

Appendix 1

Transformation Law of the Metric

In this section, we deduce the transformation law for each individual component of the metric from a fully linear algebraic perspective. Recall that from the main paper, under transformation from coordinate x to x' , the metric M transforms according to

$$M' = J_{x' \mapsto x}^\top M J_{x' \mapsto x}, \quad (1)$$

where M' is the metric after transformation, and $J_{x' \mapsto x}$ represents the Jacobian matrix for the inverse transformation $x' \mapsto x$. Taking x as a function of x' : $x(x')$, we can write out the components of $J_{x' \mapsto x}$ as

$$J_{x' \mapsto x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^n} \\ \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix}$$

where x^i and x'^j denote the i -th coordinate function of x and the j -th coordinate function of x' , respectively. Writing the component on the μ -th row and ν -th column as $g_{\mu\nu}$ for (1), we yield

$$M' = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^1} \\ \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^2} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^n} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1n} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & g_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^n} \\ \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now focus on the the matrix product $M J_{x' \mapsto x}$.

$$\begin{aligned} M J_{x' \mapsto x} &= \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1n} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & g_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^n} \\ \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{1\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^1} & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{1\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{1\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^n} \\ \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{2\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^1} & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{2\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{2\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{n\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^1} & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{n\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{n\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, denoting the entry at the μ -th row, ν -th column as $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$, we have

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{\mu\lambda} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^\nu} \quad (2)$$

Similarly, for the entire M' ,

$$\begin{aligned}
M' &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^1} \\ \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^2} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^n} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix} M J_{x' \mapsto x} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^1} \\ \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^2} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x'^n} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x'^n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^n}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{g}_{11} & \tilde{g}_{12} & \cdots & \tilde{g}_{1n} \\ \tilde{g}_{21} & \tilde{g}_{22} & \cdots & \tilde{g}_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \tilde{g}_{n1} & \tilde{g}_{n2} & \cdots & \tilde{g}_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda 1} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^1} & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda 2} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^1} & \cdots & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda n} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^1} \\ \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda 1} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^2} & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda 2} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^2} & \cdots & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda n} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda 1} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^n} & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda 2} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^n} & \cdots & \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda n} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^n} \end{bmatrix},
\end{aligned}$$

it would have entries

$$g'_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \tilde{g}_{\lambda\nu} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial x'^\mu}$$

Now substitute in the expression for $\tilde{g}_{\lambda\nu}$, we obtain the components of M' :

$$M' = \begin{bmatrix} g'_{11} & g'_{12} & \cdots & g'_{1n} \\ g'_{21} & g'_{22} & \cdots & g'_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g'_{n1} & g'_{n2} & \cdots & g'_{nn} \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$g'_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{\beta=1}^n \sum_{\alpha=1}^n g_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial x^\alpha}{\partial x'^\mu} \frac{\partial x^\beta}{\partial x'^\nu}$$