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**SOME NATURAL OPERATORS  
ON VECTOR FIELDS**

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ABSTRACT. We determine all natural operators transforming vector fields on a manifold  $M$  to vector fields on  $T^*T_1^2M$ ,  $\dim M \geq 2$ , and all natural operators transforming vector fields on  $M$  to functions on  $T^*TT_1^2M$ ,  $\dim M \geq 3$ . We describe some relations between these two kinds of natural operators.

## 0. PRELIMINARIES

We present a contribution to the theory of natural operators and we follow the basic terminology used in [6]. Our starting point was a paper by Kobak, [2], in which all natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^*T$  were determined. In Section 1 we find all natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^*T_1^2$ , where  $T_1^2$  denotes the bundle of  $(1, 2)$ -velocities. In Section 2 we solve a related problem of finding of all natural operators transforming vector fields into functions on  $T^*TT_1^2$ . Our approach is heavily based on the technique of Weil bundles, [6].

All natural bundles and operators are considered on  $\mathcal{M}f_m$ , the category of smooth  $m$ -dimensional manifolds and their local diffeomorphisms. Let  $\mathcal{M}f$  be the category of smooth manifolds and smooth maps and  $\mathcal{FM}$  be the category of fibered manifolds.

Let  $A = E(k)/I$  be a Weil algebra, where  $E(k)$  is the algebra of germs of smooth functions  $\mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  at zero and  $I$  is an ideal of finite codimension. We remind the covariant definition of the Weil bundle functor  $T^A : \mathcal{M}f \rightarrow \mathcal{FM}$ , [6],[3]. Two maps  $f, g : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow M$  satisfying  $f(0) = g(0) = x$  are said to be  $I$ -equivalent, if for every germ  $h : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  at  $x$  it holds  $h \circ f - h \circ g \in I$ . Classes of such an equivalence relation are called  $A$ -velocities and are denoted by  $j^A f$ . They are the elements of  $T^A M$ . For a smooth map  $f : M \rightarrow N$  we define  $T^A f : T^A M \rightarrow T^A N$  by  $T^A f(j^A g) = j^A(f \circ g)$  for all  $j^A g \in T^A M$ .

Given two Weil algebras  $A, B$ , we denote by  $\text{Hom}(A, B)$  the set of all algebra homomorphisms. A classical result reads there is a bijection between the elements

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of  $\text{Hom}(A, B)$  and natural transformations  $T^A \rightarrow T^B$ . We shall need the following form of the result. Let  $A = E(k)/I$ ,  $B = E(p)/J$  and  $f : (\mathbb{R}^k, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  be a smooth map. Then  $j^A f \in T_0^A \mathbb{R}^p$  is said to be a  $B$ -admissible  $A$ -velocity iff  $j^A(g \circ f) = 0_A$  for all  $g \in J$ . It can be easily seen, that if  $j^A f \in T_0^A \mathbb{R}^p$  is a  $B$ -admissible  $A$ -velocity, then  $j^A(g \circ f)$  depends only on  $j^B g$  for every  $g : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow M$ . The main result of [3] is that every  $B$ -admissible  $A$ -velocity  $X = j^A f$  defines a natural transformation  $i^X : T^B M \rightarrow T^A M$  by  $j^B g \mapsto j^A(g \circ f)$ . Moreover, every natural transformation  $T^B \rightarrow T^A$  is of this type. It is proved in [6], that all those results remain valid if we restrict ourselves to the category  $\mathcal{M}f_m$ .

The group  $\text{Aut}(A)$  of all algebra automorphisms is a closed subgroup in  $\text{GL}(A)$ , so it is a Lie subgroup. Every element  $D$  of its Lie algebra  $\mathcal{A}ut(A)$  is tangent to a one-parameter subgroup  $d(t)$  and determines a vector field  $D(M)$  tangent to  $(d(t))_M$  in  $t = 0$  on  $T^A M$ . Thus we have an absolute natural operator  $T \rightarrow TT^A$  such that  $X \mapsto D(M)$  for every vector field  $X$ . This operator is denoted by  $\text{op}(D)$ , [6], [5].

Furthermore, for every natural bundle  $F$  we have the flow operator  $\mathcal{F}$ , defined by  $\mathcal{F}(X) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}|_0 F(FI_t^X)$ .

According to [6],[5], we have the following action of  $A$  on tangent vectors of  $T^A M$ . If  $m : \mathbb{R} \times TM \rightarrow TM$  is the multiplication of the tangent vectors on  $M$  by reals, applying the functor  $T^A$  we obtain  $T^A m : T^A \mathbb{R} \times T^A TM \rightarrow T^A TM$ . Since  $T^A TM = T^{A \otimes \mathbb{D}} M$  and  $T^A \mathbb{R} = A$ , where  $\mathbb{D}$  is the algebra of dual numbers, we have constructed a map  $A \times TT^A M \rightarrow TT^A M$ . The coordinate expression of the action of  $c \in A$  is  $c(a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_m) = (a_1, \dots, a_m, cb_1, \dots, cb_m)$  for all  $a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_m \in A$ . This is a natural affiner [5] and we denote it by  $af_M(c) : TT^A M \rightarrow TT^A M$ .

**Proposition 1** ([6]). *All natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^A$  are of the form  $af(c) \circ T^A + \text{op}(D)$  for all  $c \in A$ ,  $D \in \mathcal{A}ut(A)$ .*

In the special case  $A = \mathbb{R}[x]/\langle x^{r+1} \rangle = \mathbb{D}_1^r$  we have  $T^A M = T_1^r M = J_0^r(\mathbb{R}, M)$ . Using the standard coordinates  $(x^i, y_1^i, \dots, y_r^i, X^i, Y_1^i, \dots, Y_r^i)$  on  $TT_1^r M$ , we find  $af_M(x + \langle x^{r+1} \rangle)(X^i, Y_1^i, \dots, Y_r^i) = (0, X^i, Y_1^i, \dots, Y_{r-1}^i)$ . Let  $Q_M$  denote  $af_M(x + \langle x^{r+1} \rangle)$ .

**Proposition 2** ([6]). *All natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT_1^r$  are linearly generated by  $\mathcal{T}_1^r, Q \circ \mathcal{T}_1^r, \dots, Q^r \circ \mathcal{T}_1^r, L, Q \circ L, \dots, Q^{r-1} \circ L$ , where  $L$  is the generalized Liouville vector field having the coordinate form  $X^i = 0, Y_s^i = sy_s^i$ .*

### 1. NATURAL OPERATORS TRANSFORMING VECTOR FIELDS TO $T^*T_1^2$

According to Proposition 1 we have five generating natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT_1^2$  and according to [2] we have two generating natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^*$ , the flow operator  $\mathcal{T}^*(x^i, p_i) = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} - X_j^j p_j \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i}$  and the Liouville field  $\mathcal{L}(x^i, p_i) = p_i \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i}$ , where  $(x^i, p_i)$  are the standard coordinates on  $T^*M$ .

Composing these two sets of generators we obtain the following natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^*T_1^2$ :  $A_1 = \mathcal{T}^* \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2, A_2 = \mathcal{T}^* \circ (Q \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2), A_3 = \mathcal{T}^* \circ (Q^2 \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2)$  and absolute operators  $A_4 = \mathcal{T}^* \circ L, A_5 = \mathcal{T}^* \circ (Q \circ L), A_6 = \mathcal{L}$ .

Let the canonical coordinates  $x^i$  on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  induce the coordinates  $y^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tau}$ ,  $z^i = \frac{\partial^2 x^i}{\partial \tau^2}$  on  $T_1^2 \mathbb{R}^m$ , while the additional coordinates on  $T^*T_1^2 \mathbb{R}^m$  are defined by  $p_i dx^i + q_i dy^i + r_i dz^i$ . Further, let  $x^i$  induce the additional coordinates  $\omega_i$  on  $T^* \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $u^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tau}$ ,  $\gamma_i = \frac{\partial \omega_i}{\partial \tau}$ ,  $w^i = \frac{\partial^2 x^i}{\partial \tau^2}$ ,  $\delta_i = \frac{\partial^2 \omega_i}{\partial \tau^2}$  on  $T_1^2 T^* \mathbb{R}^m$ .

We have the natural equivalence  $s : T_1^2 T^* \rightarrow T^* T_1^2$  of Cantrijn *et al* [1]

$$(1) \quad (x^i, \omega_i, v^i, \gamma_i, w^i, \delta_i) \mapsto (x^i, y^i, z^i, p_i, q_i, r_i) \\ y^i = v^i, z^i = w^i, p_i = \delta_i, q_i = 2\gamma_i, r_i = \omega_i$$

Thus we have two other natural operators:  $A_7 = Ts((Q \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \circ \mathcal{L} \circ s^{-1})$  and  $A_8 = Ts((Q^2 \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \circ \mathcal{L} \circ s^{-1})$ .

Then the coordinate expressions of our operators are

$$A_1(X) = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + X_j^i y^j \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} + (X_j^i z^j + X_{jk}^i y^j y^k) \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} - (X_i^j p_j + X_{ik}^j y^k q_j + \\ + X_{ik}^j z^k r_j + X_{ikl}^j y^k y^l r_j) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} - (X_i^j q_j + 2X_{ik}^j y^k r_j) \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} - X_i^j r_j \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i}$$

$$A_2(X) = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} + 2X_j^i y^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} - (X_i^j q_j + 2X_{ik}^j y^k r_j) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} - 2X_i^j r_j \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i}$$

$$A_3(X) = 2X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} - 2X_j^i r_j \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \quad A_4 = y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} + 2z^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} - q_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} - 2r_i \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i}$$

$$A_5 = 2y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} - 2r_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} \quad A_6 = p_i \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} + q_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} + r_i \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i}$$

$$A_7 = 2r_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} + q_i \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \quad A_8 = 2r_i \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i}$$

Let  $p_M : FM \rightarrow M$  be a natural bundle of order  $r$ . According to the general theory, [6], there is a bijective correspondence between natural operators  $A_M : T \rightarrow TFM$  and natural transformations  $\mathcal{A}_M : J^r TM \times_M FM \rightarrow TFM$  over the identity of  $FM$ , which is given by  $\mathcal{A}_M(j_x^r X, y) = A_M X(y)$ ,  $x = p_M(y)$ . Furthermore, there is a bijection between these natural transformations and equivariant maps of the standard fibers in question. Since  $T^*T_1^2$  is a natural bundle of order three, we are searching for equivariant maps  $(J^3 T)_0 \mathbb{R}^m \times (T^*T_1^2)_0 \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow (TT^*T_1^2)_0 \mathbb{R}^m$ . Let the additional coordinates on  $TT^*T_1^2$  be

$$(2) \quad W^i = dx^i, Y^i = dy^i, Z^i = dz^i, P_i = dp_i, Q_i = dq_i, R_i = dr_i$$

We evaluate the necessary transformation laws of the action of  $G_m^4$  on the standard fibers. Denote by  $(a_{j_1}^i, \dots, a_{j_1 \dots j_r}^i)$  the canonical coordinates on  $G_m^r$  and indicate by tilde the coordinates of the inverse element. The action of  $G_m^4$  on  $(T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m$  looks as follows

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{y}^i &= a_j^i y^j & \bar{z}^i &= a_j^i z^j + a_{jk}^i y^j y^k & \bar{r}_i &= \tilde{a}_i^j r_j & \bar{q}_i &= \tilde{a}_i^j q_j + 2\tilde{a}_{ik}^j a_l^k y^l r_j \\ \bar{p}_i &= \tilde{a}_i^j p_j + \tilde{a}_{ik}^j a_l^k y^l q_j + \tilde{a}_{ik}^j a_l^k z^l r_j + \tilde{a}_{ik}^j a_{lm}^k y^l y^m r_j + \tilde{a}_{ikl}^j a_m^k a_n^l y^m y^n r_j \end{aligned}$$

Let  $B_m^{r+1} = \{j_0^{r+1} f; j_0^r f = j_0^r id_{\mathbb{R}^m}\}$ . Then

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{q}_i &= q_i - 2a_{ik}^j y^k r_j & \text{for the action of } B_m^2 \\ \bar{p}_i &= p_i - a_{ikl}^j y^k y^l r_j & \text{for the action of } B_m^3 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{X}_{j_1 \dots j_r}^i &= X^i + a_{j_1 \dots j_r k}^i X^k & \text{for the action of } B_m^{r+1} \\ \bar{X}_{j_1 j_2}^i &= X_{j_1 j_2}^i - a_{kl}^i a_{j_1 j_2}^l X^k - a_{j_1 j_2}^k X_k^i + a_{j_1 k}^i X_{j_2}^k + a_{j_2 k}^i X_{j_1}^k \\ & & \text{for the action of } B_m^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $X_{j_1 \dots j_r}^i$  indicates the  $r$ -jets of a vector field  $X$ . Furthermore

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{W}^i &= a_j^i W^j & \bar{R}_i &= \tilde{a}_i^j R_j & \text{and it holds} \\ \bar{Y}^i &= a_j^i Y^j & \bar{Q}_i &= \tilde{a}_i^j Q_j & \bar{Z}^i &= a_j^i Z^j & \bar{P}_i &= \tilde{a}_i^j P_j \end{aligned}$$

whenever all the previous coordinates are zeros. Moreover, only  $P_i$  are changed by  $B_m^4$  and it holds

$$(7) \quad \bar{P}_i = P_i - a_{iklm}^j y^k y^l W^m r_j$$

Finally we need the following lemma. Let

$$V_{p,q} = \underbrace{V \times \dots \times V}_{p\text{-times}} \times \overbrace{V^* \times \dots \times V^*}^{q\text{-times}},$$

where  $V$  denotes the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with the standard action of  $G_m^1$ .

**Lemma 3** ([6]). (a) All smooth  $G_m^1$ -equivariant maps  $V_{p,q} \rightarrow V$  are of the form

$$\sum_{j=1}^p g_j(\langle x_k, y_l \rangle) x_j,$$

where  $g_j : \mathbb{R}^{pq} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are any smooth functions,  $j, k = 1, \dots, p, l = 1, \dots, q$ .

(b) All smooth  $G_m^1$ -equivariant maps  $V_{p,q} \rightarrow V^*$  are of the form

$$\sum_{l=1}^q h_l(\langle x_k, y_h \rangle) y_l,$$

where  $h_l : \mathbb{R}^{pq} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are any smooth functions,  $k = 1, \dots, p, h, l = 1, \dots, q$ .

The proof of the main result essentially uses the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $h : (J^3T)_0\mathbb{R}^m \times (T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be an equivariant smooth mapping,  $m \geq 2$ . Then it holds*

$$(8) \quad W^i = g_1(I_1, \dots, I_5)X^i + g_2(I_1, \dots, I_5)y^i$$

where  $g_1, g_2$  are any smooth functions  $\mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $I_1, \dots, I_5$  are invariants of the form

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} I_1 &= X^i p_i + X_j^i y^j q_i + (X_j^i z^j + X_{jk}^i y^j y^k) r_i & I_2 &= X^i q_i + 2X_j^i y^j r_i \\ I_3 &= X^i r_i & I_4 &= y^i q_i + 2z^i r_i & I_5 &= y^i r_i \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** The first formula from (5) implies, that  $W^i = h^i(j_0^3 X, y^i, z^i, p_i, q_i, r_i)$  does not depend on  $X_{j_1 j_2 j_3}^i$ . Therefore we are searching equivariant maps  $(J^2T)_0\mathbb{R}^m \times (T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ .

Let  $S_0$  be  $C_0 \times (T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m$ , where  $C_0$  is the set of all 2-jets of constant vector fields on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  at zero. Since  $S_0$  is  $G_m^1$ -invariant and  $W^i = a_j^i W^j$ , the equivariance and Lemma 1 yield  $W^i = \alpha_1 X^i + \alpha_2 y^i + \alpha_3 z^i$  on  $S_0$ , where  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  are some functions of  $X^i p_i, X^i q_i, X^i r_i, y^i p_i, y^i q_i, y^i r_i, z^i p_i, z^i q_i, z^i r_i$ . Since  $X^i p_i, X^i q_i, X^i r_i$  coincide with  $I_1, I_2, I_3$  on  $S_0$ ,  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  can be considered as functions of arguments  $I_1, I_2, I_3, I_4, I_5$  and  $y^i p_i, z^i p_i, z^i q_i, z^i r_i$ .

Let  $S_1 \subseteq S_0$  be the subset of all elements of  $S_0$  satisfying the following conditions:  $X^i$  and  $y^i$  as well as  $X^i$  and  $z^i$  as well as  $y^i$  and  $z^i$  are linearly independent vectors and  $r_i$  is a non-zero vector. Obviously,  $S_1$  is a dense subset of  $S_0$ . Let  $i : G_m^1 \rightarrow G_m^3$  be the canonical injection. Fixing  $X^i, y^i, z^i, p_i, q_i, r_i$  we can find some  $j_0^3 f \in i(G_m^1)$  transforming  $X^i$  to  $\delta_1^i$ ,  $z^i$  to  $\delta_2^i$ , while the other values are transformed to the bared ones. This is possible on  $S_1$  due to the conditions from its definition.

Let  $\ell$  denote, in general, the left action of the  $r$ -th order differential group on the standard fiber of an  $r$ -th order natural bundle. We have  $h^i(j_0^2 X, y^i, z^i, p_i, q_i, r_i) = \ell(j_0^3 f^{-1}, \ell(j_0^3 f, h^i(j_0^2 X, y^i, z^i, p_i, q_i, r_i))) = \ell(j_0^3 f^{-1}, \alpha_1 \delta_1^i + \alpha_2 \bar{y}^i + \alpha_3 \delta_2^i)$ , where the arguments of  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  are  $I_1, \dots, I_5$  and  $\bar{y}^i \bar{p}_i, \bar{z}^i \bar{p}_i, \bar{z}^i \bar{q}_i, \bar{z}^i \bar{r}_i$  satisfying  $\bar{z}^i = \delta_2^i$ . It follows from the equivariance of  $h$  and the fact, that the last four arguments of  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  are  $G_m^1$ -invariants.

The definition of  $S_1$  implies, that there is  $j_0 \geq 2$  such that  $y^{j_0} \neq 0$ . Let  $i_1 : B_m^2 \rightarrow G_m^3$  denote the canonical inclusion. Taking  $j_0^3 f_1 \in i_1(B_m^2)$  with all  $a_{jk}^i = 0$  except  $a_{j_0 j_0}^2$  we can annihilate all expressions with  $z_i$ . It follows from (5) that  $j_0^3 f_1$  stabilizes  $j_0^2(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})$ . But we changed the value of  $\bar{y}^i \bar{p}_i$ , which can be annihilated by taking a suitable  $j_0^3 f_2 \in B_m^3$  with all  $a_{jkl}^i = 0$  except  $a_{j_0 j_0 j_0}^{k_0}$ , where  $k_0$  is an index such that  $\bar{r}_{k_0} \neq 0$ . It follows directly from (4) and (5), that  $j_0^3 f_2$  stabilizes  $j_0^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$ .

Thus we obtain, that  $W^i = \ell(j_0^3 f^{-1}, \alpha_1 \delta_1^i + \alpha_2 \bar{y}^i)$  on  $S_1$ , where the last four arguments of  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  are zeros, while the invariants are not changed. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} W^i &= \ell(j_0^3 f^{-1}, \alpha_1(I_1, \dots, I_5, 0, 0, 0, 0) \delta_1^i + \alpha_2(I_1, \dots, I_5, 0, 0, 0, 0) \bar{y}^i) = \\ &= \alpha_1(I_1, \dots, I_5, 0, 0, 0, 0) X^i + \alpha_2(I_1, \dots, I_5, 0, 0, 0, 0) y^i, \end{aligned}$$

which follows from the equivariance of the map  $h$ . Substituting  $g_i(I_1, \dots, I_5)$  for  $\alpha_i(I_1, \dots, I_5, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , we have

$$(10) \quad W^i = g_1(I_1, \dots, I_5)X^i + g_2(I_1, \dots, I_5)y^i \text{ on } S_1.$$

Since  $S_1$  is dense in  $S_0$ , this holds on  $S_0$  as well. Taking into account the equivariance of  $h$ , (10) can be extended to  $(J^2T)_0\mathbb{R}^m \times (T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

The following lemma is the dualization of Lemma 4 and since its proof is almost the same as that of Lemma 4, we omit it.

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $h : (J^3T)_0\mathbb{R}^m \times (T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m^*}$  be an equivariant smooth mapping,  $m \geq 2$ . Then*

$$(11) \quad R_i = g_1(I_1, \dots, I_5)r_i$$

where  $g : \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a smooth function.

**Proposition 6.** *For  $m \geq 2$ , every natural operator  $A : T \rightarrow TT^*T_1^2$  is of the form  $A = \sum_{j=1}^8 h_j(I_1, \dots, I_5)A_j$ , where  $h_j : \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are some smooth functions and*

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} A_1 &= \mathcal{T}^* \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2 & A_2 &= \mathcal{T}^* \circ (Q \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) & A_3 &= \mathcal{T}^* \circ (Q^2 \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \\ A_4 &= \mathcal{T}^* \circ L & A_5 &= \mathcal{T}^* \circ (Q \circ L) & A_6 &= \mathcal{L} \\ A_7 &= Ts((Q \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \circ \mathcal{L} \circ s^{-1}) & A_8 &= Ts((Q^2 \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \circ \mathcal{L} \circ s^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** In the whole proof we use the coordinates (2). Let  $A : T \rightarrow TT^*T_1^2$  be a natural operator and  $h$  be the corresponding equivariant map. Since  $\bar{W}^i = a_j^i W^j$ , applying Lemma 4 we get  $W^i = g_1(I_1, \dots, I_5)X^i + g_2(I_1, \dots, I_5)y^i$ . Taking the natural operator  $B_1 = A - g_1(I_1, \dots, I_5)\mathcal{T}^* \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2$  we get its equivariant map in the form  $W^i = g_2(I_1, \dots, I_5)y^i$ .

First of all we prove, that  $g_2$  is the zero function. Let  $\alpha = (j_0^3(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}), \delta_2^j, z^i, p_i, q_i, r_i)$  be an element of  $(J^3T)_0\mathbb{R}^m \times (T^*T_1^2)_0\mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying the existence of a non-zero  $r_i$ . Let  $j_0$  be the least index, for which  $r_{j_0} \neq 0$ , and let  $j_0^4 f \in B_m^4$  satisfy  $a_{jklm}^i = 0$  except  $a_{2222}^{j_0}$ . Then the formula (7) implies, that we can change the value of  $P_2$  stabilizing  $\alpha$ , whenever  $g_2(p_1, q_1, r_1, q_2 + 2z^i r_i, r_2) \neq 0$ . Thus we obtain, that  $g_2$  is the zero function on  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

Now, put  $h_1 = g_1$  and consider the natural operator  $B_1$ . Since its equivariant map satisfies  $W^i = 0$ , the formula (6) and Lemma 4 yield  $Y^i = g_3(I_1, \dots, I_5)X^i + g_4(I_1, \dots, I_5)y^i$ . We can subtract  $g_3(I_1, \dots, I_5)A_2 + g_4(I_1, \dots, I_5)A_4$  and write  $h_2 = g_3$  and  $h_4 = g_4$ . We can iterate these steps using the formula (6), Lemmas 4 and 5. This way we prove our claim.  $\square$

2. NATURAL OPERATORS  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*TT_1^2, \mathbb{R})$

In this part we are searching all natural operators transforming vector fields to functions on  $T^*TT_1^2$ . We use essentially the following result by Kolář, [4]. Let  $F$  be a natural bundle,  $Y : FM \rightarrow TFM$  be a vector field and  $\tilde{Y}$  denote the function  $T^*FM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\tilde{Y}(w) = \langle Y(p(w)), w \rangle$ , where  $p$  is the cotangent bundle projection. Let  $F$  have the following properties I,II,III.

**I.** The set  $N_F$  of all natural operators  $T \rightarrow TFM$  is a finite dimensional vector space. (*This property is satisfied for every Weil bundle.*)

Let  $N_F^*$  be the dual vector space and  $\text{Nop}(T, T^*F \times \mathbb{R})$  denote the set of all natural operators  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*F, \mathbb{R})$ . For every smooth function  $h : N_F^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Kolář constructed the following natural operator  $\text{Dh} : T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*F, \mathbb{R})$ . Fixing a basis  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  of  $N_F$ , its dual vector space  $N_F^*$  can be identified with  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and we can put  $(\text{Dh})_M X = h(\widetilde{A_{1,M}X}, \dots, \widetilde{A_{n,M}X}) : T^*FM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Thus we obtain a mapping  $C^\infty(N_F^*, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{Nop}(T, T^*F \times \mathbb{R})$ .

**II.** There exists a smooth function  $j : N_F^* \rightarrow (T^*F)_0\mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying

$$(13) \quad \langle A, u \rangle = A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(ju)$$

for every  $A \in N_F, u \in N_F^*$ .

Let  $\text{Diff}_0^1\mathbb{R}^m$  denote the stability group of the origin and the vector field  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$ .

**III.** The orbit of  $j(N_F^*)$  with respect to  $\text{Diff}_0^1\mathbb{R}^m$  is dense in  $(T^*F)_0\mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Proposition 7** ([4]). *If the assumptions I, II, III are satisfied, then all natural operators  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*F, \mathbb{R})$  are of the form Dh for all  $h \in C^\infty(N_F^*, \mathbb{R})$ .*

This result enables searching for natural operators  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*F, \mathbb{R})$ , where  $F = T^A$  is a Weil bundle. Let  $T^A$  be of order  $r$ . In order to find all the natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^*T^A$  we can use the following procedure consisting of four steps.

- (a) We find a base  $B_1, \dots, B_k$  of all natural operators  $T \rightarrow TT^A$ .
- (b) We take some immersion element  $i \in T_0^A\mathbb{R}^m$ . Over the element  $i$  we have a space  $P$  in  $(T^*T^A)_0\mathbb{R}^m$ , on which the stabilizing group  $H$  of  $i$  and  $j_0^T(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})$  acts.
- (c) We compute  $I_i = \widetilde{B}_i(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})|P$ . If possible, we choose coordinates  $w_1, \dots, w_k, z_1, \dots, z_l$  on  $P$  such that  $w_i = I_i$ .
- (d) We prove, that we can annihilate  $z_1, \dots, z_l$  on a dense subset of  $P$  by the group  $H$ .

Then every natural operator  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*F, \mathbb{R})$  is smoothly generated by  $\widetilde{B}_1, \dots, \widetilde{B}_k$ . Indeed we can define

$$(14) \quad j : N_F^* \rightarrow (T^*F_0)\mathbb{R}^m, \quad b_1B^1 + \dots + b_kB^k \mapsto (b_1, \dots, b_k, 0, \dots, 0)$$

which clearly satisfies (13). The denseness of the orbit  $j(N_F^*)$  is guaranteed by (d).



Now we use this procedure for the bundle  $TT_1^2$ . First of all we find all natural operators  $T \rightarrow TTT_1^2$ . Since  $TT_1^2 = T^{\mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D}_1^2}$ , where  $\mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D}_1^2 = \mathbb{R}[t, \tau] / \langle t^2, \tau^3 \rangle$ , every element from  $TT_1^2 M$  is of the form  $x^i + z_1^i \tau + \frac{1}{2} z_2^i \tau^2 + y^i t + w_1^i t \tau + \frac{1}{2} w_2^i t \tau^2$ , where  $(x^i, z_1^i, z_2^i, y^i, w_1^i, w_2^i)$  are the canonical coordinates on  $TT_1^2 M$ .

**Lemma 8.** *All natural operators  $T \rightarrow TTT_1^2$  are linearly generated by the following ones*

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_1 &= \mathcal{T} \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2 & N_2 &= af(\tau + \langle t^2, \tau^3 \rangle)(\mathcal{T} \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \\
 N_3 &= af(t + \langle t^2, \tau^3 \rangle)(\mathcal{T} \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) & N_4 &= af(\tau^2 + \langle t^2, \tau^3 \rangle)(\mathcal{T} \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \\
 N_5 &= af(t\tau + \langle t^2, \tau^3 \rangle)(\mathcal{T} \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) & N_6 &= af(t\tau^2 + \langle t^2, \tau^3 \rangle)(\mathcal{T} \circ \mathcal{T}_1^2) \\
 N_7 &= y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} + w_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1^i} + w_2^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i} & N_8 &= z_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1^i} + 2z_2^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2^i} + w_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1^i} + 2w_2^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i} \\
 N_9 &= y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1^i} + 2w_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i} & N_{10} &= 2y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i} \\
 N_{11} &= 2z_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2^i} + 2z_2^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i} & N_{12} &= z_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1^i} + 2z_2^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i} \\
 N_{13} &= 2z_1^i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2^i}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** By Proposition 1 we have to determine the absolute operators. In our case  $A = \mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D}_1^2$ . Every  $A$ -velocity in question is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 (15) \quad & at + b\tau + c\tau^2 + dt\tau + e\tau^2 \\
 & ft + g\tau + h\tau^2 + jt\tau + k\tau^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account the conditions of admissibility we obtain  $b = 0$ ,  $ac = 0$  and  $3fg^2 = 0$ . Since every  $A$ -admissible  $A$ -velocity induces a homomorphism  $A \rightarrow A$  and we are searching for curves in  $\text{Aut}(A)$  in a neighbourhood of the unit, we can restrict ourselves to the connected component of the unit in  $\text{Aut}(A)$ . Then we have  $c = 0$  and  $f = 0$ . Renaming the parameters in (15), all considered automorphisms  $A \rightarrow A$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad & t \mapsto at + bt\tau + ct\tau^2 \\
 & \tau \mapsto d\tau + e\tau^2 + ft\tau + gt\tau^2
 \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 1 we find the operators  $N_7, \dots, N_{13}$  in the form of the curves in  $\text{Aut}(A)$  defined by reparametrization, e.g.  $N_7$  by reparametrization  $t \mapsto at, \tau \mapsto \tau$  or  $N_8$  by reparametrization  $\tau \mapsto b\tau, t \mapsto t$ . □

Now we prove the main result of this Section.

**Proposition 9.** *All natural operators  $T\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*TT_1^2\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , are of the form*

$$(17) \quad h(\widetilde{N}_1, \widetilde{N}_2, \dots, \widetilde{N}_{13}),$$

where  $h : \mathbb{R}^{13} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an arbitrary smooth function and  $N_1, \dots, N_{13}$  are the natural operators from Lemma 8.

**Proof.** We apply the procedure explained before Lemma 8. According to the immersion theorem, we can consider  $i$  in the form

$$y^i = \delta_2^i, z_1^i = \delta_3^i, z_2^i = w_1^i = w_2^i = 0$$

for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . Let  $q_i dx^i + r_i^1 dz_1^i + r_i^2 dz_2^i + p_i dy^i + s_i^1 dw_1^i + s_i^2 dw_2^i$  define the additional coordinates on  $T^*TT_1^2M$ . Taking the space  $P$  over the element  $i$ , we obtain the following values of  $I_i = \widetilde{N}_i(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})|P$

$$I_1 = q_1, I_2 = r_1^1, I_3 = p_1, I_4 = r_1^2, I_5 = s_1^1, I_6 = s_1^2 \\ I_7 = p_2, I_8 = r_3^1, I_9 = s_2^1, I_{10} = s_2^2, I_{11} = r_3^2, I_{12} = s_3^1, I_{13} = s_3^2.$$

The stabilizing group  $H \subseteq G_m^4$  of the element  $i$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$  can be considered as a subgroup of  $id_{\mathbb{R}} \times Diff_0 \mathbb{R}^{m-1}$ . The group  $H$  acts in the following way:

$$(18) \quad \bar{z}_1^i = a_j^i z_1^j \quad \bar{z}_2^i = a_j^i z_2^j + a_{jk}^i z_1^j z_1^k \quad \bar{y}^i = a_j^i y^j \\ \bar{w}_1^i = a_j^i w_1^j + a_{jk}^i z_1^j y^k \quad \bar{w}_2^i = a_j^i w_2^j + a_{jk}^i z_2^j y^k + 2a_{jk}^i z_1^j w_1^k + a_{jkl}^i z_1^j z_1^k y^l$$

for  $i, j \geq 2$ . It is useful to annihilate the excessive coordinates extra for  $m = 3$  and  $m \geq 4$ .

$m = 3$ : We must annihilate  $p_3, r_2^1, r_2^2$  and  $q_2, q_3$ . It follows from the action of  $H$ , that  $a_j^i = \delta_j^i$ , and for  $i, j \geq 2$  it holds  $a_{33}^i = a_{23}^i = a_{233}^i = 0$ . Taking into account the action of  $B_m^4 \cap H$  on  $T^*TT_1^2$ , we have  $\bar{q}_2 = q_2 - a_{2233}^j s_j^2$ ,  $\bar{q}_3 = q_3 - a_{2333}^j s_j^2$ , so we can annihilate  $q_2, q_3$  by means of  $a_{2233}^2, a_{2333}^2$  in the case  $s_2^2 \neq 0$ . Furthermore  $B_m^3 \cap H$  turns  $p_3$  to  $\bar{p}_3 = p_3 - a_{333}^j s_j^2$  and  $r_2^1$  to  $\bar{r}_2^1 - 2a_{223}^j s_j^2$ . Thus we can annihilate  $p_3$  and  $r_2^1$  by means of  $a_{333}^2$  and  $a_{223}^2$  if  $s_2^2 \neq 0$ . It remains to annihilate  $r_2^2$ . Since  $B_m^2 \cap H$  turns  $r_2^2$  to  $\bar{r}_2^2 = r_2^2 - a_{22}^j s_j^2$ , we can achieve  $r_2^2 = 0$  by means of  $a_{22}^2$  in the case of non-zero  $s_2^2$ . Since the condition  $s_2^2 \neq 0$  determines a dense subset in  $P$ , our claim is proved for  $m = 3$ .

In the case  $m \geq 4$  we put  $a_j^i = \delta_j^i$ . Analogously to the case  $m = 3$  we obtain  $a_{33}^i = a_{23}^i = a_{233}^i = 0$  from (18). We can annihilate  $q_i$  for  $i \geq 2$  by means of  $a_{i233}^2$  in the case  $s_2^2 \neq 0$ ,  $p_i$  by  $a_{i33}^2$  for  $i \geq 3$  and  $r_i^1$  by  $a_{i23}^2$  for  $i = 2$  or  $i \geq 4$  in the case  $s_2^2 \neq 0$ . It remains to annihilate  $r_i^2$  for  $i = 2$  or  $i \geq 4$ , which can be done by means of  $a_{i2}^2$  in the case  $s_2^2 \neq 0$ . Since the condition  $s_2^2 \neq 0$  defines a dense subset of  $P$ , our claim is proved for the case  $m \geq 4$  too.  $\square$

Now we show, how the generating operators  $T \rightarrow TT^*T_1^2$  can be found by means of the natural operators  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*TT_1^2, \mathbb{R})$ . Let  $G$  be a natural bundle. A natural operator  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*G, \mathbb{R})$  is called a natural  $T$ -function. Every natural operator  $D : T \rightarrow TG$  determines a natural  $T$ -function  $\tilde{D}_M : T^*GM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $\tilde{D}_M(w) = \langle D_M(qw), w \rangle$ ,  $w \in T^*GM$ ,  $q : T^*G \rightarrow G$ , which is linear on fibers. Conversely, let  $f_M$  be a natural  $T$ -function linear on fibers  $T^*(GM)$ . Then  $f_M|_{T_z^*(GM)}$ , where  $z \in GM$ , is identified with an element  $\tilde{f}_M(z)$  from the dual vector space  $T_z(GM)$ . Thus we obtain a natural operator  $\tilde{f}_M : T \rightarrow TG$  and a canonical bijection between natural operators  $T \rightarrow TG$  and natural  $T$ -functions, which are linear on fibers of  $T^*(GM)$ .

Let  $x^i$  be the standard coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and  $p_i dx^i$  define the additional coordinates  $p_i$  on  $T^*\mathbb{R}^m$ . Let  $x^i, p_i$  induce the coordinates  $X_1^i = dx^i, P_i = dp_i$  on  $TT^*\mathbb{R}^m$ . We can also define the additional coordinates  $\xi_i, \eta^i$  on  $T^*T^*\mathbb{R}^m$  by  $\xi_i dx^i + \eta^i dp_i$ . Furthermore, let  $x^i$  induce the coordinates  $Y^i = dx^i$  on  $T\mathbb{R}^m$  and the additional coordinates  $\alpha_i, \beta_i$  on  $T^*T\mathbb{R}^m$  be defined by  $\alpha_i dx^i + \beta_i dY^i$ .

We have the natural equivalence  $s : TT^* \rightarrow T^*T$  by Modugno, Stefani, [8], and the natural equivalence  $t : TT^* \rightarrow T^*T^*$  by Kolář, Radziszewski, [7],

$$(19) \quad s(x^i, p_i, X_1^i, P_i) = (x^i, Y^i, \alpha_i, \beta_i), \text{ where } Y^i = X_1^i, \alpha_i = P_i, \beta_i = p_i$$

$$t(x^i, p_i, X_1^i, P_i) = (x^i, p_i, \xi_i, \eta^i), \text{ where } \xi_i = P_i, \eta^i = -X_1^i$$

Let the standard coordinates  $x^i$  on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  induce the coordinates  $z_1^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tau}$ ,  $z_2^i = \frac{\partial^2 x^i}{\partial \tau^2}$  on  $T_1^2\mathbb{R}^m$  and the additional coordinates on  $T^*T_1^2\mathbb{R}^m$  be defined by  $p_i dx^i + s_1^i dz_1^i + s_2^i dz_2^i$ . Further, define the additional coordinates on  $T^*T^*T_1^2\mathbb{R}^m$  by  $q_i dx^i + r_1^i dz_1^i + r_2^i dz_2^i - y^i dp_i - w_1^i ds_1^i - w_2^i ds_2^i$ .

Clearly,  $N : T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*TT_1^2, \mathbb{R})$  is a natural operator if and only if  $A = N \circ s \circ t^{-1}$  is a natural operator  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*T^*T_1^2, \mathbb{R})$ .

Transforming all the generating natural operators  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*TT_1^2, \mathbb{R})$  into the generating natural operators  $T \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*T^*T_1^2, \mathbb{R})$  and among the transformed ones selecting those, which are linear on fibers over  $T^*T_1^2$ , we finally obtain the natural operators  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6, A_7, A_8$  from Section 1.

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