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#### Abstract

In this paper we construct a family of $\alpha$-connections on a fiber-bundle of a generalized statistical manifold. We prove that the exponential and mixture connections are curvature-free and we investigate the associated parallel transport.


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## 1 Introduction

Information geometry investigates the differential-geometric structure of statistical models and has many applications in statistical inference or machine learning for example (see [4]). Since the seminal work of Rao[14] where Fisher information is viewed as a Riemannian metric on a probability distributions space, statistical manifolds have been widely studied. The Fisher information metric on statistical manifold is related to the Kullback-Leibler divergence which is a measure of dissimilarity between two probability distributions. Considering a family of $\alpha$-divergences, Amari[2] proposed a family of $\alpha$-connections on statistical manifolds. To elucidate the structures and properties of estimating functions, Amari and Kumon[3] constructed a family of $\alpha$-connections on Hilbert bundle of statistical manifold, endowed with the Fisher information metric. Vigelis et al.[17] introduced a new metric and $\alpha$-connections using $u_{0}$-mappings (or $\varphi$-functions), which generalize Fisher information metric and Amari's $\alpha$-connections. The obtained geometric structure is called a generalized statistical manifold. Recently, de Andrade et al.[5] investigated the mixture and exponential arcs on generalized statistical manifold.

In this paper, we extend the results of Vigelis et al.[17] by defining a new family of $\alpha$-connections on Hilbert bundle of generalized statistical manifold. We prove that the curvatures of our proposed (1)-connection and ( -1 -connection vanish everywhere. Moreover, we give the $\alpha$-parallel transport associated with $\alpha$-connection for $\alpha= \pm 1$.

[^0]The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In section 2 , we review the relevant concepts related to generalized statistical manifold. In section 3 we introduce our new $\alpha$-connection on Hilbert bundle of generalized statistical manifold and prove the mains results.

## 2 Generalized statistical manifolds and $\alpha$-connections

In this section, we recall some useful definitions and properties related to generalized statistic manifolds (see[17, 10, 16]). Let $(\chi, \Sigma, \mu)$ be a measure space and $P_{\mu}=\{p \in$ $\left.L^{0}: p>0, \int_{\chi} p(x ; \theta) d \mu(x)=1\right\}$ where $L^{0}$ denotes the set of all real-valued, measurable functions on $\chi$.

Definition 2.1. (see[17]) Let $u_{0}: \chi \rightarrow(0, \infty)$ be a measurable function. A function $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow(0, \infty)$ is said to be a $u_{0}$-mapping if :

- $\phi$ is convex,
- $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} \phi(x)=0$ and $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x)=\infty$,
- for all measurable function $c: \chi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying $\int_{\chi} \phi(c(x)) d \mu(x)=1$, we have $\int_{\chi} \phi\left(c(x)+\lambda u_{0}(x)\right) d \mu(x)<\infty$, for all $\lambda>0$.
Example 2.2. The function $\phi$ defined by

$$
\phi(x)=\exp (a x+b), a \in(0 ; \infty), b \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}
$$

is a $1_{\chi}$-mapping.
Example 2.3. (see[16]) The Kaniadakis' $\kappa$-exponential $\exp _{\kappa}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow(0, \infty)$ defined by

- for $\kappa=0, \exp _{\kappa}$ is the usual exponential map,
- for $\kappa \in[-1,0[\cup] 0,1], \exp _{\kappa}(x)=\left(\kappa x+\sqrt{1+\kappa^{2} x^{2}}\right)^{1 / \kappa}$
is a $u_{0}$-mapping where $u_{0}$ satisfies $\int_{\chi} \exp _{\kappa}\left(u_{0}\right) d \mu<+\infty$.
Definition 2.4. (see [17]) Let $\phi$ be a smooth $u_{0}$-mapping. A generalized statistical manifold is a family of probability distributions

$$
M=\{p(\cdot ; \theta): \theta \in \Theta\} \subset P_{\mu}
$$

such that:

1. $\Theta$ is an open and connected set in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.
2. Each $p(., \theta)$ is given in terms of $\theta \in \Theta$ by a one to one mapping.
3. Every function $p(x ; \cdot)$ is smooth for all $x$ and the operations of integration with respect to $\mu$ and differentiation with respect to $\theta^{i}$ (i.e. $\partial / \partial \theta^{i}$ ) are always commutative.
4. The support of $p(\cdot, \theta)$ does not depend on $\theta$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$.
5. The matrix $g=\left(g_{i j}\right)$, which is defined by

$$
g_{i j}=-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\frac{\partial^{2} f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i} \partial \theta^{j}}\right]
$$

is positive definite at each $\theta \in \Theta$, where $f_{\theta}(\cdot)=\phi^{-1}(p(\cdot ; \theta))$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[\cdot]=\frac{\int_{\chi}(\cdot) \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu}{\int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu} \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

$g_{i j}$ is invariant under reparametrization. When $\phi$ is the usual exponential function and $u_{0}=1, g$ is the Fisher information matrix.

Lemma 2.1. [17] For $i, j \in\{1,2, \cdots\}$ and $\theta \in M$,

$$
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i}}\right]=0 \quad \text { and } \quad g_{i j}=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{j}}\right]
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}[\cdot]=\frac{\int_{\chi}(\cdot) \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu}{\int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu} \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $\partial_{i}=\partial / \partial \theta^{i}$ be the tangent vector of the $i$-th coordinate curve $\theta^{i}$ at the point $\theta$. Then, $n$ such tangent vectors $\partial_{i}, i=1, \cdots, n$, span the tangent space $\top_{\theta} M$ at the point $\theta$ of the manifold $M$. Any tangent vector $A \in \top_{\theta} M$ is a linear combination of the basis vectors $\partial_{i}$,

$$
A=A^{i} \partial_{i}
$$

where $A^{i}$ are the components of vector $A$ and Einstein's summation convention is assumed throughout the paper. The tangent space $\top_{\theta} M$ is a linearized version of a small neighborhood of $\theta$ in $M$ and an infinitesimal vector $d \theta=d \theta^{i} \partial_{i}$ denotes the vector connecting two neighboring points $\theta$ and $\theta+d \theta$ or two neighboring distributions $p(\cdot, \theta)$ and $p(\cdot, \theta+d \theta)$. Let us introduce a metric in the tangent space $\top_{\theta} M$. It can be done by defining the inner product of two basis vectors $\partial_{i}$ and $\partial_{j}$. Usually the vector $\partial_{i} \in \mathrm{~T}_{\theta} M$ is represented by a function $\partial_{i} f_{\theta}$ and the metric is defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
g_{i j}(\theta)=g\left(\partial_{i}, \partial_{j}\right)=\left\langle\partial_{i} f_{\theta}, \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right\rangle=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right], \forall \theta \in M \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

The $\alpha$-covariant derivative (see [17]) of the basis vector $\partial_{j}$ in the direction $\partial_{i}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\langle\nabla_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} \partial_{j}, \partial_{k}\right\rangle=\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(\alpha)}, \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{gathered}
\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(\alpha)}=\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \Gamma_{i j, k}^{(1)}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \Gamma_{i j, k}^{(-1)} \\
\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(1)}=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\partial^{2} f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i} \partial \theta^{j}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{k}}\right]-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\frac{\partial^{2} f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i} \partial \theta^{j}}\right] \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{k}}\right],
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(-1)}= & \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\partial^{2} f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i} \partial \theta^{j}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{k}}\right]+\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime \prime}\left[\frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{j}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{k}}\right] \\
& -\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{j}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{k}}\right] \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i}}\right]-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{i}} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{k}}\right] \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \frac{\partial f_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^{j}}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime \prime}[\cdot]=\frac{\int_{\chi}(\cdot) \phi^{(3)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu}{\int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu}
$$

## 3 The Hilbert bundle of a generalized statistical manifold

### 3.1 Hilbert bundle

Let $\Upsilon$ be the set of $\mu$-integrable and smooth functions $r$ defined from $\chi$ to $\mathbb{R}$. Let $\phi$ be a smooth and bijective $u_{0}$-mapping $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow(0, \infty)$ such that $\forall(\theta, x) \in M \times(0, \infty)$, $\phi^{(1)}(x) \neq 0$ and $M=\left\{p(\cdot ; \theta) ; \theta=\left(\theta^{1}, \cdots, \theta^{n}\right) \in \Theta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n}\right\}$ a generalized statistical manifold endowed with the Riemannian metric $g$ defined by (2.3) and parametrized by $\theta=\left(\theta^{1}, \cdots, \theta^{n}\right)$. To each point $\theta \in M$, we associate a linear space $H_{\theta}$ defined by

$$
H_{\theta}=\left\{r \in \Upsilon: \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[r]=0, \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[r^{2}\right]<+\infty\right\}
$$

where $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}$ and $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}$ are respectively defined by relations (2.1) and (2.2). Throughout this paper we assume that $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\left(\partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right)^{2}\right]<\infty$ and for all $\left(\theta, \theta^{\prime}\right) \in M^{2}, r \in H_{\theta}$

$$
E_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[r^{2}\right]<+\infty \Longrightarrow \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[r^{2}\left(\frac{\phi^{\prime}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{\prime}\left(f_{\theta^{\prime}}\right)}\right)^{2}\right]<+\infty
$$

For each $\theta \in M$ and $r, s \in H_{\theta}$ we set

$$
\begin{equation*}
\langle r, s\rangle_{\theta}:=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}[r s] . \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proposition 3.1. For all $\theta \in M,\langle\cdot, \cdot\rangle_{\theta}$ is an inner product and $\left(H_{\theta},\langle\cdot, \cdot\rangle_{\theta}\right)$ is a Hilbert space.

Proof. Let $\theta \in M . H_{\theta}$ is a vector space and the map $\langle\cdot, \cdot\rangle_{\theta}$ defined by $(3.1)$ is a positive definite bilinear form, then it is a inner product on $H_{\theta}$. Using the Walter's proof (see [18]) of completeness of the set of measurable and square integrable functions, one proves the completeness of $H_{\theta}$.

Since the tangent vectors $\partial_{i} f_{\theta}(x)$, which span $\top_{\theta} M$, satisfy $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right]=0$ and $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\left(\partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right)^{2}\right]<+\infty$, they belong to $H_{\theta}$. Indeed, the tangent space $\top_{\theta} M$ of $M$ at $\theta$ is a linear subspace of $H_{\theta}$, and the inner product defined in $\top_{\theta} M$ is compatible with that in $H_{\theta}$. Let $N_{\theta}$ be the orthogonal complement of $T_{\theta} M$ in $H_{\theta}$. Then, $H_{\theta}$ is decomposed into the direct sum

$$
H_{\theta}=\top_{\theta} M \oplus N_{\theta} .
$$

The aggregate of all $H_{\theta}$ 's attached to every $\theta \in M$ with a suitable topology,

$$
H=\cup_{\theta \in M} H_{\theta}
$$

is called the fiber-bundle with base space $M$. Since the fiber space is a Hilbert space, it is called a Hilbert bundle of $M$. It should be noted that $H_{\theta}$ and $H_{\theta^{\prime}}$ are different Hilbert spaces when $\theta \neq \theta^{\prime}$.

Hence it is convenient to establish a one-to-one correspondence between $H_{\theta}$ and $H_{\theta^{\prime}}$, when $\theta$ and $\theta^{\prime}$ are neighboring points in $M$. When the correspondence is affine, it is called an affine connection. Let us assume that a vector $r \in H_{\theta}$ at $\theta$ corresponds to $r+d r \in H_{\theta+d \theta}$ at a neighboring points $\theta+d \theta$, where $d$ denotes infinitesimally small change.

Lemma 3.2. Let $\theta \in M$ and $r \in H_{\theta}$. Then

$$
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[d r]=-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} r\right] d \theta^{i}+o(\|d \theta\|) .
$$

Proof. Let $\theta \in M$ and $r \in H_{\theta}$. Then $r+d r \in H_{\theta+d \theta}$. Set $\Phi_{x}(\theta)=\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}(x)\right), x \in \chi$. The function $\Phi_{x}$ is differentiable on $\Theta$. Then by Taylor expansion of the function $\theta \mapsto \Phi_{x}(\theta+d \theta)$ we obtain

$$
\Phi_{x}(\theta+d \theta)=\Phi_{x}(\theta)+d_{\theta} \Phi_{x}(d \theta)+o(\|d \theta\|)
$$

where $d_{\theta} \Phi_{x}$ denotes the differential of $\Phi_{x}$ at $\theta$. Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
r+d r \in H_{\theta+d \theta} \Rightarrow & \mathbb{E}_{\theta+d \theta}^{\prime}[r+d r]=0 \\
& \Rightarrow \int_{\chi}[r(x)+d r(x)] \Phi_{x}(\theta+d \theta) d \mu(x)=0 \\
& \Rightarrow \int_{\chi}[r(x)+d r(x)]\left(\Phi_{x}(\theta)+d_{\theta} \Phi_{x}(d \theta)+o(\|d \theta\|)\right) d \mu(x)=0 \\
\Rightarrow & \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[d r]+\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[r \partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right] d \theta^{i} \\
& +o(\|d \theta\|) \int_{\chi}[r(x)+d r(x)] d \mu(x)=0 .
\end{aligned}
$$

Using $\int_{\chi}|r(x)+d r(x)| d \mu(x)<\infty$ and (3.2) we deduce $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[d r]=-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} r\right] d \theta^{i}+$ $o(\|d \theta\|)$.

Next, we construct the $\alpha$-connections on Hilbert bundle.

## $3.2 \alpha$-connections on Hilbert bundles

Given $r \in H_{\theta}$, differentiating the identity $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[r]=0$ with respect to $\theta$, we have $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right]=-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} r\right], \mathbb{E}^{\prime}[r]=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right]=0$. Set

$$
d r=\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right] u_{0} d \theta^{i}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\left[\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} r-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right] r\right] d \theta^{i}
$$

We have

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[d r] & =\mathbb{E}^{\prime}\left[\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right] u_{0} d \theta^{i}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} r d \theta^{i}\right] \\
& =\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right] d \theta^{i}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}^{\prime}\left[\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} r d \theta^{i}\right] \\
& =\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right] d \theta^{i}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} r\right] d \theta^{i}  \tag{3.3}\\
& =-\mathbb{E}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} r\right] d \theta^{i} .
\end{align*}
$$

The $\alpha$-connection is given by the following $\alpha$-covariant derivative $\bar{\nabla}^{(\alpha)}$. Let $r$ be a vector field, which attaches a vector $r(\cdot, \theta)$ to every point $\theta \in M$. Then, the rate of the intrinsic change of the vector $r(\cdot, \theta)$ as $\theta$ changes in the direction $\partial_{i}$ is given by the $\alpha$-covariant derivative:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} r=\partial_{i} r-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right] u_{0}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\left[\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} r-\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right] r\right] \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

This is a generalization of the $\alpha$-connection studied by Amari $[1]$. We have $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} r\right]=$ 0 because of the identity $\partial_{i} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}[r]=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} r\right]+\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} r\right]$. The $\alpha$-covariant derivative in the direction $A=A^{i} \partial_{i} \in \top_{\theta} M$ is given by

$$
\bar{\nabla}_{A}^{(\alpha)} r=A^{i} \bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} r
$$

The 1-connection is called the exponential connection and the -1 -connection is called the mixture connection.

For each point $\theta \in M$, the tangent space $\top_{\theta} M$ is a subset of the Hilbert space $H_{\theta}$. Hence the tangent bundle of $M$,

$$
\top M=\cup_{\theta \in M} \top_{\theta} M
$$

is a subset of $H$. We can define an affine connection in $\top M$ by introducing an affine correspondence between $\top_{\theta} M$ and $\top_{\theta^{\prime}} M$ for neighboring points $\theta$ and $\theta^{\prime}$.

An affine connection given such that $r \in H_{\theta}$ corresponds to $r+d r \in H_{\theta+d \theta}$, induces an affine connection in $\top_{\theta} M$ such that $r \in \top_{\theta} M \subset H_{\theta}$ corresponds to the orthogonal projection of $r+d r \in H_{\theta+d \theta}$ onto $\top_{\theta+d \theta} M$.

### 3.3 Parallel transport on Hilbert bundles

We start this subsection by the following definition.
Definition 3.1. Let $c=\{c(t), t \in[0,1]\}$ be a curve in $M$. A vector field $r(\cdot, t) \in$ $H_{c(t)}$ defined along the curve $c$ is said to be $\alpha$-parallel, when

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\nabla}_{\dot{c}}^{(\alpha)} r=\dot{r}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{c}^{\prime}[\dot{r}] u_{0}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\left[\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{c}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{c}\right)} \dot{f}_{c} r-\mathbb{E}_{c}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \dot{f}_{c}\right] r\right]=0 \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\dot{r}$ denotes $\partial r / \partial t$, etc.

Definition 3.2. A vector $r_{1}(\cdot) \in H_{\theta_{1}}$ is the $\alpha$-parallel transport of $r_{0}(\cdot) \in H_{\theta_{0}}$ along a curve $c=\{c(t), t \in[0,1]\}$ connecting $\theta_{0}=c(0)$ and $\theta_{1}=c(1)$, when $r_{0}(\cdot)=r(\cdot, 0)$ and $r_{1}(\cdot)=r(\cdot, 1)$ in the solution $r(\cdot, \cdot)$ of (3.5).

Generally, the parallel transport along a curve $c$ connecting $\theta$ to $\theta^{\prime}$ depends on on c.

Theorem 3.3. (see [12]) For an affine connection, parallel transport is independent of the path if and only if the curvature tensor vanishes.

Now, we investigate the $e$ - and $m$-parallel transport operators from $H_{\theta}$ to $H_{\theta^{\prime}}$, for $\left(\theta, \theta^{\prime}\right) \in M^{2}$. Then we can prove the following important theorem.

Theorem 3.4. Let ${ }^{(e)} \pi_{\theta}^{\theta^{\prime}}$ and ${ }^{(m)} \pi_{\theta}^{\theta^{\prime}}$ be the $e$ - and m-parallel transport operators from $H_{\theta}$ to $H_{\theta^{\prime}}$. Then

$$
\begin{aligned}
{ }^{(e)} \pi_{\theta}^{\theta^{\prime}} r(x) & =r(x)-\mathbb{E}_{\theta^{\prime}}^{\prime}[r] u_{0}(x) \\
{ }^{(m)} \pi_{\theta}^{\theta^{\prime}} r(x) & =\frac{r(x) \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}(x)\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta^{\prime}}\right) d \mu}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta^{\prime}}(x)\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu}
\end{aligned}
$$

Proof. Let $c=\{c(t), t \in[0,1]\}$ be a curve connecting two points $\theta=c(0)$ and $\theta^{\prime}=c(1)$. Let $r^{(\alpha)}(x, t)$ be an $\alpha$-parallel transport vector defined along the curve $c$. Then, it satisfies (3.5). When $\alpha=1$, it is reduced to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\dot{r}^{(e)}(x, t)}{u_{0}(x)}=\mathbb{E}_{c(t)}^{\prime}\left[\dot{r}^{(e)}(\cdot, t)\right] . \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since the right-hand side

$$
\mathbb{E}_{c(t)}^{\prime}\left[\dot{r}^{(e)}(\cdot, t)\right]=\frac{\int_{\chi} \dot{r}^{(e)}(x, t) \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{c(t)}(x)\right) d \mu(x)}{\int_{\chi} u_{0}(x) \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{c(t)}(x)\right) d \mu(x)}
$$

of (3.6) does not depend on $x$, its solution (with the initial condition $r(x)=r^{(e)}(x, 0)$ ) is given by

$$
r^{(e)}(x, t)=r(x)+a(t) u_{0}(x)
$$

where

$$
a(t)=-\mathbb{E}_{c(t)}^{\prime}[r]
$$

Then

$$
{ }^{(e)} \pi_{\theta}^{\theta^{\prime}} r(x)=r(x)-\mathbb{E}_{\theta^{\prime}}^{\prime}[r] u_{0}(x) .
$$

When $\alpha=-1,(3.5)$ is reduced to

$$
\dot{r}^{(m)}(x, t)+\left\{\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{c(t)}(x)\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{c(t)}(x)\right)} \dot{f}_{c(t)}(x)-\mathbb{E}_{c(t)}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \dot{f}_{c(t)}\right]\right\} r^{(m)}(x, t)=0
$$

The solution is

$$
r^{(m)}(x, t)=k(x) \frac{\int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{c(t)}(x)\right) d \mu}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{c(t)}(x)\right)}
$$

where $k(x)=\frac{r(x) \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}(x)\right)}{\int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}(x)\right) d \mu(x)}$. Then

$$
{ }^{(m)} \pi_{\theta}^{\theta^{\prime}} r(x)=\frac{r(x) \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}(x)\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta^{\prime}}\right) d \mu}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta^{\prime}}(x)\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu}
$$

As consequence of the two previous theorems, we get the following result.
Corollary 3.5. The exponential $\bar{\nabla}^{(1)}$ and mixture connection $\bar{\nabla}^{(-1)}$ are curvature free.
Lemma 3.6. We assume that $\forall x \in \chi, \phi^{(2)}(x)>0$. If there exists a real constant $k$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)=\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu+k \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

then

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{\theta}^{\prime \prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\left(\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}+\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left(u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right)\right)\right] \tag{3.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. Let $\phi$ be a smooth and bijective $u_{0}$-mapping such that $\forall(\theta, x) \in M \times(0, \infty)$, $\phi^{(1)}(x) \neq 0, \phi^{(2)}(x)>0$ and $\phi$ satisfies (3.7). Let $(i, j, k) \in\{1,2, \cdots, n\}^{3}$.

$$
\begin{align*}
(3.7) \Rightarrow & \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(3)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)=\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu \\
& +\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) \int_{\chi} u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu \\
\Rightarrow \quad & \frac{\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(3)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}=\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \int_{\chi} u_{0} \phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu \\
& +\frac{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \int_{\chi} u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu \\
\Rightarrow \quad & \frac{\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(3)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}=\frac{\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \\
& +\frac{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \int_{\chi} u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu \\
\Rightarrow \quad & \partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta} \frac{\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(3)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}=\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\left[\frac{\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}\right. \\
& \left.+\frac{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \int_{\chi} u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right) d \mu\right] . \tag{3.9}
\end{align*}
$$

By taking the expectation of (3.9), we get the relation (3.8).
In the following theorem, we show that with a sufficient and necessary condition on $\phi$, the restriction to $\top M$ of the family of $\alpha$-connections (3.4) of $H$ is exactly the family of $\alpha$-connections (2.4) of TM given by Rui et al.[17]. Since the geometry of $M$ is indeed that of $T M$, our $\alpha$-geometry of $H$ is an extension of that of $M$.

Theorem 3.7. For all $i, j$ and $k$ in $\{1,2, \cdots, n\}$ and $\theta \in M$,

$$
g\left(\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} \partial_{j}, \partial_{k}\right)=\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(\alpha)}
$$

if and only if $\phi$ satisfies

$$
E_{\theta}^{\prime \prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]=\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\left(\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}+\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left(u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right)\right)\right]
$$

where $\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(\alpha)}$ is defined by relation (2.4).
Proof. Let $i, j$ and $k$ in $\{1,2, \cdots, n\}$. We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
g\left(\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} \partial_{j}, \partial_{k}\right)= & \left\langle\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i} f_{\theta}}^{(\alpha)} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}, \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right\rangle_{\theta} \\
= & \left\langle\partial_{i} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}, \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right\rangle_{\theta}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right]\left\langle u_{0}, \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right\rangle_{\theta} \\
& +\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\left\langle\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}, \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right\rangle_{\theta} \\
& -\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\left[\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right]\left\langle\partial_{j} f_{\theta}, \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right\rangle_{\theta}\right] \\
= & \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right] \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right] \\
& +\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right] \\
& -\frac{1-\alpha}{2}\left\{\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \partial_{i} f_{\theta}\right] \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

We know that $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]=\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right]= & \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\frac{\phi^{(2)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)}{\phi^{(1)}\left(f_{\theta}\right)} \partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{j} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right] \\
& +\mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[\partial_{i} f_{\theta} \partial_{k} f_{\theta}\right] \mathbb{E}_{\theta}^{\prime \prime}\left[u_{0} \partial_{j} f_{\theta}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Then one has $g\left(\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_{i}}^{(\alpha)} \partial_{j}, \partial_{k}\right)=\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \Gamma_{i j, k}^{(1)}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \Gamma_{i j, k}^{(-1)}=\Gamma_{i j, k}^{(\alpha)}$.

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