

Pf of (3) We do only the special case that

$$K = \mathbb{X} \otimes \rho \in TM \otimes T^*M \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{L} : TM \otimes T^*M & \rightarrow & \mathbb{R} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{X} \otimes \rho & \mapsto & \rho(\mathbb{X}) \end{array}$$

In this case $\mathcal{L}K = \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{X} \otimes \rho) = \rho(\mathbb{X})$

$$D_v(\mathcal{L}K) = v(\rho(\mathbb{X}))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(D_v K) &= \mathcal{L}(D_v(\mathbb{X} \otimes \rho)) \\ &= \mathcal{L}(D_v \mathbb{X} \otimes \rho + \mathbb{X} \otimes D_v \rho) \\ &= \rho(D_v \mathbb{X}) + (D_v \rho)(\mathbb{X}) \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\rho(\mathbb{X}) = \left(\sum_l \rho_l \dot{x}^l(t) \right) \left(\sum_i \mathbb{X}^i e_i(t) \right)$$

$$= \sum_i \rho_i \mathbb{X}^i$$

$$\rho(D_v \mathbb{X}) = \sum_i \rho_i \frac{d\mathbb{X}^i}{dt}$$

$$(D_v \rho)(\mathbb{X}) = \sum_i \frac{d\rho_i}{dt} \mathbb{X}^i$$

$$\therefore v(\rho(\mathbb{X})) = v\left(\sum_i \rho_i \mathbb{X}^i\right) = \sum_i \left(\rho_i \frac{d\mathbb{X}^i}{dt} + \frac{d\rho_i}{dt} \mathbb{X}^i \right)$$

$$= \rho(D_v \mathbb{X}) + (D_v \rho)(\mathbb{X}) \quad \cdot \quad \#$$

Note that one can define $D_v \rho$ by this special case:

$$\boxed{(D_v \rho)(\mathbb{X}) = v(\rho(\mathbb{X})) - \rho(D_v \mathbb{X}), \quad \forall \mathbb{X} \in \Gamma(M)}$$

- This also shows that $D_v K$ does not depend on curve γ in the definition.

Def: Let $K =$ tensor field on M
 $\mathbb{X} =$ vector field on M .

Then we define $(D_{\mathbb{X}} K)(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} D_{\mathbb{X}(x)} K, \quad \forall x \in M.$

Note: By linearity of $D_{\mathbb{X}} K$ in \mathbb{X} , one can define

$$DK \in (\otimes^r TM) \otimes (\otimes^{st1} T^*M)$$

$$\left(\text{for } K \in (\otimes^r TM) \otimes (\otimes^s T^*M) \right)$$

by requiring

$$(DK)(\omega^1 \otimes \dots \otimes \omega^r \otimes \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{X}_s \otimes \mathbb{X})$$

$$\underline{\text{def}} \quad (D_{\mathbb{X}} K) (\omega^1 \otimes \dots \otimes \omega^r \otimes \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{X}_s)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Caution: Some authors put} \\ (DK) (\omega^1 \otimes \dots \otimes \omega^r \otimes \mathbb{X} \otimes \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{X}_s) \\ = (D_{\mathbb{X}} K) (\omega^1 \otimes \dots \otimes \omega^r \otimes \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{X}_s) \end{array} \right)$$

Note: If $K = f \in T^{(0,0)} M \cong C^\infty(M)$,

Then $Df = df$ the usual differential of f .
(check!)

Def: For $n \geq 0$, we define

$$D^{n+1} K = D(D^n K)$$

Note: $(D^2 K)(\dots, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) \neq (D_{\mathbb{Y}}(D_{\mathbb{X}} K))(\dots)$
in general.

eg: Let $K = f \in C^\infty(M)$.

$$\text{Then } (D^2 f)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = (D df)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y})$$

$$= (D_{\mathbb{Y}} df)(\mathbb{X})$$

$$= \mathbb{Y}(df(\mathbb{X})) - df(D_{\mathbb{Y}} \mathbb{X})$$

$$= Y(\mathbb{X}(f)) - (D_Y \mathbb{X})(f)$$

$$\neq D_Y(D_X f)$$

$$(\text{by definition } D_Y(D_X f) = D_Y(\mathbb{X}(f)) = Y(\mathbb{X}(f)))$$

$$\text{Note: } \begin{cases} (D^2 f)(\mathbb{X}, Y) = Y \mathbb{X} f - (D_Y \mathbb{X}) f \\ (D^2 f)(Y, \mathbb{X}) = \mathbb{X} Y f - (D_X Y) f \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (D^2 f)(\mathbb{X}, Y) - D^2 f(Y, \mathbb{X}) \\ = -[\mathbb{X}, Y] f + (D_X Y - D_Y \mathbb{X}) f \\ = T(\mathbb{X}, Y) f \\ \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \text{torsion tensor.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore D \text{ symmetric (torsion free)} \iff D^2 f \text{ is symmetric}$$

In this case, $D^2 f$ is called the Hessian of f .

From now on, we assume M has a Riemannian metric g and $D = \text{Levi-Civita connection of } g$.

Therefore $D^2 f$ is always symmetric for $f \in C^\infty(M)$.

Def: $\forall S \in \otimes^2 T^*M$, we define $\text{tr} S \in C^\infty(M)$

the trace of S , by

$$\text{tr} S(x) = \sum_i S(e_i, e_i)$$

where $\{e_i\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $T_x M$.

(check: (i) $\text{tr} S$ is well-defined, i.e. independent of the choice of the o.n. basis $\{e_i\}$.

(ii) $\text{tr} S(x)$ is smooth in x .)

Def: Let (M, g) = Riemannian manifold

D = Levi-Civita connection of g

Then the Laplace operator, Laplacian or

Laplace - Beltrami operator

$$\Delta: C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$$

is defined by

$$\Delta f = \text{tr} D^2 f.$$

Ex: Prove that in local coordinates (x^1, \dots, x^n)

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \sum_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \left(\sum_i g^{ij} \sqrt{G} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)$$

where $G = \det(g_{ij})$, $g_{ij} = g\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}\right)$ and

$$(g^{ij}) = (g_{ij})^{-1}$$

3.2 Curvature Tensor

Let $\mathcal{T}^* =$ Algebra of tensor fields on $M / C^\infty(M)$.

Then \forall vector field $X \in \Gamma(M)$,

$D_X: \mathcal{T}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*$ is a derivation.

Therefore, if we have D_X & D_Y , the Lie bracket

$$[D_X, D_Y] = D_X D_Y - D_Y D_X$$

is also a derivation (Ex.)

Hence we can make the following definition

$$\boxed{R_{XY} = D_{[X,Y]} - [D_X, D_Y]}$$

$$\boxed{= -D_X D_Y + D_Y D_X + D_{[X,Y]}}$$

Prop:

(1) $R_{XY}: \mathcal{T}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*$ is a derivation.

(2) R_{XY} preserves the type of a tensor field

i.e. K is (r,s) -type $\Rightarrow R_{XY}K$ is also (r,s) -type.

(3) $\forall f \in C^\infty(M)$

$$R_{(fX)Y}K = R_{X(fY)}K = R_{XY}(fK) = fR_{XY}K.$$

(4) $\forall f \in C^\infty(M)$, $R_{XY}f = 0$.

Pf: We check only $R_{(fX)Y}K = fR_{XY}K$.

(the others are easy ex!)

$$\begin{aligned} R_{(fX)Y}K &= -D_{fX}D_YK + D_YD_{fX}K + D_{[fX,Y]}K \\ &= -fD_XD_YK + D_Y(fD_XK) + D_{[fX,Y]}K \\ &= -fD_XD_YK + fD_YD_XK + (Yf)D_XK + D_{[fX,Y]}K \\ &= fR_{XY}K - fD_{[X,Y]}K + (Yf)D_XK + D_{[fX,Y]}K. \end{aligned}$$

Note that $[fX, Y] = (fX)Y - Y(fX)$
 $= f(XY - YX) - (Yf)X$

$$\therefore R_{(fX)Y}K = fR_{XY}K. \quad \#$$

($\therefore D_{[X,Y]}$ is needed in the definition in order to have property (3).)

Note: By property (3), if $K = Z$ is also a vector field, then one can use $R_{XY}Z$ to define a (1,3)-tensor

$$(\omega, X, Y, Z) \xrightarrow{R} \omega(R_{XY}Z) \quad \forall \text{ 1-form } \omega \text{ \& } X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(M)$$

It also defines a (0,4)-tensor R (using metric g)

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = g(R_{XY}Z, W), \quad \forall X, Y, Z, W \in \Gamma(M)$$

Def: $R_{XY}Z$ or $R(X, Y, Z, W)$ are called the (Riemannian) curvature tensor of g . (More precisely, R is the curvature tensor of g .)

Local formula: In a coordinate system (x^1, \dots, x^n)

if $g_{ij} = g(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j})$ and

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} g^{kl} \left(\frac{\partial g_{lj}}{\partial x^i} + \frac{\partial g_{il}}{\partial x^j} - \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^l} \right) \quad (\text{Christoffel symbol})$$

then $R_{ijkl} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} R(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l})$

is given by

$$R_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 g_{il}}{\partial x^j \partial x^k} + \frac{\partial^2 g_{jk}}{\partial x^i \partial x^l} - \frac{\partial^2 g_{ik}}{\partial x^j \partial x^l} - \frac{\partial^2 g_{jl}}{\partial x^i \partial x^k} \right) + (g_{rs} \Gamma_{jk}^r \Gamma_{il}^s + g_{rs} \Gamma_{il}^r \Gamma_{jk}^s)$$

(Pf = Ex!)

Note: (i) $R = R_{ijkl} dx^i \otimes dx^j \otimes dx^k \otimes dx^l$

(ii) R is a 2^{nd} order non-linear function of g .

Def: Let (M, g) & (N, h) be 2 Riemannian manifolds.

A C^∞ map $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$ is called a local isometry

$\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in M,$

$$d\varphi = (T_x M, g_x) \rightarrow (T_{\varphi(x)} N, h_{\varphi(x)})$$

is an isometry of the inner product spaces.

i.e. $\forall v_1, v_2 \in T_x M,$

$$\boxed{h_{\varphi(x)}(d\varphi(v_1), d\varphi(v_2)) = g_x(v_1, v_2)}$$

Note: If $\varphi =$ local isom. then $\dim M = \dim N$
and φ is an immersion.

Def: $\varphi: (M, g) \rightarrow (N, h)$ is called a global isometry,

or simply an isometry,

$\Leftrightarrow \varphi$ is a local isometry and a diffeomorphism.

Fact: Let $\varphi = (M, g) \rightarrow (M', g')$ is an isometry

- $D =$ Levi-Civita connection of g
- $D' =$ " " " " g'
- $X, Y \in \Gamma(M)$ & $X', Y' \in \Gamma(M')$ s.t.
 $d\varphi(X) = X', d\varphi(Y) = Y'$.

Then $d\varphi(D_X Y) = D'_{X'} Y'$.

\therefore Levi-Civita connection is a metric invariant.

(Pf: Ex!)

Thm (Metric invariance of curvature tensor)

- Let
- $\varphi = (M, g) \rightarrow (M', g')$ is an isometry
 - $R, R' =$ curvature tensors of g & g' respectively
 - $X, Y, Z, W \in \Gamma(M)$, $X', Y', Z', W' \in \Gamma(M')$
s.t. $d\varphi(X) = X', d\varphi(Y) = Y', d\varphi(Z) = Z', d\varphi(W) = W'$.

Then

- $d\varphi(R_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}Z) = R'_{\mathcal{X}'\mathcal{Y}'}Z'$
- $R(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}, Z, W) = R'(\mathcal{X}', \mathcal{Y}', Z', W') \circ \varphi$.

(Pf = Ex!)

Note: If $\dim M = 2$, then one can define the

Gaussian curvature $K: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$K(x) = R(e_1, e_2, e_1, e_2)(x), \quad \forall x \in M$$

for any orthonormal basis $\{e_1, e_2\}$ of $T_x M$.

And this K coincides with the original definition for $M^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$.

Def: A Riemannian manifold (M, g) is called flat if its curvature tensor $R \equiv 0$.

eg $(\mathbb{R}^n, \text{standard metric}) = (\mathbb{R}^n, dx^1 \otimes dx^1 + \dots + dx^n \otimes dx^n)$ is flat. (Reason: $g_{ij} = \text{const.} \Rightarrow \Gamma_{ij}^k = 0 \Rightarrow R = 0$)

3.3 Basic properties of curvature tensor

Lemma 1 \forall vector fields X, Y, Z, W

$$(1) R_{XY} = -R_{YX}$$

(2) (1st Bianchi identity)

$$R_{XY}Z + R_{YZ}X + R_{ZX}Y = 0$$

$$(3) R(X, Y, Z, W) = -R(X, Y, W, Z)$$

$$(4) R(X, Y, Z, W) = R(Z, W, X, Y)$$

Pf: (1) is clear.

For (2) and (3), we only need to check the case that $\{X, Y, Z, W\} = \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \right\}$.

(Since R is a tensor.)

In this case, $0 = [X, Y] = \dots = [Z, W]$

$$\text{Hence } \begin{cases} D_X Y = D_Y X \\ R_{XY} = -D_X D_Y + D_Y D_X \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow R_{XY}Z + R_{YZ}X + R_{ZX}Y & \\ &= (-D_X D_Y Z + D_Y D_X Z) + (-D_Y D_Z X + D_Z D_Y X) \\ &\quad + (-D_Z D_X Y + D_X D_Z Y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= D_X(-D_Y Z + D_Z Y) + D_Y(D_X Z - D_Z X) \\
&\quad + D_Z(D_Y X - D_X Y) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

This proves (2).

For (3), we first note that

$$\begin{aligned}
R(X, Y, Z, Z) &= \langle R_{XY} Z, Z \rangle \\
&= \langle -D_X D_Y Z + D_Y D_X Z, Z \rangle \\
&= -X \langle D_Y Z, Z \rangle + \langle D_Y Z, D_X Z \rangle \\
&\quad + Y \langle D_X Z, Z \rangle - \langle D_X Z, D_Y Z \rangle \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} X (\langle Z, Z \rangle)' + \frac{1}{2} Y (X \langle Z, Z \rangle)' \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} [X, Y] \langle Z, Z \rangle = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence for any $\{X, Y, Z, W\}$ with $[X, Y] = 0$,

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= R(X, Y, Z+W, Z+W) \\
&= R(X, Y, Z, Z) + R(X, Y, Z, W) + R(X, Y, W, Z) \\
&\quad + R(X, Y, W, W).
\end{aligned}$$

This proves (3).

Proof of (4) (Jost)

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = -R(Y, X, Z, W) \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$$= R(Z, Y, X, W) + R(X, Z, Y, W) \\ \text{(1st Bianchi)}$$

Similarly

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = -R(X, Y, W, Z) \\ = R(Y, W, X, Z) + R(W, X, Y, Z)$$

\Rightarrow

$$2R(X, Y, Z, W) = R(Z, Y, X, W) + R(X, Z, Y, W) \quad \text{--- (*)} \\ + R(Y, W, X, Z) + R(W, X, Y, Z)$$

Similarly

$$2R(Z, W, X, Y) = R(X, W, Z, Y) + R(Z, X, W, Y) \\ + R(W, Y, Z, X) + R(Y, Z, W, X)$$

$$\text{(by (1) \& (3))} = R(W, X, Y, Z) + R(X, Z, Y, W) \\ + R(Y, W, X, Z) + R(Z, Y, X, W)$$

$$\text{(by (*))} = 2R(X, Y, Z, W) \quad \otimes$$

Lemma 2 let $Q(X, Y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} R(X, Y, X, Y)$

Then Q determines R .

i.e. if R, R' are tensor fields satisfying (1) - (4) in

Lemma 1, then $Q = Q' \Rightarrow R = R'$.

(Pf = Omitted)

Def: Let π be a 2-dimensional subspace in $T_x M$

• $\{v_1, v_2\}$ = basis of π

Then
$$K(\pi) = \frac{R(v_1, v_2, v_1, v_2)}{|v_1 \wedge v_2|^2}$$

where
$$|v_1 \wedge v_2|^2 = \det \langle v_i, v_j \rangle$$
$$= |v_1|^2 |v_2|^2 - \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle^2.$$

is called the sectional curvature of π .

Note: • $K(\pi)$ doesn't depend on the basis $\{v_1, v_2\}$

• If $\{e_1, e_2\}$ = orthonormal basis of π , then

$$K(\pi) = R(e_1, e_2, e_1, e_2)$$

• Lemma 2 \Rightarrow K determines R .

• Sectional curvature K is a metric invariant.

i.e. If $\varphi: M \rightarrow M'$ isometry

$\pi \in T_x M$, $\pi' \subset T_{\varphi(x)} M'$ are 2-dim'l

subspaces with $d\varphi(\pi) = \pi'$.

Then $K(\pi) = K'(\pi')$.

eg: If $K(\pi) = 0$, $\forall x \in \pi^2 \subset T_x M$, then $R \equiv 0$.

Lemma 3 (The 2nd Bianchi Identity)

$$\boxed{(D_X R)_{YZ} + (D_Y R)_{ZX} + (D_Z R)_{XY} = 0}$$

$$\forall X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$$

Lemma 4 (Ricci Identity)

$$\boxed{D^2 T(\dots, X, Y) - D^2 T(\dots, Y, X) = (R_{XY} T)(\dots)}$$

$$\forall \text{ tensor field } T, \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM).$$