

Differential Geometry II: Analysis and Geometry on Manifolds

Exercise Sheet 8

(Parallel transport, Riemannian manifolds)

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Exercise 1

5 points

Let $M \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and consider the vector bundle $E = M \times \mathbb{R}^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, equipped with some connection ∇ . Show that (E, ∇) is trivial.

Exercise 2

5 points

Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold and $\tilde{g} = e^{2u}g$ for some smooth function $u: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Show that between the corresponding Levi-Civita connections the following relation holds:

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + du(X)Y + du(Y)X - g(X, Y)\text{grad } u.$$

Here $\text{grad } u \in \Gamma(TM)$ is the vector field uniquely determined by the condition $du(X) = g(\text{grad } u, X)$ for all $X \in \Gamma(TM)$.

Exercise 3

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Let $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold, ∇ its Levi-Civita connection. Show that there is a function $K \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(M)$ such that

$$R^\nabla(X, Y)Z = K(\langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y), \text{ for all } X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM).$$