

1. Compute the Riemann tensor for the metric

$$ds^2 = e^{2A(r)} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2 - e^{2B(r)} dt^2$$

using the Cartan method, and then compute the Ricci tensor and Ricci scalar.

2. Prove the geodesic deviation equation

$$(\nabla_u \nabla_u y)^\mu = -R^\mu{}_{\lambda\alpha\beta} u^\lambda u^\beta y^\alpha$$

where  $u$  is the tangent vector of a geodesic. Do this by considering a geodesic  $x^\mu(s)$  and a neighboring geodesic  $x^\mu(s) + y^\mu(s)$ , where  $y$  is infinitesimal. Assume torsion vanishes.

3. Show that (no torsion)

$$V^\alpha{}_{;\nu\mu} - V^\alpha{}_{;\mu\nu} = R^\alpha{}_{\beta\mu\nu} V^\beta \quad (1)$$

4. Show that for Riemann normal coordinates at a point  $\mathcal{P}_0$

(a)

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\alpha} \right)_{\mathcal{P}_0} = e_\alpha(\mathcal{P}_0)$$

(b)

$$\Gamma^\alpha{}_{\beta\gamma}(\mathcal{P}_0) = 0$$

(c)

$$\left. \frac{\partial \Gamma^\alpha{}_{\beta\gamma}}{\partial x^\lambda} \right|_{\mathcal{P}_0} = -\frac{1}{3} (R^\alpha{}_{\beta\gamma\lambda} + R^\alpha{}_{\gamma\beta\lambda})_{\mathcal{P}_0}$$

If there is a metric, and  $g(e_\alpha, e_\beta) = \eta_{\alpha\beta}$ , then one has in addition

(d)  $g_{\alpha\beta}(\mathcal{P}_0) = \eta_{\alpha\beta}$

(e)  $g_{\alpha\beta,\lambda}(\mathcal{P}_0) = 0$

(f)

$$g_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\tau}(\mathcal{P}_0) = -\frac{1}{3} (R_{\beta\lambda\alpha\tau} + R_{\alpha\lambda\beta\tau})_{\mathcal{P}_0}$$

(g)

$$g_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\tau}(\mathcal{P}_0) - g_{\alpha\tau,\lambda\beta}(\mathcal{P}_0) = R_{\alpha\lambda\tau\beta}(\mathcal{P}_0)$$