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## 1 Confusions

For curve  $\gamma$ ,  $\frac{d\gamma}{dt}$  is a Vector Field. Gives the vector corresponding to "direction of curve". At a point  $p$

$$\frac{d\gamma}{dt}|_p[f] = \frac{d}{dt}(f \circ \gamma)|_{t=0}$$

Why can  $T_p M$  be thought of as a copy of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ?

Meridians and parallels on surface  $S$  like longitudes (lines with constant width) and latitudes (geodesics with constant height) on sphere.

Geodesic sphere: Seems to be points of distance  $r$  away from point  $p$  determined by radiating geodesics of length  $r$  from  $p$ . Denotes  $S_r(p)$ .

?How does differential of compositions work? I think trivially:  $df(dg) = df \circ g$  since

$$df \circ g[v] = v[f \circ g] = dg v[f] = df dg v$$

Note here I'm not applying all the way: should really be applying resulting vector to functions  $M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

?What is the relationship between differential and Affine Connection/Covariant Derivative?

Defining 3 tensors like  $R'$  via

$$g(R'(X, Y, W), Z) = \langle X, W \rangle \langle Y, Z \rangle - \langle Y, W \rangle \langle X, Z \rangle$$

ie. an implicit definition. Much like how we can define directional derivatives.

A lot of the formulas for curvatures don't seem to be typechecking for me?

## 2 Content

**Claim:** For  $X, Y \in \mathbb{X}(\mathcal{M})$  for some manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , we have

$$[X, Y] = L_X Y$$

(Note this means Lie derivative produces another vector field)

*Proof.* Let  $\Phi_t$  be the flow of  $X$ .

Recall this is defined as  $\Phi : \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  via  $\Phi_t(p) = \gamma(t)$  where  $\gamma$  solves ODE  $\gamma'(t) = X(\gamma(t))$ ,  $\gamma(0) = p$ . (A collection of paths over time flowing along vector field  $X$  for some initial condition). (So each vector field produces a flow).

$\forall g \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $X|_p[g] = \frac{d\Phi_t(p)}{dt}|_{t=0}[g] = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0}g(\Phi_t(p))$  which is true by definition of the flow

Let  $\psi_s$  be the flow of  $Y$ . For  $f \in \mathcal{D}$  set  $H(t, s) = f(\Phi_{-t}(\psi_s(\Phi_t(p))))$  (flow forward  $t$  along  $X$ , then  $s$  along  $Y$ , then back  $-t$  along  $X$ ).

Then  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial s}(t, 0) = Y|_{\Phi_t(p)}[f \circ \phi_{-t}]$  since symbolically this is the same as two lines above (making some substitutions).

Taking a derivative in  $t$  yields  $\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t \partial s}|_{(0,0)} = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} Y|_{\Phi_t(p)}[f \circ \phi_{-t}]$

But we know  $L_X Y|_p[f] = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} d\phi_{-t}(Y|_{\Phi_t(p)})[f]$ .

Recall the lie derivative is defined as

$$L_X Y|_p = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{d\phi_{-t} Y|_{\Phi_t(p)} - Y|_p}{t} = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} d\phi_{-t}(Y|_{\Phi_t(p)})$$

where we measure the change in  $Y$  at a point  $p$  against flows forward along  $X$ . Ie. the change in  $Y$  against  $X$

And  $\frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} d\phi_{-t}(Y|_{\Phi_t(p)})[f] = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} Y|_{\Phi_t(p)}[f \circ \phi_{-t}]$ . So lie derivative is cross term of second derivative of  $H$ .

Then define  $K(r, s, t)$  to show cross terms of second derivative of  $H$  also equal to lie bracket.

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**Prop 1. Levi-Civita** Let  $(\mathcal{M}, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Then  $\exists$  a unique affine connection  $\nabla$  which is compatible with  $g$  and symmetric. Such connection is called Riemann connection.

*Proof.* Suppose  $\nabla$  compatible and symmetric connection. Then

$$\begin{aligned} Xg(Y, Z) &= g(\nabla_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z) \\ Yg(Z, X) &= g(\nabla_Y Z, X) + g(Z, \nabla_Y X) \\ -Zg(X, Y) &= g(\nabla_Z X, Y) + g(X, \nabla_Z Y) \end{aligned}$$

which comes from compatibility, since  $X$  acting on function yields s.t. corollary to compatibility. (We may say this pointwise since at any point we have an integral curve  $\gamma$  for  $X$  with  $\gamma(0) = p$ ).

Then substituting expression via symmetry of the expression  $\nabla_X Z - \nabla_Z X = [X, Z]$  and the like and cancelling terms when adding the above three lines yields

$$g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = \frac{1}{2}(Xg(Y, Z) + Yg(Z, X) - Zg(X, Y) + g(X, [Y, Z]) + g(Y, [X, Z]) - g(Z, [X, Y]))$$

so then we define  $\nabla_X Y$  to be the vector s.t. the relation holds (note this is how inner product leads to definition of derivative)  $\square$

### 3 Curvature

Recall Curvature  $R : X(M) \times X(M) \rightarrow X(M)$  is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)Z &:= \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z + \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z \\ (X, Y, Z, W) &:= g(R(X, Y)Z, W) \end{aligned}$$

Curvature tensor example of covariant tensor. Differential forms example of contravariant tensor (measuring the dual?)

### 4 Jacobi Fields

Jacobi field is vector field along geodesic  $\gamma$  which corresponds to a perturbation of  $\gamma$  in the space of geodesics.

Also thought of as tangent vectors in space of geodesics.

We study the following:

$$(dexp_p)_{tv}(tw) = \frac{df}{ds}(t, 0)$$

along  $\gamma(t) = exp_p(tv)$

### 5 Killing Fields

Killing fields flows preserve orientation of vectors at points. Flow smoothly (diffeomorphism assumption).

## 6 Jacobi Fields

**Remark 1.** A jacobi field is a vector field along a geodesic  $\gamma$  which corresponds to a perturbation of  $\gamma$  in the space of geodesics.

Also can be thought of as tangent vectors in space of geodesics (along a geodesic).

**Theme 1.** Formalizes connection between curvature and geodesics

**Def 1.**  $(\text{dexp}_p)_{tv}(tw) = \frac{df}{ds}(t, 0)$  along  $\gamma(t) = \text{exp}_p(tv)$  where  $f(t, s) = \text{exp}_p tv(s)$

**Remark 2.**  $(\text{dexp}_p)_{tv}$  map from tangent space of tangent space to tangent space of tangent space

**Def 2.**  $0 = \frac{D^2 J}{dt^2} + R(\gamma'(t), J(t))\gamma'(t)$

**Remark 3.** Curvature indicates spread of geodesics

**Prop 2.** Jacobi field is determined by initial conditions  $J(0), \frac{DJ}{dt}(0)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $e_1(t), \dots, e_n(t)$  parallel orthonormal fields along  $\gamma$ . Write

$$J(t) = \sum_i f_i(t) e_i(t)$$

with  $a_{ij} = g(R(\gamma'(t), e_i(t))\gamma'(t), e_j(t))$

Then  $\frac{D^2 J}{dt^2} = \sum_i f_i''(t) e_i(t)$  and  $R(\gamma', J)\gamma' = \sum_j g(R(\gamma', J)\gamma', e_j) e_j = \sum_{i,j} f_i a_{i,j} e_j$

since the  $e_i$  parallel.

Jacobi equation equivalent to  $f_j''(t) + \sum_i a_{ij}(t) f_i(t) = 0$  which is a linear second order system.

Thsu given initial conditions we have  $2n$  linearly separable independent jacobi fields along  $\gamma$ .  $\square$

**Theme 2.** A lot of these things connected to DEs on the manifold (I guess point of differentials).

**Prop 3.** Let  $M$  have constant sectional curvature  $K$ .  $\gamma : [0, l] \rightarrow M$  be a geodesic arclength parameterized. Let  $J$  jacobi field normal to  $\gamma'$ .

Then  $R(\gamma', J)\gamma' = KJ$  ie. curvature of  $\gamma', J$  along  $\gamma'$  is just  $KJ$  ie. multiple of  $J$ .  $J$  describes turning away of  $\gamma$ . In some sense an eigenvalue of the curvature.

*Proof.* For all  $T$  along  $\gamma$  we have

$$g(R(\gamma', J)\gamma', T) = K(g(\gamma', \gamma')g(J, T) - g(\gamma', T)g(J, \gamma'))$$

why??? - I think becaue we have 0 sectional curvature so we have this form for the curvature.

This equals  $Kg(J, T)$  as terms cancel via unit norm and parallelism.  $\square$

**Example 1.** Set  $M = \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $\gamma(t) = (t, 0)$ .  $w(t) = (0, 1)$ . Then  $J(t) = (0, t)$ .

Showing existence of jacobi field satisfying general form (with 0 sectional curvature).

**Theme 3.** Typically focus on jacobi fields normal to curve.

**Prop 4.** Can Taylor expand  $|J(t)|^2$ . Involves curvature

$$|J(t)|^2 = t^2 - (1/3)g(R(v, w)v, w)t^4 + \dots$$

Notice involves sectional curvature  $K(v, w) = g(R(v, w)v, w)$

*Proof.* Know  $J(0) = 0$  with  $J'(0) = w$ . So

$$g(J, J)(0) = 0$$

$$(g(J, J))'(0) = 2g(J, J')(0) = 0 \text{ via a product rule likely}$$

$$(g(J, J))''(0) = 2g(J', J')(0) + 2g(J'', J)(0) = 2 \text{ since second term cancels (parallelism?)}$$

Last expression also probably comes from DE

Via the DE also get third order term 0 and fourth order term  $8g(J', J''')(0)$

We have

$$J'''(0) = -\frac{D}{dt}\bigg|_{t=0}(R(\gamma'(t), J(t))\gamma'(t))$$

via DE. Substituting this into expression gives us what we want.

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**Remark 4. Geometric Interpretation:**

Geodesics  $t \rightarrow \exp_p(tv(s))$  spread from  $t \rightarrow \exp_p(tv)$  at a rate which differs from that of flat space by  $\approx -1/6K(p, \sigma)t^3$ .

## 6.1 Conjugate Points

**Remark 5.** Conjugate point sinks for tangent geodesics along  $\gamma$

**Example 2.** Consider  $\mathbb{S}^2$ . Antipodes conjugate along  $(\cos(t), \sin(t), 0)$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$  with  $J(t) = (0, 0, \sin(t))$

**Example 3.** Cut locus of  $p \in S^n$  is  $\{-p\}$

**Prop 5.** A point  $q = \gamma(t_0)$  is conjugate to  $p$  along  $\gamma \iff v_0 := t_0\gamma'(0)$  is a critical point of  $\exp_p$ . also  $\text{mult} = \dim(\ker((d\exp_p)_{v_0}))$

*Proof.* We say  $q$  conjugate  $\iff$  we can find a  $J$  s.t.  $J(0) = J(t_0) = 0$ . We set  $v = \gamma'(0)$  and  $w = J'(0)$ .

We know  $J(t) = (dexp_p)_{tw}(tw)$ . So  $0 = ((dexp_p)_0)(0) = (dexp_p)_{t_0v}(t_0w)$   $\square$

**Prop 6.**  $g(J, \gamma') = g(J'(0), \gamma'(0))t + g(J(0), \gamma'(0))$

*Proof.* Compute

$g(J', \gamma')' = g(J'', \gamma')$  Because  $\gamma'' \text{ parallel } J' = -g(R(\gamma', J)\gamma', \gamma') = 0$  because we know curvature is constant multip

## 7 Complete Manifolds

**Remark 6.** *Covering map covers each open set with image of disjoint open sets on which  $f$  is a diffeomorphism( $f$  locally a diffeomorphism on open sets)*

**Remark 7.** *The manifold is extendible if it can be isometrically emebded in larger space(open).*

**Example 4.** *Torus geodesically complete,  $\mathbb{R}^n$  geodesically complete,  $B(0,1)$  not complete since geodesic runs out of manifold.*

**Prop 7.** *If  $M$  is extendible then it is not geodesically complete.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $M$  extendible. Then  $M \subseteq M'$ . Since  $M' \setminus M$  is not open(since  $M'$  connected) we can find  $p \in \partial M = \overline{M} \setminus M$ . Let  $U$  be normal neighborhood of  $p$ . Let  $q \in U \cap M$ . Then we can find geodesic  $\gamma$  from  $p$  to  $q$ . But this is not in  $M$ .

Ie. just look at boundary and find normal neighborhood.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.** *Hopf-Rinow*

*Proof.* Need to show  $i) \implies *$  and  $i) \iff ii) \iff iii) \iff iv)$   $\square$

## 8 Confusions

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n't have a very good understanding of how to convert bewteen derivatives?