

REVIEW

Maps of Manifolds

$\phi: M \rightarrow M'$ is a map between manifolds

(is a C^r map if the corresponding map of coordinates is C^r)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\phi} & M' \\ x \downarrow & & y \downarrow \\ \mathbb{R}^n & & \mathbb{R}^m \end{array} \quad \text{so } y \circ \phi \circ x^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \text{ is } C^r$$

Notes:

- In genl not one-to-one
- Even if one-to-one may not have an inverse

So it goes one way.

Let $f: M' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a function on M'
(a "scalar" field)

then ϕ defines a function on M , $\phi^* f$

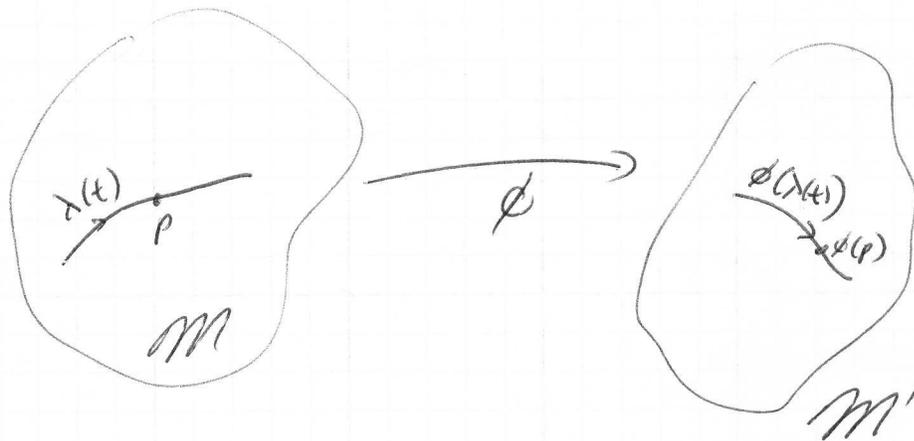
$$\phi^* f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

defined by $M \xrightarrow{\phi} M' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

ie if $p \in M$ then $\phi(p) \in M'$ and $f(\phi(p))$ is defined.

(This is a "pull-back" of a zero form)

Go the other direction



By mapping curves $\lambda(t)$ in M into M' we can get maps of tangent vectors.

If $T_p(M)$ is the tangent space to M at p then
 push-forward
 $\phi_* : T_p(M) \rightarrow T_{\phi(p)}(M')$

defined by mapping $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)_\lambda \rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)_{\phi(\lambda)}$ (denote this by $\phi_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)_\lambda$)

This is a linear transformation between the vector spaces: if x^m and y^a are local coordinates on patches of M & M' , then the curve is $x^m(t)$, mapped into $y^a(x^m(t))$ and

$$\frac{dy^a}{dt} \Big|_0 = \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_p \frac{dx^m}{dt} \Big|_0$$

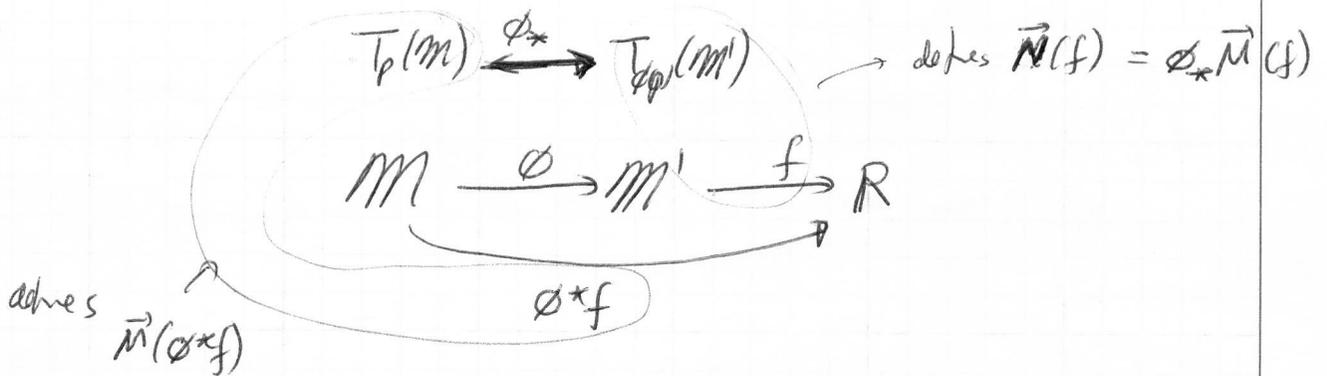
or $N^a = \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_p M^m$ where $\vec{N} \in T_{\phi(p)}(M')$
 $\vec{M} \in T_p(M)$

so ϕ_* is just the matrix $\frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_p$. and we write $\vec{N} = \phi_* \vec{M}$

Since a vector \vec{M} is a directional derivative, we use $\vec{M}(f)$ defined.

A vector gives a map of any function f at p into a number. If $\vec{M} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ then $\vec{M}(f) = \frac{df}{dt} \Big|_{p=\lambda(t_0)}$ i.e. the derivative of f along $\lambda(t)$.

Explicitly $\frac{df}{dt}(x(t)) = \frac{df}{dx^a} \dot{x}^a$ so the action of the vector \vec{A} with coordinates a^m on f is $\vec{A}(f) = a^m \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^m}$.



$$\vec{M}(\phi^*f) \Big|_p = \phi_* \vec{M}(f) \Big|_{\phi(p)}$$

check:

$$m^a \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} (f \circ \phi)(x) \Big|_p = m^a \frac{\partial f}{\partial y^a} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_p = (m^a \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^m}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y^a} \Big|_{\phi(p)}$$

= m^a components of $\phi_* \vec{M}$

Students: should always flesh out relations in terms of coordinate patches, to make sure they understand.

Go on to 1-forms: define pull-back

$$\phi^*: T_p^*(M') \rightarrow T_p^*(M)$$

by requiring the contraction is mapped properly: $\phi^*: \tilde{\omega} \rightarrow \phi^* \tilde{\omega}$

$$\left(\phi^*: \tilde{\omega} \in T_{\phi(p)}^*(M') \rightarrow \phi^* \tilde{\omega} \in T_p^*(M) \right)$$

with $\boxed{\tilde{\omega}(\phi_* \vec{M}) = \phi^* \tilde{\omega}(\vec{M})}$

~~defines $\phi^* \tilde{\omega}$~~

~~Recall~~

$$T_p \xrightarrow{\phi_*} T_{\phi(p)}$$

$$M \xrightarrow{\phi} M'$$

$$T_p^* \xleftarrow{\phi^*} T_{\phi(p)}^*$$

Recall $\tilde{\omega}(\vec{N})$ is a number, ie $\tilde{\omega}$ is a map from $T_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
 (In components $\tilde{\omega}(\vec{N})|_p = \omega_a N^a|_p$, the index contraction.
 Some texts write $\langle \tilde{\omega}, \vec{N} \rangle$).

So the def above gives the action of $\phi^* \tilde{\omega}$ on vectors $\vec{M} \in T_p(M)$
 in terms of the action of $\tilde{\omega}$ on vectors $\vec{N} \in T_{\phi(p)}(M')$, which is
 (In components $(\phi^* \tilde{\omega})_\mu M^\mu = \omega_a N^a = \omega_a \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^\mu} M^\mu$

that is $(\phi^* \tilde{\omega})_\mu = \omega_a \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^\mu}$).

In particular $\phi^*(df) = d(\phi^* f)$

(In components $df = f_{,a} dy^a$ $\phi^*(df) = f_{,a} \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^\mu} dx^\mu$

while $d(\phi^* f) = df(y(x)) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y^a} \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^\mu} \right) dx^\mu$ ✓).

Surjective: ϕ is surjective if $\text{rank of } \phi =$
dimension of M'
 $k = n'$

(So that $n \geq n'$).

~~(Immersion: ϕ is an immersion if it has an inverse ϕ^{-1}
(with same differentiability as ϕ) such that~~

~~for each $p \in M$ there is $U \subset M$ with $p \in U$~~

~~$\phi^{-1} : \phi(U) \rightarrow U$~~

(Skip immersion: it ~~is~~ is subtle only when C^r properties matter)

If ϕ is injective $\forall p \in M$ we say ϕ is an
immersion (actually, def'n of immersion is ~~of~~ given in terms of
existence of differentiable inverse of ϕ , and then equivalence of stat's
is proved) $\Rightarrow \phi_x : T_p \rightarrow \phi_x(T_p) \subset T_{\phi(p)}$ is an
isomorphism.

Then $\phi(M) \subset M'$ is an n -dimensional immersed
submanifold in M' .

This is one-one locally, but may not be so globally.

An embedding is, basically, an immersion that is one-one (actually
a homeomorphism onto its image).

Differentiation without a connection

Two types arise naturally:

- Exterior derivative
- Lie derivative

Exterior derivative $d: \Omega_s \rightarrow \Omega_{s+1}$

Ω_s : linear space of s -forms $\tilde{a} = a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_s} dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_s}$

($\Omega_s \subset T_s^0$, is the totally antisymmetric T_s^0 tensors).

Recall if $\tilde{a} \wedge \tilde{b}$ are p & q forms, $\tilde{a} \wedge \tilde{b} = (-1)^{pq} \tilde{b} \wedge \tilde{a}$.

d acts by

$$d\tilde{a} = da_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_s} \wedge dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_s}$$
$$= \frac{\partial a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_s}}{\partial x^\sigma} dx^\sigma \wedge dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_s}$$

Exercise: show

- this is indeed a T_{s+1}^0 (tensor) (obvious from first line)
- $d(a \wedge b) = da \wedge b + (-1)^s a \wedge db$ if a is an s -form
- $d(d\tilde{a}) = 0$
- $d(\phi^* \tilde{a}) = \phi^*(d\tilde{a})$

Useful integration results (reminder)

if ϕ is a diffeomorphism
and \tilde{a} is an n -form
($n = \dim M$)

$$\int_M \tilde{a} = \int_{M' = \phi(M)} \phi_* \tilde{a}$$

If \tilde{b} is an $n-1$ form

$$\int_{\partial M} \tilde{b} = \int_M d\tilde{b}$$

Stoke's theorem.

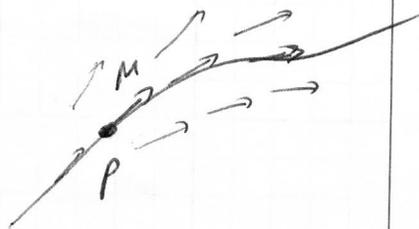
Lie derivative

Let \vec{M} vector field on M
 Thm. \Leftrightarrow unique ~~point~~ ^{curve $\lambda(t)$} through p with $\lambda(0) = p$ and $\vec{M} = \frac{d}{dt}$
 (Fundamental of diff. eqs)

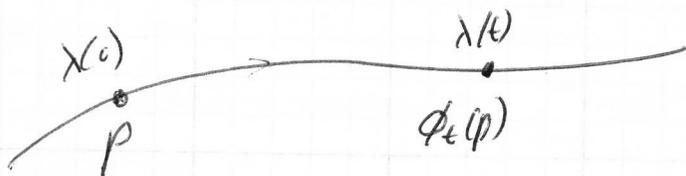
With locally, with coordinates x^M , $\lambda(t)$ is $x^M(t)$ with tangent $\frac{dx^M}{dt}$; so the theorem above is the statement of uniqueness of solution of

$$\frac{dx^M}{dt} = M^M(x(t))$$

$\lambda(t)$ is the "integral curve of \vec{M} "



Given \vec{M} we can construct a diffeomorphism ϕ_t of M into itself (actually from small open neighborhoods $U \ni p$ into M), that maps p into the point along the curve a distance ~~distance~~ ^{parameter} t away

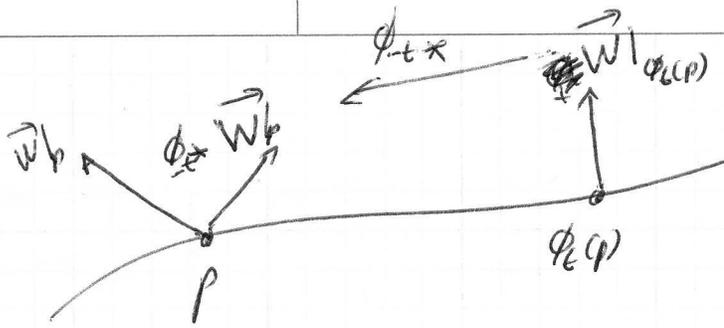


(Note ϕ_t forms a one parameter local group of diffeomorphisms.

$$\phi_{t+s} = \phi_t \circ \phi_s = \phi_s \circ \phi_t \quad \phi_{-t} = (\phi_t)^{-1} \quad \phi_0 = \text{identity})$$

From ϕ_t construct $\phi_{t*} : T_p^s(M) \rightarrow T_{\phi_t(p)}^s(M)$

$$T|_p \rightarrow \phi_{t*} T|_{\phi_t(p)}$$



Since $\phi_{t,x}$ is a diffeomorphism, $\phi_{t,x}$ is an isomorphism, we can directly compare $\phi_{t,x}^* T$ with T . Let the Lie derivative at p be

$$L_{\vec{M}} T = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [\phi_{t,x}^* T - T_p]$$

Note: both etc.

Properties:

(i) If $T \in T_s^r(p) \Rightarrow L_{\vec{M}} T \in T_s^r(p)$

(ii) $L_{\vec{M}}$ is linear

(iii) $L_{\vec{M}}$ preserves contraction

(iv) $L_{\vec{M}} (T \otimes S) = L_{\vec{M}} T \otimes S + T \otimes L_{\vec{M}} S$

(v) $L_{\vec{M}} f = \vec{M}(f)$ (if a form $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$)

L_VW

Start from $M \xrightarrow{\phi_t} M$
 $x \downarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad y \downarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

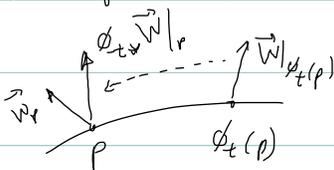
with ϕ_t the integral curve of \vec{V} , $\frac{dx^m}{dt} = V^m(x(t))$

For small t this is $x^m(t) = x^m(0) + tV^m(x(0))$.

Starting from x^m , the coordinate for p , this is $x^m(t) = x^m + tV^m(x^m)$.

So $y^m = x^m + tV^m(x^m)$ (to order t).

Now for $L_V W$ we need:



$$M \xrightarrow{\phi_{-t}} M \quad x^a = y^a - tV^a(x)$$

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 (or y , difference is higher order in t)

So we take the vector field \vec{W} at $\phi_t(p)$, $W^m(x^m + tV^m)$ and push

forward by ϕ_{-t} : $(\phi_{-t}^* W)^a|_p = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial y^m} W^m|_{\phi_t(p)}$, where $x^a = y^a - tV^a(x)$

with y the coordinate of $\phi_t(p)$.

$$\text{That is, } \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial y^m} \Big|_{\phi_t(p)} = \delta^a_m - tV^a_{,m} \Big|_{\phi_t(p)}$$

So in terms of coordinates at p ,

$$(\phi_{-t}^* W)^a|_p = (\delta^a_m - tV^a_{,m}(x+tv)) W^m(x+tv)$$

$$\text{Now } L_V W = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \left[(\phi_{-t}^* W)^a|_p - W^a|_p \right] = V^m \partial_m W^a - \partial_m V^a W^m$$

Note, with $\vec{V} = V^m \partial_m$ and $\vec{W} = W^m \partial_m$ then

$$[V^\lambda \partial_\lambda, W^\nu \partial_\nu] = V^\lambda \partial_\lambda W^\nu \partial_\nu - W^\lambda \partial_\lambda V^\nu \partial_\nu = (V^\lambda \partial_\lambda W^\nu - W^\lambda \partial_\lambda V^\nu) \partial_\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{\vec{V}} \vec{W} = [\vec{V}, \vec{W}]$$

Look closely at $L_v(f)$

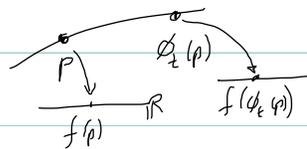
Recall $M \xrightarrow{\phi} M' \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \phi^* f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is $\phi^* f = f \circ \phi$
or $\phi^* f(p) = f(\phi(p))$.

Also if ϕ is a diffeomorphism then $M \xrightleftharpoons[\phi^{-1}]{\phi} M'$

The push forward of the inverse is just the pull-back:

$$(\phi^{-1})_* f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is } \phi^* f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

For $L_v f$ we need $(\phi_{-t})_* f|_p$:



$(\phi_{-t})_* f|_p$ just says it's the function that maps p to the value under f of $\phi_t(p)$
or $f(\phi_t(p)) \Rightarrow L_v(f) = \frac{1}{t} (f(\phi_t(p)) - f(p)) = \frac{1}{t} (f(x+vt) - f(x)) = V^m \partial_m f$

Formally $M \xrightarrow{\phi_t} M \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$ defines $\phi_t^* f(p) = f(\phi_t(p))$

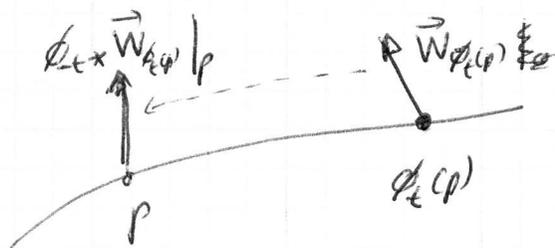
The def of L_v : $L_v T = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [\phi_{-t}^* T|_p - T|_p]$

Just recall that $(\phi_{-t})_*$ is a push-forward from the neighborhood of $\phi_t(p)$ to p .
which is the same as a pull-back from p to $\phi_t(p)$. which is the pic
above: $L_v(f) = V^m \partial_m f$

Finally $L_v(\omega_\mu W^\mu) = V^\nu \partial_\nu (\omega_\mu W^\mu) = \partial_\nu (\omega_\mu) W^\mu + \omega_\mu \partial_\nu W^\mu$

$$L_v(\omega_\mu) W^\mu = V^\nu \partial_\nu (\omega_\mu W^\mu) - \omega_\mu (V^\nu \partial_\nu W^\mu - \partial_\nu V^\mu W^\nu) = (V^\nu \partial_\nu \omega_\mu + \partial_\nu V^\mu \omega_\mu) W^\mu$$

Get $L_{\vec{M}} \vec{W}$ explicitly:



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Recall $M \xrightarrow{\phi} M'$

then $\vec{W}_p \rightarrow \phi_* \vec{W}|_{\phi(p)}$

means $W^m \rightarrow (\phi_* W)^a = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_{\phi(p)} W^m \Big|_p$

Moreover, for our case ϕ_{t*} at p is what? Take

$$M \xrightarrow{\phi_t} M'$$

$$\vec{W}_{\phi_t(p)} \rightarrow \phi_{t*} \vec{W}|_p$$

$$(\phi_{t*} W)^a \Big|_p = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_{\phi_t(p)} W^m \Big|_{\phi_t(p)}$$

But $y^a(x^m)$ is just the shift in coordinates along the curve: x^a are the coordinates of p , i.e. $t=0$ of x^m , the coordinates of $\phi_t(p)$.

If the curve is the integral of $\frac{dx^m}{dt} = M^m$ (\vec{M} a vector field).

Then, $x^m(t) = x^m(0) + t M^m$ to order t , and $y^a(x^m)$ is just

$$x^m(0) = x^m(t) - t M^m \text{ so } \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^m} \Big|_{\phi_t(p)} = \delta^a_m - M^m_{,m} t$$

$$W^m \Big|_{\phi_t(p)} \text{ is just } W^m(x^m(t)) = W^m(x^m(0) + t M^m) = W^m \Big|_p + t M^m_{,m} W^m \Big|_p$$

$$\text{so } \phi_{t*} W \Big|_p - W \Big|_p = (\delta^a_m - M^m_{,m} t) (W^m + t M^m_{,m} W^m) - W^a$$

$$\text{and } \left(\sum_m \vec{W} \right)^a = M^m_{,m} W^a - W^a M^m_{,m} = [M, W]^a$$

"Lie bracket" "commutator"

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In particular, this shows $L_{\vec{M}} \vec{W} = -L_{\vec{W}} \vec{M}$

From this, ~~then~~ one can obtain ~~the~~ the action of $L_{\vec{M}}$ on other tensors:

$$L_{\vec{M}} (\tilde{\omega} \otimes \vec{W}) = L_{\vec{M}} \tilde{\omega} \otimes \vec{W} + \tilde{\omega} \otimes L_{\vec{M}} \vec{W}$$

now, contracting \Rightarrow The rest of this page has been done above, albeit a little differently... ignore

$$L_{\vec{M}} (\tilde{\omega}(\vec{W})) = L_{\vec{M}} \tilde{\omega}(\vec{W}) + \tilde{\omega}(L_{\vec{M}}(\vec{W}))$$

Now if we use $\vec{W} = \vec{E}_\mu$, a basis vector we can get $L_{\vec{M}} \tilde{\omega}$.

In particular, if $\vec{E}_\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu}$, the coordinate basis, then

$$L_{\vec{M}}(\tilde{\omega})(\vec{E}_\mu) = (L_{\vec{M}}(\tilde{\omega}))_\mu \quad \text{the components we are looking for.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\vec{M}}(\tilde{\omega})(\vec{E}_\mu) &= L_{\vec{M}}(\omega_\mu) = \vec{M}(\omega_\mu) \quad (\text{property (v)}) \\ &= \frac{\partial \omega_\mu}{\partial x^\nu} M^\nu = \omega_{\mu,\nu} M^\nu \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \tilde{\omega}(L_{\vec{M}}(\vec{E}_\mu))^\nu = \frac{\partial (\vec{E}_\mu)^\nu}{\partial x^\rho} M^\rho - \frac{\partial M^\nu}{\partial x^\rho} (\vec{E}_\mu)^\rho = -\frac{\partial M^\nu}{\partial x^\mu}$$

$$\text{so } \tilde{\omega}(L_{\vec{M}}(\vec{E}_\mu))^\nu = -\omega_{\nu,\mu} M^\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow (L_{\vec{M}}(\tilde{\omega}))_\mu = \omega_{\mu,\nu} M^\nu + M^\nu_{,\mu} \omega_\nu$$

Exercise: Show

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{\vec{M}} T^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_l} &= M^\sigma \partial_\sigma T^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_l} \\
 &- (\partial_\lambda M^{\mu_1}) T^{\lambda \mu_2 \dots \mu_k}_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_l} \\
 &- (\partial_\lambda M^{\mu_2}) T^{\mu_1 \lambda \dots \mu_k}_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_l} \\
 &\vdots \\
 &+ (\partial_{\nu_1} M^\lambda) T^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}_{\lambda \nu_2 \dots \nu_l} \\
 &+ (\partial_{\nu_2} M^\lambda) T^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}_{\nu_1 \lambda \dots \nu_l}
 \end{aligned}$$

In particular

$$\mathcal{L}_{\vec{M}} g_{\mu\nu} = M^\sigma \partial_\sigma g_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu M^\lambda g_{\lambda\nu} + \partial_\nu M^\lambda g_{\mu\lambda}$$

Since these are tensors equations, we can replace ∂ by ∇ .

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\vec{M}} g_{\mu\nu} = \cancel{M^\lambda} M^\lambda{}_{;\mu} g_{\lambda\nu} + M^\lambda{}_{;\nu} g_{\mu\lambda} = M_{\nu\mu}{}^{;\lambda} + M_{\mu\nu}{}^{;\lambda}$$

or

$$\mathcal{L}_{\vec{M}} g_{\mu\nu} = 2 M_{(\mu;\nu)}$$

~~Easy~~ This is useful stuff. We will use it for symmetries later, but ~~the~~ here is a simple application. Assume the action for GR breaks down into

$$S = S_G(g_{\mu\nu}) + S_M(g_{\mu\nu}, \psi) \quad (\star)$$

ψ = matter fields

S_G = "Hilbert" action (Gives Einstein's eqs -- we'll use this later, it came).

~~Consider~~ This theory is "diffeomorphism invariant": ~~the~~ $g_{\mu\nu}$ $\phi: M \rightarrow M$
 $(M, g_{\mu\nu}, \psi)$ and $(M, \phi^* g_{\mu\nu}, \phi^* \psi)$

represent the same physics. The change in S_M under a diffeomorphism

$$\delta S_M = \int d^4x \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \delta g_{\mu\nu} + \int d^4x \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta \psi} \delta \psi$$

Since we could have set $\psi=0$, δS_G can be considered separately (it is invariant by itself; here is where the separation assumption in (\star) come in).

But $\frac{\delta S_M}{\delta \psi} = 0$ for any variation. So while here we look only at variations from diffeomorphisms, that term vanishes separately for any variation. Left with first term, we consider diffeomorphisms generated by a vector field U^μ :

$$\delta g_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{L}_U g_{\mu\nu} = 2 U_{(\mu;\nu)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta S_M = 0 = \int d^4x \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} 2 U_{(\mu;\nu)} = 4 \int d^4x \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} U_{\mu;\nu}$$

or

~~or~~

$$= 4 \int d^4x \left(\left[\frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} U_\mu \right]_{;\nu} - U_\mu \left(\frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \right)_{;\nu} \right)$$

Dropping the surface term and multiplying by $\frac{\sqrt{g}}{\sqrt{g}}$ we have

$$\int dV U_\mu \nabla_\nu \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \right] = 0$$

Since this holds for arbitrary U_μ (diffeomorphisms generated by arbitrary vector fields) it must be that

$$\nabla_\nu \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \right) = 0$$

But

$$T^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}$$

is the energy-momentum tensor.

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Symmetries, Isometry, Killing Vectors

$\phi: M \rightarrow M$ a diffeomorphism, T a tensor.

ϕ is a symmetry of T if

$$\boxed{\phi^* T = T}$$

T symmetric

Some symmetries are discrete. But for continuous symmetries there is a one parameter set of diffeomorphism ϕ_t , and then T is symmetric iff

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}_U T = 0}$$

T symmetric, continuous symmetry.

(Clearly U generates the curve, $U = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$).

Note that one can choose coordinates locally so that t itself is one of the coordinates. In such coordinates

$$\mathcal{L}_U T^{m_1 \dots m_r}_{n_1 \dots n_s} = \partial_t T^{m_1 \dots m_r}_{n_1 \dots n_s}$$

so $\mathcal{L}_U T = 0 \Rightarrow$ all components of T are independent of t .

(Converse is obviously true!)

This can be done in a covariant language as follows:
assume p_μ satisfies geodesic equation:

$$p^\mu p_{\mu;\nu} = 0 \quad (\nabla_{p^{\mu}} p^{\nu} = 0)$$

Then

$$p^\mu \nabla_\mu (p^\nu K_\nu) = p^\mu p^\nu \nabla_\mu K_\nu + K_\nu p^\mu \nabla_\mu p^\nu = 0$$

But LHS is just $\frac{d}{d\tau} (p^\nu K_\nu)$ so $\boxed{p^\nu K_\nu}$ is constant along
particle path \rightarrow a conserved quantity, as before.

Exercise: If $K_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}$ is a Killing tensor, i.e., it satisfies

$$\nabla_{(\mu} K_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r)} = 0,$$

show that $K_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r} p^{\mu_1} \dots p^{\mu_r}$ is conserved.

It is clear from the example that ~~manifolds~~ spaces may admit ~~more~~ several (or none) killing vectors.

Since ~~transform~~ symmetry transformations generally form groups (group multiplication = composition of transformations, i.e. $\phi_2 \circ \phi_1$) and these are continuous transformations generated by \vec{K} 's, we expect there to be a Lie group & the \vec{K} 's to form Lie algebras. This is indeed the case, with the Lie bracket being just the commutator, i.e.

$$[K_1, K_2] = \mathcal{L}_{K_1} K_2$$