

# Class Notes

## Introduction to fluid mechanics

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# 1 Tensors

Tensors is *generalization of vector*.

- What;s tensors
- Tensors Algebra
- Tensor differentiation
- Tensor integration

## 1.1 Introduction

- **Newtonian mechanics**  $\Rightarrow$  ODE
- **Quantum physics**  $\Rightarrow$  Linear Algebra
- **Relativity**  $\Rightarrow$  Tensor Calculus

### 1.1.1 Vector

Ex. Ch2 - Fig2  $\vec{A}$  is a vector

$$\vec{A} = A_1 \hat{e}_1 + A_2 \hat{e}_2 = A'_1 \hat{e}'_1 + A'_2 \hat{e}'_2 \quad (1)$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} A'_1 \\ A'_2 \end{pmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{pmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

**Definition** A vector  $\vec{A}$  is an object that tranforms as the same as  $\vec{r}$  under axis rotation.

In matrix notation:

$$A'_i = \sum_{j=1}^n R_{ij}(\theta) A_j, \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \quad (3)$$

We denote as

$$A'_i = R_{ij} A_j, \quad (4)$$

also called Einstein's convention (*Summing over repested indeces.*)

### 1.1.2 Tensor

#### Definition

A rank-2 tensor  $A_{ij}$  is an object such that each index transforms like a vector.  
i.e.

$$A'_{ij} = R_{ik} R_{j\ell} A_{k\ell} \quad (5)$$

In general, a rank- $n$  tensor  $A_{i_1, \dots, i_n}$  transformation as

$$A'_{i_1, \dots, i_n} = R_{i_1, j_1} R_{i_2, j_2} \cdots R_{i_n, j_n} \cdot A_{j_1, \dots, j_n} \quad (6)$$

Rmk:

- In  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\{\hat{e}_1, \hat{e}_2, \dots, \hat{e}_n\}$  are constant basis.
- In polar coordinate system, basis are not constant

Ch1 - Fig 2 polar

## 1.2 Manifold and coordinate

Manifold (mfld) 流形

What is the dimension of a manifold  $M$  ?

Fig3 - A manifold locally likes  $\mathbb{R}^n$

### Definition

An  $n$ -dimension manifold  $M$  is something which locally look like  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x^i : U &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ p &\mapsto x(p) \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Ex.  $M = S^2$  (Two sphere) Fig4 - sphere

Rmk. If  $(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n)$  be a set of  $n$  coordinates , which is non-degenerate if

$$p \longleftrightarrow (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n) \tag{8}$$

is 1-1 or *one-to-one mapping*. e.g. Fig4 - degenerate sphere

In overlapping region

Fig5 - overlapping

Ex. **stereo graphic projection** spherical coordinate  $\theta, \varphi$ , notice that it is singular at  $\theta = 0$  (north pole) and  $\theta = \pi$  (south pole).

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \quad (9)$$

Fig6 - projection

- $U_N$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y, z - 1) &= \lambda(X, Y, -1) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x}{X} &= \frac{y}{Y} = \frac{z - 1}{-1} = \lambda \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} X &= \frac{x}{\lambda} = \frac{x}{1 - z} \\ Y &= \frac{y}{\lambda} = \frac{y}{1 - z} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

- $U_S$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y, z - 1) &= \lambda(X, Y, +1) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x}{X} &= \frac{y}{Y} = \frac{z + 1}{+1} = \lambda \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} X &= \frac{x}{\lambda} = \frac{x}{1 + z} \\ Y &= \frac{y}{\lambda} = \frac{y}{1 + z} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Then, the manifold  $M = U_N \cup U_S$ , where  $U_N \cap U_S = \emptyset$ . And we called

- Two subset  $U_N$  and  $U_S$  to be a *patch* of covering (覆盖).
- The set  $\{U_N, U_S\}$  is the Atlas.

**Claim** For a point

$$p \in U_N \cap U_S \quad (12)$$

we have

$$\begin{cases} X' = \frac{X}{X^2 + Y^2} \\ Y' = \frac{Y}{X^2 + Y^2} \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

coordinate transformation between 2 system.

### 1.2.0.1 Tensors on $M$

The tensors on  $M$  are geometric quantities that obey coordinate transformation in overlapping region.

### 1.2.0.2 Curve on $M$

Fig7 - curves on M

In general, an  $m$ -dimension object in  $M$  can be parametrized by

$$x^a = x^a(u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m), \quad a = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (14)$$

In particular, if  $m = n - 1$ , i.e.

$$x^a = x^a(u^1, u^2, \dots, u^{n-1}), \quad a = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (15)$$

is a *hypersurface*. We also using a function  $f(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n) = 0$ .

### 1.2.0.3 Tangent space

For a mani fold  $M$

Fig - tangent space

If  $M$  is locally the same as  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , introducing coordinate patches

$$\{U_1, U_2, \dots\} = \text{atlas}. \quad (16)$$

In the overlapping  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\alpha \neq \beta$  Fig - overlapping region we have  $x^a = x^a(y^1, y^2, \dots, y^n)$ ,  $a = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

### 1.2.1 ⊙ Tensor transformations of coordinates

Consider a change of coordinates

$$x^a \mapsto x'^a = f^a(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n) \equiv x'^a(x) \quad (17)$$

which means  $x'$  is a function of  $x$ . We define

**Definition** A matrix

$$J'^a_b \equiv \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \quad (18)$$

called *Jacobian matrix*, and

$$J' \equiv |J'^a_b| = \det(J'^a_b). \quad (19)$$

Also, by implicit function theorem  $x^a = x'^a(x')$ , we have

$$J^a_b = \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b}. \quad (20)$$

In fact  $J'^a_b J^b_c = \delta^a_c$ , then  $J' = \det(J'^a_b) = 1/J$ . (Notice  $\delta^a_b$  is the Kronecker delta function.)

Rmk:

$$J'^a_b = \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x'^1}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial x'^1}{\partial x^2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x'^1}{\partial x^n} \\ \frac{\partial x'^2}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial x'^2}{\partial x^2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x'^2}{\partial x^n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x'^n}{\partial x^n} \end{pmatrix} \quad (21)$$

Rmk:  $\frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^b}$  can be viewed as coefficients of infinitesimal differentials, then

$$\begin{aligned} dx'^a &= \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^1} dx^1 + \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^2} dx^2 + \cdots + \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^n} dx^n \\ &= \sum_{b=1}^n \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x'^b} dx^b \\ &= \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x'^b} dx^b, \quad \text{Einstein convention} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

We shall classify geometric tensor quantities by transformation properties.

**Definition** A *contravariant* vector (rank-1) is a set of quantities  $X^a$  defined on  $p \in M$ , such that under coordinate transformation:

$$x^a \mapsto x'^a(x), \quad (23)$$

we have

$$X'^a = \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} X^b \quad (24)$$

Fig - point p in overlapping patch

e.g. tangent vector at  $p$  in  $M$ . Fig - tangent vector at p on M For  $f$  is a function defined on the curve  $\gamma$ , where

$$f = f(x^a(u)), \quad (25)$$

and

$$\frac{df}{du} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^a} \frac{dx^a}{du} \quad (26)$$

holds for any  $f$ . Therefore

$$\frac{d}{du} = \left( \frac{dx^a}{du} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}, \quad (27)$$

and here where  $\partial/\partial x^a$  is like a basis. Notice that, for  $X'^a = dx^a/du$

$$X'^a = \frac{dx'^a}{du} = \frac{dx'^a}{dx^b} \frac{dx^b}{du} = \frac{dx'^a}{dx^b} X^b, \quad (28)$$

therefore,  $dx^a/du$  is a contravariant vector.

How about higher rank tensors? e.g. rank-2

$$X'^{ab} = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^d} X^{cd}. \quad (29)$$

In general, for rank- $n$  tensor

$$X'^{i_1, \dots, i_n} = \frac{\partial x^{i_1}}{\partial x'^{j_1}} \frac{\partial x^{i_2}}{\partial x'^{j_2}} \cdots \frac{\partial x^{i_n}}{\partial x'^{j_n}} X'^{j_1, \dots, j_n} \quad (30)$$

Rmk: For a scalar  $\phi$  (without indices or rank-0), we have

$$\phi'(x') = \phi(x) \quad (31)$$

Here, notice  $\phi'$  is not the differentiation of function  $\phi$ .

**Definition** A covariant vector (rank-1) is a set of quantities  $X_a$  defined at  $p \in M$ , such that under coordinate transformation, we have

$$X'_a = \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^a} X_b. \quad (32)$$

e.g. a gradient of  $\phi$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x'^a} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^a}, \quad (33)$$

Also, for rank-2 covariant vector

$$X'_{ab} = \frac{\partial x^c}{\partial x'^a} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^b} X_{cd} \quad (34)$$

If a tensor has a form:

$$X^{a_1, \dots, a_p}_{b_1, \dots, b_q}, \quad (35)$$

we called a *mixed-type* tensor denoted by  $(p, q)$  type (up,down).

In summary:

tensor	Type
$\phi$	(0, 0)
$X^a$	(1, 0)
$X_a$	(0, 1)
$X^{ab}$	(2, 0)
$X_{ab}$	(0, 2)

### 1.2.1.1 Coordinate-independent

Physical laws are described by tensor equations which are coordinates-independent, e.g. Suppose a law is written in the form

$$X_{ab} = Y_{ab} \quad (36)$$

in  $x$ -system,  $X$  and  $Y$  must be the same type, since the physical laws must be valid in any system. We rewrite the equation to  $X_{ab} - Y_{ab} = 0$ , and this equation must hold for  $X'_{cd} - Y'_{cd} = 0$ , and since the transformation is

$$\begin{aligned} X'_{cd} &= \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^b} X_{ab} \\ Y'_{cd} &= \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^b} Y_{ab} \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

so that

$$(X'_{ab} - Y'_{ab}) = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^b} (X_{ab} - Y_{ab}) = 0 \quad (38)$$



**example** Maxwell's equations for  $\vec{E} = (E_1, E_2, E_3)$  and  $\vec{B} = (B_1, B_2, B_3)$  is given by

$$F_{\mu\nu} = -F_{\nu\mu}, \quad (39)$$

where the tensor is

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_1/c & E_2/c & E_3/c \\ -E_1/c & 0 & -B_3 & B_2 \\ -E_2/c & B_3 & 0 & -B_1 \\ -E_3/c & -B_2 & B_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (40)$$

and for  $j^\mu = (\rho c, \vec{J})$ , we have

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = j^{\nu}, \quad (41)$$

and-1 contravariant equation under Lorentz transformation  $x'^\mu = x^\mu(x)$ .

### 1.2.2 ⊙ Tensor fields

**Definition** Over  $M$ , we assign smoothly every point a tensor, which forms a tensor field.

e.g. a vector field

Fig - vector field

Now, we denote as

$$X^{ab}(x), \quad x \in M. \quad (42)$$

### 1.2.3 ⊙ Elementary operation of tensors

**1. Addition** For three  $(1, 2)$ -type tensors  $X_{bc}^a$ ,  $Y_{bc}^a$  and  $Z_{bc}^a$ , we have

$$X_{bc}^a = Y_{bc}^a + Z_{bc}^a \quad (43)$$

**2. scalar multiplication** For  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $kX_{bc}^a$

**3. symmetrization**

$$\begin{aligned} X_{ab} &= \frac{1}{2} (X^{ab} + X^{ba}) + \frac{1}{2} (X^{ab} - X^{ba}) \\ &= X_{(a,b)} + X_{[a,b]} \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} X_{(a,b)} &= +X_{(b,a)} \\ X_{[a,b]} &= -X_{[b,a]} \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

and  $X_{(a,b)}$  called symmetric tensor,  $X_{[a,b]}$  called anti-symmetric tensor.

For rank- $n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , e.x

$$X^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n}, \quad a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (46)$$

we have  $n^3$  elements. We define

$$\begin{aligned} X_{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N)} &= \frac{1}{n!} \sum \text{all permutations} \\ X_{[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N]} &= \frac{1}{n!} \sum \text{alternating permutations} \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Ex:  $n = 3$ , for anti-symmetric tensor

$$X_{[a, b, c]} = \frac{1}{6} (X_{abc} + X_{bca} + X_{cab} - X_{bac} - X_{cba} - X_{acb}) \quad (48)$$

For aymmetric tensor

$$X_{(a, b, c)} = \frac{1}{6} (+ + + + + +) \quad (49)$$

**Check:** Also, the symmetrized tensor still remain the properties of original tensor, e.x.

$$X'_{(a, b)} = \frac{\partial x^c}{\partial x'^a} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^b} X_{(c, d)} \quad (50)$$

**4. tensor product** Ex: For  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor  $Y_b^a$  and  $(0, 2)$ -type tensor  $Z_{cd}$ , we want to construct a  $(1, 3)$ -type tensor.

**Define**

$$X_{bcd}^a = Y_b^a Z_{cd} \quad (51)$$

Check:

$$1. Y_b'^a = \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^e} \frac{\partial x'^f}{\partial x^b} Y_f^e$$

$$2. Z_{cd}' = \frac{\partial x^g}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^h}{\partial x'^d} Z^{gh}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} X_{bcd}'^a &= Y_b'^a Z_{cd}' \\ &= \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^e} \frac{\partial x'^f}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial x^g}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^h}{\partial x'^d} Y_f^e Z^{gh} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

**5. tensor contraction**

*contraction* means summing over some indices

$$X_{bcd}^a \longrightarrow X_{bcd}^c \quad (53)$$

that is  $(1, 3)$ -type to  $(0, 2)$ -type. That is

$$X_{acd}^c = X_{a1d}^1 + X_{a2d}^2 + \dots + X_{and}^n \quad (54)$$

Notice that repeated need to be sum, so it is not a  $(1, 3)$ -type anymore.

Check:

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{bcd}^{lc} &= \frac{\partial x'^c}{\partial x^e} \frac{\partial x^f}{\partial x'^b} \frac{\partial x^g}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^h}{\partial x'^d} X_{fgh}^e \\
 &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^c}{\partial x^e} \frac{\partial x^g}{\partial x'^c} \right) \frac{\partial x^f}{\partial x'^b} \frac{\partial x^h}{\partial x'^d} X_{fgh}^e \\
 &= \delta_e^g \frac{\partial x^f}{\partial x'^b} \frac{\partial x^h}{\partial x'^d} X_{fgh}^e \\
 &= \frac{\partial x^f}{\partial x'^b} \frac{\partial x^h}{\partial x'^d} X_{fgh}^g
 \end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

#### 1.2.4 Vector fields

Fig vector filed

**Define** A vector field on  $M$  is an assignment (smoothly) of tangent at each point of  $M$ .

Recall:

Fig circle

In patch  $\{x^a\}$ , the tangent vector in this patch is expressed as

$$X = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} = \underbrace{X^a}_{\text{component}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}}_{\text{basis}} = X'^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^b} \tag{56}$$

$$\text{Similar to } \vec{A} = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i \hat{e}_i = \sum_{j=1}^3 a'_j \hat{e}'_j$$

we then check

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} = \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^b} \tag{57}$$

so

$$X = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} = X^a \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^b} = X'^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^b} \tag{58}$$

so the component is a contravariant.

We need to clarify the notation.  $T_p(M)$  is the tangent space at  $p$ , then

$$T(M) = \bigcup_p T_p(M) \tag{59}$$

is a vector field, where  $X \in T(M)$  and  $X \Big|_p = T_p(M)$

**Lie bracket** Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are two vector field, i.e. locally

$$X = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \quad \text{and} \quad Y = Y^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x^b}. \quad (60)$$

Then the *Lie bracket* is still a vector field. **Check:** For a function  $f$

$$\begin{aligned} [X, Y]f &= (XY - YX)f \\ &= \left( XY^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x^b} - YX^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \right) f \\ &= \left( X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \left( Y^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^b} \right) - Y^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x^b} \left( X^a \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^a} \right) \right) \\ &= X^a \left( \frac{\partial Y^b}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^b} + Y^b \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^a \partial x^b} \right) - Y^b \left( \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^a} + X^a \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^b \partial x^a} \right) \\ &= X^a \frac{\partial Y^b}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^b} + X^a Y^b \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^a \partial x^b} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^a} - Y^b X^a \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^b \partial x^a} \\ &= X^a \frac{\partial Y^b}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^b} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^a} \\ &= \left( X^a \frac{\partial Y^b}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^b} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \right) f \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

Now we define the Lie bracket to be  $Z = [X, Y] = Z^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}$ , since

$$Z = [X, Y] = X^b \frac{\partial Y^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} = \left( X^b \frac{\partial Y^a}{\partial x^b} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} = Z^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \quad (62)$$

Let

$$Z^a = X^b \frac{\partial Y^a}{\partial x^b} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b} \quad (63)$$

**Check:**  $Z^a$  is a contravariant vector.

Why  $X = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}$ ? For example a transformation between two 2-D system:

Fig

$$\vec{r} = \sum x_i \hat{e}_i = \sum x'_i \hat{e}'_i \quad (64)$$

Since  $x'_i = \vec{r} \cdot \hat{e}'_i$ , so that

$$\begin{aligned} x'_1 &= \vec{r} \cdot \hat{e}'_1 \\ &= \vec{r} \cdot (\cos \theta \hat{e}_1 + \sin \theta \hat{e}_2) \\ &= \cos \theta x_1 + \sin \theta x_2 \\ x'_2 &= \vec{r} \cdot \hat{e}'_2 \\ &= \vec{r} \cdot (-\sin \theta \hat{e}_1 + \cos \theta \hat{e}_2) \\ &= -\sin \theta x_1 + \cos \theta x_2 \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

That is

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (66)$$

Last, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'_1} &= \left( \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x'_1} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \left( \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial x'_1} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \\ &= \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x'_2} &= \left( \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x'_2} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \left( \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial x'_2} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \\ &= -\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \end{aligned} \quad (67)$$

**Example:** Tangent vector field on a curve  $\mathcal{C}$ :

Fig

(e.g. a curve in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :  $x^1 = \cos u$ ,  $x^2 = \sin u$ ). We know that

$$X = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \quad (68)$$

then how to describe  $X^a$  depend on curve  $\mathcal{C}$  (relation with  $\partial/\partial u$ )?

Consider a function on  $\mathcal{C}$ :  $f(x^a(u))$ , rate of change of  $f$  is

$$\frac{df}{du} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \left( \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial u} \right). \quad (69)$$

That is the derivative

$$\frac{d}{du} = \left( \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial u} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \quad (70)$$

#### 1.2.4.1 Two vector field

For a vector field  $X = X^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}$

Fig

where  $X \Big|_p = X^a(p) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} \Big|_p$ . Then consider a new vector field  $Y = Y^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}$

**Claim:** (How to generate a vector field by this two vector fields)

$$1. \ X + Y = Z \text{ is a vector field: } X + Y = (X^a + Y^a) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}$$

$$1. \ \text{Lie bracket } [X, Y] = Z \text{ is a vector field, where}$$

$$Z^a = X^b \frac{\partial Y^a}{\partial x^b} - Y^b \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^b}, \quad (71)$$

then we can check  $X'^a = \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} Z^b$  holds.

Also, the Lie bracket  $[X, Y]$  satisfies

1.  $[X, Y] = -[Y, X]$  (skew-symmetric)
2.  $[XY, Z] = X[Y, Z] + [X, Z]Y$  (Leibnitz rule)
3.  $[X, [Y, Z]] + [Y, [Z, X]] + [Z, [X, Y]] = 0$

### 1.3 Tensor Calculus

How to define a partial derivative of a tensor field? Recall the definition of derivative in calculus:

**Definition:**

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \epsilon) - f(x)}{\epsilon} \quad (72)$$

The question is: Is the subtraction meaniful? In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $x + \epsilon$  and  $x$  are using the same coordinate. However, the coordinate in manifold using the different coordinate system.

Fig

In other words,

**Problem 1**  $f_p$  and  $f_a$  refer to different coordinate system.

and

**Problem 2** If  $\partial_b X^a$  is a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor,

$$\partial'_b X'^a = \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^c} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^b} \right) \partial_d X^c \quad (73)$$

must be the  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor as well.

Consider ordinary derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \partial'_c X'^a &= \partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} X^b \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} (\partial'_c X^b) + \left( \partial'_c \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) X^b \\ &= \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^c} (\partial_d X^b) + \left( \frac{\partial^2 x'^a}{\partial x'^c \partial x^b} \right) X^b \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^c} (\partial_d X^b)}_{\text{This is what we want.}} + \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial^2 x'^a}{\partial x'^c \partial x^b} \right) X^b}_{\text{This is what we unwanted term.}} \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

There are two approaches

1. Lie derivative
2. introducing a *connetion* to defone derivative.

1.3.1  $\odot$  Lie derivative

- integral curve

Fig family of curve

Consider a differentiation of a tensor  $T^a$  along the curve  $x^a(u)$ .

**key point:** move/drag  $T^a$   $\Big|_p$  to point  $Q$ .

Lie first define express the  $T'^a$  by

$$T^a \rightarrow T'^a(x') = \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) T^b \quad (75)$$

Notice  $x'^a \simeq x^a + \delta u X^a$ , then  $\frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} = \delta_b^a + \delta u \partial_b X^a$ , so that

Lie define the dragged of  $T^a(x)$  by

$$\begin{aligned} T^a \rightarrow T'^a(x') &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) T^b \\ &= (\delta_b^a + \delta u \partial_b X^a) T^b(x) \\ &= T^a(x) + \delta u \partial_b X^a T^b(x), \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

and the *Lie derivative* is

$$\begin{aligned} L_x T^a &= \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{T^a(x') - T'^a(x')}{\delta u}, \text{ point at } Q\text{--dragged point} \\ &= \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{T^a(x + \delta X^a) - (T^a(x) + \delta u \partial_b X^a) T^b(x)}{\delta u} \\ &= \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{(T^a(x) + \delta u \partial_b T^a X^b) - (T^a(x) + \delta u \partial_b X^a T^b)}{\delta u} \\ &= X^b \partial_b T^a - \partial_b X^a T^b \end{aligned} \quad (77)$$

Check  $L_x T^a = X^b \partial_b T^a - \partial_b X^a T^b$  is a  $(1, 0)$ -type tensor.

**Example:**

$$L_x T^{ab} = X^c \partial_c T^{ab} - \partial_c X^a T^{cb} - \partial_c X^b T^{ac} \quad (78)$$

Try  $L_x T^{abc}$  and  $L_x X_a$

**Example (scalar)**

$$\lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{\phi(x'^a) - \phi^{\text{dragged}}(x'^a)}{\delta u} = \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{\phi(x^a + \delta u X^a) - \phi(x^a)}{\delta u} = X^a \partial_a \phi \quad (79)$$

**Review:** Lie dedrivative

$$\lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{T(Q) - T(P)}{\delta u} \quad (80)$$

Fig Drag  $T(P) \rightarrow T'(Q)$  then define  $L_X T = \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{T(Q) - T'(Q)}{\delta u}$ , where the drag

$$T'^a(x + \delta u X) = \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) T^b(x) \quad (81)$$

So that the Lie dedrivative  $L_X = X^b \partial_b T^a - T^b \partial_b X^a$ , which is a contravariant vector. In general, for  $T^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n}$ , the Lie dedrivative is defined to be

$$L_X T^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} = X^b \partial_b T^{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} - () \quad (82)$$

Rmk:

$$\begin{aligned} L_X Y^a &= X^b \partial_b Y^a - Y^b \partial_b X^a \\ &= [X, Y]^a \end{aligned} \quad (83)$$

Rmk: For scalar  $\phi$ , its drag is  $\phi'(x') = \phi(x)$ , so

$$L_X \phi = \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{\phi(X + \delta u) - \phi(X)}{\delta u} = X^c \partial_c \phi \quad (84)$$

How about covariant vector  $L_X Y_a$ ? We write

$$L_X Y_a = \lim_{\delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{Y_a(X + \delta u X) - Y'_a(X')}{\delta u} \quad (85)$$

Its drag:

### 1.3.1.1 Summary

Contravariant	Covariant
$L_X Y^a = X^b \partial_b Y^a - Y^b \partial_b X^a$	$L_X Y_a = X^b \partial_b Y_a + Y_b \partial_a X^b$

Ex: (1, 1)-type

$$L_X T_b^a = X^c \partial_c T_b^a - T_b^c \partial_c X^a + T_c^a \partial_b X^c \quad (86)$$

Check for (2, 1)-type

$$L_X (Y^a Y_a) = \quad (87)$$



1.3.2  $\odot$  Covariant differentiation

協變微分 (引入了 connection)

If we replace the dragged vector by a "parallel vector".

$$X_{\parallel}^a(x + \delta x) = X^a(x) - \delta \bar{X}^a \quad (88)$$

Notice  $\delta \bar{X}^a$  very small, so it is propotion to (linear to)  $X^a$  and  $\delta x$ , i.e.

$$\delta \bar{X}^a = -\Gamma_{bc}^a X^b \delta x^c, \quad (89)$$

where  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  is a 3 indices object connect the ... and ... called "connection coefficient".

Notice the repeating indices

$$\delta \bar{X}^a = - \sum_{b,c=1}^n \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b \delta x^c, \quad (90)$$

Fig

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_c X^a &\equiv \lim_{\delta x^a \rightarrow 0} \frac{X^a(x + \delta x^a) - X_{\parallel}^a}{\delta x^a} \\ &= \lim_{\delta x^c \rightarrow 0} \frac{(X^a(x) + \delta x^c \partial_c X^a) - (X^a(x) - \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b \delta x^c)}{\delta x^c} \end{aligned} \quad (91)$$

So we define the covariant derivative

$$\nabla_c X^a = \partial_c X^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b \quad (92)$$

We hope  $\nabla_c X^a$  is a (1,1)-type tensor, so we will obtain the transformation rule for connection coefficients  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$

Check: Is it a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor?

$$\nabla'_c X^a = \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x^c} \right) \nabla_b X^d \quad (93)$$

Then the left hand side is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \partial'_c X'^a + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} X'^b \\ &= \partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} X^b \right) + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} \left( \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^d} X^d \right) \\ &= \partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) X^b + \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \partial'_c X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} \left( \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^d} X^d \right) \end{aligned} \quad (94)$$

and the right hand side

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \right) (\partial_b X^d + \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e) \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^b} X^d + \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \right) \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^c} X^d + \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \right) \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \partial'_c X^d + \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \right) \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e \end{aligned} \quad (95)$$

Then solving that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) X^b + \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \partial'_c X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^d} X^d \\ \text{RHS} &= \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \partial'_c X^d + \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e \\ &\Rightarrow \partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^b} \right) X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^d} X^d = \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \right) \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e \\ &\Rightarrow \left[ \partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^e} \right) + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^e} \right] X^e = \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \right) \Gamma_{eb}^d X^e \end{aligned} \quad (96)$$

Deriving that

$$\partial'_c \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^e} \right) + \Gamma_{bc}^{a'} \frac{\partial x'^b}{\partial x^e} = \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \frac{\partial x^b}{\partial x'^c} \Gamma_{eb}^d \quad (97)$$

Rmk: A manifold  $M$  with prescribed connection on it is called an "Affined manifold" denoted as  $(M, \Gamma)$ .

Ex: For the covariant tensor  $\nabla_c X_a$ . Since  $\nabla_c (X_a X^a) = \partial_c (X_a X^a)$ , we can expand

$$\nabla_c (X_a X^a) = (\nabla_c X_a) X^a + X_a \nabla_c X^a = \partial_c (X_a X^a) \quad (98)$$

so that

$$\nabla_c X_a = \partial_c X_a - \Gamma_{bc}^a X_b \quad (99)$$

In general, for the tensor  $\nabla_c T_{bc}^a$

Recall: Lie derivative  $L_x T_{b...}^{a...}$  is a tensor Recall: Covariant derivative  $\nabla_c T_{b...}^{a...}$  is defined by using a affine connection  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  e.g.  $\nabla_c X^a = \partial_c X^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b$  is a  $(1, 1)$ -tensor, the price we need to pay is that  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  is NOT a tensor.

$$\nabla_c T = \lim_{\delta x_c \rightarrow 0} \frac{T(x') - T(x)}{\delta x_c} \quad (100)$$

Also, if we define

$$T_{bc}^a = \Gamma_{bc}^a - \Gamma_{cb}^a \quad (101)$$

is a *torsion tensor* which is a  $(1, 2)$ -type tensor.

If  $\Gamma_{bc}^a = \Gamma_{cb}^a$ , the the connection is *torsion free*.

### 1.3.3 • Affine Geodesics

A curve induced by connection

$\nabla_c T_{b...}^{a...}$  covariant derivative along  $\delta x_c$ . Let  $X^a$  be a tangent vector of  $x^a(u)$ , that is

$$X^a = \frac{dx^a}{du} \quad (102)$$

Fig

then  $X^c \nabla_c T_{b...}^{a...}$  is the covariant derivative along the curve, denoted by

$$\frac{DT_{b...}^{a...}}{Du} \quad (103)$$

Rmk:  $X^a$  is a  $(1, 0)$ -type tensor,  $\nabla_c T_{b...}^{a...}$  is a  $(p, q + 1)$ -type tensor,  $X^c \nabla_c T_{b...}^{a...}$  is a  $(p, q)$ -type tensor

**Parallel transported tensor field** Fig i.e.

$$\frac{DT_{b...}^{a...}}{Du} = 0 \quad (104)$$

#### 1.3.3.1 Affien geodesic

If a cure  $x^c(u)$  is constructed such that the tangent vector  $X^a$  at  $x'$  is just the parallel transported vector from  $x$ . The curve is called *affine geodesic*.

$$X^c \nabla_c X^a = \frac{DX^a}{Du} = 0 \quad (105)$$

Fig

$$X^c (\partial_c X^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b) = 0 \quad (106)$$

then

$$\frac{dx^c}{du} \frac{\partial X^a}{\partial x^c} + \frac{dx^c}{du} \Gamma_{bc}^a \frac{dx^b}{du} = 0 \quad (107)$$

Plugin  $X^a = dx^a/du$ , we have

$$\frac{d^2 x^a}{du^2} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \frac{dx^b}{du} \frac{dx^c}{du} = 0. \quad (108)$$

Rmk:

- Given a  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$ , then  $x^a(u)$  is determined.
- After reparametrized  $u \rightarrow \alpha u + \beta$ , the geodesic still the same.
- In equation  $\frac{d^2 x^a}{du^2} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \frac{dx^b}{du} \frac{dx^c}{du} = 0$ , only the symmetric part  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  involved

## 1.4 Riemann tensor

In Euclidean space, the derivative

$$\partial_a \partial_c T = \partial_c \partial_a T \quad (109)$$

is commutative. However, in non-Euclidean space, is that

$$\nabla_a \nabla_c T \stackrel{?}{=} \nabla_c \nabla_a T. \quad (110)$$

In general,  $\nabla_a \nabla_c T \neq \nabla_c \nabla_a T$ , which is non-commutative.

### 1.4.0.1 Second derivative

Consider

$$\begin{cases} \nabla_d X^a = \partial_d X^a + \Gamma_{bd}^a X^b \\ \nabla_c Y_d^a = \partial_c Y_d^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a Y_d^b - \Gamma_{dc}^b Y_b^a \end{cases} \quad (111)$$

we can calculate the second derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_c \nabla_d X^a &= \nabla_c (\partial_d X^a + \Gamma_{bd}^a X^b) \\ &= \partial_c (\partial_d X^a + \Gamma_{bd}^a X^b) + \Gamma_{bc}^a (\partial_d X^b + \Gamma_{ed}^b X^e) - \Gamma_{dc}^b (\nabla_b X^a) \\ &= \partial_c \partial_d X^a + \partial_c (\Gamma_{bd}^a X^b) + \Gamma_{bc}^a \partial_d X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b X^e - \Gamma_{dc}^b (\nabla_b X^a) \\ &= \partial_c \partial_d X^a + X^b \partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a + \Gamma_{bd}^a \partial_c X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^a \partial_d X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b X^e - \Gamma_{dc}^b (\nabla_b X^a) \end{aligned} \quad (112)$$

the difference between second derivative, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_c \nabla_d X^a - \nabla_d \nabla_c X^a &= (\partial_c \partial_d X^a + X^b \partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a + \Gamma_{bd}^a \partial_c X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^a \partial_d X^b + \Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b X^e - \Gamma_{dc}^b \nabla_b X^a) \\ &\quad - (\partial_d \partial_c X^a + X^b \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a \partial_d X^b + \Gamma_{bd}^a \partial_c X^b + \Gamma_{bd}^a \Gamma_{ec}^b X^e - \Gamma_{cd}^b \nabla_b X^a) \\ &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + X^b (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a) \\ &\quad + (\Gamma_{bd}^a \partial_c X^b - \Gamma_{bc}^a \partial_d X^b) + (\Gamma_{bc}^a \partial_d X^b - \Gamma_{bd}^a \partial_c X^b) \\ &\quad + (\Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b - \Gamma_{bd}^a \Gamma_{ec}^b) X^e - (\Gamma_{dc}^b - \Gamma_{cd}^b) \nabla_b X^a \\ &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + X^b (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a) \\ &\quad + (\Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b - \Gamma_{bd}^a \Gamma_{ec}^b) X^e - (\Gamma_{dc}^b - \Gamma_{cd}^b) \nabla_b X^a \end{aligned} \quad (113)$$

If  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  is torsion free  $\Gamma_{bc}^a = \Gamma_{cb}^a$ , the between second derivative is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_c \nabla_d X^a - \nabla_d \nabla_c X^a &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + X^b (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a) \\ &\quad + (\Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b - \Gamma_{bd}^a \Gamma_{ec}^b) X^e - (\Gamma_{dc}^b - \Gamma_{cd}^b) \nabla_b X^a \\ &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a) X^b + (\Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b - \Gamma_{bd}^a \Gamma_{ec}^b) X^e - 0 \end{aligned} \quad (114)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\nabla_c \nabla_d - \nabla_d \nabla_c) X^a &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a) X^b + (\Gamma_{bc}^a \Gamma_{ed}^b - \Gamma_{bd}^a \Gamma_{ec}^b) X^e \\
 &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a) X^b + (\Gamma_{ec}^a \Gamma_{bd}^e - \Gamma_{ed}^a \Gamma_{bc}^e) X^b \\
 &= (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + (\partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a + \Gamma_{ec}^a \Gamma_{bd}^e - \Gamma_{ed}^a \Gamma_{bc}^e) X^b
 \end{aligned} \tag{115}$$

If we write

$$(\nabla_c \nabla_d - \nabla_d \nabla_c) X^a = (\partial_c \partial_d - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a + R_{bcd}^a X^b, \tag{116}$$

where we define the *Riemann tensor* is given by

$$R_{bcd}^a = \partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a + \Gamma_{ec}^a \Gamma_{bd}^e - \Gamma_{ed}^a \Gamma_{bc}^e. \tag{117}$$

Note: If it is not torsion-free

$$(\nabla_c \nabla_d - \nabla_d \nabla_c) X^a = R_{bcd}^a X^b (\partial_c \partial_d + (\Gamma_{cd}^b - \Gamma_{dc}^b) \nabla_b X^a - \partial_d \partial_c) X^a, \tag{118}$$

#### 1.4.1 Geodesic coordiante

Locally, we may choose  $\{x^a\}$  s.t.  $\Gamma_{bc}^a \stackrel{*}{=} 0$ ,  $[x^a]_p \stackrel{*}{=} 0$

Suppose,

$$x^a \mapsto x'^a + \frac{1}{2} Q_{bc}^a x^b x^c, \tag{119}$$

where we require  $Q_{bc}^a = Q_{bc}^a$  (constant), then we calculte

$$\left. \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \right|_p = \left. \delta_d^a \right|_p + \left. Q_{bc}^a x^b \right|_p = \delta_d^a \tag{120}$$

then

$$\left. \frac{\partial^2 x'^a}{\partial x^d \partial x^c} \right|_p = Q_{cd}^a \tag{121}$$

**Recall:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{bc}^a &= \left( \frac{\partial x'^a}{\partial x^d} \frac{\partial x^f}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^e}{\partial x'^b} \right) \left. \Gamma_{ef}^d \right|_p - \left. \frac{\partial^2 x'^a}{\partial x^d \partial x^c} \frac{\partial x^d}{\partial x'^c} \frac{\partial x^e}{\partial x'^b} \right|_p \\
 &= \left. \delta_b^a \delta_c^f \delta_b^e \Gamma_{ef}^d \right|_p - \left. Q_{ed}^a \delta_c^d \delta_b^e \right|_p \\
 &= \left. \Gamma_{bc}^a \right|_p - \left. Q_{bc}^a \right|_p
 \end{aligned} \tag{122}$$

So, if we choose

$$Q_{bc}^a = \left. \Gamma_{bc}^a \right|_p \tag{123}$$

then

$$\Gamma_{bc}^a \stackrel{*}{=} 0 \tag{124}$$

This "trick" for computation set  $\Gamma_{bc}^a \Big|_p = 0$ . After computation, restore  $\Gamma$  by  $\partial_a \rightarrow \nabla_a$ .

**Rmk:** In general, it is impossible to find a coordinate transformtion, s.t.  $\Gamma_{bc}^a = 0$  globally. If it does, then the manifold is affine flat manifold.

## 1.5 Affine flatness

### 1.5.1 $\odot$ Integrable connetion

#### 1.5.1.1 Definition:

If a parallel transport of a vector from  $P$  to  $Q$  is *independent* pf path then the connection is *integrable*.

#### 1.5.1.2 Lemma 1.

The connection is *integrable* or *torsion free*  $\iff R_{bcd}^a = 0$ .

**proof  $\Rightarrow$  (necessary)** If  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  is integrable  $\Rightarrow \frac{dc^c}{du} \nabla_c X^a = 0$  is path integrable  $\Rightarrow$  Since,  $\frac{dc^c}{du}$  is arbitrary.  $\nabla_c X^a = 0$ , that is

$$\nabla_c X^a = \partial_c X^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b = 0 \quad (125)$$

which is 1st order P.D.E. the existence of solution:  $\partial_d \partial_c X^a = \partial_c \partial_d X^a$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_c \nabla_d X^a - \nabla_d \nabla_c X^a &= R_{bcd}^a X^b + (\Gamma_{cd}^e - \Gamma_{dc}^e) \nabla_e X^a + (\partial_d \partial_c X^a - \partial_c \partial_d X^a) X^a \\ &= R_{bcd}^a X^b = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (126)$$

Since  $X^b$  is arbitrary,  $R_{bcd}^a = 0$ .

**proof  $\Leftarrow$  (sufficient)** Consider an infinitesimal loop:

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compute parallel transport along two paths.

1. For the path  $C_1$ :

- $x^a \rightarrow x^a + \delta x^a$

$$\begin{aligned} X^a(x + \delta x) &= X^a(x) + \bar{\delta} X^a(x) \\ &= X^a(x) - \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b \delta x^c \end{aligned} \quad (127)$$

- $x^a + \delta x^a \rightarrow (x^a + \delta x^a) + dx^a$

$$\begin{aligned} X^a(x + \delta x + dx) &= X^a(x + \delta x) + \bar{\delta} X^a(x + \delta x) \\ &= (X^a(x) - \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b \delta x^c) - (\Gamma_{bc}^a + \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a \delta x^d) (x^b - \Gamma_{ef}^b X^e \delta x^f) dx^c \end{aligned} \quad (128)$$

1. For the path  $C_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} X^a(x + dx + \delta x) &= X^a - \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b dx^c - \Gamma_{bc}^a x^b \delta x^c \\ &= \end{aligned} \quad (129)$$

Last we have the difference

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta X &= X_{C_1}^a(x + \delta x + dx) - X_{C_2}^a(x + \delta x + dx) \\ &= (\partial \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial) X^b \delta x^d \delta x^c \\ &= R_{cbd}^a \end{aligned} \quad (130)$$

### 1.5.1.3 Lemma 2

A manifold  $M$  is affine flat ( $\Gamma_{bc}^a = 0$  globally)  $\iff$  The connection symmetric and integrable.

**proof  $\Rightarrow$  (necessary)** If  $M$  is affine flat, then  $\Gamma_{bc}^a = 0$  everywhere, then parallel transport is path independent, trivially.

**proof  $\Leftarrow$  (sufficient)** If  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  is integrable, around  $P$  choose L.T. vector  $\{X_1^a, \dots, X_n^a\}$ , where  $\dim M = n$ . Now, using  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  to parallel transport  $\{X_i^a\}$  everywhere.

Hence, for any  $x \in M$ ,  $\{X_i^a(x)\}$  is L.T., then  $|X_i^a| \neq 0$  (by L.T.), so  $\exists!$  inverse  $X_b^i$  s.t.

$$X_i^a X_a^i = \delta_b^a. \quad (131)$$

Since

$$0 = \nabla_b X_i^a = \partial_b X_i^a + \Gamma_{cb}^a X_i^c \Rightarrow \Gamma_{cb}^a = -X_c^i \partial X_i^a. \quad (132)$$

Thus

$$0 = \Gamma_{bc}^a - \Gamma_{cb}^a = X_c^i \partial_b X_i^a - X_b^i \partial_c X_i^a = (X_c^i \partial_b - X_b^i \partial_c) X_i^a \quad (133)$$

Because,  $(X_i^a)$  is non-degenerate  $\Rightarrow \partial_c X_b^i = \partial_b X_c^i$ , then  $\forall x \in M, \exists$  functions  $f^i(x)$  s.t.  $X_b^i = \partial_b f^i$

### 1.5.1.4 Recall

- $(M, \Gamma)$  affine manifold
- $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  affine connection
- e.g. for a  $(1,1)$ -type tensor):  $\nabla_c X^a = \partial_c X^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a X^b$
- torsion free:  $\Gamma_{bc}^a = \Gamma_{cb}^a$
- Integrable: parallel transport is path independent
- affine geodesic  $x^a(u)$

$$\frac{d^2 x^a}{du^2} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \frac{dx^b}{du} \frac{dx^c}{du} = 0 \quad (134)$$

- Riemannian tensor ((1,3)-type tensor)

$$R_{bcd}^a = \partial_c \Gamma_{bd}^a - \partial_d \Gamma_{bc}^a + \Gamma_{bd}^e \Gamma_{ec}^a - \Gamma_{bc}^e \Gamma_{ed}^a \quad (135)$$

- How flat?
- $M$  is affine flat  $\Leftrightarrow \Gamma_{bc}^a$  is tegrable symmetry
- $\Gamma_{bcd}^a = 0 \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_{bc}^a$  is tegrable symmetry
- $M$  is affine flat  $\Leftrightarrow \Gamma_{bcd}^a = 0$
- geodesic coordinate  $\{x^a\}$ :  $\Gamma_{dc}^a = 0$

## 1.6 Metric

度規：(M, g<sub>μν</sub>)

If we add an additional structure called metric  $g_{ab}(x)$ , a (0,2)-type symmetric tensor.

### 1.6.0.1 Def: (Riemannian manifold)

A Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  where  $g_{ab}$  is the metric defoned by

$$(ds)^2 = g_{ab} dx^a dx^b \quad (136)$$

also called *1st fundamental form*.

Fig

e.g. in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$(ds)^2 = (dx)^2 + (dy)^2 + (dz)^2 \quad (137)$$

where

$$g_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (138)$$

e.g. in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$(ds)^2 = (dr)^2 + r^2(d\theta)^2 = (dx)^2 + (dy)^2 \quad (139)$$

where

$$g_{ab} \Big|_{\text{polar}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_{ab} \Big|_{\text{Cartisian}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (140)$$

For  $x^a \in T_p(M)$ , we define

$$\cos(X, Y) = \frac{g_{ab} X^a Y^b}{\sqrt{|X|^2 |Y|^2}} \quad (141)$$

where  $|X|^2 = g_{ab} X^a X^b$ . Notice that

$$\begin{cases} |X|^2 > 0 & \text{positive} \\ |X|^2 < 0 & \text{negative} \end{cases} \quad (142)$$



**Rmk:**

1.  $X^a \perp Y^b$ , if  $g_{ab}X^aY^b = 0$
2.  $g_{ab}$  is non-singular, if  $\det(g_{ab}) \neq 0$
3.  $(g_{ab})^{-1} = g^{ab}$ , that is  $g_{ab}g^{ab} = \delta_b^a$
4.  $g_{ab}$  and  $g^{ab}$  can be used to lowering and raising tensorial indices. e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} X^a &= g^{ab}X_b \\ X_a &= g_{ab}X^b \end{aligned} \quad (143)$$

Notice that

$$g_{ab}T^{bc} = T_a{}^c \quad (144)$$

In general,

$$X_b{}^a = g^{ac}X_{bc} \neq X^a{}_b = g^{ac}X_{cb} \quad (145)$$

**1.6.0.2 Geodesic equation**

For the Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ ,

$$(ds)^2 = g_{ab}dx^a dx^b \quad (146)$$

Then the path  $x^a(u)$  from  $u = P$  to  $u = Q$ , can be interpreted as

$$S = \int_P^Q ds = \int_P^Q \sqrt{g_{ab}dx^a dx^b} = \int_P^Q \sqrt{g_{ab} \frac{dx^a}{du} \frac{dx^b}{du}} du \quad (147)$$

then if we want to minimize the path to find the shortest path from  $P$  to  $Q$ , we can define the Lagrangian to be

$$L(x^a, x^b, u) = \sqrt{g_{ab} \frac{dx^a}{du} \frac{dx^b}{du}} = \sqrt{g_{ab} \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^b} \quad (148)$$

the the path reduced to

$$S = \int_P^Q L(x^a, x^b, u) du \quad (149)$$

Using the *Least Action Principle* the shortest path  $x^a$  corresponding to the solution for the *Euler-Lagrangian equation*

$$\frac{d}{du} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}^a} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^a} \quad (150)$$

the EL equation becomes

$$g^{ab}\ddot{x}^b + \left( \partial_c g_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_c g_{db} \right) \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^d = 0 \quad (151)$$

choosing a linear parameter  $u = \alpha s + \beta$ , the equation becomes

$$\frac{d^2 x^a}{ds^2} + \left\{ \begin{matrix} a \\ bc \end{matrix} \right\} \frac{dx^b}{ds} \frac{dx^c}{ds} = 0 \quad (152)$$

**Recall:** The affine geodesic

$$\frac{d^2 x^a}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \frac{dx^b}{ds} \frac{dx^c}{ds} = 0 \quad (153)$$

Comparing to the affine geodesic, define

$$\left\{ \begin{matrix} a \\ bc \end{matrix} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} g^{ad} \{bc, d\} = \frac{1}{2} g^{ad} (\partial_b g_{dc} + \partial_c g_{db} - \partial_d g_{bc}) \quad (154)$$

That is we can define a *metric connection*  $\Gamma$  by the metric  $g$  by

$$\Gamma_{bc}^a = \frac{1}{2} g^{ad} (\partial_b g_{dc} + \partial_c g_{db} - \partial_d g_{bc}) \quad (155)$$

called *Christoffel* symbols.

HW: prove  $\Gamma_{bc}^a$  is metric connection  $\Leftrightarrow \nabla_c g_{ab} = 0$

### 1.6.1 $\odot$ Affine flatness

#### 1.6.1.1 Def: (metric flatness)

$\exists$  a special coordinate, s.t.  $g_{ab}$  is constant everywhere, e.g.

$$g_{ab} = \eta_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (156)$$

#### 1.6.1.2 Theorem: (metrix flatness)

A metric is flat  $\Leftrightarrow R_{bcd}^a = 0$

That is, once we identify

$$\Gamma_{bc}^a = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ bc \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (157)$$

then

$$\text{affine flatness } (\Gamma_{bc}^a = 0) = \text{metrix flatness } (g_{ab} = \text{constant}) \quad (158)$$

## 1.7 Riemannian tensor

### 1.7.0.1 symmetry

- $R_{bcd}^a$  has symmetries.
- So that  $g_{ae} R_{bcd}^e = R_{abcd}$  has  $4^4 = 256$  components?

In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{abcd} &= -R_{bacd} & (a \leftrightarrow b) \\ R_{abcd} &= -R_{abdc} & (c \leftrightarrow d) \\ R_{abcd} &= -R_{cdab} & (ab \leftrightarrow cd) \end{aligned} \quad (159)$$

## 1.7.0.2 summation

$$R_{abcd} + R_{adbc} + R_{acbd} = 0 \quad (160)$$

we can check that in the geodesic equation.

**Ricci tensor**

$$R_{ab} = R^c_{acb} \quad (161)$$

**Ricci scalar**

$$g^{ab} R_{ab} = R^a_a = R \quad (162)$$

**Einstein equations**

- vacuum equation

$$R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}g_{ab}R = 0 \quad (163)$$

- with matter

$$R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}g_{ab}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{ab} \quad (164)$$

where  $T_{ab}$  is energy-momentum tensor.