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Given two manifolds M, N, a smooth map f: $M \rightarrow N$, a vector field ξ on M and a vector field η on N, one defines the Lie derivative of f with respect to ξ and η by

$$L(\xi,\eta)^{f:=Tf\circ\xi} - \eta\circ f: M \to TN.$$

Let F, G be two prolongation functors of the category of smooth manifolds into the category of smooth fibered manifolds. Every vector field ξ on M is prolonged into a vector field F ξ on FM and into another vector field G ξ on GM, [1]. Having a base-preserving morphism φ : FM \rightarrow GM, we define its Lie derivative with respect to ξ by

 $L_{\xi}\varphi := L(F\xi, G\xi)\varphi : FM \rightarrow VGM$,

where V denotes the vertical tangent bundle. If the values of G lie in the subcategory of smooth vector bundles, then $L_{\xi} \varphi$ can be considered as a map $L_{\xi} \varphi$: FM \rightarrow GM.

Let \overline{F} , \overline{G} be two further prolongation functors. An operator A transforming any base-preserving morphism φ : FM \rightarrow GM into a base-preserving morphism $A\varphi$: $\overline{FM} \rightarrow \overline{GM}$ is called natural, if it holds

$$A((Gf)^{-1}_{c} \varphi_{o} Ff) = (\bar{G}f)^{-1}_{c} A \varphi_{o} \bar{F}f$$

for every diffeomorphism f. Operator A is said to be regular, if it transforms any smoothly parametrized family of morphisms into a smoothly parametrized family.

Theorem. Let F, G, \overline{F} , \overline{G} , ξ , cp and A be as above and let the values of G and \overline{G} lie in the category of smooth vector bundles.

If A is natural, R-linear and regular, then A commutes with the Lie derivative, i.e.

$$L_{\xi}(A\varphi) = A(L_{\xi}\varphi)$$

for all φ and ξ .

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