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## ON SOME NATURAL OPERATORS IN VECTOR FIELDS

**Abstract.** Given natural numbers  $m, n, r, s, q$  with  $s \geq r \leq q$  there are two vector bundle functors  $T^{r,s,q*} = J^{(r,s,q)}(., \mathbf{R}^{1,1})_0$  and  $T^{r,s*} = J^{(r,s)}(., \mathbf{R})_0$  on the category  $\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}$  of  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifolds. In the present paper we prove that for natural numbers  $m, n, r, s, q$  with  $s \geq r \leq q$  and  $m \geq 2$  the space of natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  lifting a projectable vector field  $X$  on  $Y$  into a 1-form  $A(X)$  on  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$  is a  $2(q+r)$ -dimensional module over  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$  and we construct explicitly the basis of this module. We prove also that for natural numbers  $m, n, r, s$  with  $s \geq r$  and  $m \geq 2$  the space of all natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  lifting a projectable vector field  $X$  on  $Y$  into a 1-form  $A(X)$  on  $T^{r,s*}Y$  is a  $2r$ -dimensional module over  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$  and we construct explicitly the basis of this module.

### Introduction

In this paper we consider the following categories over manifolds: the category  $\mathcal{M}_{f_m}$  of  $m$ -dimensional manifolds and embeddings, the category  $\mathcal{FM}$  of fibered manifolds and fibered maps, the category  $\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}$  of fibered manifolds with  $m$ -dimensional bases and  $n$ -dimensional fibers and fibered embeddings, the category  $\mathcal{VB}$  of all vector bundles and vector bundle maps.

The notions of bundle functors and natural operators can be found in the fundamental monograph [4].

In [13], we studied the problem how a vector field  $X$  on an  $m$ -manifold  $M$  induces a 1-form  $A(X)$  on the  $r$ -cotangent bundle  $T^{r*}M = J^r(M, \mathbf{R})_0$  of  $M$ . This problem is reflected in the concept of natural operators  $A : T|_{\mathcal{M}_{f_m}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r*}$ . We proved that for natural numbers  $m \geq 2$  and  $r$  all natural operators  $A : T|_{\mathcal{M}_{f_m}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r*}$  form a  $2r$ -dimensional module over  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$ . We constructed the basis of this module.

In the present paper we try to extend the result of [13] on fibered manifolds. We study the problem how a projectable vector field  $X$  on an  $(m, n)$ -

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dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$  induces a 1-form  $A(X)$  on the  $(r, s, q)$ -cotangent bundle  $T^{r,s,q*}Y = J^{(r,s,q)}(Y, \mathbf{R}^{1,1})_0$  of  $Y$ . This problem is reflected in the concept of natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$ . We prove that for natural numbers  $m, n, r, s, q$  with  $s \geq r \leq q$  and  $m \geq 2$  all natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  form a  $2(q+r)$ -dimensional module over  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$ . We construct the basis of this module.

In similar way we study the problem how a projectable vector field  $X$  on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$  induces a 1-form  $A(X)$  on the  $(r, s)$ -cotangent bundle  $T^{r,s*}Y = J^{(r,s)}(Y, \mathbf{R})_0$  of  $Y$ . This problem is reflected in the concept of natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$ . We prove that for natural numbers  $m, n, r, s$  with  $s \geq r$  and  $m \geq 2$  all natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  form a  $2r$ -dimensional module over  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$ . We construct the basis of this module.

Natural operators lifting functions, vector fields and 1-form to some bundle functors were used practically in all papers in which problem of prolongations of geometric structures was studied, e.g. [14]. Such natural operators in the case of the (higher order) cotangent bundle functor were studied in [1]–[4], [6]–[11], [13], e.t.c.

From now on the usual coordinates on  $\mathbf{R}^{m,n}$ , the trivial bundle  $\mathbf{R}^m \times \mathbf{R}^n$  over  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , are denoted by  $x^1, \dots, x^m, y^1, \dots, y^n$ .

All manifolds are assumed to be finite dimensional and smooth, i.e. of class  $C^\infty$ . Maps between manifolds are assumed to be smooth.

## 1. The natural operators $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$

### 1.1. The $(r, s, q)$ -cotangent bundle $T^{r,s,q*}$

Let  $r, s, q, m, n$  be natural numbers with  $s \geq r \leq q$ .

The concept of  $r$ -jets can be generalized as follows, see [4]. Let  $Y \rightarrow M$  and  $Z \rightarrow N$  be fibered manifolds. We recall that two fibered maps  $f, g : Y \rightarrow Z$  with base maps  $\underline{f}, \underline{g} : M \rightarrow N$  determine the same  $(r, s, q)$ -jet  $j_y^{(r,s,q)}f = j_y^{(r,s,q)}g$  at  $y \in Y_x$ ,  $x \in M$ , if  $j_y^r f = j_y^r g$ ,  $j_y^s(f|Y_x) = j_y^s(g|Y_x)$  and  $j_x^q \underline{f} = j_x^q \underline{g}$ . The space of all  $(r, s, q)$ -jets of  $Y$  into  $Z$  is denoted by  $J^{(r,s,q)}(Y, Z)$ . The composition of fibered maps induces the composition of  $(r, s, q)$ -jets, [4], p. 126.

The vector  $r$ -cotangent bundle functor  $T^{r*} = J^r(., \mathbf{R})_0 : \mathcal{M}f_m \rightarrow \mathcal{VB}$  can be generalized as follows, see [4], [12]. Let  $\mathbf{R}^{1,1} = \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$  be the trivial bundle over  $\mathbf{R}$ . The space  $T^{r,s,q*} = J^{(r,s,q)}(Y, \mathbf{R}^{1,1})_0$ ,  $0 \in \mathbf{R}^2$ , has an induced structure of a vector bundle over  $Y$ . Every  $\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}$ -map  $f : Y \rightarrow Z$  induces a vector bundle map  $T^{r,s,q*}f : T^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow T^{r,s,q*}Z$  covering  $f$ ,  $T^{r,s,q*}f(j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma) = j_{f(y)}^{(r,s,q)}(\gamma \circ f^{-1})$ ,  $\gamma : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{1,1}$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ . The corre-

spondence  $T^{r,s,q*} : \mathcal{FM}_{m,n} \rightarrow \mathcal{VB}$  is a vector bundle functor in the sense of [4]. We call it the  $(r, s, q)$ -cotangent bundle functor.

### 1.2. Examples of natural operators $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$

We recall that a projectable vector field on a fibered manifold  $Y$  over  $M$  is a vector field  $X$  on  $Y$  such that there exists an underlying vector field  $\underline{X}$  on  $M$  which is  $p$ -related with  $X$ , where  $p : Y \rightarrow M$  is the bundle projection. The flow of a projectable vector field is formed by  $\mathcal{FM}$ -morphisms.

We are going to study the problem how a projectable vector field  $X$  on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$  induces canonically a 1-form  $A(X)$  on  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$ . This problem is reflected in the concept of natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  in the sense of [4].

EXAMPLE 1. Let  $X$  be a projectable vector field on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$ . For every  $k = 1, \dots, q$  we have map  $\overset{(k)}{X} : T^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\overset{(k)}{X}(j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma) := (X^k\gamma_1)(y)$ ,  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ , where  $X^k = X \circ \dots \circ X$  ( $k$ -times). It is well-defined because if  $j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma = j_y^{(r,s,q)}\tilde{\gamma}$  then  $j_y^q\gamma_1 = j_y^q\tilde{\gamma}_1$ . Then for every  $k = 1, \dots, q$  we have 1-form  $\overset{(k)}{dX}$  on  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$ . The correspondence  $\overset{(k)}{A} : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$ ,  $X \rightarrow \overset{(k)}{dX}$ , is a natural operator.

EXAMPLE 2. Let  $X$  be a projectable vector field on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$ . For every  $l = 1, \dots, r$  we have map  $\overset{((l))}{X} : T^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\overset{((l))}{X}(j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma) := (X^l\gamma_2)(y)$ ,  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ . It is well-defined because if  $j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma = j_y^{(r,s,q)}\tilde{\gamma}$  then  $j_y^r\gamma_2 = j_y^r\tilde{\gamma}_2$ . Then for every  $l = 1, \dots, r$  we have 1-form  $\overset{((l))}{dX}$  on  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$ . The correspondence  $\overset{((l))}{A} : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$ ,  $X \rightarrow \overset{((l))}{dX}$ , is a natural operator.

EXAMPLE 3. Let  $X$  be a vector field on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$ . For every  $k = 1, \dots, q$  we have 1-form  $\overset{<k>}{X} : TT^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  on  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$ ,  $\overset{<k>}{X}(v) = \langle d_y(X^{k-1}\gamma_1), T\pi(v) \rangle$ ,  $v \in (TT^{r,s,q*})_yY$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ ,  $p^T(v) = j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma$ ,  $p^T : TT^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow T^{r,s,q*}Y$  is the tangent bundle projection,  $\pi : T^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow Y$  is the bundle projection. The correspondence  $\overset{<k>}{A} : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$ ,  $X \rightarrow \overset{<k>}{X}$ , is a natural operator.

EXAMPLE 4. Let  $X$  be a vector field on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$ . For every  $l = 1, \dots, r$  we have 1-form  $\overset{<<l>>}{X} : TT^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  on  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$ ,  $\overset{<<l>>}{X}(v) = \langle d_y(X^{l-1}\gamma_2), T\pi(v) \rangle$ ,  $v \in (TT^{r,s,q*})_yY$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ ,  $p^T(v) = j_y^{(r,s,q)}\gamma$ . The correspondence  $\overset{<<l>>}{A} : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$ ,  $X \rightarrow \overset{<<l>>}{X}$ , is a natural operator.

### 1.3. The $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$ -module of natural operators $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$

The set of all natural operators  $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  is a module over the algebra  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$ . Actually, if  $f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$  and  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  is a natural operator, then  $fA : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  is given by  $(fA)(X) = f(\overset{(1)}{X}, \dots, \overset{(q)}{X}, \overset{((1))}{X}, \dots, \overset{((r))}{X})A(X)$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{X}_{proj}(Y)$ ,  $Y \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{FM}_{m,n})$ .

### 1.4. The classification theorem

The first main result of this paper is the following classification theorem.

THEOREM 1. For natural numbers  $r, s, q, m, n$  with  $s \geq r \leq q$  and  $m \geq 2$  the  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$ -module of all natural operators  $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$  is free and  $2(q+r)$ -dimensional. The natural operators  $\overset{(k)}{A}$ ,  $\overset{((l))}{A}$ ,  $\overset{<k>}{A}$  and  $\overset{<<l>>}{A}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, q$  and  $l = 1, \dots, r$  form the basis over  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$  of this module.

The proof of Theorem 1 will occupy Subsections 1.5 and 1.6.

### 1.5. Some preparations

Let us consider a natural operator  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s,q*}$ .

Operators  $\overset{(1)}{A}, \dots, \overset{(q)}{A}, \overset{((1))}{A}, \dots, \overset{((r))}{A}, \overset{<1>}{A}, \dots, \overset{<q>}{A}, \overset{<<1>>}{A}, \dots, \overset{<<r>>}{A}$  are  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$ -linearly independent. So, we prove only that  $A$  is a linear combination of  $\overset{(1)}{A}, \dots, \overset{(q)}{A}, \overset{((1))}{A}, \dots, \overset{((r))}{A}, \overset{<1>}{A}, \dots, \overset{<q>}{A}, \overset{<<1>>}{A}, \dots, \overset{<<r>>}{A}$  with  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$ -coefficients.

The following lemma shows that  $A$  is uniquely determined by the restriction  $A(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})|(TT^{r,s,q*})_0\mathbf{R}^{m,n}$ .

LEMMA 1. If  $A(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})|(TT^{r,s,q*})_0\mathbf{R}^{m,n} = 0$ , then  $A = 0$ .

Proof. The proof is standard. We use the naturality of  $A$  and the fact that any projectable vector field with non-vanishing underline vector field is locally  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$  in some fiber manifold coordinates.  $\square$

So, we will study the restriction  $A(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})|(TT^{r,s,q*})_0\mathbf{R}^{m,n}$ .

LEMMA 2. There are  $f_{(1)}, \dots, f_{(q)} \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$  and  $f_{((1))}, \dots, f_{((r))} \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$  such that

$$(A - \sum_{k=1}^q f_{(k)} \overset{(k)}{A} - \sum_{l=1}^r f_{((l))} \overset{((l))}{A}) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \right) | (VT^{r,s,q*})_0 \mathbf{R}^{m,n} = 0,$$

where  $VT^{r,s,q*}Y \subset TT^{r,s,q*}Y$  denotes the vertical subbundle (with respect to the bundle projection  $\pi : T^{r,s,q*}Y \rightarrow Y$ ).

Proof. We have  $(VT^{r,s,q*})_0 \mathbf{R}^{m,n} \cong T_0^{r,s,q*} \mathbf{R}^{m,n} \times T_0^{r,s,q*} \mathbf{R}^{m,n}$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} (u + tw) \cong (u, w), \quad u, w \in T_0^{r,s,q*} \mathbf{R}^{m,n}.$$

For  $k = 1, \dots, q$  we define  $f_{(k)} : \mathbf{R}^{q+r} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$f_{(k)}(a, b) = A \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \right) \left( j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( \sum_{\bar{k}=1}^q \frac{1}{\bar{k}!} a_{\bar{k}} (x^1)^{\bar{k}}, \sum_{\bar{l}=1}^r \frac{1}{\bar{l}!} b_{\bar{l}} (x^1)^{\bar{l}} \right), j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( \frac{1}{k!} (x^1)^k, 0 \right) \right),$$

$a = (a_1, \dots, a_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$ ,  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$ .

For  $l = 1, \dots, r$  we define  $f_{((l))} : \mathbf{R}^{q+r} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$f_{((l))}(a, b) = A \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \right) \left( j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( \sum_{\bar{k}=1}^q \frac{1}{\bar{k}!} a_{\bar{k}} (x^1)^{\bar{k}}, \sum_{\bar{l}=1}^r \frac{1}{\bar{l}!} b_{\bar{l}} (x^1)^{\bar{l}} \right), j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( 0, \frac{1}{l!} (x^1)^l \right) \right),$$

$a = (a_1, \dots, a_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$ ,  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$ .

We prove the assertion of the lemma.

For simplicity denote  $\tilde{A} = A - \sum_{k=1}^q f_{(k)} \overset{(k)}{A} - \sum_{l=1}^r f_{((l))} \overset{((l))}{A}$ .

Consider  $\mathcal{FM}$ -morphisms  $\gamma, \eta : \mathbf{R}^{m,n} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{1,1}$ ,  $\gamma(0) = \eta(0) = 0$ . Define  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$  by

$$j_0^{(r,q,s)}(\gamma_1(x^1, 0, \dots, 0), 0) = j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( \sum_{k=1}^q \frac{1}{k!} a_k (x^1)^k, 0 \right).$$

Define  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$  by

$$j_0^{(r,q,s)}(0, \gamma_2(x^1, 0, \dots, 0)) = j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( 0, \sum_{l=1}^r \frac{1}{l!} b_l (x^1)^l \right).$$

Define  $\tilde{a} = (\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$  by

$$j_0^{(r,q,s)}(\eta_1(x^1, 0, \dots, 0), 0) = j_0^{(r,s,q)} \left( \sum_{k=1}^q \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{a}_k (x^1)^k, 0 \right).$$

Define  $\tilde{b} = (\tilde{b}_1, \dots, \tilde{b}_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$  by

$$j_0^{(r,q,s)}(0, \eta_2(x^1, 0, \dots, 0)) = j_0^{(r,s,q)}\left(0, \sum_{l=1}^r \frac{1}{l!} \tilde{b}_l (x^1)^l\right).$$

Using the naturality of  $\tilde{A}$  with respect to the homotheties  $(x^1, tx^2, \dots, tx^m, ty^1, \dots, ty^n)$  for  $t \neq 0$  and putting  $t \rightarrow 0$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma, j_0^{(r,s,q)}\eta) \\ = \tilde{A}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}(\gamma(x^1, 0, \dots, 0)), j_0^{(r,s,q)}(\eta(x^1, 0, \dots, 0))). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma, j_0^{(r,s,q)}\eta) &= \sum_{k=1}^q \tilde{a}_k f_{(k)}(a, b) + \sum_{l=1}^r \tilde{b}_l f_{((l))}(a, b) - \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=1}^q f_{(k)}(a, b) \tilde{a}_k - \sum_{l=1}^r f_{((l))}(a, b) \tilde{b}_l = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 2 is complete.  $\square$

### 1.6. Proof of Theorem 1

Replacing  $A$  by  $A - \sum_{k=1}^q f_{(k)}^{(k)} A - \sum_{l=1}^r f_{((l))}^{((l))} A$  we can assume that

$$A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(VT^{r,s,q*})_0 \mathbf{R}^{m,n} = 0.$$

It remains to show that there exist  $g_{<1>}, \dots, g_{<q>}, g_{<<1>>}, \dots, g_{<<r>>} \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{q+r})$  with  $A = \sum_{k=1}^q g_{<k>} \overset{<k>}{A} + \sum_{l=1}^r g_{<<l>>} \overset{<<l>>}{A}$ .

For  $k = 1, \dots, q$  define  $g_{<k>} : \mathbf{R}^{q+r} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} g_{<k>}(a, b) &= A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)\left(T^{r,s,q*}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}\right)\left(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\left(\sum_{\bar{k}=1}^q \frac{1}{\bar{k}!} a_{\bar{k}} (x^1)^{\bar{k}} \right.\right.\right. \\ &\quad \left.\left.\left.+ \frac{1}{(k-1)!} (x^1)^{k-1} x^2, \sum_{\bar{l}=1}^r \frac{1}{\bar{l}!} b_{\bar{l}} (x^1)^{\bar{l}}\right)\right)\right), \end{aligned}$$

$a = (a_1, \dots, a_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$ ,  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$ , where  $T^{r,s,q*}X$  denotes the complete lifting (flow prolongation) of a projectable vector field  $X \in \mathcal{X}_{proj}(Y)$  to  $T^{r,s,q*}Y$ .

For  $l = 1, \dots, r$  define  $g_{<l>} : \mathbf{R}^{q+r} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$g_{<l>}(a, b) = A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)\left(T^{r,s,q*}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}\right)\left(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\left(\sum_{\bar{k}=1}^q \frac{1}{\bar{k}!} a_{\bar{k}}(x^1)^{\bar{k}}, \sum_{\bar{l}=1}^r \frac{1}{\bar{l}} b_{\bar{l}}(x^1)^{\bar{l}} + \frac{1}{(l-1)!}(x^1)^{l-1}x^2\right)\right)\right),$$

$a = (a_1, \dots, a_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$ ,  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$ .

We prove  $A = \sum_{k=1}^q g_{<k>} \overset{<k>}{A} + \sum_{l=1}^r g_{<l>} \overset{<l>}{A}$ .

By Lemma 1 and  $A(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1})(VT^{r,s,q*})_0 \mathbf{R}^{m,n} = 0$  it is sufficient to show

$$\begin{aligned} A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(T^{r,s,q*}(\partial)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma)) &= \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^q g_{<k>} \overset{<k>}{A} + \sum_{l=1}^r g_{<l>} \overset{<l>}{A}\right)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)(T^{r,s,q*}(\partial)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma)) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $\mathcal{FM}$ -morphism  $\gamma : \mathbf{R}^{m,n} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{1,1}$ ,  $\gamma(0) = 0$  and any constant projectable vector field  $\partial$  on  $\mathbf{R}^{m,n}$ . Using the regularity and the naturality of  $A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^q g_{<k>} \overset{<k>}{A} + \sum_{l=1}^r g_{<l>} \overset{<l>}{A}$  with respect to linear  $\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}$ -morphisms  $\mathbf{R}^{m,n} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{m,n}$  preserving  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$  we can assume  $\partial = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}$ . For

simplicity denote  $\tilde{A} = \sum_{k=1}^q g_{<k>} \overset{<k>}{A} + \sum_{l=1}^r g_{<l>} \overset{<l>}{A}$ .

Consider an  $\mathcal{FM}$ -morphism  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) : \mathbf{R}^{m,n} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{1,1}$ ,  $\gamma(0) = 0$ . Define  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$  and  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$  by

$$a_k = \frac{\partial^k}{\partial (x^1)^k} \gamma_1(0), \quad b_l = \frac{\partial^l}{\partial (x^1)^l} \gamma_2(0)$$

for  $k = 1, \dots, q$  and  $l = 1, \dots, r$ . Define  $\tilde{a} = (\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_q) \in \mathbf{R}^q$  and  $\tilde{b} = (\tilde{b}_1, \dots, \tilde{b}_r) \in \mathbf{R}^r$  by

$$\tilde{a}_k = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial (x^1)^{k-1}} \gamma_1(0), \quad \tilde{b}_l = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial^{l-1}}{\partial (x^1)^{l-1}} \gamma_2(0)$$

for  $k = 1, \dots, q$  and  $l = 1, \dots, r$ . Using the naturality of  $A$  with respect to the homotheties  $(x^1, tx^2, \tau x^3, \dots, \tau x^m, \tau y^1, \dots, \tau y^n)$  for  $t, \tau \neq 0$  we get the homogeneity condition

$$\begin{aligned} tA\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)\left(T^{r,s,q*}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma)\right) &= \\ &= A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)\left(T^{r,s,q*}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}(\gamma(x^1, tx^2, \tau x^3, \dots, \tau x^m, \tau y^1, \dots, \tau y^n)))\right). \end{aligned}$$

This type of homogeneity gives

$$A\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)\left(T^{r,s,q*}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma)\right) = \sum_{k=1}^q g_{<k>}(a,b)\tilde{a}_k + \sum_{l=1}^r g_{<l>}(a,b)\tilde{b}_l$$

because of the homogeneous function theorem, [4]. On the other hand (it is easy to observe) we have

$$\tilde{A}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)\left(T^{r,s,q*}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}\right)(j_0^{(r,s,q)}\gamma)\right) = \sum_{k=1}^q \tilde{a}_k g_{<k>}(a,b) + \sum_{l=1}^r \tilde{b}_l g_{<l>}(a,b).$$

The proof of Theorem 1 is complete.  $\square$

## 2. The natural operators $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$

### 2.1. The $(r, s)$ -cotangent bundle $T^{r,s*}$

Let  $r, s, m, n$  be natural numbers with  $s \geq r$ .

The concept of  $r$ -jets can be also generalized as follows, see [4]. Let  $Y \rightarrow M$  be a fibered manifold and  $Q$  be a manifold. We recall that maps  $f, g : Y \rightarrow Q$  determine the same  $(r, s)$ -jet  $j_y^{(r,s)}f = j_y^{(r,s)}g$  at  $y \in Y_x$ ,  $x \in M$ , if  $j_y^r f = j_y^r g$  and  $j_y^s(f|Y_x) = j_y^s(g|Y_x)$ . The space of all  $(r, s)$ -jets of  $Y$  into  $Q$  is denoted by  $J^{(r,s)}(Y, Q)$ .

The vector  $r$ -cotangent bundle functor  $T^{r*} = J^r(., \mathbf{R})_0 : \mathcal{M}f_m \rightarrow \mathcal{VB}$  can be also generalized as follows, see [12]. The space  $T^{r,s*} = J^{(r,s)}(Y, \mathbf{R})_0$ ,  $0 \in \mathbf{R}$ , has an induced structure of a vector bundle over  $Y$ . Every  $\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}$ -map  $f : Y \rightarrow Z$  induces a vector bundle map  $T^{r,s*}f : T^{r,s*}Y \rightarrow T^{r,s*}Z$  covering  $f$ ,  $T^{r,s*}f(j_y^{(r,s)}\gamma) = j_{f(y)}^{(r,s)}(\gamma \circ f^{-1})$ ,  $\gamma : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ . The correspondence  $T^{r,s*} : \mathcal{FM}_{m,n} \rightarrow \mathcal{VB}$  is a vector bundle functor in the sense of [4]. We call it the  $(r, s)$ -cotangent bundle functor.

### 2.2. Examples of natural operators $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$

We are going to study the problem how a projectable vector field  $X$  on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$  induces canonically a 1-form  $A(X)$  on  $T^{r,s*}Y$ . This problem is reflected in the concept of natural operators  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  in the sense of [4].

EXAMPLE 5. Let  $X$  be a projectable vector field on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$ . For every  $k = 1, \dots, r$  we have map  $\overset{(k)}{X} : T^{r,s*}Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\overset{(k)}{X}(j_y^{(r,s)}\gamma) := (X^k\gamma)(y)$ ,  $\gamma : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ , where  $X^k = X \circ \dots \circ X$  ( $k$ -times). Then for every  $k = 1, \dots, r$  we have 1-form  $\overset{(k)}{dX}$  on  $T^{r,s*}Y$ . The correspondence  $\overset{(k)}{A} : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$ ,  $X \rightarrow \overset{(k)}{dX}$ , is a natural operator.



EXAMPLE 6. Let  $X$  be a vector field on an  $(m, n)$ -dimensional fibered manifold  $Y$ . For every  $k = 1, \dots, r$  we have 1-form  $\overset{<k>}{X} : TT^{r,s*}Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  on  $T^{r,s*}Y$ ,  $\overset{<k>}{X}(v) = \langle d_y(X^{k-1}\gamma), T\pi(v) \rangle$ ,  $v \in (TT^{r,s*})_y Y$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $\gamma : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\gamma(y) = 0$ ,  $p^T(v) = j_y^{(r,s)}\gamma$ ,  $p^T : TT^{r,s*}Y \rightarrow T^{r,s*}Y$  is the tangent bundle projection,  $\pi : T^{r,s*}Y \rightarrow Y$  is the bundle projection. The correspondence  $\overset{<k>}{A} : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$ ,  $X \rightarrow \overset{<k>}{X}$ , is a natural operator.

### 2.3. The $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$ -module of natural operators $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$

The set of all natural operators  $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  is a module over the algebra  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$ . Actually, if  $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$  and  $A : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  is a natural operator, then  $fA : T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  is given by  $(fA)(X) = f(\overset{(1)}{X}, \dots, \overset{(r)}{X})A(X)$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{X}_{proj}(Y)$ ,  $Y \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{FM}_{m,n})$ .

### 2.4. The classification theorem

The second main result of this paper is the following classification theorem.

THEOREM 2. For natural numbers  $r, s, m, n$  with  $s \geq r$  and  $m \geq 2$  the  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$ -module of all natural operators  $T_{proj|\mathcal{FM}_{m,n}} \rightsquigarrow T^*T^{r,s*}$  is free and  $2r$ -dimensional. The natural operators  $\overset{(k)}{A}$  and  $\overset{<k>}{A}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, r$  form the basis over  $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^r)$  of this module.

Proof. The proof of Theorem 2 is similar to the proof of Theorem 1, but easier. We leave the details to the reader.  $\square$

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