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ON A HORIZONTAL STRUKTURE ON DIFFERENTIABLE MANIFOLDS

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Let M be a differentiable manifold, $\dim M = n$. Let p or β be the fibre projection of the tangent bundle $T(M)$ over M or of the bundle $J^1T(M)$ over $T(M)$, respectively. A linear connection on M can be introduced as a vector bundle morphism ${}^1\Gamma: T(M) \rightarrow J^1T(M)$ over M such that

$$\beta\Gamma = \text{id}_{T(M)}.$$

In this paper we find some properties of the structure on M determined by a global cross-section $\Gamma: T(M) \rightarrow J^1T(M)$ which is not a linear connection. Standard terminology and notations of the theory of jets are used throughout the paper, see, e.g. [2]. Our considerations are in the category C^∞ .

1. Let $E(M, p)$ be a fibred manifold over M . A tangent subspace $\Gamma_u \subset T_u(E)$ will be called horizontal if $T_u(E) = \Gamma_u \oplus T_u(E_x)$, $pu = x$. Let J^1E be the first prolongation of E , i.e. the space of all 1-jets of all local cross-sections of E . Every $h \in J^1E$ determines a horizontal tangent subspace $\Gamma_u \subset T_u(E)$, $\beta h = u$, and conversely. Then every distribution of horizontal tangent subspaces Γ_u on E can be identified with a global cross-section $\Gamma: E \rightarrow J^1E$.

Let X be a projectable vector field on E . Let 1X be the first prolongation of X on J^1E . The distribution Γ determines a submanifold $\Gamma(E) \subset J^1E$. Hence Γ_*X is a vector field on $\Gamma(E)$.

Definition 1. A projectable field X on E will be said to be conjugate with Γ if

$$(1) \quad \Gamma_*(X)_{(h)} = {}^1X_{(h)}$$

for every $h \in \Gamma(E)$.

It will be useful to write down the coordinate form of (1). Let (x^i, y^α) or $(x^i, y^\alpha, y_i^\alpha)$ be local coordinates on E or J^1E , respectively. Let $X = a^i(x, y)\partial x_i + b^\alpha(x, y)\partial y_\alpha$. Then

$$(2) \quad {}^1X = a^i \partial x_i + b^\alpha \partial y_\alpha + \left(\frac{\partial b^\alpha}{\partial x^i} + \frac{\partial b^\alpha}{\partial y^\beta} y_i^\beta - y_i^\alpha \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial x^i} \right) \partial y_i^\alpha, \quad \text{see [5].}$$

Let $\Gamma: E \rightarrow J^1E$ be determined by $y_i^\alpha = a_i^\alpha(x, y)$. Then

$$\Gamma_*(X) = a^i \partial x_i + b^\alpha \partial y_\alpha + \left(\frac{\partial a_i^\alpha}{\partial x^i} a^i + \frac{\partial a_i^\alpha}{\partial y^\beta} b^\beta \right) \partial y_i^\alpha$$

and (1) yields

$$(3) \quad \frac{\partial b^\alpha}{\partial x^i} + \frac{\partial b^\alpha}{\partial y^\beta} a_i^\beta - a_i^\alpha \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial a_i^\alpha}{\partial x^i} a^i - \frac{\partial a_i^\alpha}{\partial y^\beta} b^\beta = 0.$$

Further, if $Y \in T_x(M)$ and $u \in E$, $pu = x$, then there is a unique vector $\bar{Y} \in \Gamma_u$ such that $P_*\bar{Y} = Y$. The field \bar{Y} obtained in this way will be called the Γ -lift of the vector field Y on M . Locally, $Y = a^i(x) \partial x_i$, $\Gamma: y_i^\alpha = a_i^\alpha(x, y)$, then $\bar{Y} = a^i(x) \partial x_i + a_i^\alpha(x, y) \times a^i(x) \partial y_\alpha$.

2. Let E be a vector bundle. Denote by V the Liouville field on E determined by the 1-parametric group of all homothetic transformations on E . Locally,

$$(4) \quad V = y^\alpha \partial y_\alpha.$$

Let $k \geq 0$ be an integer. A vector field X on E will be called k -homogeneous, or V -vertical, if $[V, X] = kX$ or $[V, X]$ is vertical on E , respectively. In coordinates, the field

$$X = a^i(x, y) \partial x_i + b^\alpha(x, y) \partial y_\alpha$$

is k -homogeneous or V -vertical and only if

$$(5) \quad \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial y^\alpha} y^\alpha = ka^i, \quad \frac{\partial b^\alpha}{\partial y^\beta} y^\beta = (k+1)b^\alpha,$$

i.e. if the functions $a^i(x, y)$ ($b^\alpha(x, y)$) are homogeneous of degree k (of degree $k+1$) with respect to the variables y^γ or if

$$(6) \quad \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial y^\alpha} y^\alpha = 0,$$

i.e., if the functions $a^i(x, y)$ are homogeneous of degree 0 with respect to the variables y^γ .

Example 1. Every projectable field on E is V -vertical.

Example 2. The projectable field X on E will be said to be linear if the local transformations of its local 1-parametric group are linear fibre isomorphisms. Locally, the field $X = a^i(x) \partial x_i + b^\alpha(x, y) \partial y_\alpha$ is linear if and only if

$$(7) \quad b^\alpha(x, y) = b_\beta^\alpha(x) y^\beta.$$

Now (7) and (5) yield

Lemma 1. Every linear field X on E is 0-homogeneous, i.e.

$$[V, X] = 0.$$

Example 3. The Γ -lift \bar{Y} of the field $Y = a^i(x) \partial x_i$ is 0-homogeneous if and only if

$$(8) \quad \left(\frac{\partial a_i^\alpha}{\partial y^\beta} y^\beta - a_i^\alpha \right) a^i = 0.$$

In the case of the vector bundle J^1E over X we can easily deduce from (2) the following assertion.

Lemma 2. If V is the Liouville field on E , then its prolongation 1V is the Liouville field on J^1E .

Locally, we recall that ${}^1V = y^\alpha \partial y_\alpha + y_i^\alpha \partial y_i^\alpha$.

Lemma 3. If the projectable field X on E is 0-homogeneous, then 1X is 0-homogeneous on J^1E .

Proof. The operator $X \rightarrow {}^1X$ is R -linear and ${}^1[X, Y] = [{}^1X, {}^1Y]$.

Remark 1. Let $T_k^1(M)$ be the set of all k^1 -velocities on M . Let Y be a vector field on M . We recall that the prolongation of Y on $T_k^1(M)$ is given by

$$(9) \quad {}^1\xi(h) = j_0^1({}'\Phi \cdot h), \quad h \in T_k^1(M),$$

where $'\varphi$ is the transformation of the local 1-parametric group of the fields Y and the dot denotes the jet composition. In particular, if $k = 1$, then (9) yields locally

$$(10) \quad {}^1\xi = a^i(x) \partial x_i + \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial x_j} y^j \partial y_i.$$

It means that ${}^1\xi$ is a linear field on $T(M)$ and thus is 0-homogeneous.

3. Further we will study a special case. Denote by p the fibre projection of the tangent bundle $T(M)$ over M . We recall some structure properties of the space $T(T, (M))$. Denote by π the fibre projection of the tangent bundle $T(T(M))$. Let \mathcal{T} signify the vector bundle structure of $T(T(M))$ over $T(M)$ with the fibre projection P_* . Further 2T be the fibre structure of $T(T(M))$ over M , with the fibre projection $\beta = p\pi$. It is known that 2T can be identified with the fibre structure of all the non-holonomic I^2 -velocities on M . Then the subset \mathcal{S} of all the semi-holonomic I^2 -velocities on M is the set of such elements $z \in T(T(M))$ that

$$\pi(z) = P_*(z).$$

Let $u \in T(M)$, $p(u) = x$. Denote by \mathcal{S}_u the subset $s_x \cap T_u(T(M))$, where \mathcal{S}_x is the fibre of \mathcal{S} over x .

Proposition 1. Let $u \in T(M)$, $p(u) = x$. Then \mathcal{S}_u is a class of the factor-space $T_u(T(M)) | T_u(T_x(M))$. Further $s_u = T_u(T_x(M))$ if and only if $u = O \in T_x(M)$.

Proof. Let $z_1, z_2 \in \mathcal{S}_u$. Then $P_*(z_1) = u = P_*(z_2)$. Therefore $O = P_*(z_1) - P_*(z_2) = P_*(z_1 - z_2)$, i.e. $z_1 - z_2 \in T_u(t(M))$. Conversely let $z_1 \in \mathcal{S}_u$ and z_2 be an element of the class determined by z_1 . Then $z_1 - z_2 \in T_u(T_x(M))$, i.e. $P_*(z_2)$. Since $u = \pi_*(z_1) = P_*(z_1)$ and $P_*(z_2) = u$, therefore $z_2 \in \mathcal{S}_u$. The equivalence $\mathcal{S}_u = T_u(T_x(M)) \Leftrightarrow u = O$ is obvious.

Corollary. Let Γ_u be a horizontal subspace of $T_u(T(M))$. Then the set $\Gamma_u \cap \mathcal{S}_u$ has just one element, which will be called the *h-element* of Γ_u .

Further we recall (see [3]) that a differential equation of second order on M is a vector field X on $T(M)$ satisfying

$$\pi(X) = P_*(X).$$

Locally, $X = a^i(x, y) \partial x_i + b^i(x, y) \partial y_i$ is a differential equation of the second order on M if and only if $a^i(x, y) = y^i$. Thus if X_1 and X_2 are two differential equations of the second order on M , then the field $X_1 - X_2$ is vertical on $T(M)$.

Proposition 2. Let X_1 and X_2 be two differential equations of the second order on M . Then $[X_1, X_2]$ is a differential equation of the second order on M if and only if $X_1 - X_2 = V$ is the Liouville field on $T(M)$.

Proof. If $X_1 = y^i \partial x_i + a^i(x, y) \partial y_i$, $X_2 = y^i \partial x_i + b^i(x, y) \partial y_i$, then $[X_1, X_2] = (a^i - b^i) \partial x_i + B^i(x, y) \partial y_i$. This proves our assertion.

Definition 2. Let $\Gamma: T(M) \rightarrow J^1 T(M)$ be a global cross-section. The pair (M, Γ) will be called an *H-structure* on M .

Locally, Γ is given by the equations

$$\begin{aligned} x^i &= x^i, & y^i &= y^i, \\ y_j^i &= a_j^i(x^k, y^k) \equiv a_j^i(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

and the *H-structure* (M, Γ) is a linear connection on M if and only if the functions $a_j^i(x, y)$ are linear with respect to the variables y^k i.e. if and only if

$$y_j^i = \Gamma_{jk}^i(x) y^k.$$

Proposition 3. Let Y be a vector field on M . Then $[\bar{Y}, {}^1\xi]$, where \bar{y} is the Γ -lift of Y and ${}^1\xi$ is the first prolongation of Y on $T(M)$, is vertical.

The proof is obvious.

One can also easily prove the following assertion.

Proposition 4. Let (M, Γ_1) and (M, Γ_2) be two *H-structures*. Let f_1 and f_2 be two functions on $T(M)$. Then $(M, f_1\Gamma_1 + f_2\Gamma_2)$ is an *H-structure* if and only if $f_1 + f_2 = 1$.

Denote by $D(M)$ the module of all vector fields on M over the ring $F(M)$ of all real functions on M .

Definition 3. A mapping $D_x: D(M) \rightarrow D(M)$ determined by $X \in D(M)$ will be called a d -mapping if

$$D_x(Y + Z) = D_x(Y) + D_x(Z),$$

$$D_x(fY) = X(f)Y + fD_x(Y).$$

Let $X, Y \in D(M)$. Considering Y as a cross-section $Y: M \rightarrow T(M)$, denote by $Y_*(X)$ the field on the submanifold $Y(M) \subset T(M)$ determined by the differential of Y . We recall that \bar{X} or 1X denotes the Γ -lift of X or the first prolongation of X on $T(M)$. Every $X \in D(M)$ determines the following transformations of $D(M)$:

$$\Omega_x: y \mapsto i[Y_*(X) - \bar{X}|_{Y(M)}],$$

$$\omega_x: Y \mapsto i[X_*(Y) - \bar{Y}|_{X(M)}],$$

$$\Theta_x: Y \mapsto i[{}^1Y - \bar{Y}|_{X(M)}],$$

$$\delta_x: Y \mapsto i[({}^1X - \bar{X})|_{Y(M)}],$$

where i indicates the canonical identification of $T_u(T_x(M))$ with $T_x(M)$. Obviously $\omega_x(Y) = \Omega_y(X)$, $\delta_x(Y) = \Theta_y(X)$. In coordinates, if $X = a^i(x) \partial x_i$, $Y = b^i(x) \partial x_i$, then $Y_*(X) = a^i \partial x_i + \frac{\partial b^i}{\partial x^j} a^j \partial y_i$ and

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} \Omega_x(Y) &= \left[\frac{\partial b^i}{\partial x^j} a^j - a^j(x, b) a^i \right] \partial x_i \\ \omega_x(Y) &= \left[\frac{\partial a^i}{\partial x^j} b^j - a^j(x, a) b^i \right] \partial x_i \\ \Theta_x(Y) &= \left[\frac{\partial b^i}{\partial x^j} a^j - a^j(x, a) b^i \right] \partial x_i, \\ \delta_x(Y) &= \left[\frac{\partial a^i}{\partial x^j} b^j - a^j(x, b) a^i \right] \partial x_i. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 5. Let $X, Y \in D(M)$. Then

$$\Omega_x(Y) - \delta_x(Y) = [X, Y] = \Theta_x(Y) - \omega_x(Y).$$

Proof. Using (11), Proposition 5 can be easily proved by direct evaluation.

Assertion. The transformation Θ_x is a d -mapping for every $X \in D(M)$.

Proof is obvious from (11).

Every H -structure (M, Γ) determines on $T(M)$ the vector field of h -elements (see Corollary of the proposition 1), which will be called the h -field of (M, Γ) and denoted by H . In coordinates,

$$(12) \quad H = y^j \partial x_i + a^i_j(x, y) y^j \partial x_i.$$

The h -field of (M, Γ) is a differential equation of the second order. We recall that a

differential equation Z of the second order on M is a spray on M if and only if Z is 1-homogeneous on TM .

Definition 4. The H -structure (M, Γ) will be said to be homogeneous if the mapping $\delta_x: D(M) \rightarrow D(M)$ is homogeneous for every X , i.e. if $\delta_x(fY) = f\delta_x(Y)$ for any $Y, X \in D(M)$ and $f \in F(M)$.

Proposition 6. Let the H -structure (M, Γ) be homogeneous. Then the h -field of (M, Γ) is a spray on M .

Proof. The equations (11₄) yield that (M, Γ) is homogeneous if and only if the functions $a_i^j(x, y)$ are homogeneous of the first degree with respect to the variables y^k . Then comparing (12) with (5) we complete our proof.

In the first part of this paper we have introduced a field conjugate with Γ .

Proposition 7. The Liouville field V on $T(M)$ is conjugate with $\Gamma: T(M) \rightarrow J^1T(M)$ if and only if the H -structure (M, Γ) is homogeneous.

Proof. In this case the conditions (3) give

$$\frac{\partial a_i^j(x^k, y^k)}{\partial y^k} y^k = a_i^j(x, y).$$

It is a sufficient and necessary condition for $a_i^j(x, y)$ to be homogeneous of the first degree with respect to the variables y^k . It proves our assertion.

The relations (8) immediately yield

Proposition 8. The H -structure (M, Γ) is homogeneous if and only if the Γ -lift \bar{Y} of the field Y is O -homogeneous for any $Y \in D(M)$.

Let (M, Γ_1) and (M, Γ_2) be two H -structures. Let H_s be the H -field of (M, Γ_s) , $s = 1, 2$. The H -structure (M, Γ_2) will be said to be conjugate with (M, Γ_1) if $[H_1, H_2]$ is a differential equation of the second order.

It is known (see [4]) that the space J^1E is an affine bundle over E associated with the vector bundle $T^*(M) \otimes T(E|X)$ over E , where $T(E|X)$ denotes the vector bundle of all vertical tangent vectors on E . Two cross-sections $\Gamma_1: E \rightarrow J^1E$, $\Gamma_2: E \rightarrow J^1E$ determine a cross-section $E \rightarrow T^*(M) \otimes T(E|X)$ which will be denoted by $(\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2)$. In the case of $E = T(M)$ using the canonical identification $i: T_u(T_x(M)) = T_x(M)$ we get $(\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2): T(M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(T(M), T(M))$ over M .

Proposition 9. The H -structure (M, Γ_2) is conjugate with (M, Γ_1) if

$$(\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2)(u) = \text{id}|_{T_x(M)}, p(u) = x,$$

for any $u \in T(M)$.

Proof. In coordinates, $(\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2)(u)$ is determined by the matrix

$${}^1a_i^j(x, y) - {}^2a_i^j(x, y) = c_i^j(x, y).$$

If $c_i^j = \delta_i^j$, then $c_i^j y^i = y^j$. It means that ${}^1H - {}^2H = V$. Now Proposition 2 completes our assertion.

Remark 2. In the case of the linear connection Γ the operator Ω is the covariant derivative determined by Γ . Locally, $a_i^j(x, y) = \Gamma_{jk}^i(x) y^k$ and then the connection $\bar{\Gamma}$ transposed to Γ is given by $\bar{a}_i^j(x, y) = \Gamma_{jk}^i y^j$. Now it is easy to see that the covariant derivative of $\bar{\Gamma}$ is determined by the operator Θ_x . Thus we get the interesting relation of the first prolongation 1Y to the connection $\bar{\Gamma}$

. Quite similarly to the case of the linear connection in the more general case of the H -structure we can introduce a parallelism over a curve on M . Let $\gamma(t)$ or $\{Y(t)\}$ be a curve in M or in $T(M)$ over γ , ($pY(t) = \gamma(t)$), respectively. The set $\{Y(t)\}$ will be said to be H -parallel over $\gamma(t)$ if $Y_i(t) \in \Gamma_{\gamma(t)}$. Locally, the set $\{Y(t)\} = \{x^i = x^i(t), y^j = b^j(t)\}$ is H -parallel over $\gamma: x^i = x^i(t)$ if and only if

$$\frac{db^i}{dt} = a_i^j[x^k(t), b^k(t)] \frac{dx^j}{dt}.$$

Let $Y = b^i \partial x_i$ or $X = a^i \partial x_i$ be such a vector field on M that $Y|_\gamma = \{Y(t)\}$ or $X|_\gamma = \{X(t)\}$, respectively. Then

$$\Omega_{\gamma(\gamma(t))} = \Omega_x(Y)|_\gamma = \left\{ \frac{db^i}{dt} - a_i^j \left[x(t), b(t) \right] \frac{dx^j}{dt} \right\} \partial x_i$$

does not depend on the choice of X and Y . Hence the set $\{Y(t)\}$ is parallel over γ if and only if

$$Y(t) = 0.$$

Analogously, the set $Y(t)$ will be called H -transp-parallel over a curve γ if

$$\Theta_\gamma(Y(t)) = 0.$$

Locally, the set $\{Y(t)\}$ is H -transp-parallel over γ if and only if

$$(13) \quad \frac{db^i}{dt} = a_i^j \left(x(t), \frac{dx^k}{dt} \right) b^j(t).$$

Let $c, d \in \gamma(t)$. We deduce from (13) that the H -transp-parallelism over γ determines an isomorphism $T_c(M) \rightarrow T_d(M)$.

We can also introduce geodesic of the H -structure (M, Γ) . The curve γ can be said to be a geodesic of the H -structure (M, Γ) if the set $\{\gamma(t)\}$ is H -parallel over γ . In coordinates, γ is a H -geodesic if and only if

$$(14) \quad \frac{d^2 x^i}{dt^2} = a_i^j \left[x(t), \frac{dx}{dt} \right] \frac{dx^j}{dt}.$$

Comparing (14) with (13) we get: The curve γ is a H -geodesic if and only if the set

$\{\gamma_*(t)\}$ is H -transp-parallel over γ . In coordinates, the curve $\xi(t) = (x(t), y(t))$ is the integral curve of the H -field if and only if

$$y^i(t) = \frac{dx^i}{dt}, \quad \frac{d^2x^i}{dt^2} = a_i^j \left[x(t), \frac{dx^k}{dt} \right] \frac{dx^j}{dt}$$

It means that the curve $\xi(t)$ on $T(M)$ is the integral curve of the H -field if and only if $\xi(t) = \gamma_*(t)$, where γ is the H -geodesic.

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О ГОРИЗОНТАЛЬНОЙ СТРУКТУРЕ НА ДИФФЕРЕНЦИАЛЬНОМ МНОГООБРАЗИИ

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Резюме

Пусть E векторное расслоение и V поле Лиувилля на E . В первой части статьи описаны некоторые свойства скобки $[V, X]$, в первой части статьи описаны некоторые свойства скобки $[V, X]$, где X векторное поле на E . Пусть M дифференциальное многообразие. Пусть $\Gamma: TM \rightarrow J^1TM$ сечение расслоения 1-струей локальных сечений расслоения TM касательных пространств. Γ определяет на TM n -мерное распределение ($n = \dim M$) и векторное поле H на TM , которое является дифференциальным уравнением второго рода на M . Пусть $X(\tilde{X})$ означает продолжение (Γ -подъем) векторного поля X на M на пространство TM . С помощью этих полей определена однородность сечения Γ . В теореме 6 доказывается, что если Γ однородно, то поле N пульверзация. В определении 1 вводится понятие векторного поля сопряженного с Γ . В теореме 7 доказано, что поле V сопряжено с Γ тогда и только тогда, когда Γ однородно. В статье показано, что с помощью Γ можно вводить параллельный перенос и геодезические, которые в локальных координатах имеют вид

$$\frac{d^2x^i}{dt^2} = a_i^j \left(x^k(t), \frac{dx^k}{dt} \right) \frac{dx^j}{dt},$$

где a_i^j функции на TM .