
Geometry of Manifolds/Geometry in Physics

Exercise Sheet 11

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Diese Aufgaben sind schriftlich auszuarbeiten und am 16. Januar vor der Vorlesung abzugeben. Für jede Aufgabe gibt es 4 Punkte.

Zweierabgaben sind erlaubt. Bitte bei der ersten Abgabe Matrikelnummer(n) angeben.

Aufgabe 1. Let E and F be vector bundles with connections on M .

- a) Prove that there are unique connections on E^* and $E \otimes F$ satisfying

$$\langle \nabla \alpha, \varphi \rangle = d \langle \alpha, \varphi \rangle - \langle \alpha, \nabla \varphi \rangle$$

and

$$\nabla(\varphi \otimes \psi) = (\nabla \varphi \otimes \psi) + (\varphi \otimes \nabla \psi)$$

for all $\varphi \in \Gamma(E)$, $\psi \in \Gamma(F)$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma(E^*)$.

- b) What is the curvature of the connection on E^* and $E \otimes F$?
 c) What is the curvature of the connection on $\text{End}(E) = E^* \otimes E$?

Aufgabe 2. Let $\omega \in \Omega^1(U, \text{Mat}_{r \times r}(\mathbb{K}))$ be a matrix valued 1-form on an open set $U = \prod (\alpha_i, \beta_i) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Show that the existence of a smooth function

$$f: U \rightarrow GL_r(\mathbb{K}) \quad \text{with} \quad f^{-1}df = \omega$$

is equivalent to

$$d\omega + \omega \wedge \omega = 0.$$

Aufgabe 3. Prove that a connection is flat if and only if parallel transport with respect to the connection is locally independent of the path between points.

Aufgabe 4. Prove that:

- a) Every isometry between two Riemannian manifolds is an affine diffeomorphism.
 b) Affine diffeomorphisms preserve
 – curvature,
 – parallel transport, and
 – geodesics.
 (Prove one of the three fact.)