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Properties of the Complete Lift of Riemannian Connection for Flat Manifolds

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Abstract. Here, we deal with a special lift \tilde{g} of a Riemannian metric g on a manifold M to the tangent bundle TM of M . This lift is defined as a linear combination of certain well-known lifts of g . The main results of the paper are proved under the condition that the Riemannian manifold (M, g) is flat, in fact the Riemannian connection of the metric \tilde{g} coincides with the complete lift of the Riemannian connection of the metric g . In addition, the main objectives of this study is to find the necessary and sufficient conditions such that some of the lift vector fields with this general metric to be *parallel*.

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1 Introduction

Let M be an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold with a metric $g = g_{ij}dx^i dx^j$ and TM be its tangent bundle. It turns out that the manifold TM has some Riemannian metrics known in literature as: complete lift metric or g_2 , diagonal lift metric or $g_1 + g_3$, lift metric $g_2 + g_3$ and lift metric $g_1 + g_2$, where $g_1 := g_{ij}dx^i dx^j$, $g_2 := 2g_{ij}dx^i \delta y^j$ and $g_3 := g_{ij}\delta y^i \delta y^j$ are all bilinear differential forms defined globally on TM . For vertical, complete, and horizontal lift vector fields, the following results are widely known as mentioned in [11]:

The *vertical distribution* on TM is *parallel* with respect to the Levi-Civita connection of metric g_2 .

The *horizontal distribution* is *parallel* with respect to the Levi-Civita connection of metric g_2 if and only if the metric on M is locally Euclidean.

The complete lift of a vector field on M to TM is *concurrent* with respect to the metric g_2 if and only if the vector field on M is *concurrent*.

The tangent bundle TM over a Riemannian manifold M is *locally flat* with respect to metric $g_1 + g_3$ if and only if M is *locally flat*.

In addition in [9] we have:

The vertical, complete, and horizontal lifts of a vector field on M to TM are *parallel* with respect to the metric g_2 and $g_1 + g_3$ if and only if the vector field given on M is *parallel*.

The general Riemannian lift metric \tilde{g} on TM is a combination of the diagonal lift and complete lift metrics and it is, in some senses, more general than those used previously [5]. The use of lifts has led to some results in Riemann-Finsler geometry [13]. Here, we prove that:

Theorem: *The complete, vertical and horizontal distributions on TM are parallel with respect to the Riemannian connection of metric \tilde{g} .*

Theorem: *A vector field on M is parallel if and only if its complete (vertical, horizontal) lift to TM is parallel with respect to metric \tilde{g} . And the complete lift of a vector field on M is concurrent if and only if it is concurrent.*

Theorem: *The tangent bundle TM is locally flat with respect to the metric \tilde{g} if and only if M is locally flat.*

2 Preliminaries

A Riemannian metric on a smooth manifold M is a covariant tensor field g of type $(0, 2)$ which is symmetric ($g(X, Y) = g(Y, X)$), and positive definite ($g(X, X) > 0$ if $X \neq 0$). A Riemannian metric thus determines an inner product on each tangent space T_pM , which is typically written as $\langle X, Y \rangle := g(X, Y)$ for all $X, Y \in T_pM$ where $p \in M$. A manifold together with a given Riemannian metric is called a Riemannian manifold. Let (M, g) be a real n -dimensional Riemannian manifold and (U, x) be a local chart on M , where the induced coordinates of the point $p \in U$ are denoted by its image on \mathbb{R}^n , $x(p)$ or briefly (x^i) . [2]

Suppose that TM is the tangent bundle of M and π is the natural projection from TM to M . Consider $\pi_{*v} : T_vTM \mapsto T_{\pi(v)}M$ and let us put:

$$\text{Ker}\pi_{*v} = \{z \in T_vTM \mid \pi_{*v}(z) = 0\}, \quad \forall v \in TM.$$

The vertical vector bundle or *vertical distribution* on TM is defined by $VTM = \bigcup_{v \in TM} \text{Ker}\pi_{*v}$. A non-linear connection or a *horizontal distribution* on TM is a complementary distribution HTM for VTM on TTM . [1]

Using the induced coordinates (x^i, y^i) on TM , where x^i and y^i are called respectively the position and the direction of a point on TM , the researchers introduce the local field of frames $\{\partial_i, \partial_{\bar{i}}\}$ on TTM where $\partial_i := \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ and $\partial_{\bar{i}} := \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i}$. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold with components $g_{ij} \in C^\infty(M)$, where $C^\infty(M)$ is the set of all C^∞ functions from M to \mathbb{R} . If we put $X_h = \partial_h - y^a \Gamma_{ah}^m \partial_{\bar{m}}$ and $X_{\bar{h}} = \partial_{\bar{h}}$ then $\{X_h, X_{\bar{h}}\}$

is the adapted local field of frames of TM and $\{dx^h, \delta y^h\}$ be the dual basis of $\{X_h, X_{\bar{h}}\}$, where $\delta y^h = dy^h + y^a \Gamma_{ai}^h dx^i$ and Γ_{ij}^k are the Christoffel symbols. Here, the indices i, j, h, \dots and $\bar{i}, \bar{j}, \bar{h}, \dots$ in relations run over the range $1, 2, \dots, n$. [3]

By means of the above mentioned dual basis, it is known that $g_1 := g_{ij} dx^i dx^j$, $g_2 := 2g_{ij} dx^i \delta y^j$, and $g_3 := g_{ij} \delta y^i \delta y^j$ are all bilinear differential forms defined globally on TM . It turns out that the manifold TM has four Riemannian metrics $g_2 = 2g_{ij} dx^i \delta y^j$, $g_1 + g_2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j + 2g_{ij} dx^i \delta y^j$, $g_1 + g_3 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j + g_{ij} \delta y^i \delta y^j$, and $g_2 + g_3 = 2g_{ij} dx^i \delta y^j + g_{ij} \delta y^i \delta y^j$. [11]

The tensor field

$$\tilde{g} = ag_1 + bg_2 + cg_3,$$

on TM has the components:

$$\begin{pmatrix} ag_{ij} & bg_{ij} \\ bg_{ij} & cg_{ij} \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the dual basis of the adapted frame of TM , where a, b , and c are certain positive real numbers. From linear algebra, we have $\det \tilde{g} = (ac - b^2)^n \det g^2$. Therefore, the tensor field \tilde{g} is a pseudo-Riemannian metric on TM if $ac - b^2 \neq 0$ and is a Riemannian metric on TM if $ac - b^2 > 0$. [5]

Now, suppose that the set of all p -covariant and q -contravariant tensors on M ($\otimes_p^q M$) is denoted by $\otimes M$ and the set of all 1-forms and all vector fields on M are denoted by $\Omega^1(M)$ and $\chi(M)$ respectively. A section on M is a map $S : M \rightarrow TM$ such that $\pi \circ S = Id$, and the set of all sections on M is denoted by $\Gamma(M)$.

Let $\pi : E \rightarrow M$ be a vector bundle over a manifold M and $\Gamma(E)$ denote the space of smooth sections on E . A *connection* on E is a map

$$\nabla : \chi(M) \times \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E),$$

written by $(X, Y) \mapsto \nabla_X Y$, satisfying the following properties:

$$1) \nabla_{fX_1 + gX_2} Y = f \nabla_{X_1} Y + g \nabla_{X_2} Y, \quad f, g \in C^\infty(M),$$

$$2) \nabla_X(aY_1 + bY_2) = a\nabla_X Y_1 + b\nabla_X Y_2, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

$$3) \nabla_X(fY) = f\nabla_X Y + X(f)Y.$$

A linear or *affine connection* on M is a connection on TM i.e, a map

$$\nabla : \chi(M) \times \chi(M) \rightarrow \chi(M),$$

satisfying properties (1)-(3) in the definition given above.

Let M be a Riemannian manifold, then there exists a unique affine connection ∇ on M which is symmetric($\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y]$) and compatible with the Riemannian metric($\nabla_X \langle Y, Z \rangle = \langle \nabla_X Y, Z \rangle + \langle Y, \nabla_X Z \rangle$). This affine connection is called Levi-Civita or *Riemannian connection*.

The Christoffel symbols Γ_{ij}^k of ∇ with respect to a local frame $\{\partial_i\}$ is defined by $\nabla_{\partial_i} \partial_j = \Gamma_{ij}^k \partial_k$.

3 Tensor Lift

3.1 Vertical lift

The vertical lift of $f \in C^\infty(M)$ is defined by $f^V = f \circ \pi$.

Vertical lift of a vector field X on M (with components X^h) to TM has the components:

$$X^V : \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ X^h \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM .

Suppose that ω is a one form on M , the vertical lift ω^V of the 1-form ω is defined by $\omega^V = (\omega_i)^V (dx^i)^V$, with respect to constant coefficients. [11]

The vertical lifts can extend to a unique algebraic isomorphism of the tensor algebra $\otimes M$ into the tensor algebra $\otimes TM$ with respect to constant coefficients, by the conditions: $(P \otimes Q)^V = P^V \otimes Q^V$ and $(P + R)^V = P^V + R^V$, where P, Q , and R are arbitrary elements of $\otimes M$. [11]

The vertical lift of a 2-covariant tensor $g \in \otimes_2^0 M$ with local components g_{ij} has components of the form:

$$g^V : \begin{pmatrix} g_{ij} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM .

3.2 Complete lift

For a function f on M , the complete lift of f is regarded in natural way as a function on TM which is denoted by f^C and defined in a coordinate neighborhood U of M , where the local expression $f^C = \partial f := y^i \partial_i f$ with respect to the induced coordinates in $\pi^{-1}(U)$.

The complete lift of a vector field X on M is defined by $X^C.f^C = (X.f)^C$, where $f \in C^\infty(M)$. Thus the complete lift X^C of X (with components X^h on M) has the components:

$$X^C : \begin{pmatrix} X^h \\ \partial X^h \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM . A distribution is a subbundle of the tangent bundle. By *complete distribution* on TM we mean a distribution whose sections are complete lifts of vector field on M .

The complete lift of a one form ω on M is defined by $\omega^C(X^C) = (\omega(X))^C$ for all $X \in TM$ and has components of the form $\omega^C = (\partial\omega_i, \omega_i)$ where ω_i are the components of ω .

The complete lifts are extended to a unique algebraic isomorphism of the tensor algebra $\otimes M$ into the tensor algebra $\otimes TM$ with respect to constant coefficients, by the conditions: $(P \otimes Q)^C = P^C \otimes Q^V + P^V \otimes Q^C$ and $(P + R)^C = P^C + R^C$, where P , Q , and R are arbitrary elements of $\otimes M$. [11]

The complete lift of a 2-covariant tensor $g \in \otimes_2^0 M$ with local components g_{ij} has components of the form:

$$g^C : \begin{pmatrix} \partial g_{ij} & g_{ij} \\ g_{ij} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM .

Lemma 3.1. *The complete lift of a Riemannian metric g coincide with the Riemannian metric g_2 .*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_2 &= 2g_{ij}dx^i\delta y^j \\
 &= 2g_{ij}dx^i(dy^j + \Gamma_t^j dx^t) \\
 &= 2g_{ij}dx^i dy^j + 2g_{ij}y^k \Gamma_{kt}^j dx^i dx^t \\
 &= 2g_{ij}dx^i dy^j + y^k (\Gamma_{ki}^l g_{lj} + \Gamma_{kj}^l g_{il}) dx^i dx^j \\
 &= 2g_{ij}dx^i dy^j + y^k \partial_k g_{ij} dx^i dx^j \\
 &= 2g_{ij}dx^i dy^j + \partial g_{ij} dx^i dx^j,
 \end{aligned}$$

so g_2 has components of the form:

$$g_2 : \begin{pmatrix} \partial g_{ij} & g_{ij} \\ g_{ij} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM , where $\Gamma_i^h = y^j \Gamma_{ji}^h$ and $\Gamma_{ki}^l g_{lj} + \Gamma_{kj}^l g_{il} = \partial_k g_{ij}$. [6] \square

3.3 Horizontal lift

For an arbitrary type tensor field

$$S = S_{i_1 \dots i_p}^{j_1 \dots j_q} \partial_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \partial_{j_q} \otimes dx^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{i_p},$$

on M , the tensor field ∇S on TM is

$$\nabla S = (y^l \nabla_l S_{i_1 \dots i_p}^{j_1 \dots j_q}) \partial_{j_1}^- \otimes \dots \otimes \partial_{j_q}^- \otimes dx^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{i_p}.$$

The horizontal lift S^H is defined by

$$S^H = S^C - \nabla S.$$

The horizontal lift of a 2-covariant tensor $g \in \otimes_2^0 M$ with local components g_{ij} has components of the form:

$$g^H : \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_j^t g_{ti} + \Gamma_i^t g_{jt} & g_{ij} \\ g_{ij} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM .

Especially, for all $f \in C^\infty(M)$ we have $f^H = f^C - \nabla f$. On the other hand, since $\nabla f = y^l \nabla_l f = y^l \partial_l f$ we obtain $\nabla f = f^C$, therefore $f^H = 0$. The horizontal lift of a vector field X on M is defined by $X^H = X^C - \nabla X$, so it has the components:

$$X^H : \begin{pmatrix} X^h \\ -\Gamma_i^h X^i \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates on TM .

The horizontal lift of the product of two tensors P and Q in $\otimes M$ is [11]

$$(P \otimes Q)^H = P^H \otimes Q^V + P^V \otimes Q^H.$$

Lemma 3.2. [10] *If g is a Riemannian metric and ∇ the Riemannian connection determined by g on M , then g^C and g^H coincide with respect to ∇ .*

3.4 M-lift

We are in position to introduced a new useful mixed lift g^M for a 2-covariant tensor $g \in \otimes_2^0 M$ with local components g_{ij} by

$$g^M = a(g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V + c(g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H,$$

where $a, c \in R^+$.

4 Connection Lift

If ∇ is a linear connection on M , the total covariant derivative of a tensor field $S \in \otimes_q^l M$ is a $\binom{l}{q+1}$ -tensor field

$$\nabla S : \Omega^1(M) \times \cdots \times \Omega^1(M) \times \chi(M) \times \cdots \times \chi(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M),$$

given by

$$\nabla S(\omega^1, \dots, \omega^l, Y_1, \dots, Y_q, X) = \nabla_X S(\omega^1, \dots, \omega^l, Y_1, \dots, Y_q),$$

where $Y_i, X \in \chi(M)$ and $\omega^i \in \Omega^1(M)$.

It is necessary to recall that the Riemannian connection is a metric connection i.e $\nabla g = 0$. [6]

- A vector field X on M is *parallel* if and only if its total covariant derivative ∇X vanishes identically.
- A distribution D on M is *parallel* if $\nabla_X \Gamma(D) \subseteq \Gamma(D)$ for any $X \in \Gamma(TM)$.

Let ∇ be a Riemannian connection on M with coefficients Γ_{ij}^k . The *Riemannian curvature tensor* is defined by

$$R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z + \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z, \quad \forall X, Y, Z \in TM.$$

Locally

$$R_{ijk}^m = \partial_i \Gamma_{jk}^m - \partial_j \Gamma_{ik}^m + \Gamma_{ia}^m \Gamma_{jk}^a - \Gamma_{ja}^m \Gamma_{ik}^a,$$

where $R(\partial_i, \partial_j)\partial_k = R_{ijk}^m \partial_m$. [6]

- A Riemannian manifold (M, g) is *locally flat* if and only if its Riemannian curvature tensor vanishes identically.

Let ∇ be a linear connection on TM , the *torsion tensor* of ∇ on TM is defined by

$$T(X, Y) = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y], \quad \forall X, Y \in TM.$$

It is obvious by [4] that Riemannian connection is *torsion free* i.e $T = 0$.

Lemma 4.1. [7] *An affine connection ∇ has the following properties.*

$$\nabla_X (T \otimes S) = (\nabla_X T) \otimes S + T \otimes (\nabla_X S),$$

$$\nabla_X f = X.f,$$

$$\nabla_{\partial_j} dx^h = -\Gamma_{ji}^h dx^i,$$

where $f \in C^\infty(M)$, $X \in TM$ and $T, S \in \otimes M$.

4.1 Complete lift

If $\tilde{\nabla}$ is a linear connection on TM , then the Christoffel symbols with respect to the $\tilde{\nabla}$ is defined as follows:

$$\tilde{\nabla}_{\partial_i} \partial_j = \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^m \partial_m + \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^{\bar{m}} \partial_{\bar{m}}, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{\partial_i} \partial_j = \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^m \partial_m + \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^{\bar{m}} \partial_{\bar{m}},$$

$$\tilde{\nabla}_{\partial_i} \partial_j = \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^m \partial_m + \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^{\bar{m}} \partial_{\bar{m}}, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{\partial_i} \partial_{\bar{j}} = \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^m \partial_m + \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^{\bar{m}} \partial_{\bar{m}}.$$

There exists a unique affine connection ∇^C on TM which satisfies: [11]

$$\nabla_{X^C}^C Y^C = (\nabla_X Y)^C, \quad \forall X, Y \in TM,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^h &= \Gamma_{ji}^h, & \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^{\bar{h}} &= 0, & \tilde{\Gamma}_{\bar{j}i}^h &= 0, & \tilde{\Gamma}_{\bar{j}i}^{\bar{h}} &= 0, \\ \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^{\bar{h}} &= \partial \Gamma_{ji}^h, & \tilde{\Gamma}_{\bar{j}i}^{\bar{h}} &= \Gamma_{ji}^h, & \tilde{\Gamma}_{\bar{j}i}^h &= \Gamma_{ji}^h, & \tilde{\Gamma}_{\bar{j}i}^{\bar{h}} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to verify that $\tilde{\Gamma}_{CB}^A$, which is denoted by the preceding relations, determines an affine connection globally on TM . This affine connection is called the *complete lift* of the affine connection ∇ to TM and is denoted by ∇^C .

Proposition 4.2. [12] *If ∇ is the Riemannian connection of a manifold M with respect to a Riemannian metric g , then ∇^C is the Riemannian connection of TM with respect to g^C .*

Proposition 4.3. [11] *The Riemannian connection ∇^C has the following properties.*

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{X^V}^C K^V &= 0, \\ \nabla_{X^V}^C K^C &= (\nabla_X K)^V, \\ \nabla_{X^C}^C K^V &= (\nabla_X K)^V, \\ \nabla_{X^C}^C K^C &= (\nabla_X K)^C, \end{aligned}$$

for all tensor field K on M and $X \in TM$.

So, in general, $\nabla^C K^V = (\nabla K)^V$ and $\nabla^C K^C = (\nabla K)^C$.

Proposition 4.4. [12] *If T and R are respectively the torsion and the curvature tensors of ∇ , then T^C and R^C are respectively the torsion and the curvature tensors of ∇^C .*

4.2 Horizontal lift

The horizontal lift ∇^H of an affine connection ∇ on M to TM is defined by the conditions:

$$\nabla_{X^V}^H Y^V = 0, \quad \nabla_{X^V}^H Y^H = 0, \quad \nabla_{X^H}^H Y^V = (\nabla_X Y)^V, \quad \nabla_{X^H}^H Y^H = (\nabla_X Y)^H,$$

for any $X, Y \in TM$. [11]

Note : It is worth saying that, in general, ∇^H is not unique. [11]

Proposition 4.5. [11] *The horizontal lift ∇^H has the following properties.*

$$\nabla_{X^C}^H (dx^h)^V = -X^j \Gamma_{ji}^h (dx^i)^V,$$

$$\nabla_{X^C}^H (dx^h)^H = -X^j \Gamma_{ji}^h (dx^i)^H,$$

$$\nabla_{X^C}^H K^V = (\nabla_X K)^V,$$

$$\nabla_{X^C}^H K^H = (\nabla_X K)^H,$$

$$\nabla_{X^V}^H K^V = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{X^V}^H K^H = 0.$$

for all tensor field $K \in \otimes M$ and $X \in TM$.

5 Main Results

In the following results, assume that (M, g) is a Riemannian manifold with respect to the Riemannian connection ∇ .

Lemma 5.1. *For a tensor field g^M on TM , $\nabla_{X^C}^H g^M = (\nabla_X g)^M$.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla_{XC}^H g^M &= \nabla_{XC}^H (a(g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V + c(g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H) \\
&= a(X.g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V + a(g_{ij})^V \nabla_{XC}^H (dx^i)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V \\
&\quad + a(g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^V \otimes \nabla_{XC}^H (dx^j)^V \\
&\quad + c(X.g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H + c(g_{ij})^V \nabla_{XC}^H (dx^i)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H \\
&\quad + c(g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^H \otimes \nabla_{XC}^H (dx^j)^H \\
&= a(X.g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V \\
&\quad - a(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i (dx^l)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V \\
&\quad - a(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j (dx^l)^V \otimes (dx^i)^V \\
&\quad + c(X.g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H \\
&\quad - c(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i (dx^l)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H \\
&\quad - c(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j (dx^l)^H \otimes (dx^i)^H.
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla_X g &= \nabla_{X^k \partial_k} g_{ij} dx^i \otimes dx^j \\
&= X^k \nabla_{\partial_k} g_{ij} dx^i \otimes dx^j \\
&= X^k (\partial_k g_{ij} dx^i \otimes dx^j + g_{ij} \nabla_{\partial_k} dx^i \otimes dx^j + g_{ij} dx^i \otimes \nabla_{\partial_k} dx^j) \\
&= (X.g_{ij}) dx^i \otimes dx^j - g_{ij} X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i dx^l \otimes dx^j - g_{ij} X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j dx^l \otimes dx^i.
\end{aligned}$$

So its M-lift is

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla_X g)^M &= ((X.g_{ij}) dx^i \otimes dx^j - g_{ij} X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i dx^l \otimes dx^j \\
&\quad - g_{ij} X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j dx^l \otimes dx^i)^M \\
&= ((X.g_{ij}) dx^i \otimes dx^j)^M - (g_{ij} X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i dx^l \otimes dx^j)^M \\
&\quad - (g_{ij} X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j dx^l \otimes dx^i)^M \\
&= a(X.g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V + c(X.g_{ij})^V (dx^i)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H \\
&\quad - (a(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i (dx^l)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V \\
&\quad + c(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^i (dx^l)^H \otimes (dx^j)^H) \\
&\quad - (a(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j (dx^l)^V \otimes (dx^i)^V \\
&\quad + c(g_{ij})^V X^k \Gamma_{kl}^j (dx^l)^H \otimes (dx^i)^H).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\nabla_{X^C}^H g^M = (\nabla_X g)^M.$$

□

Proposition 5.2. *The horizontal lift ∇^H of \tilde{g} is a metric connection.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{X^C}^H \tilde{g} &= \nabla_{X^C}^H (ag_1 + bg_2 + cg_3) \\ &= \nabla_{X^C}^H (ag_1 + cg_3) + b\nabla_{X^C}^H g_2, \end{aligned}$$

in addition, by Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, $g_2 = g^C = g^H$, hence

$$\begin{aligned} &= \nabla_{X^C}^H g^M + b\nabla_{X^C}^H g^H \\ &= (\nabla_X g)^M + b(\nabla_X g)^H \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality comes from the compatibility of Riemannian connection property. □

Remark 5.3. [11] The complete lift ∇^C and the horizontal lift ∇^H of an affine connection ∇ on M coincide, if and only if ∇ is of zero curvature.

In the following results, assume that the Riemannian connection ∇ with respect to the Riemannian manifold (M, g) is of zero curvature.

Proposition 5.4. *The Riemannian connections of metrics \tilde{g} and g_2 coincide.*

Proof. The Riemannian connection with respect to the metric \tilde{g} is ∇^C because

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{X^C}^C \tilde{g} &= \nabla_{X^C}^C (ag_1 + bg_2 + cg_3) \\ &= \nabla_{X^C}^C (ag_1 + cg_3) + b\nabla_{X^C}^C g_2. \end{aligned}$$

Taking Remark 5.3 and Lemma 3.1 into consideration, this is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} &= \nabla_{X^C}^H (ag_1 + cg_3) + b\nabla_{X^C}^C g^C \\ &= \nabla_{X^C}^H g^M + b\nabla_{X^C}^C g^C \\ &= (\nabla_X g)^M + b(\nabla_X g)^C \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, ∇^C is compatible with respect to the metric \tilde{g} . In addition by Proposition 4.4, ∇^C is torsion-free, therefore ∇^C is the Riemannian connection of \tilde{g} .

Additionally, based on Proposition 4.2, ∇^C is the Riemannian connection of $g^C = g_2$. Note that the Riemannian connection is unique, thus the Riemannian connection of the metric \tilde{g} and g_2 coincide. \square

Theorem 5.5. *The complete, vertical, and horizontal distributions on TM are parallel with respect to the Riemannian connection of metric \tilde{g} .*

Proof. For any $X, Y \in TM$ with components X^h and Y^h ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla_{Y^C}^C X^C &= \nabla_{Y^j \partial_j + \partial Y^j \partial_{\bar{j}}}^C (X^h \partial_h + \partial X^h \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j (\nabla_{\partial_j}^C X^h \partial_h + \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial X^h \partial_{\bar{h}}) + \partial Y^j (\nabla_{\partial_{\bar{j}}}^C X^h \partial_h + \nabla_{\partial_{\bar{j}}}^C \partial X^h \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^h \partial_h + X^h \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial_h + \partial_j (\partial X^h) \partial_{\bar{h}} + \partial X^h \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&\quad + \partial Y^j (\partial_{\bar{j}} X^h \partial_h + X^h \nabla_{\partial_{\bar{j}}}^C \partial_h + \partial_{\bar{j}} (\partial X^h) \partial_{\bar{h}} + \partial X^h \nabla_{\partial_{\bar{j}}}^C \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^h \partial_h + X^h (\Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_k + \partial \Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_{\bar{k}}) + \partial_j (y^t \partial_t X^h) \partial_{\bar{h}} \\
&\quad + \partial X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_{\bar{k}}) + \partial Y^j (X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_{\bar{k}} + \partial_{\bar{j}} (y^t \partial_t X^h) \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k + (Y^j X^h \partial \Gamma_{jh}^k + Y^j y^t \partial_j \partial_t X^k \\
&\quad + Y^j \partial X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k + \partial Y^j \partial_{\bar{j}} y^t \partial_t X^k) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k + (Y^j y^t (X^h \partial_t \Gamma_{jh}^k + \partial_t X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \\
&\quad + Y^j y^t \partial_j \partial_t X^k + \partial Y^j (\partial_j X^k + \Gamma_{jh}^k X^h)) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k + (Y^j y^t \partial_t (X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) + Y^j y^t \partial_t \partial_j X^k \\
&\quad + \partial Y^j (\partial_j X^k + \Gamma_{jh}^k X^h)) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k + (Y^j \partial (X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) + Y^j \partial (\partial_j X^k) \\
&\quad + \partial Y^j (\partial_j X^k + \Gamma_{jh}^k X^h)) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k + (Y^j \partial (\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) + \partial Y^j (\partial_j X^k \\
&\quad + \Gamma_{jh}^k X^h)) \partial_{\bar{k}},
\end{aligned}$$

so, $\nabla_{Y^C}^C X^C$ has components:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y^j(\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \\ \partial(Y^j(\partial_j X^k + X^h \Gamma_{jh}^k)) \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates. This shows assertion for complete distribution.

For vertical lift X^V ,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{Y^C}^C X^V &= \nabla_{Y^k \partial_k + \partial Y^k \partial_{\bar{k}}}^C X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} \\ &= Y^k \nabla_{\partial_k}^C X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} + \partial Y^k \nabla_{\partial_{\bar{k}}}^C X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} \\ &= Y^k (\partial_k X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} + X^h \Gamma_{k\bar{h}}^l \partial_{\bar{l}} + X^h \Gamma_{k\bar{h}}^l \partial_l) \\ &\quad + \partial Y^k (\partial_{\bar{k}} X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} + X^h \Gamma_{\bar{k}h}^l \partial_l + X^h \Gamma_{\bar{k}h}^l \partial_{\bar{l}}) \\ &= Y^k (\partial_k X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} + X^h \Gamma_{kh}^l \partial_{\bar{l}}) \\ &= Y^k (\partial_k X^l + X^h \Gamma_{kh}^l) \partial_{\bar{l}} \\ &= (Y^k \nabla_k X^l) \partial_{\bar{l}}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\nabla_k X^l = \partial_k X^l + X^h \Gamma_{kh}^l$ are the components of ∇X . Therefore, $\nabla_{Y^C}^C X^V$ has the components:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ Y^k \nabla_k X^l \end{pmatrix},$$

with respect to the induced coordinates, and this is the assertion for vertical distribution.

Take a horizontal vector field X^H on TM , that is, a vector field with

local components \tilde{X}^A satisfying $\Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i + \tilde{X}^{\bar{h}} = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla_{Y^C}^C X^H &= \nabla_{Y^j \partial_j + \partial Y^j \partial_j}^C (\tilde{X}^h \partial_h + \tilde{X}^{\bar{h}} \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= \nabla_{Y^j \partial_j + \partial Y^j \partial_j}^C (\tilde{X}^h \partial_h - \Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j (\nabla_{\partial_j}^C \tilde{X}^h \partial_h - \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \Gamma_i^h X^i \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&\quad + \partial Y^j (\nabla_{\partial_j}^C \tilde{X}^h \partial_h - \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j (\partial_j \tilde{X}^h \partial_h + \tilde{X}^h \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial_h - \partial_j (\Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i) \partial_{\bar{h}} - \Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&\quad + \partial Y^j (\partial_j \tilde{X}^h \partial_h + \tilde{X}^h \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial_h - \partial_j (\Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i) \partial_{\bar{h}} - \Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i \nabla_{\partial_j}^C \partial_{\bar{h}}) \\
&= Y^j \partial_j \tilde{X}^h \partial_h + Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_k - Y^j \partial_j (\Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i) \partial_{\bar{h}} \\
&\quad - Y^j \Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i \Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_k + \partial Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k \partial_k \\
&= (Y^j \partial_j \tilde{X}^k + Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k \\
&\quad + (-Y^j \partial_j (\Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i) - Y^j \Gamma_i^h \tilde{X}^i \Gamma_{jh}^k + \partial Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= (Y^j \partial_j \tilde{X}^k + Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k \\
&\quad + (-Y^j \partial_j \Gamma_i^k \tilde{X}^i - Y^j \Gamma_i^k \partial_j \tilde{X}^i - Y^j \Gamma_i^k \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^i + \partial Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= (Y^j \partial_j \tilde{X}^k + Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k \\
&\quad - Y^j \Gamma_i^k (\partial_j \tilde{X}^i + \Gamma_{jh}^i \tilde{X}^h) \partial_{\bar{k}} + (\partial Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k - Y^j \partial_j \Gamma_i^k \tilde{X}^i) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= (Y^j \partial_j \tilde{X}^k + Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k - Y^j \Gamma_i^k (\partial_j \tilde{X}^i + \Gamma_{jh}^i \tilde{X}^h) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&\quad + (y^t \partial_t Y^j \tilde{X}^i \Gamma_{ji}^k - Y^j y^t \partial_j \Gamma_{ti}^k \tilde{X}^i) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&= (Y^j \partial_j \tilde{X}^k + Y^j \tilde{X}^h \Gamma_{jh}^k) \partial_k - Y^j \Gamma_i^k (\partial_j \tilde{X}^i + \Gamma_{jh}^i \tilde{X}^h) \partial_{\bar{k}} \\
&\quad + y^t \tilde{X}^i (\partial_t Y^j \Gamma_{ji}^k - Y^j \partial_j \Gamma_{ti}^k) \partial_{\bar{k}},
\end{aligned}$$

so, $\nabla_{Y^C}^C X^H$ has the components:

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} Y^j (\partial_j \tilde{X}^k + \Gamma_{jh}^k \tilde{X}^h) \\ -\Gamma_i^k Y^j (\partial_j \tilde{X}^i + \Gamma_{jh}^i \tilde{X}^h) + y^t R_{tji}^k Y^j \tilde{X}^i \end{array} \right),$$

with respect to the induced coordinates. Since the Riemannian connection ∇ is of zero curvature, $R_{tji}^k = 0$. Therefore the assertion for horizontal distribution is proved. \square

Theorem 5.6. *A vector field on M is parallel if and only if its complete (vertical, horizontal) lift to TM is parallel with respect to metric \tilde{g} .*

Proof. Suppose that X is a vector field on M with the components X^h , and $\nabla_B^C \tilde{X}^A$ are the components of $\nabla^C X^C$. Along the same line, $\nabla_B^C \hat{X}^A$ are the components of $\nabla^C X^V$, and $\nabla_B^C \bar{X}^A$ are the components of $\nabla^C X^H$. Then by Proposition 4.3 for the complete lift:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^C X^C &= (\nabla_j X^h \partial_h \otimes dx^j)^C \\ &= \partial \nabla_j X^h (\partial_h)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V + \nabla_j X^h (\partial_h)^C \otimes (dx^j)^V \\ &\quad + \nabla_j X^h (\partial_h)^V \otimes (dx^j)^C \\ &= \partial \nabla_j X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} \otimes dx^j + \nabla_j X^h \partial_h \otimes dx^j \\ &\quad + \nabla_j X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} \otimes dy^j, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\nabla_B^C \tilde{X}^A = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_j X^h & 0 \\ \partial \nabla_j X^h & \nabla_j X^h \end{pmatrix}.$$

For vertical lift:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^C X^V &= (\nabla_j X^h \partial_h \otimes dx^j)^V \\ &= \nabla_j X^h (\partial_h)^V \otimes (dx^j)^V \\ &= \nabla_j X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} \otimes dx^j, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\nabla_B^C \hat{X}^A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \nabla_j X^h & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally, for horizontal lift, since ∇ is of zero curvature, by Proposition

4.5:

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla^C X^H &= (\nabla_j X^h \partial_h \otimes dx^j)^H \\
&= (\nabla_j X^h \partial_h)^H \otimes dx^j + (\nabla_j X^h \partial_h)^V \otimes (dx^j)^H \\
&= (\nabla_j X^h)^H (\partial_h)^V \otimes dx^j + (\nabla_j X^h)^V (\partial_h)^H \otimes dx^j \\
&\quad + \nabla_j X^h (\partial_h)^V \otimes (\Gamma_i^j dx^i + dy^j) \\
&= \nabla_j X^h (\partial_h - \Gamma_h^t \partial_{\bar{t}}) \otimes dx^j \\
&\quad + \nabla_j X^h (\partial_{\bar{h}}) \otimes (\Gamma_i^j dx^i + dy^j) \\
&= \nabla_j X^h \partial_h \otimes dx^j - (\Gamma_t^h \nabla_j X^t) \partial_{\bar{h}} \otimes dx^j \\
&\quad + (\Gamma_j^t \nabla_t X^h) \partial_{\bar{h}} \otimes dx^j + \nabla_j X^h \partial_{\bar{h}} \otimes dy^j,
\end{aligned}$$

so

$$\nabla_B^C \bar{X}^A = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_j X^h & 0 \\ -\Gamma_t^h \nabla_j X^t + \Gamma_j^t \nabla_t X^h & \nabla_j X^h \end{pmatrix}.$$

From these matrices we understand that if a vector field X on M is *parallel*, then $\nabla_j X^h = 0$. Therefore it is obvious that $\nabla_B^C \tilde{X}^A = 0$ ($\nabla_B^C \hat{X}^A = 0$, $\nabla_B^C \bar{X}^A = 0$).

Conversely, if complete (vertical, horizontal) lift of a vector field on TM is *parallel*, then $\nabla_B^C \tilde{X}^A = 0$ ($\nabla_B^C \hat{X}^A = 0$, $\nabla_B^C \bar{X}^A = 0$) and from the matrices, $\nabla_j X^h = 0$. \square

- The vector field X on M is said to be *concurrent* if its component X^h has the following relation:

$$\nabla_j X^h := \nabla_{\partial_j} X^h = k \delta_j^h,$$

where k is constant and δ_j^h is Kronecker delta. [8]

Corollary 5.7. *The complete lift of a vector field on M is concurrent with respect to the metric \tilde{g} if and only if it is concurrent.*

Proof. It is clear by

$$\nabla_B^C \tilde{X}^A = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_j X^h & 0 \\ \partial \nabla_j X^h & \nabla_j X^h \end{pmatrix},$$

which is motivated by the proof of Theorem 5.6. \square

Theorem 5.8. *The tangent bundle TM is locally flat with respect to metric \tilde{g} if and only if M is locally flat.*

Proof. Let R be a Riemannian curvature tensor with components R_{kji}^h and R^C be its complete lift, then the components of R^C have the following relations: [11]

$$\tilde{R}_{kji}^h = R_{kji}^h, \quad \tilde{R}_{kji}^{\bar{h}} = \partial R_{kji}^h, \quad \tilde{R}_{k\bar{j}i}^h = R_{kji}^h, \quad \tilde{R}_{k\bar{j}i}^{\bar{h}} = R_{kji}^h, \quad \tilde{R}_{\bar{k}ji}^h = R_{kji}^h.$$

Moreover, suppose that all the others are zero, with respect to the induced coordinates on TM . Since by Proposition 5.4 the connections with respect to the metrics \tilde{g} and g_2 coincide, $R^C = 0$ iff $R = 0$. \square

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