

Mathematics G4402. Modern Geometry  
Assignment 10

Fall 2011

Due Monday, December 5, 2011

- (1) (2nd Bianchi identity) Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Prove that

$$\nabla R(X, Y, Z, W, T) + \nabla R(X, Y, W, T, Z) + \nabla R(X, Y, T, Z, W) = 0$$

for all  $X, Y, Z, W, T \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ . (Hint: see do Carmo, page 106, Problem 7.)

- (2) (Einstein manifolds) A Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is called an *Einstein manifold* if  $\text{Ric} = \lambda g$  for some  $\lambda \in C^\infty(M)$ .

Let  $(M, g)$  be a connected Einstein manifold with  $\text{Ric} = \lambda g$ . Prove that:

- (a) If  $\dim M \geq 3$  then  $\lambda$  is a constant. (Hint: see do Carmo page 108, Problem 10.)  
 (b) If  $\dim M = 3$  then  $M$  has constant sectional curvature.  
 (3) Let  $g$  be a Riemannian metric on a manifold  $M$ , and let  $\tilde{g} = r^2 g$ , where  $r > 0$  is a constant. Let  $R, K$ , and  $S$  be the curvature tensor, sectional curvature, and scalar curvature of  $(M, g)$ , respectively; let  $\tilde{R}, \tilde{K}$ , and  $\tilde{S}$  be the curvature tensor, sectional curvature, and scalar curvature of  $(M, \tilde{g})$ , respectively. Prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_{ijk}^l &= R_{ijk}^l, & \tilde{R}_{ijkl} &= r^2 R_{ijkl}, \\ \tilde{K} &= r^{-2} K, & \tilde{R}_{ij} &= R_{ij}, & \tilde{S} &= r^{-2} S \end{aligned}$$

- (4) Let  $\nabla$  be an affine connection on a smooth  $n$ -manifold  $M$ , and let  $T$  be an  $(r, s)$  tensor on  $M$ . Let  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be local coordinates on a coordinate neighborhood  $U$  in  $M$ . We use the Einstein summation convention. On  $U$ , the affine connection  $\nabla$  is given by

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}, \quad \Gamma_{ij}^k \in C^\infty(U),$$

and the tensor  $T$  can be written as

$$T = T_{j_1 \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_r}} \otimes dx_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{j_s},$$

where  $T_{j_1 \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_r} \in C^\infty(U)$ . Define  $T_{j_1 \dots j_s, k}^{i_1 \dots i_r} \in C^\infty(U)$  by

$$\nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}} T = T_{j_1 \dots j_s, k}^{i_1 \dots i_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_r}} \otimes dx_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx_{j_s}.$$

Show that

$$T_{j_1 \dots j_s, k}^{i_1 \dots i_r} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} T_{j_1 \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_r} + \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \Gamma_{k m}^{i_\alpha} T_{j_1 \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_{\alpha-1} m i_{\alpha+1} \dots i_r} - \sum_{\beta=1}^s \Gamma_{k j_\beta}^m T_{j_1 \dots j_{\beta-1} m j_{\beta+1} \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_r}.$$