

**Differential Geometry I**  
**Exercise Sheet no. 6**

**Exercise 1**

Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be a smooth map between smooth manifolds  $M$  and  $N$ . Let  $X, Y$  (resp.  $\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}$ ) be (smooth) vector fields on  $M$  (resp.  $N$ ). We say that  $X$  is  $F$ -related to  $\tilde{X}$  iff  $dF \circ X = \tilde{X} \circ F$  holds on  $M$ .

Show that, if  $X$  is  $F$ -related to  $\tilde{X}$  and  $Y$  is  $F$ -related to  $\tilde{Y}$ , then  $[X, Y]$  is  $F$ -related to  $[\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}]$ .

**Exercise 2**

Let  $M^n$  be a smooth  $n$ -dimensional submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . Given vector fields  $X, Y$  on  $M$ , we extend them to vector fields  $\bar{X}, \bar{Y}$  in an open neighbourhood of  $M$  in  $\mathbb{R}^k$  and set  $(\nabla_X Y)|_p := \text{pr}_p((\partial_{\bar{X}} \bar{Y})|_p)$  for every  $p \in M$ , where  $\text{pr}_p : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow T_p M$  denotes the orthogonal projection on  $T_p M$  (identified to a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^k$ ).

Show that  $\nabla$  defines a metric and torsion-free connection on  $M$ .

**Exercise 3**

Recall that an *isometry* between two smooth  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifolds  $(M, g)$  and  $(N, h)$  is a diffeomorphism  $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$  which preserves the metric, that is, with  $\varphi^* h = g$ .

1. Show that, in the case  $(M, g) = (N, h)$ , the isometries of  $(M, g)$  form a group w.r.t. the composition of maps.
2. Let  $\text{Aff}(M, g)$  be the set of diffeomorphisms of  $M$  preserving the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  of  $(M, g)$ , that is,

$$\text{Aff}(M, g) := \{ \varphi : M \rightarrow M \text{ diffeo. with } \nabla_{\varphi_* X} \varphi_* Y = \varphi_*(\nabla_X Y) \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) \},$$

where, for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , the vector field  $\varphi_* X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  is defined by  $(\varphi_* X)(x) := d_{\varphi^{-1}(x)} \varphi(X(\varphi^{-1}(x)))$  for all  $x \in M$ . Show that  $\text{Aff}(M, g)$  is a group containing the group of isometries of  $(M, g)$ .

3. Let  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$  be endowed with the standard Riemannian metric  $g$ , i.e. the Euclidean metric. Determine all elements  $\varphi \in \text{Aff}(M, g)$  with  $\varphi(0) = 0$ .

**Exercise 4**

Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold. Given a 1-parameter group of diffeomorphisms  $\varphi : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$ ,  $(x, t) \mapsto \varphi_t(x)$  on  $M$ , let  $X$  be associated tangent vector field on  $M$  as in Exercise no. 3 of Sheet 4. Show that, for any smooth tangent vector field  $Y$  on  $M$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} (\varphi_t)_* Y = -[X, Y],$$

where, for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(\varphi_t)_* Y$  denotes the push-out tangent vector field of  $Y$  defined in the last exercise above.

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