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On Higher Curvatures Of A Curve

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ABSTRACT

The higher curvatures of a Curve in n -dimensional Euclidean space E^n are derived by Herman Gluck [1]. In this paper we give a new method to define and calculate the higher curvatures of a curve which is supposed a differentiable 1-manifold in E^n . We also prove that these curvatures are invariant under the rigid motions.

I. INTRODUCTION

In E^n n -dimensional Euclidean space, a curve α is a diffeomorphic image of an open segment I of a straight line. Therefore in differential geometry a curve of E^n can be regarded as a 1-manifold. Hence for a curve also we can define the Riemannian metric which is known for the submanifolds of E^n . This permits us to have the tangent space, at any point $\alpha(s)$ of the curve α , as an inner product space. We can also apply the theory of the vector fields, the vector-valued forms and the frame bundles over E^n . Thus we can accept that the properties of the equations of structure and the cross section are known also for the curves of E^n .

The Frenet frame of a curve in E^n is an oriented orthonormal frame which determines a cross section

$$C: \alpha(I) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0$$

and hence we may consider the pull back 1-forms

$$\begin{aligned} C^*(\vartheta_i) &= \vartheta^i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n \\ C^*(\vartheta_{ij}) &= \vartheta^c_{ij}, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n, \end{aligned}$$

where \mathcal{F}_0 denotes the orthonormal frame bundle over E^n , ϑ_i , ϑ_{ij} are the connection forms which appear in the equations of structure of the Lie groups.

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Because of the cotangent space to $\alpha(s)$ is spanned by ds for all $s \in I$ we may find that

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^* (\varnothing^c_{i_1}) &= f_i(s)ds, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n \\ \alpha^* (\varnothing^c_{i_j}) &= k_{ij}(s) ds, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n\end{aligned}$$

where $k_{ji} = -k_{ij}$. We also show that the functions $f_i(s)$ and $k_{ij}(s)$ are differential geometric invariants of the curve α under the rigid motions.

In differential geometry the role of higher curvatures of a curve is important for the higher dimensions. To show this importance we can mention the papers [3] and [4]. The differential geometry of higher dimensions is about the p -forms, equations of structures on a manifold. These needs the new techniques of modern differential geometry. So it will be very valuable to treat the paper [1] of Herman Gluck in this new style.

II. BASIC CONCEPTS

a) *Tangent and Cotangent Spaces*

If M is an r -dimensional submanifold of E^n n -dimensional Euclidean space. Then we denote the tangent space to M at its point m by $T_M(m)$. We consider $T_M(m)$ as a linear subspace of the tangent space $T_{E^n}(m)$ of E^n at the same point m . Then, because of $T_{E^n}(m)$ has an Euclidean inner product, $T_M(m)$ inherits an inner product from $T_{E^n}(m)$. This inner product is called the induced Riemannian metric and denoted by ds^2 in classical books on differential geometry.

Let (Ψ, U) be a coordinate neighborhood for the submanifold M . This means that the mapping

$$\Psi : U \longrightarrow M$$

is a diffeomorphism. Then

$$(II. 1) \quad \Psi_* : T_{E^r}(u) \longrightarrow T_M(\Psi(u))$$

is a linear transformation which corresponds to the Jacobian matrix of Ψ . We denote the adjoint of Ψ_* by Ψ^* which is a transformation

$$(II. 2) \quad \Psi^*: T_M^*(\Psi(u)) \longrightarrow T_{E^r}^*(u)$$

where $T_M^*(\Psi(u))$ and $T_{E^r}^*(u)$ are the dual spaces of $T_M(\Psi(u))$ and $T_{E^r}(u)$, respectively. The vector spaces $T_M^*(\Psi(u))$ and $T_{E^r}^*(u)$ are the cotangent spaces at the corresponding points.

b) *Vector fields and forms*

Definition II. 1:

Let U be a Euclidean neighborhood. A 1-form w is a mapping

$$w: U \longrightarrow \cup T_U^*(x), \quad x \in U$$

where the union is taken over all $x \in U$, such that $p \circ w: U \longrightarrow U$ is the identity mapping;

$$p: \cup T_U^*(x) \longrightarrow U, \quad t_x \in T_U^*(x),$$

$$p(t_x) = x.$$

Definition II. 2:

A vector field is a function

$$X: U \longrightarrow \cup T_U(m)$$

such that

$$p \circ X: U \longrightarrow U$$

is the identity mapping and

$$p: \cup T_U(x) \longrightarrow U,$$

$$p(t_x) = x, \quad t_x \in T(x).$$

Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a Euclidean coordinate system in E^n

then $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \right\}$ is a basis of the vector space κ_p of all the

parallel vector fields on E^n and $\{dx_1, \dots, dx_n\}$ is the dual basis of dual space Ω of κ_p . Let M be a r -dimensional submanifold of E^n with local coordinates (u_1, \dots, u_r) given by

$$x_i = x_i(u_1, \dots, u_r), \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Then a 1-form on M has the analytic expression

$$(II. 3) \quad w = \sum_{i,j}^{n,r} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial u_j} du_j \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

where \otimes denotes the tensor product.

c) *Vector-Valued Forms*

Definition II.3 :

Let M be a submanifold of E^n and W be a q -dimensional vector space. A vector-valued form on M with values in W is a mapping A defined as

$$A(m) : T_M(m) \xrightarrow{\text{linear}} W.$$

According to Definition II. 3 the 1-form w in the definition II. 1 is a vector valued form. Now we need the following theorem [2]:

Theorem II.1:

Let A be a vector-valued form on M with values in W , and let w_1, \dots, w_q be a basis of W . Then, there exists a uniquely determined ordered set of q 1-forms $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_q$ on M such that

$$(II. 4) \quad A = \sum_{i=1}^q \theta_i \otimes w_i$$

which is defined by

$$(II. 5) \quad A(t_m) = \sum_{i=1}^q \langle t_m, \theta_i(m) \rangle w_i, \quad \forall t_m \in T_M(m).$$

d) *Reparameterization of a Curve in E^n*

Let $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow E^n$, where $[a, b]$ is the interval $a \leq t \leq b$, be a parameterized curve with parameter t such that $\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \neq 0$ for all $t \in [a, b]$ i. e. α is an immersion.

Definition II. 4:

Let $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow E^n$ be a parameterized curve with parameter t . Let $[a', b']$ be an interval with parameter s , and let

$$[a', b'] \xrightarrow{\eta} [a, b] \xrightarrow{\alpha} E^n,$$

where η has a nonvanishing Jacobian. Then, $\alpha \circ \eta$ is a parameterized curve with parameter s . The curve $\alpha \circ \eta$ is called a reparameterization of the curve α .

Definition II. 5:

Let $\alpha: [a, b] \longrightarrow E^n$ be a parameterized curve with parameter s . The parameterization of α is called the arc-length parameter if $\alpha^*\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}\right)$ has length one in $T_M(\alpha(s))$ for all $a \leq s \leq b$.

Now, we can give a well-known theorem [2].

Theorem II. 2:

A parameterized curve can always be reparameterized by an arc-length parameter.

e) Equations of Structure for \mathcal{F}_0

Let \mathcal{F}_0 be the orthonormal frame bundle over E^n . If (x_1, \dots, x_n) is a Euclidean coordinate system for E^n , we will choose $f_0 \in \mathcal{F}_0$

$$f_0 = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \mid_0, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \mid_0 ; 0 \right).$$

Let r denotes a rigid motion in E^n , then r has the matrix representation

$$r = \begin{bmatrix} g & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad g = [g_{ij}],$$

where g is an orthogonal $n \times n$ matrix and a is a translation i. e. $n \times 1$ matrix.

Let $f = r(f_0) = (e_1, \dots, e_n ; a)$
where

$$e_i = \sum_{j=1}^n g_{ji} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \mid_a.$$

A vector field X_i over \mathcal{F}_0 is defined by

$$X_i(f) = e_i.$$

Then a vector-valued form defined by

$$(II. 6) \quad dX_i = \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_{ik} \otimes X_k$$

can be expressed in the form [2]

$$(II. 7) \quad dX = \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_k \otimes X_k$$

where

$$1 \leq i, k \leq n$$

$$(II. 8) \quad dX_i = \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_{ik} \otimes X_k$$

$$(II.9) \quad \begin{cases} d\varphi_i = \sum_{s=1}^n \varphi_s \wedge \varphi_{si} \\ d\varphi_{ij} = \sum_{s=1}^n \varphi_{is} \wedge \varphi_{sj}, & 1 \leq i, s, j \leq n, \\ \varphi_{ij} = -\varphi_{ji}. \end{cases}$$

Formulas II.6, II. 7, II.8 and II.9 are called the equations of structure of \mathcal{F}_0 .

III. HIGHER CURVATURES OF A CURVE IN E^n

a) Frenet Frame Along A Curve.

Let (α, S) be a local coordinat system for an arc-length curve of E^n with the arc-length s as parameter, such that S is an open interval, i. e.,

$$S = \{s: a < s < b, s \in \mathcal{R}\}.$$

We further restrict our attention to curves

$$\alpha: S \longrightarrow E^n$$

which are immersions, i.e., which satisfy $\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \neq 0$. Then

clearly α has the property that

$$\| \alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \| = 1, \quad \forall s \in S.$$

Let define the vector field X_1 as follows

$$(III.1) \quad X_1 = \alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right).$$

Then X_1 is the unit tangent vector to the curve α in the direction of increasing s .

If $\alpha(s) = (x_1(s), \dots, x_n(s))$ is Euclidean coordinate system of E^n then from [2, Theorem II. 6. 4] we have that

$$(III.2) \quad X_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i}{ds} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i},$$

and the corresponding vector-valued form is

$$(III.3) \quad dX_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n d\left(\frac{dx_i}{ds}\right) \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

where \otimes denotes the tensor product. By means of Theorem II.1 we may write that

$$\begin{aligned} dX_1 \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\langle \alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right), d\left(\frac{dx_i}{ds}\right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right\rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\langle \alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right), \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} ds \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right\rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \end{aligned}$$

or since we have that $ds \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) = 1$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\langle \alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right), \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} \right\rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}.$$

or since we have that

$$dX_1 \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) = \alpha^* \left(dX_1 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right)$$

and α^* is a linear transformation

$$dX_1 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha^*)^{-1} \left\langle \alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right), \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} \right\rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

$$(III.4) \quad dX_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha^*)^{-1} \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} ds \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}.$$

From (III.4) we that

$$dX_1 \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha^*)^{-1} \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} ds \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right) \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha^*)^{-1} \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} ds \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} (\alpha^*)^{-1} (ds) \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}
\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right)$ and $(\alpha^*)^{-1} (ds)$ are dual basis for each other we have that

$$(\alpha^*)^{-1} (ds) \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) = 1$$

and so

$$(III.5) \quad dX_1 \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}.$$

The vector field $\frac{dX_1}{ds}$ along the curve α is completely determined by the curve and the concept of parallel displacement in E^n .

If we let

$$(III.6) \quad Y_2(\alpha(s)) = dX_1 \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right)$$

Y_2 is a vector field on $\alpha(S)$ and then by means of (III.5) we have that

$$(III.7) \quad Y_2(\alpha(s)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^2x_i}{ds^2}(s) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Big|_{\alpha(s)}.$$

Let Y_j be defined by

$$(III. 8) \quad Y_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^j x_i}{ds^j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \quad 1 < j \leq n.$$

Then we suppose that the system

$$\{X_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}$$

of vector fields is linearly independent. Since $T_{E^n}(\alpha(s))$ is an inner-product vector space with a basis $\{X_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}$, there exists an algorithm, called the Gram-Schmidt process, for converting $\{X_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}$ into a coherently oriented orthonormal frame $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$ which is an orthonormal basis of $T_{E^n}(\alpha(s))$.

Since $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \right\}$ is also another positive oriented orthonormal basis of $T_{E^n}(a(s))$ these two bases $\{X_i\}$ and $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right\}$ are related by

$$(III. 9) \quad X_i = \sum_{j=1}^n k_{ji} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

We have thus proven the following theorem.

Theorem III.1:

Let a be a curve in E^n with arc - length parameter s and

$$X_1 = a_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right). \text{ If } \frac{dX_1}{ds} = dX_1 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \neq 0, \text{ where } dX_1 \text{ is}$$

the vector - valued form determined by the vector field X_1 and Euclidean parallelism, at any point of a , we have a positive oriented orthonormal frame X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n at each point of a .

Definition III. 1:

Using the above notation, $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is called the Frenet frame along a .

b) Frenet Formulas And The Higher Curvatures.

Definition III. 2:

A mapping

$$C_f : a(S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_o^+$$

defined by

$$C_f(a(s)) = (X_1(a(s)), \dots, X_n(a(s)) : a(s)) \in \mathcal{F}_o^+$$

is called the Frenet cross section.

If $\varnothing_{ij}, \varnothing_i, 1 \leq i, j \leq n$, are the 1-forms defined on \mathcal{F}_o^+ then the 1-forms defined on S are

$$(III. 10) \quad \begin{cases} (C_f)^* (\varnothing_{ij}) = \varnothing_{ij}^{C_f} \\ (C_f)^* (\varnothing_i) = \varnothing_i^{C_f}. \end{cases}$$

The basis of the vector space of all 1-forms on S is $\{ds\}$. Therefore there are differentiable functions

$$t_{ij} : S \longrightarrow R$$

such that

$$(III.11) \quad \alpha^*(\varnothing_{ij}^{C_f}) = t_{ij} ds, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n.$$

On the other hand from (II.8) we have that

$$(III.12) \quad dX_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \varnothing_{ij}^{C_f} \otimes X_j \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Replacing (III.11) in (III.12) we obtain that

$$(III.13) \quad dX_i = \sum_{j=1}^n (\alpha^*)^{-1}(t_{ij} ds) \otimes X_j$$

and so applying the same computation for (III.5) we obtain from (III.13) that

$$(III.14) \quad dX_i(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right)) = \sum_{j=1}^n t_{ij}(s) X_j.$$

If we have the notation

$$dX_i \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) = X'_i$$

according to Herman Gluck, the expressions (III.13) and (III.14) are the Frenet Formulas. Since we know [1] that

$$(III.15) \quad \begin{cases} X'_i(s) = -t_{i-1}(s) X_{i-1}(s) + t_i(s) X_{i+1}(s), & 2 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ X'_n(s) = -t_{n-1}(s) X_{n-1}(s) \end{cases}$$

then the matrix $[t_{ij}]$ has the form

$$(III.16) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t_{12} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -t_{12} & 0 & t_{23} & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -t_{23} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & t_{(n-2)(n-1)} & 0 & t_{(n-1)n} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & t_{(n-1)n} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The 1-forms $\alpha^*(\varnothing_{ij}^{C_f})$ have the expressions [1, pp: 105, formula V]:

$$(III.17) \quad \alpha^*(\varnothing_{ij}^{C_f}) = \sum_{\lambda=1}^n k_{\lambda j} \frac{dk_{\lambda i}}{ds} ds.$$

Equations (III.11) and (III.17) give us that

$$(II.18) \quad t_{ij} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^n k_{\lambda j} \frac{dk_{\lambda i}}{ds}.$$

Definition III.3:

Using the above notation the coefficients t_{ij} are called the higher curvatures of the curve α .

c) *Special Case:*

If $n = 3$ then the matrix (III.16) becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & t_{12} & 0 \\ -t_{12} & 0 & t_{23} \\ 0 & -t_{23} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where t_{12} is from (III.18)

$$t_{12} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 k_{\lambda 2} \frac{dk_{\lambda 1}}{ds}.$$

On the otherhand, from (III.2), we may write that

$$X_1 = \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 k_{\lambda 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\lambda} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \frac{dx_\lambda}{ds} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\lambda}$$

and from (III.8).

$$X_2 = \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 k_{\lambda 2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\lambda} = \frac{1}{\|Y_2\|} \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \frac{d^2x_\lambda}{ds^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\lambda}.$$

Thus we can write that

$$\begin{aligned} t_{12} &= \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \frac{1}{\|Y_2\|} \frac{d^2x_\lambda}{ds^2} \frac{d^2x_\lambda}{ds^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\|Y_2\|} \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \left(\frac{d^2x_\lambda}{ds^2} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\|Y_2\|} \cdot \|Y_2\|^2 \\ t_{12} &= \|Y_2\| \\ (III.19) \quad t_{12} &= \sqrt{\sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \left(\frac{d^2x_\lambda}{ds^2} \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Then t_{12} is the first curvature of the curve. In a similar way we see that

$$(III.20) \quad |t_{23}| = \|dx_3 \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right)\| = \|X'_3\|$$

and so t_{23} is the second curvature (torsion) of the curve.

d) The Invariance Of The Curvatures t_{ij} .

The curvatures t_{ij} of the curve α are invariant under the rigid motions of E^n .

The distance-preserving mappings of E^n are called rigid motions. The set of all rigid motions of E^n will be denoted by $R(n)$.

Let $r \in R(n)$ and the Frenet frame of the curve $r(\alpha(S))$ be the frame $\{X^r_1, X^r_2, \dots, X^r_n\}$. Thus Equation (III.14), for the curve $r(\alpha(S))$, becomes

$$(III.14)' \quad dX^r_i \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n t^r_{ij} X^r_j.$$

We want to show that $t_{ij} = t^r_{ij}$.

Let the local coordinat system of $r(\alpha(S))$ be $(r\alpha, S)$. Then for this new curve (III.1) reduces to

$$(III.1)' \quad X^r_i = (r\alpha)_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right).$$

Indeed $\|X^r_i\| = 1$. To show this we use the fact that

$$(r\alpha)_* = r_* \circ \alpha_*$$

and so since we know that $r \in R(n)$

$$\|X^r_i\| = \|r_* \left(\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \right)\| = \|\alpha_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right)\| = 1.$$

Since $r \in R(n)$ has the matrix form

$$r = \begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & g & & a \\ & & & \\ & 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

as we see in the paragraph II we may have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(III.8) } Y'_j &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^j \left(\sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{i\lambda} x_\lambda \right)}{ds^j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{i\lambda} \frac{d^j x_\lambda}{ds^j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{\lambda=1}^n g_{i\lambda} \frac{d^j x_\lambda}{ds^j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \\
 &= r^* (Y_j)
 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$(X^r_1, \dots, X^r_n) = (r_*(X_1), \dots, r_*(X_n)).$$

Definition III.2 gives us the following Frenet Cross section for the curve $r(a(S))$:

$$C^r_f : (roa) (S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_0$$

which is defined by

$$C^r_f(s) = (r_*(X_1(s)), \dots, r_*(X_n(s)); r(a(s))).$$

Hence Equation (III.11), for this new curve, reduces to

$$\text{(III.11) } (roa)^* (\varnothing_{ij}^{C^r_f}) = a^* (r^*(\varnothing_{ij}^{C^r_f})) = t^r_{ij} ds.$$

And finally as a similar way for Equation (III.17) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (roa)^* (\varnothing_{ij}^{C^r_f}) &= \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \left(\sum_{t=1}^n g_{\lambda t} k_{tj} \right) \frac{d \left(\sum_{\mu=1}^n g_{\lambda \mu} k_{\mu i} \right)}{ds} ds \\
 &= \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^n g_{\lambda t} k_{tj} \sum_{\mu=1}^n g_{\lambda \mu} \frac{dk_{\mu i}}{ds} ds \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^n k_{tj} \left(\sum_{\mu, \lambda} g_{\lambda t} g_{\lambda \mu} \right) \frac{dk_{\mu i}}{ds} ds \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^n k_{tj} \delta_{\lambda \mu} \frac{dk_{\mu i}}{ds} ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{t=1}^n k_{tj} \frac{dk_{ti}}{ds} ds$$

$$(III.21) \quad (roa)^* (\varnothing_{ij}^{C_f}) = a^* (\varnothing_{ij}^{C_f}).$$

Using the Equations (III.11), (III.11)' and (III.21) we have that

$$t_{ij}^r = t_{ij}$$

which completes the proof.

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