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ON CERTAIN LOCALLY FLAT HOMOGENEOUS MANIFOLDS OF SOLVABLE LIE GROUPS

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Introduction

Let M be a connected differentiable manifold with a locally flat linear connection D (A linear connection is locally flat, if its torsion and curvature tensors vanish identically). Then, for each point $p \in M$, there exists a local coordinate system $\{x^1, \dots, x^n\}$ in a neighbourhood of p such that $D \underbrace{\mathfrak{d}}_{\mathfrak{d} x^i} \underbrace{\mathfrak{d}}_{\mathfrak{d} x^j} = 0$, which we call an *affine local coordinate system*. A Riemannian metric g on Mis said to be *locally Hessian* with respect to D, if for, each point $p \in M$, there exists a real-valued function ϕ of class C^{∞} on a neighbourhood of p such that

$$g=D^2\phi$$
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that is,

$$g = \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} dx^i dx^j$$

where $\{x^1, \dots, x^n\}$ is an affine local coordinate system around p. If this condition is verified with a function ϕ defined over M, the metric g is called a *Hessian metric* on M. A locally flat manifold with a (locally) Hessian metric is called a (locally) Hessian manifold.

The following proposition is essentially due to S. Murakami and will be proved in §1.

Proposition. Let M be a connected differentiable manifold with a locally flat linear connection D and a Riemannian metric g. Let γ be the cotangent bundle-valued 1-form on M defined by

$$(\gamma(X))(Y) = g(X, Y)$$

for vector fields X, Y on M. The cotangent bundle being locally flat, we may consider the exterior differentiation \underline{d} for cotangent bundle-valued forms on M. Then the following conditions (1)~(4) are equivalent:

(1) g is locally Hessian with respect to D.