## Differential Geometry II Lorentzian Geometry

Lecture Notes



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## **Recapitulation before the lecture on 05.05.:**

## Generalized warped product metrics.

$$M = B \times F$$

 $\check{g}$  semi-Riemannian metric on B, also  $\check{g} := (\pi^B)^* \check{g} \in \Gamma(T^*M \otimes T^*M)$ 

For any  $b \in B$  have a metric  $\hat{g}^b$ , semi-Riemannian metric on F, join together to  $\hat{q} \in \Gamma(T^*M \otimes T^*M)$ 

$$g_{\text{gwp}} = \check{g} + \hat{g}$$
$$g_{(b,f)}^{\text{gwp}} ((X_1, Y_1), (X, Y_2)) \coloneqq \check{g}_b(X_1, X_2) + \hat{g}_f^b(Y_1, Y_2).$$

Goal.

Firf  $T_{p}F^{b}$   $b \mapsto \hat{g}_{f}^{b}: T_{f}F \times T_{f}F \to \mathbb{R}$ B \_ Silin, (TEFITEF) B \_ F (TEFOTEF) Determine the curvature of  $(M, g_{gwp})$ 

**Proposition 2.5.2.** Let  $g_{gwp}$  a generalized warped product metric on  $M = B \times F$  as above.

(a) For each  $b \in B$  the second fundamental form of  $F^b := \{b\} \times F$ in  $(M, g_{gwp})$  satisfies for all  $U, V \in \mathscr{X}(F^b)$  and all  $X \in T_bB \subset$  $T_{(b,f)}M$ 

$$g_{gwp}(\vec{\Pi}^{F^b}(U,V),X) = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_X \hat{g})(U,V)$$

(b) For each  $f \in F$  the second fundamental form of  $B^f := B \times \{f\}$  in  $(M, g_w)$  vanishes.







$$\frac{2.5 \text{ Warped products}}{T^{r_1 s} M} = \underline{T^{M \otimes -\mathfrak{S}}}_{r=t_0} \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_{r=t_0} \overline{\mathfrak{S}}_{$$

**Remark 2.5.3.** Before we prove the proposition, let us explain how to pullback tensors  $\Gamma(\mathbf{T}^{r,s}B)$  to tensors in  $\Gamma(\mathbf{T}^{r,s}M)$ . For r = 0 this is just the standard pullback of (0, s)-tensors aling  $\pi^B$ , i. e., for  $\alpha \in \Gamma(\mathbf{T}^{0,s}B)$  we defined

$$(\pi^B)^* \alpha(X_1,\ldots,X_s) \coloneqq \alpha(\mathrm{d}\pi^B(X_1),\ldots,\mathrm{d}\pi^B(X_s)).$$

The tangent space of M in  $x = (b, f) \in M$  can be identified as follows

$$\mathrm{T}_{(b,f)}(B\times F)=\mathrm{T}_bB\oplus\mathrm{T}_fF.$$

For a vector field  $X \in \mathscr{X}(B)$  we define  $(\pi^B)^* X \in \mathscr{X}(B \times F)$  by

$$\left(\pi^B\right)^* X|_{(b,f)} \coloneqq \left(X|_b, 0\right).$$

By additionally requiring linearity and compatibility with tensoring

$$(\pi^B)^* (\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2) = ((\pi^B)^* \tau_1) \otimes ((\pi^B)^* \tau_2)$$

we obtain

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$$(\pi^B)^* \colon \Gamma(\mathrm{T}^{\bullet,\bullet}B) \to \Gamma(\mathrm{T}^{\bullet,\bullet}M).$$

Similarly we obtain

$$\left(\pi^{F}\right)^{*} \colon \Gamma(\mathbf{T}^{\bullet,\bullet}F) \to \Gamma(\mathbf{T}^{\bullet,\bullet}M).$$

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$$g_{\rm gwp}\big(\vec{\Pi}^{F^b}(\vec{U},\vec{V}),X\big) = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_X \hat{g})(\vec{U},\vec{V})$$

(b) For each  $f \in F$  the second fundamental form of  $B^{f} := B \times \{f\}$  in  $(M, g_{w})$  vanishes.  $f \sim (f)$  $F = \widehat{=} F^{b}$ 

## Proof of Proposition 2.5.2:

"(a)": If we view  $U, V \in \mathscr{X}(F^b)$  as vector fields on F, then  $\tilde{U} := (\pi^F)^* U, \tilde{V} := (\pi^F)^* V \in \mathscr{X}(M)$  are extensions of U, V. In other words  $\tilde{U}$  is the extension with  $\tilde{U}|_{(\tilde{b},f)} = U|_{(b,f)}$  for all  $(\tilde{b},f) \in M.$ 

Let us extend X to  $X \in \mathscr{X}(B)$ , and set  $\tilde{X} := (\pi^{F})^{*}X \in \mathscr{X}(M)$ . Then  $[\tilde{X}, \tilde{U}] = 0$  and  $[\tilde{X}, \tilde{V}] = 0$ . Let  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection for  $g_{gwp}$  We calculate

$$g_{gwp}(\vec{\Pi}^{F^{b}}(U,V),X) = g_{gwp}(\nabla_{\tilde{U}}\tilde{V},\tilde{X})$$
$$= \partial_{\tilde{U}} \underbrace{g_{gwp}(\tilde{V},\tilde{X})}_{=0} - g_{gwp}(\tilde{V},\nabla_{\tilde{U}}\tilde{X})$$
$$= 0 - g_{gwp}(\tilde{V},\nabla_{\tilde{X}}\tilde{U}),$$

where we used  $0 = [\tilde{X}, \tilde{V}] = \nabla_{\tilde{X}} \tilde{U} - \nabla_{\tilde{U}} \tilde{X}$ .

Because of  $\vec{\Pi}^{F^b}(U, V) = \vec{\Pi}^{F^b}(V, U)$  we get

$$2g_{gwp}(\tilde{II}^{F^{b}}(U,V),X) = -g_{gwp}(\tilde{V},\nabla_{\tilde{X}}\tilde{U}) - g_{gwp}(\tilde{U},\nabla_{\tilde{X}}\tilde{V})$$

$$= -\partial_{\tilde{X}}(g_{gwp}(\tilde{V},\tilde{U})) = -(\partial_{\tilde{X}}\hat{g})(U,V)$$

$$\widehat{\bigvee} \text{ is constat in } \mathcal{B} \Longrightarrow [\widehat{X}_{i}V] = \mathcal{O} = \mathcal{L}_{\widetilde{X}}V$$

$$Page 78 \qquad \partial_{\widetilde{X}}(\mathcal{D}^{mp}(V_{i}U)) = \mathcal{L}_{\widetilde{X}}(\mathcal{D}^{mp}) \text{ Lorentzian Geometry}$$

 $\begin{aligned} \partial_{\mathcal{X}} \left( \hat{g} \left( \hat{u}, \hat{v} \right) \right) &= \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{X}} \left( \hat{g} \left( \hat{u}, \hat{v} \right) \right) \\ &= \left( \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{X}} \hat{g} \right) \left( \hat{u}, \hat{v} \right) + \hat{g} \left( \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{X}} \hat{u}, \hat{v} \right) \\ &+ \hat{g} \left( \hat{u}, \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{X}} \hat{v} \right) \\ &= \left( \partial_{\mathcal{X}} \hat{g} \right) \left( \hat{u}, \hat{v} \right) \end{aligned}$ 

"(b)": This proof can be carried out similarly for  $X, Y \in \mathscr{X}(B^f)$  and  $U \in T_f F$ . One gets

$$2g_{gwp}(\vec{\Pi}^{B^{f}}(X,Y),U) = -(\partial_{\tilde{U}}\check{g})(X,Y),$$

and  $(\partial_{\tilde{U}}\check{g}) = 0$  as  $\check{g}$  does not depend on f.

**Remark 2.5.4.** The above proposition says, roughly speaking, that the  $-2\vec{\Pi}$  is the derivative of the semi-Riemannian metric on the submanifold  $F^b$  in normal directions. In fact one can show the following variation formula for the metric.

Let M be a semi-Riemannian submanifold M of a semi-Riemannian manifold  $(\overline{M}, \overline{g})$  with vector-valued second fundamental form  $\vec{\Pi}$ . Let  $f_t: \overline{M} \to \overline{M}$  be a family of diffeomorphisms, smoothly depending on  $t \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ , and  $f_0 = id$ . We define the variation vector field  $\mathcal{V}|_{p} \coloneqq \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}|_{t=0} f_{t}(p) \text{ for } p \in M.$  We assume further that  $\mathcal{V} \in \Gamma(\mathrm{N}M)$ . Then  $g\left(\mathcal{V},\vec{\Pi}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\Big|_{t=0} \left( \left(f_t^* g\right)_{\mathrm{T}M \times \mathrm{T}M} \right).$ 

This specializes to the proposition by considering  $\overline{M} = B \times F$ ,  $M = \{b\} \times F$ ,  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}$  This result can be proved by slight extending arguments in the proof of the variational formula for the area.

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**Definition 2.5.5.** A vector field  $X \in \mathscr{X}(B \times F)$  is called vertical, if for any  $x = (b, f) \in M$  we have  $X|_{r} \in \{0\} \times T_{f}F$ . A vector field  $X \in \mathscr{X}(B \times F)$  is called horizontal, if for any  $x = (b, f) \in M$  we have  $X|_{x} \in T_{b}B \times \{0\}$ . Thus any  $X \in \mathscr{X}(B \times F)$  can be written uniquely as  $X = X_{hor} + X_{ver}$ , where  $X_{hor}$  is horizontal, called the horizontal part of X, and where  $X_{ver}$  is vertical, called the vertical part of X. and the lodarri formula

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**Corollary 2.5.6.** With the above notation we have for horizontal vector fields  $X, Y, Z \in \mathscr{X}(M)$ 

$$R(X,Y)Z = \check{R}(X,Y)Z.$$

$$\int (I_{1} \otimes_{g \neq p}) \int (B_{1} \otimes_{g \neq p}) = (B_{1} \otimes_{g \neq p}) \qquad B \stackrel{f}{=} \mathcal{E}f\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}\mathcal{B}$$

**Definition 2.5.7.** A warped product metric on  $M = B \times F$  is a generalized warped product metric  $g_w = \check{g} + \hat{g}$  with the notation as above, such that there is a semi-Riemannian metric  $q^F$  on F and a smooth positive function  $w \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(B, \mathbb{R}_{>0})$  such that  $\hat{g}^b = w^2 g^F$ . We thus have

$$g_w = \check{g} + \underbrace{w^2 g^F}_{\wedge}.$$

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In this special case we obtain

$$g_{w}(\vec{\Pi}^{F^{b}}(U,V),X) = -(\partial_{X}w)w \, g^{F}(U,V) = -(\partial_{X}\log w) \, \hat{g}(U,V),$$
  
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or equivalently

$$\vec{\Pi}^{F^b}(U,V) = -\hat{g}(U,V) (\underbrace{\operatorname{grad}\log w}_{\bullet}). \qquad \stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow} \quad \frac{1}{W} \operatorname{grad} w$$

Note that for a function  $f \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(B)$  the  $g_w$ -gradient of  $f \circ \pi^B$  coincides with the pullback of the  $\check{g}$ -gradient  $\operatorname{grad} f \in \mathscr{X}(B) \subset \mathscr{X}(M)$ . Hence we may also write grad instead of grad.

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$$\left( R(X,Y|Z,\tilde{X}) = \langle \tilde{R}(X|Y|Z,\tilde{X}) + \langle \tilde{I}(X^{2}), \tilde{I}(X,\tilde{X}) \rangle \right)$$

$$\tilde{X} horiz. - \langle \tilde{I}(Y,Z), \tilde{I}(X,\tilde{X}) \rangle$$

$$B^{e}c M = B_{x}F$$

$$= \int W \int R(X|Y|Z) = \tilde{R}(X|Y)Z$$

$$horizontal$$

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$$\langle R(X|Y)Z_{1}V \rangle = \pm \left( (\nabla_{X}\tilde{I})(Y,Z) - (\nabla_{X}\tilde{I})(X,Z) \right) \right)$$

$$= \int W \int R(X|Y)Z_{1}V \rangle = \pm \left( (\nabla_{X}\tilde{I})(Y,Z) - (\nabla_{X}\tilde{I})(X,Z) \right)$$

$$= \int W \int R(X|Y)Z_{1} = 0$$

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**Example 2.5.8** ((Hyper-)surfaces of revolution). We assume that we have a smooth function  $f:(a,b) \to \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . We consider the curve c(t) := (t, f(t)) and the submanifold

$$M_{\rm rot} \coloneqq \{ (t, x)^{\mathsf{T}} \in (a, b) \times \mathbb{R}^n \mid f(t) = \|x\| \} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}.$$

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Example 2.5.9 (Robertson-Walker spacetimes).

A Robertson-Walker spacetime is a manifold  $M = (a, b) \times F$  with the Lorentzian metric  $-dt \otimes dt + w(t)^2 \hat{g}$  where  $(F, \hat{g})$  is Riemannian manifold of constant sectional curvature.

**Example 2.5.10** (Rotationally symmetric Riemannian metrics). Let g be a Riemannian metric on  $\mathbb{R}^n \\ B_R(0)$  which is invariant under the action of O(n) on  $\mathbb{R}^n \\ B_R(0)$ . We define for  $r \ge R$  let  $\ell(r)$  be the length of the straight line from  $(R, 0, \ldots)^{\top}$  to  $(r, 0, \ldots)^{\top}$ , and let  $\ell_{\infty} := \lim_{r\to\infty} \ell(r)$ . Then we define

$$\varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \setminus B_R(0) \to S^{n-1} \times (0, \ell_{\infty}), \quad x \mapsto \left(\frac{x}{\|x\|}, \ell(\|x\|)\right)$$

Then  $(\varphi^{-1})^* g$  is a Riemannian warped product metric on  $S^{n-1} \times (0, \ell_{\infty})$  given by

 $\mathrm{d}t\otimes\mathrm{d}t+w(t)^2g^{S^{n-1}}$ 

where  $g^{S^{n-1}}$  is the standard metric on  $S^{n-1}$ .

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**Exercise 2.5.11.** With the above notation calculate for vertical vector fields  $U, V, W \in \mathscr{X}(M)$ 

$$R(U,V)W = \hat{R}(U,V)W - \frac{\check{g}(\mathrm{grad}w,\mathrm{grad}w)}{w^2} \left(\hat{g}(V,W)U - \hat{g}(U,W)V\right).$$

Hints: you have to consider both the horizontal and the vertical part of this equation. Consider the subsection on homotheties.

W: B 
$$\rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$$
 Warping function  
Lemma 2.5.12. For  $X \in \mathscr{X}(B)$  and  $V \in \mathscr{X}(F)$  we have  $\nabla_X V =$   
 $\nabla_V X = (\partial_X \log w) V.$ 

$$3^{f} = B_{t} \{ p \} C M = B_{t} F$$

**Proof:** As X acts on functions by derivation in the *B*-direction, and V acts by derivation in the F direction, Schwarz's theorem implies [X, V] = 0 in the sense of commutator of vector fields on M. This implies  $\nabla_V X = \nabla_X V$ . For any horizontal vector field Y we calculate

$$g_w(\nabla_X V, Y) = \partial_X \underbrace{g_w(V, Y)}_{= -g_w(V, \nabla_X Y)} - g_w(V, \nabla_X Y) = -g_w(V, \overrightarrow{\Pi^B(X, Y)}) = 0,$$

thus  $\nabla_X V$  is vertical. For any vertical vector field U we calculate

$$g_{w}(\nabla_{V}X,U) = \partial_{V} \widetilde{g_{w}(X,U)} - g_{w}(X,\nabla_{V}U) = -g_{w}(X,\vec{\Pi}^{F}(V,U))$$
$$= (\partial_{X} \log w) g_{w}(V,U),$$

and this implies the statement.

For the following theorem note, that similar to the gradient, the pullback of the Hessian of a function  $f \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(B)$  to W coincides with the Hessian of  $f \circ \pi^B$ . Thus we have  $\check{\nabla}^2 f = \nabla^2 f$ .

**Theorem 2.5.13** (Riemann curvature tensor for warped products). Let  $g_w$  be a warped product on  $B \times F$  with the notation from above. Let X, Y, Z be horizontal and let U, V, W be vertical vector fields on M. Then

$$R(X,Y)Z = \check{R}(X,Y)Z$$
(2.5.1)

$$R(X,U)Y = \frac{(\nabla^2 w)(X,Y)}{w}U$$
  
=  $\left((\nabla^2 \log w)(X,Y) + (\partial_X \log w)(\partial_Y \log w)\right)U$  (2.5.2)

$$R(U,V)X = 0 (2.5.3)$$

$$R(X,Y)U = 0$$
 (2.5.4)

$$R(X,U)V = -\frac{g_w(U,V)}{w} \nabla_X(\operatorname{grad} w)$$
(2.5.5)

$$R(U,V)W = \hat{R}(U,V)W$$
$$-\frac{g(\operatorname{grad} w,\operatorname{grad} w)}{w^2} \left(\hat{g}(V,W)U - \hat{g}(U,W)V\right). \quad (2.5.6)$$

**Proof:** At several places we will use  $\partial_X \log w = \frac{\partial_X w}{w}$ . "(2.5.1)": See Corollary 2.5.6.

"(2.5.2)": We give two formulas, as both are helpful in applications. The additional transformations are given in blue.

$$\nabla_X \nabla_U Y \stackrel{\text{Lem. 2.5.12}}{=} \nabla_X \left( (\partial_Y \log w) U \right)$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_X \partial_Y \log w + (\partial_Y \log w) (\partial_X \log w) \end{pmatrix} U$$
$$= \frac{\partial_X \partial_Y w}{w} U$$

As we know that  $\vec{\Pi}^{B^f} = 0$  for all  $f \in F$ , we know that  $\nabla_X Y = \check{\nabla}_X Y$ .

$$\nabla_U \nabla_X Y = \nabla_U \check{\nabla}_X Y = \left( \partial_{\check{\nabla}_X Y} \log w \right) U$$
$$= \frac{\partial_{\check{\nabla}_X Y} w}{w} U.$$

 $R(X, U|Y) = (V_{X}, V_{Y}) - (V_{X}, V_{Y}) - (V_{X}, V_{Y})$  $V_{r}V = (V_{r}(\log w)) \int V$ ll VX  $\frac{\partial_{x}}{\partial_{y}} \frac{\partial_{y}}{\partial_{y}} \frac{\partial_{y}}{\partial_{y}} = \frac{\partial_{y}}{\partial_{y}} \frac{\partial_{y}}{$ 

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Because of [X, U] = 0 this provides the requested formulae. "(2.5.3)": We get

$$\nabla_U \nabla_V X \stackrel{\text{Lem. 2.5.12}}{=} \nabla_U \left( (\partial_X \log w) V \right)$$
$$= \underbrace{(\partial_U \partial_X \log w)}_{=0} V + (\partial_X \log w) \nabla_U V$$

and thus using again Lemma 2.5.12 for  $\nabla_{[U,V]}X$ 

$$R(U,V)X = (\partial_X \log w) (\nabla_U V - \nabla_V U - [U,V]) = 0.$$

"(2.5.4)": R(X, Y)U is horizontal because of

$$g(R(X,Y)U,V) = g(R(U,V)X,Y) \stackrel{(2.5.3)}{=} 0.$$

On the other hand

$$g(R(X,Y)U,Z) = -g(R(X,Y)Z,U) \stackrel{(2.5.1)}{=} 0.$$

"(2.5.5)": R(X, U)V is horizontal because of

$$g(R(X,U)V,W) = g(R(V,W)X,U) \stackrel{(2.5.3)}{=} 0.$$

For the horizontal part we calculate

$$g(R(X,U)V,Y) = -g(R(X,U)Y,V)$$

$$\stackrel{(2.5.2)}{=} -g\left(\frac{(\nabla^2 w)(X,Y)}{w}U,V\right)$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} -\frac{g_w(U,V)}{w}g(\nabla_X(\operatorname{grad} w),Y),$$

where we used at the transformation (\*) the remark after Defini-