

Riemannian Geometry

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Exercise Sheet 10

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Exercise 1

Let M and M' be two Riemannian manifolds with Levi-Civita connections ∇ and ∇' and $\phi : M \rightarrow M'$ a diffeomorphism. Define the pullback

$$(\phi^*\nabla')_X Y := \phi^*\nabla'_{\phi_*X}\phi_*Y$$

for all $X, Y \in \text{Vect}(M)$.

- Show that $(\phi^*\nabla')$ is a connection on M .
- Show that if ϕ is an isometry then $(\phi^*\nabla') = \nabla$.
- Show that an isometry maps geodesics to geodesics.
- Let \mathcal{D} be the canonical connection on \mathbb{R}^n and $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ a diffeomorphism. Show that $(A^*\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{D}$ holds if and only if A is an affine map.

Exercise 2

- Let \mathbb{H}^2 be the upper half plane as defined in Exercise 2 on Exercise sheet 09. Show that the y -axis is the image of a geodesic in \mathbb{H}^2 .
 - Show that the half lines orthogonal to the x -axis and the half circles with center on the y -axis are precisely the images of geodesics in \mathbb{H}^2 .
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