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# NATURAL. OPERATORS ON FRAME BUNDLES 

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#### Abstract

A basis of zero-order differential operators of the $r$ th order semi-holonomic frame bundles with values in any sth order natural bundle is found. A basis of $r$ th order differential operators of the first order frame bundle with values in any $s$ th order natural bundle is found. An example for $r=1,2, s=1$ showing relations to the Lie bracket is given.


## 1. Introduction

There is the following problem in the theory of natural bundles and operators: Find to given natural bundle $F_{1}$ of order $r_{1}$ a natural bundle $F_{2}$ of order $r_{2}$ and a differential operator $D: F_{1} \rightarrow F_{2}$ of order $s$, such that any other $s$ th order differential operator $\bar{D}: F_{1} \rightarrow \bar{F}$, where the order of $\bar{F}$ is $r_{2}$, can be factored through $D$, i.e., such that there is a zero-order operator $D_{0}: F_{2} \rightarrow \bar{F}$ for which the diagram

commutes. The differential operator $D$ is sometimes called basis of $s$ th order operators of $F_{1}$ with values in bundles of order $r_{2}$.

In this paper, we solve this problem in two particular cases. First, for $F_{1}$ equal to the semi-holonomic frame bundle semi $F^{r_{1}}, s=0$, and $r_{2}<r_{1}$. Second, using the canonical semi-holonomic prolongation of first-order frames into higher order semiholonomic frames, for $F_{1}$ equal to the first order frame bundle $F^{1}, s$ arbitrary, $r_{2} \leq s$. We use the method of orbit reduction (Theorem 1), which is based on factorization of the type fiber of the prolongation $J^{s} F_{1}$ with respect to the canonical Lie group action.

[^0]At the end of the paper, we give concrete results for the case of first and second order and show their relations to the Lie bracket.
The subject has been studied by D. Q. Chau and D. Krupka [2], other related papers are [8], [4], [9]. For information on the Natural bundles and operators theory the reader is referred to [3], [6]. The orbit reduction method was used first in [5]. The theory of semi-holonomic jets is introduced in [1] and reviewed in [7].

## 2. Conventions

For a multi-index $U=\left(u_{1}, \ldots, u_{t}\right)$ we shall write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi_{J_{U}}^{l}=\chi_{j_{u_{1}} \ldots j_{u_{t}}}^{l} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Occasionally, the multi-index $U$ can have the form:

$$
U=\left(u_{1}, \ldots, u_{k-1},\left(u_{k}, u_{k+1}\right), u_{k+2}, \ldots, u_{t}\right)
$$

In this case we write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi_{J_{U}}^{l}=\chi_{j_{u_{1}} \ldots j_{u_{k-1}}}^{l}\left[j_{u_{k}} j_{u_{k+1}} \mid j_{u_{k+2}} \ldots j_{u_{t}},\right. \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the brackets denote antisymmetrization:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left.\chi_{j_{u_{1}} \ldots j_{u_{k-1}}}^{l} j_{u_{k}} j_{u_{k+1}}\right] j_{u_{k+2} \ldots j_{u_{t}}} \\
& \quad=\chi_{j_{u_{1}} \ldots j_{u_{k-1}}}^{l} j_{u_{k}} j_{u_{k+1}} j_{u_{k+2} \ldots j_{u_{t}}}-\chi_{j_{u_{1}} \ldots j_{u_{k-1}} j_{u_{k+1}} j_{u_{k}} j_{u_{k+2} \ldots j_{u_{t}}}^{l}} . \tag{4}
\end{align*}
$$

If $\Delta$ is a decomposition of the set $\{1,2, \ldots, r\}$ then the symbol $|\Delta|$ denotes the number of sets in $\Delta$. The sets $\Delta_{1}, \Delta_{2}, \ldots, \Delta_{|\Delta|}$ from $\Delta$ are ordered by smallest elements. Thus for $t_{1}<t_{2}$, the smallest element of $\Delta_{t_{1}}$ is less than the smallest element of $\Delta_{t_{2}}$. Further, the symbol $\left|\Delta_{t}\right|$ denotes the number of elements in $\Delta_{t}$. The elements of $\Delta_{t}$ are denoted by $\Delta_{t 1}, \Delta_{t 2}, \ldots, \Delta_{t\left|\Delta_{t}\right|}$ where $\Delta_{t 1}<\Delta_{t 2}<\ldots<\Delta_{t\left|\Delta_{t}\right|}$.

We shall also work with decompositions of the set $\{1, \ldots, s-1,(s, s+1), s+2, \ldots, r\}$. In this case we use the same conventions as in the previous case with $s-1<(s, s+1)<$ $s+2$.

The sets $\Delta_{t}$ will be used as multi-indices $\left(\Delta_{t 1}, \Delta_{t 2}, \ldots, \Delta_{t\left|\Delta_{t}\right|}\right)$.

## 3. Jets

For manifolds $X_{1}, X_{2}, \operatorname{dim} X_{1}=n_{1}, \operatorname{dim} X_{2}=n_{2}$, and points $x_{1} \in X_{1}, x_{2} \in X_{2}$ we fix the following notations:

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)=\left\{J_{x_{1}}^{r} f \mid f: X_{1} \rightarrow X_{2}, f\left(x_{1}\right)=x_{2}\right\}, \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
J_{x_{1}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) & =\bigcup_{x \in X_{2}} J_{x_{1}, x}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)  \tag{6}\\
J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) & =\bigcup_{x \in X_{1}} J_{x}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right),  \tag{7}\\
T_{n_{1}}^{r} X_{2} & =J_{0}^{r}\left(R^{n_{1}}, X_{2}\right) . \tag{8}
\end{align*}
$$

These spaces admit canonical smooth resp. fiber bundle structure. Subsets of these spaces consisting only of jets of maximal rank will be marked by the prefix "reg".

Thus, the $r$-frame bundle $F^{r} X_{2}$ is equal to $\operatorname{reg} T_{n_{2}}^{r} X_{2}$, and the $r$ th differential group $L_{n}^{r}$ is equal to reg $J_{0,0}^{r}\left(R^{n}, R^{n}\right)$. For $s \leq r$, we have the canonical projections

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, s}: & J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) \rightarrow J^{s}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right), \\
\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r}: & J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) \rightarrow X_{1} \times X_{2} . \tag{10}
\end{array}
$$

The kernel of the projection $\pi_{R^{n}, R^{n}}^{r, s}: L_{n}^{r} \rightarrow L_{n}^{s}$ is denoted by $K_{n}^{r, s}$.
For a point $x \in X$ we set

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{x}^{r}=\operatorname{reg} J_{x, x}^{r}(X, X) \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

and get a Lie group $L_{x}^{r}$. For $s \leq r$, we denote the kernel of the projection $\pi_{X, X}^{r, s}: L_{x}^{r} \rightarrow$ $L_{x}^{s}$, by $K_{x}^{r, s}$.

We shall use analogous notations for spaces of semi-holonomic jets with the prefix "semi" added.

On all of these spaces, we shall use induced coordinates as uṣual. For example, for charts $(U, \varphi)$ on the manifold $X_{1}$ and $(V, \psi)$ on $X_{2}$ the induced coordinate system on the semi-holonomic jet space semi $J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ is denoted by $\left(\varphi^{j}, \psi^{k}, \psi_{j_{1}}^{k}, \psi_{j_{1} j_{2}}^{k}, \ldots, \psi_{j_{1} j_{2} \ldots j_{r}}^{k}\right)$ $\left(j, j_{1}, \ldots, j_{r}=1, \ldots, n_{1}, k=1, \ldots, n_{2}\right)$.

For another manifold $X_{3}$ and a chart ( $W, \chi$ ), the coordinate expression of the composition of composable semi-holonomic jets $a_{1} \in \operatorname{semi} J^{r}(U, V)$, and $a_{2} \in \operatorname{semi} J^{r}(V, W)$ is

$$
\begin{align*}
& \chi_{j_{1} \ldots j_{s}}^{i}\left(a_{2} \circ a_{1}\right)  \tag{12}\\
& =\sum_{\Delta} \chi_{k_{1} \ldots k_{|\Delta|}}^{i}\left(a_{2}\right) \psi_{J_{\Delta_{1}}}^{k_{1}}\left(a_{1}\right) \cdot \ldots \cdot \psi_{J_{\Delta_{|\Delta|}}}^{k_{|\Delta|}}\left(a_{1}\right),
\end{align*}
$$

where $s \in\{1, \ldots, r\}$ and $\Delta$ runs through all decompositions of $\{1,2, \ldots, s\}$.

## 4. Bases of differential operators

From the natural differential operators theory point of view, we shall work mostly in the category $\mathcal{D}_{n}$ of $n$-dimensional second countable Hausdorff manifolds and their embeddings, where $n$ will be a fixed integer.

The following theorem shows that the problem of finding bases of differential operators formulated in Introduction, can be in some cases solved by computing orbit space of some Lie group action. See [5], [3].

Theorem 1. Let $F_{1}, F_{2}$ be natural bundles of orders $r_{1}, r_{2}, P_{1}, P_{2}$ their type fibers. Let $D: F_{1} \rightarrow F_{2}$ be an sth order differential operator, $g: T_{n}^{s} P_{1} \rightarrow P_{2}$ its fiber representation. Suppose that $g$ is a surjective submersion and quotient projection with respect to the action of $K_{n}^{r_{1}+s, r_{2}}$ on $T_{n}^{s} P_{1}$. Then for any other differential operator $\bar{D}: F_{1} \rightarrow \bar{F}$ with order of $\bar{F}$ equal to $r_{2}$, there is a unique zero-order operator $D_{0}: F_{2} \rightarrow \bar{F}$ such that the diagram (1) commutes.

## 5. Note on factorization of tensor spaces

For an integer $r>1$ and vector space $V$, consider an affine space $H$, with the associated vector space $\otimes^{r} V^{*}$. Let us fix a basis in $V$ and choose compatible coordinates
in $H$. For $s=1, \ldots, r-1$ we have the mappings

$$
\begin{align*}
A_{s, s+1}: H & \rightarrow \stackrel{r}{\bigotimes} V^{*}  \tag{13}\\
u_{j_{1} \ldots j_{r}} & \rightarrow u_{j_{1} \ldots j_{s-1}}\left[j_{s} j_{s+1} \mid j_{s+2} \ldots j_{r}\right.
\end{align*}
$$

Denote by $p r$ the quotient projection $p r: H \rightarrow H / \bigodot^{r} V^{*}(\odot$ means the symmetric tensor product) and set $A=\left(A_{1,2}, \ldots, A_{r-1, r}\right)$. We have $A: H \rightarrow\left(\otimes^{r} V^{*}\right)^{r-1}$. We have the following simple lemma:
Lemma 2. There is a unique injection

$$
\begin{equation*}
\iota: H / \bigodot^{r} V^{*} \rightarrow\left(\otimes^{r} V^{*}\right)^{r-1} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

such that the diagram"

commutes.

## 6. Factorization of semi-holonomic jets

Let $X_{1}$, and $X_{2}$ be two manifolds with $\operatorname{dim} X_{1}=n_{1}, \operatorname{dim} X_{2}=n_{2}$. It is a well-known fact [7], that the bundle semi $J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} J^{r-1}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ is an affine bundle with associated vector bundle $\left(\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X_{2} \otimes \otimes^{r} T^{*} X_{1}\right)$.

The quotient space semi $J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) /\left(\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X_{2} \otimes \bigodot^{r} T^{*} X_{1}\right)$ is also an affine bundle over semi $J^{r-1}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$, with associated vector bundle

$$
\left(\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X_{2} \otimes\left(\otimes^{r} T^{*} X_{1} / \bigodot^{r} T^{*} X_{1}\right)\right)
$$

Let

$$
\begin{align*}
& \tau_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r}: \operatorname{semi} J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) \\
& \quad \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} J^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right) /\left(\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X_{2} \otimes \bigodot^{r} T^{*} X_{1}\right) \tag{16}
\end{align*}
$$

be the quotient projection.
Fix two points $x_{1} \in X_{1}, x_{2} \in X_{2}$ and consider the space reg semi $J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$. For elements $g_{1} \in K_{x_{1}}^{r, r-1}, g_{2} \in K_{x_{2}}^{r, r-1}$, and $p \in \operatorname{regsemi} J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ we set

$$
\begin{align*}
g_{1} \cdot p & =p \circ g_{1}^{-1},  \tag{17}\\
g_{2} \cdot p & =g_{2} \circ p  \tag{18}\\
\left(g_{1}, g_{2}\right) \cdot p & =g_{2} \circ p \circ g_{1}^{-1}, \tag{19}
\end{align*}
$$

and get left actions of the groups $K_{x_{1}}^{r, r-1}, K_{x_{2}}^{r, r-1}$, and $K_{x_{1}}^{r, r-1} \times K_{x_{2}}^{r, r-1}$ on the manifold reg semi $J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$. For these actions, we have the following result:
Theorem 3. The equivalence of the action (19), and the equivalence of the projection $\tau_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r}$, coincide on reg semi $J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{\tau}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$. If $n_{1} \geq n_{2}$, then the same holds for the action (17), if $n_{1} \leq n_{2}$, then the same holds for the action (18).

Proof. The group $K_{x_{1}}^{r, r-1}$ can be identified with $T_{x_{1}} X_{1} \otimes \odot^{r} T_{x_{1}}^{*} X_{1}$ and the manifold $J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{1}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ with $T_{x_{2}} X_{2} \otimes T_{x_{1}}^{*} X_{1}$. Using (12) we easily obtain that elements $g_{1} \in$ $K_{x_{1}}^{r, r-1}$ act on semi $J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ as translations $g_{1} \cdot p=p-\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p) \cdot g_{1}$, where $\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p) \cdot g_{1}=\operatorname{trace}\left(\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p) \otimes g_{1}\right)$.

Similarly, the action of $K_{x_{2}}^{r, r-1}$ on semi $J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ can be viewed as the translation $g_{2} \cdot p=p+g_{2} \cdot \pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p)$, where $g_{2} \cdot \pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p)$ is the image of $\left(g_{2}, \pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p)\right)$ with the canonical mapping

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(T_{x_{2}} X_{2} \otimes \bigodot^{r} T_{x_{2}}^{*} X_{2}\right) \times\left(T_{x_{2}} X_{2} \otimes T_{x_{1}}^{*} X_{1}\right)  \tag{20}\\
& \quad \rightarrow\left(T_{x_{2}} X_{2} \otimes \bigodot_{x_{1}}^{*} X_{1}\right)
\end{align*}
$$

( $r$ tensor products and $r$ traces).
This shows that the tensors $p \circ g_{1}^{-1}-p, g_{2} \circ p-p$, and $g_{2} \circ p \circ g_{1}^{-1}-p$ are always symmetric (i.e., elements of $T X_{2} \otimes \bigodot^{r} T^{*} X_{1}$ ), which means that the orbits of the actions $(17,18,19)$ are subsets of the equivalence classes of $\tau_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r}$.

From the other hand, for any $p, \bar{p} \in \operatorname{reg} \operatorname{semi} J_{x_{1}, x_{2}}^{r}\left(X_{1}, X_{2}\right)$ such that $\tau_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r}(p)=$ $\tau_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r}(\bar{p})$, the tensor $\bar{p}-p$ is symmetric. If $n_{1} \geq n_{2}$, then there is a right inverse $b \in$ $J_{x_{2}, x_{1}}^{1}\left(X_{2}, X_{1}\right)$ of the jet $\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(\bar{p})=\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r_{1}, 1}(p)$. Now, the equation $\bar{p}=p-\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p) \cdot g_{1}$ has a solution $g_{1}=b \cdot(p-\bar{p})$. If $n_{1} \leq n_{2}$, then the jet $\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r_{1}}(\bar{p})=\pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p)$ has a left inverse $b \in J_{x_{2}, x_{1}}^{1}\left(X_{2}, X_{1}\right)$, and the equation $\bar{p}=p+g_{2} \cdot \pi_{X_{1}, X_{2}}^{r, 1}(p)$ has a solution $g_{2}=(\bar{p}-p) \cdot b$. This proves the converse.

## 7. Factorization of semi-holonomic frames

We shall apply the previous results to the natural bundle semi $F^{r}$. We have for any $n$-dimensional manifold $X$ (i.e., object of the category $\mathcal{D}_{n}$ ) the semi-holonomic frame bundle $\pi_{X}^{r}: \operatorname{semi} F^{r} X \rightarrow X$. The bundle semi $F^{r} X \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F^{r-1} X$ has a structure of affine bundle with associated vector space $\left(\pi_{X}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X \otimes \otimes^{r} R^{n *}\right)$. We have the projection $\tau_{X}^{r}: \operatorname{semi} F^{r} X \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F^{r} X /\left(\pi_{X}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X \otimes \bigodot^{r} R^{n *}\right)$.

The system $\tau^{r}=\left(\tau_{X}^{r}\right)$ is a natural transformation of the functors semi $F^{r}$ and semi $F^{r} /\left(\pi^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(T \otimes \bigodot^{r} R^{*}\right)$; the latter functor is of the order $r$ - 1. In the following theorem we use the canonical identification of $\tau^{r}$ and some zero-order differential operator.

Theorem 4. Any zero-order differential operator of semi $F^{r}$ with values in a bundle of order $r-1$ can be factored through $\tau^{r}$.

Proof. The type fiber of semi $F^{r}$ is equal to semi $F_{0}^{r} R^{n}$ (action of $L_{n}^{r}$ is given by jet composition). According to Theorem 3, the projection $\tau_{R^{n}}$, restricted to this type fiber, is the quotient projection of the action of $K_{n}^{r, r-1} \subset L_{n}^{r}$. Thus, the result follows from Theorem 1.

Let us now consider the mapping $A$ from Par. 5. We have $A_{s, s+1}$ : semi $F^{r} X \rightarrow$ $\left(\pi_{X}^{T-1}\right)^{*}\left(T X \otimes \otimes^{r} R^{n *}\right)$. From (12) there easily follow local transformation properties of the mapping $A_{s, s+1}$. Namely, for $x \in X, p \in \operatorname{semi} F_{x}^{r} X$, and $g \in L_{x}^{r}$ it holds

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi_{j_{1} \ldots j_{r}}^{i}\left(A_{s, s+1}(g \circ p)\right)=\sum_{\Delta} \chi_{l_{1} \ldots l_{\Delta \mid}}^{i}(g) \chi_{J_{\Delta_{1}}}^{l_{1}}(p) \cdot \ldots \cdot \chi_{J_{|\Delta|}}^{l_{\Delta \mid}}(p), \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Delta$ runs through all decompositions of the set $\{1, \ldots, s-1,\{s, s+1\}, s+2, \ldots, r\}$.
Hence we obtain equations of the left action of $L_{x}^{r-1}$ on the image $A_{s, s+1}\left(\operatorname{semi} F_{x}^{r} X\right)$ : For $t<r-1$,

$$
\begin{align*}
& \chi_{j_{1} \ldots j_{t}}^{i}(g \cdot q)=\sum_{\Delta} \chi_{k_{1} \ldots k_{|\Delta|}}^{i}(g) \chi_{J_{\Delta_{1}}}^{k_{1}}(q) \cdot \ldots \cdot \chi_{J_{\Delta_{|\Delta|}}}^{k_{|\Delta|}}(q) \\
& \chi_{j_{1} \ldots j_{r}}^{i}(g \cdot q)=\sum_{\bar{\Delta}} \chi_{l_{1} \ldots l_{|\Delta|}}^{i}(g) \chi_{J_{\Delta_{1}}}^{l_{1}}(q) \cdot \ldots \cdot \chi_{J_{\Delta_{|\Delta|}} l_{|\Delta|}}^{l_{1}}(q) . \tag{22}
\end{align*}
$$

( $\Delta$ runs through all decompositions of the set $\{1, \ldots, t\}$ and $\bar{\Delta}$ through all decompositions of the set $\{1, \ldots, s-1,\{s, s+1\}, s+2, \ldots, r\}$ ).

From these equations, one can deduce that this action can be extended from the group $L_{x}^{r-1}$ to semi $L_{x}^{r-1}$. Equations of the new action will be the same, just forgetting the condition of symmetry of $\chi_{j_{1} \ldots j_{t}}^{i}(g)(t=1, \ldots, r-1)$ in subscripts. From these considerations it follows that elements from the image $q \in A_{s, s+1}\left(\operatorname{semi} F_{x}^{r} X\right)$ can be multiplied from the left by any regular semi-holonomic $(r-1)$-jet $a \in \operatorname{reg} \operatorname{semi} J_{x, \bar{x}}^{r-1}(X, \bar{X})$, where $\operatorname{dim} \bar{X}=n$, with $a \cdot q \in A_{s, s+1}\left(\operatorname{semi} F_{\bar{x}}^{r} \bar{X}\right)$. This multiplication is associative.

Let us consider for $p \in \operatorname{semi} F_{x}^{r} X$ the point $\pi_{X}\left(p^{-1}\right) \cdot A_{s, s+1}(p)$. Evidently, this point belongs to the fiber of $\left(\pi_{R^{n}}^{r-1}\right)^{*}\left(R^{n} \otimes \bigotimes^{r} R^{n *}\right) \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F_{0}^{r-1} R^{n}$ over the point $J_{0}^{r-1} \mathrm{id}_{R^{n}}$. This fiber is canonically isomorphic to $R^{n} \otimes \otimes^{r} R^{n *}$, so we shall write simply $\pi_{X}^{r, r-1}\left(p^{-1}\right) \cdot A_{s, s+1}(p) \in R^{n} \otimes \otimes^{r} R^{n *}$.

Finally, we have $\pi_{X}^{r, 1}(p) \in T_{x} X \otimes R^{n *}$ and we set

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\tau}_{X}^{r, s}(p)=\operatorname{trace}\left(\pi_{X}^{r, 1}(p) \otimes\left(\pi_{X}^{r, r-1}\left(p^{-1}\right) \cdot A_{s, s+1}(p)\right)\right) . \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

We set $\bar{\tau}_{X}^{r}: \operatorname{semi} F^{r} X \rightarrow \operatorname{Im} \bar{\tau}_{X}^{r}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{r}(p)=\left(\bar{\tau}_{X}^{r, 1}(p), \ldots, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{r, r-1}(p)\right)$. The image of the mapping $\bar{\tau}_{X}^{r}$ is an affine sub-bundle of the bundle $T X \otimes\left(\bigotimes^{r} R^{n *}\right)^{r}$.

Lemma 5. There is a bijection $\iota: \operatorname{Im} \tau_{X}^{r} \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F^{r-1} X \times \operatorname{Im} \bar{\tau}_{X}^{r}$ such that the diagram

commutes.
Proof. This follows from Lemma 2 and invertibility of the assignment $A_{s, s+1}(p) \rightarrow$ $\left(\pi_{X}^{r, r-1}(p), \bar{\tau}_{X}^{r, s}(p)\right)(23)$.

We have natural transformations $\bar{\tau}^{r}=\left(\bar{\tau}_{X}^{r}\right), \pi^{r, t}=\left(\pi_{X}^{r, t}\right)$, whose codomains are first and $t$ th order bundles, respectively.

Theorem 6. Let $0<t<r$. Any zero-order differential operator of semi $F^{r}$ with values in a tth-order bundle can be factored through ( $\left.\pi^{r, t}, \bar{\tau}^{t+1} \circ \pi^{r, t+1}, \ldots, \bar{\tau}^{r-1} \circ \pi^{r, r-1}, \bar{\tau}^{r}\right)$.

Proof. For $t=r-1$ the result follows from Theorem 4 and Lemma 5. The general result is easily obtained by induction.

## 8. Natural operators on frame bundles

Let $s: X \rightarrow F^{1} X$ be a section of a first-order frame bundle. The well-known semi-holonomic prolongations of this section can be defined using semi-holonomic jet composition:

$$
\begin{align*}
s^{(0)} & =s,  \tag{25}\\
s^{(r)}(x) & =\left(J_{x}^{r} s\right) \circ\left(s^{(r-1)}(x)\right) . \tag{26}
\end{align*}
$$

In the second equation, if $s^{(r-1)}(x)$ belongs to semi $F^{r} X$, then

$$
s^{(r)}(x) \in \operatorname{semi} J_{0}^{r}\left(R^{n}, F^{1} X\right)
$$

Using translations in $R^{n}$, we can identify this element with an element of semi $F^{r+1} X$. Thus, $s^{(r)}$ is a section of the bundle semi $F^{r+1} X \rightarrow X$. We get an injection $\iota^{r}$ : $J^{r} F^{1} X \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F^{r+1} X$. For any $p \in \operatorname{Im}\left(\iota^{r}\right)$ we can consider $p$ as an element of the manifold semi $J_{0}^{r}\left(R^{n}, F^{1} X\right)$, and get $\left(\iota^{r}\right)^{-1}(p)=p \circ \pi_{X}^{r+1, r}\left(p^{-1}\right)$.

Since the image $\iota^{r}\left(J^{r} F^{1} X\right)$ is a subspace of semi $F^{r+1} X$, we can compute $r$ th-order operators of $F^{1} X$ by means of zero-order operators of semi $F^{r+1} X$ (in Theorem 1, quotient projection of an invariant subspace is equal to the restriction of projection of whole space to this subspace). Thus, we can use Theorem 6:

Theorem 7. Let $0<t \leq r$. Any rth-order differential operator of $F^{1}$ with values in a tth-order bundle can be factored through the operator $s \rightarrow\left(\pi^{r, t}, \bar{\tau}^{t+1} \circ \pi^{r, t+1}, \ldots, \bar{\tau}^{r-1} \circ\right.$ $\left.\pi^{r, r-1}, \bar{\tau}^{r}\right) \circ \iota^{r} \circ J^{r} s$, defined for any section $s: X \rightarrow F^{1} X$.

## 9. Examples

Let $p$ be an element of semi $F^{2} X$. Then, in local coordinates,

$$
\begin{align*}
\chi_{j}^{i}\left(\pi_{X}^{2,1}(p)\right) & =\chi_{j}^{i}(p),  \tag{27}\\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2}}^{i}\left(\bar{\tau}_{X}^{2,1}(p)\right) & =\chi_{\left[j_{1} j_{2}\right]}^{i}(p), \tag{28}
\end{align*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(\pi_{X}^{2,1}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{2,1}\right): \operatorname{semi} F^{2} X \rightarrow\left(T X \otimes R^{n *}\right) \times\left(T X \otimes R^{n *} \wedge R^{n *}\right) \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

being surjective. The inclusion $\iota^{1}: J^{1} F^{1} X \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F^{2} X$ is given by

$$
\begin{align*}
\chi_{j}^{i}\left(\iota^{1}(q)\right) & =\chi_{j}^{i}(q),  \tag{30}\\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2}}^{i}\left(\iota^{1}(q)\right) & =\chi_{j_{1}, l}^{i}(q) \chi_{j_{2}}^{l}(q), \tag{31}
\end{align*}
$$

and is also surjective. Thus, for the composition $\bar{\tau}_{X}^{2,1} \circ \iota^{1}$ we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2}}^{i}\left(\tilde{\tau}_{X}^{2,1} \circ \iota^{1}(q)\right)=\chi_{j_{1}, l}^{i}(q) \chi_{j_{2}}^{l}(q)-\chi_{j_{2}, l}^{i}(q) \chi_{j_{1}}^{l}(q) . \tag{32}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consider a section $s: X \rightarrow F^{1} X$ and denote by $s_{j}$ its $j$ th vector field. From the above equations we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(\pi_{X}^{2,1}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{2,1}\right) \circ \iota^{1} \circ J^{1} s=\left(s,\left[s_{j_{1}}, s_{j_{2}}\right]\right), \tag{33}
\end{equation*}
$$

where we have the system of all Lie brackets of vector fields $s_{j}$, on the right-hand side. Thus, we have a result: For $r=1$, the operator from Theorem 7 assigns to each frame field $s: X \rightarrow F^{1} X$ the vector fields $s_{j},\left[s_{j_{1}}, s_{j_{2}}\right]$.

Let us turn to the case $r=2$. For $p \in \operatorname{semi} F^{3} X$ we have

$$
\begin{align*}
\chi_{j}^{i}\left(\pi_{X}^{3,1}(p)\right)= & \chi_{j}^{i}(p), \\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2}}^{i}\left(\tau_{X}^{2,1} \circ \pi_{X}^{i, 2}(p)\right)= & \chi_{\left[1_{2}\right]}^{i}(p), \\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2} j_{3}}^{i}\left(\tau_{X}^{3,1}(p)\right)= & \chi_{l}^{i}(p)\left(\chi_{u}^{l}\left(p^{-1}\right) \chi_{\left[j_{1} j_{2}\right] j_{3}}^{u}(p)\right. \\
& \left.+\chi_{u_{1} u_{2}}^{l}\left(p^{-1}\right) \chi_{\left[j_{1} j_{2}\right]}^{u_{2}}(p) \chi_{j_{3}}^{u_{2}}(p)\right),  \tag{34}\\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2} j_{3}}^{i}\left(\bar{\tau}_{X}^{3,2}(p)\right)= & \chi_{l}^{i}(p)\left(\chi_{u}^{l}\left(p^{-1}\right) \chi_{j_{1}}^{u}\left(j_{2} j_{3}\right]\right. \\
& +(p) \\
& \left.+\chi_{u_{1} u_{2}}^{l}\left(p^{-1}\right) \chi_{j_{1}}^{u_{1}}(p) \chi_{\left[j_{2} j_{3}\right]}^{u_{2}}(p)\right) .
\end{align*}
$$

The mapping $\left(\pi_{X}^{3,1}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{2} \circ \pi_{X}^{3,2}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{3}\right)$ is not surjective. To determine the image, we shall prove the following lemma:

Lemma 8. In Lemma 2 with $r=3$, the image of the mapping $A$ consists of all tensors $(v, w)$, satisfying

$$
\begin{align*}
v_{j k l}+v_{k j l} & =0, \\
w_{j k l}+w_{j l k} & =0,  \tag{35}\\
v_{j k l}+v_{k l j}+v_{l j k} & =w_{j k l}+w_{k l j}+w_{l j k} .
\end{align*}
$$

Proof. Direct computation gives that for any $u \in H, v=A_{1,2}(u), w=A_{2,3}(u)$, the equations (35) hold. From the other hand, given $(v, w)$ such that the equations are true, we can set $u_{j k l}=\frac{1}{6}\left(5 v_{j k l}+3 v_{k l j}+v_{l j k}-4 c_{k l j}-2 c_{l j k}\right)$.

Now we can see that the image of the mapping $\left(\pi_{X}^{3,1}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{2}, \bar{\tau}_{X}^{3}\right)$ is an affine bundle with associated vector bundle $T X \otimes\left(R^{n *} \times\left(R^{n *} \wedge R^{n *}\right) \times W\right)$, where $W$ is the subspace of $\left(\otimes^{3} R^{n *}\right)^{2}$, given by the equations (35).

Consider the inclusion $\iota^{2}: J^{2} F^{1} X \rightarrow \operatorname{semi} F^{3} X$. We have

$$
\begin{align*}
\chi_{j}^{i}\left(\iota^{2}(q)\right) & =\chi_{j}^{i}(q), \\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2}}^{i}\left(\iota^{2}(q)\right) & =\chi_{j_{1}, l}^{i}(q) \chi_{j_{2}}^{l}(q),  \tag{36}\\
\chi_{j_{1} j_{2} j_{3}}^{i}\left(\iota^{2}(q)\right) & =\chi_{j_{1}, l}^{i}(q) \chi_{j_{2} j_{3}}^{l}(q)+\chi_{j_{1}, l_{1} l_{2}}^{i}(q) \chi_{j_{2}}^{l_{1}}(q) \chi_{j_{3}}^{l_{2}}(q) .
\end{align*}
$$

This inclusion is not surjective; its image is determined by $\chi_{j_{1}, l_{1} l_{2}}^{i}(q)=\chi_{j_{1}, l_{2} l_{1}}^{i}(q)$. Direct computation gives that $\operatorname{Im} \iota^{2}$ is exactly the subset of $\operatorname{semi} F^{3} X$, consisting of elements $p$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\tau}_{X}^{3,2}(p)=0 \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

After some calculations, we get for the composition $\bar{\tau}_{X}^{3,1} \circ \iota^{2}$ and a section $s: X \rightarrow F^{1} X$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\tau}_{X}^{3,1} \circ \iota^{2} \circ J^{2} s=\left[\left[s_{j_{1}}, s_{j_{2}}\right], s_{j_{3}}\right], \tag{38}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the third equation of (35) together with (37) gives the Jacobi identity. We can formulate our result: For $r=2, t=1$, the operator from Theorem 7 assigns to each frame field $s: X \rightarrow F^{1} X$ the vector fields $s_{j},\left[s_{j_{1}}, s_{j_{2}}\right],\left[\left[s_{j_{1}}, s_{j_{2}}\right], s_{j_{3}}\right]$.

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