

## LINEAR CONNECTIONS COMPATIBLE WITH THE $F(3, 1)$ -STRUCTURE ON THE LAGRANGIAN SPACE

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**Abstract.** In this paper the  $F$ -structure, satisfying  $F^3 + F = 0$  on the Lagrangian space, is examined. The construction of this structure is given as the prolongation of  $f_v$ -structure defined on  $T_V(E)$  using the almost product or almost complex structure on  $T(E)$ . Moreover, the metric tensor  $G$ , with respect to which  $F$  is an isometry, is constructed as well as the connection compatible with such structures.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be an  $n$ -dimensional and  $E$   $2n$ -dimensional differentiable manifold and let  $\eta = (E, \pi, \mathcal{M})$  be vector bundle with  $\pi E = \mathcal{M}$ . The differential structures  $(U, \phi, R^{2n})$  are vector charts of the vector bundles  $\eta$ . Hence the canonical coordinates on  $\pi^{-1}(U)$  are  $(x^1, \dots, x^n, y^1, \dots, y^n) = (x^i, y^a)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ;  $a = 1, \dots, n$ . Transformation maps on  $E$  are

$$x^{i'} = x^i(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n), \quad y^{a'} = M_a^{a'}(x^1, \dots, x^n)y^a = M_a^{a'}(x^i)y^a$$
$$\text{rank} \left[ \frac{\partial x^{i'}}{\partial x^i} \right] = n, \quad \text{rank} \left[ \frac{\partial y^{a'}}{\partial y^a} \right] = \text{rank} M_a^{a'} = n.$$

The inverse transformations are

$$x^i = x^i(x^{1'}, x^{2'}, \dots, x^{n'}), \quad y^a = M_a^{a'}(x^{i'}, \dots, x^{n'})y^{a'}, \quad \text{where } M_a^{a'} M_b^{a'} = \delta_b^a.$$

The local natural bases of the tangent space  $T(E)$  are  $\{\partial_i, \partial_a\}$ ,

$$\partial_a = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} = M_a^{a'}(x^i)\partial_{a'}, \quad \partial_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} = \frac{\partial x^{i'}}{\partial x^i}\partial_{i'} + (\partial_i M_b^{a'}(x^i))y^b\partial_{a'}.$$

The nonlinear connection on  $E$  is distribution  $N : u \in E \rightarrow N_u \subset T_u(E)$  which is supplementary to the distribution  $V$ ,

$$T_u(E) = N_u \oplus V_u, \quad \forall u \in E. \quad (1.1)$$

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They are locally determined by  $\delta_i = \partial_i - N_i^a \partial_a$ . The local bases adapted to decompositions in (1.1) is  $\{\delta_i, \partial_a\}$ .

It is easy to prove [5] that on  $\{\delta_i, \partial_a\}$

$$\delta_{i'} = \delta_i \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial x^{i'}}, \quad \partial_{a'} = \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial y^{a'}} \partial_a.$$

The subspace of  $T(E)$  spanned by  $\{\delta_i\}$  will be denoted by  $T_H(E)$  and the subspace spanned by  $\{\partial_a\}$  will be denoted by  $T_V(E)$ ,  $T(E) = T_H(E) \oplus T_V(E)$ ,  $\dim T_H(E) = n = \dim T_V(E)$ .

**DEFINITION 1.1** If the Riemannian metric structure on  $T(E)$  is given by  $G = g_{ij}(x^i, y^a) dx^i \otimes dx^j + g_{ab}(x^i, y^a) \delta y^a \otimes \delta y^b$  where  $g_{ij}(x^i, y^a) = g_{ij}(x^i)$ ,  $g_{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_a \partial_b L(x^i, y^a)$  and  $L(x^i, y^a)$  is a Lagrange function, then such a space will be called a Lagrangian space.

Let  $X \in T(E)$ , then  $X = X^i \delta_i + \bar{X}^a \partial_a$  and the automorphism  $P : \mathcal{X}(T(E)) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}(T(E))$  defined by  $PX = \bar{X}^i \delta_i + X^a \partial_a$  is the natural almost product structure on  $T(E)$  i.e.,  $P^2 = I$ . If we denote by  $v$  and  $h$  the projection morphisms of  $T(E)$  to  $T_V(E)$  and  $T_H(E)$  respectively, we have  $P \circ h = v \circ P$ .

## 2. $f(3,1)$ -structures

**DEFINITION 2.1.** We call Lagrange vertical  $f_v(3,1)$ -structure of rank  $r$  on  $T_V(E)$  a non-null tensor field  $f_v$  on  $T_V(E)$  of type (1,1) and of class  $C^\infty$  such that  $f_v^3 + f_v = 0$ , where  $\text{rank } f_v = r$ , and  $r$  is constant everywhere.

**DEFINITION 2.2.** We call Lagrange horizontal  $f_h(3,1)$ -structure of rank  $r$  on  $T_H(E)$  a non-null tensor field  $f_h$  on  $T_H(E)$  of type (1,1) of class  $C^\infty$  satisfying  $f_h^3 + f_h = 0$ ,  $\text{rank } f_h = r$ , where  $r$  is constant everywhere.

An  $F(3,1)$ -structure on  $T(E)$  is a non-null tensor field  $F$  of type  $\begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$  such that  $F^3 + F = 0$ ,  $\text{rank } F = 2r = \text{const}$ .

For our study it is very convenient to consider  $f_v$  or  $f_h$  as morphisms of vector bundles [2], [3]

$$f_v : \mathcal{X}(T_V(E)) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}(T_V(E)), \quad f_h : \mathcal{X}(T_H(E)) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}(T_H(E))$$

Let  $f_v$  be a Lagrange vertical  $f_v(3,1)$ -structure of rank  $r$ . We define the morphisms  $l_v = -f_v^2$  and  $m_v = f_v^2 + I_{T_V(E)}$ , where  $I_{T_V(E)}$  denotes the identity morphism on  $T_V(E)$ .

It is clear that  $l_v + m_v = I$ . Also we have

$$l_v m_v = m_v l_v = -f_v^4 - f_v^2 = -f_v(f_v^3 + f_v^1) = 0, \quad m_v^2 = m_v, \quad l_v^2 = l_v.$$

Hence the morphisms  $l_v$ ,  $m_v$  applied to the  $\mathcal{X}(T_V(E))$  are complementary projection morphisms. Then, there exist complementary distributions  $L_v$  and  $M_v$

corresponding to the projection morphisms  $l_v$  and  $m_v$  respectively such that  $\dim L_v = r$  and  $\dim M_v = n - r$ . It is easy to see that

$$l_v f_v = f_v l_v = f_v, \quad m_v f_v = f_v m_v = 0, \quad f_v^2 l_v = l_v f_v^2 = -I, \quad f_v^2 m_v = 0. \quad (2.1)$$

PROPOSITION 2.1. *If a Lagrange  $f_v(3,1)$ -structure of rank  $r$  is defined on  $T_V(E)$ , then the horizontal  $f_h(3,1)$ -structure of rank  $r$  is defined on  $T_H(E)$  by the natural almost product structure of  $T(E)$ .*

*Proof.* If we put

$$f_h X = P f_v P X, \quad \forall X \in T_H(E), \quad (2.2)$$

it is easy to see that  $f_h^3 X = P f_v^3 P X$  and  $f_h^3 + f_h = 0$ , and  $\text{rank } f_h = r$ . ■

PROPOSITION 2.2. *If a Lagrange  $f_v(3,1)$ -structure of rank  $r$  is defined on  $T_V(E)$ , then an  $F(3,1)$ -structure is defined on  $T(E)$  by the natural almost product structure of  $T(E)$ .*

*Proof.* We put

$$F = f_h h + f_v v, \quad (2.3)$$

where  $f_h$ , is defined by (2.2), and  $h, v$  are the projection morphisms of  $T(E)$  to  $T_H(E)$  and  $T_V(E)$ , respectively. Then it is easy to check that

$$F^2 = f_h^2 h + f_v^2 v, \quad F^3 = f_h^3 h + f_v^3 v.$$

Thus  $F^3 + F = 0$ . It is clear that  $\text{rank } F = 2r$ .

If  $l_h, m_h$  are complementary projection morphisms of the horizontal  $f_h(3,1)$ -structure, which is defined by the natural almost product structure of  $T(E)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} l_h X &= -f_h^2 X = -P f_v^2 P X = P l_v P X, \quad \forall X \in T_H(E) \\ m_h X &= (f_h^2 + I_{T_H(E)}) X = P f_v^2 P X + P I_{T_V(E)} P X = P m_v P X, \quad \forall X \in T_H(E) \end{aligned}$$

If  $l, m$  are complementary projection morphisms of the  $F(3,1)$ -structure on  $T(E)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} l &= -F^2 = -f_h^2 h - f_v^2 v = l_h h + l_v v \\ m &= F^2 + I_{T(E)} = f_h^2 h + f_v^2 v + I_{T_H(E)} h + I_{T_V(E)} v = m_h h + m_v v. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Thus, if there is given a Lagrange  $f_v(3,1)$ -structure on  $T_V(E)$  of rank  $r$ , then there exist complementary distributions  $L_h, M_h$  of  $T_H(E)$ , corresponding to the morphisms  $l_h, m_h$  such that

$$L_h = P L_v, \quad M_h = P M_v. \quad (2.5)$$

Thus we have the decompositions  $T(E) = T_H(E) \oplus T_V(E) = P L_v \oplus P M_v \oplus L_v \oplus M_v$ . If  $L, M$  denote complementary distributions corresponding to the morphisms  $l, m$  respectively then from (2.4) and (2.5) we have

$$L = P L_v \oplus L_v, \quad M = P M_v \oplus M_v.$$

Let  $\bar{g}_v$  be a pseudo-Riemannian metric tensor, which is symmetric, bilinear and non-degenerate on  $T_V(E)$   $\bar{g}_v : \mathcal{X}(T_V(E)) \times \mathcal{X}(T_V(E)) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(T(E))$ . (For example  $\bar{g}_v$  can be the vertical part of the Lagrange metric structure).

The mapping  $a_v : \mathcal{X}(T_V(E)) \times \mathcal{X}(T_V(E)) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(T(E))$  which is defined by

$$a_v(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2}[\bar{g}(l_v X, l_v Y) + \bar{g}(m_v X, m_v Y)] \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(T_V(E))$$

is a pseudo-Riemannian structure on  $T(E)$  such that  $a_v(X, Y) = 0, \forall X \in \mathcal{X}(L_v), Y \in \mathcal{X}(M_v)$ .

**THEOREM 2.1.** *If a Lagrange  $f_v(3, 1)$ -structure of rank  $r$  is defined on  $T_V(E)$  then there exists a pseudo-Riemannian structure of  $T_V(E)$  with respect to which the complementary distributions  $L_v$  and  $M_v$  are orthogonal and  $f_v$  is an isometry on  $T_V(E)$ .*

*Proof.* If we put  $g_v(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2}[a_v(X, Y) + a_v(f_v X, f_v Y)]$ , it is easy to see that

$$g_v(X, Y) = 0 \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{X}(L_v), \quad Y \in \mathcal{X}(M_v).$$

Using (2.1) we get  $g_v(f_v X, f_v Y) = \frac{1}{2}[a_v(f_v X, f_v Y) + a_v(X, Y)]$ . Thus  $f_v$  is an isometry with respect to  $g_v$ .

Let  $X \in \mathcal{X}(L_v)$  then  $f_v X, f_v^2 X \in \mathcal{X}(L_v)$  and

$$g_v(X, f_v X) = g_v(f_v X, f_v^2 X) = -g_v(f_v X, X).$$

Consequently  $g_v(X, f_v X) = g_v(f_v X, f_v^2 X) = 0$ .

We can define a mapping  $g_h$ :

$$g_h(X, Y) = g_v(PX, PY), \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(T_H(E)),$$

where  $g_h$  is a metric structure on  $T_H(E)$ . Using (2.5) the distributions  $L_h, M_h$  are orthogonal with respect to  $g_h$  and the horizontal  $f_h(3, 1)$ -structure which is defined by  $f_h X = Pf_v PX, \forall X \in \mathcal{X}(T_H(E))$  is an isometry on  $T_H(E)$  with respect to  $g_h$ .

We can also define a metric tensor  $G$  on  $T(E)$ .

$$G(X, Y) = g_h(X, Y)h + g_v(X, Y)v. \quad (2.6)$$

The distributions  $L, M$  are orthogonal with respect to  $G$  and the  $F(3, 1)$ -structure which is defined by  $FX = f_h h + f_v v, X \in T(E)$  is an isometry on  $T(E)$  with respect to  $G$ .

### 3. Linear connections compatible with $F(3, 1)$ -structure

It is well known that an arbitrary distribution  $\mathcal{D}$  is parallel with respect to a linear connection  $\nabla$ , if for any tangent field  $Y, \nabla_Y$  is a transformation of  $\mathcal{D}$  [4].

**DEFINITION 3.1.** An  $f_v(3, 1)$ -connection on  $T_V(E)$  (or a linear connection compatible with a  $f_v(3, 1)$ -structure) is a linear connection  $\nabla$  on  $T_V(E)$  with the property that distributions  $L_v$  and  $M_v$  are parallel with respect to  $\nabla$ .

In a similar way  $\nabla'$  is an  $f_h(3,1)$ -connection if distributions  $L_h$  and  $M_h$  are parallel with respect to  $\nabla'$ , and  $\tilde{\nabla}$  is an  $F(3,1)$ -connection if distributions  $L$  and  $M$  are parallel with respect to  $\tilde{\nabla}$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $l_v, m_v$  be the complementary projection morphisms of  $f_v(3,1)$ -structure.*

*A linear connection on  $T_V(E)$  is an  $f_v(3,1)$ -connection if and only if*

$$\nabla_X l_v = 0 \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E).$$

*Proof.* Since  $l_v$  is a morphism on  $T_V(E)$ ,

$$(\nabla_X l_v)(Y) = \nabla_X l_v Y - l_v \nabla_X Y, \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E), Y \in \mathcal{X}T_V(E). \quad (3.1)$$

If  $\nabla_X l_v = 0$ , then from  $l_v + m_v = I$ , we have

$$\nabla_X m_v Y = 0, \quad \nabla_Y l_v Y = l_v \nabla_X Y, \quad \nabla_X m_v Y = m_v \nabla_X Y.$$

Since  $m_v l_v = l_v m_v = 0$ , we have

$$m_v \nabla_X Y = 0, \quad \forall Y \in \mathcal{X}T(L_v), X \in \mathcal{X}T(E),$$

and

$$l_v \nabla_X Y = 0, \quad \forall Y \in \mathcal{X}T(M_v), X \in \mathcal{X}T(E).$$

Thus  $\nabla_X Y \in \mathcal{X}T(L_v)$  for every  $Y \in \mathcal{X}T(L_v)$  and  $\nabla_X Y \in \mathcal{X}T(M_v)$  for every  $Y \in \mathcal{X}T(M_v)$ .

Conversely, using the decomposition  $Y = l_v Y + m_v Y$  and (3.1) we get

$$(\nabla_X l_v)(Y) = \nabla_X l_v Y - l_v \nabla_X l_v Y - l_v \nabla_X m_v Y.$$

Since  $\nabla_X$  is an  $f_v(3,1)$ -connection  $\nabla_X m_v Y \in \mathcal{X}T(M_v)$ . Consequently  $l_v \nabla_X m_v Y = 0$ ,  $(\nabla_X l_v)(Y) = \nabla_X l_v Y - l_v \nabla_X l_v Y = 0$ , because  $l_v^2 = l_v$ .

Thus:  $\nabla_X l_v = 0, \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$ .

In a similar way we have:

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *A linear connection  $\nabla'_X$  on  $T_H(E)$  is an  $f_h(3,1)$ -connection iff  $\nabla'_X l_h = 0, \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$ .*

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *A linear connection  $\tilde{\nabla}_X$  on  $T(E)$  is an  $F(3,1)$ -connection iff  $\tilde{\nabla}_X l = 0, \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$ .*

**THEOREM 3.2.** *If  $\bar{\nabla}_X$  is an arbitrary linear connection on  $T_V(E)$  then the operator*

$$\nabla_X = f_v \bar{\nabla}_X f_v, \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$$

*is an  $f_v(3,1)$ -connection.*

*Proof.* Applying the theorem 3.1 we have

$$(\nabla_X l_v)Y = f_v \nabla_X f_v l_v Y - l_v f_v \nabla_X f_v Y, \quad \forall Y \in \mathcal{X}T_V(E).$$

Since  $f_v l_v = l_v f_v = f_v$ , we have  $\nabla_X l_v = 0$ ,  $\forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$ , i.e.  $\nabla_X$  is an  $f_v(3,1)$ -connection.

Let  $\nabla_X$  be a linear connection on  $T_V(E)$ . We define the linear connection  $\nabla'_X$  on the  $T_H(E)$  by

$$\nabla'_X Y = P\nabla_X P Y, \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E), Y \in \mathcal{X}T_H(E). \quad (3.2)$$

**THEOREM 3.3.** *If  $\nabla_X$  is an  $f_v(3,1)$ -connection on  $T_V(E)$  then  $\nabla'_X$  defined by (3.2) is a linear connection compatible with the horizontal  $f_h(3,1)$ -structure.*

*Proof.* Using (3.1), (3.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla'_X l_h)Y &= \nabla'_X l_h Y - l_h \nabla'_X Y = P\nabla_X P P l_v P Y - P l_v P P \nabla_X P Y \\ &= P(\nabla_X l_v P Y - l_v \nabla_X P Y), \quad \forall Y \in \mathcal{X}T_H(E). \end{aligned}$$

According to theorem 3.1,  $\nabla_X l_v = 0$ , thus  $\nabla'_X l_h = 0$ , i.e. horizontal connection  $\nabla'_X$  is compatible with the  $f_h(3,1)$ -structure.

Next, we define linear connection  $\tilde{\nabla}_X$  on  $T(E)$  by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla'_X h Y + \nabla_X v Y, \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{X}T(E). \quad (3.3)$$

**THEOREM 3.4.** *If  $\nabla_X$  is an  $f_v(3,1)$ -connection on  $T_V(E)$  then  $\tilde{\nabla}_X$  defined by (3.2) is a linear connection compatible with the  $F(3,1)$ -structure.*

*Proof.* We shall prove that  $(\tilde{\nabla}_X l)Y = 0$ ,  $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{\nabla}_X l)Y &= \nabla'_X h l Y + \nabla_X v l Y - l \nabla'_X h Y - l \nabla_X v Y \\ &= \nabla'_X h (l_h h + l_v v) Y + \nabla_X v (l_h h + l_v v) Y - (l_h h + l_v v) \nabla'_X h Y - (l_h h + l_v v) \nabla_X v Y. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently  $(\tilde{\nabla}_X l)(Y) = (\nabla'_X l_h)(hY) + (\nabla_X l_v)vY$ ,  $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$ .

According to theorems 3.3 and 3.1 we have  $\tilde{\nabla}_X l = 0$ ,  $\forall X \in \mathcal{X}T(E)$  which proves the theorem. ■

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