

§ 1.31 The geometry of tangent bundle

切叢上的向量場是微分幾何、大域分析、數學物理的基本概念。

A spray is a vector field H on the tangent bundle TM that...

And what is a geodesic spray ?

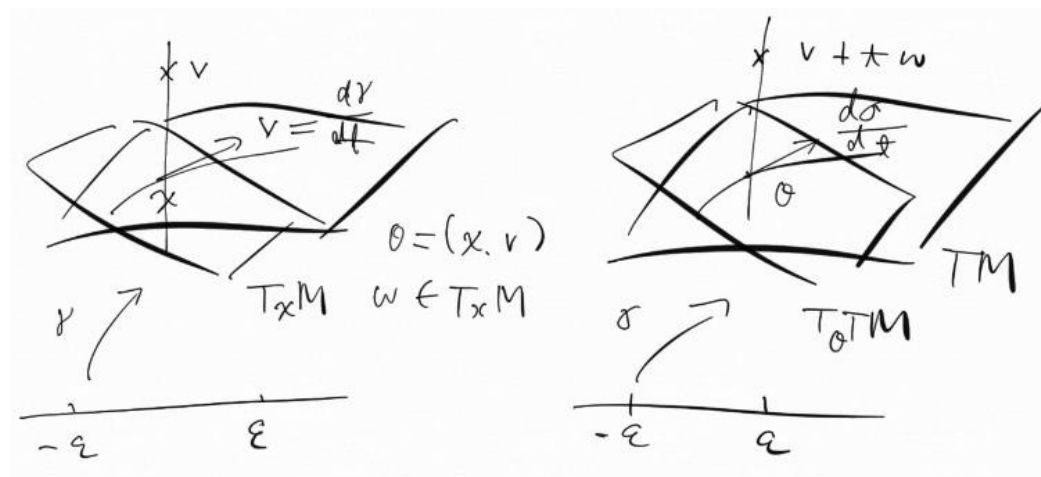
Vector fields on a tangent bundle can be considered as an underlying geometric structure for the theory of second-order differential equations .

The semispray theory has been used in the calculus of variation on manifolds to characterize extremum curves of a variational functional as integral curves of the Hamilton or Euler-Lagrange vector fields .

Sprays and semisprays also provide a natural framework for extension of classical results of analytical mechanics to contemporary mechanical problems and stimulate a broad research in the global theory of nonconservative systems , symmetries , and the constraint theory .

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建立 TTM 水平與垂直的經典(canonical)子切叢 , 在 TM 上取 Sasaki metric .



$$\pi: TM \rightarrow M, \theta = (x, v) \in TM$$

$\pi(\theta) = x$ (projection) , ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection on M given by the metric g .

Using π and ∇ , we decompose $T_\theta TM$ into vertical and horizontal subbundles .

切叢 TM 在 $\theta = (x, v) \in TM$ 的切空間分解成垂直與水平兩個子切叢。

$$\text{Then } d_\theta \pi: T_\theta TM \rightarrow TM$$

And $V(\theta) = \ker(d_\theta \pi)$ is the tangent space to the fiber $T_x M$ at the point θ

$H(\theta) = \ker K_\theta$, where $K_\theta : T_\theta TM \rightarrow T_x M$ is a linear map defined in terms of ∇ . Then $T_\theta TM = H(\theta) \oplus V(\theta)$

and we get an isomorphism $T_\theta TM \rightarrow T_x M \times T_x M$ given by $\xi \rightarrow (d_\theta \pi(\xi), K_\theta(\xi))$

Finally we define the form ω on TM by setting

$$\omega_\theta(\xi, \eta) = \langle K_\theta(\xi), d_\theta \pi(\eta) \rangle - \langle d_\theta \pi(\xi), K_\theta(\eta) \rangle \quad \text{for all } \xi, \eta \in T_\theta TM$$

Then ω is skew-symmetric, nondegenerate and exact, and hence closed, so (TM, ω) is a symplectic manifold.

Theorem

We define the function $H : TM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $H(x, v) = \frac{1}{2} \langle v, v \rangle_x$, and let G denote

the vector field on TM obtained from the geodesic flow, then G is the Hamiltonian vector field for H .

That is $dH(\zeta) = \omega(\zeta, G)$ for all $\zeta \in TTM$

Thus, the geodesic flow is the Hamiltonian flow of H on (TM, ω) , so it makes sense to speak of the integrability or nonintegrability of the geodesic flow on a Riemannian manifold.

Examples of manifolds with integrable geodesic flow

§ The classical examples

1. Flat metric on \mathbb{R}^n, T^n
2. Surfaces of revolution
3. Left-invariant metric on $SO(3)$
4. n -dimensional ellipsoids with different principal axes

§ recent examples

Thimm method

Theorem 3.2 (Thimm). *The following manifolds admit Riemannian metrics with integrable geodesic flows:*

- Real and complex Grassmannians
- Distance spheres in $\mathbb{C}P^{n+1}$
- $SU(n+1)/SO(n+1)$

- $SO(n+1)/SO(n-1)$
- $\mathbb{C}H^n = U(n,1)/U(n) \times U(1)$
- $U(n+1)/O(n+1)$, which can be viewed as the Lagrangian subspaces of a symplectic vector space

後面有很多內容 略

Conjecture

Let M be a compact Riemannian manifold whose geodesic flow is integrable. ◦
Then $\pi_1(M)$ has polynomial growth. ◦ Moreover, if $\pi_1(M)$ is finite, then M is rationally elliptic. ◦

Conjecture

Let M be a Riemannian manifold with integrable geodesic flow such that the integrals are real analytic, then the topological entropy of the geodesic flow is zero. ◦

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Suppose that M admits metrics with integrable geodesic flow. ◦
Can we classify such metric ?

§ Connection map K

Let $\xi \in T_\theta TM$

$z : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow TM$ be a curve with
$$\begin{cases} z(0) = \theta \\ \cdot \\ z'(0) = \xi \end{cases}$$

which rise a curve $\alpha : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$, with $\alpha := \pi_0 z$, and a vector field Z along α equivalently $z(t) = (\alpha(t), Z(t))$

Def $K : TTM \rightarrow TM$ by $K_\theta(\xi) := (\nabla_\alpha Z)(0)$ and $H(\theta) := \ker K_\theta$

Lemma

1. K_θ is well defined
2. K_θ is linear

另一種說法是

$TTM = H \oplus V$, 其中 $V = \pi^*TM$, $H = \ker(\pi^*\nabla_\cdot \xi)$, $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{TM}$

And $\pi^*\nabla_{\pi^*X} \xi = \pi^*X$

A Riemannian metric on TM is a (smoothly varying) choice of inner product on the double tangent space $T_v TM$ for each $v \in TM$. Since $\pi : TM \rightarrow M$ is a vector bundle over M , each $T_v TM$ has as a subspace the vertical tangent space $V_v TM$, which consists of the velocity vectors of curves in the vector space $T_{\pi(v)}M$, and thus can be canonically identified with $T_v M$. The Levi-Civita connection of (M, g) provides a canonical horizontal subspace $H_v TM$, which consists of the velocity vectors of curves $(\gamma(t), V(t)) \in TM$ such that $v = (\gamma(0), V(0))$ and $\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} V = 0$.

The upshot of all this is that we have a direct sum decomposition $TTM = VTM \oplus HTM$, with canonical isomorphisms $V_v TTM \simeq T_{\pi(v)}M$ (described earlier) and $H_v TTM \simeq T_{\pi(v)}M$ (by sending the velocity of (γ, V) to the velocity of γ). If this isn't intuitive, think about the Euclidean case - if you have a tangent vector v to $p = \pi(v) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then the directions you can move it decouple in to one copy of \mathbb{R}^n for the motion of the basepoint and another copy for the motion of the vector.

The Sasaki metric can then be naturally defined by declaring $V_v TTM$ and $H_v TTM$ to be orthogonal, with the metric on each factor just being the pullback of g from $T_{\pi(v)}M$ via the canonical isomorphisms.

This construction works for any vector bundle E (over a Riemannian manifold M) equipped with a fibre metric and compatible connection: the vertical tangent spaces take the fibre metric from E , while the horizontal spaces (as defined by the connection) take the metric from TM . I have seen this general construction called the *Kaluza-Klein* metric.

Another equivalent way of constructing the horizontal subbundle is by means of the *horizontal lift*

$$L_\theta : T_x M \rightarrow T_\theta T M,$$

which is defined as follows ($\theta = (x, v)$). Given $v' \in T_x M$ and $\alpha : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$ an adapted curve to v' , let $Z(t)$ be the parallel transport of v along α . Let $\sigma : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow TM$ be the curve $\sigma(t) = (\alpha(t), Z(t))$. Then

$$L_\theta(v') := \dot{\sigma}(0) \in T_\theta T M.$$

It is immediate from the definition of parallel transport that $K_\theta(L_\theta(v')) = 0$, for all $v' \in T_x M$.

Lemma

1. L_θ is well defined
2. L_θ is linear
3. $\ker(K_\theta) = \text{im}(L_\theta)$

From the lemma we conclude that $T_\theta T M = H(\theta) \oplus V(\theta)$

And that the map $j_\theta : T_\theta T M \rightarrow T_x M \times T_x M$ given by $j_\theta(\xi) = (d_\theta \pi(\xi), K_\theta(\xi))$

is a linear isomorphism \circ .

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$$\langle \langle \xi, \eta \rangle \rangle := \langle d_\theta \pi(\xi), d_\theta \pi(\eta) \rangle_{\pi(\theta)} + \langle K_\theta(\xi), K_\theta(\eta) \rangle_{\pi(\theta)}$$

§ Sasaki metric

If (M, g) is a Riemannian manifold, then we have an associated canonical torsion-free connection ∇ on M .

From now on ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection and R denotes its curvature tensor.

With such connection one defines the Sasaki metric on the manifold TM :

$$g := \pi^* g \oplus \pi^* g$$

It follows immediately that $\nabla^* g = 0$

(M, g) is a Riemann manifold, then

(TM, \tilde{g}) is a Riemann manifold with Sasaki metric \tilde{g}

$$d\sigma^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j + g_{ij} Dv^i Dv^j \quad \text{where } D \text{ is the covariant derivative } Dv^i = dv^i + \Gamma_{jk}^i v^j v^k$$

In components, $\tilde{g}_{jk} = g_{jk} + g_{\alpha\gamma} \Gamma_{\mu j}^{\alpha} \Gamma_{\eta k}^{\gamma} v^{\mu} v^{\eta}$ [[Sasaki metric](#)]

The geodesic vector field $G: TM \rightarrow TTM$ is given by

$$G(\theta) := \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} \phi_t(\theta) = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} (\gamma_\theta(t), \dot{\gamma}_\theta(t))$$

Where γ_θ is, as usual, the unique geodesic with initial condition $\theta = (x, v)$

But, note that $t \rightarrow \dot{\gamma}_\theta(t)$ is the parallel transport of v along γ_θ .

Therefore, $G(\theta) = L_\theta(v)$, or equivalently, $G(\theta) = L_\theta(v) = (v, 0)$ using the identification j_θ .