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## ONE FORMS ON $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ WITH INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION.

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Let  $M$  be a smooth, oriented and compact manifold of dimension  $n-1$ . By  $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  we denote the collection of all smooth  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued embeddings of  $M$ . This set is open in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , the  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space of all smooth  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued maps of  $M$ , (the operations are defined pointwise), which carries the  $C^\infty$ -topology. Since  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is a Fréchet space,  $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is a smooth Fréchet manifold. Here smoothness is always meant in the sense of [Gu].

A smooth map  $F: E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \times C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a one form provided the partial map  $F(j)$  sending each  $k \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  into  $F(j, k)$  is linear for each fixed  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Call the collection of all smooth one forms on  $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by  $A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R})$ . To handle such forms we define what is meant here by an integral representation. Specifying terminology, let  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be oriented and  $\langle ; \rangle$  be a fixed scalar product. Each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  defines hence a Riemannian metric  $m(j)$  given by  $m(j)(X, Y) = \langle djX; djY \rangle$  for all  $X, Y$  in the collection  $\Gamma TM$  of all smooth vector fields on  $M$ .  $dj$  is locally identical with the Fréchet differential of  $j$ . Finally  $N(j)$  denotes the oriented unit normal field along  $j$ .

$F$  admits an integral representation provided there is a smooth map  $\varphi_F: E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  such that for each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and any  $k \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$

$$F(j, k) = \int \langle \varphi_F(j); k \rangle \mu(j)$$

holds. The map  $\langle \varphi_F(j); k \rangle$  assigns to any  $p \in M$  the value  $\langle \varphi_F(j)(p); k(p) \rangle$  and  $\mu(j)$  is the Riemannian volume element determined by  $m(j)$ . If  $\varphi_F$  exists, then it is uniquely determined by  $F$ .

Let  $F$  admit an integral representation. Then each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  splits into  $\varphi_F(j) = djY(j) + \omega_F(j) \cdot N(j)$  with  $Y(j) \in \Gamma TM$  and  $\omega_F(j) \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Splitting furthermore  $Y(j)$  according to Hodge's decomposition uniquely into a gradient with respect to

$m(j)$  and a divergence free vector field we have

$$\varphi_F(j) = djY^\circ(j) + dj \operatorname{grad}_j \tau_F(j) + \omega_F(j) \cdot N(j)$$

with  $\operatorname{div}_j Y^\circ(j) = 0$  and  $\tau_F(j) \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  for each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

### $\mathbb{R}^n$ -invariant one forms on $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

The Abelian group  $\mathbb{R}^n$  operates on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as the group of translations. This operation lifts to an operation  $\Phi$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  on  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by letting  $\Phi(h, z) = h + z$  for each  $h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and each  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$  identified with the constant map assuming  $z$  as its only value. The differential

$$d: C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \longrightarrow \{dh / h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)\}$$

yields hence a bijection of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n$  on to its range. The action  $\Phi$  restricts to  $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  since  $j + z \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  for each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and each  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Hence both  $\{dj / j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)\}$  and  $\{dh / h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)\}$  are Fréchet manifolds when endowed with the respective quotient topology.

$F \in A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R})$  is called  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -invariant provided that there is a smooth one form

$$F_{\mathbb{R}^n}: C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n \times C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

such that  $F = d^* F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ . To define the notion of an integral representation for  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  we first introduce the two tensor  $T(\alpha, j)$  for each  $\alpha \in A^1(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by setting

$$T(\alpha, j)(X, Y) = \langle \alpha(X); djY \rangle \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma TM.$$

This two tensor is represented by a smooth strong bundle map  $P(\alpha, j)$  of  $TM$  as  $T(\alpha, j)(X, Y) = m(j)(P(\alpha, j)X, Y)$ . Decomposing  $P(\alpha, j)$  into its skew- and self-adjoint part  $C(\alpha, j)$  and  $B(\alpha, j)$  respectively yields for each  $X \in \Gamma TM$

$$\alpha(X) = c(\alpha, j)djX + dj \cdot C(\alpha, j)X + dj \cdot B(\alpha, j)X$$

for a well determined map  $c(\alpha, j) \in C^\infty(M, \mathfrak{so}(n))$  (with  $\mathfrak{so}(n)$  the Lie algebra of  $SO(n)$ ) which maps  $\mathbb{R} \cdot N(j)$  to  $T_j TM$  and vice versa. Writing the analogous decomposition of  $dh \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n$  we define  $\alpha \cdot dh$  by

$$\alpha \cdot dh = \operatorname{tr}c(\alpha, j) \circ c(dh, j) + \operatorname{tr}C(\alpha, j) \circ C(dh, j) + \operatorname{tr}B(\alpha, j) \circ B(dh, j).$$

$F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  is said to admit an integral representation provided that

there is a smooth map  $\alpha: E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow A^1(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , ( $A^1(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  carrying the  $C^\infty$ -topology) such that

$$F_{\mathbb{R}^n}(dj, dh) = \int \alpha(dj) \cdot dh \mu(j).$$

$\alpha$  is not uniquely determined by  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  !

### The relation between the two integral representations.

Let  $F \in A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R})$  be  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -invariant i.e.  $F = d^*F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ . Assume that  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  admits an integral representation by  $\alpha$ .

We will solve

$$\int \langle \varphi(j); h \rangle \mu(j) = \int \alpha(dj) \cdot dh \mu(j) \text{ given } \forall h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$$

for the smooth map  $\varphi: E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \longrightarrow C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . To this end we write  $h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  as  $h = djX_h + \Theta_h \cdot N(j)$  for  $X_h \in \Gamma TM$  and  $\Theta_h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ . Moreover we express the Lie derivative  $L_X(m(j))$  via  $m(j)$  by a smooth strong bundle map  $\mathbb{L}_X$  of  $TM$  to read as  $L_X(m(j))(Y, Z) = m(j)(\mathbb{L}_X Y, Z)$  for any choice of all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma TM$ . Then if  $\nabla(j)$  denotes the Levi-Civita connection of  $m(j)$  and  $\nabla(j)X$  the adjoint of  $\nabla(j)X$  formed with respect to  $m(j)$  we immediately deduce

$$B(dh, j) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbb{L}_{X_h} + \Theta_h \cdot W(j), \quad C(dh, j) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\nabla(j)X_h - \nabla(j)X_h), \text{ and}$$

$$c(dh, j)djX = -m(j)(W(j)X_h, X) \cdot N(j) + d\Theta_h(X) \cdot N(j).$$

$W(j)$  being the Weingarten map of  $j$ . If we define the covariant divergence  $\text{div}_j P$  of a smooth strong bundle endomorphism  $P$  of  $TM$  via a moving (with respect to  $m(j)$ ) orthonormal frame  $e_1, \dots, e_{n-1}$  as

$$\text{div}_j P := \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \nabla(j) e_r (P) e_r$$

then we easily obtain for  $\Theta_h = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr } B(\alpha, j) \circ B(dh, j) &= \text{div}_j B(\alpha, j)X_h - m(j)(\text{div}_j B(\alpha, j), X_h) \\ &\quad + \langle \text{tr } B(\alpha, j) \circ W(j) \cdot N(j); N(j) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{tr } C(\alpha, j) \circ C(dh, j) = \text{div}_j C(\alpha, j)X_h - m(j)(\text{div}_j C(\alpha, j), X_h)$$

and

$$\text{tr } c(\alpha, j) \circ c(dh, j) = -2m(j)(W(j)U(\alpha, j), X_h)$$

with  $c(\alpha, j)N(j) = djU(\alpha, j)$ . Hence if we define

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(j) &:= -dj \text{div}_j (B(\alpha, j) + C(\alpha, j)) - \\ &\quad - 2dj W(j)U(\alpha, j) + (\text{tr } B(\alpha, j) \circ W(j)) \cdot N(j), \quad \forall j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \end{aligned}$$

we immediately deduce from the above equations the following:

Theorem 1 Let  $F \in A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R})$  be  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -invariant such that  $F = d^*F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ , where  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  admits an integral representation by  $\alpha$ . Then  $F$  admits an integral representation by  $\varphi$  given for each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by

$$\tau_F(j) = - \operatorname{tr} B(\alpha, j)$$

$$(Y_F)^\circ(j) = - \operatorname{div}_j(B(\alpha, j) - (\operatorname{tr} B(\alpha, j) \cdot \frac{id}{\dim M} + C(\alpha, j)) - 2 W(j)U(\alpha, j)$$

and

$$\omega_F(j) = \operatorname{tr} B(\alpha, j) \circ W(j).$$

The splitting of  $\gamma \in A^1(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$

Let  $\gamma \in A^1(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\gamma = dk + \gamma'$  for some  $dk \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n$  and some  $\gamma' \in A^1(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . The differential  $dk$  is called an integrabel part of  $\gamma$ . Given next  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , and any orthonormal basis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , writing  $\gamma$  as a linear combination of forms in  $A^1(M, \mathbb{R})$ , and expressing them by vector fields via  $m(j)$ , then Hodge's decomposition of these fields yield a unique splitting  $\gamma = dk + \gamma'$  where  $\gamma'$  has only zero as an integrabel part.  $dk$  is called the maximal integrabel part of  $\gamma$ . Moreover  $\int \gamma' \cdot dh \mu(j) = 0$  for all  $h \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . This implies:

Corollary 2 Let  $F \in A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  with  $F = d^*F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  where  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  is represented by  $\alpha$ , which we write as

$$\alpha(dj) = dk(j) + \alpha'(j) \quad \forall j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n),$$

where  $\alpha'(j)$  has only zero as an integrabel part, and set moreover

$$k(j) = djX_k(j) + \Theta_k(j) \cdot N(j)$$

then  $dk$  is uniquely determined by  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ , and the following equations hold:

$$\operatorname{div}_j(B(k(j), j) + C(k(j), j)) = \Delta(j)X_k(j)$$

with  $\Delta(j)$  as the Laplace Beltrami operator of  $j$ .

$$\operatorname{div}_j(B(\alpha'(j), j) + C(\alpha'(j), j)) = 0$$

as well as  $\int \operatorname{tr} W(j) \circ B_{\alpha'}(j) \mu(j) = 0$ . Moreover

$$Y_F(j) = -\Delta(j)X_k(j) + W(j) \operatorname{grad}_j \theta_k(j) - \theta_k(j) \cdot \operatorname{grad}_j H(j) - 2 \cdot W(j)^2 X_k(j)$$

and

$$\omega_F(j) = \operatorname{div}_j W(j) X_k - dH(j)(X_k) + \theta_k(j) \operatorname{tr} W(j)^2.$$

### Stationary points

Let  $F \in A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R})$  be represented by  $\varphi_F \in C^\infty(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n))$ .  $F$  is said to be stationary at  $j$  if  $F(j)(h) = 0$  for all  $h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Hence  $F$  is stationary at  $j$  iff  $\tau_F(j) = 0$ ,  $(Y_F)^\circ(j) = 0$  and  $\omega_F(j) = 0$ . If moreover  $F = d^*F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  where  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  is represented by  $\alpha$  with  $dk$  as maximal integrabel part, then using the terminology of corollary 2  $F$  is stationary at  $j$  iff the following equations hold

$$\operatorname{tr} B(\alpha, j) = 0 = \operatorname{div}_j X_k + \theta_k \cdot H(j)$$

$$\Delta(j)X_k(j) = W(j) \operatorname{grad}_j \theta_k(j) - \theta_k(j) \cdot \operatorname{grad}_j H(j) - 2 W(j)^2 X_k(j)$$

$$dH(j)(X_k) = \operatorname{div}_j W(j) X_k + \theta_k(j) \cdot \operatorname{tr} W(j)^2.$$

### Symmetries of $F$ and $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$

Let  $F \in A^1(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R})$  be represented by  $\varphi \in C^\infty(E(M, \mathbb{R}^n), C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n))$ . Call  $a \in \operatorname{Diff}(M)$  to be a symmetry of  $F$  if

$$F(j \circ a)(h \circ a) = F(j)(h) \quad \forall j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \text{ and } \forall h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$$

which holds provided iff  $\varphi(j \circ a) = \varphi(j) \circ a$  for all  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . The collection  $\operatorname{Diff}_F M$  of all symmetries of  $F$  is a closed subgroup of  $\operatorname{Diff} M$ . Its formal Lie algebra  $\partial \operatorname{diff}_F M$  consists of all  $X \in \Gamma TM$  for which

$$DF(j)(djX)(h) = -F(j)(djX) \quad \forall j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \text{ and } \forall h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$$

which is equivalent to say that

$$D\varphi(j)(djX) = d\varphi(j)(X) \quad \forall j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n).$$

In fact  $DF(j)(djX)$  is represented by  $d\varphi(j)(X)$ .

In case  $F = d^*F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  and  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  admits an integral representation, then  $\operatorname{Diff}_F M = \operatorname{Diff} M$ .

Examples 1) Consider  $V: E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $V(j) = \int \mu(j)$  for each  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Hence

$$DV(j)(h) = \int \langle H(j) \cdot N(j), h \rangle \mu(j)$$

$$\forall j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n) \text{ and } \forall h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n).$$

Since  $N(j \circ a) = N(j) \circ a$  und  $H(j \circ a) = H(j) \circ a$  for any choice of  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $a \in \text{Diff}M$  we have

$$D(H(j) \cdot N(j))(djX) = dH(j)(X) \cdot N(j) + H(j) \cdot djW(j)X$$

showing hence that  $DV$  is  $\text{Diff}M$ -invariant. This however is obvious from the fact that  $V$  factors over the Fréchet manifold  $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)/\text{Diff}M$ . The one form  $DV$  of  $E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$  invariant and  $(DV)_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  is represented by  $dj$ . Hence  $T(dj, dj) = m(j)$ .  $DV(j)$  is stationary at  $j$  iff  $H(j) = 0$ .

2) Next consider  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  given by  $F_{\mathbb{R}^n}(dj)(dh) = \int djW(j) \cdot dh \mu(j)$  for all  $j \in E(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and all  $h \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(j) &= -\text{div}_j W(j) + (\text{tr } W(j)^2) \cdot N(j) \\ &= -dj \text{ grad}_j H(j) - (\lambda(j) \cdot N(j) - H(j)^2) \cdot N(j) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda(j)$  is the scalar curvature of  $m(j)$ . Then

$$F(j)(h) = - \int \langle dj \text{ grad}_j H(j) - (H(j)^2 - \lambda(j)) \cdot N(j), h \rangle \mu(j).$$

The tensor  $T(djW, dj)$  is identical with the second fundamental form of  $j$ . Clearly  $F$  is stationary at  $j$  iff  $H(j)^2 = \text{const} = \lambda(j)$ .

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