

0.1 Vectors

Tangent vector V^A to a curve $\gamma(\lambda)$ is $V^A = \partial_\gamma^A$ Cotangent vector W_B to a function $W_B = df_B$

Product

$$V^A W_A = \frac{df(\gamma(\lambda))}{d\lambda} \quad (1)$$

Coordinates: / set of D functions $x^i(p)$ such that $x^i(p)$ values uniquely specifies a point p, and such that $x_j(p) = \text{consts}; j \neq i$ is a differentiable curve.

$$x_j(\gamma(\lambda)) = \text{const}(j \neq i), \quad (2)$$

$$x_i(\gamma(\lambda)) = \lambda \quad (3)$$

i^{th} coordinate axis

Components:

$$V^A = V^i \partial_{x^i}^A \quad (4)$$

$$W_B = W_j dx_B^j \quad (5)$$

Components are real numbers

$$V^A W_A = V^i W_i \quad (6)$$

If x^i and \tilde{x}^i are two coordinate systems

$$\tilde{V}^i = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^j} V^j \quad (7)$$

$$\tilde{W}_j = \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial \tilde{x}^k} W_k \quad (8)$$

$$x^i(\tilde{x}^j(x^k)) = \delta_k^i x^k \quad (9)$$

$$\delta_l^j \frac{\partial x^i(\{\tilde{x}^j(\{x^k\})\})}{x^l} = \delta_l^i \quad (10)$$

$$V^i W_i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tilde{x}^j} \tilde{V}^j \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^k}{\partial x^i} \tilde{W}_k \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tilde{x}^j} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^k}{\partial x^i} V^j W_k = \tilde{V}^k \tilde{W}_k \quad (12)$$

$f(\{x^i\})$ is a function of the set of coordinates $\{x^i\}$. Ie, this means the set of coordinates with i going from 0-3 or 1-4. This will often be written as $f(x^i)$ where this does not mean some specific value of i , but the whole set. (ie the $\{.\}$ is not explicitly written).

$$x^i = x^i(\{\tilde{x}^j(\{x^k\})\}) \quad (13)$$

$$\delta_k^i = \partial_{x^k} x^i = \partial_{\tilde{x}^j} x^i(\{\tilde{x}^j(\{x^k\})\}) \partial_{x^k} \tilde{x}^j(\{x^k\}) \quad (14)$$

by the chain rule.

$$V^A = V^i \partial_i^A = V^i \partial_i \tilde{x}^j \partial_j^A \quad (15)$$

$$V^i = \partial_j x^i \tilde{V}^j \quad (16)$$

Also

$$V^A W_A = V^i W_j \partial_i^A d_j^A = V^i W_i = \tilde{V}^j \tilde{W}_j \quad (17)$$

$$V^A W_A = \partial_{\tilde{k}} x^i \tilde{V}^k W_i \quad (18)$$

for all V^A and thus we must have

$$\tilde{W}_j = \partial_{\tilde{k}} x^i W_i \quad (19)$$

Similarly in a tensor, each upper index transforms like tangent vector while each lower index transforms like cotangent vector.

Linearized transformation.

$$\tilde{x}^j = x^j + \zeta^j(\{x_k\}) \quad (20)$$

$$x^j = \tilde{x}^j - \zeta^j(\{x_k\}) = \tilde{x}^j - \zeta^j(\{\tilde{x}_k - \tilde{x}^j - \zeta^j(\{x_k\})\}) \approx \tilde{x}^j - \zeta^j(\{\tilde{x}_k\}) \quad (21)$$

where ζ is a small function and thus the last term in the function is of higher order in ζ . (This also implies that the derivatives of ζ are all small).

Thus if

$$g_{ij} = \eta_{ij} + h_{ij} \quad (22)$$

where η_{ij} is of order 1 while h_{ij} is small then

$$\tilde{g}_{ij} = g_{kl} \partial_i x^k \partial_j x^l \quad (23)$$

$$\approx (\eta_{kl} + h_{kl})(\delta_i^k + \partial_i \zeta^k)(\delta_j^l + \partial_j \zeta^l) \quad (24)$$

$$\approx \eta_{ij} + h_{ij} + \partial_i \zeta^k \eta_{kl} + \partial_j \zeta^l \eta_{li} \quad (25)$$

Since $g_{ij} g^{jk} = \delta_i^k$ so

$$g^{il} = \eta^{il} - h^{il} = \eta^{il} - \eta^{ij} h^{jk} \eta^{kl} \quad (26)$$

Note, raising and lowering of indices for an expression containing h of ζ are done with η .