

Remarks on Connection Forms

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Let M be a differentiable manifold with $\dim M = n$ and a local coordinate system (φ, U) such that its local Coordinate (x^1, \dots, x^n) . Let $\{\theta^1, \dots, \theta^n\}$ be the dual coframes of the field of coordinate frames $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$ on U . For a field of coframes $\{\tilde{\theta}^1, \dots, \tilde{\theta}^n\}$ on $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$ is the dual frames of $\tilde{\theta}^1, \dots, \tilde{\theta}^n$.

In this paper we assert that

(a) if M is Riemannian then there exists a unique determined set of $n^2 c^\infty$ one form $\tilde{\theta}^i_j$ such that

$$i) \quad d\tilde{\theta}^i - \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^i_k \wedge \tilde{\theta}^k = 0$$

$$ii) \quad d\tilde{g}_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}^i_k \tilde{g}_{kj} + \theta^k_j \tilde{g}_{ki}),$$

Where $(\tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j) = \tilde{g}_{ij}$ and d the exterior differentiation (theorem 1)

(b) the inverse of (a) is true (theorem 2)

Let M be a Riemannian manifold with its connection ∇ , we put

$$\nabla_{E_i} E_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k E_k, \quad \nabla_{\tilde{E}_i} \tilde{E}_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k \tilde{E}_k.$$

Proposition. 1. The $n^3 c^\infty$ function Γ_{ij}^k are completely and uniquely determined by $n^3 c^\infty$ function $\tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k$, and the inverse is true.

Proof. In order to prove our assertion we shall put

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) \tilde{E}_j,$$

then each $a_{ij}: U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is a c^∞ function.

By the properties of ∇ we have the following:

$$\nabla_{E_i} E_j = \sum_{l,m=1}^n (a_{il} a_{jm} \nabla_{\tilde{E}_l} \tilde{E}_m + a_{il} \tilde{E}_l (a_{jm}) \tilde{E}_m)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{l,m} a_{il} a_{jm} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lm} + \sum_l a_{il} \tilde{E}_l(a_{j,l}) \right) \tilde{E}_i.$$

On the other hand,

$$\nabla_{E_i} E_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k E_k = \sum_{k,s} a_{ks} \Gamma_{ij}^k \tilde{E}_s = \sum_{s=1}^n \left(\sum_{k=1}^n a_{ks} \Gamma_{ij}^k \right) \tilde{E}_s.$$

Therefore, it follows that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{ks} \Gamma_{ij}^k = \sum_{l,m} a_{il} a_{jm} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lm} + \sum_l a_{il} \tilde{E}_l(a_{j,l}) \quad (*).$$

Note that since for all $x \in \varphi(U)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(x) & \cdots & a_{1n}(x) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}(x) & \cdots & a_{nn}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

is not singular, we have the inverse $(a^{ij}(x))$ of $(a_{ij}(x))$ and thus

$$\tilde{E} = \sum_{j=1}^n a^{ij} E_j.$$

Therefore

$$\tilde{E}_i(a_{j,l}) = \sum_{j=1}^n a^{ij}(x) E_j(a_{j,l})$$

which makes sense.

From (*) above

$$a_{1l} \Gamma_{ij}^1 + a_{2l} \Gamma_{ij}^2 + \cdots + a_{nl} \Gamma_{ij}^n = \sum_{l,m} a_{il} a_{jm} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lm} + \sum_l a_{il} \tilde{E}_l(a_{j,l})$$

$$a_{1n} \Gamma_{ij}^1 + a_{2n} \Gamma_{ij}^2 + \cdots + a_{nn} \Gamma_{ij}^n = \sum_{l,m} a_{il} a_{jm} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lm} + \sum_l a_{il} \tilde{E}_l(a_{j,n})$$

As before, since the $n \times n$ matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{n1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

is not singular, we have a unique solution

$$\{\Gamma_{ij}^k \mid k=1, \dots, n\}.$$

That is, $\{\Gamma_{ij}^k \mid 1 \leq i, j, k \leq n\}$ is uniquely determined by n^3 C^∞ functions $\{\Gamma_{ij}^k \mid 1 \leq i, j, k \leq n\}$. The inverse is proved by the same way as above.

With the above notations we define

$$\tilde{\theta}_j^k = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k \theta^i,$$

then the n^2 functions $\tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k$ are C^∞ .

For a C^∞ vector field $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$

$$\nabla_X \tilde{E}_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}_j^k(X) \tilde{E}_k,$$

Where $\nabla_{\tilde{E}_i} \tilde{E}_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k \tilde{E}_k$ ($1 \leq i, j, k \leq n$). (Note that $[\tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j] \neq 0$ implies $\tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k \neq \tilde{\Gamma}_{ji}^k$, where $[\cdot, \cdot]$ is the bracket product.)

Theorem 1. Under the above situation we have the following.

$$(i) \quad d\tilde{\theta}_i = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} \wedge \frac{\partial \tilde{\theta}^i}{\partial x^k} = \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \tilde{\theta}_j^i.$$

$$(ii) \quad d\tilde{g}_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \tilde{g}_{ij}}{\partial x^k} dx^k = \sum_{k=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}_i^k g_{kj} + \tilde{\theta}_j^k g_{ki}),$$

where $\tilde{g}_{ij} = (\tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j)$. (Note that d is exterior differentiation).

Proof: Let us put

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) \tilde{E}_j \quad (1 \leq i \leq n),$$

then $\{a_{ij} \mid i, j, \leq n\}$ are C^∞ functions and the $n \times n$ matrix (a_{ij}) is a non-singular matrix at each $x \in \varphi(U) \subset R^n$. It follows that

$$\tilde{E}_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a^{ij} E_j \quad (1 \leq i \leq n),$$

where $(a_{ij})^{-1} = (a^{ij})$.

In this case we can easily prove that

$$\theta^i = \sum_{j=1}^n a^{ji} \tilde{\theta}^j, \quad \tilde{\theta}^i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} \theta^j \quad (1 \leq i \leq n).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) : } d\tilde{\theta}^i &= \sum_{k=1}^n \theta^k \wedge E_k(\tilde{\theta}^i) = \sum_{k=1}^n \theta^k \wedge E_k\left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} \theta^j\right) \\ &= \sum_{k,j} \theta^k \wedge E_k(a_{ji}) \theta^j \\ &= \sum_{k,j} E_k(a_{ji}) \theta^k \wedge \theta^j \\ &= \sum_{m,j} E_m(a_{si}) \theta^m \wedge \theta^j \\ &= -\sum_{m,j} E_m(a_{si}) \theta^j \wedge \theta^m. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \tilde{\theta}_j^i &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \sum_{l=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^i \tilde{\theta}^l) \\ &= \sum_{j,l} (\sum_{s=1}^n a_{sj} \theta^s \wedge \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^i \sum_{m=1}^n a_{ml} \theta^m) \\ &= \sum_{m,j} (\sum_{s=1}^n a_{ml} a_{sj} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^i) \theta^s \wedge \theta^m. \end{aligned}$$

By (※) in the proof of proposition 1,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} \Gamma_{ms}^i &= \sum_{l,j} a_{ml} a_{sj} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^i + \sum_{l=1}^n a_{ml} \tilde{E}_l(a_{si}) \\ &= \sum_{l,j} a_{ml} a_{sj} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^i + E_m(a_{si}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \tilde{\theta}_j^i &= \sum_{m,j} \left(\sum_{l=1}^n a_{ii} \Gamma_{ms}^l - E_m(a_{si}) \right) \theta^s \wedge \theta^m \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^n a_{ii} \left(\sum_{m,j} \Gamma_{ms}^l \theta^s \wedge \theta^m \right) - \sum_{m,j} E_m(a_{si}) \theta^s \wedge \theta^m \end{aligned}$$

Since $\Gamma_{ms}^t = \Gamma_{sm}^t$ and $\theta^s \wedge \theta^m = -\theta^m \wedge \theta^s$ the first term of the left side in the last expression is zero, we have,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^i \wedge \tilde{\theta}^j = - \sum_{n,i} E_n(a_{ii}) \theta^i \wedge \theta^n.$$

Therefore our assertion was proved.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) } d\tilde{g}_{ij} &= \sum_{k=1}^n (E_k(\tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j))\theta^k = \sum_{k=1}^n \{(\nabla_{E_k} \tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j) + (\tilde{E}_i, \nabla_{E_k} \tilde{E}_j)\}\theta^k \\ &\quad \text{(by the properties of the connection } \nabla) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n (\sum_{l=1}^n a_{kl} (\nabla_{\tilde{E}_l} \tilde{E}_i, \tilde{E}_j) + \sum_{l=1}^n a_{kl} (\tilde{E}_i, \nabla_{\tilde{E}_l} \tilde{E}_j))\theta^k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n (\sum_{l,i} a_{kl} \tilde{\Gamma}_{li}^s \tilde{g}_{sj} + \sum_{l,i} a_{kl} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^s \tilde{g}_{is}) (\sum_{t=1}^n a^{tk} \tilde{\theta}^t) \\ &= \sum_{l,i,t} (\sum_{k=1}^n a_{kl} a^{tk} \tilde{\Gamma}_{li}^s \tilde{g}_{sj} + \sum_{k=1}^n a_{kl} a^{tk} \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^s \tilde{g}_{is}) \tilde{\theta}^t \\ &= \sum_{l,i} (\tilde{\Gamma}_{li}^s \tilde{\theta}^l) \tilde{g}_{sj} + \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^s \tilde{\theta}^l \tilde{g}_{is} \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^n ((\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{li}^s \tilde{\theta}^l) \tilde{g}_{sj} + (\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{lj}^s \tilde{\theta}^l) \tilde{g}_{is}) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}^k \tilde{g}_{kj} + \tilde{\theta}^k \tilde{g}_{ik}). \quad /// \end{aligned}$$

For a while, by M We mean a differentiable manifold with $\dim M=n$. Let (φ, U) be a local coordinate system with local coordinate (x^1, \dots, x^n) and the field of coordinate frames $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$, and let $\{\theta^1, \dots, \theta^n\}$ be the dual coframes of $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$. We consist a field of coframes $\{\tilde{\theta}^1, \dots, \tilde{\theta}^n\}$ defined on U and its dual frames $\{\tilde{E}_1, \dots, \tilde{E}_n\}$. We suppose that there are n^2 C^∞ one-formes $\tilde{\theta}_j^k (1 \leq j, k \leq n)$ which satisfy conditions (i) and

(ii) in Theorem 1, and define the following;

(iii) For each C^∞ vector field X defined on M

$$\nabla_x \tilde{E}_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}_j^k(x) \tilde{E}_k,$$

where ∇ is a $C^\infty(M)$ -linear map with respect to X .

That is, for $f \in C^\infty(M)$, $\nabla_{fx} \tilde{E}_j = f \nabla_x \tilde{E}_j$.

(iv) For $f \in C^\infty(M)$

$$\nabla_x (fY) = (xf)Y + f \nabla_x Y.$$

Then, we have the following (Theorem).

Theorem 2 Under the above circumstance:

(a) For $X, Y \in \ast(M)$

condition (i) in Theorem 1 $\Leftrightarrow [X, Y] = \nabla_x Y - \nabla_y X$

(b) For $X, Y, Z \in \ast(M)$

condition (ii) in Theorem 1 $\Leftrightarrow X(Y, Z) = (\nabla_x Y, Z) + (Y, \nabla_x Z)$.

Proof. If we use $df(x) = xf (f \in C^\infty(M), x \in \ast(M))$ then it is easy to check that for each one form W

$$dW(X, Y) = Xw(Y) - Yw(X) - w([X, Y]) \quad (\ast\ast)$$

Where $X, Y \in \ast(M)$

(a): For $X, Y \in \ast(M)$ we put $X = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^i(x) \tilde{E}_i$ and $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta^i(x) \tilde{E}_i$, then α^i and β^i are C^∞ functions on $\varphi(U) \subset R^n$ for $i=1, \dots, n$.

(\Rightarrow) By $(\ast\ast) \sum_{i=1}^n (d\tilde{\theta}^i(X, Y)) \tilde{E}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (X(\beta^i) - (Y(\alpha^i) - \tilde{\theta}^i([X, Y]))) \tilde{E}_i$ using $[X, Y] = XY - YX$ We have the following.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}^i([X, Y])) \tilde{E}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (X(\beta^i) \tilde{E}_i - Y(\alpha^i) \tilde{E}_i) = XY - YX = [X, Y].$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (d\tilde{\theta}^i(X, Y)) \tilde{E}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (X(\beta^i) - Y(\alpha^i)) \tilde{E}_i - [X, Y].$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \tilde{\theta}^i(X, Y)) \tilde{E}_i &= \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j(x) \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^i(Y) \tilde{E}_i - \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j(Y) \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^i(X) \tilde{E}_i \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha^j \nabla_Y \tilde{E}_j - \sum_{j=1}^n \beta^j \nabla_X \tilde{E}_j. \end{aligned}$$

Condition (i) in Theorem 1 implies that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (X(\beta^i) - Y(\alpha^i)) \tilde{E}_i - [X, Y] = \sum_{j=1}^n (\alpha^j \nabla_Y \tilde{E}_j - \beta^j \nabla_X \tilde{E}_j),$$

and thus

$$\begin{aligned} [X, Y] &= \sum_{j=1}^n (X(\beta^j) \tilde{E}_j + \beta^j \nabla_X \tilde{E}_j) - \sum_{j=1}^n (Y(\alpha^j) \tilde{E}_j + \alpha^j \nabla_Y \tilde{E}_j) \\ &= \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\Leftarrow): \text{ By } (**): d\tilde{\theta}^i(X, Y) &= X\tilde{\theta}^i(Y) - Y\tilde{\theta}^i(X) - \tilde{\theta}^i([X, Y]) \\
 &= X(\beta^i) - Y(\alpha^i) - \tilde{\theta}^i(\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X) \\
 &= X(\beta^i) - Y(\alpha^i) - \tilde{\theta}^i\left(\sum_{j=1}^n (X(\beta^j)\tilde{E}_j + \beta^j \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}_{j^k}(X)\tilde{E}_k) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \sum_{j=1}^n (Y(\alpha^j)\tilde{E}^j - \alpha^j \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}_{j^k}(Y)\tilde{E}_k) \right) \\
 &= X(\beta^i) - Y(\alpha^i) - X(\beta^i) + Y(\alpha^i) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{j=1}^n (\beta^j \tilde{\theta}_{j^i}(X) - \alpha^j \tilde{\theta}_{j^i}(Y)) \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\alpha^j \tilde{\theta}_{j^i}(Y) - \beta^j \tilde{\theta}_{j^i}(X)) \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \tilde{\theta}_{j^i}(X, Y)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we get $d\tilde{\theta}^i = \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\theta}^j \wedge \tilde{\theta}_{j^i}$.

(b): For $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ we shall put

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^i(x) E_i, \quad Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta^i(x) \tilde{E}_i, \quad Z = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma^i(x) \tilde{E}_i.$$

(\Rightarrow): Note that

$$d\tilde{g}_{ij}(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \tilde{g}_{ij}}{\partial x^k} \theta^k(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k \frac{\partial \tilde{g}_{ij}}{\partial x^k} = X(\tilde{g}_{ij}) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \right) \tilde{g}_{ij}.$$

Using this we calculate as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\nabla_X Y, Z) + (Y, \nabla_X Z) &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (X(\beta^i)\tilde{E}_i + \beta^i \nabla_X \tilde{E}_i), \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma^j \tilde{E}_j \right) \\
 &\quad + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \beta^i \tilde{E}_i, \sum_{j=1}^n (X(\gamma^j)\tilde{E}_j + \gamma^j \nabla_X \tilde{E}_j) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i,j} (X(\beta^i)\gamma^j \tilde{g}_{ij} + \beta^i \gamma^j \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}_{i^k}(X)\tilde{g}_{kj} + \beta^i X(\gamma^j)\tilde{g}_{ij} \\
 &\quad + \beta^i \gamma^j \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\theta}_{j^k}\tilde{g}_{ik}) \\
 &= \sum_{i,j} (X(\beta^i)\gamma^j + \beta^i X(\gamma^j))\tilde{g}_{ij} + \sum_{i,j} \beta^i \gamma^j \sum_{k=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}_{i^k}(X)\tilde{g}_{kj} \\
 &\quad + \tilde{\theta}_{j^k}\tilde{g}_{ik})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \tilde{\theta}_i^k(x) \tilde{g}_{ik}) \\
& = \sum_{i,j} (X(\beta^i) \gamma^j + \beta^i X(\gamma^j)) \tilde{g}_{ij} + \sum_{i,j} \beta^i \gamma^j d \tilde{g}_{ij}(x) \\
& = \sum_{i,j} [(X(\beta^i) \gamma^j + \beta^i X(\gamma^j)) \tilde{g}_{ij} + \beta^i \gamma^j X(\tilde{g}_{ij})] \\
& = X(Y, Z).
\end{aligned}$$

(\Leftarrow): From the above descriptions and $X(Y, Z) = (\nabla_X Y, Z) + (Y, \nabla_X Z)$ We have the following;

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i,j} [(X(\beta^i) \gamma^j + \beta^i X(\gamma^j)) \tilde{g}_{ij} + \beta^i \gamma^j d(\tilde{g}_{ij})(x)] \\
& = \sum_{i,j} [(X(\beta^i) \gamma^j + \beta^i X(\gamma^j)) \tilde{g}_{ij} + \beta^i \gamma^j \sum_{k=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}_i^k \tilde{g}_{ki})(x)]
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have $d \tilde{g}_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n (\tilde{\theta}_i^k \tilde{g}_{ki} + \tilde{\theta}_j^k \tilde{g}_{ki})$

From now on, a differentiable manifold $M(\dim M=n)$ is covered by a local coordinate system (φ, U) ($M=U$).

We shall use the above notations.

Corollary 3. If M is a Riemannian manifold then there exists a uniquely determined set of $n^2 C^\infty$ oneforms $\tilde{\theta}_j^k (1 \leq j, k \leq n)$ satisfying (i) and (ii) Theorem 1 conversely, if M has a set of $n^2 C^\infty$ one forms $\tilde{\theta}_j^k (1 \leq j, k \leq n)$ satisfying (i) and (ii) in Theorem 1 then M is a Riemannian manifold.

Poof. Let ∇ be the Riemannian connection of M . Define

$$\nabla_{\tilde{E}_i} \tilde{E}_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{F}_{ij}^k \tilde{E}_k, \text{ then by proposition 1 the } n^3 C^\infty \text{ functions}$$

$\tilde{F}_{ij}^k (1 \leq i, j, k \leq n)$ are uniquely determined using ∇ (i.e., Γ_{ij}^k).

Define

$$\tilde{\theta}_j^k = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{F}_{ij}^k \tilde{\theta}_i^i,$$

Then the $n^2 C^\infty$ one forms $\tilde{\theta}_j^k (1 \leq j, k \leq n)$ satisfy (i) and (ii) is Theorem 1 by Theorem 1

Conversely, we put $\tilde{F}_{ij}^k = \tilde{\theta}_j^k(\tilde{E}_i)$, and define

$$\nabla : \star(M) \times \star(M) \rightarrow \star(M)$$

by (iii) and (iv) above. Then we have $\nabla^{\tilde{E}_i} \tilde{E}_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k \tilde{E}_k (1 \leq i, j \leq n)$,

If we put $\nabla_{E_i} E_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k E_k (1 \leq i, j \leq n)$, then by proposition The $n^3 C^\infty$ functions Γ_{ij}^k are uniquely determined using $n^3 C^\infty$ functions $\tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k$. By theorem 3 we have the following.

$$0 = [E_i, E_j] = \nabla_{E_i} E_j - \nabla_{E_j} E_i \Rightarrow \Gamma_{ij}^k = \Gamma_{ji}^k (1 \leq i, j, k \leq n)$$

$$E_k(E_i, E_j) = (\nabla_{E_k} E_i, E_j) + (E_i, \nabla_{E_k} E_j) \Rightarrow E_k g_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n (\Gamma_{ki}^j g_{ji} + \Gamma_{kj}^i g_{si}),$$

where $(E_i, E_j) = g_{ij}$.

Thus the ∇ defined by $n^3 C^\infty$ functions $\Gamma_{ij}^k (1 \leq i, j, k \leq n)$ is the unique Riemannian connection on M which are defined by $\tilde{\theta}_{ij}^k (1 \leq j, k \leq n)$ ([1]). Accordingly, M is a Riemannian manifold.

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