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# 1-CONFORMALLY FLAT STATISTICAL SUBMANIFOLDS

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## Introduction

We study 1-conformally flat statistical submanifolds of flat statistical manifolds. Let  $\varphi$  be a function on a domain  $\Omega$  in an affine space  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$ . Denoting by  $\tilde{D}$  the canonical flat affine connection on  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$ , we can consider a Hessian domain  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g} = \tilde{D}d\varphi)$  a flat statistical manifold. In this paper, we show that, if  $\tilde{g}$  is positive definite,  $n$ -dimensional level surfaces of  $\varphi$  are 1-conformally flat statistical submanifolds of  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$ , and that a 1-conformally flat statistical manifold with a Riemannian metric can be locally realized as a submanifold of a flat statistical manifold.

The concept of  $\alpha$ -conformally equivalence was first treated in [9] with respect to sequential estimation theory. On the realization of statistical manifolds in the affine space, see [5][6][7].

## 1. Theorems

Let  $\tilde{D}$  be the canonical flat affine connection on an  $(n+1)$ -dimensional real affine space  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$ , and  $\{x^1, \dots, x^{n+1}\}$  the canonical affine coordinate on it, i.e.,  $\tilde{D}dx^i = 0$ . If the Hessian  $\tilde{D}d\varphi = \sum_{i,j}(\partial^2\varphi)/(\partial x^i \partial x^j)dx^i dx^j$  of a function  $\varphi$  on a domain  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$  is non-degenerate, we call  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g} = \tilde{D}d\varphi)$  a Hessian domain.

For a torsion-free affine connection  $\nabla$  and a pseudo-Riemannian metric  $h$  on a manifold  $N$ , the triple  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is called a statistical manifold if  $\nabla h$  is symmetric. If the curvature tensor  $R$  of  $\nabla$  vanishes,  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is said to be flat. A Hessian domain  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g} = \tilde{D}d\varphi)$  is a flat statistical manifold. Conversely, a flat statistical manifold is locally a Hessian domain [1][10].

For  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ , statistical manifolds  $(N, \nabla, h)$  and  $(N, \bar{\nabla}, \bar{h})$  are said to be  $\alpha$ -conformally equivalent if there exists a function  $\phi$  on  $N$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{h}(X, Y) &= e^\phi h(X, Y), \\ h(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, Z) &= h(\nabla_X Y, Z) - \frac{1+\alpha}{2} d\phi(Z)h(X, Y) \\ &\quad + \frac{1-\alpha}{2} \{d\phi(X)h(Y, Z) + d\phi(Y)h(X, Z)\} \end{aligned}$$

for  $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{X}(N)$ , where  $\mathcal{X}(N)$  is the set of all tangent vector fields on  $N$ . A

statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is called  $\alpha$ -conformally flat if  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is locally  $\alpha$ -conformally equivalent to a flat statistical manifold [6].

For a pseudo-Riemannian manifold  $(\tilde{N}, \tilde{h})$  and a submanifold  $N$  of  $\tilde{N}$ , we call  $(N, \nabla, h)$  a *statistical submanifold* of  $(\tilde{N}, \tilde{h})$  if  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is a statistical manifold, where  $\nabla$  is an affine connection on  $N$  and  $h$  the induced pseudo-Riemannian metric for  $\tilde{h}$ . Let  $\tilde{\nabla}$  be an affine connection on  $\tilde{N}$ . We denote by  $T_x N \oplus T_x N^\perp$  the orthogonal decomposition of  $T_x \tilde{N}$  with respect to  $\tilde{h}$ , where  $T_x \tilde{N}$  and  $T_x N$  are the set of all tangent vectors at  $x$  on  $\tilde{N}$  and on  $N$ , respectively. If  $(\nabla_X Y)_x$  is the  $T_x N$ -component of  $(\tilde{\nabla}_X Y)_x$  for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(N)$  and an arbitrary  $x$  in  $N$ , we call  $(N, \nabla, h)$  the *statistical submanifold realized in  $(\tilde{N}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{h})$* .

Amari said that, if  $(\tilde{N}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{h})$  is a statistical manifold for a Riemannian metric  $\tilde{h}$  and a submanifold  $N$  of  $\tilde{N}$ ,  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is a statistical manifold for the above induced connection  $\nabla$  and the induced metric  $h$  [1]. For a pseudo-Riemannian metric  $\tilde{h}$ ,  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is a statistical manifold if  $h$  is non-degenerate. Then, through this paper, we call a statistical submanifold realized in a statistical manifold  $(\tilde{N}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{h})$ , simply, a statistical submanifold of  $(\tilde{N}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{h})$ .

In this paper we aim to prove the next theorems.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $M$  be a simply connected  $n$ -dimensional level surface of  $\varphi$  on an  $(n+1)$ -dimensional Hessian domain  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g} = \tilde{D}d\varphi)$  with a Riemannian metric  $\tilde{g}$ , and suppose that  $n \geq 2$ . If we consider  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$  a flat statistical manifold,  $(M, D, g)$  is a 1-conformally flat statistical submanifold of  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$ , where we denote by  $D$  and  $g$  the connection and the Riemannian metric on  $M$  induced by  $\tilde{D}$  and  $\tilde{g}$ .*

**Theorem 2.** *An arbitrary 1-conformally flat statistical manifold of  $\dim n \geq 2$  with a Riemannian metric can be locally realized as a submanifold of a flat statistical manifold of  $\dim(n+1)$ .*

We shall show a corollary of Theorem 1 with relation to projectively flat connections and dual-projectively flat connections in the last section.

## 2. Statistical Manifolds and Affine Differential Geometry

In this section, we study a level surface  $M$  of  $\varphi$  on an  $(n+1)$ -dimensional Hessian domain  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$ , using affine differential geometry and the concept of statistical submanifold. A level surface  $M$  of  $\varphi$  is an  $n$ -dimensional submanifold of  $\Omega$  if and only if  $d\varphi_x \neq 0$  for all  $x \in M$ . Henceforward, we suppose that  $n \geq 2$ , that  $\tilde{g}$  is a Riemannian metric, and that  $d\varphi_x \neq 0$  for all  $x \in M$ .

Let  $\tilde{E}$  be the gradient vector field on  $\Omega$  defined by

$$\tilde{g}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{E}) = d\varphi(\tilde{X}) \quad \text{for } \tilde{X} \in \mathcal{X}(\Omega).$$

Since  $\tilde{g}$  is positive definite and  $d\varphi_x \neq 0$  for all  $x \in M$ ,  $d\varphi(\tilde{E})$  does not vanish on  $M$  and a vector  $\tilde{E}_x$  is vertical to  $T_x M$  with respect to  $\tilde{g}$ , where  $T_x M$  is the set of all tangent vectors at  $x$  on  $M$ . We set  $E = -d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}\tilde{E}$  on  $M$ . Then the vector field  $\tilde{E}$  is transversal to  $M$ , and so is  $E$ .

Let  $\iota$  be a canonical immersion of  $M$  into  $\Omega$ . For  $\tilde{D}$  and an affine immersion  $(\iota, E)$ , we can define the induced affine connection  $D^E$ , the fundamental form  $g^E$ , the shape operator  $S^E$  and the transversal connection form  $\tau^E$  on  $M$  by

$$(1) \quad \tilde{D}_X Y = D_X^E Y + g^E(X, Y)E$$

$$(2) \quad \tilde{D}_X E = S^E(X) + \tau^E(X)E \quad \text{for } X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M).$$

We denote by  $(M, D, g)$  the statistical submanifold of  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$ , considering  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$  a statistical manifold. Then the next holds.

**Lemma 2.1.** *A statistical submanifold  $(M, D, g)$  coincides with a manifold  $(M, D^E, g^E)$  induced by an affine immersion  $(\iota, E)$ , i.e.,*

$$D = D^E, \quad g = g^E \quad \text{on } M.$$

Proof. Let  $D^{\tilde{E}}$  be the induced affine connection,  $g^{\tilde{E}}$  the fundamental form,  $S^{\tilde{E}}$  the shape operator, and  $\tau^{\tilde{E}}$  the transversal connection form, for  $\tilde{D}$  and  $\tilde{E}$ . Since  $E_x$  and  $\tilde{E}_x$  are vertical to  $T_x M$  for  $x \in M$  with respect to  $\tilde{g}$ ,  $D = D^E = D^{\tilde{E}}$  holds. From (1) and  $\tilde{D}_X Y = D_X^{\tilde{E}} Y + g^{\tilde{E}}(X, Y)\tilde{E}$ , we have

$$(3) \quad g^{\tilde{E}} = -d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}g^E.$$

By [3] we know that

$$(4) \quad g^{\tilde{E}} = -d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}g.$$

From (3) and (4)  $g = g^E$  holds. □

Since  $g$  is non-degenerate, so is  $g^E$ . Then  $(\iota, E)$  is called a non-degenerate immersion. Moreover, the immersion  $(\iota, E)$  has the following property.

**Lemma 2.2.** *An affine immersion  $(\iota, E)$  is equiaffine, i.e.,*

$$\tau^E = 0 \quad \text{on } M.$$

Proof. We have

$$(5) \quad \tau^{\tilde{E}} = (d \log |d\varphi(\tilde{E})|)(X)$$

by [3]. Calculating the right-hand side of (5), we have

$$\tau^{\tilde{E}} = d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1} X(d\varphi(\tilde{E})).$$

Thus, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{D}_X E &= -\tilde{D}_X(d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}\tilde{E}) \\ &= -X(d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1})\tilde{E} - d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}D_X\tilde{E} \\ &= d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-2}X(d\varphi(\tilde{E}))\tilde{E} - d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}\{S^{\tilde{E}}(X) + \tau^{\tilde{E}}(X)\tilde{E}\} \\ &= -d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}S^{\tilde{E}}(X). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $S^E = -d\varphi(\tilde{E})^{-1}S^{\tilde{E}}$  and  $\tau^E = 0$  hold.  $\square$

It is known that the structure induced by a non-degenerate equiaffine immersion is the statistical manifold structure. Conversely, Kurose proved the next proposition.

**Proposition 2.3** ([6]). *A simply connected statistical manifold can be realized in  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$  by a non-degenerate equiaffine immersion if and only if it is 1-conformally flat. Such an immersion is uniquely determined up to affine transformations of  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$ .*

Proposition 2.3 can be proved by projectively flatness of the dual connection of a given connection [2]. Finally, let us show Theorem 1.

**Proof of Theorem 1.** By Lemma 2.2 and Proposition 2.3 a statistical manifold  $(M, D^E, g^E)$  is 1-conformally flat. Thus Theorem 1 holds by Lemma 2.1.  $\square$

### 3. Proof of Theorem 2

Let  $(N, \nabla, h)$  be a 1-conformally flat statistical manifold of  $\dim n \geq 2$  with a Riemannian metric  $h$ . By Proposition 2.3  $(N, \nabla, h)$  can be realized by a non-degenerate equiaffine immersion. We denote by  $(\iota, E)$  a non-degenerate equiaffine immersion into  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$  which realizes  $(N, \nabla, h)$ . Then we can immerse  $(N, \nabla, h)$  into a flat statistical manifold as the next lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** *For a simply connected open subset  $U$  of  $N$  and a small  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we define a function  $\phi$  on  $\tilde{U} = \bigcup_{q \in U} \{\iota(q) \oplus (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \cdot E_q\}$  by*

$$\phi(p) = e^{-t} \quad \text{for } p = \iota(p_0) + tE_{p_0}, \quad p_0 \in U, t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon).$$

*Then  $(U, \nabla, h)$  is a statistical submanifold of a flat statistical manifold  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{D}, \tilde{D}\phi)$ .*

Proof. For  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(U)$ , we have

$$d\phi(X) = 0, \quad d\phi(E) = -1,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{D}_X d\phi)(Y) &= X(d\phi(Y)) - d\phi(\tilde{D}_X Y) \\ &= -d\phi(\nabla_X Y + h(X, Y)E) \\ &= -h(X, Y)d\phi(E) \\ &= h(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $(U, \nabla, h)$  is a submanifold of  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{D}, \tilde{D}d\phi)$ .

We also denote by  $E$  a vector field on  $\tilde{U}$  whose value is  $E_{p_0}$  at  $p = \iota(p_0) + tE_{p_0}$ . On  $\iota(U)$  we have

$$E(d\phi(E)) = 1, \quad \tilde{D}_E E = 0,$$

and

$$(\tilde{D}_E d\phi)(E) = E(d\phi(E)) - d\phi(\tilde{D}_E E) = 1.$$

Thus  $(\tilde{D}d\phi)_{\iota(p_0)}$  is positive definite for  $p_0 \in U$ . From continuity of a function  $\phi$ ,  $\tilde{D}d\phi$  is a Riemannian metric on  $\tilde{U}$  for a small  $\varepsilon$ . Hence  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{D}, \tilde{D}d\phi)$  is a flat statistical manifold.  $\square$

#### 4. Dual-Projectively Flat Connections

In this section, we describe dual-projectively flatness of an affine connection  $D$  on a level surface  $M$  and projectively flatness of the dual-connection  $D'$  of  $D$ .

Let  $(N, h)$  be a pseudo-Riemannian manifold. Torsion free affine connections  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  on  $N$  are projectively equivalent if there exists a 1-form  $\kappa$  such that

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \kappa(X)Y + \kappa(Y)X$$

for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(N)$ . An affine connection  $\nabla$  is called projectively flat if  $\nabla$  is locally projectively equivalent to a flat affine connection. Torsion free affine connections  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  on  $N$  are dual-projectively equivalent if there exists a 1-form  $\kappa$  such that

$$h(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, Z) = h(\nabla_X Y, Z) - \kappa(Z)h(X, Y)$$

for  $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{X}(N)$ . An affine connection  $\nabla$  is called dual-projectively flat if  $\nabla$  is locally dual-projectively equivalent to a flat affine connection [4].

For a statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla, h)$  there exists the torsion free affine connection  $\nabla'$  on  $N$  such that

$$Xh(Y, Z) = h(\nabla_X Y, Z) + h(Y, \nabla'_X Z)$$

The connection  $\nabla'$  is said to be the dual connection of  $\nabla$ , and  $(N, \nabla', h)$  the dual statistical manifold of  $(N, \nabla, h)$ . If  $(N^s, \nabla^s, h^s)$  and  $(N^s, \nabla^{s'}, h^s)$  are statistical submanifolds of  $(N, \nabla, h)$  and  $(N, \nabla', h)$ , respectively,  $(N^s, \nabla^{s'}, h^s)$  is the dual statistical manifold of  $(N^s, \nabla^s, h^s)$  [1].

Statistical manifolds  $(N, \nabla, h)$  and  $(N, \bar{\nabla}, \bar{h})$  are  $\alpha$ -conformally equivalent if and only if the dual statistical manifolds  $(N, \nabla', h)$  and  $(N, \bar{\nabla}', \bar{h})$  are  $(-\alpha)$ -conformally equivalent. Especially, a statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is 1-conformally flat if and only if the dual statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla', h)$  is  $(-1)$ -conformally flat [6].

Moreover, Kurose showed that, by Proposition 9.1 in [8], a statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla', h)$  is  $(-1)$ -conformally flat if and only if  $\nabla'$  is a projectively flat connection with symmetric Ricci tensor, and that

**Proposition 4.1** ([6]). *A statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is 1-conformally flat if and only if the dual connection  $\nabla'$  is a projectively flat connection with symmetric Ricci tensor.*

On projectively flatness, Ivanov described the next proposition on section 2 in [4].

**Proposition 4.2** ([4]). *A statistical manifold  $(N, \nabla, h)$  is 1-conformally flat if and only if  $\nabla$  is a dual-projectively flat connection with symmetric Ricci tensor.*

For a level surface of a Hessian domain, we obtain the next corollary of Theorem 1 by Proposition 4.1 and 4.2.

**Corollary 4.3.** *Let  $M$  be a simply connected  $n$ -dimensional level surface of  $\varphi$  on an  $(n+1)$ -dimensional Hessian domain  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g} = \tilde{D}d\varphi)$  with a Riemannian metric  $\tilde{g}$ , and suppose that  $n \geq 2$ . Let  $(M, D, g)$  be a statistical submanifolds of  $(\Omega, \tilde{D}, \tilde{g})$  and  $D'$  the dual connection of  $D$ . Then,  $D$  is a dual-projectively flat connection with symmetric Ricci tensor and  $D'$  is a projectively flat connection with symmetric Ricci tensor.*

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