

**EINSTEIN EQUATIONS IN THE GEOMETRY OF SECOND ORDER**

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**Abstract.** In [7], R. Miron and Gh. Atanasiu wrote the Einstein equations of a metric structure  $G$  on the tangent bundle of order two,  $T^2M$  (previously named "2-osculator bundle" and denoted by  $Osc^2M$ ), endowed with a nonlinear connection  $N$  and a linear connection  $D$  such that the 2-tangent structure  $J$  be absolutely parallel to  $D$ .

In the present paper, the authors determine the Einstein equations by making use of the concept of  $N$ -linear connection defined by Gh. Atanasiu, [1], this is, a linear connection which is not necessarily compatible with  $J$ , but only preserves the distributions generated by the nonlinear connection  $N$ .

**1. The Tangent Bundle  $T^2M$** 

Let  $M$  be a real  $n$ - dimensional manifold of class  $C^\infty$ ,  $(T^2M, \pi^2, M)$  its second order tangent bundle and let  $\widetilde{T^2M}$  be the space  $T^2M$  without its null section. For a point  $u \in T^2M$ , let  $(x^a, y^{(1)a}, y^{(2)a})$  be its coordinates in a local chart.

Let  $N$  be a nonlinear connection, [3, 8-13], and denote its coefficients by  $\left( N_{1b}^a, N_{2b}^a \right)$ ,  $a, b = 1, \dots, n$ . Then,  $N$  determines the direct decomposition

$$T_u T^2M = N_0(u) \oplus N_1(u) \oplus V_2(u), \quad \forall u \in T^2M. \quad (1)$$

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The adapted basis to (1) is  $(\delta_a, \delta_{1a}, \delta_{2a})$  and its dual basis is  $(dx^a, \delta y^{(1)a}, \delta y^{(2)a})$ , where

$$\begin{cases} \delta_a = \frac{\delta}{\delta x^a} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a} - N_1^c \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{(1)c}} - N_2^c \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{(2)c}} \\ \delta_{1a} = \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)a}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{(1)a}} - N_1^c \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{(2)c}} \\ \delta_{2a} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{(2)a}}, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

respectively,

$$\begin{cases} \delta y^{(1)a} = dy^{(1)a} + M_1^c dx^c \\ \delta y^{(2)a} = dy^{(2)a} + M_1^c dy^{(1)c} + M_2^c dx^c, \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

where  $M_1^c, M_2^c$  are the dual coefficients of the nonlinear connection  $N$ .

Then, a vector field  $X \in \mathcal{X}(T^2M)$  is represented in the local adapted basis as

$$X = X^{(0)a} \delta_a + X^{(1)a} \delta_{1a} + X^{(2)a} \delta_{2a}, \quad (4)$$

with the three right terms (called *d-vector fields*) belonging to the distributions  $N, N_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively.

A 1-form  $\omega \in \mathcal{X}^*(T^2M)$  will be decomposed as

$$\omega = \omega_a^{(0)} dx^a + \omega_a^{(1)} \delta y^{(1)a} + \omega_a^{(2)} \delta y^{(2)a}.$$

Similarly, a tensor field  $T \in \mathcal{T}_s^r(T^2M)$  can be split with respect to (1) into components, which will be called *d-tensor fields*.

The  $\mathcal{F}(T^2M)$ -linear mapping  $J : \mathcal{X}(T^2M) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}(T^2M)$  given by

$$J(\delta_a) = \delta_{1a}, J(\delta_{1a}) = \delta_{2a}, J(\delta_{2a}) = 0 \quad (5)$$

is called the *2-tangent structure on  $T^2M$* , [8-13].

## 2. $N$ -linear connections. d-tensors of curvature

An  *$N$ -linear connection*  $D$ , [1], is a linear connection on  $T^2M$ , which preserves by parallelism the distributions  $N, N_1$  and  $V_2$ . Let us notice that an  $N$ -linear connection, in the sense of the definition above, is not necessarily compatible to the

2-tangent structure  $J$  (an  $N$ -linear connection which is also compatible to  $J$  is called, [1], a  $JN$ -linear connection).

An  $N$ -linear connection is locally given by its coefficients

$$D\Gamma(N) = \left( L_{(00)bc}^a, L_{(10)bc}^a, L_{(20)bc}^a, C_{(01)bc}^a, C_{(11)bc}^a, C_{(21)bc}^a, C_{(02)bc}^a, C_{(12)bc}^a, C_{(22)bc}^a \right), \quad (6)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} D_{\delta_c} \delta_b = L_{(00)bc}^a \delta_a, D_{\delta_c} \delta_{1b} = L_{(10)bc}^a \delta_{1a}, D_{\delta_c} \delta_{2b} = L_{(20)bc}^a \delta_{2a} \\ D_{\delta_{1c}} \delta_b = C_{(01)bc}^a \delta_a, D_{\delta_{1c}} \delta_{1b} = C_{(11)bc}^a \delta_{1a}, D_{\delta_{1c}} \delta_{2b} = C_{(21)bc}^a \delta_{2a} \\ D_{\delta_{2c}} \delta_b = C_{(02)bc}^a \delta_a, D_{\delta_{2c}} \delta_{1b} = C_{(12)bc}^a \delta_{1a}, D_{\delta_{2c}} \delta_{2b} = C_{(22)bc}^a \delta_{2a} \end{cases}. \quad (7)$$

In the particular case when  $D$  is  $J$ -compatible, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_{(00)bc}^a &= L_{(10)bc}^a = L_{(20)bc}^a =: L_{bc}^a, \\ C_{(01)bc}^a &= C_{(11)bc}^a = C_{(21)bc}^a = C_{(1)bc}^a, \\ C_{(02)bc}^a &= C_{(12)bc}^a = C_{(22)bc}^a = C_{(2)bc}^a. \end{aligned}$$

For an  $N$ -linear connection, let

$$\begin{cases} D_0^H Y = D_{X^H} Y^H, D_0^{V_1} Y = D_{X^{V_1}} Y^H, D_0^{V_2} Y = D_{X^{V_2}} Y^H \\ D_\beta^H Y = D_{X^H} Y^{V_\beta}, D_\beta^{V_1} Y = D_{X^{V_1}} Y^{V_\beta}, D_\beta^{V_2} Y = D_{X^{V_2}} Y^{V_\beta}, \\ \beta = 1, 2. \end{cases}$$

$D_\alpha^H, D_\alpha^{V_1}, D_\alpha^{V_2}$  are called respectively,  $h_{\alpha-}, v_{1\alpha-}$  and  $v_{2\alpha-}$ -covariant derivatives,  $\alpha = 0, 1, 2$ . In local coordinates, for a d-tensor field

$$T = T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} (x, y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}) \delta_{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \delta_{a_r} \otimes dx^{b_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \delta y^{(2)b_s}.$$

we have

$$D_\alpha^H T = X^{(0)m} T_{b_1 \dots b_s | \alpha m}^{a_1 \dots a_r} \delta_{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \delta_{a_r} \otimes dx^{b_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \delta y^{(2)b_s},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} T_{b_1 \dots b_s | \alpha m}^{a_1 \dots a_r} &= \delta_m T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} + L_{(\alpha 0) hm}^{a_1} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{ha_2 \dots a_r} + \dots + L_{(\alpha 0) hm}^{a_r} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_{r-1} h} - \\ &\quad - L_{(\alpha 0) b_1 m}^h T_{hb_2 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} - \dots - L_{(\alpha 0) b_s m}^h T_{b_1 \dots b_{s-1} h}^{a_1 \dots a_r}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$D_X^{V\beta} T = X^{(1)m} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} \Big|_{\alpha m}^{(\beta)} \delta_{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \delta_{2a_r} \otimes dx^{b_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \delta y^{(2)b_s},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} \Big|_{\alpha m}^{(\beta)} &= \delta_{\beta m} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} + C_{(\alpha \beta) hm}^{a_1} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{ha_2 \dots a_r} + \dots + C_{(\alpha \beta) hm}^{a_r} T_{b_1 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_{r-1} h} - \\ &\quad - C_{(\alpha \beta) b_1 m}^h T_{hb_2 \dots b_s}^{a_1 \dots a_r} - \dots - C_{(\alpha \beta) b_s m}^h T_{b_1 \dots b_{s-1} h}^{a_1 \dots a_r}. \end{aligned}$$

The curvature of the  $N$ -linear connection  $D$ ,

$$R(X, Y)Z = D_X D_Y Z - D_Y D_X Z - D_{[X, Y]}Z$$

is completely determined by its components (which are  $d$ -tensors)  $R(\delta_{\gamma l}, \delta_{\beta k}) \delta_{\alpha j}$ . Namely, the 2-forms of curvature of an  $N$ -linear connection are, [1],

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{(\alpha) b}^a &= \frac{1}{2} R_{(0\alpha) bcd}^a dx^c \wedge dx^d + P_{(1\alpha) bcd}^a dx^c \wedge \delta y^{(1)d} + P_{(2\alpha) bcd}^a dx^c \wedge \delta y^{(2)d} + \quad (8) \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2} S_{(1\alpha) bcd}^a \delta y^{(1)c} \wedge \delta y^{(1)d} + Q_{(2\alpha) bcd}^a dy^{(1)c} \wedge \delta y^{(2)d} + \frac{1}{2} S_{(2\alpha) bcd}^a \delta y^{(2)c} \wedge \delta y^{(2)d}, \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0, 1, 2$ , where the coefficients  $R_{(0\alpha) bcd}^a$ ,  $P_{(\beta\alpha) bcd}^a$ ,  $Q_{(\beta\alpha) bcd}^a$ ,  $S_{(\beta\alpha) bcd}^a$  are  $d$ -tensors, named the *d-tensors of curvature* of the  $N$ -linear connection  $D$ . For a  $JN$ -linear connection, there holds

$$\Omega_{(0) b}^a = \Omega_{(1) b}^a = \Omega_{(2) b}^a,$$

this is,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{(00) bcd}^a &= R_{(01) bcd}^a = R_{(02) bcd}^a = R_{(0) bcd}^a; \\ P_{(\beta 0) bcd}^a &= P_{(\beta 1) bcd}^a = P_{(\beta 2) bcd}^a = P_{(\beta) bcd}^a \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{(20)}^a{}_{bcd} &= Q_{(21)}^a{}_{bcd} = Q_{(22)}^a{}_{bcd} = Q_{bcd}^a \\ S_{(\beta 0)}^a{}_{bcd} &= S_{(\beta 1)}^a{}_{bcd} = S_{(\beta 2)}^a{}_{bcd} = S_{(\beta)}^a{}_{bcd}, \beta = 1, 2. \end{aligned}$$

The detailed expressions of the d-tensors of curvature can be found in [1].

### 3. Metric structures on $T^2M$

A *Riemannian metric* on  $T^2M$  is a tensor field  $G$  of type  $(0, 2)$ , which is nondegenerate in each  $u \in T^2M$  and is positively defined on  $T^2M$ .

In this paper, we shall consider metrics in the form

$$G = g_{(0)ab} dx^a \otimes dx^b + g_{(1)ab} \delta y^{(1)a} \otimes \delta y^{(1)b} + g_{(2)ab} \delta y^{(2)a} \otimes \delta y^{(2)b}, \quad (10)$$

where  $g_{(\alpha)ab} = g_{(\alpha)ab}(x, y^{(1)}, y^{(2)})$ ; this is, such that the distributions  $N$ ,  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  generated by the nonlinear connection  $N$  be orthogonal with respect to  $G$ .

An  $N$ -linear connection  $D$  is called a *metrical  $N$ -linear connection* if  $D_X G = 0, \forall X \in \mathcal{X}(T^2M)$ .

This means

$$g_{(\alpha)ab|\alpha c} = g_{(\alpha)ab} \Big|_{\alpha c}^{\beta} = 0, \alpha = 0, 1, 2, \beta = 1, 2.$$

The existence of metrical  $N$ -linear connections is proved in [2].

### 4. The Ricci tensor $Ric(D)$

Let us notice that, if  $D$  is not  $J$ -compatible, we could expect that the components of the Ricci tensor look in a more complicated way that the ones in the Miron-Atanasiu theory, [7].

Indeed, if we consider the Ricci tensor  $Ric(D)$ , [14], as the trace of the linear operator

$$V \mapsto R(V, X)Y, \forall V = V^{(0)a} \delta_a + V^{(1)a} \delta_{1a} + V^{(2)a} \delta_{2a} \in \mathcal{X}(T^2M), \quad (11)$$

then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} Ric(D)(X, Y) &= trace(V \mapsto R(V^H, X)Y + R(V^{V_1}, X)Y + \\ &\quad + R(V^{V_1}, X)Y). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

By a straightforward calculus, we obtain:

**Theorem 4.1.** *The Ricci tensor  $Ric(d)$  has the following components:*

$$\begin{aligned} Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta x^b}, \frac{\delta}{\delta x^a} \right) &= R_{(00)a\ bc}^c =: R_{ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)b}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta x^a} \right) &= -P_{(10)a\ cb}^c =: -\overset{2}{P}_{(10)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(2)b}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta x^a} \right) &= -P_{(20)a\ cb}^c =: -\overset{2}{P}_{(20)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta x^b}, \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)a}} \right) &= P_{(11)a\ bc}^c =: \overset{1}{P}_{(11)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)b}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)a}} \right) &= S_{(11)a\ bc}^c =: S_{(1)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(2)b}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)a}} \right) &= -Q_{(21)a\ cb}^c =: -\overset{2}{Q}_{(21)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta x^b}, \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(2)a}} \right) &= P_{(22)a\ bc}^c =: \overset{1}{P}_{(22)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(1)b}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(2)a}} \right) &= Q_{(22)a\ bc}^c =: \overset{1}{Q}_{(22)ab}; \\ Ric(D) \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(2)b}}, \frac{\delta}{\delta y^{(2)a}} \right) &= S_{(22)a\ bc}^c =: S_{(2)ab}. \end{aligned}$$

The Ricci scalar  $Sc(D)$  is, thus,

$$Sc(D) = g^{ab} R_{ab} + g_{(1)}^{ab} S_{(1)ab} + g_{(2)}^{ab} S_{(2)ab}, \quad (13)$$

where  $g^{ab}$ ,  $g_{(1)}^{ab}$ ,  $g_{(2)}^{ab}$  are the coefficients of the inverse matrix of  $G$ .

In the particular case of a  $JN$ -linear connection, taking into account (8'), with the notations in [7], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(\beta\beta)} P_{ab} &= \frac{1}{(\beta)} P_{ab}, \quad \frac{2}{(\beta 0)} P_{ab} = P_{ab}, \quad \frac{1}{(22)} Q_{ab} = P_{(21)}^1 (= Q_{abc}^c), \\ \frac{2}{(21)} Q_{ab} &= P_{(21)}^2 (= Q_{acb}^c). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

## 5. Einstein equations

The Einstein equations associated to the metrical  $N$ -linear connection  $D$  are

$$Ric(D) - \frac{1}{2} Sc(D) G = \kappa \mathcal{T}, \quad (15)$$

where  $\kappa$  is a constant and  $\mathcal{T}$  is the energy-momentum tensor, given by its components

$$\mathcal{T}_{(\alpha\beta)ab} = \mathcal{T}(\delta_{\beta b}, \delta_{\alpha a})$$

Expressing the above relation in the adapted frame (2), we obtain

**Theorem 5.1.** *The Einstein equations associated to the metrical  $N$ -linear connection  $D$  are*

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} Sc(D) g_{ab} &= \kappa \mathcal{T}_{(00)ab} ; \\ \frac{1}{(\beta\beta)} P_{ab} &= \kappa \mathcal{T}_{(\beta 0)ab}, \quad \beta = 1, 2; \\ \frac{2}{(\beta 0)} P_{ab} &= -\kappa \mathcal{T}_{(0\beta)ab}, \quad \beta = 1, 2; \\ \frac{S_{ab}}{(\beta)} - \frac{1}{2} Sc(D) \frac{g_{ab}}{(\beta)} &= \kappa \mathcal{T}_{(\beta\beta)ab}, \quad \alpha = 1, 2; \\ \frac{1}{(22)} Q_{ab} &= \kappa \mathcal{T}_{(21)ab}; \\ \frac{2}{(21)} Q_{ab} &= -\kappa \mathcal{T}_{(12)ab}. \end{aligned}$$

In the case when  $D$  is a  $JN$ -linear connection, one obtains the result in [7].

In order to avoid confusions when raising and lowering indices, because of the fact that the components  $g^{ab}$ ,  $g_{(1)ab}$ ,  $g_{(2)ab}$  are different, we will denote in the following by  $i, j, \dots$  the indices corresponding to the horizontal distribution, by  $a, b, \dots$  those corresponding to  $N_1$ , and by  $p, q, \dots$  those corresponding to  $V_2$ . Thus, if we impose

the condition that the divergence of the energy- momentum tensor vanish, in the adapted frame we will obtain

**Theorem 5.2.** *The law of conservation on  $T^2M$  endowed with the metrical  $N$ -linear connection  $D$  is given by*

$$\left( R_j^i - \frac{1}{2} Sc(D) \delta_j^i \right) \Big|_i + \frac{1}{(11)} P_j^a \Big|_a - \frac{2}{(10)} P_j^a \Big|_a + \frac{1}{(22)} P_j^p \Big|_p - \frac{2}{(20)} P_j^p \Big|_p = 0;$$

$$\frac{1}{(11)} P_{b|i}^i - \frac{2}{(10)} P_{b|i}^i + \left( S_b^a - \frac{1}{2} Sc(D) \delta_b^a \right) \Big|_a + \frac{1}{(22)} Q_b^p \Big|_p - \frac{2}{(21)} Q_b^p \Big|_p = 0;$$

$$\frac{1}{(22)} P_{p|i}^i - \frac{2}{(20)} P_{p|i}^i + \frac{1}{(22)} Q_p^a \Big|_a - \frac{2}{(21)} Q_p^a \Big|_a + \left( S_b^a - \frac{1}{2} Sc(D) \delta_b^a \right) \Big|_p = 0.$$

In the same way, one can deduce the Maxwell equations associated to the metrical  $N$ -linear connection  $D$ .

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