

16.12.2022 **Theorem 15.29.** Let κ be a connector of a connection on a vector bundle $\pi : E \rightarrow M$. Then κ is a vector bundle homomorphism from $d\pi : TE \rightarrow TM$ to $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ along the map $\pi_{TM} : TM \rightarrow M$

田 ⊙

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TE & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & E \\ d\pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ TM & \xrightarrow{\pi_{TM}} & M. \end{array} \quad (28)$$

1) diagram is commutative

2) κ fiberwise linear.

Proof. In the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TE & \rightarrow & E \\ d\pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ TM & \xrightarrow{\pi_{TM}} & M \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TE & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & E \\ d\pi \downarrow & \searrow \kappa & \downarrow \pi \\ TM & \xrightarrow{\pi_{TM}} & M \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TE & \begin{pmatrix} TE \\ \downarrow \\ M \end{pmatrix} & TE \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ TM & \begin{pmatrix} M \\ \downarrow \\ E \end{pmatrix} & E \end{array}$$

the left triangle is commutative by the definition of $d\pi$ and the right one by (27). Thus (28) is commutative.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TE & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & E \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ E & \longrightarrow & M \end{array}$$

It remains to verify that κ is linear on fibers. Let $X_p = (d\pi)Z_y$, where $\pi(y) = p$, $Z_y \in T_y E$, $X_p \in T_p M$. Decompose $Z_y = H_y + V_y$, where $H_y \in \mathcal{H}_y$, $V_y \in \mathcal{V}_y E$. Since $(d\pi)V_y = 0$, we have $X_p = (d\pi)H_y$ and H_y is the horizontal lift \tilde{X}_y of X_p . Also, $V_y = \mathbf{j}_y w$ for a unique $w \in E_p$ (by Propositions 15.9). Thus $Z_y = \tilde{X}_y + \mathbf{j}_y w$ and $\kappa(Z_y) = w$ by the definition. By Lemma 15.28 and homogeneity of \mathcal{H} we have

$$(d\mu_r)Z_y = (d\mu_r)\tilde{X}_y + (d\mu_r)\mathbf{j}_y w = \tilde{X}_{ry} + \mathbf{j}_{ry}rw.$$

Hence $\kappa((d\mu_r)Z_y) = rw = r\kappa(Z_y)$ or $\kappa(r \odot Z_y) = r\kappa(Z_y)$ (in the notation of Problem 15.25). Chs. com. \square

$$\begin{array}{c} T_y E = \mathcal{V}_y E \oplus \mathcal{H}_y \\ \downarrow \downarrow \\ \tilde{Z}_y = \tilde{V}_y + H_y \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} Z_y \in T_y E \\ d\pi \downarrow \\ X_p \in T_p M \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} y \in E \\ \downarrow \pi \\ p \in M \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \boxed{\text{Ker } \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}} \\ \text{" } \mathcal{H} \text{ is a proj.} \\ \text{onto } \mathcal{V}E \text{ along } \mathcal{H} \\ \text{along } TM \rightarrow M \end{array}$$



Home Problem 15.30. Prove that the addition \boxplus in $TE \rightarrow TM$ can be described in the following (similar) form. We have, as above, $Z_y = \tilde{X}_y + \mathbf{j}_y w$ for some $w \in E_p$ if $(d\pi)Z_y = X_p$ and \tilde{X}_y is the horizontal lift of X_p . Suppose, that for another vector $U_{y'}$ from the same fiber over X_p we have in the same way $U_{y'} = \tilde{X}_{y'} + \mathbf{j}_{y'} w'$. Then the sum of these vectors will be given by $\tilde{X}_{y+y'} + \mathbf{j}_{y+y'}(w + w')$, where $\tilde{X}_{y+y'}$ is the horizontal lift of X_p to the point $y + y'$.

Class Problem 15.31. Using Problem 15.11 and Theorem 15.29 prove that $(\pi_{TE}, \kappa) : TE \rightarrow E \oplus E$ is a vector bundle isomorphism along the tangent bundle projection $\pi_{TM} : TM \rightarrow M$, i.e. we have a commutative diagram with fiberwise linear isomorphism in the upper row:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TE & \xrightarrow{(\pi_{TE}, \kappa)} & E \oplus E \\ d\pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \oplus \pi \\ TM & \xrightarrow{\pi_{TM}} & M. \end{array}$$

Now we introduce the Koszul definition of connection (covariant derivative) for a vector bundle $\pi : E \rightarrow M$, which generalizes an affine connection.

Definition 15.32. Let $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ and $f : M \rightarrow N$ be as above. A *covariant derivative along f* is a map $\nabla^f : TN \times \Gamma_f(E) \rightarrow \Gamma_f(E)$ (we write $\nabla^f(v, \sigma) = \nabla_v^f \sigma$) having the properties

(i) ∇^f is fiberwise linear in the first argument:

$$\nabla_{au+bv}^f \sigma = a \nabla_u^f \sigma + b \nabla_v^f \sigma,$$

for all $\sigma \in \Gamma_f(E)$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $u, v \in T_p N$ for some $p \in N$;

(ii) $\nabla_u^f(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) = \nabla_u^f(\sigma_1) + \nabla_u^f(\sigma_2)$ for any $u \in TN$ and any $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Gamma_f(E)$;

(iii) for $v \in T_p N$, $h \in C^\infty(N, \mathbb{K})$, and $\sigma \in \Gamma_f(E)$, the Leibniz law is fulfilled:

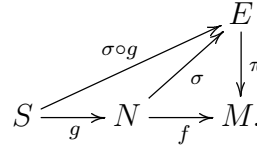
$$\nabla_v^f(h\sigma) = h(p) \nabla_v^f \sigma + v(h) \sigma(p);$$

(iv) for a vector field $p \mapsto v(p)$ from $\mathbb{X}(N)$, the map $p \mapsto \nabla_{v(p)}^f \sigma$ is smooth for all $\sigma \in \Gamma_f(E)$;

(v) if $g : S \rightarrow N$ and $f : N \rightarrow M$ are smooth, then

$$\nabla_u^{f \circ g}(\sigma \circ g) = \nabla_{(dg)_u}^f \sigma,$$

$u \in TS$:



Home Problem 15.33. Prove that (ii) and (iii) give the linearity of ∇^f over \mathbb{K} in the second argument .

A related notion (in fact a reduction for $f = \text{Id} : M \rightarrow M$) is:

Definition 15.34. Let $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ be a smooth \mathbb{K} -vector bundle. A *covariant derivative* or *Koszul connection* is a map $\nabla : \mathbb{X}(M) \times \Gamma(M, E) \rightarrow \Gamma(M, E)$ (we write $\nabla(X, s) = \nabla_X s$) having the properties

- (i) $\nabla_{fX}s = f\nabla_X s$, for all $s \in \Gamma(M, E)$, $f \in C^\infty(M)$, $X \in \mathbb{X}(M)$;
- (ii) $\nabla_{X_1+X_2}s = \nabla_{X_1}s + \nabla_{X_2}s$ for any $s \in \Gamma(M, E)$, $X_1, X_2 \in \mathbb{X}(M)$;
- (iii) $\nabla_X(s_1 + s_2) = \nabla_X s_1 + \nabla_X s_2$ for all $s_1, s_2 \in \Gamma(M, E)$, $X \in \mathbb{X}(M)$;
- (iv) $\nabla_X(hs) = h\nabla_X s + X(h)s$ for all $s \in \Gamma(M, E)$, $f \in C^\infty(M)$, $X \in \mathbb{X}(M)$. ✓

Home Problem 15.35. Verify that this is a particular case.

Home Problem 15.36. Understand that an affine derivative of a vector field along a curve is a particular case of the above definitions.

Theorem 15.37. Suppose that $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ is a vector bundle with a connection \mathcal{H} and associated connector κ . For any smooth map $f : N \rightarrow M$ define the map $\nabla^f : TN \times \Gamma_f(E) \rightarrow \Gamma_f(E)$ by the formula

$$\nabla_v^f \sigma := \kappa((d\sigma)_p v) \quad \text{for } v \in T_p N, \quad \sigma \in \Gamma_f(E), \quad (29)$$

For a vector field V on N define $(\nabla_V^f \sigma)(p) := \nabla_{V(p)}^f \sigma$. Then ∇^f satisfies Definition 15.32.

In particular, for $f = \text{Id}_M$ we obtain a Koszul connection.

Conversely, if ∇ is a Koszul connection on $\pi : E \rightarrow M$, then we may define an (Ehresmann) connection by

$$\mathcal{H}_y := \{(ds)u - \underline{j}_y \nabla_u s | s \in \Gamma(M, E), s(\pi(y)) = y, u \in T_{\pi(y)} M\}$$

The initial Koszul connection can be restored by the formula $\nabla_v(s) = \kappa((ds)_p v)$, $v \in T_p M$.

$$\nabla = d\sigma(d\sigma v)$$

Proof. Since κ and $d\sigma$ are smooth bundle morphisms, the properties (i) and (iv) of Definition 15.32 follow immediately from the definition (29).

If $g : S \rightarrow N$ and $f : N \rightarrow M$ are smooth and $u \in TS$, then for each $\sigma \in \Gamma_f(E)$ we have

$$\nabla_u^{f \circ g}(\sigma \circ g) = \kappa(d(\sigma \circ g)u) = \kappa(d(\sigma)(\underbrace{(dg)u}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ TN}})) = \nabla_{\underbrace{(dg)u}}^f \sigma.$$

This gives (v) of Definition 15.32.

To prove (ii) use the formula for addition in terms of the tangent lift of $\alpha : (u, v) \mapsto u + v$,
 ~~$u, v \in T_p N$~~ . Consider $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Gamma_f(E)$, $u \in T_p N$, $u = [\gamma]$ for a smooth curve γ in N with
 $\gamma(0) = p$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (d\sigma_1)u \boxplus (d\sigma_2)u &= (d\alpha)((d\sigma_1)u, (d\sigma_2)u) = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_0 (\sigma_1 \circ \gamma + \sigma_2 \circ \gamma) \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_0 (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) \circ \gamma = d(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)u.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since κ is a bundle homomorphism along π_{TM} we have

$$\nabla_u^f(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) = \kappa(d(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)u) = \kappa((d\sigma_1)u \boxplus (d\sigma_2)u) = \nabla_u^f(\sigma_1) + \nabla_u^f(\sigma_2).$$

We have obtained (ii) of Definition 15.32.

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right\} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \quad \text{only 1}$$

Now, as above, let $u \in T_p N$ and $\sigma : N \rightarrow E$ is a section along a smooth map $f : N \rightarrow M$. We wish to find a formula for $d\mu : T\mathbb{R} \times TE \rightarrow TE$, where $\mu : \mathbb{R} \times E \rightarrow E$ is the scalar multiplication in the vector bundle $E \rightarrow M$. For this purpose consider $(a, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times E$ and $(b \frac{d}{dt}|_a, v_y) \in T_a \mathbb{R} \times T_y E$. Let us calculate first in two particular cases. Consider a smooth curve c in E with $c(0) = y$ and $\dot{c}(0) = v_y$, i.e. $v_y = [c]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (d\mu)(0_a, v_y) &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_0 \mu(a, c(t)) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_0 \mu_a(c(t)) \\ &= (d\mu_a)v_y = a \odot v_y, \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

where \odot is the scalar multiplication in the vector bundle structure of $TE \rightarrow TM$ as described in Problem 15.25.

Now let c be the curve in \mathbb{R} given by $c(t) := a + tb$ so that $c(0) = a$ and $\dot{c}(0) = b \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_a$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (d\mu) \left(b \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_a, 0_y \right) &= \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_0 \mu(c(t), y) = \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_0 ((a + bt)y) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_0 (ay + tby) = \mathbf{j}_{ay}(by). \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

From (31) and (32) we obtain

$$(d\mu) \left(b \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_a, v_y \right) = a \odot v_y + \mathbf{j}_{ay}(by). \tag{32}$$

Next suppose that $h \in C^\infty(N)$ and c is a curve in N with $c(0) = p$ and $\dot{c}(0) = u \in T_p N$. Then

$$(dh)_p u = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_0 h(c(t)) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right|_{h(c(0))} = \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial x^i} \right|_{c(0)} \left. \frac{dc^i}{dt} \right|_{\cancel{c}(0)} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right|_{h(c(0))} = u(h) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right|_{h(p)}, \quad (33)$$

where x^i are some coordinates, c is given by $x^i = c^i(t)$, and we write the partial derivative to emphasize that this is a basic vector related to coordinate system t .

To write the next formula we need to introduce the following notation: let $h \times \sigma : N \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times E$ denote the map $(h \times \sigma)(x) = (h(x), \sigma(x))$. Since κ is a bundle morphism, using its definition, (32) and (33) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla_u^f(h\sigma) &= \kappa(d(h\sigma)u) = \kappa(d(\mu \circ (h \times \sigma))u) = \kappa(d(\mu) \circ d(h \times \sigma)(u)) \\
&= \kappa d(\mu) \left(u(h) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Big|_{h(p)}, (d\sigma)u \right) \\
&= \kappa(h(p) \odot ((d\sigma)u) + \mathbf{j}_{h(p)\sigma(p)}(u(h)\sigma(p))) \\
&= h(p)\kappa((d\sigma)u) + u(h)\sigma(p) = h(p)\nabla_u^f\sigma + u(h)\sigma_p.
\end{aligned}$$

The remaining part to be proved as a problem. □

Problem 15.38. Prove the remaining statements

Class

We complete the study of Ehresmann connections by a brief mentioning of the following important case. In the case of a principal smooth G -bundle E over M the Ehresmann connection is supposed to be G -invariant, i.e. the second property (instead of homogeneity) is formulated as

$$\mathcal{H}_{eg} = d(R_g)_e \mathcal{H}_e,$$

where $e \in E$, $g \in G$ and R_g is the right action of G on E (see the definition of a principal bundle).