

Problems from Math 5222 Lectures 10, 11, 12.

Problems

1. Prove that the following expressions are tensors.

$$\checkmark (a) \quad A^i_{j,l} = \frac{\partial A^{ij}}{\partial x^l} + \left\{ \begin{matrix} i \\ \alpha l \end{matrix} \right\} A^{\alpha j} + \left\{ \begin{matrix} j \\ \alpha l \end{matrix} \right\} A^{i\alpha}.$$

$$(b) \quad A^i_{j,l} = \frac{\partial A^i_j}{\partial x^l} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ jl \end{matrix} \right\} A^i_\alpha + \left\{ \begin{matrix} i \\ \alpha l \end{matrix} \right\} A^\alpha_j.$$

$$(c) \quad A_{ij,l} = \frac{\partial A_{ij}}{\partial x^l} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ il \end{matrix} \right\} A_{\alpha j} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ jl \end{matrix} \right\} A_{i\alpha}.$$

$$\checkmark (d) \quad A^r_{ijk,l} = \frac{\partial A^r_{ijk}}{\partial x^l} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ il \end{matrix} \right\} A^r_{\alpha jk} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ jl \end{matrix} \right\} A^r_{i\alpha k} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ kl \end{matrix} \right\} A^r_{ij\alpha} + \left\{ \begin{matrix} r \\ \alpha l \end{matrix} \right\} A^\alpha_{ijk}.$$

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✓ 2. Prove that $\left\{ \begin{matrix} k \\ ij \end{matrix} \right\}_a - \left\{ \begin{matrix} k \\ ij \end{matrix} \right\}_b$ are components of a tensor of rank three, where $\left\{ \begin{matrix} k \\ ij \end{matrix} \right\}_a$ and $\left\{ \begin{matrix} k \\ ij \end{matrix} \right\}_b$ are the Christoffel symbols formed from the symmetric tensors $a_{ij}(x)$ and $b_{ij}(x)$.

3. Use the formula $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \bigg|_{\partial x^j} = \frac{\partial^2 y^\alpha}{\partial x^l \partial x^\beta} \frac{\partial x^\beta}{\partial y^\alpha} \bigg|_{\partial x^j}$ and the law of transformation of relative scalars of weight W to deduce formula 33.6.