

Exercise 22.6

Let P be a pt of manifold Σ . There is an open nbd of P that is Euclidean and has a Cartesian coord sys. Let (x^a) and $(x^{a'})$ be alternate coord systems at P . A curve γ thru P can be represented parametrically by $x^a(u)$ and $x^{a'}(u)$. Let Q be a nearby pt on γ . Denote $P = x^a(u_0) = x^{a'}(u_0)$ and $Q = x^a(u_0 + \delta u) = x^{a'}(u_0 + \delta u)$. Let $\vec{\lambda}(u)$ be a vector generated by the parallel transport of $\vec{\lambda}_0 = \vec{\lambda}(u_0)$ along γ . In the unprimed coord sys this means that $\vec{\lambda}(u)$ satisfies

$$\dot{\lambda}^a(u) + \Gamma_{bc}^a(u) \lambda^b(u) \dot{x}^c(u) = 0 \quad (2.23)$$

where

$$\Gamma_{bc}^a(u) = \frac{1}{2} g^{ad}(u) [\partial_b g_{dc}(u) + \partial_c g_{bd}(u) - \partial_d g_{bc}(u)] \quad (2.13)$$

In the primed coord sys this means that $\vec{\lambda}(u)$ satisfies

$$\dot{\lambda}^{a'} + \Gamma_{b'c'}^{a'} \lambda^{b'} \dot{x}^{c'} = 0 \quad (2.29)$$

where $\Gamma_{b'c'}^{a'} = \frac{1}{2} g^{a'd'} [\partial_{b'} g_{d'c'} + \partial_{c'} g_{b'd'} - \partial_{d'} g_{b'c'}] \quad (2.30)$

For eqn (2.23) to be coord indep, we require

$$\dot{\lambda}^{a'} = X_b^{a'} \dot{\lambda}^b \quad (1.45)$$

where $X_b^{a'}$ is the Jacobian

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

$$\dot{\lambda}^{a'} = X_f^{a'} \dot{\lambda}^f \Rightarrow \dot{\lambda}^{a'} = X_f^{a'} \dot{\lambda}^f + X_{ef}^{a'} \dot{x}^e \lambda^f = -\Gamma_{b'c'}^{a'} \lambda^{b'} \dot{x}^{c'}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} X_f^{a'} = \frac{\partial X_f^{a'}}{\partial x^e} \frac{dx^e}{dt} = X_{ef}^{a'} \dot{x}^e$$