

(1) Riemann tensor $R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z$

(2) $J(t)$ is a vector field $J(t)$ along γ , satisfies $\frac{D^2 J}{dt^2} + R(J, T)T = 0$ for all $t \in [0, l]$.

Then $J(t)$ is called a Jacobi field.

(3) A Killing vector field

(a) $L_X g = 0$ ($L_X g_{\mu\nu} = \nabla_\mu X_\nu + \nabla_\nu X_\mu = 0$ in local coordinates)

(b) $\text{div}(K) = 0$

(c) In terms of the Levi-Civita connection, that is $g(\nabla_Y X, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_Z X) = 0$ for

all vectors Y and Z . Or $\nabla_\mu K^\nu = -\nabla_\nu K^\mu$ in local coordinates.

1. On a Riemannian manifold (M, g) , a vector field U is called a Killing vector field if

it is infinitesimally an isometry, namely $\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \varphi_t^* g = 0$

Where φ_t is the one-parameter family of diffeomorphism generated by U

(a) For a Killing vector field U , show that $g(\nabla_X U, Y) + g(\nabla_Y U, X) = 0$ for any two vector fields X, Y

(b) Suppose that U is a Killing vector field, and γ is a geodesic.

Prove that $U|_\gamma$ is a Jacobi field

Prove

(a) A vector field U is called a Killing vector field if $L_U g = 0$, in terms of the Levi-Civita connection, this condition is equivalent to $g(\nabla_X U, Y) + g(\nabla_Y U, X) = 0$ for any two vector fields X, Y

(b) A vector field J along a geodesic γ is a Jacobi field if it satisfies the Jacobi equation: $\nabla_V \nabla_V J + R(V, J)V = 0$

Where $V = \dot{\gamma}$ is the tangent vector to the geodesic.

$R(X, Y)Z$ is the Riemann curvature tensors.

Since U is a Killing vector field, it satisfies the Killing equation:

$g(\nabla_X U, Y) + g(\nabla_Y U, X) = 0$, applying to $X=V$ and $Y=U$, we get $\nabla_V U = -\nabla_U V$

Since γ is a geodesic, $\nabla_V V = 0$

Taking the covariant derivative along V , $\nabla_V \nabla_V U = -\nabla_V \nabla_U V$

$R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z$, we substitute $X=V, Y=U$ and $Z=V$ to get:

$R(V, U)V = \nabla_V \nabla_U V - \nabla_U \nabla_V V = \nabla_V \nabla_U V$ since $\nabla_V V = 0$

And then $\nabla_V \nabla_V U = -R(V, U)V$

i.e. $\nabla_V \nabla_V U + R(V, U)V = 0$ This is just the Jacobi equation, meaning that U

restricted to γ , denoted $U|_\gamma$ is a Jacobi field.

重寫一遍

Since U is a Killing field, $\nabla_V U = -\nabla_U V$, 兩邊取 ∇_V 得 $\nabla_V \nabla_V U = -\nabla_V \nabla_U V$

$R(V, U)V = \nabla_V \nabla_U V - \nabla_U \nabla_V V = \nabla_V \nabla_U V$ (因為 γ is a geodesic, $\nabla_V V = 0$)

$R(V, U)V = \nabla_V \nabla_U V = -\nabla_V \nabla_V U$

$\nabla_V \nabla_V U + R(V, U)V = 0$ 此即為 Jacobi equation, U 是一 Jacobi field, 換句話說

$U|_\gamma$ 是一 Jacobi field.

Killing vector field 與 Jacobi field 的關係比較清楚一些了。