

Riemannian Geometry, Epiphany 2014.

Homework 13-14

Starred problems due on Friday, February 21th

1. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold and R its curvature tensor. Let $f, g, h \in C^\infty(M)$, and X, Y, Z, W be vector fields on M . Show that

- (a) $R(fX, Y)Z = fR(X, Y)Z$;
- (b) $R(X, fY)Z = fR(X, Y)Z$;
- (c) $\langle R(X, Y)fZ, W \rangle = \langle fR(X, Y)Z, W \rangle$;
- (d) $R(fX, gY)hZ = fghR(X, Y)Z$.

2. (*) Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold and R its curvature tensor. Prove the *First Bianchi Identity*:

$$R(X, Y)Z + R(Y, Z)X + R(Z, X)Y = 0$$

for X, Y, Z vector fields on M by reducing the equation to Jacobi identity.

3. (*) Parametrize the sphere S^2 of radius r in \mathbf{R}^3 by

$$(x, y, z) = (r \cos \varphi \sin \theta, r \sin \varphi \sin \theta, r \cos \theta),$$

and consider the metric induced from Euclidean metric in \mathbf{R}^3 on it.

- (a) Compute $R(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta})$.
- (b) Compute sectional curvature of the sphere S^2 of radius r .

4. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold. Show that M is of constant sectional curvature K_0 if and only if

$$\langle R(v_1, v_2)v_3, v_4 \rangle = K_0(\langle v_1, v_4 \rangle \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle - \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle \langle v_2, v_4 \rangle)$$

for any $p \in M$ and $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 \in T_p M$.

Hint: see hints for the detailed plan of the solution.

5. **Constant sectional curvature of hyperbolic 3-space**

(a) Show that sectional curvature $K(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3})$ and $K(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3})$ of 3-dimensional hyperbolic space \mathbf{H}^3 (in upper half-space model) is equal to -1 .

(b) Use (a) and linearity of Riemannian curvature tensor to show that 3-dimensional hyperbolic space \mathbf{H}^3 has constant sectional curvature.

6. **Horosphere in hyperbolic 3-space**

Let \mathbf{H}^3 be the upper half-space model of the hyperbolic 3-space.

Consider a *horosphere*

$$M = \{x \in \mathbf{H}^3 \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 + (x_3 - 1)^2 = 1\}$$

in hyperbolic 3-space with metric g induced from \mathbf{H}^3 .

- (a) Parametrize M using spherical coordinates, and compute the induced metric.
- (b) Compute the Christoffel symbols of (M, g) .
- (c) Compute the curvature tensor of (M, g) . More precisely, prove that the curvature tensor is identically zero.

7. (*) A Riemannian manifold (M, g) is called *Einstein manifold* if there exists $c \in \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$\text{Ric}_p(v, w) = c\langle v, w \rangle$$

for every $p \in M$, $v, w \in M_p$.

- (a) Show that (M, g) is Einstein manifold if and only if there exists $c \in \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$\text{Ric}_p(v) = c$$

for every $p \in M$ and unit tangent vector $v \in M_p$.

- (b) Show that if (M, g) is of constant sectional curvature then (M, g) is Einstein manifold.