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# ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY VECTOR SUBBUNDLES

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#### Abstract

In this paper, two supplementary vector subbundles E' and E'' of a vector bundle E, are studied. Given a non-linear connection C on E, a canonical method to induce non-linear connections C' on E' and C'' on E'' is indicated. Kinds of Gauss and Codazzi equations are given. In the particular case of a linear connection C on E, the method and the equations of Gauss and Codazzi given in [2] are found. The vertical and horizontal lifts defined in the present paper extend the classical ones.

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All the manifolds and maps are  $C^{\infty}$ , the manifolds are paracompact and all the vector bundles have finite dimensional vector spaces as fibers.  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  is the real algebra of  $C^{\infty}$ -real functions on the manifold M,  $\mathcal{X}(M)$  and  $S(\xi)$  are the  $\mathcal{F}(M)$ -modules of vector fields on M and of sections on the vector bundle  $\xi = (E, \pi, M)$  respectively.  $V\xi = \ker \tau \pi$  is the vertical bundle of  $\xi$  (where  $\tau \pi : \tau E \longrightarrow \tau M$  is the differential map of  $\pi$ ) and there is a canonical isomorphism  $VE \simeq \pi^*E$ .

First we show the basic constructions and results from [3] which are used in the sequel.

Let  $\xi = (E, \pi, M)$  be a vector bundle,  $\xi' = (E', \pi', M)$  and  $\xi'' = (E'', \pi'', M)$ be two supplementary vector subbundles, P' and P'' be the projections of  $\xi$  on  $\xi'$ ,  $\xi''$ .  $I' : \xi' \longrightarrow \xi$  and  $I'' : \xi'' \longrightarrow \xi$  be the inclusion morphisms. Consider the

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vector bundles  $\eta' = (E, P', E')$  and  $\eta'' = (E, P'', E'')$  and their vertical bundles  $\mathcal{V}'\xi = \ker \tau P''$  and  $\mathcal{V}''\xi = \ker \tau P'$ . Since  $\pi = \pi' \circ P' = \pi'' \circ P''$ , it easily follows that  $\mathcal{V}'\xi$  and  $\mathcal{V}''\xi$  are vector subbundles of  $V\xi$ .

Throughout the paper we consider vectorial coordinates on E which are adapted (i.e., local coordinates on E adapted to the vector bundle structure) which induce also on E' and E'' adapted vectorial coordinates. More precisely, around every  $y \in E$ ,  $\pi(y) = x$ , P'(y) = y', P''(y) = y'' we have as adapted coordinates:  $x : (x^i)$ ,  $y' : (x^i, y^{\alpha})$ ,  $y'' : (x^i, y^{\alpha})$ , y'' is  $(x^i, y^{\alpha})$ ,  $y^{u}$ ), where  $i = \overline{1, m}$ ,  $\alpha = \overline{1, k_1}$ ,  $u = \overline{1, k_2}$  and  $k = k_1 + k_2$ . The change rules are:  $x^{i'} = x^{i'}(x^i)$ ,  $y^{\alpha'} = h^{\alpha'}_{\alpha}(x^i)y^{\alpha}$ ,  $y^{u'} = h^{u'}_{u}(x^i)y^{u}$ .

**Proposition 1** [3] a) There are canonical isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{V}'E \simeq \pi^*E'$$
 and  $\mathcal{V}''E \simeq \pi^*E''$ 

b) In every point  $u \in E$  we have  $(VE)_u = (\mathcal{V}'E)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}''E)_u$ .

c) In every  $u' \in E'$  and  $u'' \in E''$  we have

$$(\tau I')_{u'}(VE')_{u'} = (\mathcal{V}'E)_{u'}, \ (\tau I'')_{u''}(VE'')_{u''} = (\mathcal{V}''E)_{u''}.$$

According to b) from Proposition 1, it follows that  $\mathcal{V}'E$  and  $\mathcal{V}''E$  are supplementary vector subbundles of  $V\xi$ , and the projectors of these subbundles on  $V\xi$  are denoted as Q' and Q''.

Let  $C : \tau E \longrightarrow V\xi$  be a non-linear connection on E, i.e. (cf. [2]), a vector bundle morphism such that  $C \circ i = id_{VE}$  where  $i : V\xi \longrightarrow \tau E$  is the inclusion morphism and consider the following sequence of vector bundle morphisms:

$$T\xi' \xrightarrow{\tau I'} T\xi \xrightarrow{C} V\xi \xrightarrow{Q'} \mathcal{V}'\xi \xrightarrow{P_1'} V\xi'.$$
(1.1)

where  $P'_1 = \tau P'_{|\mathcal{V}\xi} : \mathcal{V}'\xi \longrightarrow V\xi'$  is a left inverse of  $\tau I'_{|\mathcal{V}\xi'}$ .

**Proposition 2** [3]  $C' = P'_1 \circ Q' \circ C \circ \tau I' : TE' \longrightarrow VE'$  is a non-linear connection on the vector bundle E'.

It is easy to see that, in an adapted vectorial system of coordinates, the local components of C are  $(N_i^{\alpha}(x^j, y^{\beta}, y^{v}), N_i^{u}(x^j, y^{\beta}, y^{v}))$ . In [3], it is proved that the local components of the induced non-linear connection C' are:  $\widetilde{N}_j^{\alpha}(x^i, y^{\beta}) = N_j^{\alpha}(x^i, y^{\beta}, 0)$ . Notice that a non-linear connection C'' can be induced in the same way on  $\xi''$ , and the local components of C'' are:  $\widetilde{\widetilde{N}}_j^{u}(x^i, y^{v}) = N_j^{u}(x^i, 0, y^{v})$ . Giving the non-linear connection C and the supplementary vector subbundles  $\xi'$ 

Giving the non-linear connection C and the supplementary vector subbundles  $\xi'$ and  $\xi''$  on  $\xi$ , it follows that for every  $u \in E$  we have:

$$(TE)_u = (HE)_u \oplus (VE)_u = (HE)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}'E)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}''E)_u$$
(1.2)

Denoting as:

$$(\mathcal{H}'E)_u = (HE)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}''E)_u, \ (\mathcal{H}''E)_u = (HE)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}'E)_u$$

we have

## $(TE)_u = (\mathcal{H}'E)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}'E)_u$ , $(TE)_u = (\mathcal{H}''E)_u \oplus (\mathcal{V}''E)_u$ .

There are defined the vector bundles  $\mathcal{H}'\xi$  and  $\mathcal{H}''\xi$  of  $\tau E$  which have as supplementary vector subbundles  $\mathcal{V}'\xi$  and  $\mathcal{V}''\xi$  respectively. Denote the supplementary projectors as  $\mathcal{H}'$  and  $\mathcal{V}'$ , respectively  $\mathcal{H}''$  and  $\mathcal{V}''$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{V}' = Q' \circ v$ ,  $\mathcal{V}'' = Q'' \circ v$  where v is the vertical projector associated to the non-linear connection C. In an adapted vectorial system of coordinates, these projectors have the forms:

$$\mathcal{V}'(X) = (X^{\alpha} + X^{i}N_{i}^{\alpha})\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} (=Q' \circ v(X)),$$
$$\mathcal{H}'(X) = X^{i}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - N_{i}^{\alpha}\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}}\right) + X^{u}\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}} (=X - \mathcal{V}'(X));$$
$$\mathcal{V}''(X) = (X^{u} + X^{i}N_{i}^{u})\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}} (=Q'' \circ v(X)),$$
$$\mathcal{H}''(X) = X^{i}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - N_{i}^{u}\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}}\right) + X^{\alpha}\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} (=X - \mathcal{V}''(X)),$$
$$= X^{i}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} + X^{\alpha}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} + X^{u}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}}.$$

where  $X = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + X^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha} + X^u \frac{\partial}{\partial y^u}$ 

**Proposition 3** [3]Every non-linear connection C on the vector bundle  $\xi$  induces nonlinear connections on the vector bundles  $\eta'$  and  $\eta''$  such that the vertical bundle of one of these vector bundles is a subbundle of the horizontal bundle of the connection on the other vector bundle.

Conversely, every two non-linear connections which have this property, induce a non-linear connection C on  $\xi$ .

We shall define now the vertical and horizontal lifts associated to sections on  $\xi'$ ,  $\xi''$ ,  $\tau E'$  and  $\tau E''$ .

Let  $s' \in S(\xi')$ . Since the  $\pi'$ -morphism  $P' : E \longrightarrow E'$  of vector bundles  $E \xrightarrow{P''} E''$ and  $E' \xrightarrow{\pi'} M$  is an epimorphism and an isomorphism on fibers, it follows, using this isomorphism, that there is an unique section  $\tilde{s}'$  on the vector bundle  $E \xrightarrow{P''} E''$  such that  $P'(\tilde{s}') = s'$ .

We can consider the vertical lift of  $\tilde{s}'$  in the vector bundle  $E \xrightarrow{P''} E''$  denoted as  $(s')^{\mathcal{V}'} \in S(\mathcal{V}'\xi)$  and called the  $\xi''$ -vertical lift of the section s'. In the same way we can define the  $\xi'$ -vertical lift  $(s'')^{\mathcal{V}''} \in S(\mathcal{V}''\xi)$  of a section

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In an adapted vectorial system of coordinates, the sections and the vertical lifts have the same components in the adapted bases.

It is easy to see that for  $s \in S(\xi)$ , denoting as s' = P'(s) and s'' = P''(s) (s = s'+s'') and considering the vertical lift  $s^V$  of s (cf. [2]), we have:  $s^V = (s')^{\mathcal{V}'} + (s'')^{\mathcal{V}''}$ .

In the particular case when  $\xi = \xi'$  and  $\xi''$  is the null vector bundle, then the  $\xi'$ -vertical lift of a section  $s \in S(\xi)$  is the same as the vertical lift of s.

We define now horizontal lifts of vector fields on E' and E'' with respect to the nonlinear connections defined in the first part of Proposition 3. For every  $X'' \in \mathcal{X}(E'')$ ,  $X' \in \mathcal{X}(E')$ , we denote  $(X'')^{\mathcal{H}'} \in S(\mathcal{H}'\xi)$ ,  $(X')^{\mathcal{H}''} \in S(\mathcal{H}''\xi)$ , and we call them the  $\xi'$ -horizontal lift and  $\xi''$ -horizontal lift of X'' and X', respectively. In an adapted system of coordinates we have:

$$\begin{split} (X'')^{\mathcal{H}'} &= X^i(x^j, y^v) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} - N^{\alpha}_i(x^j, y^{\beta}, y^v) \; \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} \right) + \\ &+ X^u(x^j, y^v) \; \frac{\partial}{\partial y^u} \in S(\mathcal{H}'E) \end{split}$$

where

$$X'' = X^{i}(x^{j}, y^{v}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} + X^{u}(x^{j}, y^{v}) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}} \in \mathcal{X}(E'')$$

and

$$\begin{split} (X')^{\mathcal{H}''} &= X^{i}(x^{j}, y^{\beta}) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - N^{u}_{i}(x^{j}, y^{\beta}, y^{v}) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}}\right) + \\ &+ X^{\alpha}(x^{j}, y^{\beta}) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} \in S(\mathcal{H}''E), \end{split}$$

where

$$X' = X^{i}(x^{j}, y^{\beta}) \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} + X^{\alpha}(x^{j}, y^{\beta}) \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} \in \mathcal{X}(E').$$

In the particulary case when  $\xi = \xi'$  and  $\xi''$  is the null vector bundle, then the  $\xi''$ -horizontal lift of  $X' \in \mathcal{X}(M)$  is the same as the horizontal lift of X', and the  $\xi'$ -horizontal lift of  $X'' \in \mathcal{X}(E)$  is X''.

Generally, for a vector bundle  $\xi = (E, \pi, M)$  and  $M' \subset M$  a submanifold of M, we denote as  $\xi_{|M'} = i^*\xi$ , and for  $s \in S(\xi)$  we denote as  $s_{|M'}$  the induced section on  $\xi_{|M'}$ . With these notations we have:

**Proposition 4** . a) If  $Y'' \in S(V\xi'')$  then

$$(Y'')_{|E''}^{\mathcal{H}'} = \tau I''(Y'').$$

Particularly if  $Y \in S(\xi'')$  then

$$(Y^{V''})_{|E''}^{\mathcal{H}'} = \tau I''(Y^{V''})$$

b) If  $X \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ , then

$$\left((X^{h^{\prime\prime}})^{\mathcal{H}^\prime}\right)_{|E^{\prime\prime}} = X^h_{|E^{\prime\prime}}$$

c) If  $X'' \in \mathcal{X}(E'')$ , then for every  $u'' \in E''$  we have

$$\mathcal{V}_{u''}''\left((X'')^{\mathcal{H}'}\right)_{u''} = (\tau I'')_{u''}(V''X'')_{u''}$$

**Proof.** Using an adapted vectorial system of coordinates, the local expression of  $Y'' = X^u(x^j, y^v) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^u}$  we have  $(Y'')^{\mathcal{H}'} = X^u(x^j, y^v) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^u}$  and the first equality follows since  $\tau I''$  sends  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^u}$  in  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^u}$ . If  $X = X^i(x^j)\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$  both sides of b) are equal to

$$X^{h^{\prime\prime}} = X^{i}(x^{j}) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - N^{\alpha}_{i}(x^{j}, y^{\alpha}, 0) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} - N^{u}_{i}(x^{j}, y^{\alpha}, 0) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}} \right),$$

because on E'' we have  $y^{\alpha} = 0$ . For the last assertion, taking  $X'' = X^i(x^j, y^v) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + X^u(x^j, y^v) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^u} \in \mathcal{X}(E'')$  and using the local form of V'', we have:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{V}_{u''}''\left((X'')^{\mathcal{H}'}\right)_{u''} &= \left(X^u(x^j, y^v) + X^i(x^j, y^v)N_i^u(x^j, 0, y^v)\right) \; \frac{\partial}{\partial y^u} = \\ &= (\tau I'')_{u''}(V''X'')_{u''} \; . \end{split}$$

(q.e.d.)

**Proposition 5** . For every  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$  we have:

$$\Omega(X^{h}, Y^{h})_{|E''} = \tau I''(\Omega''(X^{h''}, Y^{h''})) + ([X^{h''}, Y^{h''}]^{\mathcal{H}'} - [X^{h}, Y^{h}])_{|E''}$$
(1)

$$\Omega(X^{h}, Y^{h})_{|E'} = \tau I'(\Omega'(X^{h'}, Y^{h'})) + ([X^{h'}, Y^{h'}]^{\mathcal{H}''} - [X^{h}, Y^{h}])_{|E'}, \qquad (2)$$

where  $\Omega$ ,  $\Omega'$  and  $\Omega''$  are the curvatures of the connections C, C' and C'' respectively.

## Proof. Using

$$\Omega(X^{h}, Y^{h}) = [X, Y]^{h} - [X^{h}, Y^{h}],$$

 $(\forall) X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$  (see [2]) for C'' we have:

$$\Omega''(X^{h''}, Y^{h''})^{\mathcal{H}'} = ([X, Y]^{h''})^{\mathcal{H}'} - [X^{h''}, Y^{h''}]^{\mathcal{H}'}$$

Using Proposition 4, it follows:

$$\tau I''(\Omega''(X^{h''}, Y^{h''}) = [X, Y]^{h}_{|E''} - ([X^{h''}, Y^{h''}]^{\mathcal{H}'})_{|E''} =$$
$$= \Omega(X^{h}, Y^{h})_{|E''} + ([X^{h}, Y^{h}] - [X^{h''}, Y^{h''}]^{\mathcal{H}'})_{|E''}$$

(this holds on the fibers of  $VE_{|E''}$ ). (q.e.d.)

If we apply  $\mathcal{V}''_{|E''}$  in (1) and using Proposition 1 b) and c), it follows:

$$(\mathcal{V}''\Omega(X^h, Y^h))_{|E''} = \tau I''(\Omega''(X^{h''}, Y^{h''})) + \mathcal{V}''([X^{h''}, Y^{h''}]^{\mathcal{H}'} - [X^h, Y^h])_{|E''},$$

which we call the vectorial equation of Gauss on E''. If we apply  $\mathcal{V}'_{|E''}$  , then we obtain the relation:

$$(\mathcal{V}'\Omega(X^h, Y^h))_{|E''} = -\mathcal{V}'([X^h, Y^h])_{|E''}$$

which we call the vectorial equation of Codazzi on E''. In an analogous way, we define the vectorial equations of Gauss and Codazzi on E' as:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{V}'\Omega(X^h,Y^h))_{|E'} &= \tau I'(\Omega'(X^{h'},Y^{h'})) + \mathcal{V}'([X^{h'},Y^{h'}]^{\mathcal{H}''} - [X^h,Y^h])_{|E'} \\ & (\mathcal{V}''\Omega(X^h,Y^h))_{|E'} = -\mathcal{V}''([X^h,Y^h])_{|E'}. \end{aligned}$$

In adapted vectorial coordinates we give them a more simple form and we show that these equations are a natural extension of those of [1], denoting as in [2]:

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta x^{i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - N_{i}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} - N_{i}^{u} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}}$$
$$\frac{\delta'}{\delta' x^{i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - \widetilde{N}_{i}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}}, \ \widetilde{N}_{i}^{\alpha} (x^{j}, y^{\beta}) = N_{i}^{\alpha} (x^{j}, y^{\beta}, 0)$$
$$\frac{\delta''}{\delta'' x^{i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i}} - \widetilde{\widetilde{N}}_{i}^{u} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}}, \ \widetilde{\widetilde{N}}_{i}^{u} (x^{j}, y^{v}) = N_{i}^{u} (x^{j}, 0, y^{v})$$
$$\Omega \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta x^{i}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta x^{j}}\right) = \Omega_{ij}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} + \Omega_{ij}^{u} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}}; \ \widetilde{\Omega} \left(\frac{\delta'}{\delta' x^{i}}, \frac{\delta'}{\delta' x^{j}}\right) = \widetilde{\Omega}_{ij}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}}$$
$$\widetilde{\widetilde{\Omega}} \left(\frac{\delta''}{\delta'' x^{i}}, \frac{\delta''}{\delta'' x^{j}}\right) = \widetilde{\widetilde{\Omega}}_{ij}^{u} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{u}}.$$

By a straightforward computation we obtain:

$$\begin{split} \Omega^u_{ij}(x^k,0,y^v) &= \widetilde{\widetilde{\Omega}}^u_{ij}(x^k,y^v) + N^{\alpha}_j(x^k,0,y^v) \cdot N^u_{i,\alpha}(x^k,0,y^v) - \\ &- N^{\alpha}_i(x^k,0,y^v) \cdot N^u_{j,\alpha}(x^k,0,y^v) \quad \text{(Gauss)} \\ \Omega^{\alpha}_{ij}(x^k,0,y^v) &= \frac{\delta}{\delta x^i}(N^{\alpha}_j)(x^k,0,y^v) - \frac{\delta}{\delta x^j} (N^{\alpha}_i)(x^k,0,y^v) \quad \text{(Codazzi)} \end{split}$$

and the analogous ones for E'.

If C is a linear connection, then C' and C'' are also linear connections, and the above equations of Gauss and Codazzi agree with those of [1].

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