

55. Some Intrinsic Derivations in a Generalized Space.

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In their very interesting papers H. V. Craig¹⁾ and J. L. Synge²⁾ defined a Kawaguchi space and stated many intrinsic vectors and derivatives in this space. I shall introduce in this paper some another intrinsic derivations in the same space, which do not take place in the space of order one.

1. In a Kawaguchi space of order m and of dimensions n the length of a curve $x^i = x^i(t)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) is defined to be the invariant

$$s = \int_{t_0}^t F(t, x^{(0)i}, \dots, x^{(m)i}) dt,$$

where

$$x^{(a)i} = \frac{d^a x^i}{dt^a}, \quad x^{(0)i} = x^i.$$

We shall adopt the notations

$$(1) \quad F_{(\beta)i} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x^{(\beta)i}}, \quad F_{(\beta)i}^{:(a)} = \frac{d^a}{dt^a} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x^{(\beta)i}},$$

then it was proved by Synge²⁾ that

$$(2) \quad \overset{a}{E}_i = \sum_{\beta=0}^m (-1)^{\beta} \binom{\beta}{a} F_{(\beta)i}^{:(\beta-a)} \quad (a = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m)$$

are the components of a covariant vector, which we shall call the Synge vector of a -th kind. The Synge vector of zeroth kind is the Euler vector.

2. Let T_i be any covariant vector³⁾ of order p , i.e. depended upon $t, x^{(0)i}, \dots, x^{(p)i}$ and X^i a contravariant vector of any order, then we have the following covariant derivation along a curve for the vector X^i referred to the vector T_i .

Theorem. *The n quantities*

$$(I) \quad \overset{p-\rho}{D}_{ij}(T)X^j = \sum_{\alpha=\rho}^p \binom{\alpha}{\rho} T_{i(\alpha)j} X^{j(\alpha-\rho)} \quad (\rho = 1, 2, \dots, p)$$

are the components of a covariant vector.

Proof. A point transformation $y^i = y^i(x^j)$ gives rise to the relations

$$(3) \quad \frac{\partial y^{(\alpha)i}}{\partial x^{(\beta)j}} = \binom{\alpha}{\beta} P_j^{i(\alpha-\beta)},$$

where

$$P_j^i = \frac{\partial y^i}{\partial x^j}, \quad Q_j^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^j}.$$

1) H. V. Craig: On a generalized tangent vector, American Journal of Mathematics, **57** (1935), 456-462.

2) J. L. Synge: Some intrinsic and derived vectors in a Kawaguchi space, *ibid.*, 679-691.

3) We can prove the analogous result, taking a contravariant vector T^i instead of the covariant vector T_i .

From (3) it follows

$$\bar{T}_{i(\alpha)j} = Q_i^k \sum_{\beta=\alpha}^p T_{k(\beta)l} \frac{\partial x^{(\beta)l}}{\partial y^{(\alpha)j}} = Q_i^k \sum_{\beta=\alpha}^p T_{k(\beta)l} \binom{\beta}{\alpha} Q_j^{l(\beta-\alpha)} \quad (\alpha > 0).$$

\bar{T}_i denotes the transformed T_i and $\bar{T}_{i(\beta)j} = \partial \bar{T}_i / \partial y^{(\beta)j}$. In another hand we have

$$\bar{X}^{j(a-\rho)} = (P_k^i X^k)^{(a-\rho)} = \sum_{\tau=0}^{a-\rho} \binom{a-\rho}{\tau} P_k^i{}^{(a-\rho-\tau)} X^{k(\tau)},$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{D}_{ij}^{\rho}(\bar{T})\bar{X}^j &= Q_i^k \sum_{\alpha=\rho}^p \sum_{\beta=\alpha}^p \sum_{\tau=0}^{\alpha-\rho} \binom{\alpha}{\beta} \binom{\alpha-\rho}{\tau} Q_j^{l(\beta-\alpha)} P_k^i{}^{(\alpha-\rho-\tau)} T_{k(\beta)l} X^{h(\tau)} \\ &= Q_i^k \sum_{\beta=\rho}^p \sum_{\tau=0}^{\beta-\rho} \sum_{\alpha=\rho+\tau}^{\beta} \binom{\beta}{\tau} \binom{\beta-\rho}{\alpha-\rho-\tau} Q_j^{l(\beta-\alpha)} P_k^i{}^{(\alpha-\rho-\tau)} T_{k(\beta)l} X^{h(\tau)} \\ &= Q_i^k \sum_{\beta=\rho}^p \sum_{\tau=0}^{\beta-\rho} \binom{\beta}{\tau} \binom{\beta-\rho}{\tau} T_{k(\beta)l} X^{h(\tau)} \sum_{\delta=0}^{\beta-\rho-\tau} \binom{\beta-\rho-\tau}{\delta} Q_j^{l(\delta)} P_k^i{}^{(\beta-\rho-\tau-\delta)} \\ &= Q_i^k \sum_{\beta=\rho}^p \binom{\beta}{\beta} T_{k(\beta)h} X^{h(\beta-\rho)} \\ &= Q_i^k \bar{D}_{kj}^{\rho}(T)X^j, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$0 = \frac{d^{\tau}}{dt^{\tau}} (Q_j^i P_k^j) = \sum_{\delta=0}^{\tau} \binom{\tau}{\delta} Q_j^{i(\delta)} P_k^j{}^{(\tau-\delta)} \quad \text{for } \tau \geq 1.$$

Thus the theorem is proved.

For $\rho=p$ (I) gives us

$$\bar{D}_{ij}^0(T)X^j = T_{i(p)j}X^j,$$

whose covariant property is evident, and for $\rho=p-1$

$$\bar{D}_{ij}^1(T)X^j = pT_{i(p)j} \frac{dX^j}{dt} + T_{i(p-1)j}X^j,$$

which may be of interest.

3. Employing any one Synge vector, for example, of α -th kind, whose order is $2m-\alpha$, as the vector T_i , we have the intrinsic derivation along a curve for the vector X^i :

$$(II) \quad \bar{D}_{ij}^{2m-\alpha-\rho}(\bar{E})^j = \sum_{\beta=\rho}^{2m-\alpha} \binom{\beta}{\rho} \bar{E}_{i(\beta)j} X^{j(\beta-\rho)}.$$

Thus we have some new vectors from a vector by these derivations and in general there are no algebraic relations among them. If one needs the contravariant derived vectors, the tensor

$$g_{ik} = FF_{(m)i(m)k} + \bar{E}_i^1 \bar{E}_k^1,$$

whose determinant does not vanish identically in general although $\int F dt$ would be invariant under transformation of t ,¹⁾ enables us to get those ones, in fact

$$g^{ik} \bar{D}_{ij}^{2m-\alpha-\rho}(\bar{E})X^j \quad \text{or} \quad \bar{D}_{ij}^{2m-1-\rho}(\bar{E}^*)X^j$$

1) See H. V. Craig: loc. cit., p. 461. He put $g_{ik} = F_{(m)i(m)k} + \bar{E}_i^1 \bar{E}_k^1$.

are the components of the contravariant derived vectors, where

$$g^{ik}g_{kl} = \delta_l^i \quad \text{and} \quad \overset{a}{E}^{*i} = g^{ik}\overset{a}{E}_k.$$

4. As $\overset{1}{E}_j X^j$ is an invariant,

$$(III) \quad \overset{2m-a-\rho}{\Delta}_{ij} X^j = \overset{1}{E}_i (\overset{1}{E}_j X^j)^{(2m-a-\rho)}$$

are the components of a vector. Since the coefficients of the highest derivatives $X^{j(2m-a-\rho)}$ in the vector $(F \overset{2m-a-\rho}{D}_{ij}(\overset{a}{E}) + \overset{2m-a-\rho}{\Delta}_{ij})X^j$ are nothing but g_{ij} , we have

$$(IV) \quad \overset{2m-a-\rho}{\delta}(\overset{a}{E})X^k = g^{ki}(F \overset{2m-a-\rho}{D}_{ij}(\overset{a}{E}) + \overset{2m-a-\rho}{\Delta}_{ij})X^j \\ = X^{k(2m-a-\rho)} + \overset{2m-a-\rho}{\Gamma}_k(X),$$

where $\overset{2m-a-\rho}{\Gamma}_k(X)$ do not contain the highest derivatives $X^{j(2m-a-\rho)}$ and are linear with regard to X^j and their another derivatives. Especially for $2m-a-\rho=1$ the last equations reduce to

$$(V) \quad \overset{1}{\delta}(\overset{a}{E})X^k = \frac{dX^k}{dt} + \overset{1}{\Gamma}_j^k(\overset{a}{E})X^j,$$

where $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_j^k(\overset{a}{E})$ are independent of X^j and have the form

$$\overset{1}{\Gamma}_j^k(\overset{a}{E}) = g^{ki}(F \overset{a}{E}_{i(2m-a-1)j} + \overset{1}{E}_i \overset{1}{E}_j^{(1)}) \\ = (-1)^m \binom{m}{a} F g^{ki} \{ F_{(m)i(m-1)j} + (m-a)F_{(m)i(m)j}^{(1)} \} + x^{(1)k} \overset{1}{E}_j^{(1)},$$

whose order is at most $2m$.

On account of (V) we can define a parallelism along a curve, i.e. two consecutive vectors X^i and $X^i + dX^i$ are parallel, if the equations

$$\frac{dX^k}{dt} + \overset{1}{\Gamma}_j^k(\overset{a}{E})X^j = 0$$

hold good.

5. In conclusion we shall apply the covariant derivations (I) to a geometry of generalized path

$$\phi^i \equiv x^{i(p)} + \phi^i(t, x^{(0)j}, \dots, x^{(p-1)j}) = 0.$$

As the left-hand side ϕ^i of this equation has vector property, we may take it as the contravariant vector T^i , then we have from (I)

$$\overset{p-\rho}{D}_{ij}(\phi)X^j = \binom{p}{\rho} X^{i(p-\rho)} + \sum_{a=\rho}^{p-1} \binom{a}{\rho} \phi^i_{(a)j} X^{j(a-\rho)}$$

or dividing with a constant $\binom{p}{\rho}$

$$(VI) \quad \overset{p-\rho}{\Delta}_{ij}(\phi)X^j = X^{i(p-\rho)} + \binom{p}{\rho}^{-1} \sum_{a=\rho}^{p-1} \binom{a}{\rho} \phi^i_{(a)j} X^{j(a-\rho)}.$$

Specially for $\rho=p-1$ (VI) becomes

$$\overset{1}{\Delta}_{ij}(\phi)X^j = \frac{dX^i}{dt} + \frac{1}{p} \phi^i_{(p-1)j} X^j,$$

which was mentioned by D. D. Kosambi¹⁾ already.

1) D. D. Kosambi: An affine calculus of variations, Proc. of the Indian Academy of Sciences, 2 (1935), 333-335.