

Exercise 3.6 Commutation of ∇ on the Riemann tensor – simple computation

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1 {a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l,m,n,o,p,q,r,s,t,u,v,w#}::Indices(position=independent).
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3 DD{#}::Derivative.
4 \nabla{#}::Derivative.
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6 RabcdF := R_{a b c d} -> A_{a} B_{b} C_{c} D_{d}.      # cdb(RabcdF.000,RabcdF)
7 RabcdB := A_{a} B_{b} C_{c} D_{d} -> R_{a b c d}.      # cdb(RabcdB.000,RabcdB)
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9 derivDD := DD_{b c}{V?_{a}} -> R^{d}_{a b c} V?_{d}.    # cdb(derivDD.000,derivDD)
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11 nablaDD := \nabla_{f}{\nabla_{e}{R_{a b c d}}}
12           - \nabla_{e}{\nabla_{f}{R_{a b c d}}} -> DD_{e f}{R_{a b c d}}.
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14 # product rule for DD acting on A_{a} B_{b} C_{c} D_{d}
15 pruleDD := DD_{e f}{A_{a} B_{b} C_{c} D_{d}} -> DD_{e f}{A_{a}} B_{b} C_{c} D_{d}
16           + A_{a} DD_{e f}{B_{b}} C_{c} D_{d}
17           + A_{a} B_{b} DD_{e f}{C_{c}} D_{d}
18           + A_{a} B_{b} C_{c} DD_{e f}{D_{d}}.
19           # cdb(pruleDD.000,pruleDD)
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21 expr := \nabla_{f}{\nabla_{e}{R_{a b c d}}}
22         - \nabla_{e}{\nabla_{f}{R_{a b c d}}}.      # cdb (ex-0306.100, expr)
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24 substitute (expr,nablaDD)      # cdb (ex-0306.101, expr)
25 substitute (expr,RabcdF)      # cdb (ex-0306.102, expr)
26 substitute (expr,pruleDD)     # cdb (ex-0306.103, expr)
27 substitute (expr,derivDD)     # cdb (ex-0306.104, expr)
28 sort_product (expr)           # cdb (ex-0306.105, expr)
29 substitute (expr,RabcdB)      # cdb (ex-0306.106, expr)

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$$\nabla_f(\nabla_e R_{abcd}) - \nabla_e(\nabla_f R_{abcd}) = DD_{ef}R_{abcd} \quad (\text{ex-0306.101})$$

$$= DD_{ef}(A_a B_b C_c D_d) \quad (\text{ex-0306.102})$$

$$= DD_{ef}A_a B_b C_c D_d + A_a DD_{ef}B_b C_c D_d + A_a B_b DD_{ef}C_c D_d + A_a B_b C_c DD_{ef}D_d \quad (\text{ex-0306.103})$$

$$= R^g_{aef}A_g B_b C_c D_d + A_a R^g_{bef}B_g C_c D_d + A_a B_b R^g_{cef}C_g D_d + A_a B_b C_c R^g_{def}D_g \quad (\text{ex-0306.104})$$

$$= A_g B_b C_c D_d R^g_{aef} + A_a B_g C_c D_d R^g_{bef} + A_a B_b C_g D_d R^g_{cef} + A_a B_b C_c D_g R^g_{def} \quad (\text{ex-0306.105})$$

$$= R_{gbcd}R^g_{aef} + R_{agcd}R^g_{bef} + R_{abgd}R^g_{cef} + R_{abcg}R^g_{def} \quad (\text{ex-0306.106})$$