

- (1) Let T be a (2,1) tensor on a manifold M^n such that $T(X, Y) = -T(Y, X)$ for any $p \in M$ and any vectors $X, Y \in T_pM$. Prove that there exists a connection ∇ on M such that its torsion is equal by T .

- (2) Finish the proof of the theorem from class.

Let M^n be a manifold and ∇ be a connection on M . Let $\gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$ be a smooth curve in M and let \mathfrak{X}_γ be the space of smooth vector fields along γ

Then exists a unique operation $\frac{D}{dt}: \mathfrak{X}_\gamma \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}_\gamma$ satisfying the following conditions

(a) $\frac{D}{dt}(Y_1 + Y_2) = \frac{D}{dt}Y_1 + \frac{D}{dt}Y_2$

(b) $\frac{D}{dt}(fY) = f'(t)Y + f(t)\frac{D}{dt}Y$ for any $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$.

(c) If $Y = \tilde{Y} \circ \gamma$ for some vector field \tilde{Y} on M then $\frac{D}{dt}Y(t) = \nabla_{\gamma'(t)}\tilde{Y}(\gamma(t))$

- (3) Prove that parallel transport along a curve γ is independent of the parametrization of γ .

In other words, let $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ be a smooth curve in a manifold M . Let $p = \gamma(0), q = \gamma(1)$ and let $v \in T_pM$. Let $w \in T_qM$ be the result of parallel transport of v along γ .

Now let $\alpha: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be a diffeomorphism fixing the end points. Let $\tilde{\gamma} = \gamma \circ \alpha$. Let $\tilde{w} \in T_qM$ be the result of the parallel transport of v along $\tilde{\gamma}$.

prove that $w = \tilde{w}$.