Bundle-like metrics on a tangent bundle

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Abstract

Let (M, g, \mathcal{F}) be a semi-Riemannian manifold with metric g and nondegenerated foliation \mathcal{F} . Let $TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ and D^{\perp} be the intrinsic connection on \mathcal{D}^{\perp} . A metric g on M is said to be bundle-like for the nondegenerated foliation \mathcal{F} if the induced semi-Riemannian metric on \mathcal{D}^{\perp} is parallel with respect to the intrinsic connection D^{\perp} .

Supposing that a Riemannian metric g on M is bundle-like we shall give a necessary and sufficient condition for a g-natural metric G on TMto be bundle-like. We shall also indicate another bundle-like metrics on TM.

1 Preliminaries

a) Intrinsic connection

Let g be a semi-Riemannian metric on n-distribution \mathcal{D} on M, that is (\mathcal{D}, g) is a semi-Riemannian distribution. Let \mathcal{D}' be a distribution complementary to \mathcal{D} in TM:

$$TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}'.$$

Denote by Q the projection

$$Q:TM\longrightarrow \mathcal{D}.$$

There exists a unique linear connection D on \mathcal{D} satisfying for all $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ the following two conditions:

$$D_X QY - D_{QY} QX - Q [X, QY] = 0$$

(i.e. D on \mathcal{D} is \mathcal{D}' - torsion free) and

$$(D_{QX}g) (QY, QZ) = QX (g(QY, QZ)) - g (D_{QX}QY, QZ) - g (QY, D_{QX}QZ) = 0$$

(i.e. g is parallel along \mathcal{D} or g is \mathcal{D} - parallel).

Connection D is given as a mapping

$$D: \Gamma(TM) \times \Gamma(\mathcal{D}) \longrightarrow \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$$

by

$$2g (D_{QX}QY,QZ) = QX(g(QY,QZ)) + QY(g(QZ,QX)) - QZ(g(QX,QY)) + g(Q[QX,QY],QZ) - g(Q[QY,QZ],QX) + g(Q[QZ,QX],QY))$$

and

$$D_{Q'X}QY = Q[Q'X, QY].$$

(If $\mathcal{D}' = \{0\}$, then D is the Levi-Civita connection on M).

Now consider n+p - dimensional manifold (M, g) and suppose that (\mathcal{D}, g) is a semi-Riemannian n-distribution on M. Then (\mathcal{D}^{\perp}, g) is a semi-Riemannian p-distribution on M. Thus we have

$$TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$

On \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}^{\perp} there exist uniquely determined connections D and D^{\perp} that we call the intrinsic connections on \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}^{\perp} respectively.

Theorem 1 ([BF], Theorem 1.5.3, p. 26) The adapted linear connection on (M,g) determined by the pair (D,D^{\perp}) of intrinsic connections is the Vrănceanu connection ∇^* defined by the Levi-Civita connection $\widetilde{\nabla}$ on (M,g):

$$(D, D^{\perp}) = \nabla^*.$$

b) Semi-holonomic frame field

Let (M, g) be an (n+p)-dimensional semi-Riemannian manifold with metric g and \mathcal{F} be an n-foliation of M. Denote by \mathcal{D} the distribution tangent to \mathcal{F} . Let \mathcal{D}' be a fixed distribution on M so that

$$TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}'. \tag{1}$$

If $\{U, (x^j, x^\alpha)\}$, $j = 1, ..., n, \alpha = n + 1, ..., p$ is a foliated chart on (M, \mathcal{F}) then \mathcal{D} is locally represented on U by the canonical vectors fields $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, ..., \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n}\} = \{\partial_1, ..., \partial_n\}$. Suppose that \mathcal{D}' on U is locally represented by $\{E_{n+1}, ..., E_{n+p}\}$. Then $\{\partial_j, E_\alpha\}$ is a non-holonomic frame field on U with respect to the decomposition (1). With respect to this frame field one can write

$$\partial_{\alpha} = A^{r}_{\alpha}\partial_{r} + A^{\beta}_{\alpha}E_{\beta}, \qquad (2)$$

where $\partial_{\alpha} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\alpha}}$. Since the transition matrix from the non-holonomic frame field to the canonical one is of the form

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} \delta^i_j & A^i_\alpha \\ 0 & A^\beta_\alpha \end{array}\right],$$

it is non-singular, so that the vector fields $\delta_{\alpha} = \frac{\delta}{\delta x^{\alpha}} = A^{\beta}_{\alpha} E_{\beta}$ also represent locally \mathcal{D}' on U. Thus we have

$$\delta_{\alpha} = \partial_{\alpha} - A^r_{\alpha} \partial_r. \tag{3}$$

It is possible to choose A_{α}^r so that $g(\partial_j, \delta_{\beta}) = 0$ ([R1]). The frame $\{\partial_j, \delta_{\alpha}\}$ is called the semi-holonomic frame field on U ([BF]).

Taking into account the semi-Riemannian metric g on M, we define its local components with respect to the semi-holonomic frame field $\{\partial_i, \delta_\alpha\}$:

$$g_{ij} = g(\partial_i, \partial_j), \qquad g_{\alpha\beta} = g(\delta_\alpha, \delta_\beta)$$

and denote by $[g^{\alpha\beta}]$ the inverse matrix of $[g_{\alpha\beta}]$.

Theorem 2 ([BF], Proposition 3.1.2, p. 99). The local coefficiets of the intrinsic connections D and D^{\perp} with respect to the semi-holonomic frame field $\{\partial_j, \delta_{\alpha}\}$ are given by

$$C_{ij}^{k} = \frac{1}{2}g^{kh}\left(\partial_{i}g_{hj} + \partial_{j}g_{hi} - \partial_{h}g_{ij}\right), \quad D_{j\alpha}^{k} = \partial_{j}A_{\alpha}^{k}, \tag{4}$$

and

$$L^{\beta}_{\alpha j} = 0, \quad \Gamma^{\omega}_{\alpha \beta} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\omega \mu} \left(\delta_{\alpha} g_{\mu \beta} + \delta_{\beta} g_{\mu \alpha} - \delta_{\mu} g_{\alpha \beta} \right).$$
 (5)

Since the Vrăncianu connection ∇^* is determined by the pair (D, D^{\perp}) , the local components of ∇^* with respect to the frame field $\{\partial_j, \delta_\alpha\}$ are given by (4) and (5) ([BF], Corollary 3.3.1, p. 99).

Let (M, g, \mathcal{F}) be a semi-Riemannian manifold with metric g and non-degenerated foliation \mathcal{F} which means that the distribution \mathcal{D} tangent to \mathcal{F} together with the induced metric is a semi-Riemannian manifold. Let

$$TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$$

and D^{\perp} be the intrinsic connection on \mathcal{D}^{\perp} . A metric g on M is said to be bundle-like for the non-degenerated foliation \mathcal{F} if the induced semi-Riemannian metric on \mathcal{D}^{\perp} is parallel with respect to the intrinsic connection D^{\perp} ([BF]).

Theorem 3 ([BF], Theorem 3.3.2, p. 111). The semi-Riemannian metric g on M is bundle-like if and only if the transversal components $g_{\alpha\beta}$ of g satisfy

$$\frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial x^j}$$

for all j = 1, ..., n and all $\alpha, \beta = n + 1, ..., n + p$.

In other words, with respect to the semi-holonomic frame field $\{\partial_j, \delta_\alpha\}$, the local form of the metric tensor g is

$$g_{ij}\left(x^k, x^\mu\right)\delta x^i\delta x^j + g_{\alpha\beta}(x^\mu)dx^\alpha dx^\beta$$

where $\{\delta x^j = dx^j + A^s_\mu dx^\mu, dx^\alpha\}$ is the dual semi-holonomic frame field.

c) TM as a manifold

Let x be a point of a manifold (M, g) and $(x, u) \in TM$, dimM = n. For any vector $X \in T_x M$ there exist the unique vectors: X^h given by $\pi_*(X^h) = X$, where $\pi : TM \longrightarrow M$, and X^v given by $X^v(df) = Xf$ for any function f on M. X^h and X^v are called the horizontal and the vertical lifts of X to the point $(x, u) \in TM$.

The space $T_{(x,u)}TM$ tangent to TM at (x, u) splits into direct sum

$$T_{(x,u)}TM = H_{(x,u)}TM \oplus V_{(x,u)}TM$$

and we have isomorphisms

$$H_{(x,u)}TM \sim T_xM \sim V_{(x,u)}TM.$$

If $((x^j), (u^j))$, i = 1, ..., n, is a local coordinate system around the point $(x, u) \in TM$ and $X = X^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$, then

$$X^{h} = X^{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} - u^{r} X^{s} \Gamma^{j}_{rs} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{j}}, \quad X^{v} = X^{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{j}},$$

where Γ_{rs}^{j} are Christoffel symbols of the Levi-Civita connection ∇ on (M, g).

d) g-natural metrics

Every metric g on M defines a family of metrics on TM. Between them the class of so called g- natural metrics is of special interest. The well-known Cheeger-Gromoll and Sasaki metrics are the special cases of the g-natural metrics ([KS]).

Lemma 4 ([AS], [AS1]) Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold and \tilde{g} be a g-natural metric on TM. There exist functions $\alpha_j, \beta_j :< 0, \infty) \longrightarrow R, j = 1, 2, 3$, such that for every $X, Y, u \in T_x M$

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{g}_{(x,u)}(X^{h}, Y^{h}) &= (\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{3})(r^{2})g_{x}(X, Y) + (\beta_{1} + \beta_{3})(r^{2})g_{x}(X, u)g_{x}(Y, u), \\ \widetilde{g}_{(x,u)}(X^{h}, Y^{v}) &= \alpha_{2}(r^{2})g_{x}(X, Y) + \beta_{2}(r^{2})g_{x}(X, u)g_{x}(Y, u), \\ \widetilde{g}_{(x,u)}(X^{v}, Y^{h}) &= \alpha_{2}(r^{2})g_{x}(X, Y) + \beta_{2}(r^{2})g_{x}(X, u)g_{x}(Y, u), \\ \widetilde{g}_{(x,u)}(X^{v}, Y^{v}) &= \alpha_{1}(r^{2})g_{x}(X, Y) + \beta_{1}(r^{2})g_{x}(X, u)g_{x}(Y, u), \end{aligned}$$

where $r^2 = g_x(u, u)$. For dim M = 1 the same holds with $\beta_j = 0, j = 1, 2, 3$.

Setting $\alpha_1 = 1$, $\alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = \beta_j = 0$ we obtain the Sasaki metric, while setting $\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{1+\tau^2}$, $\alpha_2 = \beta_2 = 0 = 0$, $\alpha_3 = 1 - \alpha_1$, $\beta_1 = 1$, $\beta_1 + \beta_3 = 0$ we get the Cheeger-Gromoll one.

Following ([AS]) we put

- 1. $\alpha(t) = \alpha_1(t) (\alpha_1(t) + \alpha_3(t)) \alpha_2^2(t),$
- 2. $\Phi_j(t) = \alpha_j(t) + t\beta_j(t),$
- 3. $\Phi(t) = \Phi_1(t) [\Phi_1(t) + \Phi_3(t)] \Phi_2^2(t)$ for all $t \in (0, \infty)$.

Lemma 5 ([AS], Proposition 2.7) The necessary and sufficient conditions for a g- natural metric \tilde{g} on the tangent bundle of a Riemannian manifold (M, g)to be non-degenerate are $\alpha(t) \neq 0$ and $\Phi(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in < 0, \infty$). If dim M = 1this is equivalent to $\alpha(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in < 0, \infty$).

2 Bundle-like *g*-natural metrics generated by a bundle-like metric *g*

a) Semi-holonomic frame field on TM

Let (M, g) be an (n+p)-dimensional semi-Riemannian manifold with metric g and \mathcal{F} be an n-foliation of M and $\{\partial_j, \delta_\alpha\}$ be a semi-holonomic frame field on $U \subset M$. We shall construct a semi-holonomic frame field

$$\left\{\partial_j, \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r}, \mu_\alpha, \omega_\beta\right\}$$

on $V \subset TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}'$ with (\mathcal{D}, g) being a semi-Riemannian distribution. Let $(V, (x^j, x^{\alpha}, u^j, v^a))$ be a local chart on TM, where $\{U, (x^j, x^{\alpha})\}, j, r = 1, ..., n, \alpha, \beta = n + 1, ..., p$, is a foliated chart on (M, \mathcal{F}) . With respect to (3)

$$u^{j}\partial_{j} + v^{\alpha}\partial_{\alpha} = (u^{j} + v^{\beta}A^{j}_{\beta})\partial_{j} + v^{\beta}\delta_{\beta} = U^{j}\partial_{j} + V^{\beta}\delta_{\beta}.$$
 (6)

The vertical and horizontal lifts of ∂_j to $T\mathcal{D}$ are the vector fields on $T\mathcal{D}$ locally represented respectively by

$$(\partial_j)^v = \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j}, \qquad (\partial_j)^h = \partial_j - \Gamma_j^r \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r},$$
(7)

where $\Gamma_i^r = \Gamma_{is}^r u^s$, Γ_{is}^r being the Christoffel symbols of (\mathcal{D}, g) . From (7) we get

$$\partial_j = (\partial_j)^h + \Gamma_j^r (\partial_r)^v \,. \tag{8}$$

Let $\left\{\partial_j, \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r}, \partial_\alpha, \frac{\partial}{\partial v^\alpha}\right\}$ be a canonical frame on $V \subset TM$. Then

$$\left\{\partial_j, \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r}, \left(\delta_\alpha\right)^v, \left(\delta_\alpha\right)^h\right\}$$
(9)

is a non-holonomic frame field on V. From (3)

$$\left(\delta_{\alpha}\right)^{\nu} = \left(\partial_{\alpha}\right)^{\nu} - A^{r}_{\alpha}\left(\partial_{r}\right)^{\nu}, \qquad (10)$$

whence

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v^{\alpha}} = \left(\delta_{\alpha}\right)^{v} + A^{r}_{\alpha} \left(\partial_{r}\right)^{v}.$$
(11)

Since

$$\left(\partial_{\alpha}\right)^{h} = \partial_{\alpha} - \Gamma^{r}_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{r}} - \Gamma^{\beta}_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial v^{\beta}},\tag{12}$$

from (3), by the use of (12), (11) and (7) we obtain

$$\left(\delta_{\alpha}\right)^{h} = \partial_{\alpha} - \Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta}\right)^{v} - \left(\Gamma_{\alpha}^{r} + \Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} A_{\beta}^{r}\right) \left(\partial_{r}\right)^{v} - A_{\alpha}^{r} \left(\partial_{r}\right)^{h}.$$
 (13)

On the other hand we can express the canonical vector fields ∂_{α} , $\frac{\partial}{\partial v^{\alpha}}$ on $V \subset TM$ in terms of the non-holonomic frame (9):

$$\partial_{\alpha} = P_{\alpha}^{r} \partial_{r} + Q_{\alpha}^{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{r}} + P_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta}\right)^{v} + Q_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta}\right)^{h}, \qquad (14)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v^{\alpha}} = \overline{P}^{r}_{\alpha} \partial_{r} + \overline{Q}^{r}_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{r}} + \overline{P}^{\beta}_{\alpha} \left(\delta_{\beta}\right)^{v} + \overline{Q}^{\beta}_{\alpha} \left(\delta_{\beta}\right)^{h}.$$
(15)

Setting

$$\mu_{\alpha} = P_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta} \right)^{v} + Q_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta} \right)^{h}, \qquad \omega_{\alpha} = \overline{P}_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta} \right)^{v} + \overline{Q}_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\delta_{\beta} \right)^{h},$$

by the use of (14), (13), (8) and (7) we get

$$\mu_{\alpha} = (\delta_{\alpha})^{h} + \Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} (\delta_{\beta})^{v} + (A_{\alpha}^{r} - P_{\alpha}^{r}) (\partial_{r})^{h} + (\Gamma_{\alpha}^{r} + \Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} A_{\beta}^{r} - Q_{\alpha}^{r} - P_{\alpha}^{s} \Gamma_{s}^{r}) (\partial_{r})^{v}$$
$$= (\delta_{\alpha})^{h} + \Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} (\delta_{\beta})^{v} + K_{\alpha}^{r} (\partial_{r})^{v} + L_{\alpha}^{r} (\partial_{r})^{h}.$$
(16)

In similar way, from (15), by the use of (11), (8) and (7) we obtain

$$\omega_{\alpha} = (\delta_{\alpha})^{v} + \left(A_{\alpha}^{r} - P_{\alpha}^{s}\Gamma_{s}^{r} - \overline{Q}_{\alpha}^{r}\right)(\partial_{r})^{v} - \overline{P}_{\alpha}^{r}(\partial_{r})^{h}$$
$$= (\delta_{\beta})^{v} + \overline{K}_{\alpha}^{r}(\partial_{r})^{v} + \overline{L}_{\alpha}^{r}(\partial_{r})^{h}.$$
(17)

b) Components of a g-natural metric with respect to a semi-holonomic frame field

Let G be a g-natural metric on TM. Let $\{\partial_j, \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r}, \mu_\alpha, \omega_\beta\}$ be a semiholonomic frame field on $V \subset TM$ as above ((8), (7), (16), (17)). Making use of Lemma 4 and the fact that $\partial_j, \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r}$ are orthogonal to μ_α, ω_β we get in turn:

$$G\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u^{j}},\mu_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}\right)^{v},\mu_{\alpha}\right) = \alpha_{1}g_{jr}K_{\alpha}^{r} + \alpha_{2}g_{jr}L_{\alpha}^{r} + U_{j}\left[\beta_{1}\left(V_{\beta}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} + U_{s}K_{\alpha}^{s}\right) + \beta_{2}\left(V_{\alpha} + U_{s}L_{\alpha}^{s}\right)\right] = 0.$$
(18)

By the use of (18) we find

$$G\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}},\mu_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\partial_{j}\right)^{h} + \Gamma_{j}^{r}\left(\partial_{r}\right)^{v},\mu_{\alpha}\right) = \alpha_{2}g_{jr}K_{\alpha}^{r} + (\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{3})g_{jr}L_{\alpha}^{r} + U_{j}\left[\beta_{2}\left(V_{\beta}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\beta} + U_{s}K_{\alpha}^{s}\right) + (\beta_{1} + \beta_{3})\left(V_{\alpha} + U_{s}L_{\alpha}^{s}\right)\right] = 0.$$
(19)

Moreover

$$G\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u^{j}},\omega_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}\right)^{v},\omega_{\alpha}\right) = \alpha_{1}g_{jr}\overline{K}_{\alpha}^{r} + \alpha_{2}g_{jr}\overline{L}_{\alpha}^{r} + U_{j}\left[\beta_{1}\left(V_{\alpha} + U_{s}\overline{K}_{\alpha}^{s}\right) + \beta_{2}U_{s}\overline{L}_{\alpha}^{s}\right] = 0.$$
(20)

Making use of (20) we get

$$G\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}},\omega_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\partial_{j}\right)^{h} + \Gamma_{j}^{r}\left(\partial_{r}\right)^{v},\omega_{\alpha}\right) = \alpha_{2}g_{jr}\overline{K}_{\alpha}^{r} + (\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{3})g_{jr}\overline{L}_{\alpha}^{r} + U_{j}\left[\beta_{2}\left(V_{\alpha} + U_{s}\overline{K}_{\alpha}^{s}\right) + (\beta_{1} + \beta_{3})U_{s}\overline{L}_{\alpha}^{s}\right] = 0$$

$$(21)$$

Let $R^2 = g_{ij}U^iU^j$, $\Theta_j = \alpha_j + R^2\beta_j$, j = 1, 2, 3, $\Theta = \Theta_1(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3) - \Theta_2^2$. Transvecting (18) and (19) with U^j we obtain

$$\begin{split} \Theta_1 U_r K_\alpha^r + \Theta_2 U_r L_\alpha^r &= -R^2 \left[\beta_1 V_\beta \Gamma_\alpha^\beta + \beta_2 V_\alpha \right], \\ \Theta_2 U_r K_\alpha^r + \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3 \right) U_r L_\alpha^r &= -R^2 \left[\beta_2 V_\beta \Gamma_\alpha^\beta + \left(\beta_1 + \beta_3 \right) V_\alpha \right], \end{split}$$

whence, solving for $U_r K_{\alpha}^r$ and $U_r L_{\alpha}^r$, we easily get

$$\alpha_1 g_{jr} K^r_{\alpha} + \alpha_2 g_{jr} L^r_{\alpha} = -U_j \left[\beta_1 V_{\beta} \Gamma^{\beta}_{\alpha} + \beta_2 V_{\alpha} - \frac{R^2}{\Theta} \left(a V_{\beta} \Gamma^{\beta}_{\alpha} + b V_{\alpha} \right) \right], \quad (22)$$

where

$$\begin{array}{ll} a & = & \beta_2 \left(\beta_2 \Theta_1 - \beta_1 \Theta_2\right) + \beta_1 \left[\beta_1 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3\right) - \beta_2 \Theta_2\right], \\ b & = & \beta_2 \left[\left(\beta_1 + \beta_3\right) \Theta_1 - \beta_2 \Theta_2\right] + \beta_1 \left[\beta_2 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3\right) - \left(\beta_1 + \beta_3\right) \Theta_2\right] \end{array}$$

and

$$\alpha_2 g_{jr} K^r_{\alpha} + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_3) g_{jr} L^r_{\alpha} = -U_j \left[\beta_2 V_{\beta} \Gamma^{\beta}_{\alpha} + (\beta_1 + \beta_3) V_{\alpha} - \frac{R^2}{\Theta} \left(c V_{\beta} \Gamma^{\beta}_{\alpha} + d V_{\alpha} \right) \right], \quad (23)$$

where

$$c = \beta_2 \left[\beta_1 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3\right) - \beta_2 \Theta_2\right] + \left(\beta_1 + \beta_3\right) \left(\beta_2 \Theta_1 - \beta_1 \Theta_2\right),$$

$$d = \beta_2 \left[\beta_2 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3\right) - \left(\beta_1 + \beta_3\right) \Theta_2\right] + \left(\beta_1 + \beta_3\right) \left[\left(\beta_1 + \beta_3\right) \Theta_1 - \beta_2 \Theta_2\right].$$
Notice that

Notice that

$$b = c$$

In a similar way, from (20) and (21), we deduce

$$\alpha_1 g_{jr} \overline{K}^r_{\alpha} + \alpha_2 g_{jr} \overline{L}^r_{\alpha} = -\left(\beta_1 - \frac{R^2}{\Theta}a\right) U_j V_{\alpha},\tag{24}$$

$$\alpha_2 g_{jr} \overline{K}^r_{\alpha} + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_3) g_{jr} \overline{L}^r_{\alpha} = -\left(\beta_2 - \frac{R^2}{\Theta}c\right) U_j V_{\alpha}.$$
 (25)

From (18) - (21) we also get

$$G\left(\left(\partial_{j}\right)^{\nu},\mu_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\partial_{j}\right)^{h},\mu_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\partial_{j}\right)^{\nu},\omega_{\alpha}\right) = G\left(\left(\partial_{j}\right)^{h},\omega_{\alpha}\right) = 0.$$
(26)

From the definition of G and the decompositions of μ_{α} and ω_{β} , by the use of (26), we find

$$G\left(\mu_{\alpha},\mu_{\beta}\right) = \left(\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{3})g_{\alpha\beta}+\alpha_{2}\left(g_{\alpha\omega}\Gamma_{\beta}^{\omega}+g_{\beta\omega}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\omega}\right)+\alpha_{1}g_{\mu\omega}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\mu}\Gamma_{\beta}^{\omega}+V_{\alpha}\left[\beta_{2}\left(V_{\omega}\Gamma_{\beta}^{\omega}+U_{s}K_{\beta}^{s}\right)+\left(\beta_{1}+\beta_{3}\right)\left(V_{\beta}+U_{s}L_{\beta}^{s}\right)\right]+V_{\mu}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\mu}\left[\beta_{1}\left(V_{\omega}\Gamma_{\beta}^{\omega}+U_{s}K_{\beta}^{s}\right)+\beta_{2}\left(V_{\beta}+U_{s}L_{\beta}^{s}\right)\right],\quad(27)$$
$$G\left(\omega_{\alpha},\omega_{\beta}\right)=\alpha_{1}g_{\alpha\beta}+V_{\alpha}\left[\beta_{1}\left(V_{\beta}+U_{s}\overline{K}_{\beta}^{s}\right)+\beta_{2}U_{s}\overline{L}_{\beta}^{s}\right],\quad(28)$$

and either

$$G(\mu_{\alpha},\omega_{\beta}) = \alpha_{2}g_{\alpha\beta} + \alpha_{1}g_{\beta\omega}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\omega} + V_{\alpha}\left[\beta_{2}\left(V_{\beta} + U_{s}\overline{K}_{\beta}^{s}\right) + (\beta_{1} + \beta_{3})U_{s}\overline{L}_{\beta}^{s}\right] + V_{\mu}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\mu}\left[\beta_{1}\left(V_{\beta} + U_{s}\overline{K}_{\beta}^{s}\right) + \beta_{2}U_{s}\overline{L}_{\beta}^{s}\right]$$
(29)

or

$$G(\mu_{\alpha},\omega_{\beta}) = \alpha_{2}g_{\alpha\beta} + \alpha_{1}g_{\beta\omega}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\omega} + V_{\beta}\left[\beta_{1}\left(V_{\mu}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\mu} + U_{s}K_{\alpha}^{s}\right) + \beta_{2}\left(V_{\alpha} + U_{s}L_{\alpha}^{s}\right)\right].$$
(30)

Finally, comparing (18) to (22) and (19) to (23), from (27) we have

$$G\left(\mu_{\alpha},\mu_{\beta}\right) = (\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{3})g_{\alpha\beta} + \alpha_{2}\left(g_{\alpha\omega}\Gamma_{\beta}^{\omega} + g_{\beta\omega}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\omega}\right) + \alpha_{1}g_{\mu\omega}\Gamma_{\alpha}^{\mu}\Gamma_{\beta}^{\omega} + (\beta_{1}+\beta_{3}-\frac{R^{2}}{\Theta}d)V_{\alpha}V_{\beta} + \left(\beta_{2}-\frac{R^{2}}{\Theta}b\right)\left(V_{\alpha}T_{\beta}+V_{\beta}T_{\alpha}\right) + \left(\beta_{1}-\frac{R^{2}}{\Theta}a\right)T_{\alpha}T_{\beta}$$

$$(31)$$

where

$$T_{\alpha} = V_{\mu}\Gamma^{\mu}_{\alpha}$$

Comparing (20) to (24), from (28) we get

$$G(\omega_{\alpha},\omega_{\beta}) = \alpha_1 g_{\alpha\beta} + \left(\beta_1 - \frac{R^2}{\Theta}a\right) V_{\alpha} V_{\beta}.$$
(32)

At last, comparing (21) to (22), from (30) or (29), by the use of (22), we find

 $G(\mu_{\alpha},\omega_{\beta}) =$

$$\alpha_2 g_{\alpha\beta} + \alpha_1 g_{\beta\omega} \Gamma^{\omega}_{\alpha} + \left(\beta_2 - \frac{R^2}{\Theta}b\right) V_{\alpha} V_{\beta} + \left(\beta_1 - \frac{R^2}{\Theta}a\right) T_{\alpha} V_{\beta}.$$
 (33)

Notice that

$$R^2 = r^2 - V^{\alpha} V^{\beta} g_{\alpha\beta}. \tag{34}$$

Put

$$A_j = \partial_j \left(r^2 \right) = \partial_j \left(R^2 \right). \tag{35}$$

We also have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} \left(r^2 \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} \left(R^2 \right) = 2g_{ji}u^i = 2u_j.$$
(36)

To simplify (31) and (33), observe that

$$G(\mu_{\alpha},\omega_{\beta}) = \alpha_2 g_{\alpha\beta} + \left(\beta_2 - \frac{R^2}{\Theta}b\right) V_{\alpha} V_{\beta} + G(\omega_{\beta},\omega_{\mu}) \Gamma^{\mu}_{\alpha}.$$
 (37)

$$G(\mu_{\alpha},\mu_{\beta}) = (\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{3})g_{\alpha\beta} + (\beta_{1} + \beta_{3} - \frac{R^{2}}{\Theta}d)V_{\alpha}V_{\beta} + G(\omega_{\alpha},\omega_{\mu})\Gamma^{\mu}_{\beta} + G(\omega_{\beta},\omega_{\mu})\Gamma^{\mu}_{\alpha} - G(\omega_{\nu},\omega_{\mu})\Gamma^{\nu}_{\alpha}\Gamma^{\mu}_{\beta}.$$
 (38)

By the Theorem 3 it is clear that G is bundle-like if and only if α_j , j = 1, 2, 3 are constants, $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ and $\beta_j - \frac{R^2}{\Theta} b_j$ are constants, where we have put $b_1 = a$, $b_2 = b$ and $b_3 = d - a$.

Taking into consideration Lemma 5 we obtain

Theorem 6 Let (M, g, \mathcal{F}) be a Riemannian manifold with metric g that is bundle-like for a non-degenerated foliation \mathcal{F} . Then the semi-Riemannian g-natural metric G on TM is bundle like for a non-degenerated distribution if and only if

for
$$j = 1, 2, 3, \ \alpha_j(r^2) = C_j$$
,

$$\begin{split} \beta_1 &- \frac{R^2}{\Theta} \left\{ \beta_2 \left(\beta_2 \Theta_1 - \beta_1 \Theta_2 \right) + \beta_1 \left[\beta_1 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3 \right) - \beta_2 \Theta_2 \right] \right\} = C_4, \\ \beta_2 &- \frac{R^2}{\Theta} \left\{ \beta_2 \left[\beta_1 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3 \right) - \beta_2 \Theta_2 \right] + \left(\beta_1 + \beta_3 \right) \left(\beta_2 \Theta_1 - \beta_1 \Theta_2 \right) \right\} = C_5, \\ \beta_3 &- \frac{R^2}{\Theta} \left[\left(\beta_1 + \beta_3 \right)^2 \Theta_1 + \beta_1^2 \left(\Theta_1 + \Theta_3 \right) + \beta_2^2 \Theta_3 - 2\beta_2 (\beta_1 + \beta_3) \Theta_2 \right] = C_6 \end{split}$$

$$\alpha(r^2) \neq 0, \quad \Phi(r^2) \neq 0,$$

 C_k being constants.

It is easily seen that the Sasaki metric satisfies these conditions with $C_4 = C_5 = C_6 = 0$ while the Cheeger-Gromoll one does not.

3 Bundle-like g-natural metrics determined by the vertical distribution

Let $(U, (x, u)) = (U, (x^j, u^j))$ be a coordinate neighbourhood on a manifold TM. $T_{(x,u)}TM$ is spanned by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}\right)^v \tag{39}$$

and

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}\right)^h = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - \Gamma^r_{jt} u^t \frac{\partial}{\partial u^r}.$$
(40)

Then $\left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial u^{j}}, \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}\right)^{h}\right\}$ is a non-holonomic frame field on U with respect to the decomposition $T_{(x,u)}TM = V_{(x,u)}TM \oplus H_{(x,u)}TM$. Recall that the distribution $VTM = \bigcup_{(x,u)\in TM}V_{(x,u)}TM$ is involutive. Express each $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}$ with respect to this frame field:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} = A^i_j \frac{\partial}{\partial u^i} + C^i_j \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}\right)^h. \tag{41}$$

Fields $\frac{\delta}{\delta x^j} = C_j^i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}\right)^h$ also represents HTM on U and

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta x^j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - A^i_j \frac{\partial}{\partial u^i}.$$
(42)

Following [BF] we call $\left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial u^j}, \frac{\delta}{\delta x^j}\right\}$ a semi-holonomic frame field on U. Making use of (39) and (40) we get at a point (x, u)

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta x^{j}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} - A_{j}^{i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}}\right)^{v} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}\right)^{h} + \Gamma_{jt}^{r} u^{t} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{r}}\right)^{v} - A_{j}^{i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}}\right)^{v} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}\right)^{h} + B_{j}^{r} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{r}}\right)^{v}.$$
 (43)

Let G be a g – natural metric on U. Put $u_j = u^r g_{rj}$. Then, by the use of (43) and (39), we find

$$G_{(x,u)}(\frac{\delta}{\delta x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j}) = \alpha_2 g_{ij} + \beta_2 u_i u_j + B_j^r(\alpha_1 g_{ri} + \beta_1 u_r u_i) = 0.$$
(44)

and

Hence, by transvecting with B_k^i , we get

$$\alpha_2 B_k^i g_{ij} + \beta_2 B_k^i u_i u_j + B_j^r B_k^i (\alpha_1 g_{ri} + \beta_1 u_r u_i) = 0$$
(45)

which yields to

$$G_{(x,u)}(\frac{\delta}{\delta x^i},\frac{\delta}{\delta x^j}) = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_3)g_{ij} + (\beta_1 + \beta_3)u_iu_j - B_i^r B_j^s \left(\alpha_2 g_{rs} + \beta_2 u_r u_s\right).$$

$$(46)$$

Transvecting (44) with u^i we obtain $(\alpha_2 + r^2\beta_2)u_j + (\alpha_1 + r^2\beta_1)B_j^r u_r = 0$ or

$$\Phi_2 u_j + \Phi_1 B_j^r u_r = 0. (47)$$

If $\Phi_1(p) = 0$, then $\Phi_2(p) = 0$ and $\Phi(p) = \Phi_1(p)(\Phi_1(p) + \Phi_3(p)) - \Phi_2^2(p) = 0$. Consequently, *G* would not be regular at *p*. Transvecting (44) with g^{il} and applying (47) we obtain

$$\alpha_1 B_j^l = (\beta_1 \frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} - \beta_2) u_j u^l - \alpha_2 \delta_j^l.$$

$$\tag{48}$$

Suppose $\alpha_1 = 0$ at some point p. From (48) it follows

$$\alpha_2 B_m^j \delta_j^l = (\beta_1 \frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} - \beta_2) B_m^j u_j u^l, \tag{49}$$

whence, by the use of (47) and (48)

$$\alpha_2 B_m^l = -(\beta_1 \frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} - \beta_2) \frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} u_m u^l = -\alpha_2 \frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} \delta_m^l.$$
(50)

But $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$ yields irregularity of the metric $(\alpha(p) = \alpha_1(p)(\alpha_1(p) + \alpha_3(p)) - \alpha_2^2(p))$. Therefore, if $\alpha_1 = 0$, then $\alpha_2 \neq 0$ and $B_m^l = -\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} \delta_m^l$. Substituting the last result into (44) we obtain

$$g_{ij} = \frac{1}{\alpha_2} (\beta_1 \frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi_1} - \beta_2) u_i u_j.$$
 (51)

But in the case dim M = 1, (ie. $rank[g_{ij}] = 1$), the functions β_j vanish, a contradiction. Thus (48) holds good.

Applying (48) to (46) we find

$$G_{(x,u)}(\frac{\delta}{\delta x^{i}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta x^{j}}) = Ag_{ij} + Bu_{i}u_{j}$$
(52)

where

$$\begin{split} A &= \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \frac{\alpha_2^3}{\alpha_1^2}, \\ B &= \beta_1 + \beta_3 + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta_1}{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi 1} - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} \right) \left(\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi 1} + \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} \right) - \beta_2 \left(\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi 1} \right)^2 \end{split}$$

and all functions on the right hand sides depend on $r^2 = g_{rs} u^r u^s$. Differentiating (52) with respect to u^k we easily obtain

$$nA' + B'r^2 + B = 0,$$

$$2A' + 2B'r^2 + (n+1)B = 0$$

whence, for arbitrary constants C_1, C_2 ,

$$B = \frac{C_1}{r^{n+2}}, \qquad A = -\frac{C_1}{n} \frac{1}{r^n} + C_2.$$

Taking into consideration Lemma 5 we obtain

Theorem 7 Let (TM, G, \mathcal{F}) be a tangent bundle of a Riemannian manifold (M, g), with a g-natural metric G and foliation \mathcal{F} determined by the vertical distribution VTM. A semi-Riemannian metric G on TM is bundle-like for the foliation \mathcal{F} if and only if

$$\begin{split} \beta_1 + \beta_3 + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta_1}{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi 1} - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} \right) \left(\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi 1} + \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} \right) - \beta_2 \left(\frac{\Phi_2}{\Phi 1} \right)^2 &= \frac{C_1}{r^{n+2}}, \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \frac{\alpha_2^3}{\alpha_1^2} &= -\frac{C_1}{n} \frac{1}{r^n} + C_2 \neq 0, \\ \alpha(r^2) &\neq 0 \text{ and } \Phi(r^2) \neq 0. \end{split}$$

It is easily seen that the Sasaki metric as well as the Cheeger-Gromoll one satisfy these conditions with $C_1 = 0$.

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