# Riemannian Geometry

#### **Coordinate Transformation**

$$dy^m = \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^n} dx^n$$

$$T_{n_1...n_b}^{m_1...m_a}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{\partial y^{m_1}}{\partial x^{r_1}} ... \frac{\partial y^{m_a}}{\partial x^{r_a}} \frac{\partial x^{s_1}}{\partial y^{n_1}} ... \frac{\partial x^{s_b}}{\partial y^{n_b}} T_{s_1...s_a}^{r_1...r_a}(\mathbf{x})$$

#### **Metric Tensor**

$$ds^2 = g_{mn}(\mathbf{x}) dx^m dx^n$$

$$g^{mr}g_{rn} := \delta_n^m \Longrightarrow g^{mn} = (g^{-1})_{mn}$$

$$g_{m_1r_1} \dots g_{m_ar_a} g^{n_1s_1} \dots g^{n_bs_b} T^{r_1 \dots r_c}_{s_1 \dots s_d} \coloneqq T^{n_1 \dots n_b r_{b+1} \dots r_c}_{m_1 \dots m_a s_{a+1} \dots s_d}$$

# **Length of a Curve**

$$L = \int_{C} ds = \int_{C} \sqrt{g_{mn} dx^{m} dx^{n}}$$

## **Local Normal Coordinates**

$$x=X\to \xi_X=0$$

$$g_{mn}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathbf{X}}=\mathbf{0})=\delta_{mn}, \qquad \frac{\partial g_{mn}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathbf{X}}^{r}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathbf{X}}=\mathbf{0})=0$$

#### **Covariant Derivative**

$$\frac{\partial T_{n_1...n_b}^{m_1...m_b}}{\partial \xi_X^r} \text{ is a tensor at } \boldsymbol{\xi}_X = \boldsymbol{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_r T_{n_1...n_b}^{m_1...m_a} (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X}) \coloneqq \frac{\partial x^{m_1...m_a}}{\partial \xi_X^{k_1...k_a}} \frac{\partial \xi_X^{k_1...k_b}}{\partial x^{n_1...n_b}} \frac{\partial \xi_X^s}{\partial x^s} \frac{\partial T_{l_1...l_b}^{k_1...k_a}}{\partial \xi_X^s} (\boldsymbol{\xi}_X = \boldsymbol{0})$$

$$\frac{\partial T_{n_1...n_b}^{m_1...m_a}}{\partial \xi_X^r} (\boldsymbol{\xi}_X = \boldsymbol{0}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_X^r} \left[ \frac{\partial \xi_X^{m_1...m_a}}{\partial x^{k_1...k_a}} \frac{\partial x^{l_1...l_b}}{\partial \xi_X^{n_1...n_b}} T_{l_1...l_b}^{k_1...k_a} \right] (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

$$= \frac{\partial \xi_X^{m_1...m_a}}{\partial x^{k_1...k_a}} \frac{\partial x^{l_1...l_b}}{\partial \xi_X^{n_1...n_b}} \frac{\partial x^s}{\partial \xi_X^r} \frac{\partial T_{l_1...l_b}^{k_1...k_a}}{\partial x^s} (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{\partial \xi_X^{...m_a}}{\partial x^{...k_a}} \frac{\partial x^s}{\partial x^s} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^{m_1}}{\partial x^s} + \cdots + \frac{\partial \xi_X^{m_1...m_b}}{\partial \xi_X^{m_1...m_b}} \frac{\partial x^s}{\partial x^s} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^{m_a}}{\partial x^s} \right] \frac{\partial x^{l_1...l_b}}{\partial \xi_X^{n_1...n_b}} T_{l_1...l_b}^{k_1...k_a} (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{\partial x^{...l_b}}{\partial \xi_X^{...m_b}} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^{l_1}}{\partial \xi_X^r} + \cdots + \frac{\partial x^{l_1....}}{\partial \xi_X^{n_1...m_b}} \frac{\partial^2 x^{l_b}}{\partial x^r} \right] \frac{\partial \xi_X^{m_1...m_a}}{\partial x^{n_1...n_b}} T_{l_1...l_b}^{k_1...k_a} (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_r T_{n_1...n_b}^{m_1...m_a} (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X}) = \frac{\partial T_{n_1...n_b}^{m_1...m_a}}{\partial x^r} (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{\partial x^{m_1}}{\partial \xi_X^s} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^s}{\partial x^r} T_{x_1...n_b}^{x_1...m_a} + \cdots + \frac{\partial x^{m_a}}{\partial \xi_X^s} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^s}{\partial x^r} T_{x_1...n_b}^{x_1...t_a} \right] (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{\partial \xi_X^s}{\partial x^n} \frac{\partial \xi_X^t}{\partial x^r} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^s}{\partial x^r} T_{n_1...n_b}^{x_1...m_a} + \cdots + \frac{\partial x^{m_a}}{\partial \xi_X^s} \frac{\partial^2 \xi_X^s}{\partial x^r} T_{n_1...n_b}^{x_1...t_a} \right] (\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X})$$

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$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{r} T_{n_{1} \dots n_{b}}^{m_{1} \dots m_{a}} = \partial_{r} T_{n_{1} \dots n_{b}}^{m_{1} \dots m_{a}}$$

$$+ \Gamma^{m_{1}}_{rs} T_{n_{1} \dots n_{b}}^{s \dots m_{a}} + \dots + \Gamma^{m_{a}}_{rs} T_{n_{1} \dots n_{b}}^{m_{1} \dots s}$$

$$- \Gamma^{s}_{rn_{1}} T_{s \dots n_{b}}^{m_{1} \dots m_{a}} - \dots - \Gamma^{s}_{rn_{b}} T_{n_{1} \dots s}^{m_{1} \dots m_{a}}$$

### **Christoffel Symbols**

$$\mathcal{D}_{r}g_{mn}(\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X}) = \frac{\partial \xi_{\mathbf{X}}^{s}}{\partial x^{r}} \frac{\partial \xi_{\mathbf{X}}^{k}}{\partial x^{m}} \frac{\partial \xi_{\mathbf{X}}^{l}}{\partial x^{n}} \frac{\partial g_{kl}}{\partial \xi_{\mathbf{X}}^{s}} (\mathbf{\xi}_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{0}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{r}g_{mn} = \frac{\partial g_{mn}}{\partial x^{r}} - \Gamma^{s}_{rm}g_{sn} - \Gamma^{s}_{rn}g_{ms} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial g_{nr}}{\partial x^{m}} + \frac{\partial g_{mr}}{\partial x^{n}} - \frac{\partial g_{mn}}{\partial x^{r}} - 2\Gamma^{s}_{mn}g_{sr} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma^{r}_{mn} = \frac{g^{rs}}{2} \left( \frac{\partial g_{ns}}{\partial x^{m}} + \frac{\partial g_{ms}}{\partial x^{n}} - \frac{\partial g_{mn}}{\partial x^{s}} \right)$$

# **Parallel Transport**

$$\mathcal{D}V^m = \mathcal{D}_n V^m dx^n = 0 \Longrightarrow dV^m + \Gamma^m_{nr} V^n dx^r = 0$$

# **Geodesic Equations**

$$V^{m} = dx^{m} \Longrightarrow d^{2}x^{m} + \Gamma^{m}_{nr}dx^{n}dx^{r} = 0$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{d^{2}x^{m}}{ds^{2}} + \Gamma^{m}_{nr}\frac{dx^{n}}{ds}\frac{dx^{r}}{ds} = 0$$

### **Ricci Identity**

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{D}_{r}\mathcal{D}_{s}T_{n_{1}\dots n_{b}}^{m_{1}\dots m_{a}} &- \mathcal{D}_{s}\mathcal{D}_{r}T_{n_{1}\dots n_{b}}^{m_{1}\dots m_{a}} \\ &= \mathcal{R}_{trs}^{m_{1}}T_{n_{1}\dots n_{b}}^{t\dots m_{a}} + \dots + \mathcal{R}_{trs}^{m_{a}}T_{n_{1}\dots n_{b}}^{m_{1}\dots t} \\ &- \mathcal{R}_{n_{1}rs}^{t}T_{t\dots n_{b}}^{m_{1}\dots m_{a}} - \dots - \mathcal{R}_{n_{b}rs}^{t}T_{n_{1}\dots t}^{m_{1}\dots m_{a}} \end{split}$$

### **Riemann Tensor**

$$\mathcal{R}^{r}{}_{msn} \coloneqq \frac{\partial \Gamma^{r}{}_{mn}}{\partial x^{s}} - \frac{\partial \Gamma^{r}{}_{ms}}{\partial x^{n}} + \Gamma^{r}{}_{st}\Gamma^{t}{}_{mn} - \Gamma^{r}{}_{nt}\Gamma^{t}{}_{ms}$$

#### Flat Space

$$\mathcal{R}^r_{msn} = 0 \Longrightarrow \exists \mathbf{y} \text{ where } g_{mn}(\mathbf{y}) = \delta_{mn}$$

#### **Ricci Tensor**

$$R_{mn} \coloneqq \mathcal{R}^r_{mrn}$$

### **Scalar Curvature**

$$R \coloneqq g^{mn}R_{mn}$$

### **Bianchi Identities**

$$\mathcal{D}_{t}\mathcal{R}_{rmsn} + \mathcal{D}_{n}\mathcal{R}_{rmts} + \mathcal{D}_{s}\mathcal{R}_{rmnt} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{r}\left(R^{mn} - \frac{1}{2}g^{mn}R\right) = \mathcal{D}_{r}R^{mn} - \frac{1}{2}g^{mn}\mathcal{D}_{r}R = 0$$