

THE RIEMANNIAN CURVATURE TENSOR AND DIFFERENTIABLE SPACES

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Introduction

In this paper we consistently use the notion of differential space introduced by R. Sikorski [13], [15] and we treat the subject from this point of view. As follows from papers of P. Walczak [16], [17], for the particular case of differentiable spaces which appear in this paper, our approach is equivalent to that proposed by Aronszajn and Szeptycki [1] and developed in papers of C. Marshall and M. Breuer [2], [9], [10]. For all basic definitions we refer to Sikorski's papers [13], [15] or to a paper by Mostov [12], where a brief introduction to the theory of differentiable spaces is given.

If M is a differentiable space (for short a d -space), then $C^\infty(M)$ denotes the differential structure (for short the d -structure) of M . For a set $\{\beta_s\}$ of functions on M denote by $\text{Gen}\{\beta_s\}$ the smallest d -structure on M containing $\{\beta_s\}$. The union TM of all tangent spaces M_p to the d -space M has the natural d -structure $C^\infty(TM)$ called the *structure of the tangent d -space to M* (see [6]). If $C^\infty(M) = \text{Gen}\{\beta_s\}$, then $C^\infty(TM) = \text{Gen}(\{\beta_s \circ \pi\} \cup \{d\beta_s\})$, where $\pi: TM \rightarrow M$ is the natural projection and

$$d\beta_s(v) := v(\beta_s) \quad \text{for any } v \in TM.$$

Denote by TTM the tangent d -space to TM and let TM_v^\perp , where $v \in TM$, denotes the set $\{V \in TTM; \pi_* V = 0\}$, where $\pi_*: TTM \rightarrow TM$ is the tangent mapping to π .

Below, by a Euclidean space E^n we mean the set of all real n -sequences $p = (p^i) = (p^1, \dots, p^n)$ with the usual scalar product. If it is convenient, the points of $E^n \times E^m$ (resp. E^{2n} , E^{3n} , etc.) are denoted by (p^i, q^j) (resp. (p^i, q^i) , (p^i, q^i, w^i) , etc.). For $0 < n \leq m$ the Euclidean space E^n is identified with the subspace of E^m spanned by the first n coordinate axes.

Let $f \in C^\infty(E^n)$, $h = (h^i) \in E^n$, $h' = (h'^i) \in E^n$ and $p \in E^n$. We denote

$$\partial_h f(p) := \sum_{i=1}^n f_{,i}(p) h^i,$$

$$\partial_{h'} \partial_h f(p) := \sum_{i,j=1}^n f_{,ij}(p) h^i h'^j,$$

$$\partial_h^2 f(p) := \partial_h \partial_h f(p),$$

where $f_{,i}(p)$, $f_{,ij}(p)$ denote the respective partial derivatives.

In this paper, by a d -space we mean a space which is, up to an imbedding, a differentiable subspace (for short a d -subspace) of a certain Euclidean space. In [2], [4], [11] it was proved that if a d -space M is Lindelöf, as a topological space, and each point $p \in M$ has a neighbourhood U_p , which may be imbedded in E^n , i.e., $\dim M \leq n$, then M may be imbedded in E^{2n+1} . For a point p of a d -space M we denote by $\mathcal{M}_p M$ the set of all imbeddings x of an open neighbourhood U_x of p into E^n , where $n = \dim M_p$ (we define E^0 as the d -space consisting of 1 point). It can be proved (see [4]) that $\mathcal{M}_p M \neq \emptyset$.

We define the mapping $j: TE^n \rightarrow E^n$ by the formula

$$\underline{j}(v) := (v(\pi^i)) \quad \text{for any } v \in TE^n,$$

where π^1, \dots, π^n denote the canonical projections on coordinate axes. The mapping $TE^n \ni v \mapsto (\pi(v), \underline{j}(v)) \in E^n \times E^n$ is a diffeomorphism (see [6]).

Let M be a d -subspace of E^n and let $\underline{j}: M \rightarrow E^n$ denote the inclusion mapping. The set $C^\infty(M) = \text{Gen} \{\pi^i|_M\}$ consists of all functions $\alpha|_M$ where α is a C^∞ -function on an open neighbourhood U of M . We denote

$$\underline{v} := \underline{j} \circ \underline{j}_*(v) = (v(\pi^i|_M)) \in E^n \quad \text{for any } v \in M_p,$$

$$\underline{M}_p := \underline{j}(M_p) \subset E^n \quad \text{for any } p \in M,$$

$$\underline{TM} := \{(\pi(v), \underline{v}) \in E^n \times E^n; v \in TM\}.$$

It can be proved [4], [10] that $\underline{M}_p = \{h \in E^n; \partial_h \alpha(p) = 0 \text{ for any } \alpha \in C^\infty(E^n), \alpha|_M = \text{const}\}$.

The mapping $TM \ni v \mapsto (\pi(v), \underline{j} \circ \underline{j}_*(v)) \in \underline{TM} \subset E^n \times E^n$ is the natural diffeomorphism of the d -space TM and the d -subspace \underline{TM} of E^{2n} . Thus, in the above manner, the tangent differential space TTM to TM may be identified with the d -subspace $\underline{TTM} (:= T(\underline{TM}))$ of E^{4n} , and TM_v , where $v \in TM$, may be identified with the corresponding linear subspace $\underline{TM}_v (:= (\underline{TM})_v)$ of E^{2n} . These identifications are given by the formulas:

$$TM_v \ni V \mapsto (V(\pi^i \circ \pi), V(d(\pi^i|_M))) \in \underline{TM}_v \subset E^{2n},$$

$$TTM \ni (v, V) \mapsto (\pi(v), \underline{v}, V(\pi^i \circ \pi), V(d(\pi^i|_M))) \in \underline{TTM} \subset E^{4n}.$$

Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$, $n := \dim M_p$ and $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ (note that $x: U_x \rightarrow E^n$). For brevity we denote

$$\underline{x}_* \underline{M}_p := \underline{j} \circ \underline{x}_*(M_p) \quad \text{for any } p \in M,$$

$$\partial_h^i \alpha(p)|_x := \partial_{\underline{x}_* h}^i \alpha(x(p)) \quad \text{for any } p \in M, h \in M_p, \alpha \in C^\infty(E^n), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

We write $\partial_h \alpha(p)|_x$ instead of $\partial_h^1 \alpha(p)|_x$.

It is not difficult to verify that a sequence (v_n) of elements TM converges to a vector $v \in TM$ (in the topology of the tangent d -space, see [6]) if and only if for a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_{\pi(v)}M$ we have

$$x \circ \pi(v) = \lim_n x\pi(v_n),$$

$$\underline{x_*v} = \lim_n \underline{x_*v_n}.$$

§ 1. The second tangent space to a d -space

PROPOSITION 1.1. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$ and $v \in M_p$. The vector spaces M_p and TM_v^1 are isomorphic.*

In fact, the isomorphism $I: M_p \rightarrow TM_v^1$ may be defined as follows:

$$(Iw)(\alpha \circ \pi) := 0,$$

$$(Iw)(d\alpha) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} (d\alpha(v + \varepsilon w) - d\alpha(v))/\varepsilon,$$

for any $v \in M_p$ and any $\alpha \in C^\infty(M)$.

COROLLARY 1.1. *We have*

- (a) $\dim TM_v^1 = \dim M_p$ for any $v \in M_p$.
- (b) $\dim TM_v = \dim M_p + \dim(\pi_* TM_v)$.

PROPOSITION 1.2. *For any d -subspace M of E^n , any point $p \in M$ and any $v \in M_p$ the following relations holds:*

- (1) $\pi_* \underline{V} = (V(\pi^i \circ \pi)) \in E^n$ for any $V \in TM_v$,
- (2) $(V(d(\pi^i|M))) \in \underline{M}_p \subset E^n$ for any $V \in TM_v^1$,

where $\pi^i: E^n \rightarrow E$ is the projection on the i -th coordinate axis.

Proof. The proof of (1) is trivial. For the proof of (2) take a vector $V \in TM_v$ and denote $(V(d(\pi^i|M))) \in E^n$ by h . From the proof of Proposition 1.1 it follows that there exists a vector $w \in M_p$ such that

$$V(\beta) = (Iw)(\beta) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} (d\beta(v + \varepsilon w) - d\beta(v))/\varepsilon$$

for any $\beta \in TM$. For $\alpha \in C^\infty(E^n, M)$ we obtain

$$V(d\alpha) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} ((v + \varepsilon w)(\alpha|M) - v(\alpha|M))/\varepsilon = w(\alpha|M) = 0.$$

Because $d(\alpha|M) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{,i} \circ \pi d(\pi^i|M)$, we have

$$0 = V(d(\alpha|M)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{,i}(p) V(d(\pi^i|M)) = \partial_h \alpha(p).$$

Thus $h \in M_p \in E^n$ by an arbitrary choice of $\alpha \in C^\infty(E^n, M)$. ■

The following example shows that, contrary to the case of a manifold, the equality

$$\dim TM_v = \dim TM_{v'} \quad \text{if } v, v' \in M_p$$

does not always hold.

EXAMPLE 1.1. Consider a d -space $M := \{0\} \cup \{1/n; n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ of E . Then $\dim M_0 = 1$ and $\dim M_x = 0$ for other points x of M . Therefore

$$\underline{TM} = \{(1/n, 0) \in E^2; n = 1, 2, \dots\} \cup \{(0, y); y \in E\}$$

and

$$\underline{T\underline{TM}} = \{(1/n, 0, 0, 0); n = 1, 2, \dots\} \cup \{(0, y, 0, \eta); 0 \neq y \in E, \eta \in E\} \cup \\ \cup \{(0, 0, \xi, \eta); \xi, \eta \in E\}.$$

Thus $\dim TM_{(0,0)} = 2 \neq 1 = \dim TM_{(0,1)}$.

PROPOSITION 1.3. Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$, $v \in TM$. Then

$$\pi_*(TM_v) = \pi_*(TM_{\alpha v})$$

for any real $\alpha \neq 0$.

In fact, the mapping $TM \ni v \rightarrow \alpha v \in TM$ is a diffeomorphism for any $\alpha \neq 0$.

PROPOSITION 1.4. Let X be a smooth vector field on a d -space M and $p \in M$. Then

$$\pi_* TM_{X(p)} = M_p.$$

Proof. According to [6], the vector field X can be identified with a smooth mapping $X: M \rightarrow TM$ such that $\pi \circ X = \text{id}_M$; so $\pi_* \circ X_*(M_p) = M_p$. ■

COROLLARY 1.2. Let 0 be the zero-vector of M_p . Then

$$\pi_*(TM)_0 = M_p.$$

DEFINITION. A point p of a d -space M is called *regular* if there exists an open neighbourhood U of p such that

$$\dim M_q = \dim M_p$$

for any $q \in U$. The set of all regular points of M we denote by M_- .

It can be proved (see [6], [10]) that

1° M_- is an open and dense subset of M ,

2° $p \in M_-$ iff any vector $v \in M_p$ can be extended to a smooth vector field X on M .

COROLLARY 1.3. We have

(a) $M_p = \pi_*(TM_v)$ for any $p \in M_-$ and any $v \in M_p$.

(b) The set $\{p \in M; M_p = \pi_*(TM_v) \text{ for any } v \in M_p\}$ contains an open and dense subset of M .

PROPOSITION 1.5. *Let M be a d -space and $v \in TM$. The following two conditions are equivalent:*

(a) $\pi_*(TM_v) \neq \{0\}$,

(b) *There exists a sequence (v_n) of elements of TM such that $\lim v_n = v$ and $\pi(v_n) \neq \pi(v)$.*

Proof. It is sufficient to consider the particular case where M is a d -subspace of E^n and $n = \dim M_{\pi(v)}$. Suppose (b) and denote $p := \pi(v)$, $p_n := \pi(v_n)$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Passing if necessary, to a subsequence, we may assume that the sequence $((p - p_n)/|p - p_n|)$ converges (in E^n) to a limit $h (\neq 0)$. Note that

$$\partial_{(h,0)} \alpha(p, v) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha(p, v_n) - \alpha(p_n, v_n)) / |p - p_n|$$

for any $\alpha \in C^\infty(E^{2n})$, and $\partial_{(h,0)} \alpha(p, v) = 0$ if $\alpha|_{TM} = \text{const}$. Consequently $(h, 0) \in TM_v$ and $\pi_* TM_v \neq \{0\}$.

Suppose that (b) is not satisfied, i.e., there exists an open neighbourhood U of v in TM such that $TM \cap U \subset M_p$. Consequently, if $\alpha \in C^\infty(M)$, then $\alpha \circ \pi(w) = \text{const} = \alpha(v)$ for any $w \in U$. Hence, for any vector $V \in TM_v$ we get $\pi_* V(\alpha) = V(\alpha \circ \pi) = 0$; so (a) cannot be satisfied. ■

§ 2. The set $\mathcal{P}(TM)$

We define $C_p^\infty := C^\infty(E^n)$, $C_{p,x} := \{\alpha \in C^\infty(E^n); \alpha|_x(U_x) = 0\}$ and $\partial_h^2 \alpha(p)|_x := \partial_{x,h}^2 \alpha(x, p)$ for any $\alpha \in C_p^\infty$, $h \in M_p$.

NOTATION. Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$ and $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$. We denote

$$\mathcal{P}_x M_p := \{h \in M_p; \partial_h^2 \alpha(p)|_x = 0 \text{ for any } \alpha \in C_{p,x}^\infty\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}M_p := \bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{M}_p M} \mathcal{P}_x M_p,$$

$$\mathcal{P}TM := \bigcup_{p \in M} \mathcal{P}M_p,$$

$$\mathcal{P}M := \{p \in M; M_p = \mathcal{P}M_p\}.$$

PROPOSITION 2.1. *For any d -space M and any vector $v \in TM$ the following inclusion holds:*

$$TM_v^\perp \subset \mathcal{P}(TM_v).$$

In fact, from the proof of Proposition 1.2, for any $V \in TM_v^\perp$, follows the existence of a smooth curve $c: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow TM$ such that $c(0) = v$ and $\dot{c}(0) = V$. By [8] V belongs to $\mathcal{P}(TM_v)$.

COROLLARY 2.1. *If V_1 and V_2 are vectors of $\mathcal{P}(TM_v)$ such that $\pi_* V_1 = \pi_* V_2$, then $\text{span}\{V_1, V_2\} \subset \mathcal{P}(TM_v)$.*

Proof. The only interesting case is that of $\dim(\text{span}\{V_1, V_2\}) = 2$ and $\pi_* V_i \neq 0$. As $V_1 - V_2 \in TM_v^\perp \subset \mathcal{P}TM_v$, the plane $\text{span}\{V_1, V_2\}$ contains three vectors such

that any two of them are linearly independent. Thus $\text{span}\{V_1, V_2\} \subset \mathcal{PTM}_v$ (see [8]). ■

PROPOSITION 2.2. *Let p be a point of a d -subspace M of E^n , let (p_n, v_n) be a sequence of elements of TM tending to $(p, v) \in \underline{TM}$, $p \neq p_n$ for any n and let*

$$h = \lim((p_n - p)/|p_n - p|) \in E^n.$$

Then $(p, h) \in \pi_(\mathcal{PTM}_v)$.*

Proof. From [8] it follows that there exists a subsequence (p_{n_i}, v_{n_i}) such that the vector

$$\underline{V} = \lim((p_{n_i} - p, v_{n_i} - v) / \sqrt{|p_{n_i} - p|^2 + |v_{n_i} - v|^2})$$

belongs to \mathcal{PTM}_v . Now notice that there exists a number c such that $(p, ch) = \pi_* \underline{V}$.

PROPOSITION 2.3. *Let p be a regular point of a d -space M . Then $\pi_*(\mathcal{PTM}_v) = M_p$ for any $v \in M_p$.*

In fact, if $\dim N_p = n$ for any $p \in N$, then $\dim TN_v = 2n$ for any $v \in TN$; hence, $T(TN) = \mathcal{PTN}$ (see [8]), which implies the above statement.

COROLLARY 2.2. *The set $\{p; \pi_*(\mathcal{PTM}_v) = M_p \text{ for any } v \in M_p\}$ contains a dense and open subset of M .*

In fact, the subset M_- of M is open and dense in M .

§ 3. First and second derivatives of the coefficients of a Riemannian metric

Let U an open subset in E^n , $W \subset U$. We denote by $Q(U, W)$ the set of all smooth functions $\omega(q, v)$ on $TU = U \times E^n$ such that

$$(*) \quad \omega(q, \alpha v) = \alpha^2 \omega(q, v)$$

for any $(q, v) \in U \times E^n$ and any real $\alpha \geq 0$,

$$(**) \quad \omega(q, v) = 0 \quad \text{for any } (q, v) \in \underline{TW} \subset U \times E^n.$$

Denote by $Q(U)$ the set of all functions satisfying only (*).

If M is a d -space, $p \in M$, $n = \dim M_p$ and $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$, then we denote by $Q_{p,x}$, Q_p the sets $Q(E^n, x(U_x))$ and $Q(E^n)$, respectively. It can be proved [8] that each $\omega \in Q(E^n)$ is a smooth quadratic form on E^n , i.e., there exist $\omega_{ij} \in C^\infty(E^n)$ such that $\omega(x, y) = \sum \omega_{ij}(x) y^i y^j$.

DEFINITION 3.1. Let p be a point of a d -space M . For a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ we denote by $\mathcal{F}_x M_p$ (resp. $\mathcal{S}_x M_p$) the set of all pairs $(h, v) \in M_p \times M_p$ such that

$$\partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x := \partial_{\underline{x}, \underline{h}} \omega(x(p), \underline{x} * \underline{v}) = 0$$

(resp.

$$\partial_h^2 \omega(p, v)|_x := \partial_{\underline{x}, \underline{h}}^2 \omega(x(p), \underline{x} * \underline{v}) = 0)$$

for any $\omega \in Q_{p,x}$. We set

$$\mathcal{F}M_p := \bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{M}_p M} \mathcal{F}_x M_p, \quad \mathcal{S}M_p := \bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{M}_p M} \mathcal{S}_x M_p, \quad \mathcal{F}M := \{p \in M; M_p \times M_p = \mathcal{F}M_p\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{S}M := \{p \in M; M_p \times M_p = \mathcal{S}M_p\}.$$

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let M and N be d -spaces, let $f: M \rightarrow N$ be a diffeomorphism and $p \in M$. Then $(h, v) \in \mathcal{F}M_p$ ($\in \mathcal{S}M_p$) if and only if $(f_* h, f_* v) \in \mathcal{F}N_{f(p)}$ ($\in \mathcal{S}N_{f(p)}$). Consequently, the equalities $f(\mathcal{F}M) = \mathcal{F}N$ and $f(\mathcal{S}M) = \mathcal{S}N$ hold.*

PROPOSITION 3.2. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$ and $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$. Then:*

- (a) $\mathcal{F}M_p = \mathcal{F}_x M_p$,
- (b) If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $\mathcal{S}_x M_p = \mathcal{S}M_p$.

The proof is obtained by straightforward calculations.

COROLLARY 3.1. *Let N be a d -subspace of M , $p \in N$ and $x \in \mathcal{M}_p N$. Then $\mathcal{F}_x N_p \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$ and $\mathcal{F}N_p \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$. If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $\mathcal{S}_x N_p \subset \mathcal{S}M_p$.*

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M_p$ and $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$. Then $\mathcal{S}_x M_p \subset \mathcal{F}_x M_p$. Consequently $\mathcal{S}M_p \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$.*

Proof. Let $n = \dim M_p > 0$, $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}_x M_p$ and $\omega \in Q_{p,x}$. We show that $\partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x = 0$. Denote by $(\cdot | \cdot)$ the scalar product in E^n . It is evident that the function $\omega': E^n \times E^n \rightarrow E$ defined by the formula

$$\omega'(\xi, u) := \omega(\xi, u)(\xi|_{x_*} h) \quad \text{for any } (\xi, u) \in E^n \times E^n$$

belongs to $Q_{p,x}$. As $\partial_h^2 \omega(p, v)|_x = 0$ for any $v \in M_p$, we obtain

$$0 = \partial_h^2 \omega'(p, v)|_x = 2(h|h) \partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x$$

for any $v \in M_p$; hence $\partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x = 0$. ■

COROLLARY 3.2. $\mathcal{S}M \subset \mathcal{F}M$ for any d -space M .

COROLLARY 3.3. *If there exists a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ such that $\mathcal{S}_x M_p = M_p \times M_p$, then $p \in \mathcal{S}M$.*

PROPOSITION 3.4. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$, $(U, x) \in \mathcal{M}_p M$, $\dim M_p = n$.*

(a) *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- 1° $p \in \mathcal{F}M$.
- 2° If g and g' are two Riemannian metrics on E^n such that

$$(1) \quad x^* g = x^* g',$$

then

$$g_{,i}(x(p))(v, w) = 0$$

for any $(v, w) \in E^n$ and $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

(b) *The following two conditions are equivalent:*

- 3° $p \in \mathcal{S}M$.

4° If g and g' are two Riemannian metrics on E^n satisfying (1), then

$$g_{,ij}(x(p))(v, w) = 0$$

for any $(v, w) \in E^n$ and any $i, j, 1 \leq i, j \leq n$.

Proof. We omit the details of the proof, which is straightforward. In the following we need only the implications $1^\circ \Rightarrow 2^\circ$ and $3^\circ \Rightarrow 4^\circ$. To show them, it is sufficient to notice that for two Riemannian metrics g, g' on E^n satisfying (1) the map

$$\omega(E^n \times E^n \ni (q, v) \mapsto (g - g')(q)(v, v))$$

belongs to $Q(E^n, x(U))$. Hence, if $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (g_{,i} - g'_{,i})(x(p))(v, w) &= \frac{1}{2}(\omega_{,i}(x(p))(v+w) - \omega_{,i}(x(p))(v) - \omega_{,i}(x(p))(w)) = 0, \\ (g_{,ij} - g'_{,ij})(x(p))(v, w) &= \frac{1}{2}(\omega_{,ij}(x(p))(v+w) - \omega_{,ij}(x(p))(v) - \omega_{,ij}(x(p))(w)) = 0. \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 3.1. Let M be a d -subspace of E^n , $p \in M$, $n = \dim M_p$, and let N and N' be two submanifolds of E^n of dimensions less than n and such that $p \in N \cap N'$.

(a) If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then for every $\omega \in Q(E^n, M - N)$

$$(2) \quad \omega(p, u) = 0 \quad \text{for any } u \in E^n.$$

(b) If $p \in \mathcal{S}M$, then for every $\omega \in Q(E^n, M - N \cap N')$

$$(3) \quad \omega(p, v) = 0 \quad \text{for any } v \in E^n.$$

Proof. Let $f, f' \in C^\infty(E^n)$ be such that $N \subset f^{-1}(0)$, $N' \subset f'^{-1}(0)$ and there exist vectors $h, h' \in M_p$ such that $h(f|M) = \partial_h f(p) \neq 0$, $h'(f'|M) = \partial_{h'} f(p) \neq 0$.

(a): Take $\omega \in Q(E^n, M - N)$ and put $\tilde{\omega}(q, u) := f(q)\omega(q, u)$ for any $(q, u) \in E^n \times E^n$. If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $\{h\} \times M_p \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$, so $\partial_h \tilde{\omega}(p, \underline{v}) = \partial_h f(p)\omega(p, \underline{v}) + f(p)\partial_h \omega(p, \underline{v}) = 0$ for any $\underline{v} \in M_p = E^n$. As $f(p) = 0$, we obtain (2).

(b): Take $\omega \in Q(E^n, M - (N \cup N'))$ and put

$$(4) \quad \tilde{\omega}(q, \underline{v}) := f(q)f'(q)\omega(q, \underline{v}) \quad \text{for any } (q, \underline{v}) \in E^n \times E^n.$$

If $p \in \mathcal{S}M$, then

$$\partial_h^2 \tilde{\omega}(p, \underline{v}) = 0 \quad \text{for any } \underline{v} \in M_p = E^n.$$

From (4) and the above equality we immediately obtain (3). \blacksquare

As a consequence of the above lemma we obtain

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let M be a d -subspace of E^n , $n = \dim M_p$, and let g, g' be two Riemannian metrics on E^n such that

$$\underline{j}^*g = \underline{j}^*g',$$

where $\underline{j}: M - \{p\} \rightarrow E^n$ denotes the inclusion mapping. If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then

$$g(p) = g'(p).$$

PROPOSITION 3.6. *Let M be a d -subspace of E^n , $p \in M$, $m = \dim M_p$, and let N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4 be m -dimensional submanifolds in E^n such that $\{p\} = N_1 \cap N_2 \cap N_3 \cap N_4$ and no two of them have any other common points than p .*

(a) *If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $M \not\subset N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3$.*

(b) *If $p \in \mathcal{S}M$, then $M \not\subset N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3 \cup N_4$.*

Proof. Without loss of generality we may assume that there exist functions $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \in C^\infty(E^n)$ satisfying

$$(4') \quad \begin{aligned} N_i &\subset f_i^{-1}(0) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, 4, \\ \text{grad } f_i(q) &:= (f_{i,1}(q), \dots, f_{i,n}(q)) \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ and every $q \in E^n$. Put

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(q, u) &:= (\text{grad } f_1(q)|u)(\text{grad } f_2(q)|u)f_3(q), \\ \omega(q, u) &:= (\text{grad } f_1(q)|u)(\text{grad } f_2(q)|u)f_3(q)f_4(q), \end{aligned}$$

for any $(q, u) \in E^n \times E^n$, where $(|)$ denotes the scalar product in E^n . Now put $h_i := \text{grad } f_i(p)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Note that it is always possible to choose f_1 and f_3 in a such way that

$$(5) \quad (h_1|h_2) \geq 0,$$

$$(6) \quad (h_3|h_4) \geq 0.$$

For $v := h_1 + h_2$ and $h := h_3 + h_4$, after easy calculations and considering (5), (6), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{h_3} \omega(p, v) &= (h_1|h_1 + h_2)(h_2|h_1 + h_2)(h_3|h_3) \neq 0, \\ \partial_h^2 \tilde{\omega}(p, v) &= (h_1|h_1 + h_2)(h_2|h_1 + h_2)(h_3|h_3 + h_4)(h_4|h_3 + h_4) \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(note that $f_3(p) = f_4(p) = 0$). From (4') it follows that $\omega \in Q(E^n, N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3)$ and $\tilde{\omega} \in Q(E^n, N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3 \cup N_4)$; hence, if $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $M \not\subset N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3$ and, if $p \in \mathcal{S}M$, then $M \not\subset N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3 \cup N_4$. ■

EXAMPLE 3.1. This example shows that the assumption that $p \in M$ in Proposition 3.2 (b) is essential. Let $M = \{(\zeta, \eta); \zeta\eta = 0\}$ be a d -subspace of E^2 , and $p = (0, 0)$. Let $i: M \rightarrow E^2$ denote the inclusion mapping and let $x: M \rightarrow E^2$ be defined as $(\zeta, \eta) \mapsto (\zeta, \eta + \zeta^2)$. Consider $v \in M_p$ such that $\underline{v} = (1, 0)$. It is obvious that $(v, v) \in \mathcal{S}_i M_p$, but $(v, v) \notin \mathcal{S}_x M_p$ because $E^2 \times E^2 \ni ((\zeta, \eta)(\zeta', \eta')) \mapsto (\eta - \zeta^2)(\zeta')^2$ belongs to $Q_{p,x}$ and $\partial_v^2 \omega(v)|_x = -2$. In this case

$$\mathcal{F}M_p = \{((0, a), (0, 0)); a \in E\} \cup \{(a, 0), (a, 0); a \in E\}.$$

§ 4. Algebraic criteria

Let V be a real vector space. For any non-empty subset W of V we denote by $\text{span } W$ the smallest vector subspace of V containing W . By $v \otimes w$ we shall denote the tensor product and by $v \odot w (= v \otimes w + w \otimes v)$ the symmetric product of vectors $v, w \in V$. Consequently, $V \otimes V$ ($V \odot V$) denotes the tensor product (the symmetric product) of V .

PROPOSITION 4.1. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$, $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ and let*

$$\varphi: M_p \times M_p \rightarrow M_p \otimes (M_p \odot M_p), \quad \psi: M_p \times M_p \rightarrow (M_p \odot M_p) \otimes (M_p \odot M_p)$$

be mappings defined as follows:

$$\varphi(h, v) := h \otimes (v \odot v) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi(h, v) := (h \odot h) \otimes (v \odot v)$$

for any $(h, v) \in M_p \times M_p$. Then:

- (1) $\varphi^{-1}(\text{span } \varphi(\mathcal{F}_x M_p)) = \mathcal{F}_x M_p$,
- (2) $\psi^{-1}(\text{span } \psi(\mathcal{S}_x M_p)) = \mathcal{S}_x M_p$.

Proof. We prove equality (1). The proof of (2) is similar. We should prove the inclusion

$$(3) \quad \varphi^{-1}(\text{span } \varphi(\mathcal{F}_x M_p)) \subset \mathcal{F}_x M_p.$$

Let us take $\omega \in Q_{p,x}$ and notice that the mapping $\Omega: M_p \times M_p \times M_p \rightarrow E$ defined by the formula

$$\Omega(h, v, w) := \frac{1}{2}(\partial_h \omega(p, v+w)|_x - \partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x - \partial_h \omega(p, w)|_x)$$

for any $(h, v, w) \in M_p \times M_p \times M_p$ is 3-linear on M_p and symmetric with respect to v, w . Consequently, there exists linear mapping $\tilde{\Omega}: M_p \otimes (M_p \odot M_p) \rightarrow E$ satisfying the equality

$$\Omega(h, v, w) = \tilde{\Omega}(h \otimes v \odot w) \quad \text{for any } h, v, w \in M_p.$$

Now one should notice that $\partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x = \Omega(h, v, v)$ for any $h, v \in M_p$; hence

$$(4) \quad \partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x = \Omega \circ \varphi(h, v) \quad \text{for any } h, v \in M_p.$$

If $(h, v) \in \varphi^{-1}(\text{span } \varphi(\mathcal{F}_x M_p))$, then there exist a collection $\alpha^1, \dots, \alpha^s$ of real numbers and a collection $(h_1, v_1), \dots, (h_s, v_s)$ of elements of $\mathcal{F}_x M_p$ such that

$$\varphi(h, v) = \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha^i \varphi(h_i, v_i).$$

Therefore, from (4) it follows that

$$\partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x = \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha^i \tilde{\Omega} \circ \varphi(h_i, v_i) = \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha^i \partial_{h_i} \omega(p, v_i)|_x = 0.$$

As $\omega \in Q_{p,x}$ and $(h, v) \in \varphi^{-1}(\text{span } \varphi(\mathcal{F}_x M_p))$ were chosen arbitrarily, the above equality implies (3). ■

In the following corollaries we assume that p is a point of a d -space M such that $n := \dim M_p > 0$.

COROLLARY 4.1. *We have $p \in \mathcal{F}M$ (resp. $p \in \mathcal{S}M$) if and only if there exists a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ and a collection (h_i, v_i) of $n^2(n+1)/2$ (resp. $n^2(n+1)^2/4$) of elements of $\mathcal{F}_x M_p$ (resp. $\mathcal{S}_x M_p$) such that the set $\{h_i \otimes v_i \odot v_i\}$ (resp. $\{h_i \odot h_i \otimes v_i \odot v_i\}$) forms a basis of $M_p \otimes M_p \odot M_p$ (resp. of $M_p \odot M_p \otimes M_p \odot M_p$).*

COROLLARY 4.2. *If $(h_i, v) \in \mathcal{F}M_p$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$, then $(\text{span}\{h_i; i = 1, \dots, k\}) \times \{v\} \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$.*

COROLLARY 4.3. *If $(h_i, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $\text{span}(h_i \odot h_i) = \text{span}\{h_i\} \odot \text{span}\{h_i\}$, then $(\text{span}\{h_i\}) \times \{v\} \subset \mathcal{S}M_p$.*

COROLLARY 4.4. *Let π be a 2-dimensional linear subspace of M_p . If*

- (i) $(h, v_i) \in \mathcal{F}M_p$ (resp. $\in \mathcal{S}M_p$) for $i = 1, 2, 3$,
- (ii) $\text{span}\{v_1\} \cap \text{span}\{v_2\} \cap \text{span}\{v_3\} = \{0\}$,
- (iii) $0 \neq v_i \in \pi$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$,

then

$$\{h\} \times \pi \subset \mathcal{F}M_p \quad (\subset \mathcal{S}M_p).$$

Proof. If the assumptions are satisfied, then $\text{span}\{v_i \odot v_i\} = \pi \odot \pi$. Hence if $\{(h, v_i)\} \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\{h\} \times \pi) &= \{h\} \otimes \pi \odot \pi = \{h\} \otimes \text{span}\{v_i \odot v_i\} \\ &= \text{span}\{h \otimes v_i \odot v_i\} \subset \text{span}\varphi(\mathcal{F}M_p) \subset \varphi(\mathcal{F}M_p). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we obtain the inclusion

$$\psi(\{h\} \times \pi) \subset \psi(\mathcal{S}M_p).$$

By (1) and (2) this completes the proof. ■

§ 5. Relations among $\pi_* TM_v$, $\mathcal{P}M_p$, $\mathcal{S}M_p$ and $\mathcal{F}M_p$

PROPOSITION 5.1. *For any point p of a d -space M the following conditions hold:*

- (a) *If $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$, $v \neq 0$, then $h \in \mathcal{P}M_p$.*
- (b) *$\mathcal{S}M \subset \mathcal{P}M$.*

Proof. Let $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$, $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$, $n = \dim M_p$ and $(\cdot | \cdot)$ denote the scalar product in E^n . For any $\varphi \in C_{p,x}^\infty$ the mapping $\omega: E^n \times E^n \rightarrow E$ defined by

$$\omega(q, w) := \varphi(q)(w|w) \quad \text{for any } (q, w) \in E^n \times E^n,$$

is an element of $Q_{p,x}$. Hence

$$0 = \partial_h^2 \omega(p, v)|_x = \partial_h^2 \varphi(p)|_x (x_* v | x_* v),$$

which proves (a). Condition (b) follows immediately from (a). ■

LEMMA 5.1. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$ and $(h, v) \in M_p \times M_p$.*

(a) *If $h \in \pi_* TM_v$, then $(h, v) \in \mathcal{F}M_p$.*

(b) *If*

- (1) $p \in \mathcal{F}M$,
- (2) $h \in \pi_* \mathcal{P}TM_v$,

then

- (3) $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$.

Proof. It will be convenient and involve no loss of generality to consider the case where M is a d -subspace of E^n , $n = \dim M_p$. Take $\omega \in Q(E^n, M)$. Then

$$(4) \quad \omega(p, u) = 0 \quad \text{for any } u \in E^n.$$

Now notice that ω may be interpreted as a function on $E^n \times E^n$ and then it satisfies the condition

$$(5) \quad \omega|_{TM} = 0.$$

(a): Assume that $h \in \pi_* TM_v$, i.e., that there exists a vector $H \in TM_v$ such that

$$\underline{H} = (\underline{h}, \underline{V}) \in \underline{TM}_v \subset E^n \times E^n.$$

From (5) we get

$$0 = \partial_{\underline{H}} \omega(p, \underline{v}) = \omega(p, \underline{v} + \underline{V}) - \omega(p, \underline{v}) - \omega(p, \underline{V}) + \partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{v}).$$

By virtue of (4), it follows that

$$0 = \partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{v}) = \partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{v})|_{\underline{i}},$$

where $\underline{i}: M \rightarrow E^n$ stands for the inclusion mapping. As $\omega \in Q(E^n, M)$ was chosen arbitrarily, we obtain $(h, v) \in \mathcal{F}_i M_p$ (for the last equality see Proposition 3.2).

(b): Let (1) and (2) be satisfied, i.e., there exists a vector $H \in \mathcal{P}TM_v$ such that

$$(6) \quad \underline{H} = (\underline{h}, \underline{V}) \in \mathcal{P}\underline{TM}_v$$

and

$$(7) \quad \partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{u}) = \partial_{\underline{u}} \omega(p, \underline{v}) = 0 \quad \text{for any } \underline{u} \in E^n.$$

By virtue of (7) and (5), there exists a C^∞ -curve $(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \ni t \mapsto (p(t), v(t)) \in E^n \times E^n$ such that $(c(0), u(0)) = (p, \underline{v})$, $(\dot{c}(0), \dot{u}(0)) = (\underline{h}, \underline{V})$, where dots denote derivatives with respect to the parameter t , and

$$d^2 \omega \circ (c, u) / dt^2(0) = 0.$$

According to the last equality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\underline{h}}^2 \omega(p, \underline{v}) + 2\partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{v} + \underline{V}) - 2\partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{v}) - 2\partial_{\underline{h}} \omega(p, \underline{V}) + \\ + \partial_{\dot{c}(0)} \omega(p, \underline{V}) + 2\omega(p, \underline{V}) + \omega(p, \underline{v} + \ddot{u}(0)) - \omega(p, \underline{v}) - \omega(p, \ddot{u}(0)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now considering (4), (7) we get

$$\partial_{\underline{h}}^2 \omega(p, \underline{v}) = 0.$$

By virtue of Proposition 3.2, the above equality implies (3). ■

PROPOSITION 5.2. *Let p be a point of a d -space M . Then:*

(a) $\{(h, v); h \in \pi_* TM_v, v \in M_p\} \subset \mathcal{F}M_p$.

(b) *If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $\{(h, v); h \in \pi_* \mathcal{P}TM_v, v \in M_p\} \subset \mathcal{S}M_p$.*

COROLLARY 5.1. *Let M be a d -space. Then:*

(a) $M_- \subset \mathcal{S}M \cap \mathcal{P}M$.

(b) $\mathcal{S}M \cap \mathcal{P}M$ contains an open and dense subset of M .

§ 6. Limit criteria

Let $|\cdot|$ denote the Euclid n norm in E^n . For a d -space M and $p \in M$, denote by $\mathcal{L}M_p$ the set of all pairs $(h, v) \in M_p \times M_p$ such that there exists a sequence (v_n) of elements of TM and a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} p &\neq \pi v_n \quad \text{for any } n, \\ v &= \lim v_n, \\ \underline{x}_* \underline{h} &= \lim_n (x(\pi v_n) - x(p)) / |x(\pi v_n) - x(p)|, \end{aligned}$$

PROPOSITION 6.1. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$, $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$. Then:*

- (a) $\mathcal{L}M_p \subset \mathcal{F}M_p \cap \mathcal{S}_x M_p$.
- (b) *If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then $\mathcal{L}M_p \subset \mathcal{S}M_p$.*

This statement easily results from Propositions 2.2 and 5.2.

COROLLARY 6.1. *If a point p of a d -space M belongs to the closure of the set $\{q \in M; \dim M_q \geq 1\}$, then:*

- (a) *There exists $(h, v) \in \mathcal{F}M_p$ such that $v \neq 0, h \neq 0$.*
- (b) *If $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, then there exists $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$ such that $h \neq 0$ and $v \neq 0$.*

It suffices to notice that if the assumptions are satisfied, $\mathcal{L}M_p$ contains (h, v) as above.

PROPOSITION 6.2. *Let M be a d -space, $p \in M$, $h, v \in M_p$ and let $(v_n), (h_n)$ be two sequences of elements of TM such that*

- (1) $p_n := \pi v_n = \pi h_n \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots,$
- (2) $(p, h, v) = (\lim_n p_n, \lim_n h_n, \lim_n v_n),$
- (3) $\dim M_{p_n} = \dim M_p \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$

Then the following conditions hold:

- (a) *If $(h_n, v_n) \in \mathcal{F}M_{p_n}$ for any n , then $(h, v) \in \mathcal{F}M_p$.*
- (b) *If $(h_n, v_n) \in \mathcal{S}M_{p_n}$ for any n , then $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$.*

Proof. Suppose that $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ is a map such that $p_n \in U_x$ for any n . For any $\omega \in Q_{p,x}$ we have

- (4) $\partial_h \omega(p, v)|_x = \lim \partial_{h_n} \omega(p_n, v_n)|_x,$
- (5) $\partial_h^2 \omega(p, v)|_x = \lim \partial_{h_n}^2 \omega(p_n, v_n)|_x.$

By (3), if $(h_n, v_n) \in \mathcal{F}M_{p_n}$ (resp. $\in \mathcal{S}M_{p_n}$), then the right-hand side of (4) (resp. of (5)) is zero, which completes the proof. ■

EXAMPLE 6.1. Let us consider the cone $M := \{(x, y, z); z^2 = x^2 + y^2\}$. Put $p = (0, 0, 0)$, $p_n = (0, 1/n, 1/n)$, $\underline{h} = \underline{v} = \underline{v}_n = (1, 0, 0)$ for any $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Then $(M - \{p\}) \subset \mathcal{S}M \subset \mathcal{F}M$, $\dim M_p = 3$ and $\dim M_q = 2$ for any

$q \in M - \{p\}$, $(h, \underline{v}_n) \in \mathcal{S}M_{p_n}$ for any n . But $(h, \underline{v}) \notin \mathcal{S}M_p$. In fact, the function $\omega: E^n \times E^n \rightarrow E$ defined as follows:

$$\omega(p, u) := acz - aby - a^2x \quad \text{for any } p = (x, y, z), \quad u = (a, b, c) \in E^3,$$

belongs to $Q(E^3, C)$ but $\partial_h^2 \omega(p, \underline{v}) = -1$. We conclude that assumption (3) in Proposition 6.2 is essential.

§ 7. The products of d -spaces

For every point (p, q) of the product $M \times N$ of d -spaces M and N , the tangent space $(M \times N)_{(p, q)}$ is identified with $M_p \times N_q$ (see [14], [15]). Let the mapping

$$\underline{j}: (M \times N)_{(p, q)} \times (M \times N)_{(p, q)} = M_p \times N_q \times M_p \times N_q \rightarrow M_p \times M_p \times N_q \times N_q$$

be defined as follows:

$$\underline{j}(v, w, v', w') = (v, v', w, w') \quad \text{for any } v, v' \in M_p \text{ and } w, w' \in N_q.$$

PROPOSITION 7.1. *For any point (p, q) of the product $M \times N$ of d -spaces M and N the following equality holds:*

$$(1) \quad \underline{j}(\mathcal{F}(M \times N)_{(p, q)}) = \mathcal{F}M_p \times \mathcal{F}N_q.$$

Moreover, if $p \in \mathcal{F}M$ and $q \in \mathcal{F}N$, then

$$(2) \quad \underline{j}(\mathcal{S}(M \times N)_{(p, q)}) = \mathcal{S}M_p \times \mathcal{S}N_q.$$

Proof. As the proofs of the two equalities are similar, we shall prove only equality (2). To simplify the notation below we identify the elements v of M_p (or $w \in N_q$) with $\underline{v} \in \underline{M}_p$ (or $\underline{w} \in \underline{N}_q$, respectively) and denote all these objects without underlying, e.g., $(M, N)_{(p, q)} = E^n \times E^n$. Let $M \subset E^m$, $N \subset E^n$ and $m = \dim M_p$, $n = \dim N_q$. First we shall prove the inclusion

$$(1') \quad \underline{j}(\mathcal{S}(M \times N)_{(p, q)}) \subset \mathcal{S}M_p \times \mathcal{S}N_q.$$

Let

$$(3) \quad (h, g, v, w) \in \mathcal{S}(M \times N)_{(p, q)} \subset E^m \times E^n \times E^m \times E^n$$

and $\omega \in Q(E^n, N)$. We let

$$\Omega(p', q', v', w') := \omega(p', v')$$

for any $(p', q', v', w') \in E^n \times E^m \times E^n \times E^m$. As Ω belongs to $Q(E^m \times E^n, M \times N)$, it follows from (3) that $\partial_h^2 \omega(p, v) = \partial_{(h, g)}^2 \Omega(p, q; v, w) = 0$; hence $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$ (see Proposition 3.2). An analogous reasoning shows that $(g, w) \in \mathcal{S}N_q$.

Now we proceed to the proof of the opposite inclusion, i.e.,

$$(4) \quad \underline{j}(\mathcal{S}(M \times N)_{(p, q)}) \supset \mathcal{S}M_p \times \mathcal{S}N_q.$$

Assume that

$$(5) \quad (p, q) \in \mathcal{F}M \times \mathcal{F}N,$$

$$(6) \quad (h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p \subset E^m \times E^m,$$

$$(7) \quad (g, w) \in \mathcal{S}N_q \subset E^n \times E^n,$$

$$(8) \quad \alpha \in Q(E^m \times E^n, M \times N).$$

Denote by β a smooth bilinear symmetric form on $E^m \times E^n$ such that

$$\alpha(p', q'; v', w') = \beta(p', q'; v', w'; v', w')$$

for any pairs $(p', q'), (v', w') \in E^m \times E^n$. For the proof of (4) it is sufficient to show the following equality:

$$(9) \quad \partial_{(h,g)}^2 \alpha(p, q; v, w) = 0.$$

By simple computations we obtain the equality

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{(h,g)}^2 \alpha(p, q; v, w) &= (2\partial_{(h,0)} \partial_{(0,g)} \alpha + \partial_{(h,0)}^2 \alpha + \partial_{(0,g)}^2 \alpha)(p, q; v, 0) + \\ &+ (4\partial_{(h,0)} \partial_{(0,g)} \beta + 2\partial_{(h,0)}^2 \beta + 2\partial_{(0,g)}^2 \beta)(p, q; v, 0; 0, w) + \\ &+ (\partial_{(h,0)} \partial_{(0,g)} \alpha + \partial_{(h,0)}^2 \alpha + \partial_{(0,g)}^2 \alpha)(p, q; 0, w). \end{aligned}$$

We shall prove that each of the above nine terms is equal to zero. It is easy to notice that, by symmetry, it is sufficient to show the following five equalities:

$$(10) \quad \partial_{(h,0)} \partial_{(0,g)} \alpha(p, q; v, 0) = 0,$$

$$(11) \quad \partial_{(h,0)}^2 \alpha(p, q; v, 0) = 0,$$

$$(12) \quad \partial_{(0,g)}^2 \alpha(p, q; v, 0) = 0,$$

$$(13) \quad \partial_{(h,0)} \partial_{(0,g)} \beta(p, q; v, 0; 0, w) = 0,$$

$$(14) \quad \partial_{(h,0)}^2 \beta(p, q; v, 0; 0, w) = 0.$$

For every point $q' \in N$ the function

$$\alpha^{q'}(E^m \times E^n \ni (p', v') \mapsto \alpha(p', q'; v', 0))$$

belongs, by (7), to $Q(E^m, M)$. According to (5) and Proposition 3.4 we obtain

$$\partial_h \alpha^{q'}(p, v) = 0$$

for any $q' \in N$. The function $\alpha'(E^n \ni q' \mapsto \partial_h \alpha^{q'}(p, v))$ belongs to $C^\infty(E^n, N)$. Therefore

$$\partial_{(0,g)} \partial_{(h,0)} \alpha(p, q; v, 0) = \partial_g \alpha'(q) = 0.$$

This completes the proof of equality (10).

For the proof of (11), it is sufficient to notice that $\alpha^q \in Q(E^m, M)$, $\partial_{(h,0)}^2 \alpha(p, q; v, 0) = \partial_h^2 \alpha^q(p, v)$ and make use of (5).

Now observe that

$$\alpha^{p,v}(q') := \alpha(p, q'; v, 0)$$

for any $q' \in E^n$ belongs to $C^\infty(E^n, N)$. From (6) and Proposition 5.1 we obtain

$$\partial_{(0,g)}^2 \alpha(p, q; v, 0) = \partial_g^2 \alpha^{p,v}(q) = 0,$$

and so we get equality (12). Now we need

LEMMA 7.1. *Let X be a d -subspace of E^n , $p \in X$, $\dim X_p = n$. Denote by $\text{Lin}(E^n, X)$ the set of all linear forms $\omega(q, w)$ on E^n vanishing for $(q, w) \in TX$.*

(a) If $(h, v) \in \mathcal{F}X_p$, then $\partial_h \omega(p, v) = 0$ for any $\omega \in \text{Lin}(E^n, X)$.

(b) If $(h, v) \in \mathcal{S}M_p$, then $\partial_h^2 \omega(p, v) = 0$.

Proof of Lemma 7.1. If $\omega \in \text{Lin}(E^n, X)$, then $\Omega(q, w) := \omega(q, w)(h|w)$ belongs to $Q(E^n, X)$. Consequently $0 = \partial_h^i \Omega(p, v) = \partial_h^i \omega(p, v)(v|w)$, $i = 1, 2$. This completes the proof of the lemma.

We proceed to the proof of the proposition. For every $(q', w') \in E^n \times E^n$ the formula

$$\beta^{q', w'}(p', v') := \beta(p', q'; v', 0; 0, w'),$$

for any $(p', v') \in E^m \times E^m$, defines an element $\beta^{q', w'}$ of $\text{Lin}(E^m, M)$. Hence $\partial_{(h, 0)} \beta^{q', w'}(p, v) = 0$ for any $(q', w') \in TN$. Finally, applying the lemma to a function

$$\tilde{\beta}(E^n \times E^n \ni (q', w') \mapsto \partial_{(h, 0)} \beta^{q', w'}(p, v))$$

belonging to $\text{Lin}(E^n, N)$, we obtain the equality

$$\partial_{(0, g)} \partial_{(h, 0)} \beta(p, q; v, 0; 0, w) = \partial_g \tilde{\beta}(q, w) = 0,$$

which completes the proof of (13).

Finally, in order to prove (14) note that $\beta^{q, v} \in \text{Lin}(E^n, M)$. Making use of (5) and the lemma we get the equality

$$\partial_{(h, 0)}^2 \beta(p, q; v, 0; 0, w) = \partial_h^2 \beta^{q, v}(p, v) = 0.$$

This completes the proof. ■

COROLLARY 7.1. For d -spaces M and N the following equalities hold:

$$\mathcal{F}(M \times N) = \mathcal{F}M \times \mathcal{F}N,$$

$$\mathcal{S}(M \times N) = \mathcal{S}M \times \mathcal{S}N.$$

§ 8. The Riemannian curvature tensor of a Riemannian d -space

DEFINITION. Let M be a d -space. A map $g(M \ni p \mapsto g(p))$, where $g(p)$ is an inner product in the vector space M_p , is called a *Riemannian metric on a d -space M* if a mapping $TM \ni v \mapsto g(p)(v, v)$ is smooth. The pair (M, g) is called a *Riemannian d -space*. If (M, g) and (N, g') are two Riemannian d -spaces, then a smooth map $f: M \rightarrow N$ is called an *isometry* if $g = f^*g'$, where $f^*g'(v, w)$ is defined as $g'(f(p))(f_*v, f_*w)$ for any $p \in M$ and $v, w \in M_p$.

It is easily proved (see [6]) that if M is a manifold, then our definition of a Riemannian metric is equivalent to the classical one. Moreover, if (M, g) is a paracompact Riemannian d -space, N is a manifold and $f: M \rightarrow N$ is an imbedding, then there exists an open subset U in N and a Riemannian metric g' on U such that $g = f^*g'$ (see [6]). In particular, we have:

LEMMA 8.1. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian d -space, $p \in M$, $n = \dim M_p$, $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$. Then there exists an open set U in E^n and a Riemannian metric g' on U such that

$$(1) \quad x(U_x) \subset U,$$

$$(2) \quad x^*g' = g \quad \text{on} \quad U_x.$$

DEFINITION. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian d -space, $p \in M$, $n = \dim M_p > 0$. A real 4-linear mapping R_p on M_p is called a *Riemannian curvature tensor of (M, g) at the point p* if there exists a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ such that

$$(3) \quad R_p = x_p^* R^{g'}$$

for any Riemannian metric g' on an open subset U of E^n satisfying (1) and (2), where

$$x_p^* R^{g'}(v_1, \dots, v_4) := R^{g'}(x_* v_1, \dots, x_* v_4)$$

for any $v_1, \dots, v_4 \in M_p$ and $R^{g'}$ is a Riemannian curvature tensor of (U, g') . Similarly we define the *sectional curvature k* on the set of all 2-dimensional linear subspaces of M_p , the *scalar curvature*, etc. The set of all points $p \in M$ for whose the Riemannian curvature of (M, g) may be defined in the above manner we denote by $\text{Riem}(M, g)$.

Remark. As the sectional curvature determines the Riemannian curvature tensor (see [3]), $\text{Riem}(M, g)$ is exactly the set of all points $p \in M$ for which the sectional curvature may be defined in the above manner.

Immediately from the above definition we obtain

LEMMA 8.2. *If R_p is a Riemannian curvature tensor on a Riemannian d -space (M, g) at a point $p \in M$, then (3) is satisfied for any map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ and any Riemannian metric g' on any open submanifold U in E^n , provided that (1), (2) are satisfied.*

LEMMA 8.3. *If g, g_1 are two Riemannian metrics on a d -space M , then*

$$\text{Riem}(M, g) = \text{Riem}(M, g_1).$$

Proof. Take

$$(4) \quad p \notin \text{Riem}(M, g)$$

and fix a map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$. We shall show that $p \in \text{Riem}(M, g_1)$. Let g', g'', g_1 be Riemannian metrics on U', U'', U_1 , respectively, such that $x(U_x) \subset U' \cap U'' \cap U_1$, $x_q^* g' = x_q^* g'' = g(q)$, $x_q^* g_1 = g_1(q)$ for any $q \in U_x$ and $x_p^* R^{g'} \neq x_p^* R^{g''}$. Now notice that $(g_1 + g' - g'')$ is a Riemannian metric on an open neighbourhood V of $x(U_x)$ in E^n and such that $x_q^*(g_1 + g' - g'') = x_q^* g_1 = g_1(q)$ for any $q \in U_x$ and $x_p^* R^{g_1} + x_p^* R^{g'} - x_p^* R^{g''} \neq x_p^* R^{g_1}$; so $p \notin \text{Riem}(M, g_1)$. ■

By virtue of Lemma 8.3, for any d -space M , the set $\text{Riem}(M, g) \subset M$ is independent of the choice of the Riemannian metric g ; so we denote this set by $\text{Riem } M$.

Now note that in local coordinates on a manifold the coefficients of a Riemannian curvature tensor may be expressed by means of first and second partial derivatives of the coefficients of the Riemannian metric. Hence, from Proposition 3.4 we immediately obtain:

THEOREM 8.1. $\mathcal{S}M \subset \text{Riem } M$ for any d -space M .

Now we present an example of a d -space M such that $\text{Riem } M \neq \mathcal{S}M$.

EXAMPLE 8.1. Let $M = M' \cup M''$, where $M' = \{(x^1, x^2); x^1 x^2 = 0\}$ and $M'' = \{(x^1, x^2); |x^1| < (x^2)^2, |x^2| < (x^1)^2, (x^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 = 1/n, n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ (see

Fig. 8.1). We shall show that $p = (0, 0) \in \text{Riem } M - \mathcal{L}M$. It is easily seen that $\{((a, b), (-b, a)); (a, b) \in E^2\} \cup \{((1, 0), (1, 0)), ((0, 1), (0, 1))\} \subset \mathcal{L}M_p$. We recall that according to Proposition 6.1

$$(5) \quad \mathcal{L}M_p \subset \mathcal{F}M_p \subset \mathcal{L}_i M_p,$$

where $i: M \rightarrow E^n$ denotes the inclusion mapping. It is not difficult to prove that substituting in $h \otimes v \odot v$ the pair (h, v) successively by the following six elements of $\mathcal{L}M_p$: $((1, 0), (1, 0))$, $((0, 1), (0, 1))$, $((1, 1), (-1, 1))$, $((1, 2), (-2, 1))$, $((-1, 1), (1, 1))$ and $((2, 1), (-1, 2))$, we obtain a basis of $E^2 \otimes E^2 \odot E^2$; hence, by virtue of Corollary 4.1, we obtain $p \in \mathcal{F}M$.

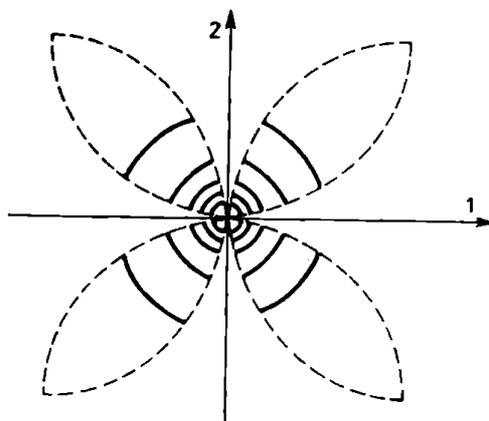


Fig. 8.1

Let two Riemannian metrics g and g' on E^2 satisfy the equality $i^*g = i^*g'$. We set

$$(6) \quad \omega(q, v) = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 \omega_{ij}(q) v^i v^j := g(q)(v, v) - g'(q)(v, v)$$

for any $(q, v) \in TE^2 = E^2 \times E^2$. It is obvious that $\omega \in Q(E^2, M)$. According to (5) we get

$$(7) \quad \partial_h^2 \omega(p, v) = \sum \omega_{ij,kl}(p) h^k h^l v^i v^j = 0$$

for any $(h, v) \in \mathcal{L}M_p$. For (h, v) equal to $((1, 0), (1, 0))$ and $((0, 1), (0, 1))$ we obtain

$$(8) \quad \omega_{11,11}(p) = 0,$$

$$(9) \quad \omega_{22,22}(p) = 0.$$

Similarly, taking (h, v) equal to $((1, a), (-a, 1)) \in \mathcal{L}_i M_p$, we obtain the equation

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \partial_h^2 \omega(p, v) &= \omega_{22,11}(p) + 2(\omega_{22,12} + \omega_{12,11})(p)a + \\ &\quad + (\omega_{11,11} - 4\omega_{12,12} + \omega_{22,22})(p)a^2 + \\ &\quad + 2(\omega_{11,12} - \omega_{12,22})(p)a^3 + \omega_{11,22}(p)a^4. \end{aligned}$$

As there is no restriction on a , all the coefficients of the above polynomial with respect to a have to vanish. In particular, we get

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} \omega_{22,11}(p) &= \omega_{11,22}(p) = 0, \\ \omega_{11,11}(p) - 4\omega_{12,12}(p) + \omega_{22,22}(p) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By virtue of (8), (9) the last equality is equivalent to

$$(11) \quad \omega_{12,12}(p) = 0.$$

Now observe that the Riemannian curvature tensor R_p of (E^2, g) at the point p expressed in the natural coordinates in E^2 has up to the sign only one non-trivial component, namely

$$R_{1212}(p) = \left(g_{12,12} - g_{11,22}/2 - g_{22,11}/2 - \sum_{r,s} (F_{11}^r F_{22}^s - F_{12}^r F_{12}^s) g_{rs} \right) (g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2)^{-1}(p),$$

where $F_{ij}^k = g^{kl}(g_{ik,j} + g_{jl,i} - g_{ij,l})$. As $p \in \mathcal{F}M$, it follows from Proposition 3.4 that $F_{ij}^k(p) = F'_{ij}{}^k(p)$ for any i, j, k , where $F'_{ij}{}^k$ denote the Christoffel symbols of the Riemannian connection on (E^2, g') . Therefore, according to (6), the following equality holds:

$$R_{1212}^g(p) = R_{1212}^{g'}(p) + (\omega_{12,12} - 0.5\omega_{11,22} - 0.5\omega_{22,11}) (g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2)^{-1}(p).$$

Thus from (7), (8) and (10) we obtain the equality

$$R_{1212}(p) = R'_{1212}(p).$$

Consequently, $p \in \text{Riem } M$ and $M = \text{Riem } M$.

To see that $p \notin \mathcal{S}M$ let us notice that the formula

$$\Omega(x, v) := x^1 x^2 (v^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 v^1 v^1,$$

for any $(x, v) \in E^2 \times E^2$, defines an element of $Q(E^2, M)$ such that $\partial_{(0,1)}^2 \omega(p, (1, 1)) = 2$.

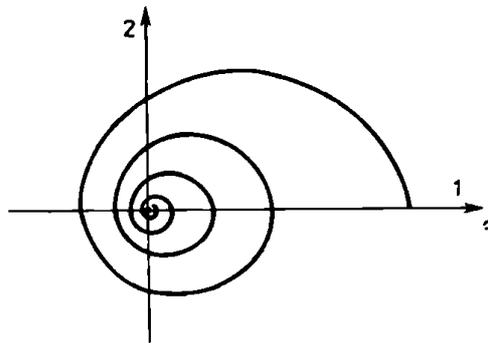


Fig. 8.2

EXAMPLE 8.2. Let $M := \{(0.5 + e^{it})/t \in E^2; t > 2\} \cup \{(0, 0)\}$ (see Fig. 8.2). Let $p = (0, 0)$ and let $i: M \rightarrow E^2$ the inclusion map. We show that $p \in \mathcal{S}M$, and so $M = \mathcal{S}M$. In fact, for any α we have

$$(h, v) := (0.5e^{i\alpha}, e^{i(\alpha+\pi/2)}) \in \underline{\mathcal{L}}M_p \subset E^2 \times E^2.$$

Putting $\alpha = 0, \pi/2, -\pi/2, \pi/3, 2\pi/3, 4\pi/3, -\pi/3, \pi/4, -\pi/4$ we obtain nine elements $(h_i, v_i), i = 1, \dots, 9$, of $\mathcal{L}M_p \subset \mathcal{L}_1M_p$ such that $\{h_i \odot h_i \otimes v_i \odot v_i; i = 1, \dots, 9\}$ is a basis of $E^2 \odot E^2 \otimes E^2 \odot E^2$. Hence, by Corollary 4.1 and Proposition 3.3, we obtain $p \in \mathcal{S}M$.

EXAMPLE 8.3. Consider a cone $C_\alpha = f_\alpha^{-1}(0)$ in E^3 , where $f_\alpha(x, y, z) := \alpha^2 x^2 - y^2 - z^2, \alpha \neq 0$. The point $p = (0, 0, 0) \in C_\alpha$ does not belong to $\mathcal{P}C_\alpha$ (e.g., $\partial^2 f / (\partial x)^2(p) = 2 \neq 0$), and so, by Proposition 5.1, $p \notin \mathcal{S}C_\alpha$. By means of quadratic forms $E^3 \times E^3 \ni ((x, y, z), (X, Y, Z)) \mapsto (x^2 - y^2 - z^2)(X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2)$ and $E^3 \times E^3 \ni ((x, y, z), (X, Y, Z)) \mapsto (\alpha^2 xX - yY - zZ)^2$ it can be proved that $\mathcal{S}(C_\alpha)_p = \mathcal{L}(C_\alpha)_p = \{(1, \alpha \sin \beta, \alpha \cos \beta), (X, Y, Z); \alpha^2 X - \alpha \sin \beta Y - \alpha \cos \beta Z = 0, \beta \in E\}$, and that $\dim(\text{span}\{h \odot h \otimes v \odot v; (h, v) \in \mathcal{S}(C_\alpha)_p\}) = 28$. As $\dim(M_p \odot M_p \otimes M_p \odot M_p) = \dim(E^3 \odot E^3 \otimes E^3 \odot E^3) = 36$, the following conjecture arises: If π is a plane "in the general position" containing p , then $p \in \mathcal{S}(C_\alpha \cup \pi)$ (note that $\dim E^2 \odot E^2 \otimes E^2 \odot E^2 = 9 > 36 - 28$). But it can be proved that for the (y, z) -plane this is not true.

EXAMPLE 8.4. Let $C = C_\alpha \cup C_\beta \subset E^3$, where $\alpha \neq \beta$. It can be proved that $p = (0, 0, 0) \in \mathcal{S}C$, and so $C = \mathcal{S}C$.

§ 9. Isometric immersions of a Riemannian d -space with a non-positive sectional curvature

For a d -space M denote by $\mathcal{E}^2 M$ the set of all points $p \in M$ such that for any map $x \in \mathcal{M}_p M$ and any $\varphi \in C^\infty(E^n)$, where $n = \dim M_p$, the following statement holds:

If the function $\varphi|_x(U_x)$ has a local maximum at $x(p)$, then

- (1) $d\varphi|_p = 0,$
- (2) $X^2\varphi(p) \leq 0$ for any smooth vector field X on E^n .

It has been proved in [8] that $\mathcal{E}^2 M \subset \mathcal{P}M$ and $\mathcal{E}^2 M \times \mathcal{E}^2 N = \mathcal{E}^2(M \times N)$ for any d -spaces M and N .

Below, by an immersion we mean a smooth mapping with the 1-1 tangent map at each point. It can be proved that each immersion is a local diffeomorphism onto its image (see [10]). Moreover, it has been proved that every Lindelöf Riemannian d -space (M, g) , satisfying, for certain natural n , the condition

$$\dim M_p \leq n \quad \text{for every } p \in M,$$

can be isometrically immersed into a Euclidean space E^m of sufficiently large dimension m [5]. The following theorem gives a lower estimation for m .

THEOREM 9.1. *Let (M, g) be a compact Riemannian d -space and let n be a natural number. If*

- (a) $M = \mathcal{E}^2 M = \text{Riem } M,$
- (b) *the sectional curvature of (M, g) is non-positive,*
- (c) $\dim M_p \geq n$ for any $p \in M,$

then M cannot be isometrically immersed into E^{2n-1} .

Proof. The case $n = 0$ is trivial; hence assume $n > 0$. Let $f: M \rightarrow E^m$ be an isometric immersion. We let

$$\varphi(y) = (y|y) \quad \text{for any } y \in E^m,$$

where $(\cdot | \cdot)$ stands for the inner product in E^m . Let $q = f(p) \in f(M)$ be a point at which φ has a maximum on $f(M)$ and $n' := \dim M_p$. Let N be an n' -dimensional submanifold of E^m such that $N \cap f(M)$ is an open neighbourhood of q in $f(M)$. By (a), $d(\varphi|N)|_p = 0$, $X^2(\varphi|N)(p) \leq 0$ for any smooth vector field X on N . Hence, from Weingarten's formula we get (see [3], vol. II, p. 28)

$$X^2\varphi|_M = (\alpha^N(X, X)|f) + (X|X) \quad \text{at } p$$

for any smooth vector field X on N , where α^N stands for the second fundamental form of the submanifold N of E^m . Therefore

$$(\alpha_q^N(v, v)|q) \leq (v|v) \quad \text{for any } v \in N_q.$$

Consequently

$$(3) \quad \alpha_q^N(v, v) \neq 0 \quad \text{for any } q \in N.$$

According to (a), (b) the sectional curvature of N at q is non-positive. In [3] (vol. II, p. 28) it has been proved that, in this case, (3) holds only if

$$m \geq 2n' \geq 2n$$

which completes the proof. ■

EXAMPLE 9.1. Let W be a d -subspace of E^2 and let p, q, q' be three different points of W such that $\tilde{W} = W - \{q, q'\}$ is a 1-dimensional submanifold of E^2 and $W - \{p\}$ contains two components which are diffeomorphic to the d -space constructed in Example 8.2 (see Fig. 9.1).

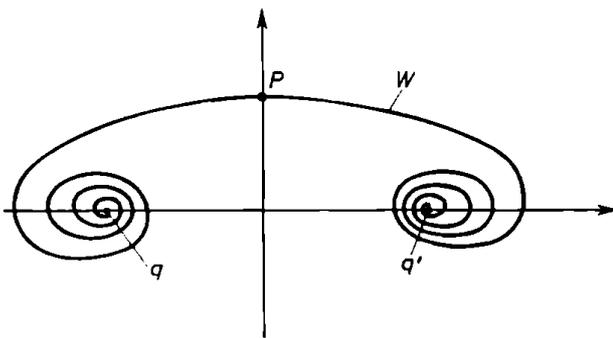


Fig. 9.1

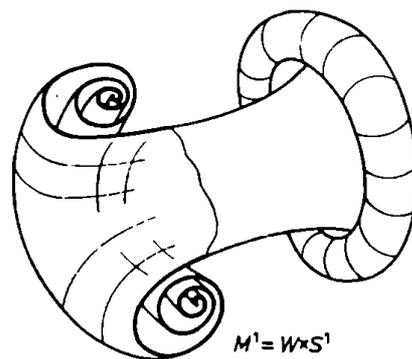


Fig. 9.2

The d -space W is compact and, according to Example 8.2, $W = \mathcal{S}W = \text{Riem } W$. It can be proved that $W = \mathcal{E}^2 W$. Denote by S^1 the unit circle in E^2 . For a natural k let us set

$$M^k := W \times \underbrace{S^1 \times \dots \times S^1}_k \subset E^{2(k+1)}$$

and denote by g^k the Riemannian metric on M^k induced from $E^{2(k+1)}$. According to Proposition 7.1 and [8] the Riemannian d -space (M^k, g^k) satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 9.1 with $n = k + 1$; thus there is no isometric immersion f of (M^k, g^k) into E^{2k+1} (notice that it is essential that f is an isometric immersion, because M^k can be imbedded into E^{k+3}). For $k = 1$ it is easily seen that M^1 (see Fig. 9.2) may be imbedded in E^3 . According to the above theorem, (M^1, g^1) cannot be isometrically immersed into E^3 . It can be proved that the last sentence is equivalent to the following statement:

There exists no smooth map $f: E^4 \rightarrow E^3$ such that

$$\lim_n |f(p_n) - f(p)| / |p_n - p| = 1$$

for any sequence p_n of points of M^1 converging to a point $p \in M^1$.

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