

§0. introduction

Riemannian geometry: study the geometry related to distance and angle

M : manifold (usually without boundary)

\rightsquigarrow TM : canonically defined on M

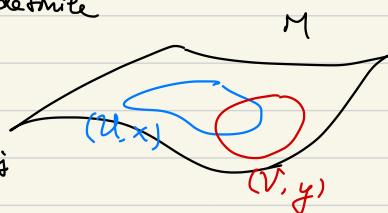
Endow TM a bundle metric

Namely, $\sum_{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}} g_{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}}(x) dx^{\tilde{i}} \otimes dx^{\tilde{j}}$ [$g_{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}}$]: positive definite

$$g_{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}} dx^{\tilde{i}} \otimes dx^{\tilde{j}} \stackrel{?}{=} \tilde{g}_{kl}(y) dy^k \otimes dy^l$$

$$= \tilde{g}_{kl}(y(x)) \frac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^{\tilde{i}}} \frac{\partial y^l}{\partial x^{\tilde{j}}} dx^{\tilde{i}} \otimes dx^{\tilde{j}}$$

$$g_{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}}(x) = \sum_{k,l} \tilde{g}_{kl}(y(x)) \frac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^{\tilde{i}}} \frac{\partial y^l}{\partial x^{\tilde{j}}}$$



$$\Gamma(\text{Sym}(T^*(M) \otimes T^*(M)))$$

defn This is called a Riemannian manifold. (M, g)

- curve

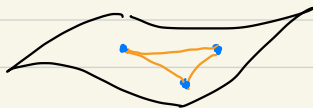


$$\text{Length} = \int |\dot{\gamma}(t)| dt$$

$$\hookrightarrow \dot{\gamma}(t) = \{\dot{x}^{\tilde{i}}(t)\} \quad |\dot{\gamma}(t)|^2 = g_{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}}(x(t)) \frac{dx^{\tilde{i}}}{dt} \frac{dx^{\tilde{j}}}{dt}$$

curve of shortest distance?

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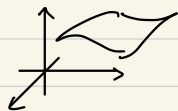


cosine formula?

correction by curvature?

\hookrightarrow of a metric connection on TM
 \hookrightarrow which connection?

- example



$$M \subset \mathbb{R}^N \rightsquigarrow T_p M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$$

restrict the standard metric

more generally $M \subset (\tilde{M}, \tilde{g}) \rightsquigarrow T_p M \subset (T_p \tilde{M}, \tilde{g})$

restrict the metric (M, g)

relation between ambient and subspace geometry?

§I. Levi-Civita connection

1° ∇ : any connection on TM

special point of TM : a vector field can be the direction of taking derivative, and also be differentiated

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(M)$$

$$(X, Y) \mapsto \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X$$

tensorial? $(f_1 X, f_2 Y) \mapsto \nabla_{f_1 X} f_2 Y - \nabla_{f_2 Y} f_1 X$

$$= f_1 f_2 (\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X)$$

$$+ f_1 \cdot X(f_2) \cdot Y - f_2 \cdot Y(f_1) \cdot X$$

recall: $(X, Y) \mapsto [X, Y]$

$$(f_1 X, f_2 Y) \mapsto (f_1 X)(f_2 Y) - (f_2 Y)(f_1 X)$$

$$= f_1 f_2 [X, Y] + f_1 \cdot X(f_2) \cdot Y - f_2 \cdot Y(f_1) \cdot X$$

lem ∇ : a connection on TM . Then,

$$(X, Y) \mapsto \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y] \text{ is a tensor,}$$

which is called the torsion of ∇ $\Gamma(\text{Hom}(TM \otimes TM; TM))$

2° thm (basic theorem in Riemannian geometry)

(M, g) : Riemannian. Then, there exists a unique ∇ on TM

which is a torsion free, metric connection

pf: $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} + X(g(Y, Z)) = g(\nabla_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z) \\ + Y(g(Z, X)) = g(\nabla_Y Z, X) + g(Z, \nabla_Y X) \\ - Z(g(X, Y)) = g(\nabla_Z X, Y) + g(X, \nabla_Z Y) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$X(g(Y, Z)) + Y(g(Z, X)) - Z(g(X, Y))$$

$$= 2g(\nabla_X Y, Z) - g([X, Y], Z) - g([Z, X], Y) + g([Y, Z], X)$$

explain more in class

$$\Rightarrow g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = \frac{1}{2} \left(X(g(Y, Z)) + Y(g(Z, X)) - Z(g(X, Y)) + g([X, Y], Z) + g([Z, X], Y) - g([Y, Z], X) \right)$$

check right hand side is function linear in X and Z ✗

3° main example $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N \rightsquigarrow T_p M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$

restrict the standard inner product

vector field $\subset \mathcal{C}^\infty(M; \mathbb{R}^N)$

claim the Levi-Civita connection is exactly $\text{proj} \circ d_{\mathbb{R}^N}$

(i) metric connection $X, Y: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$

$$X(p), Y(p) \in T_p M$$

$$d\langle X, Y \rangle = \langle dX, Y \rangle + \langle X, dY \rangle$$

$$= \langle \text{proj} \circ dX, Y \rangle + \langle X, \text{proj} \circ dY \rangle$$

(ii) torsion free

basic property (from chain rule) $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M), f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$



fix $p \in M$. choose a small ball in \mathbb{R}^N at p

and any smooth extension of $X, \tilde{X}: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$
of $f, \tilde{f}: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$

$$\text{Then, } \underbrace{X(f)}_{\text{on } M} \Big|_p = X(\tilde{f}) \Big|_p = \tilde{X}(\tilde{f}) \Big|_p$$

Now, $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M), f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$

$$\Rightarrow [X, Y](f) \Big|_p = [\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}](\tilde{f}) \Big|_p \quad \forall p \in M$$

$$\Rightarrow [\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}] \Big|_p \in T_p M \quad \left(\text{otherwise we can choose } \tilde{f} : \text{has non-trivial derivative in some normal} \right)$$

But in \mathbb{R}^3 . $[\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}] = \mathcal{L}(\tilde{X})d(\tilde{Y}) - \mathcal{L}(\tilde{Y})d(\tilde{X})$

at $p \in M$

$$\text{proj}([\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}] \Big|_p) = [X, Y] \Big|_p$$

$$= \text{proj}((\mathcal{L}(X)d(\tilde{Y}) - \mathcal{L}(Y)d(\tilde{X})) \Big|_p)$$

$$= (\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X) \Big|_p$$

use basic property from definition of $[_, _]$ for vector fields on \mathbb{R}^N

4° a coordinate form of ∇

$$(U, \{x^i\}) \quad g = g_{ij}(x) dx^i \otimes dx^j \quad \text{intrinsic coordinate from 1 to } n$$

$$\nabla : P(TM) \rightarrow P(T^*M \otimes TM)$$

$$\nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} = \sum_{i,k} P_{ij}^k dx^i \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \quad \text{namely,} \quad \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} = \sum_k P_{ij}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}$$

$$\text{Take } X = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \quad Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}, \quad Z = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}$$

$$\sum_k g_{kl} P_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_i g_{jl} + \partial_j g_{il} - \partial_l g_{ij})$$

$$g^{ii} = g^{ij} = (g^{-1})_{ij}$$

$$\sum_j g^{ij} g_{jk} = \delta_{ik}$$

$$P_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_l g^{kl} \left(\frac{\partial g_{il}}{\partial x^j} + \frac{\partial g_{jl}}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^l} \right)$$

note that $P_{ij}^k = P_{ji}^k$

§ II. curvature tensor

0° recall $\nabla = d + A$ on E , $A \in \Omega^1(\text{End } E)$

from the consideration of commuting derivatives

$$F_\nabla = dA + A \wedge A \in \Omega^2(\text{End } E) = P(\wedge^2 T^*M \otimes \text{End } E)$$

recall E : real vector bundle with metric $\Rightarrow E \cong E^*$

$$\text{Now, } E = TM, \quad E^* = T^*M$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right\}, \quad \{ dx^i \}$$

$$dx^i \mapsto a^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \quad \text{defined by} \quad dx^i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right) = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, a^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right\rangle$$

$$\delta_{ik} = g_{kj} a^{ij}$$

$$\text{Hence, } a^{ij} = g^{ij}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \mapsto g_{ij} dx^j$$

Now, $\text{End } TM = TM \otimes T^*M \cong T^*M \otimes T^*M$

1° $\nabla = d + P_{ij}^k dx^j$ trivialize TM by $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right\}$

Endomorphism
1-form

$$F = dA + A \wedge A = \frac{1}{2} F_{ij} dx^i \wedge dx^j$$

$$\text{where } F_{ij} = \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x^j} + [A_i, A_j]$$

$$A_i = P_{ki}^l$$

$$(F_{ij}) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right) = \sum_l R_{kij}^l \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} = \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} - \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}} \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} - \nabla_{\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right]} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}$$

$$R_{kij}^l = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} P_{kj}^l - \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} P_{ki}^l + P_{ki}^m P_{mj}^l - P_{kj}^m P_{mi}^l$$

$$2^\circ R_{kij}^l (dx^i \wedge dx^j) \otimes (dx^k \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}) \in P(\Lambda^2 T^*M \otimes \text{End}(TM))$$

is called the Riemann curvature tensor

$$R_{ekij} = \sum_m g_{em} R_{kij}^m \rightsquigarrow R_{ekij} (dx^i \wedge dx^j) \otimes (dx^k \otimes dx^l)$$

lemma-C1 $R_{ekij} = -R_{kelij}$

$$P(\Lambda^2 T^*M \otimes \Lambda^2 T^*M)$$

pf. Fix i, j (and omit them): this is linear algebra

$$F \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right) = R_{ik}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m}$$

Since ∇ is a metric connection

F is a skew-adjoint operator

$$\Rightarrow \left\langle F \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right), \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \right\rangle = - \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, F \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \right) \right\rangle$$

$$R_{ek} = g_{ml} R_{ik}^m = -g_{mk} R_{il}^m = -R_{kel}$$

3° More properties of curvature tensor

$$R(X, Y)U = \nabla_X \nabla_Y U - \nabla_Y \nabla_X U - \nabla_{[X, Y]} U$$

$$\text{Note that } R_{ekij} = \left\langle R \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \right\rangle$$

lemma-C2 $\langle R(X, Y)U, V \rangle = \langle R(U, V)X, Y \rangle$

Namely, $R_{ekij} = R_{jike} = R_{ijek}$

$$\text{Sym}(\Lambda^2 T^*M \otimes \Lambda^2 T^*M)$$

lemma-C3 (1st Bianchi identity of the Riemann curvature tensor)

$$R(X, Y)Z + R(Z, X)Y + R(Y, Z)X = 0$$

pf of C3: $R(x, Y)Z + R(Z, X)Y + R(Y, Z)X$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \nabla_x \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_x Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z \\
&\quad + \nabla_Z \nabla_X Y - \nabla_X \nabla_Z Y - \nabla_{[Z, X]} Y \\
&\quad + \nabla_Y \nabla_Z X - \nabla_Z \nabla_Y X - \nabla_{[Y, Z]} X \\
&= \nabla_x [Y, Z] - \nabla_{[Y, Z]} X + \nabla_Y [Z, X] - \nabla_{[Z, X]} Y \\
&\quad + \nabla_Z [X, Y] - \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z \\
&= [X, [Y, Z]] + [Y, [Z, X]] + [Z, [X, Y]] = 0 \quad *
\end{aligned}$$

pf of C2: $\langle R(x, Y)u, v \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\langle R(u, X)Y, v \rangle - \langle R(Y, u)X, v \rangle && \text{by C3} \\
&= \langle R(u, X)v, Y \rangle + \langle R(Y, u)v, X \rangle && \text{by C1} \\
&= -\langle R(v, u)X, Y \rangle - \langle R(X, v)u, Y \rangle && \text{by C3} \\
&\quad - \langle R(v, Y)u, X \rangle - \langle R(u, v)Y, X \rangle \\
&= 2\langle R(u, v)X, Y \rangle + \langle R(X, v)Y, u \rangle + \langle R(v, Y)X, u \rangle \\
&= 2\langle R(u, v)X, Y \rangle - \langle R(Y, X)v, u \rangle && \text{by C3} \\
&\Rightarrow \langle R(X, Y)u, v \rangle = \langle R(u, v)X, Y \rangle \quad *
\end{aligned}$$

§ III. induced connection

1° ∇ on $E \rightsquigarrow$ induce ∇ on E^*

$\alpha \in \Gamma(E^*)$, $s \in \Gamma(E)$ require $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$

$$(\nabla \alpha)(s) + \alpha(\nabla s) = d(\alpha(s))$$

$\alpha(s) = \alpha^T s$
as \mathbb{R}^k -valued functions

In terms of local trivialization ∇ on $E = d + A$
 $\rightsquigarrow \nabla$ on $E^* = d - A^T$

$$2^\circ \nabla \text{ on } E, \nabla \text{ on } F \rightsquigarrow \nabla \text{ on } \text{Hom}(E, F)$$

$$T \in \mathcal{P}(\text{Hom}(E, F)), s \in \mathcal{P}(E) \Rightarrow Ts \in \mathcal{P}(F)$$

$$\text{require } \nabla(Ts) = (\nabla T)(s) + T(\nabla s)$$

$$(\nabla T)(s) = \nabla(Ts) - T(\nabla s)$$

In terms of local trivialization

$$E|_U \cong U \times \mathbb{R}^k, F|_U \cong U \times \mathbb{R}^l \Rightarrow \text{Hom}(E, F)|_U \cong M(l \times k; \mathbb{R})$$

$$\nabla = d + A_E \quad \nabla = d + A_F \Rightarrow \nabla T = dT + A_F T - T A_E$$

$$3^\circ \nabla \text{ on } E \rightsquigarrow \nabla \text{ on } \otimes^k E$$

$$\nabla_x(s_1 \otimes \dots \otimes s_k) = (\nabla_x s_1) \otimes \dots \otimes s_k + \dots + s_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \nabla_x s_k$$

$$\text{also } \nabla \text{ on } \wedge^k E$$

$$\nabla_x(s_1 \wedge \dots \wedge s_k) = (\nabla_x s_1) \wedge s_2 \wedge \dots \wedge s_k + \dots + s_1 \wedge \dots \wedge (\nabla_x s_k)$$

4° Now, focus on the Levi-Civita connection, and TM, T^*M
(also from their algebraic constructions)

$$\text{Fix } U \in \mathcal{X}(M), \nabla U \in \mathcal{P}(\text{End}(TM))$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \nabla^2 U = \nabla(\nabla U) \in \mathcal{P}(T^*M \otimes \text{End}(TM))$$

$$\text{Denote } (\nabla^2 U)(X, Y) = (\nabla_X(\nabla U))(Y) \text{ by } \nabla_{X,Y}^2 U$$

$$= \nabla_X \nabla_Y U - (\nabla U)(\nabla_X Y) \quad \text{by } 2^\circ$$

$$= \nabla_X \nabla_Y U - \nabla_{\nabla_X Y} U$$

$$\text{Hence, } \nabla_{X,Y}^2 U - \nabla_{Y,X}^2 U = R(X, Y)U$$

rmk $\nabla \cdot \nabla \cdot U$ is not a tensor, but $(\nabla^2 U)(\cdot, \cdot)$ is.

5° lemma-C4 (2nd Bianchi identity of the Riemann curvature tensor)

$$(\nabla_X R)(Y, Z, U) + (\nabla_Y R)(Z, X, U) + (\nabla_Z R)(X, Y, U) = 0$$

rmk This is equivalent to $dF = F \wedge A - A \wedge F$
after unwinding all the definitions.

