

# A NOTE OF THE LIE DERIVATIVE

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본 論文에서는, 첫째로, 實數에서의 derivation을 定意하고,  $C^{\infty}(a)$ 에서 R로 가는 寫像을 모아 놓은 集合을  $D(a)$ 라 했을 때,  $D(a)$ 의 몇 가지 性質을 調査하고  $D(a)$ 가 벡터공간(Vector Space)이 됨을 보였으며, 접공간(Tangent Space)에 대한 性質들을 調査하였다. 둘째로, X에 대한 Y의 리微分(Lie derivative)  $L_X Y$ 가 Bracket  $[X, Y]$ 와 같음을 보이고,  $L_X Y$ 는  $L_{F_* X} F_* Y$ 에 F-related 됨을 보였다.

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## I. INTRODUCTION.

The Theory of the derivative have been treated as an important problems in differential geometry.

In particular, it is a matter of interested to the study of the properties of the Lie derivative on  $C^\infty$ -manifold.

The purpose of the present paper, we introduce some properties of the most basic tools used in the study of Lie derivative on  $C^\infty$ -manifold and the bracket of  $C^\infty$ -vector fields  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$ .

In chapter II, making use of the definition of derivation  $\mathbf{D}(a)$  on  $C^\infty(a)$  in  $R$ , if  $D$  is a derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$ , then  $\gamma D$  is also derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$ . Furthermore,  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$  on  $C^\infty(a)$  into  $R$ , then  $D_1 + D_2$  is a derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$ . Thus  $\mathbf{D}(a)$  is a vector space.

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be a  $C^\infty$ -manifold. If a function  $F$  is a  $C^\infty$ -mapping of  $M$  into  $N$  and if  $F^* : C^\infty(F(p)) \rightarrow C^\infty(p)$  defined by  $F^*(f) = f \circ F$  and  $F_* : \mathbf{T}_p(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_{F(p)}(N)$  defined by  $F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)f = \mathbf{X}_p(F^* f)$ , then the differential of  $F$ ,  $F_*$  is homomorphism.

In chapter III, let  $\theta : R \times M \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^\infty$ -mapping satisfies any two conditions, then  $\theta$  is  $C^\infty$ -action (or one parameter group) of  $M$ .

For  $C^\infty$ -vector field  $\mathbf{X}$ , there is infinitesimal generator of  $\theta$  such that

$$\mathbf{X}_p f = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta t} [ f(\theta_{\Delta t}(p)) - f(p) ]$$

Thus the map  $\theta_{t*}$  is a mapping of  $\mathbf{T}(M)$  into  $\mathbf{T}(M)$  defined by  $\theta_{t*}(\mathbf{X}_p) = \mathbf{X}_{\theta_t(p)}$

Finally, we have proved Lie derivative of  $\mathbf{Y}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{X}$  such that

$$(L_{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{Y})_p = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [ \theta_{t*}(\mathbf{Y}_{\theta_t(p)}) - \mathbf{Y}_p ]$$
 is equal to bracket  $[\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{X}$  and

so Lie derivative  $L_{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{Y}$  is  $F$ -related to  $L_{F_*(\mathbf{X})}F_*(\mathbf{Y})$ .

Throughout the present paper, by the manifolds and vector fields we mean  $C^\infty$ -manifold and  $C^\infty$  vector fields, respectively. The dimension of manifold  $M$  is  $n$  unless explicitly stated otherwise.

## II. DERIVATION ON $C^\infty$ -MAP

Let  $\mathbf{a} = (a^1, a^2, \dots, a^n)$  be any point of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

We define  $\mathbf{T}_a(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , the tangent space attached to  $\mathbf{a}$ , as follows. It consist of all pairs of  $(a, x) = \overline{\mathbf{a}x}$  and if such a pair denoted by  $\mathbf{X}_a$ , there exists the mapping  $\varphi_a : \mathbf{T}_a(\mathbf{R}^n) \rightarrow V^n$  is defined by  $\varphi_a(\mathbf{X}_a) = (x^1 - a^1, x^2 - a^2, \dots, x^n - a^n)$  also have the following properties:

- (1)  $\mathbf{X}_a + \mathbf{Y}_a = \varphi_a^{-1}(\varphi_a(\mathbf{X}_a) + \varphi_a(\mathbf{Y}_a))$
- (2)  $\alpha\mathbf{X}_a = \varphi_a^{-1}(\alpha\varphi_a(\mathbf{X}_a))$

for  $\mathbf{X}_a, \mathbf{Y}_a \in \mathbf{T}_a(\mathbf{R}^n)$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$

If  $\mathbf{e}^1, \mathbf{e}^2, \dots, \mathbf{e}^n$  be the natural basis of  $V^n$  and  $E_{1a}, E_{2a}, \dots, E_{na}$  be the natural basis of  $\mathbf{T}_a(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , then  $E_{1a} = \varphi_a^{-1}(\mathbf{e}^1), E_{2a} = \varphi_a^{-1}(\mathbf{e}^2), \dots, E_{na} = \varphi_a^{-1}(\mathbf{e}^n)$

**Definition 2.1** Let  $\mathbf{X}_a = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^i E_{ia}$  be the expression for a vector of  $\mathbf{T}_a(\mathbf{R}^n)$ .

For the differential map  $f$  defined on open subset of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , the *directional derivative*  $\Delta f$  of  $f$  at  $\mathbf{a}$  in the "direction of  $\mathbf{X}_a$ " defined by

$$\Delta f = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i}.$$

Since  $\Delta f$  depend on  $f, \mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{X}_a$ , we shall write it as  $\mathbf{X}_a * f$  Thus  $\mathbf{X}_a * f = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^i \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \right)_a$ . We may take any  $C^\infty$ -function defined in a neighborhood of  $\mathbf{a}$ . Then for

each  $f \in C^\infty(a)$ , we have  $\mathbf{X}_a^* : C^\infty(a) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is defined by  $\mathbf{X}_a^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}\right)$ .

**Property 2.2** If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $f, g \in C^\infty(a)$ , then we have two fundamental properties of derivatives followings;

- (1)  $\mathbf{X}_a^*(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha(\mathbf{X}_a^* f) + \beta(\mathbf{X}_a^* g)$  - (linearity)
- (2)  $\mathbf{X}_a^*(fg) = (\mathbf{X}_a^* f)g(a) + f(a)(\mathbf{X}_a^* g)$  - (Leibniz rule)

Let  $\mathbf{D}(a)$  denote all mappings of  $C^\infty(a)$  to  $\mathbf{R}$  with linearity and Leibniz rule.

Then the elements of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$  is called *derivations* on  $C^\infty(a)$  into  $\mathbf{R}$ .

**Lemma 2.3** If  $D$  is a derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$ , then  $\gamma D$  is also derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$

**Proof.** Let  $D \in \mathbf{D}(a)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $f, g \in C^\infty(a)$ . To show the map  $\gamma D : C^\infty(a) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is linear. Using(1) of property 2.2

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma D)(\alpha f + \beta g) &= \gamma [D(\alpha f + \beta g)] \\ &= \gamma [(\alpha Df) + \beta (Dg)] \\ &= \gamma \alpha (Df) + \gamma \beta (Dg) \\ &= \alpha (\gamma D)f + \beta (\gamma D)g \end{aligned}$$

By means of the property 2.2

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma D)(fg) &= \gamma [D(fg)] \\ &= \gamma [(Df)g(a) + f(a)(Dg)] \\ &= \gamma [(Df)g(a) + f(a)\gamma(Dg)] \\ &= ((\gamma D)f)g(a) + f(a)((\gamma D)g) \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.4.** If  $D_1, D_2$  are derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$ , then  $D_1 + D_2$  is a derivation of  $\mathbf{D}(a)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be a real numbers and let  $f, g$  be a  $C^\infty$ -function.

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D_1 + D_2)(\alpha f + \beta g) &= D_1(\alpha f + \beta g) + D_2(\alpha f + \beta g) \\
 &= [\alpha(D_1 f) + \beta(D_1 g)] + [\alpha(D_2 f) + \beta(D_2 g)] \\
 &= \alpha[(D_1 f) + (D_2 f)] + \beta[(D_1 g) + (D_2 g)] \\
 &= \alpha(D_1 + D_2)f + \beta(D_1 + D_2)g
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the map  $D_1 + D_2 : C^\infty(a) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is linear

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D_1 + D_2)(fg) &= D_1(fg) + D_2(fg) \\
 &= [(D_1 f)g(a) + f(a)(D_1 g)] + [(D_2 f)g(a) + f(a)(D_2 g)] \\
 &= [(D_1 f)g(a) + (D_2 f)g(a)] + [f(a)(D_1 g) + f(a)(D_2 g)] \\
 &= [(D_1 f) + (D_2 f)]g(a) + f(a)[(D_1 g) + (D_2 g)] \\
 &= [(D_1 + D_2)f]g(a) + f(a)[(D_1 + D_2)g]
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $D_1 + D_2$  satisfies the Leibniz rule for differentiation of products.

**Theorem 2.5**  $D(a)$  is a vector space.

**Proof.** By Lemma 2.3, 2.4, we have the result.

Let  $U$  is an open set of manifold  $M$ . Then for any  $p \in U$ ,  $\varphi : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  defined by  $\varphi(p) = (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n)$  is a homeomorphism on  $U$  and the pair  $(U, \varphi)$  is called a *coordinate neighborhood*

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $f$  be a real-valued function on an open set  $U$  of a  $n$ -dimensional manifold  $M$ . Then  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a  $C^\infty$ -function if each  $p \in U$  lies in a coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  such that  $f \circ \varphi(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n)$  is a  $C^\infty$  on  $\varphi(U)$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be a  $C^\infty$ -manifolds. A function  $F$  is a  $C^\infty$ -mapping of  $M$  into  $N$ , if for every  $p \in M$ , there exist  $(U, \varphi)$  of  $p$  and  $(V, \Psi)$  of  $F(p)$  with  $F(U) \subset V$  such that

$$\Psi \circ F \circ \varphi^{-1}(U) : \varphi(U) \rightarrow \Psi(V)$$

is the  $C^\infty$ -function in Euclidean Sense.

Furthermore, we call  $F$  homeomorphism if  $\Psi \circ F \circ \varphi^{-1}$  is homeomorphism.

A  $C^\infty$ -mapping  $F : M \rightarrow N$  between  $C^\infty$ -manifolds is called a diffeomorphism if it is a homeomorphism and  $F$  and  $F^{-1}$  are  $C^\infty$ -mappings.

**Definition 2.8.** We define the tangent space  $\mathbf{T}_p(M)$  to  $M$  at  $p$  to be the set of all mapping  $\mathbf{X}_p : C^\infty(p) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  satisfying all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $f, g \in C^\infty(p)$  the two conditions;

$$(1) \mathbf{X}_p(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha(\mathbf{X}_p f) + \beta(\mathbf{X}_p g)$$

$$(2) \mathbf{X}_p(fg) = (\mathbf{X}_p f)g(p) + f(p)(\mathbf{X}_p g)$$

with the vector space operations in  $\mathbf{T}_p(M)$  defined by

$$(\mathbf{X}_p + \mathbf{Y}_p)f = \mathbf{X}_p f + \mathbf{Y}_p f, \quad (\alpha \mathbf{X}_p)f = \alpha(\mathbf{X}_p f)$$

Any  $\mathbf{X}_p \in \mathbf{T}_p(M)$  is called a tangent vector to  $M$  at  $p$ .

Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be a  $C^\infty$ -map of manifolds. Then for  $p \in M$ , the map  $F^* : C^\infty(F(p)) \rightarrow C^\infty(p)$  defined by  $F^*(f) = f \circ F$  and  $F_* : \mathbf{T}_p(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_{F(p)}(N)$  defined by  $F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)f = \mathbf{X}_p(F^*f)$  which gives  $F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)$  as a map of  $C^\infty(F(p))$  to  $\mathbf{R}$ .

We have

**Theorem 2.9.**  $F_*$  is a homomorphism.

**Proof.** Let  $\mathbf{X}_p \in \mathbf{T}_p(M)$  and  $f, g \in C^\infty(F(p))$ . We must prove that the map  $F_*(\mathbf{X}_p) : C^\infty(F(p)) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a vector at  $F(p)$ , that is, a linear map satisfying the Leibniz rule, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)(fg) &= \mathbf{X}_p F^*(fg) \\
 &= \mathbf{X}_p[(f \circ F)(g \circ F)] \\
 &= \mathbf{X}_p(f \circ F)g(F(p)) + f(F(p))\mathbf{X}_p(g \circ F) \\
 &= \mathbf{X}_p(F^*(f))g(F(p)) + f(F(p))\mathbf{X}_p(F^*(g)) \\
 &= (F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)f)g(F(p)) + f(F(p))(F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)g)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $F_* : \mathbf{T}_p(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_{F(p)}(M)$ .

Further  $F_*$  is a homomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_*(\alpha\mathbf{X}_p + \beta\mathbf{Y}_p)f &= (\alpha\mathbf{X}_p + \beta\mathbf{Y}_p)(F \circ f) \\
 &= \alpha\mathbf{X}_p(F \circ f) + \beta\mathbf{Y}_p(F \circ f) \\
 &= \alpha F_*(\mathbf{X}_p)f + \beta F_*(\mathbf{Y}_p)f \\
 &= [\alpha F_*(\mathbf{X}_p) + \beta F_*(\mathbf{Y}_p)]f
 \end{aligned}$$

**Remark.** The homomorphism  $F_* : \mathbf{T}_p(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_{F(p)}(N)$  is called the *differential* of  $F$ .

### III. SOME PROPERTIES OF THE LIE DERIVATIVE OF Y

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $M$  be a  $C^\infty$ -manifold and let  $\theta : R \times M \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^\infty$ -mapping which satisfies the two conditions;

- (1)  $\theta(0, p) = p$  for every  $p \in M$
- (2)  $\theta_t \circ \theta_s(p) = \theta_{t+s}(p) = \theta_s \circ \theta_t(p)$  for every  $s, t \in R$   
and  $p \in M$  where  $\theta_t(p) = \theta(t, p)$

Then  $\theta$  is called a  $C^\infty$ -action or one parameter group of  $M$ .

For each one parameter group  $\theta : R \times M \rightarrow M$ , there exists a unique  $C^\infty$ -vector field  $\mathbf{X}$ , which is called the *infinitesimal generator* of  $\theta$  such that

$$\mathbf{X}_p f = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta t} [f(\theta_{\Delta t}(p)) - f(p)]$$

**Threm 3.2.** Let  $\theta_{t*}$  is a map  $\mathbf{T}(M)$  to  $\mathbf{T}(M)$ . If  $\theta : R \times M \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^\infty$ -action of  $R$ . Then  $\theta_{t*}(\mathbf{X}_p) = \mathbf{X}_{\theta_t(p)}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f \in C^\infty(\theta_t(p))$  for some  $(t, p) \in R \times M$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{t*}(\mathbf{X}_p)f &= \mathbf{X}_p(f \circ \theta_t) \\ &= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta t} [(f \circ \theta_t)(\theta_{\Delta t}(p)) - f \circ \theta_t(p)] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\theta_t \circ \theta_{\Delta t} = \theta_{t+\Delta t} = \theta_{\Delta t} \circ \theta_t$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{t*}(\mathbf{X}_p)f &= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta t} [(f \circ \theta_{\Delta t})(\theta_t(p)) - f(\theta_t(p))] \\ &= \mathbf{X}_{\theta_t(p)}f \end{aligned}$$

**Remark.** For all  $f \in R$ ,  $\theta_t : M \rightarrow M$  and  $\theta_{t*}$  is a map of  $\mathbf{T}(M)$  to  $\mathbf{T}(M)$ , then we have the following diagram which commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{T}(M) & \xrightarrow{\theta_{t*}} & \mathbf{T}(M) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ M & \xrightarrow{\theta_t} & M \end{array}$$

where  $\pi : \mathbf{T}(M) \rightarrow M$  is the tangent vector bundle of  $M$ .



**Definition 3.3.** If  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$  are  $C^\infty$ -vector fields, then the product of  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$  defined by  $[\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{X}$  is called the bracket of  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$ , where  $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}$  is an operator on  $C^\infty$ -function on  $M$ .

**Definition 3.4.** The vector field  $L_X \mathbf{Y}$ , called the Lie derivative of  $\mathbf{Y}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{X}$  is defined at each  $p \in M$  by either of the following limits.

$$\begin{aligned} (L_X \mathbf{Y})_p &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [\theta_{t_*}(\mathbf{Y}_{\alpha(t, p)}) - \mathbf{Y}_p] \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [\mathbf{Y}_p - \theta_{t_*} \mathbf{Y}_{\alpha(-t, p)}] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\theta_{t_*} : \mathbf{T}_{\alpha(t, p)}(M) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_p(M)$$

**Remark.** Let  $f$  be a  $C^\infty$ -function on any open set  $U$  containing  $p$  on  $M$ , and let  $V$  be a neighborhood of  $p$  in  $U$ . Then we can take a function  $g(q, t)$  defined on a  $V \times I_p$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(\theta_t(q)) &= f(q) + tg(q, t) \quad \text{and} \\ \mathbf{X}_p f &= g(q, 0) \quad \text{for } q \in V \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.5.** If  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$  are  $C^\infty$ -vector fields on  $M$ . Then  $L_X \mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}]$ .

**Proof.** By definition of Lie derivative.

$$(L_X \mathbf{Y})_p f = \left( \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [\mathbf{Y}_p - \theta_{t_*}(\mathbf{Y}_{\alpha(-t, p)})] \right) f$$

This differential quotient and that of the following expression, whose limit is the derivaive of a  $C^\infty$ -function of  $t$ , are equal for all  $t \rightarrow 0$ ;

$$(L_X Y)_p f = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [Y_p f - Y_{\theta_t(p)}(f \circ \theta_t)]$$

Make use of the function  $f(\theta_t(p)) = f(p) + tg(p, t)$  and  $g(p, t)$  by  $g_t$

$$(L_X Y)_p f = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [Y_p f - Y_{\theta_t(p)}(f + tg_t)]$$

Replace  $t$  by  $-t$

$$\begin{aligned} (L_X Y)_p f &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} -\frac{1}{t} [Y_p f - Y_{\theta_t(p)}(f - tg_t)] \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [Y_{\theta_t(p)} f - Y_p f] - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} Y_{\theta_t(p)} g(t) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [(Yf)(\theta_t(p)) - (Yf)(p)] - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} Y_{\theta_t(p)} g(t) \end{aligned}$$

Using the formula  $g_0 = g(p, 0) = Xf(p)$  and the definition of the infinitesimal generator of  $\theta$

$$\begin{aligned} (L_X Y)_p f &= X_p(Xf) - Y_p(Xf) \\ &= [X, Y]_p f \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 3.6.** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $C^\infty$ -vector fields, then  $L_X Y = -L_Y X$ ,  
 $L_X X = 0$

**Proof.** Since  $L_X Y = [X, Y]$  and  $[X, Y] = -[Y, X]$ ,

$$L_X Y = [X, Y] = -[Y, X] = -L_Y X$$

therefore

$$L_X Y = -L_Y X$$

Since  $[X, X] = -[X, X]$ .  $[X, X] = 0$

therefore

$$L_X X = [X, X] = 0$$

Let  $F: M \rightarrow N$  be a  $C^\infty$ -mapping and suppose that  $X_1, X_2$  and  $Y_1, Y_2$  are vector fields on  $M, N$ , respectively. If for  $i = 1, 2$   $F_*(X_i) = Y_i$ , then  $[X_1, X_2]$  and  $[Y_1, Y_2]$  is called  $F$ -related.

**Theorem 3.7.** If  $[X_1, X_2]$  and  $[Y_1, Y_2]$  is  $F$ -related, then  $L_X Y$  is  $F$ -related to  $L_{F_*(X)} F_*(Y)$ .

**Proof.** Using the properties of  $F$ -related, that is,  $F_*[X_1, X_2] = [F_*(X_1), F_*(X_2)]$  By the theorem 3.5,

$$\begin{aligned} F_*(L_X Y) &= F_*[X, Y] \\ &= [F_*(X), F_*(Y)] \\ &= L_{F_*(X)} F_*(Y) \end{aligned}$$

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