

**Lemma 20.2** (Linear Algebra). *Let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{R}$  where  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} V = n$ , e.g.  $V = T_p M$ . Suppose that we have two maps  $r, r' \in (V^*)^{\otimes 4}$*

$$r, r' : V \times V \times V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad (x, y, z, t) \mapsto r(x, y, z, t), r'(x, y, z, t)$$

$\mathbb{R}$ -linear in  $x, y, z, t$  and both satisfy

(a) *Bianchi identity*  $r(x, y, z, t) + r(y, z, x, t) + r(z, x, y, t) = 0$

(b)  $r \in Sym^2(\Lambda^2 V^*)$ , i.e.

(b1)  $r(x, y, z, t) = -r(y, x, z, t)$ .

(b2)  $r(x, y, z, t) = -r(x, y, t, z)$ .

(b3)  $r(z, t, x, y) = r(x, y, z, t)$ .

Define  $K, K' : Gr(2, V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$K(\sigma) = \frac{r(x, y, x, y)}{|x \wedge y|^2}$$

$$K'(\sigma) = \frac{r'(x, y, x, y)}{|x \wedge y|^2}$$

If  $K = K'$ , then  $r = r'$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\Delta = r - r' \in (V^*)^{\otimes 4}$  then  $\Delta$  satisfies (a) and (b1) - (b3) and

$$\Delta(x, y, x, y) = 0 \quad \forall x, y \in V$$

We claim that

$$\Delta(x, y, z, t) = 0 \quad \forall x, y, z, t \in V$$

Indeed for any  $x, y, z \in V$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2\Delta(x, y, z, y) &= \Delta(x, y, z, y) + \Delta(z, y, x, y) \\ &= \Delta(x + z, y, x + z, y) - \Delta(x, y, x, y) - \Delta(z, y, z, y) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\Delta(x, y, z, y) = 0 \quad \forall x, y, z \in V$$

Now for any  $x, y, z, t \in V$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \Delta(x, y + t, z, y + t) - \Delta(x, y, z, y) - \Delta(x, t, z, t) \\ &= \Delta(x, y, z, t) + \Delta(x, t, z, y) \\ &= \Delta(x, y, z, t) + \Delta(z, y, x, t) \\ &= \Delta(x, y, z, t) - \Delta(y, z, x, t) \end{aligned}$$

using Bianchi we have

$$0 = \Delta(x, y, z, t) + \Delta(y, z, x, t) + \Delta(z, x, y, t) = 3\Delta(x, y, z, t)$$

□

**Definition 20.5.** *We say  $(M, g)$  have constant sectional curvature  $K_0$  if for any  $p \in M$  for any  $\sigma \in Gr(2, T_p M)$*

$$K(p, \sigma) = K_0$$

**Theorem 20.2.**  *$(M, g)$  has constant sectional curvature iff*

$$R(X, Y, Z, T) = K_0(g(X, Z)g(Y, T) - g(X, T)g(Y, Z))$$

*Proof.* Define the RHS to be  $K_0 R_0(X, Y, Z, T)$  then for any  $e_1, e_2$  orthonormal vectors

$$R_0(e_1, e_2, e_1, e_2) = g(e_1, e_2)g(e_1, e_2) - g(e_1, e_2)^2 = 1 \cdot 1 - 0^2 = 1$$

Hence

$$R_0(X, Y, Z, T) = g(X, Z)g(Y, T) - g(X, T)g(Y, Z)$$

satisfies (a) and (b1) - (b3).  $\square$

**Definition 20.6** (Flat). *We say a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is flat if it has constant sectional curvature 0. This is equivalent to saying Riemannian curvature tensor  $R \equiv 0$  due to Lemma 20.2.*

**Example 20.2.**  $(\mathbb{R}^n, g_0 = dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_n^2)$  is flat since  $\Gamma_{ij}^k = 0 \implies R_{ijk}^\ell = 0$ .

**Example 20.3** (Riemannian Curvature Tensor and Sectional Curvature at  $n = 2$ ). *For Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  with  $\dim M = 2$ . Let  $(U, \phi)$  be  $C^\infty$  chart on  $M$  and let  $(x_1, x_2)$  be coordinates on  $U$ . On  $U$*

$$g = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 g_{ij} dx_i dx_j = g_{11} dx_1^2 + 2g_{12} dx_1 dx_2 + g_{22} dx_2^2$$

*We have Riemannian Curvature Tensor*

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \sum_{i,j,k,\ell=1}^2 R_{ijkl} dx_i \otimes dx_j \otimes dx_k \otimes dx_\ell \\ &= R_{1212} dx_1 \otimes dx_2 \otimes dx_1 \otimes dx_2 + R_{2112} dx_2 \otimes dx_1 \otimes dx_1 \otimes dx_2 + R_{1221} dx_1 \otimes dx_2 \otimes dx_2 \otimes dx_1 + R_{2121} dx_2 \otimes dx_1 \otimes dx_2 \otimes dx_1 \\ &= R_{1212} (dx_1 \otimes dx_2 - dx_2 \otimes dx_1) \otimes (dx_1 \otimes dx_2 - dx_2 \otimes dx_1) \\ &= R_{1212} (dx_1 \wedge dx_2) \otimes (dx_1 \wedge dx_2) \end{aligned}$$

*The only 2-dim subspace of  $T_p M$  is itself. So sectional curvature*

$$K : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad K(p) = K(p, T_p M) \quad \forall p \in M$$

*has*

$$K = \frac{R(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2})}{|\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}|^2} = \frac{R_{1212}}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2}$$

**Example 20.4.** *Consider  $(\mathbb{S}^2, g_{can} = d\phi^2 + \sin^2 \phi d\theta^2)$  for  $(\phi, \theta) = (x_1, x_2)$ . Recall Example 18.2*

$$g_{11} = 1, \quad g_{22} = \sin^2 \phi \quad g_{12} = g_{21} = 0$$

*Where*

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} &= 0 \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = \cot(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} &= -\sin(\phi) \cos(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{aligned}$$

*We want to compute*

$$K = \frac{R_{1212}}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} = \frac{R_{1212}}{\sin^2(\phi)}$$

*In particular*

$$\begin{aligned} R_{1212} &= \langle R(\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \rangle \\ &= \langle \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} - \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \rangle \\ &= -\langle \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} (\cot(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}), \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \rangle \\ &= -\langle -\csc^2 \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \cot \phi \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \rangle \\ &= -\langle -\csc^2(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \cot^2(\phi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \rangle \\ &= \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \rangle = g_{22} = \sin^2(\phi) \end{aligned}$$

*Hence  $K = 1$ .*

## 20.4 Ricci Curvature and Scalar Curvature

**Definition 20.7** (Ricci Curvature). *First define a symmetric  $(0, 2)$ -tensor  $Q$  on  $M$ . For any  $p \in M$ ,  $x, y \in T_p M$  and  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  ONB of  $T_p M$*

$$\begin{aligned} Q(p)(x, y) &:= \text{Tr}(v \in T_p M \mapsto R(p)(x, v)y \in T_p M) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle R(p)(x, e_i)y, e_i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n R(p)(x, e_i, y, e_i) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n R(p)(x, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(p), y, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(p))g^{ij}(p) \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

*Proof for Last Equality of (56).* The last equality follows by using computations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = \sum_k a_{ik} e_k \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_\ell a_{j\ell} e_\ell$$

and  $g_{ij}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} &= \langle \sum_k a_{ik} e_k, \sum_\ell a_{j\ell} e_\ell \rangle = \sum_{k\ell} a_{ik} a_{j\ell} \langle e_k, e_\ell \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} a_{jk} \\ g &= aa^T \\ g^{-1} &= (a^T)^{-1} a^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i,j=1}^n R(p)(x, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, y, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j})g^{ij} &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n R(p)(x, \sum_k a_{ik} e_k, y, \sum_\ell a_{j\ell} e_\ell)g^{ij} = \sum_{k,\ell} R(p)(x, e_k, y, e_\ell) \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ik} g^{ij} a_{j\ell} \\ &= \sum_{k,\ell} R(p)(x, e_k, y, e_\ell) (a^T g^{-1} a)_{k\ell} = \sum_{k,\ell} R(p)(x, e_k, y, e_\ell) (a^T a^{-T} a^{-1} a)_{k\ell} \\ &= \sum_{k,\ell} R(p)(x, e_k, y, e_\ell) \delta_{k\ell} = \sum_{k=1}^n R(p)(x, e_k, y, e_k) \end{aligned}$$

□

We also make the claim that  $Q \in C^\infty(M, \text{Sym}^2 T^* M)$  is symmetric tensor.

*Proof.* Using (b3)  $R_{ijkl} = R_{klij}$  we indeed verify  $Q$  is symmetric

$$\begin{aligned} Q(p)(x, y) &= \sum_{i=1}^n R(p)(x, e_i, y, e_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n R(p)(y, e_i, x, e_i) \\ &= Q(p)(y, x) \end{aligned}$$

□

Hence the coefficients of  $Q$  writes

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ij} &:= Q(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \langle R(p)(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \rangle \\ &= \sum_{k,\ell=1}^n R(p)(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(p), \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}(p))g^{k\ell}(p) = \sum_{k,\ell} R_{ikj\ell} g^{k\ell} \end{aligned}$$

On  $U$

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n R_{ij} dx_i \otimes dx_j \\ &= \sum_{i,j} R_{ij} dx_i dx_j \end{aligned}$$

Here  $R_{ij} = R_{ji}$  and  $dx_i dx_j = \frac{1}{2}(dx_i \otimes dx_j + dx_j \otimes dx_i)$ . We define Ricci Curvature Tensor as

$$\text{Ric} := \frac{1}{n-1} Q = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i,j} R_{ij} dx_i dx_j \in C^\infty(M, \text{Sym}^2 T^* M)$$

Indeed the coefficients of Ric in local coordinates write

$$\text{Ric}_{ij} := \text{Ric}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) = \frac{1}{n-1}R_{ij} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^n R_{ikj}^k = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k,\ell=1}^n R_{ikj\ell} g^{k\ell}$$

**Remark 20.3.** Why do we normalize by  $\frac{1}{n-1}$ ? If  $(M, g)$  has constant sectional curvature  $K_0$ , then

$$R(X, Y, Z, T) = K_0(g(X, Z)g(Y, T) - g(X, T)g(Y, Z))$$

$$R_{ijk\ell} = K_0(g_{ik}g_{j\ell} - g_{i\ell}g_{jk})$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ik} &= \sum_{j,\ell} R_{ijk\ell} g^{j\ell} = K_0 \left( \sum_{\ell} g_{ik} \sum_j g^{j\ell} g_{j\ell} - \sum_{\ell} g_{i\ell} \sum_j g_{jk} g^{j\ell} \right) \\ &= K_0 \left( g_{jk} \sum_{\ell} \delta_{\ell}^{\ell} - \sum_{\ell} g_{i\ell} \delta_{k\ell} \right) \\ &= K_0 (g_{ik}n - g_{ik}) = (n-1)K_0 g_{ik} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $Q = (n-1)K_0g$  and  $\text{Ric} = K_0g$ .

**Definition 20.8** (Scalar Curvature). Let  $(M, g)$  be Riemannian manifold. For any  $p \in M$ , define a linear map

$$K(p) : T_pM \rightarrow T_pM \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \langle K(p)(x), y \rangle = Q_p(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in T_pM$$

The  $(1, 1)$ -tensor  $K$  is self-adjoint at each point  $p \in M$ , i.e.

$$\langle K(p)(x), y \rangle = \langle x, K(p)(y) \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in T_pM$$

Taking an orthonormal basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  of  $T_pM$ , we compute the Trace

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(K(p)) &= \sum_i \langle K(p)(e_i), e_i \rangle = \sum_i Q(p)(e_i, e_i) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n R(p)(e_i, e_j, e_i, e_j) = (n-1) \sum_i \text{Ric}(p)(e_i, e_i) \end{aligned}$$

Then we define scalar curvature  $S \in C^\infty(M)$

$$\begin{aligned} S(p) &:= \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \text{Ric}(p)(e_i, e_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{ij} \text{Ric}_{ij} g^{ij} = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \text{Tr}(K(p)) \\ &= \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{ij} R_{ij} g^{ij} \\ &= \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i,j,k} R_{ikj}^k g^{ij} \\ &= \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i,j,k,\ell} R_{ijk\ell} g^{ik} g^{j\ell} \end{aligned}$$

**Example 20.5.** When  $(M, g)$  has constant sectional curvature  $K_0$

$$\text{Ric} = K_0g$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i,j} \text{Ric}_{ij} g^{ij} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i,j} K_0 g_{ij} g^{ij} = K_0$$

**Example 20.6.** For  $\dim M = 2$ ,

$$R = R_{1212}(dx_1 \wedge dx_2) \otimes (dx_1 \wedge dx_2)$$

$$\text{Ric} = \frac{R_{1212}}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} g = Kg$$

$$S = \frac{R_{1212}}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} = K$$

We carry out the calculation

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{1}{2} (R_{1212}g^{11}g^{22} + R_{2112}g^{21}g^{12} + R_{1221}g^{12}g^{21} + R_{2121}g^{22}g^{11}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (R_{1212}g^{11}g^{22} - R_{1212}g^{21}g^{12} - R_{1212}g^{12}g^{21} + R_{1212}g^{22}g^{11}) \\ &= R_{1212}g^{11}g^{22} - R_{1212}(g^{12})^2 = \frac{R_{1212}}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} = K \end{aligned}$$

## 21 Covariant Derivative of Tensors

**Proposition 21.1** (Covariant Derivative on Tensor). *Consider an affine connection  $\nabla$  on  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$ . Given  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$*

$$\nabla_X : \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \quad Y \mapsto \nabla_X Y$$

*defined on  $(1,0)$ -tensors. Then  $\nabla_X$  has a unique extension  $\nabla_X : C^\infty(M, T_s^r M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, T_s^r M)$  to any  $(r,s)$ -tensors s.t.*

(i)  $\nabla_X$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear.

(ii)  $\nabla_X(c(S)) = c(\nabla_X S)$  for any  $c$  contraction.

(iii)

$$\nabla_X(S \otimes T) = \nabla_X S \otimes T + S \otimes \nabla_X T$$

*Proof.* For  $(0,0)$ -tensor, for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  and  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , we need

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_X(fY) &= X(f)Y + f\nabla_X Y \\ \nabla_X(fY) &= \nabla_X(f \otimes Y) = (\nabla_X f) \otimes Y + f \otimes \nabla_X Y \\ &= (\nabla_X f)Y + f\nabla_X Y \\ \implies \nabla_X f &= X(f) \end{aligned}$$

For  $(0,1)$ -tensors, for any  $\alpha \in \Omega^1(M)$ ,  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$\begin{aligned} X(\alpha(Y)) &= \nabla_X(\alpha(Y)) = \nabla_X(c(\alpha \otimes Y)) = c(\nabla_X(\alpha \otimes Y)) \\ &= c((\nabla_X \alpha) \otimes Y + \alpha \otimes \nabla_X Y) \\ &= (\nabla_X \alpha)(Y) + \alpha(\nabla_X Y) \\ \implies (\nabla_X \alpha)(Y) &= X(\alpha(Y)) - \alpha(\nabla_X Y) \end{aligned} \tag{57}$$

It is good to compare with Lie Derivative

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

Now for any  $(r,s)$ -tensor, for  $T$   $(0,s)$ -tensor,  $Y_1, \dots, Y_r \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$(\nabla_X T)(Y_1, \dots, Y_s) = X(T(Y_1, \dots, Y_s)) - \sum_{i=1}^s T(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{i-1}, \nabla_X Y_i, Y_{i+1}, \dots, Y_s) \tag{58}$$

again, compare with Lie Derivative as in Lemma 11.6

$$(L_X T)(Y_1, \dots, Y_s) = X(T(Y_1, \dots, Y_s)) - \sum_{i=1}^s T(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{i-1}, [X, Y_i], Y_{i+1}, \dots, Y_s)$$

□

**Definition 21.1** (Covariant Derivative of  $(r,s)$ -tensor).

$$\nabla : C^\infty(M, T_s^r M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, T_{s+1}^r M) \quad T \mapsto \nabla T$$

s.t. for any  $X_1, \dots, X_{s+1} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  we have

$$(\nabla T)(X_1, \dots, X_s, X_{s+1}) = (\nabla_{X_{s+1}} T)(X_1, \dots, X_s) \tag{59}$$

and  $\nabla_{X_{s+1}}$  satisfies (i) - (iii) as in Proposition 21.1. Note we have  $(r,s+1)$ -tensor on LHS and  $(r,s)$ -tensor on RHS.

**Theorem 21.1** (2nd Bianchi Identity). *Let  $(M, g)$  be Riemannian manifold. Let  $R$  be Riemannian curvature tensor  $(0,4)$ -tensor. Apply  $\nabla$  Levi-Civita connection so that  $\nabla R$  is  $(0,5)$ -tensor with*

$$\nabla R(X, Y, Z, T, W) + \nabla R(X, Y, T, W, Z) + \nabla R(X, Y, W, Z, T) = 0$$

*Local Coordinates.* Consider an affine  $\nabla$  connection on a  $C^\infty$  manifold  $M$  with  $(U, \phi)$   $\phi = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$   $C^\infty$  chart.

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_k \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

for  $\Gamma_{ij}^k \in C^\infty(U)$ . For cotangent bundle

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} dx_j = \sum_k \left( \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} dx_j \right) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right) dx_k$$

Where for  $\alpha \in \Omega^1(M)$ ,  $\alpha = a_i dx_i$  and  $a_i = \alpha \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)$ . We have

$$\left( \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} dx_j \right) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( dx_j \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right) \right) - dx_j \left( \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right) = -\Gamma_{ik}^j$$

where

$$dx_j \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right) = \delta_{jk} \quad \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} = \sum_\ell \Gamma_{ik}^\ell \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}$$

Hence for  $T$   $(r, s)$ -tensor with  $e_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ ,  $e^j = dx_j$  we have

$$\nabla_{e_i} e_j = \Gamma_{ij}^k e_k \quad \nabla_{e_i} e^j = -\Gamma_{ik}^j e^k \quad (60)$$

For general  $(r, s)$ -tensors we write in local coordinates

$$T = T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_r} \otimes e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s}$$

where  $T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \in C^\infty(U)$ . So  $\nabla T \in C^\infty(M, T_{s+1}^r M)$  is  $(r, s+1)$ -tensor with

$$\nabla T = (\nabla T)_{j_1, \dots, j_{s+1}}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_r} \otimes e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s} \otimes e^{j_{s+1}}$$

Define

$$T_{j_1, \dots, j_s; k}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} := (\nabla T)_{j_1, \dots, j_s, k}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} = (\nabla_{e_k} T)_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}$$

We want to express

$$T_{j_1, \dots, j_s; k}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}$$

in terms of  $T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r}$  and  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$ . Using Leibniz rule for Covariant Derivative (58)

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{e_k} T &= \nabla_{e_k} \left( T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_r} \otimes e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s} \right) \\ &= e_k \left( T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \right) e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_r} \otimes e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s} \\ &\quad + \sum_{\alpha=1}^r T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_{\alpha-1}} \otimes \nabla_k e_{i_\alpha} \otimes e_{i_{\alpha+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes (e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\beta=1}^s T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} (e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_r}) \otimes e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_{\beta-1}} \otimes \nabla_k e^{j_\beta} \otimes e^{j_{\beta+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s} \end{aligned}$$

Then we switch  $\nabla_k e_{i_\alpha} = \Gamma_{ki_\alpha}^\ell e_\ell$  and  $\nabla_k e^{j_\beta} = -\Gamma_{k\ell}^{j_\beta} e^\ell$  as in (60) so

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{e_k} T &= \left( e_k \left( T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \right) + \Gamma_{k\ell}^{i_\alpha} T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_{\alpha-1}, \ell, i_{\alpha+1}, \dots, i_r} - \Gamma_{k, j_\beta}^\ell T_{j_1, \dots, j_{\beta-1}, \ell, j_{\beta+1}, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \right) e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_r} \otimes e^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e^{j_s} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have formula

$$T_{j_1, \dots, j_s; k}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} = e_k \left( T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \right) + \sum_{\ell, \alpha} \Gamma_{k\ell}^{i_\alpha} T_{j_1, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_{\alpha-1}, \ell, i_{\alpha+1}, \dots, i_r} - \sum_{\ell, \beta} \Gamma_{k, j_\beta}^\ell T_{j_1, \dots, j_{\beta-1}, \ell, j_{\beta+1}, \dots, j_s}^{i_1, \dots, i_r} \quad (61)$$

where  $e_k = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 21.1.** *Let  $\nabla$  be affine connection on a smooth manifold  $M$ . Then  $\nabla$  is symmetric iff for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ , the  $(0, 2)$ -tensor  $\nabla df$  is symmetric, i.e.*

$$(\nabla df)(X, Y) = (\nabla df)(Y, X) \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$$



*Proof.* Using (57), since  $df \in \Omega^1(M)$  for any  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ , for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , using Definition (59)

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla df)(Y, X) &:= \nabla_X df(Y) = X(df(Y)) - df(\nabla_X Y) \\ &= X(Y(f)) - (\nabla_X Y)(f) \end{aligned}$$

Now assume  $\nabla$  is symmetric.

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla df)(Y, X) &= X(Y(f)) - (\nabla_X Y)(f) = X(Y(f)) - ((\nabla_Y X)(f) - [Y, X](f)) \\ &= X(Y(f)) - X(Y(f)) + Y(X(f)) - (\nabla_Y X)(f) \\ &= Y(X(f)) - (\nabla_Y X)(f) = (\nabla df)(X, Y) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand assume  $(\nabla df)(Y, X) = (\nabla df)(X, Y)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (\nabla df)(Y, X) - (\nabla df)(X, Y) = (X(Y(f)) - (\nabla_X Y)(f)) - (Y(X(f)) - (\nabla_Y X)(f)) \\ &= [X, Y](f) + \nabla_Y X(f) - \nabla_X Y(f) \quad \forall f \in C^\infty(M) \end{aligned}$$

□

For  $(M, g)$  Riemannian manifold with  $\nabla$  Levi-Civita connection.

**Lemma 21.2.**  $\nabla$  is compatible with  $g$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla g)(X, Y, Z) &= (\nabla_Z g)(X, Y) = Z(g(X, Y)) - g(\nabla_Z X, Y) - g(X, \nabla_Z Y) = 0 \quad \forall X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \\ \implies \nabla g &= 0 \\ g_{ij;k} &= 0 \quad \forall i, j, k \end{aligned}$$

as an answer to (40).

In fact, for  $f \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , we denote

$$f_{;i} = e_i(f) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$$

and

$$\nabla f = f_{;i} e^i = \sum_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} dx_i = df$$

**Definition 21.2** (Gradient). For  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ , we define vector field  $\text{grad} f \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  s.t.

$$g(\text{grad} f, X) = df(X) = X(f)$$

with  $\text{grad} f = \sum_j (\text{grad} f)^j e_j$ , then

$$f_{;j} = e_j(f) = df(e_j) = \langle \text{grad} f, e_j \rangle = \sum_i (\text{grad} f)^i g_{ij}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} df &= f_{;i} e^i = \sum_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} dx_i \\ \text{grad} f &= f^i e_i = \sum_{i,j} g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

where  $f^i = g^{ij} f_{;j}$ .

**Definition 21.3** (Divergence). For  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$   $(1, 0)$ -tensor, we define smooth function  $\text{div} Y \in C^\infty(M)$  s.t.

$$\text{div}(Y)(p) = \text{Tr}(v \in T_p M \mapsto \nabla_v Y \in T_p M) = c(\nabla Y)$$

For  $Y = Y^i e_i$ ,  $\nabla Y = Y^i_{;j} e_i \otimes e^j$  where  $Y^i_{;j} = e_j(Y^i) + \Gamma_{jk}^i Y^k$  as in (61). Therefore

$$\text{div}(Y) = Y^i_{;i} = e_i(Y^i) + \Gamma_{ik}^i Y^k = \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} Y^i + \sum_{i,k=1}^n \Gamma_{ik}^i Y^k \tag{63}$$

**Lemma 21.3.** Given  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $\text{div} Y$  as in (63)

$$\text{div} Y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(g)}} \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \sqrt{\det(g)} Y^i \right) \tag{64}$$

*Proof.* Using Jacobi's Formula

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\det(g)) = \det(g)\text{Tr}(g^{-1}\frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i})$$

We look at

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \Gamma_{ik}^i &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n g^{ij}(g_{ij,k} + g_{kj,i} - g_{ik,j}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n g^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} g_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{ij} g^{ij} g_{kj,i} - g^{ji} g_{jk,i} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n g^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} g_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(g^{-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} g) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\det(g)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (\det(g)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \log(\det(g)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \log(\sqrt{\det(g)}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(g)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (\sqrt{\det(g)}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}(Y) &= \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} Y_i + \sum_{i,k} \Gamma_{ik}^i Y^k \\ &= \sum_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} Y_k + \sum_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(g)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (\sqrt{\det(g)}) Y^k \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(g)}} \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\sqrt{\det(g)} Y^i) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Definition 21.4** (Hessian). For  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ , define  $(0, 2)$ -tensor  $\text{Hess}f \in C^\infty(M, T_2^0 M)$

$$\text{Hess}(f) = \nabla \nabla f = \nabla df$$

hence  $\text{Hess}f \in C^\infty(M, \text{Sym}^2 T^* M)$  symmetric  $(0, 2)$ -tensor s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hess}(f)(X, Y) &= (\nabla df)(X, Y) = (\nabla_Y df)(X) = Y(df(X)) - df(\nabla_Y X) \\ &= YX(f) - (\nabla_Y X)f \\ &= XY(f) - (\nabla_X Y)f \\ &= \text{Hess}(f)(Y, X) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y]$  and we've used  $\nabla$  compatibility with the metric. Define  $f_{;ij}$  s.t.

$$\nabla \nabla f = \nabla df = \nabla(f_{;i} e^i) = \sum_{i,j} f_{;ij} e^i \otimes e^j$$

so one may calculate

$$f_{;ij} = e_j(f_{;i}) - \Gamma_{ij}^k f_{;k} = \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} - \sum_k \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} \quad (65)$$

**Definition 21.5** (Laplacian). For  $f \in C^\infty(M)$ , define smooth function  $\Delta f \in C^\infty(M)$  s.t.

$$\Delta f := \text{div}(\text{grad}f) = \text{div}(f_{;i} e_i) = f_{;i}^i = f_{;ij} g^{ij}$$

For  $e_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  we have

$$\Delta f = \sum_{i,j} g^{ij} \left( \frac{\partial \partial f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} - \sum_k \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} \right)$$

For  $g_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$  we recover

$$\Delta f = \sum_i \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2}$$

**Lemma 21.4.** In local coordinates, for  $f \in C^\infty(M)$

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(g)}} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \sqrt{\det(g)} g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \right) \quad (66)$$

*Proof.* Using  $\Delta f = \text{div}(\text{grad}f)$  where

$$\text{grad}f = \sum_{ij} g^{ij} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

plugging in (66) we have the result. □