

TRANSFORMATIONS ON SPACES WITH SPECIAL COMPOSITIONS

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ABSTRACT. Transformations of symmetric affine connections into connections with torsion on spaces endowed with Chebyshev and geodesic compositions are considered. Some of the components of the curvature tensor for the non-symmetric connections are computed with respect to the composition coordinates. Two special cases for the symmetric affine connection are discussed: a Weyl connection and an equiaffine connection.

1. INTRODUCTION

Multidimensional spaces of compositions equipped with a symmetric affine connection have been studied in [1, 3, 4, 11]. Weyl spaces of compositions are considered in [5, 6, 10], and equiaffine spaces are investigated in [9].

In this paper we consider spaces endowed with a symmetric affine connection and two special types of compositions: Chebyshev and geodesic ones. We study transformations of the symmetric connection into connections with torsion so that the composition satisfies an analogous characteristic condition with respect to the second connection. We compute some of the components of the curvature tensors of the introduced connections in the adapted to the composition coordinates. We also consider two special cases for the symmetric connection: a Weyl connection and an equiaffine connection.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Let A_N be a space with a symmetric affine connection denoted by $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$. In A_N , we consider a composition (i.e. a topological product) $X_n \times X_m$ of two basic manifolds X_n and X_m ($n + m = N$). The positions (tangent planes) of the composition are denoted by $P(X_n)$ and $P(X_m)$, see [3, 4].

In addition to the usual coordinates u^α ($\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, N$), in A_N there are defined coordinates $(u^i, u^{\bar{i}})$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n; \bar{i} = n + 1, n + 2, \dots, n + m$) which are adapted to the composition $X_n \times X_m$ (see [3]).

The existence of a composition in A_N is equivalent to the definition of an affnor field a_α^β , satisfying the condition ([3, 8]):

$$(2.1) \quad a_\alpha^\sigma a_\sigma^\beta = \delta_\alpha^\beta,$$

and the integrability condition

$$a_\beta^\sigma \nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\sigma]}^\nu - a_\alpha^\sigma \nabla_{[\beta} a_{\sigma]}^\nu = 0,$$

where ∇ is the covariant derivative with respect to $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$, and δ_α^β is the identity affnor.

The affnor a_α^β is called affnor of the composition ([3]).

According to [7], the projecting affnors have the following form

$$n_\alpha^\beta = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_\alpha^\beta + a_\alpha^\beta), \quad m_\alpha^\beta = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_\alpha^\beta - a_\alpha^\beta).$$

For an arbitrary vector v^α we have the decomposition $v^\alpha = n_\beta^\alpha v^\beta + m_\beta^\alpha v^\beta$, where $n_\beta^\alpha v^\beta \in P(X_n)$, and $m_\beta^\alpha v^\beta \in P(X_m)$.

In the adapted to the composition coordinates, the matrices of the affnors a_α^β , n_α^β and m_α^β have the form (see [4, 5]):

$$(2.2) \quad (a_\alpha^\beta) = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_j^i & 0 \\ 0 & -\delta_j^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad (n_\alpha^\beta) = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_j^i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (m_\alpha^\beta) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_j^i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Further in this paper, we consider two special types of compositions.

A composition $X_n \times X_m$ is said to be Chebyshev, i.e. of the type (ch, ch) , if the positions $P(X_n)$ and $P(X_m)$ are parallel transport along any line in the manifold X_m and X_n , (see [4]). The characteristic condition of a (ch, ch) -composition is given by:

$$(2.3) \quad \nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = 0.$$

In the adapted coordinates condition (2.3) is equivalent to the condition (see [4]):

$$(2.4) \quad \Gamma_{ij}^{\bar{k}} = \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k = 0.$$

A composition $X_n \times X_m$ is said to be geodesic, i.e. of the type (g, g) , if the positions $P(X_n)$ and $P(X_m)$ are parallel transport along any line in the manifold X_n and X_m , see [4]. The characteristic condition of a (g, g) -composition is given by:

$$(2.5) \quad a_\alpha^\sigma \nabla_\beta a_\sigma^\nu + a_\beta^\sigma \nabla_\sigma a_\alpha^\nu = 0.$$

In the adapted coordinates condition (2.5) is equivalent to:

$$(2.6) \quad \Gamma_{ij}^{\bar{k}} = \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k = 0.$$

The curvature tensor $R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}{}^\nu$ of the space A_N , see [2], is defined as usually by:

$$(2.7) \quad R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}{}^\nu = \partial_\alpha \Gamma_{\beta\sigma}^\nu - \partial_\beta \Gamma_{\alpha\sigma}^\nu + \Gamma_{\alpha\rho}^\nu \Gamma_{\beta\sigma}^\rho - \Gamma_{\beta\rho}^\nu \Gamma_{\alpha\sigma}^\rho.$$

3. TRANSFORMATIONS OF CONNECTIONS

Let us consider the connections ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ defined by

$$(3.1) \quad {}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu + S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu,$$

where $S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ is the deformation tensor.

We denote by ${}^1\nabla$ and ${}^1R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}{}^\nu$ the covariant derivative and the curvature tensor with respect to ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$.

3.1. Transformations of connections on spaces of Chebyshev compositions. Let A_N be a space endowed with a composition $X_n \times X_m$ of the type (ch, ch) . Then, A_N will be called a space of Chebyshev composition.

We shall prove the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. *Let the composition $X_n \times X_m$ be Chebyshev composition, i.e. condition (2.3) holds. Then, ${}^1\nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = 0$ if and only if in the adapted to the composition coordinates the deformation tensor $S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ satisfies the conditions:*

$$(3.2) \quad S_{i\bar{j}}^k = S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = S_{[i\bar{j}]}^{\bar{k}} = S_{[i\bar{j}]}^k = 0.$$

Proof. We have

$$(3.3) \quad {}^1\nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = \nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu + P_{\alpha\beta}^\nu,$$

where

$$(3.4) \quad P_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = S_{\alpha\sigma}^\nu a_\beta^\sigma - S_{\beta\sigma}^\nu a_\alpha^\sigma - S_{\alpha\beta}^\sigma a_\sigma^\nu + S_{\beta\alpha}^\sigma a_\sigma^\nu.$$

According to (2.2) and (3.4), in the adapted coordinates, for the components of the tensor $P_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ we get:

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} P_{i\bar{j}}^k &= 2S_{j\bar{i}}^k, & P_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= -2S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, & P_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= -2S_{j\bar{i}}^{\bar{k}}, & P_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= 2S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, \\ P_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= 4S_{[i\bar{j}]}^{\bar{k}}, & P_{i\bar{j}}^k &= -4S_{[i\bar{j}]}^k, & P_{i\bar{j}}^k &= P_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

By (3.3) it follows that if $\nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = 0$, then ${}^1\nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = 0$ if and only if $P_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = 0$. Then, by (3.5) we obtain that the last condition is equivalent to (3.2) which proves the theorem. \square

In the case of $\nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = {}^1\nabla_{[\alpha} a_{\beta]}^\nu = 0$, by (2.4), (3.1) and (3.2) we obtain the components of the connection ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ as follows:

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k + S_{i\bar{j}}^k, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} + S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, \\ {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} + S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} \quad ({}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = {}^1\Gamma_{j\bar{i}}^{\bar{k}}), & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k + S_{i\bar{j}}^k \quad ({}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k = {}^1\Gamma_{j\bar{i}}^k), \\ {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k &= S_{i\bar{j}}^k, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k &= {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we consider the curvature properties of the connections ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$. Using (2.7) and (3.6) we compute the following adapted components of ${}^1R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}{}^\nu$:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^1R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}}{}^s &= {}^1R_{i\bar{j}k}{}^{\bar{s}} = 0, \\ {}^1R_{i\bar{j}k}{}^s &= 2\partial_{[\bar{i}} S_{j]s}^k + 2S_{[\bar{i}|p]}^k S_{j]s}^p, & {}^1R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}}{}^{\bar{s}} &= 2\partial_{[i} S_{j]\bar{s}}^{\bar{k}} + 2S_{[i|\bar{p}]}^{\bar{k}} S_{j]\bar{s}}^{\bar{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

We shall consider the following example.

Let A_N be a space with a Weyl connection $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$, fundamental tensor $g_{\alpha\beta}$ and an additional 1-form (covector) ω_σ which satisfy the condition $\nabla_\sigma g_{\alpha\beta} = 2\omega_\sigma g_{\alpha\beta}$. According to [2], we have:

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = \{\nu_{\alpha\beta}\} - (\omega_\alpha \delta_\beta^\nu + \omega_\beta \delta_\alpha^\nu - \omega_\sigma g^{\sigma\nu} g_{\alpha\beta}),$$

where $g_{\alpha\sigma} g^{\sigma\beta} = \delta_\alpha^\beta$, and $\{\nu_{\alpha\beta}\}$ are the Christoffel symbols of $g_{\alpha\beta}$.

For the curvature tensor $R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}^\nu$ of $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ it is valid:

$$(3.7) \quad R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}^\sigma = -2N \nabla_{[\alpha} \omega_{\beta]}.$$

Let the space A_N contain a composition $X_n \times X_m$ of the type (ch, ch) , i.e. $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ satisfy conditions (2.4). We consider the connections ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ defined by (3.1). Using (2.7) and (3.1) we get:

$$(3.8) \quad {}^1R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}^\sigma = R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}^\sigma + 2N \nabla_{[\alpha} S_{\beta]\sigma}^\sigma.$$

Now, let the deformation tensor $S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ in (3.1) be given by:

$$(3.9) \quad S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = \omega_\alpha a_\beta^\nu.$$

For the adapted coordinates we obtain:

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} S_{ij}^k &= \omega_i \delta_j^k, & S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \omega_{\bar{i}} \delta_{\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, & S_{\bar{i}j}^k &= \omega_{\bar{i}} \delta_j^k, & S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \omega_i \delta_{\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, \\ S_{i\bar{j}}^k &= S_{\bar{i}j}^{\bar{k}} = S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = S_{\bar{i}j}^k = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the connections (3.1) with $S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ given by (3.9) satisfy the necessary and sufficient conditions (3.2) of Theorem 3.1. In the adapted coordinates, by (3.7), (3.8) and (3.10) we have:

$${}^1R_{ij\sigma}^\sigma = {}^1R_{i\bar{j}\sigma}^\sigma = {}^1R_{\bar{i}j\sigma}^\sigma = 0,$$

and it follows that ${}^1R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}^\sigma = 0$.

3.2. Transformations of connections on spaces of geodesic compositions. Let A_N be a space of a (g, g) -composition $X_n \times X_m$, and consider again the connections ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ defined by (3.1).

Theorem 3.2. *Let the composition $X_n \times X_m$ be geodesic, i.e. condition (2.5) holds. Then,*

$$(3.11) \quad a_\alpha^\sigma {}^1\nabla_\beta a_\sigma^\nu + a_\beta^\sigma {}^1\nabla_\sigma a_\alpha^\nu = 0$$

if and only if in the adapted to the composition coordinates the deformation tensor $S_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ satisfies the conditions:

$$(3.12) \quad S_{i\bar{j}}^k = S_{\bar{i}j}^{\bar{k}} = 0.$$

Proof. Using (2.1) and (3.1) we have:

$$(3.13) \quad a_\alpha^\sigma {}^1\nabla_\beta a_\sigma^\nu + a_\beta^\sigma {}^1\nabla_\sigma a_\alpha^\nu = a_\alpha^\sigma \nabla_\beta a_\sigma^\nu + a_\beta^\sigma \nabla_\sigma a_\alpha^\nu + L_{\alpha\beta}^\nu,$$

where

$$(3.14) \quad L_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = S_{\beta\alpha}^\nu - S_{\beta\sigma}^\rho a_\alpha^\sigma a_\rho^\nu + S_{\sigma\rho}^\nu a_\alpha^\rho a_\beta^\sigma - S_{\sigma\alpha}^\rho a_\rho^\nu a_\beta^\sigma.$$

In the adapted coordinates, by (3.14) we evaluate the components of $L_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ as follows:

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} L_{ij}^{\bar{k}} &= 4S_{ji}^{\bar{k}}, & S_{i\bar{j}}^l &= 4S_{j\bar{i}}^k, \\ L_{ij}^k &= L_{i\bar{j}}^k = L_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = L_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = L_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = L_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Equalities (2.5) and (3.13) imply that if the composition $X_n \times X_m$ is geodesic, then (3.11) holds if and only if $L_{\alpha\beta}^\nu = 0$. According to (3.15), the last condition holds if and only if also (3.12) holds, which completes the proof of the theorem. \square

If conditions (2.5) and (3.11) holds, using (2.6), (3.1) and (3.12) we obtain:

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} {}^1\Gamma_{ij}^k &= \Gamma_{ij}^k + S_{ij}^k, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^k + S_{i\bar{j}}^k, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} + S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, \\ {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} + S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} + S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, & {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= \Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} + S_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}}, \\ {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} &= {}^1\Gamma_{i\bar{j}}^{\bar{k}} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (2.7) and (3.16) for the adapted components of ${}^1R_{\alpha\beta\sigma}^\nu$ we get:

$${}^1R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}}^s = {}^1R_{ijk}^{\bar{s}} = 0.$$

Now we consider the following example.

Let $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ be an equiaffine connection with main density e . In accordance to [2], $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\nu$ is equiaffine if and only if one of the following two equivalent conditions hold:

$$(3.17) \quad \Gamma_{\alpha\nu}^\nu = \partial_\alpha \ln e \iff R_{\alpha\beta\nu}^\nu = 0.$$

Using (3.8), (3.1) and (3.17) it follows that ${}^1\Gamma_{\alpha\nu}^\nu = \text{grad}$ if and only if $S_{\alpha\nu}^\nu = \text{grad}$. Also, if $S_{\alpha\nu}^\nu = \text{grad}$, then ${}^1R_{\alpha\beta\nu}^\nu = 0$.

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