

Problem 3.1

For $h^{\alpha}_{;\beta} = h^{\alpha}_{,\beta} + \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\sigma\beta} h^{\sigma}$

we want $(\rho^{\alpha} q^{\beta})_{;\gamma} = \rho^{\alpha}_{;\gamma} q^{\beta} + \rho^{\alpha} q^{\beta}_{;\gamma}$

$\rho^{\alpha} q_{\alpha}$ is a scalar.

Then consider: $(\rho^{\alpha} q_{\alpha})_{;\gamma} = \rho^{\alpha}_{;\gamma} q_{\alpha} + \rho^{\alpha} q_{\alpha;\gamma} = \rho^{\alpha}_{;\gamma} q_{\alpha} + \rho^{\alpha} q_{\alpha,\gamma}$

using the definition for $\rho^{\alpha}_{;\gamma}$, we have

$$(\rho^{\alpha}_{;\gamma} + \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\sigma\gamma} \rho^{\sigma} - \rho^{\alpha}_{,\gamma}) q_{\alpha} = \rho^{\alpha} (q_{\alpha,\gamma} - q_{\alpha;\gamma})$$

or: $\rho^{\alpha} [q_{\alpha;\gamma} - q_{\alpha,\gamma} + \Gamma^{\beta}_{\gamma\alpha} q_{\beta}] = 0$

For arbitrary ρ^{α} , we have

$$q_{\alpha;\gamma} = q_{\alpha,\gamma} - \Gamma^{\beta}_{\gamma\alpha} q_{\beta}$$

Problem 3.2

a. $\Phi_{;\mu\nu} = (\Phi_{,\mu})_{;\nu}$ let $f_{\mu} \equiv \Phi_{,\mu}$, then:

$$\Phi_{;\mu\nu} = f_{\mu;\nu} = f_{\mu,\nu} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} f_{\sigma} = \Phi_{,\mu\nu} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} \Phi_{,\sigma}$$

so $\Phi_{;\nu\mu} = \Phi_{,\nu\mu} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\nu\mu} \Phi_{,\sigma}$

to the torsion is: $T_{\mu\nu} = \Phi_{;\mu\nu} - \Phi_{;\nu\mu} = -\Phi_{,\sigma} (\Gamma^{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\nu\mu})$

For the torsion to vanish, we must have: $\Gamma^{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} = \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\nu\mu}$, i.e. a symmetric connection.

b. $\Phi = g_{\alpha\beta;\gamma} = g_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\alpha\gamma} g_{\sigma\beta} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\beta\gamma} g_{\alpha\sigma}$

$\Phi = g_{\alpha\gamma;\beta} = g_{\alpha\gamma,\beta} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} g_{\sigma\gamma} - \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\gamma\beta} g_{\alpha\sigma}$

$\Phi = -g_{\beta\gamma;\alpha} = -g_{\beta\gamma,\alpha} + \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\beta\alpha} g_{\sigma\gamma} + \Gamma^{\sigma}_{\gamma\alpha} g_{\beta\sigma}$

Add together w/ symmetric $\Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\gamma} = \Gamma^{\mu}_{\gamma\nu}$ (to symmetric metric)

$$\Phi = g_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} + g_{\alpha\gamma,\beta} - g_{\beta\gamma,\alpha} - 2\Gamma^{\sigma}_{\beta\gamma} g_{\alpha\sigma}$$

so $\Gamma^{\sigma}_{\beta\gamma} g_{\alpha\sigma} = \frac{1}{2} (g_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} + g_{\alpha\gamma,\beta} - g_{\beta\gamma,\alpha})$ multiply both sides by $g^{\rho\alpha}$

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\beta\gamma} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\rho\alpha} (g_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} + g_{\alpha\gamma,\beta} - g_{\beta\gamma,\alpha})$$

Problem 3.3

a. For spherical coordinates: $g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$

b. $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (g_{\alpha\mu,\nu} + g_{\alpha\nu,\mu} - g_{\mu\nu,\alpha})$

start w/ $\alpha=1$, then

$$\Gamma_{1\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (g_{1\mu,\nu} + g_{1\nu,\mu} - g_{\mu\nu,1})$$

then the non-zero entries are:

$$\Gamma_{122} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{22}}{\partial r} = -r$$

and

$$\Gamma_{133} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{33}}{\partial r} = -r \sin^2 \theta$$

For $\alpha=2$: $\Gamma_{2\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (g_{2\mu,\nu} + g_{2\nu,\mu} - g_{\mu\nu,2})$

non-zero:

$$\Gamma_{212} = \Gamma_{221} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{22}}{\partial r} = r$$

$$\Gamma_{233} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{33}}{\partial \theta} = -r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

For $\alpha=3$: $\Gamma_{3\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (g_{3\mu,\nu} + g_{3\nu,\mu} - g_{\mu\nu,3})$ no ϕ -derivs.

non-zero:

$$\Gamma_{313} = \Gamma_{331} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{33}}{\partial r} = r \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Gamma_{323} = \Gamma_{332} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{33}}{\partial \theta} = r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

b. For a tensor f^α , if we have $f^\alpha = 0$ then in a new coordinate system $x \rightarrow x'$:
 $f'^\alpha = \frac{\partial x'^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta} f^\beta = 0$ ($\frac{\partial x'^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta}$ is invertible, hence no null space to go other direction)
 so if f^α is zero in one coord. system, it's zero in all of them.

c. In spherical coordinates, $\Gamma_{\phi\beta\gamma} \neq 0$, while in Cartesian coords, $\Gamma_{\phi\beta\gamma} = 0$
 so it is not a tensor.

Problem 3.4

9. In Cartesian coordinates,

$$f_{\mu\nu} = f_{\nu\mu} - \nabla_{\mu} f_{\nu} = f_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\rho\sigma} (g_{\rho\mu,\nu} + g_{\rho\nu,\mu} - g_{\mu\nu,\rho}) = 0,$$

the metric has no spatial dependence.

Killing's equation reads: $f_{\mu\nu} + f_{\nu\mu} = 0 = f_{\mu,\nu} + f_{\nu,\mu}$.

For $\vec{x}' = \vec{x} + \omega \hat{\Omega} \times \vec{x}$, or

$$x'^{\alpha} = x^{\alpha} + \omega g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu}$$

we have

$$f^{\alpha} = g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu}$$

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$$f_{\alpha} = \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu}$$

then $f_{\alpha,\beta} = \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\beta}} = \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} \delta_{\beta}^{\nu} = \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\beta} \Omega^{\mu}$

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$$f_{\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha} = \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\beta} \Omega^{\mu} + \epsilon_{\beta\mu\alpha} \Omega^{\mu} = \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\beta} \Omega^{\mu} - \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\beta} \Omega^{\mu} = 0$$

(by $\epsilon_{\alpha\mu\beta} = -\epsilon_{\beta\mu\alpha}$), so Killing's equation is true, f^{α} is a Killing vector.

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For $P^{\alpha} = g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu}$, we have: $J = P_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu}$

$$P'_{\alpha} = P_{\alpha} - \omega \frac{\partial J}{\partial x^{\alpha}} = P_{\alpha} - \omega \rho_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} \delta_{\alpha}^{\nu}$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} P_{\alpha} - \omega \rho_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\alpha} \Omega^{\mu}$$

then: $P'_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} P'_{\beta} = (P_{\alpha} - \omega \rho_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\alpha} \Omega^{\mu}) (P^{\alpha} - \omega \rho^{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu})$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} P_{\alpha} P^{\alpha} - \omega [P_{\alpha} \rho^{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\gamma\delta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\alpha} \Omega^{\mu} + P^{\alpha} \rho_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu}] + O(\omega^2)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} P_{\alpha} P^{\alpha} - \omega [P_{\alpha} \rho^{\alpha} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\alpha} \Omega^{\mu} + P^{\alpha} \rho_{\alpha} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu}] + O(\omega^2)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} P_{\alpha} g^{\alpha\beta} P_{\beta} \uparrow \begin{matrix} \text{sym. in } \alpha \leftrightarrow \beta \\ \text{antisym. in } \rho \leftrightarrow \beta \end{matrix} + O(\omega^2)$$

each term in the bracket dies.

For r^2 , $r'^2 = x'^{\alpha} g_{\alpha\beta} x'^{\beta} = (x^{\alpha} + \omega g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu}) (x_{\alpha} + \omega \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu})$

$$= x^{\alpha} x_{\alpha} + \omega [x^{\alpha} x^{\nu} \epsilon_{\alpha\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} + g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\beta\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu} x^{\nu} x_{\alpha}] + O(\omega^2)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} x^{\alpha} x_{\alpha} + O(\omega^2) \quad \text{and } U(r'^2) = U(r^2) + O(\omega^2)$$

so $P'^{\alpha} P'_{\alpha} = P^{\alpha} P_{\alpha} + O(\omega^2)$ & $x'^{\alpha} x'_{\alpha} = x^{\alpha} x_{\alpha} + O(\omega^2)$

then $H' = \frac{1}{2m} P'^{\alpha} P'_{\alpha} + U(r') = \frac{1}{2m} P^{\alpha} P_{\alpha} + U(r) + O(\omega^2) = H + O(\omega^2)$

Problem 3.5

We have $[H, H] = 0$ trivially.

What are F^α & h_α in the infinitesimal transformation:

$$x'^\alpha = x^\alpha + \epsilon F^\alpha \quad p'_\alpha = p_\alpha + \epsilon h_\alpha$$

when H is the generator?

$$F^\alpha(x, p) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_\alpha} \quad h_\alpha(x, p) = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x^\alpha}$$

We know, from the eqns of motion that $\frac{\partial H}{\partial p_\alpha} = \dot{x}^\alpha(t)$ & $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x^\alpha} = -\dot{p}_\alpha(t)$, so

$$\begin{aligned} x'^\alpha(t) &= x^\alpha(t) + \epsilon \dot{x}^\alpha(t) & p'_\alpha(t) &= p_\alpha(t) + \epsilon \dot{p}_\alpha(t) \\ &= \underline{x^\alpha(t + \epsilon)} + O(\epsilon^2) & & \underline{p_\alpha(t + \epsilon)} + O(\epsilon^2) \end{aligned}$$

so the new coordinates are, to $O(\epsilon^2)$ (hence, beyond our interest):

$$x'^\alpha(t) = x^\alpha(t + \epsilon) \quad p'_\alpha(t) = p_\alpha(t + \epsilon)$$

i.e. the transformation generated by H produces $x'(t)$ & $p'(t)$ that are the forward propagation in time of x & p .