

**SOME OBSERVATIONS ON A CLASS OF D-LINEAR CONNECTIONS ON THE TANGENT BUNDLE**

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ABSTRACT. The present paper deals with some problems on the conformal structure on  $TM$ . The concepts of conformal structure and d-linear connection compatible with the conformal structure, corresponding to two 1-forms are introduced in the tangent bundle. The problem of determining the set of all d-linear connections compatible with the conformal structure, corresponding to two 1-forms is solved for an arbitrary nonlinear connection. Some important particular cases are considered.

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## 1. PRELIMINARIES

The geometry of the tangent bundle  $(TM, \pi, M)$  has been studied by M. Matsumoto in [4], by R. Miron and M. Anastasiei in [5], [6], by R. Miron and M. Hashiguchi in [7], by V. Oproiu in [8], by Gh. Atanasiu and I. Ghinea in [1], by R. Bowman in [2], by K. Yano and S. Ishihara in [10], etc. Concerning the terminology and notations, we use those from [6].

Let  $M$  be a real  $n$ -dimensional  $C^\infty$ -differentiable manifold and  $(TM, \pi, M)$  its tangent bundle.

If  $(x^i)$  is a local coordinates system on a domain  $U$  of a chart on  $M$ , the induced system of coordinates on  $\pi^{-1}(U)$  is  $(x^i, y^i)$ ,  $(i = 1, \dots, n)$ .

Let  $N$  be a nonlinear connection on  $TM$ , with the coefficients  $N^i_j(x, y)$ ,  $(i, j = 1, \dots, n)$ .

2. THE NOTION OF d- LINEAR CONNECTION COMPATIBLE WITH A CONFORMAL STRUCTURE

We consider on  $TM$  a metrical (almost symplectic) structure  $G$  defined by:

$$G(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}g_{ij}(x, y)dx^i \wedge dx^j + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{g}_{ij}(x, y)\delta y^i \wedge \delta y^j, \quad (1)$$

where  $(dx^i, \delta y^i), (i = 1, \dots, n)$  is the dual basis of  $(\frac{\delta}{\delta x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i})$ , and  $(g_{ij}(x, y), \tilde{g}_{ij}(x, y))$  is a pair of given d-tensor fields on  $TM$ , of the type (0,2), each of them nondegenerate and symmetric (alternate), in the last case it is necessary that  $n=2n'$ .

We associate to the lift  $G$  the Obata's operators:

$$\begin{cases} \Omega_{sj}^{ir} = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_s^i \delta_j^r - g_{sj} g^{ir}), & \Omega_{sj}^{*ir} = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_s^i \delta_j^r + g_{sj} g^{ir}), \\ \tilde{\Omega}_{sj}^{ir} = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_s^i \delta_j^r - \tilde{g}_{sj} \tilde{g}^{ir}), & \tilde{\Omega}_{sj}^{*ir} = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_s^i \delta_j^r + \tilde{g}_{sj} \tilde{g}^{ir}). \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Obata's operators have the same properties as the ones associated with a Finsler space [7].

Let  $\mathcal{S}_2(TM)$  be the set of all symmetric d-tensor fields, of the type (0,2) on  $TM$  ( $\mathcal{A}_2(TM)$  be the set of all alternate d-tensor fields, of the type (0,2) on  $TM$ ). As is easily shown, the relations on  $\mathcal{S}_2(TM)$  ( $\mathcal{A}_2(TM)$ ) defined by (3):

$$\begin{cases} (a_{ij} \sim b_{ij}) \Leftrightarrow ((\exists) \lambda(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}(TM), a_{ij}(x, y) = e^{2\lambda(x,y)} b_{ij}(x, y)), \\ (\tilde{a}_{ij} \sim \tilde{b}_{ij}) \Leftrightarrow ((\exists) \mu(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}(TM), \tilde{a}_{ij}(x, y) = e^{2\mu(x,y)} \tilde{b}_{ij}(x, y)), \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

is an equivalence relation on  $\mathcal{S}_2(TM)$  ( $\mathcal{A}_2(TM)$ ).

**THEOREM 1.** *The equivalent class:  $\hat{G}$  of  $\mathcal{S}_2(TM)/\sim$  ( $\mathcal{A}_2(TM)/\sim$ ) to which the metrical (almost symplectic) tensor field  $G$  belongs, is called conformal structure on  $TM$ .*

Thus:

$$\hat{G} = \{G' | G'_{ij}(x, y) = e^{2\lambda(x,y)} g_{ij}(x, y) \text{ and } \tilde{G}'_{ij}(x, y) = e^{2\mu(x,y)} \tilde{g}_{ij}(x, y)\}. \quad (4)$$

**DEFINITION 1.** *A d-linear connection,  $D$ , on  $TM$ , with local coefficients  $D\Gamma(N) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$ , for which there exists the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  on*

$TM$ :

$\omega = \omega_i dx^i + \dot{\omega}_i \delta y^i$ ,  $\tilde{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_i dx^i + \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_i \delta y^i$  such that:

$$\begin{cases} g_{ij|k} = 2\omega_k g_{ij}, & g_{ij|k} = 2\dot{\omega}_k g_{ij}, \\ \tilde{g}_{ij|k} = 2\tilde{\omega}_k \tilde{g}_{ij}, & \tilde{g}_{ij|k} = 2\dot{\tilde{\omega}}_k \tilde{g}_{ij}, \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

where  $|$  and  $\dot{|}$  denote the h- and v-covariant derivatives with respect to  $D$ , is said to be compatible with the conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega, \tilde{\omega}$  and is denoted by:  $D\Gamma(N, \omega, \tilde{\omega})$ .

### 3. THE SET OF ALL D- LINEAR CONNECTIONS COMPATIBLE WITH THE CONFORMAL STRUCTURE $\hat{G}$ , CORRESPONDING TO TWO 1-FORMS

Let  $\overset{0}{N}$  and  $N$  be two nonlinear connections on  $TM$ , with the coefficients  $(\overset{0}{N}_{(1)j}^i, \overset{0}{N}_{(2)j}^i)$  and  $(N_{(1)j}^i, N_{(2)j}^i)$  respectively.

Let  $\overset{0}{D}\Gamma(\overset{0}{N}) = (L_{jk}^{\overset{0}{i}}, \tilde{L}_{jk}^{\overset{0}{i}}, \tilde{C}_{jk}^{\overset{0}{i}}, C_{jk}^{\overset{0}{i}})$  be the local coefficients of a fixed d-linear connection  $\overset{0}{D}$  on  $TM$ . Then any d-linear connection,  $D$ , on  $TM$ , with local coefficients:  $D\Gamma(N) = (L_{jk}^i, \tilde{L}_{jk}^i, \tilde{C}_{jk}^i, C_{jk}^i)$ , can be expressed in the form:

$$\begin{cases} N_j^i = \overset{0}{N}_j^i - A_j^i, \\ L_{jk}^i = \overset{0}{L}_{jk}^i + A_k^l \tilde{C}_{jl}^{\overset{0}{i}} - B_{jk}^i, \\ \tilde{L}_{jk}^i = \overset{0}{\tilde{L}}_{jk}^i + A_k^l \overset{0}{C}_{jl}^i - \tilde{B}_{jk}^i, \\ \tilde{C}_{jk}^i = \overset{0}{\tilde{C}}_{jk}^i - \tilde{D}_{jk}^i, \\ C_{jk}^i = \overset{0}{C}_{jk}^i - D_{jk}^i, \\ A_{j|k}^l = 0, \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

where  $(A_j^i, B_{jk}^i, \tilde{B}_{jk}^i, \tilde{D}_{jk}^i, D_{jk}^i)$  are components of the difference tensor fields of  $D\Gamma(N)$  from  $\overset{0}{D}\Gamma(\overset{0}{N})$ , [4] and  $\dot{|}, \dot{|}$  denotes the h- and v-covariant derivatives with respect to  $\overset{0}{D}$ .

Using a well known method given by R.Miron in [5] for the case of the Finsler connections we obtain:

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $\overset{0}{D}$  be a given  $d$ -linear connection on  $TM$ , with local coefficients  $\overset{0}{D}\Gamma(\overset{0}{N}) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$ . Then set of all  $d$ -linear connections compatible with the conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$ , with local coefficients  $D\Gamma(N, \omega, \tilde{\omega}) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$  is given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} N^i_j = N^i_j - X^i_j, \\ L^i_{jk} = L^i_{jk} + \tilde{C}^i_{jm} X^m_k + \frac{1}{2} g^{is} (g_{sj|k}^0 + g_{sj}^0 |^0_m X^m_k) - \delta^i_j \omega_k + \Omega^{ir}_{hj} X^h_{rk}, \\ \tilde{L}^i_{jk} = \tilde{L}^i_{jk} + C^i_{jm} X^m_k + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{is} (\tilde{g}_{sj|k}^0 + \tilde{g}_{sj}^0 |^0_m X^m_k) - \delta^i_j \tilde{\omega}_k + \tilde{\Omega}^{ir}_{hj} \tilde{X}^h_{rk}, \\ \tilde{C}^i_{jk} = \tilde{C}^i_{jk} + \frac{1}{2} g^{is} g_{sj}^0 |^0_k - \delta^i_j \dot{\omega}_k + \Omega^{ir}_{hj} \tilde{Y}^h_{rk}, \\ C^i_{jk} = C^i_{jk} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{is} \tilde{g}_{sj}^0 |^0_k - \delta^i_j \tilde{\dot{\omega}}_k + \tilde{\Omega}^{ir}_{hj} Y^h_{rk}, \\ X^i_{j|k} = 0, \end{array} \right. \quad (7)$$

where  $X^i_j$ ,  $X^i_{jk}$ ,  $\tilde{X}^i_{jk}$ ,  $\tilde{Y}^i_{jk}$ ,  $Y^i_{jk}$  are arbitrary tensor fields on  $TM$ ,  $\omega = \omega_i dx^i + \dot{\omega}_i \delta y^i$  and respective  $\tilde{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_i dx^i + \tilde{\dot{\omega}}_i \delta y^i$  are arbitrary 1-forms in  $TM$  and  $|^0$ ,  $|^0$  denote the h-and respective v-covariant derivatives with respect to  $\overset{0}{D}$ .

#### PARTICULAR CASES

1. If  $X^i_j = X^i_{jk} = \tilde{X}^i_{jk} = \tilde{Y}^i_{jk} = Y^i_{jk} = 0$  in Theorem 2, we have:

**THEOREM 3.** Let  $\overset{0}{D}$  be a given  $d$ -linear connection on  $TM$ , with local coefficients  $\overset{0}{D}\Gamma(\overset{0}{N}) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$ . Then the following  $d$ -linear connection  $D$ , with local coefficients  $D\Gamma(\overset{0}{N}, \omega, \tilde{\omega}) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$  given by (8) is compatible with the conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L^i_{jk} = L^i_{jk} + \frac{1}{2} g^{is} g_{sj|k} - \delta^i_j \omega_k, \\ \tilde{L}^i_{jk} = \tilde{L}^i_{jk} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{is} \tilde{g}_{sj|k} - \delta^i_j \tilde{\omega}_k, \\ \tilde{C}^i_{jk} = \tilde{C}^i_{jk} + \frac{1}{2} g^{is} g_{sj|k} - \delta^i_j \dot{\omega}_k, \\ C^i_{jk} = C^i_{jk} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{is} \tilde{g}_{sj|k} - \delta^i_j \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_k, \end{array} \right. \quad (8)$$

where  $\overset{0}{|}$ ,  $\overset{0}{|}$  denote the h-and respective v-covariant derivatives with respect to the given d-linear connection  $\overset{0}{D}$  and  $\omega = \omega_i dx^i + \dot{\omega}_i \delta y^i$  and respective  $\tilde{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_i dx^i + \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_i \delta y^i$  are two given 1-forms in  $TM$ .

2. If we take a metrical (almost symplectic) d-linear connection as  $\overset{0}{D}$  in Theorem 3, then (8) becomes:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L^i_{jk} = L^i_{jk} - \delta^i_j \omega_k, \\ \tilde{L}^i_{jk} = \tilde{L}^i_{jk} - \delta^i_j \tilde{\omega}_k, \\ \tilde{C}^i_{jk} = \tilde{C}^i_{jk} - \delta^i_j \dot{\omega}_k, \\ C^i_{jk} = C^i_{jk} - \delta^i_j \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_k. \end{array} \right. \quad (9)$$

3. If we consider a d-linear connection compatible with conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$ , as  $\overset{0}{D}$  in Theorem 2, we have

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $\overset{0}{D}$  be a given d-linear connection compatible with conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  on  $TM$ , with local coefficients:  $\overset{0}{D}\Gamma(N, \omega, \tilde{\omega}) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$ . The set of all d-linear connections compatible with conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  on  $TM$ , with local coefficients  $D\Gamma(N, \omega, \tilde{\omega}) = (L^i_{jk}, \tilde{L}^i_{jk}, \tilde{C}^i_{jk}, C^i_{jk})$  is given by:*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} N_j^i = N_j^i - X_j^i, \\ L_{jk}^i = L_{jk}^i + (\tilde{C}_{jm}^i + \delta_j^i \dot{\omega}_m) X_k^m + \Omega_{hj}^{ir} X_{rk}^h, \\ \tilde{L}_{jk}^i = \tilde{L}_{jk}^i + (C_{jm}^i + \delta_j^i \tilde{\omega}_m) X_k^m + \tilde{\Omega}_{hj}^{ir} \tilde{X}_{rk}^h, \\ \tilde{C}_{jk}^i = \tilde{C}_{jk}^i + \Omega_{hj}^{ir} \tilde{Y}_{rk}^h, \\ C_{jk}^i = C_{jk}^i + \tilde{\Omega}_{hj}^{ir} Y_{rk}^h, \\ X_{j|k}^i = 0, \end{array} \right. \quad (10)$$

where  $X_j^i$ ,  $X_{jk}^i$ ,  $\tilde{X}_{jk}^i$ ,  $\tilde{Y}_{jk}^i$ ,  $Y_{jk}^i$  are arbitrary tensor fields on  $TM$ ,  $\omega = \omega_i dx^i + \dot{\omega}_i \delta y^i$  and respective  $\tilde{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_i dx^i + \tilde{\dot{\omega}}_i \delta y^i$  are two arbitrary 1-forms in  $TM$  and  $\overset{0}{|}$ ,  $\overset{0}{|}$  denote h-and respective v-covariant derivatives with respect to  $\overset{0}{D}$ .

The result obtained in this particular case support the findings of R.Miron and M.Hashiguchi for the Finsler connections in their paper [7].

4. If we take  $X_j^i = 0$  in Theorem 3 we obtain a result given by R.Miron and M.Anastasiei in [6]:

**THEOREM 5.** *Let  $\overset{0}{D}$  be a given  $d$ -linear connection compatible with conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  on  $TM$ , with local coefficients:  $\overset{0}{D}\Gamma(N, \omega, \tilde{\omega}) = (L_{jk}^i, \tilde{L}_{jk}^i, \tilde{C}_{jk}^i, C_{jk}^i)$ . The set of all  $d$ -linear connections compatible with conformal structure  $\hat{G}$ , which preserve the nonlinear connection  $\overset{0}{N}$ , corresponding to the 1-forms  $\omega$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  on  $TM$ , with local coefficients  $D\Gamma(N, \omega, \tilde{\omega}) = (L_{jk}^i, \tilde{L}_{jk}^i, \tilde{C}_{jk}^i, C_{jk}^i)$  is given by:*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L^i_{jk} = \overset{0}{L^i}_{jk} + \Omega^{ir}_{hj} X^h_{rk}, \\ \tilde{L}^i_{jk} = \tilde{\overset{0}{L}}^i_{jk} + \tilde{\Omega}^{ir}_{hj} \tilde{X}^h_{rk}, \\ \tilde{C}^i_{jk} = \tilde{\overset{0}{C}}^i_{jk} + \Omega^{ir}_{hj} \tilde{Y}^h_{rk}, \\ C^i_{jk} = \overset{0}{C^i}_{jk} + \tilde{\Omega}^{ir}_{hj} Y^h_{rk}, \end{array} \right. \quad (11)$$

where  $X^i_j, X^i_{jk}, \tilde{X}^i_{jk}, \tilde{Y}^i_{jk}, Y^i_{jk}$  are arbitrary tensor fields on  $TM$ .

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