

## ■ Tensors in full generality:

- $TM$  bundle of vectors on contravariant tensors of order 1

$T^*M$  bundle of co-vectors or covariant tensors of order 1

~~Basis for  $T_p M$  :  $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \Big|_p \right\}$~~   
~~Each coord system defines a basis throughout~~

- Given a coord system  $\underline{x}: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\underline{x}$  determines a coordinate basis for  $TM$   $T^*M$  throughout  $\mathcal{U}$ :

$$T_p M = \text{Span} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \Big|_p \right\}$$

$$T_p^* M = \text{Span} \left\{ dx^1 \Big|_p, \dots, dx^n \Big|_p \right\}$$

- $T_p^* M$  acts linearly on  $T_p M$  by  $dx^i(a^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}) = a^i$

$$T_p M \text{ acts linearly on } T_p^* M \text{ by } \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}(a_j dx^j) = a_i$$

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Defn: A  $\binom{k}{\ell}$ -tensor  $T_p$  at  $p$  is an operator that acts linearly on  $k$ -copies of  $T_p^* M$  and  $\ell$ -copies of  $T_p M$

$$T_p : \underbrace{T_p^* M \times \dots \times T_p^* M}_{k \text{ times}} \times \underbrace{T_p M \times \dots \times T_p M}_{\ell \text{-copies}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

The set of all such operators is denoted  $\mathcal{T}_\ell^k(p)$ .

Example:  $\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \otimes dx^j \right|_p : T_p^* M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \otimes dx^j \right|_p \left( a_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\alpha}, b^\tau \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\tau} \right) = a_i b^j$$

picks out  $i$  comp
picks out  $j$  component

This is multi-linear = linear in each input slot.

$\otimes$  = Tensor

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• Thm ①:  $\mathcal{Y}_\ell^k(p)$  is a vector space of dimension  $n^k n^\ell$ , and a basis is the set of all tensor products:

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_n}} \otimes dx^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{j_\ell} \right\}$$

$i_1, \dots, i_n, j_1, \dots, j_\ell$   
 run  $1, \dots, n$

↑ a set of  $n^{k+\ell}$  objects

where these operate component wise

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_n}} \otimes dx^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{j_\ell} \left( \overset{\in T_p^{*M}}{\omega^1}, \dots, \overset{\in T_p^{*M}}{\omega^k}, \overset{\in T_p M}{X_1}, \dots, \overset{\in T_p M}{X_\ell} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}}(\omega^1) \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_n}}(\omega^k) dx^{j_1}(X_1) \dots dx^{j_\ell}(X_\ell)$$

$$= a_{i_1}^1 \dots a_{i_n}^k b_1^{j_1} \dots b_\ell^{j_\ell}$$

$$\omega^i = a_\sigma^i dx^\sigma, \quad X_i = b_i^\sigma \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\sigma}$$

Thm ①  $\{dx^{i_1} \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}} \mid p\}_{i_1=1, \dots, n}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{I}_1^1(p)$ .

Thm ②  $\{dx^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{i_n} \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j_n}}\}_{i_1, \dots, i_n, j_1, \dots, j_n = 1, \dots, n}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{I}_e^k(p)$ .

• I.e.; more generally: let  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  be <sup>finite</sup> vector spaces. We say  $L$  is a multilinear function on  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  if

$$L: V_1 \times \dots \times V_n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

and  $L$  is linear in each slot

$$L(v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}, av_k + b\bar{v}_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n)$$

$$= aL(v_1, \dots, v_k, \dots, v_n) + bL(v_1, \dots, \bar{v}_k, \dots, v_n).$$

$$V_1 \times \dots \times V_n = \{(v_1, \dots, v_n) \mid v_i \in V_i\}$$

Thm: The set of all  $L$  is a vector space of dimension  $= d_1 \cdots d_n$  where  $d_n = \dim V_n$ .

P.f. (Homework - complete the details)

To start: recall:

- $V_n^*$   $\equiv$  dual space of  $V_n \equiv$  the set of all linear functionals defined on  $V_n$
- Riesz Representation Thm: The dual space  $V^*$  of a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  is ~~also equal to~~ ~~isomorphic to~~  $V$ . In deed, if  $e_1, \dots, e_m$  is a basis for  $V$ , then  $\{L_{e_1}, \dots, L_{e_m}\}$  is a basis for  $V^*$  where  $L_{e_i}(a^j e_j) = a^i$ .

• ~~For~~ A basis for the multilinear functions on  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_n$  is

$$L^1_{e_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes L^n_{e_{i_n}}$$

where

$$L^1_{e_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes L^n_{e_{i_n}}(v_1, \dots, v_n)$$

$$= L^1_{e_{i_1}}(v_1) \dots L^n_{e_{i_n}}(v_n)$$

FIP for homework

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- A  $\binom{k}{l}$ -tensor  $T_p \in \mathcal{Y}_e^k(\mathfrak{p})$  can be expressed in terms of the basis for  $\mathcal{Y}_e^k(\mathfrak{p})$  determined by the  $\underline{x}$ -coords -

$$T_p = T_{\substack{i_1 \dots i_k \\ j_1 \dots j_l}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_k}} \otimes dx^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{j_l}$$

"The components of  $T$  in the coord system  $\underline{x}$ "

Theorem: Under change of basis  $\underline{x} \rightarrow \underline{y}$ ,  
The components transform by

$$(*) \quad T_{\substack{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_k \\ \beta_1 \dots \beta_l}} = T_{\substack{i_1 \dots i_k \\ j_1 \dots j_l}} \frac{\partial x^{i_1}}{\partial y^{\beta_1}} \dots \frac{\partial x^{i_k}}{\partial y^{\beta_l}} \frac{\partial y^{\alpha_1}}{\partial x^{i_1}} \dots \frac{\partial y^{\alpha_k}}{\partial x^{i_k}}$$

Sum repeated up-down indices

(\*) is the fundamental tensor transformation

Law FIP

• A  $\binom{k}{\ell}$ -tensor field is an assignment of <sup>(6)</sup>  
a  $\binom{k}{\ell}$ -tensor  $T_p \in \mathcal{T}_\ell^k(p)$  to each  $p \in M$ .  
For  $p \in \mathcal{U}_\alpha$ ,  $T_p$  can be expressed in  
terms of the  $\alpha$ -coord basis for  $\mathcal{T}_\ell^k(p)$ :

$$T_p = T_{i_1 \dots i_\ell}^{\hat{j}_1 \dots \hat{j}_k} dx^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{i_\ell} \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\hat{j}_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\hat{j}_\ell}}$$

"Sum repeated up-down indices  $i_\sigma, \hat{j}_\tau$ "

Defn:  $T_{i_1 \dots i_\ell}^{\hat{j}_1 \dots \hat{j}_k}(p)$  are the  $\alpha$ -components  
of the tensor  $T$  at  $p$ .

Q: How do you describe "smoothly varying"  
tensor fields?

Ans: say  $T_{i_1 \dots i_\ell}^{\hat{j}_1 \dots \hat{j}_k}(p)$  smoothly vary as fns  
of  $p$ .



## ② Examples

① Consider a  $\binom{1}{1}$ -tensor field  $T$ . Then over  $\mathcal{U}_x$ ,

$$T = T_j^i dx^j \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

for each  $p$ , this defines a linear transformation of the tangent space  $T_p M$  as follows:  
(I.e., view it as operating on the first slot)

$$T(X, -) = T_j^i dx^j \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (X, -)$$

If  $X = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ , then

$$T(X, -) = T_j^i dx^j \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \left( a^{\sigma} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\sigma}}, - \right)$$

$$= a^{\sigma} T_j^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} = \text{a vector at } p \text{ with } x\text{-comp } a^{\sigma} T_j^i$$

$$T: X = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \mapsto a^i T_j^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$$

$$a^{\sigma} T_j^i \checkmark$$

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Defn:  $\mathcal{J}_e^k \equiv \bigcup_{p \in M} \mathcal{J}_e^k(p)$  is the vector bundle of  $\binom{k}{e}$ -tensors over  $M$ . The "local trivialization" that defines the smoothness properties of  $\mathcal{J}_e^k$  are given by

$$\phi_{\tilde{x}} : \bigcup_{p \in \tilde{U}_{\tilde{x}}} \mathcal{J}_e^k(p) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{\binom{k+1}{n}}$$

$$T_p \longmapsto (\tilde{x}(p), T_{\tilde{i}_1 \dots \tilde{i}_k}^{\tilde{j}_1 \dots \tilde{j}_k}(p))$$

↑  
real #s at each  $p$   
& specification of  
indices

Conclude:  $T_p$  defined a linear transformation<sup>(9)</sup> of  $T_p M$  by mapping the  $x$ -components of vectors by

$$T_p: a^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \mapsto b^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

$$\boxed{b^i = T^i_j a^j} \leftarrow \text{Matrix multiplication}$$

I.e. if  $\underline{b} = (b^1, \dots, b^n)^{tr}$   
 $\underline{a} = (a^1, \dots, a^n)^{tr}$

$$\underline{b} = T \underline{a} \quad T = T^i_j \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{row} \\ \leftarrow \text{col} \end{matrix}$$

~~Conclude: (1) - tensors~~

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• Conclude: for every  $(i)$ -tensor field  $T$  and  $p \in M$ ,  $\exists$  a coord system defined in a nbhd of  $p$  in which

$$T^i_j(p) = D + N$$

(FIP You need to show that every change of basis at  $p$  can be realized by some change of coords)

• Theorem: the eigenvalues of  $T^i_j(p)$  are coordinate independent objects

Proof: Recall:

$$C(\lambda) \equiv \det |\lambda I - M| \equiv \text{characteristic polyn of } M$$

• The roots of  $C$  are exactly the eigenvalues of  $M$ , repeated according to multiplicity

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad \det |\lambda I - A^{-1}MA| &= \det |A^{-1}(\lambda I - M)A| \\ &= \det(A^{-1}) \det |\lambda I - M| \det(A) = \det |\lambda I - M| \end{aligned}$$

Conclude: the coefficients of the characteristic polynomial of a  $\binom{1}{1}$ -tensor are independent of coordinates; i.e.

$$C(\lambda) = \det |T^i_j(p) - \lambda I^i_j|$$

is a polynomial in  $\lambda$  determined indept of coordinates.

Conclude: If  $T \in \mathcal{Y}_1^1$ , then  $\forall p$ ,

$$\det |\lambda I_j^i - T_j^i| = \prod_{i=1}^n (\lambda - \lambda_i) = C(\lambda)$$

is defined indept of coord's. Thus the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  of a  $\binom{1}{1}$ -tensor are invariants.

Theorem (Algebra): If

$$C(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\lambda - \lambda_i) = \lambda^n + b_1 \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + b_n,$$

then  $b_k$  are invariants of  $T_p$  and

- (1)  $b_k$  = sum of products of e-vals taken  $k$  at a time (including multiplicity)
- (2)  $b_k$  = sum of the princ'l minor det's of  $T_j^i$  of order  $k$

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~~Defn: A princ. minor det of order  $k$  is the det of a matrix obtained by deleting the same  $k$  rows & columns of  $T_j^i$~~

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Defn: A principle minor det. of order  $k$  for an  $n \times n$  matrix  $M$  is the det. of a  $k \times k$  matrix obtained from  $M$  by deleting  $n-k$  rows & cols of  $M$ , s.t. the same rows as cols are deleted.

Corollary:  $b_1 = \text{trace } T_j^0(p)$  is invariant

$b_n = \det T_j^i(p)$  is invariant

(FIP)

Alternate:

• Thm: The trace of  $T_p \equiv T^i_i(p) = \sum_{i=1}^n T^i_i(p)$  is a coordinate indep object (13)

pf: ① Fact:  $\text{trace}(AB) = \text{trace} BA \quad \forall n \times n$  matrices  $A, B$

$$\therefore \text{tr}(A^{-1}MA) = \text{tr}(MA^{-1}A) = \text{tr} M$$

② Directly by summation convention:

$$\bar{T}^\alpha_{\cdot B} = T^i_j \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^B} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i}$$

$$\text{tr} \bar{T}^\alpha_B = \bar{T}^\alpha_\alpha = T^i_j \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^\alpha} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} = T^i_j \underbrace{\delta^\alpha_i}_{\delta^j_i} = T^j_i \checkmark$$

$\delta^j_i = \text{identity matrix}$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ 1 & i = j \end{cases}$$

$$J^{-1} \cdot J$$

Note:

$$\delta^i_j \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^B} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^B} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} = \bar{\delta}^\alpha_B \checkmark$$



Conclude: The identity  $\delta_j^i$  is a  $(1)_*$ -tensor <sup>(14)</sup>  
indep. of coords.

• More generally: let  $T_{\substack{i_1 \dots i_k \\ j_1 \dots j_\ell}}$  components  
of  $T \in \mathcal{Y}_\ell^k$ . Then

$T_{\substack{\sigma \ i_2 \dots i_k \\ \sigma \ j_2 \dots j_\ell}} \equiv$  "contraction of  $T$  on the  
 $i_1, j_1$  indices"

are the components of a tensor in  $\mathcal{Y}_{\ell-1}^{k-1}$ .

• Homework: Show that symmetry in the  
components of a  $(1)_*$  tensor is not a  
coordinate independent property of  $T_j$

i.e.,  $T_{\substack{i \\ j}}^i = T_{\substack{j \\ i}}^j \not\Rightarrow \overline{T}^\alpha_\beta = \overline{T}^\beta_\alpha$

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Soln:  $(A^{-1}TA)^t \stackrel{?}{=} A^t T^t A^{-t}$  not always if  
 $A \neq A^t, A^{-1} \neq A^{-t}$

Ex.,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^{-1}TA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_1 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$T$  symmetric,  $\bar{T}$  not ✓

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 Example: let  $T = T_{ij} dx^i \otimes dx^j \in \mathcal{T}_1$

I.e., at each  $p$ ,  $T_{ij}(p)$  are the components of a  $\binom{0}{2}$ -tensor.

$T_p$  defines a bi-linear form on  $T_p M$ ; i.e.

$$T_p : T_p M \times T_p M \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$T_p(X_p, Y_p) = T_{ij} a^i b^j \Big|_p$$

$$X_p = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p \quad Y_p = b^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \Big|_p$$

"E.g., an inner product on  $T_p M$  defines a  $\binom{0}{2}$ -tensor at  $p$ ."

• Under change of coordinates:

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{T} \\ \text{row} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} T_{ij} \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \text{col} \quad \text{col} \end{array} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^a} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^b} \begin{array}{c} \leftarrow \text{row} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{col} \end{array} \Leftrightarrow \overline{T} = J^{\text{tr}} T J \quad J = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^a}$$

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Defn:  $T \in \mathcal{T}_n$  is symmetric if

$$T_{ij} = T_{ji}$$

Thm ① Symmetry is a coordinate indept property of  $(2)$ -tensors

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\overline{T}}_{\alpha\beta} &= T_{ij} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^\beta} \\ &= T_{ji} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^\beta} = T_{ji} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^\beta} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha} \\ &= \overline{\overline{T}}_{\beta\alpha}\end{aligned}$$

"i.e., assume  $T_{ij} = T_{ji} \Rightarrow \overline{\overline{T}}_{\alpha\beta} = \overline{\overline{T}}_{\beta\alpha}$ "

Defn:  $T$  is non-degenerate if  $\det T_{ij} \neq 0$ . (17)

Thm (2)  $T$  non-degenerate is an invariant property of  $\binom{0}{2}$  or  $(1)$  tensor.

P.f.  $\det J^t T J = \det J^t \det T \det J$   
 $= \det \bar{T}$

$\therefore \det \bar{T} \neq 0$  iff  $\det T \neq 0$

[We always assume our coord charts satisfy  $\det J \neq 0 \neq \det J^{-1}$ ]

Defn: a symmetric, non-degenerate  $\binom{0}{2}$ -tensor defined on all of  $M$  is called a ~~Riemannian~~ metric on  $M$

I.e., it defines an inner product on each  $T_p M$ ,  $p \in M$ .

• Let  $g$  denote a metric on  $M$

$$g \in \mathcal{Y}_2^0(M).$$

In coordinates

$$g = g_{ij} dx^i \otimes dx^j$$

For  $X_p, Y_p \in T_p M$ , define

$$\langle X_p, Y_p \rangle_p = g(X, Y)|_p$$

$$X = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \quad Y = b^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$$

$$= g_{ij}(p) dx^i \otimes dx^j \left( a^{\sigma} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\sigma}} \Big|_p, b^{\tau} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\tau}} \Big|_p \right)$$

$$= g_{ij} a^i b^j \Big|_p = \underbrace{a^{\text{tr}}}_{\sim} \underbrace{g}_{\sim} \underbrace{b}_{\sim}$$

$$\underbrace{a}_{\sim} = \begin{pmatrix} a^1 \\ \vdots \\ a^n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underbrace{b}_{\sim} = \begin{pmatrix} b^1 \\ \vdots \\ b^n \end{pmatrix} \quad \underbrace{g}_{\sim} = \underbrace{g_{ij}}_{\substack{\text{row} \quad \text{col}}}.$$

- Drop the  $p$  and write

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = g(X, Y) = g_{ij} a^i b^j$$

where the components of the vector fields  $X$  &  $Y$  and metric  $g$  are always assumed to be computed at the same  $p \in M$ .

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- Theorem (Algebra): Let  $\langle, \rangle$  denote a non-degenerate symmetric bi-linear form defined on a vector space  $V^n$ . Then one can always construct an ortho-normal basis via the Gram-Schmidt procedure; i.e.,  $\exists \{e_i\}_{i=1}^n$  such that

$$\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = s_i \delta_{ij} \leftarrow \text{NO SUM}$$

where  $s_i = \pm 1$ . Moreover, the number

of  $s_i < 0$  and the number of  $s_i > 0$  are ~~both the same~~ the same for every such orthonormal basis. Thus  $\sum s_i$  is signature of the bilinear form is indept of basis.

Corollary: Let  $g$  be a metric on  $M$ .

Then  $\exists$  a nbhd of each  $p \in M$  such that

$$g_{ij}(p) = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & s_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$s_i = \pm 1$ . Moreover, if the signature of  $\langle , \rangle_p$  is  $k$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , then we can arrange it so that

$$s_1 = \dots = s_a = -1$$

$$s_{a+1} = \dots = s_n = +1$$

$$a = \frac{n-k}{2}$$

I.e.,  $-a + (n-a) = k$   
 $-2a = k-n$   
 $a = \frac{n-k}{2}$



Proof: FIP: Use the following fact:

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LEMMA: Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be linearly indept vectors in  $T_p M$  (i.e., a basis for  $T_p M$ ). Then  $\exists$  a coord system

$$\tilde{x}: \tilde{U}_{\tilde{x}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$p \in \tilde{U}_{\tilde{x}}$$

such that

$$X_i|_p = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}|_p.$$

Proof

Homework.

Proof: Let  $\underline{y} = M(\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0) + \underline{y}_0$  (\*)

$\underline{x} = (x^1, \dots, x^n)$  a coordinate system,  $p \in U_{\underline{x}}$

$M \equiv \text{const } n \times n \text{ matrix.}$

$$\underline{x}(p) = \underline{x}_0$$

We find  $M$  so that in  $\underline{y}$ -coords,

$$X_i \Big|_p = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} \Big|_p$$

$$\text{But (*)} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} = M = \text{const} = J$$

$$X_i = a_i^\sigma \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\sigma} = b_i^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}$$

$$b_i^\alpha = \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} a_i^\sigma$$

$$\text{Want: } b_i^\alpha = \delta_i^\alpha \Rightarrow \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} a_i^\sigma = \delta_i^\alpha$$

$i = 1, \dots, n$

Thus:

$$\frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^\nu} a_i^\nu = \delta_i^\alpha \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow J \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 & \dots & \underline{a}_n \end{bmatrix} = id$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{choose } J = M = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 & \dots & \underline{a}_n \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \text{ sufficient} \checkmark$$

Defn: If  $g$  is a smooth metric of signature  $n$  defined throughout  $M$ , then  $g$  is called a Riemannian metric.

If sign of  $g$  is  $n-2$ , it is called a Lorentzian metric or Minkowski metric.

Thm: If  $g$  is a Riemannian metric, then

FIP  $\langle X, X \rangle > 0$  iff  $X \neq 0$ . (at each  $p \in M$ )

P.f.  $\langle X, X \rangle \equiv g_{ij} a^i a^j$  at each  $p \in M$ ,

$$X = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}.$$

But  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $\exists$  coords  $y$  in which  $g_{AB} = \delta_{AB}$

$$\langle X, X \rangle_p = \delta_{AB} a^A a^B = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n (a^\alpha)^2 > 0$$

iff  $X \neq 0$ .  $X = a^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}$  ✓

For a lorentzian metric,  $\langle X, X \rangle_p = 0$   
is possible - in this case we say  $X_p$  is  
null at  $p$ .

• Let  $g$  be a metric.

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

Thm:  $g^{ij}$  transforms like a  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  tensor (FIP)

Pf.  $g^{ij} = (g_{ij})^{-1} \Leftrightarrow g_{i\sigma} g^{\sigma j} = \delta^j_i$

We show  $g^{\alpha\beta} = g^{ij} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial y^\beta}{\partial x^j}$  is the

inverse of  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ . Indeed

$$\underbrace{g^{ij} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial y^\beta}{\partial x^j}}_{g^{\alpha\beta}} g_{\sigma\beta} = g_{\sigma\alpha}$$

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$$g^{ij} \frac{\partial y^\sigma}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^j} g_{\sigma\alpha} = g^{ij} \frac{\partial y^\sigma}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^j} g_{\sigma\tau} \frac{\partial y^\tau}{\partial x^k} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y^\alpha}$$

$\delta_B^\tau$   
 $\equiv$   
 $id$

$$= \underbrace{g^{ij} g_{ik}}_{\delta_n^j} \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^j} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y^\alpha}$$

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

$$= \delta_n^j \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^j} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y^\alpha}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\Rightarrow j=k$

$$= \frac{\partial y^\alpha}{\partial x^k} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y^\alpha} = \delta_B^\alpha \checkmark$$

- A metric  $g$  defines an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$  at each  $p \in M$ , and this defines a canonical mapping (isomorphism)

$$T_p M \leftrightarrow T_p^* M$$

$$X_p \mapsto \omega^p \text{ where } \omega^p(Y_p) = \langle X_p, Y_p \rangle$$

$$\boxed{\omega_x = \langle X, - \rangle}$$

Q: How do components of  $X_p$  map to components of  $\omega^p$ ?

Ans:  $X_p = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$   $Y_p = b^{\bar{j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\bar{j}}}$  then

$$\omega^p(Y_p) = \langle X_p, Y_p \rangle = \underbrace{g_{i\bar{j}}}_{a_{\bar{j}}} a^i b^{\bar{j}} = a_{\bar{j}} b^{\bar{j}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\omega^p = a_{\bar{i}} dx^{\bar{i}}}$$

Conclude: a metric gives a natural identification

$$X_p = a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Leftrightarrow a_i dx^i = \omega^p$$

$$\boxed{a_i = g_{i\sigma} a^\sigma}$$

Defn: We say  $a^\sigma$  has been obtained from  $a_i$  by raising the index by the metric.

Conversely:  $g^{ij} = (g_{ij})^{-1} \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{g^{i\sigma} a_\sigma = a^i}$$



More generally: We can define the raising/lowering of an index by a metric in an arbitrary tensor -

$$\text{eg. } R \equiv R^i_{jkl} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \otimes dx^j \otimes dx^k \otimes dx^l \in \mathcal{T}_3^1$$

Components:  $R^i_{jkl}$

Lower the index  $i$ :  $R_{ijkl} = R^{\sigma}_{jkl} g_{\sigma i}$

$$R_{ijkl} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \otimes dx^j \otimes dx^k \otimes dx^l \in \mathcal{T}_4^0$$

Thm: Raising a lowering indices by the metric is a tensor operation.

Recall: A linear transformation is "self-adjoint" if the corresponding transformation matrix is symmetric.

Q: if symmetry is not a covariant property of  $(1)$ -tensors that repre. linear trans. of the vector space  $T_p M$ , then how can "self-adjoint" be invariant?

Ans: Defn: a linear transformation  $T$  on a vector space  $V$  is self adjoint rel to an inner product  $\langle, \rangle$  on  $V$  if

$$\langle v_1, T v_2 \rangle = \langle T v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

$$\forall v_1, v_2 \in V.$$

For a  $(1)$ -tensor  $T$  on  $M$  & metric  $g \Rightarrow \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $T_p M$ , ~~this means the~~  
self-adjoint at each  $p$  means

$$(*) \quad \langle X_p, T(Y_p) \rangle = \langle T(X_p), Y_p \rangle$$

$$T = T^i_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \otimes dx^j \in \mathcal{Y}'$$

$$T(X) = T^i_j a^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

$$T: a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \mapsto T^i_j a^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

$$a^i \mapsto T^i_j a^j \quad \text{(componentwise)} \\ \text{(in } \mathbb{R}^n \text{-coordinates)} \\ \text{(at } p \text{)}$$

thus:

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow g_{\sigma\tau} a^\sigma \underset{''}{T^{\tau}_{\phantom{\tau}j}} b^j = g_{\tau\sigma} \underset{''}{T^{\tau}_{\phantom{\tau}j}} a^j b^\sigma$$

$$\langle X_p, T(Y_p) \rangle \quad \langle T(X_p), Y_p \rangle$$

Thm: Let  $T^{i_1 \dots i_n}_{j_1 \dots j_n}$  be comp's of  $T \in \mathcal{L}^n$ .

Then symmetry or antisymmetry w.r.t any two upper or any two lower indices is a covariant (coordinate indep) ~~def~~ property.

FIP

Eg:  $T^{---}_{---ij---} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^d} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^b} \dots = T^{---}_{-db-}$

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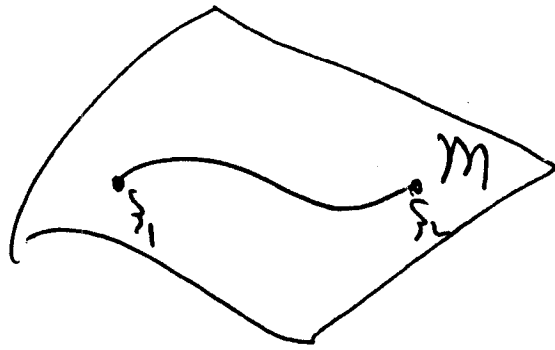
$$T^{---}_{--ji} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^d} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^b} \dots = T^{---}_{---Bd}$$

Or: base it on the invariant property:

$$T(\dots X, Y \dots) = T(\dots Y, X \dots)$$

$\forall x, y \Rightarrow$  symmetry of corresponding indices.

- A metric defines the notion of length on a manifold:



$$L = \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} \sqrt{\langle X, X \rangle} d\xi$$

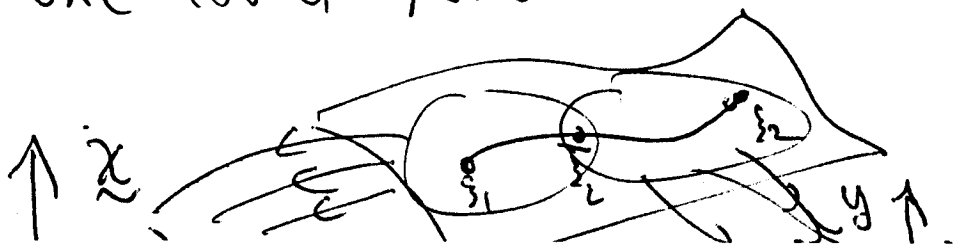
$$X = \dot{x}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \quad \langle X, X \rangle = g_{ij} \dot{x}^i \dot{x}^j \quad (*)$$

in the  $\underline{x}$ -coordinate system.

Thm:  $L$  is indept of parameterization

Note: by this formula, you must break it up into pieces defined in one coord system:

we return to metric later



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## ② Sylvester's Theorem: (Law of Inertia)

Let  $g$  be any symmetric, non-degenerate  $\binom{0}{2}$ -tensor defined in a nbhd of  $p$ .

[ $g_{ij} = g_{ji}$  in every coord syst &  $\det g_{ij} \neq 0$ ]

Then  $\forall p \in U \exists$  a coord system  $y^a$  defined in a nbhd of  $p$  st

$$g_{ab} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \delta_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \delta_n = \pm 1.$$

Defn:  $\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} \right|_p$  is an orthonormal basis for  $g @ p$

$n_+ - n_- \equiv$  signature of  $g$

$n_- \equiv \#$  of  $-1$ 's,  $n_+ \equiv \#$  of pos 1's.

Thm: Every or. basis has the same signature &  $n_+, n_-$  are constant in a nbhd of  $p$ .

(FIP)

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- In fact,  $\delta_i^j(p) = \frac{\lambda_i(p)}{|\lambda_i(p)|}$  where  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of the symmetric matrix

$$\underbrace{G_j^i(p)}_{\text{symmetric matrix}} = g_{ij}(p) \text{ [defined at } p \text{ in a given coord syst]}$$

It holds in  $x$ -coords, won't hold in  $y$ -coords in general

Proof:

- Start with  $g_{ij}$  in  $x$ -coords,  $p \in M$
- Define  $G_j^i = g_{ij}$  "symmetric matrix @  $p$  in  $x$ -coords"
- $G_j^i$  symmetric matrix in  $\mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow$  real evals  $\lambda_\alpha$  on basis of e-vectors  $r_\alpha^i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  [o.n. wrt Euclidean coord metric]
- Define:  $\boxed{\cancel{x}^\alpha = r_\alpha^i(p) y^i} \Rightarrow$  defines  $y^\alpha = y^\alpha(x)$
- $\boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha} = r_\alpha^i(p) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}}$        $J = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha} = r_\alpha^i(p)$

(3)

Then:

$$\bar{g}_{\alpha\beta} = g_{ij} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^\beta} \Leftrightarrow \bar{g} = J^T g J$$

But  $r_\alpha^i$  o.n.  $\Rightarrow J^T = J^{-1} \Rightarrow \bar{g} = J^{-1} g J = J^{-1} G J$

$$\therefore \bar{g}_{\alpha\beta}(p) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1(p) & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n(p) \end{bmatrix} = \Lambda$$

Thus:  $S^T \Lambda S = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\lambda_1}{|\lambda_1|} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\lambda_n}{|\lambda_n|} \end{bmatrix}, S = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{|\lambda_1|}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{|\lambda_n|}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore S^T J^T g J S = \begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \pm 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{y^\alpha = (JS)^\alpha_i x^i}$$

does it ✓  
(at  $p$ , not in a nbhd, as)  
(e-vectors  $r_\alpha^i$  are not in  
general word vector fields)



□ Thm: (Riemann Normal Coordinates)

Let  $g$  be a non-degenerate symmetric  $\binom{0}{2}$ -tensor on  $M$  (a metric). Then

$\forall p \in M \exists$  a coordinate system  $x$  defined in a nbhd of  $p$  such that

$$g_{ij}(p) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \delta_n \end{bmatrix} \equiv \eta_{ij}, \delta_i = \pm 1 \quad (a)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} g_{ij}(p) \equiv g_{ij,k}(p) = 0. \quad (b)$$

That is: by Taylor expanding  $g$  about  $p$ , this says  $g_{ij}(x) = \eta_{ij}$  to within errors  $O(|x - x(p)|^2)$

In Fact: you cannot make  $g_{ij,k}(p) = 0$  in general, &  $R^i_{jke}(p)$  is a <sup>tensorial</sup> measure of the 2nd derivatives of  $g$  at  $p$ .

(2)

Proof: Consider the (geodesic) equation

$$\ddot{\gamma}^k + \Gamma_{ij}^k \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} g^{ks} \{-g_{is,s} + g_{si,s} + g_{sk,i}\} \quad (\text{known})$$

- Note: (\*) is a 2nd order autonomous ODE defined in  $\underline{x}$ -coords whose solution curves

$$\underline{x}^k = \gamma^k(t)$$

solve eqn (\*).

- Thm: (geodesics) Solutions of (\*) define the same curve in  $M$ , indept of coordinates.

Call this curve  $\gamma(t) \in M$

Moreover,  $\gamma(t)$  are the geodesics of  $g$ .

[Proof: later]

- We use (\*) to define Riemann Normal Coordinates in a nbhd of  $p$ , & prove they satisfy (a), (b).

- Facts we need:

• Thm (ODE):  $\exists !$  soln  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}(t)$  of (\*), defined in a nbhd of  $p \in M$ , such that

$$\gamma_{\underline{x}}(0) = p$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\gamma_{\underline{x}}(0) = \dot{\gamma}_{\underline{x}}(0) = \underline{X} \in T_p M$$

Cor:  $\gamma_{s\underline{X}}(t) = \gamma_{\underline{X}}(st)$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . (Homework)

[Pf. Prove it directly from (\*) in  $\underline{x}$ -coordinates]

Thm (ODE): If  $\{\underline{X}_1, \dots, \underline{X}_n\} \in T_p M$  is a basis,

$$\underline{X} = \xi^i \underline{X}_i \in T_p M,$$

then the mapping

$$\xi^i \longmapsto \gamma_{\underline{X}}(1)$$

$$0 \longmapsto p$$

is 1-1 onto & regular in a nbhd of  $p$ .

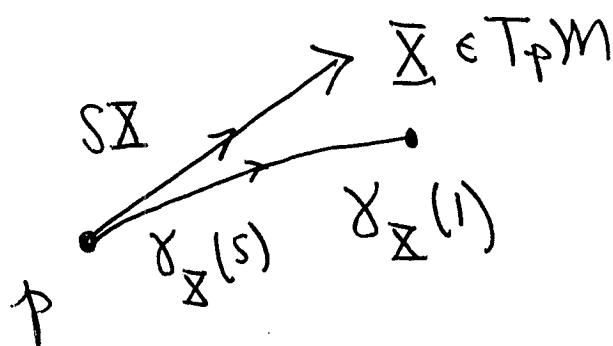
Pf. Write (\*) as a 1st order system & apply standard thm's from ODE's.

- Thus: Define a map from  $T_p M \rightarrow M$ :

$$T_p M \ni \underline{X} \longmapsto \gamma_{\underline{X}}(1)$$

This is called the exponential map

Picture:



" $\gamma_{\underline{X}}(1)$  is the point 1-unit along the soln  $\gamma_{\underline{X}}(t)$  starting at  $p$  with velocity  $\underline{X}_p$ ."

- Now choose  $\{\underline{X}_1, \dots, \underline{X}_n\}$  an orthonormal basis @  $p$ .
- Define the coordinate system  $y$ :

$$y^i = \dot{y}^i \longmapsto \gamma_{\underline{X}}(1)$$

$$\underline{X} = \dot{y}^i \underline{X}_i$$

" $y$  are the components of  $\underline{X}$  wrt  $\{\underline{X}_1, \dots, \underline{X}_n\}$ ."

Defined, 1-1 regular in a nbhd of  $p$  by Thm (ODE)

Defn.  $y$  are the RNC's at  $P$  associated (5)  
with basis  $\{\underline{x}_1, \dots, \underline{x}_n\}$

• Claim:  $g_{ij}(p) = 0$  in  $y$ -coords, if  $\{\underline{x}_i\}$  an or. basis.

Proof: Choose  $\underline{x} = \sum \underline{x}_i \in T_x M$ , & consider the solution curve  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}^h(t)$  of  $(*)$  in  $y$ -coords. Then by defn:  $\xi^h = \gamma_{\underline{x}}^h(1) = y^h(\gamma_{\underline{x}}(1))$ . Thus  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}^h(t) = y^h(\gamma_{\underline{x}}(t)) = y^h(\gamma_{\underline{x}}(1)) = \xi^h$

So  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}^h(t) = \xi^h \quad \forall t, \xi^h \text{ fixed}$

Conclude:  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}^h(t) \equiv 0$  in  $y$ -coords.

$$\therefore \text{ by } (*), \quad \Gamma_{ij}^h \gamma^i \gamma^j = \Gamma_{ij}^h \xi^i \xi^j = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_{ij}^h = 0. \text{ (at } P) \quad \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

• Define:  $\Gamma_{ij,h} = \{-g_{ij,h} + g_{kij} + g_{jki}\}$   
 $= 2g_{k\sigma} \Gamma_{ij}^{\sigma}$

Then  $\Gamma_{ij}^h = 0$  iff  $\Gamma_{ij,h} = 0 \quad (\forall i, j, h)$

Lemma:  $\Gamma_{ik,j} + \Gamma_{jk,i} = g_{ij,h}(p) = 0 \quad \checkmark$

Q: Since  $\ddot{\gamma}_{\underline{x}}^h = 0$ ,  $\dot{\gamma}_{\underline{x}}^h = \xi^h$  all along the geodesic, we have  $\Gamma_{ij}^h(\gamma_{\underline{x}}(t)) \xi^i \xi^h = 0$ , so

why can't we conclude  $g_{ij,h} = 0$  all along  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}(t)$ ,  
 & hence in a nbhd of  $p$ ?

Ans: at  $\gamma_{\underline{x}}(t)$ ,  $t \neq 0$ , we do not have

$\Gamma_{ij}^h(\gamma_{\underline{x}}(t)) \xi^i \xi^j = 0 \quad \forall \xi$ , only the  $\xi^i = \dot{\gamma}_{\underline{x}}^i(t)$ .

Only @  $p = \gamma_{\underline{x}}(0)$  do we have  $\Gamma_{ij}^h \xi^i \xi^j = 0 \quad \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$