

## *Generalized Tangents of Curves and Generalized Vector Fields*

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### Introduction

The main purpose of this paper is to introduce the notion of generalized tangent of a curve  $\gamma$  given by  $\varphi: \mathbf{I} \rightarrow M$ , where  $M$  is an  $n$ -dimensional Paracompact topological manifold with a (fixed) metric  $\rho$ . Here  $\rho$  is assumed to satisfy (\*). *If  $\rho(x_1, x_2) \leq 1$ , then there exists unique curve  $\gamma$  of  $M$  which joins  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  and*

$$\int_{\gamma} \rho = \rho(x_1, x_2).$$

(For the existence of such metric, see [4]). In the rest, we set

$$S_x = \{y \mid \rho(x, y) = 1\}.$$

By assumption,  $S_x$  is homeomorphic to  $S^{n-1}$ , the unit  $(n-1)$ -sphere. Then the generalized tangent of  $\gamma$  at  $a = \varphi(0)$  is defined to be a positive Radon measure on  $S_a$  and we show that for any positive Radon measure  $\xi$  on  $S_a$ , there exists a curve  $\gamma$  on  $M$  whose generalized tangent at  $a$  is  $\xi$  (§ 3, theorem 3).

More Precisely, to define the generalized tangent of  $\gamma$ , first we introduce the notion of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth function at  $a$ , where  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$  is a (fixed) function space on  $S^{n-1}$  such as  $C(S^{n-1})$ ,  $L^p(S^{n-1})$  (the measure on  $S^{n-1}$  is the standard volume element, that is given by  $\sum_i x_i dx_i$  (cf. [5], [11])) or (if  $M$  is smooth or real analytic)  $C^\infty(S^{n-1})$  or  $C^0(S^{n-1})$ , as follows: *A function  $f$  defined on some neighborhood of  $a$  is called to be  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth if  $f$  is written as*

$$f(x) = f(a) + g(\varepsilon_{a,x})\rho(a, x) + o(\rho(a, x)), \quad \rho(a, x) < 1,$$

and  $g(y)$  belongs in  $\mathcal{F}(S_a)$ . Here  $\varepsilon_{a,x}$  means the point  $y$  on  $S_a$  such that

$$x \in r_{a,y},$$

where  $r_{a,y}$  is the curve of  $M$  which joins  $a$  and  $y$  and  $\int_{r_{a,y}} \rho = 1$ , and  $\mathcal{F}(S_a)$  means the function space on  $S_a$  defined similarly as (using the measure induced from  $\rho$  (cf.

[3], [4]))  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ .

Then the generalized tangent of  $\gamma$  at  $a$  is defined to be the element  $\xi$  of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$ , the dual space of  $\mathcal{F}(S_a)$  which is determined by

$$\langle \xi, g \rangle = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{1}{t} \{f(\rho(t)) - f(a)\} dt \right],$$

where  $\gamma$  is given by  $\rho : I \rightarrow M$  and  $\rho$  is assumed to satisfy

- (i)  $\rho(0) = a, \rho(t) \neq a, \text{ if } t \neq 0,$
- (ii)  $\rho(a, \rho(t)) = \rho(t),$

$f$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth function at  $a$  and  $g \in \mathcal{F}(S_a)$  is given by

$$g(y) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (f(r_{a,y,t}) - f(a)),$$

where  $r_{a,y,t}$  is given by

$$r_{a,y,t} \in r_{a,y}, \rho(a, r_{a,y,t}) = t.$$

We denote  $g$  by  $d_\rho f$  or,  $d_\rho f(a)$  or  $d_\rho, af$ .

We note that this definition of the generalized tangent depends on the choice of parameter  $t$  of  $\gamma$  (cf. n°11 of §3).

If  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$  is taken to be  $C(S^{n-1})$ , the Banach space consisted by the continuous functions on  $S^{n-1}$  with the uniform convergence topology, then  $C^*(S^{n-1})$  is the space of Radon measures on  $S^{n-1}$  (cf. [18]), and we can show that an element of  $C^*(S_a)$  is expressed as a generalized tangent at  $a$  of a curve if and only if it is positive, that is  $\langle \xi, g \rangle \geq 0$  if  $g(y) \geq 0$  on  $S_a$ . For example, the Dirac measure on  $S_a$  is expressed as the generalized tangent at  $a$  of a curve  $\gamma$  which is smooth at  $a$ . Here a curve  $\gamma$  given by  $\rho : I \rightarrow M, \rho(0) = a$ , is called smooth at  $a$  if  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon_{a,\varphi t}$  exists. The problem to characterize the element of  $C^{\infty*}(S^{n-1})$ , the space of distributions on  $S^{n-1}$  or  $C^{\omega*}(S^{n-1})$ , the space of analytic functionals on  $S^{n-1}$ , which is expressed as the generalized tangent of some curve, remains open.

We note that although the O.N. -basis of  $L^2(S^{n-1})$  is given by spherical harmonics (cf. [5], [11]), a smooth function at  $a$  only represents a spherical function of degree 1. Hence, since the usual tangent of a smooth curve is defined only by using smooth functions, the usual tangents of smooth curves corresponds only this part of  $L^2(S^{n-1})$ . But the above result shows, if we use the  $L^2(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions, the generalized tangents covers the positive part of  $L^2(S^{n-1})$ .

As in the case of usual tangent vectors (cf. [6], [13]), to set

$$\mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{1}{t} \{f(\varphi(t)) - f(a)\} dt \right],$$

where  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $a$ , we have

$$(i) \quad \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(\alpha f_1 + \beta f_2) = \alpha \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f_1) + \beta \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f_2),$$

$$(ii) \quad \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f_1 f_2) = f_1(a) \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f_2) + f_2(a) \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f_1),$$

and we also have

$$(iii) \quad \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f) = 0 \text{ if } |f(x) - f(a)| = o(\rho(a, x)),$$

$$(iv) \quad \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f) \geq 0 \text{ if } d_\rho f \geq 0.$$

On the other hand, if the map  $\mathfrak{X}$  from the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions at  $a$  to  $\mathbf{R}$ , the real number field, satisfies (i), (ii) and (iii), then  $\mathfrak{X}$  is written as

$$f = \langle \xi, d_\rho f(a) \rangle,$$

by some  $\xi \in \mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$ . Hence if  $\mathfrak{X}$  also satisfies (iv),  $\mathfrak{X}$  is written as  $\mathfrak{X}_\varphi$  by some  $\varphi : I \rightarrow M$ . In some part, the globalization of these discussions are possible. To do this, first we construct the associate  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -bundle of the tangent micro-bundle of  $M$ , which is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$  and its dual bundle, which is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}^*(s(M))$  (§ 1). (cf. [1], [9], [12]).

Next, we set

$$d_\rho f(x, y) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (f(r_{x,y,t}) - f(x)), \quad y \in S_x.$$

If  $d_\rho f(x)$  is a continuous cross-section of  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$ , then we call  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth on  $M$  (for  $n = 1$ , cf. [7], [8], [10]). We can show that the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions on  $M$  (denoted by  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$ ) is dense in  $C(M)$  or in  $L^p_{loc}(M)$  (§ 2, theorem 1). (The measure on  $M$  by which  $L^p(M)$  or  $L^p_{loc}(M)$  is defined, is that of induced from  $\rho$  (cf. [3], [4])). Then a linear operator  $X$  of  $C(M)$  which satisfies the following (i), (ii), (iii) is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field on  $M$ .

$$(i). \quad X \text{ is a closed operator from } C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M) \text{ into } C(M).$$

$$(ii). \quad (Xf)(a) = 0, \text{ if } |f(x) - f(a)| = o(\rho(a, x)) \text{ at } a.$$

$$(iii). \quad X(f_1 f_2) = f_1 X(f_2) + f_2 X(f_1).$$

We show that if  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field on  $M$ , then  $X$  is written as

$$Xf(x) = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle, \quad x \in M,$$

where  $\xi$  is a continuous cross-section of  $\mathcal{F}^*(s(M))$  (§ 2, theorem 2). Therefore, as usual vector field, we may identify  $X$  and a continuous cross-section of  $\mathcal{F}^*(s(M))$ . But an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $X$  does not generate a 1-parameter group germ of  $M$  in general. For example, the theorem of Hille-Yosida shows that if  $M$  is compact and simply connected, the  $C(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $X$  corresponds to the cross-section  $m$  of  $C^*(s(M))$  given by  $m = m(x)$ ,  $m(x)$  is the canonical measure on

$S_x$  defined from the metric, does not generate any (equi-continuous) 1-parameter semi group of  $C(M)$  or  $L^p(M)$  (§ 2, exemple). (cf. [17], [18]). We note since  $m(x)$  is positive, there exists a curve  $\gamma = \gamma_x$  for any  $x$ , such that  $\gamma_x$  starts from  $x$  and whose generalized tangent at  $x$  is  $m(x)$  (cf. § 3, exemple 2), if  $n = 2$ ,  $\gamma_x$  is given by  $r\theta = 1$ .

As usual vector field, if  $X, Y$  are  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields such that their compositions  $XY$  and  $YX$  are both possible, then

$$[X, Y] = XY - YX$$

is also an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$ . But the composition of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields may not be possible in general.

In § 1, we also construct associate  $\mathcal{F}(\overbrace{S^{n-1} \times \dots \times S^{n-1}}^p)$ -bundle of the tangent microbundle of  $M$ . It is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ . We denote by  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  the subbundle of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  whose fibre is consisted by those functions  $f(y_1, \dots, y_p)$ ,  $y_i \in S^{n-1}$ , of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1} \times \dots \times S^{n-1})$  such that

$$f(y_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, y_{\sigma(p)}) = \text{sgn}(\sigma) f(y_1, \dots, y_p), \quad \sigma \in \gamma^p.$$

The cross-sections of these bundles are considered to be reductions of Alexander-Spanier cochains (cf. [1], [3], [14], [15]).

For the cross-sections of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ , we define the maps  $d_\rho$  and  $Ad_\rho$  by

$$\begin{aligned} & d_\rho f(x, y_1, \dots, y_{p+1}) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} [f(r_{x, y_1, t}, y_2, \dots, y_{p+1}) - f(x, y_2, \dots, y_{p+1})], \\ & Ad_\rho f(x, y_1, \dots, y_{p+1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{p+1} \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} (-1)^{i+1} \left[ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (f(r_{x, y, it}, y_1, \dots, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_{p+1}) - \right. \\ & \quad \left. f(x, y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_{p+1})) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

We call  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth if  $d_\rho f$  (or  $Ad_\rho f$ ) defines a continuous cross-section of  $\mathcal{F}(s^{p+1}(M))$  (or  $A\mathcal{F}(s^{p+1}(M))$ ). We note that to define

$\int_\gamma f(x, y_1, \dots, y_p)$  by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_\gamma f(x, y_1, \dots, y_p) \\ &= \int_\gamma f(x, \varepsilon_{x, x_1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{x, x_p}) \rho(x, x_1) \cdots \rho(x, x_p), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma$  is a singular  $p$ -chain of  $M$  and the right hand side is the integration of

Alexander-Spanier cochain defined in [3],  $\int_{\gamma} f$  is exists if  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth and  $\gamma$  is given by  $\varphi : I^p \rightarrow M$  where  $\varphi$  satisfies

$$\rho(\varphi(a_{j+1i}), \varphi(a_j)) \leq N |a_{j+1i} - a_{ji}|,$$

$$a_j = (a_{j1}, \dots, a_{jp}), \quad a_{j+1i} = (a_{j1}, \dots, a_{ji-1}, a_{ji+1}, a_{j+1i}, \dots, a_{jp}).$$

for some  $N > 0$ . Since  $Ad_{\rho}(Ad_{\rho}f) = 0$  if  $Ad_{\rho}f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth, we can obtain the analogy of de Rham's theorem by using the cross-sections of  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and the Cech cohomology group of  $M$ . But the above shows that the analogy of de Rham's theorem is also obtained by using the singular homology group of  $M$  (cf. [15], [16]).

We note that if  $M = \mathbf{R}^1$ , the 1-dimensional euclidean space with the euclidean metric, then

$$d_{\rho}f(x) = (D_+f(x), D_-f(x)),$$

where  $D_+$  and  $D_-$  mean the right hand side and the left hand side derivations of  $f$  and the (fibre of  $\mathcal{F}(s(\mathbf{R}^1))$  is  $\mathbf{R} \oplus \mathbf{R}$ . We know that  $f$  is smooth if and only if  $D_+f = D_-f$  at any point of  $\mathbf{R}^1$ , that is  $d_{\rho}f$  defines a cross-section of the subbundle of  $\mathcal{F}(s(\mathbf{R}^1))$  whose fibre is the diagonal of  $\mathbf{R} \oplus \mathbf{R}$ .

To generalize this, first we assume the metric  $\rho$  of  $M$  satisfies (\*). If  $\rho(x_1, x_2) \leq 2$ , then there is unique path  $\gamma$  which joins  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  and

$$\int_{\gamma} \rho = \rho(x_1, x_2).$$

Under this assumption, for any  $y \in S_x$ , there exists unique point  $\hat{y}$  of  $S_x$  such that

$$\rho(y, \hat{y}) = 2.$$

We denote the quotient space of  $S_x$  obtained by identifying  $\hat{y}$  and  $y$  by  $P_x$ . By definition,  $P_x$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbf{R}P^{n-1}$ , the  $(n-1)$ -dimensional real projective space.

For this  $P_x$ , if  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $x$  and

$$d_{\rho}f(x, \hat{y}) = d_{\rho}f(x, y),$$

for any  $y \in S_x$ , then  $d_{\rho}f$  may be considered to be an element of  $\mathcal{F}(P_x)$ . Here  $\mathcal{F}(P_x)$  is defined similarly as  $\mathcal{F}(S_x)$  and it is also considered to be a subspace of  $\mathcal{F}(S_x)$  given by

$$\mathcal{F}(P_x) = \{g | g \in \mathcal{F}(S_x), g(y) = g(\hat{y})\}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}(P_x)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{F}(RP^{n-1})$ , we call  $f$  to be  $\mathcal{F}(RP^{n-1})$ -smooth in this case. If  $M$  is  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , the  $n$ -dimensional euclidean space with the euclidean

metric, then  $f$  is  $M(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $x$  if and only if  $f$  is one-sided differentiable at  $x$  along any line which ends at  $x$  and  $f$  is  $M(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $x$  if and only if  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$  along any line which through  $x$ .

Since the total spaces of  $s(M)$  and  $s^p(M)$ , the associate  $S^{n-1}$  and  $\overbrace{S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1}}^p$  bundles of the tangent microbundle of  $M$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} s(M) &= \{(x, y) \mid \rho(x, y) = 1, x \in M, (x, y) \in M \times M, \\ s^p(M) &= \{(x, y_1, \dots, y_p) \mid \rho(x, y_i) = 1, i = 1, \dots, p, x \in M, \\ &\quad (x, y_1, \dots, y_p) \in M \times \overbrace{M \times \cdots \times M}^p\}, \end{aligned}$$

we can construct the associate  $\mathbf{R}P^{n-1}$ -bundle and  $\overbrace{\mathbf{R}P^{n-1} \times \cdots \times \mathbf{R}P^{n-1}}^p$ -bundle of  $\tau(M)$ , the tangent microbundle of  $M$ , by taking  $s(M)/\sim$  and  $s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim}$  to be the total spaces. Here the equivalence relations  $\sim$  or  $\underset{p}{\sim}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \underset{p}{\sim} (x', y') &\text{ if and only if } x = x' \text{ and } \rho(y, y') = 2, \\ (x, y_1, \dots, y_p) \underset{p}{\sim} &(x', y_1', \dots, y_p'), \\ &\text{ if and only if } x = x' \text{ and } \rho(y_i, y_i') = 2, i = 1, \dots, p, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho$  is assumed to satisfy (\*). Then using  $s(M)/\sim$  and  $s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim}$ , we can construct associate  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1})$ -bundle and  $\overbrace{\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1} \times \cdots \times \mathbf{R}P^{n-1})}^p$ -bundle of  $\tau(M)$ . They are denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(s(M)/\sim)$  and  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim})$ . We note that since we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}) &= \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1}) \oplus \check{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1}), \\ \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1}) &= \{g \mid g(y) = g(\hat{y})\}, \quad \check{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1}) = \{g \mid g(y) = -g(\hat{y})\}, \end{aligned}$$

we may consider  $\mathcal{F}(s(M)/\sim)$  and  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim})$  are the subbundles of  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$  and  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and can be considered to be direct summands of them.

We note that using  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}P^{n-1})$ -smooth functions and the bundles  $\mathcal{F}(s(M)/\sim)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim})$  and  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim})$  ( $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M)/\underset{p}{\sim})$  is defined similarly as others), we can construct same theories as above.

Similarly, if  $M = \mathbf{C}$ , the complex number plane with the euclidean metric,  $f$  a holomorphic function, then

$$d_\rho f(a, y) = \frac{df}{dz}(a).$$

This suggests that if  $\dim M = 2m$ , then the condition (\*\*), there exists associate  $\mathbf{C}P^{m-1}$ -bundle of  $\tau(M)$ , may have some meaning for  $M$ .

The outline of this paper is as follows: In §1, we define the bundles

$\mathcal{F}(s)M$ ),  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and treat their properties. In § 2, we define  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions and  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields. The generalized tangents of curves and their properties are stated in § 3.

*Added in proof.* In  $\mathbf{R}^n$  with the euclidean metric,  $d_\rho f$  may be considered (one-sided) Gâteaux's differential  $Vf$ . Here Gâteaux's differential  $Vf(x_0, h)$  is defined by

$$Vf(x_0, h) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + th) - f(x_0)}{t}, \quad h \in M_2,$$

where  $f$  is a map from a Banach space  $M_1$  to a Banach space  $M_2$ . For the details and related notions with their applications, see Burysek, S. : *On symmetric G-differential and convex functionals in Banach spaces*, *Publ. Math., (Debrecen)*, 17, 1970, 145-161).

### § 1. Bundles $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$ and $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ .

1. We denote by  $M$  an  $n$ -dimensional connected paracompact topological manifold. On  $M$ , we fix a metric  $\rho$  by which the topology of  $M$  is given, and assume  $\rho$  satisfies the following (i), (ii), (iii) (For the existence of such metric, see [4]).

(i). *If  $\rho(x_1, x_2) \leq 1$ , then there exists unique path  $\gamma$  which joins  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  and*

$$\int_\gamma \rho = \rho(x_1, x_2).$$

(ii).  *$M$  is complete with respect to  $\rho$ .*

(iii). *The measure  $m(\rho)$  induced from  $\rho$  on  $M$  is a positive Radon measure and satisfies*

*$m(\rho)(E) \neq 0$ , if  $E$  is measurable and contains some non empty open set.*

For  $x \in M$ , we set

$$S_x = \{y \in M, \rho(x, y) = 1\}.$$

Since  $\dim M = n$ ,  $S_x$  is homeomorphic to  $S^{n-1}$ , the unit  $(n-1)$ -sphere (cf. [4]). We assume that for any  $x$ ,  $\rho$  induces a metric  $\rho_x$  on  $S_x$  which is given by

$$\rho_x(y_1, y_2) = \inf_{\gamma, \gamma \text{ joins } y_1 \text{ and } y_2 \text{ in } S_x} \int_\gamma \rho.$$

The measure on  $S_x$  induced from  $\rho_x$  (cf. [3]) is denoted by  $m = m(x)$ . For this  $m(x)$ , we assume (cf. [4])

(i). *A Borel set of  $S_x$  is  $m(x)$ -measurable and if  $E$  is  $m(x)$  measurable and contains some non-empty open set of  $S_x$ , then*

$$m(x)(E) \neq 0.$$

(ii).  $m(x)$  depends continuously on  $x$ .

Since  $S_x$  is compact,  $m(x)(S_x)$  is finite. Hence, for the simplicity, we normalize  $m(x)$  to satisfy  $m(x)(S_x) = 1$ .

**Note.** If  $M$  is a smooth manifold,  $\rho$  is the geodesic distance defined by a (complete) Riemannian metric on  $M$ , then  $m(x)$  depends differentiably on  $x$ .

In  $M \times M$ , we set

$$(1) \quad s(M) = \{(x, y) | x \in M, \rho(x, y) = 1\}.$$

We define  $\pi: s(M) \rightarrow M$  by  $\pi(x, y) = x$ . Then  $\{s(M), \pi, M\}$  is the associate unit sphere bundle of the tangent microbundle of  $M$  (cf. [1], [9], [12]). We denote the transition function of  $s(M)$  by  $\{g_{UV}(x)\}$  if we consider the fibre of  $s(M)$  at  $x$  to be  $S_x$ . We note that if we consider the fibre of  $s(M)$  at  $x$  to be the measure space  $(S_x, m_x)$ , then the transition function of  $s(M)$  should be replaced by  $\{(g_{UV}(x), m_U(x)(g_{UV}(x)^*m_V(x))^{-1})\}$ , where  $m_U(x)$  is given by

$$m(x)(E) = \int_{h_{U,x}(E)} m_U(x) d\Omega.$$

Here  $h_{U,x}$  is the local homeomorphism from  $\pi^{-1}(U)$  to  $U \times S^{n-1}$  and  $d\Omega$  is the standard measure on  $S^{n-1}$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$  a function space over  $S^{n-1}$ . In the rest,  $(S^{n-1})$  means either of  $C(S^{n-1})$  or  $L^p(S^{n-1})$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , regarding them to be Banach spaces. Here  $L^p(S^{n-1})$  is defined by  $d\Omega$ . (If  $M$  is smooth, or real analytic, then  $C^\infty(S^{n-1})$ , or  $C^\omega(S^{n-1})$ , is also taken as  $(S^{n-1})$ ). Then by identifying  $U \times C(S^{n-1}) \ni (x, f(y))$  and  $(x, f(g_{UV}(x)y)) \in V \times C(S^{n-1})$ ,  $x \in U \cap V$ , we obtain the associate  $C(S^{n-1})$ -bundle of  $s(M)$ . It is denoted by  $C(s(M))$ . Since  $C(s(M))$  is a vector bundle over  $M$  with the fibre  $C(S^{n-1})$ , its dual bundle  $C^*(s(M))$  is defined.  $C^*(s(M))$  is a vector bundle over  $M$  with the fibre  $C^*(S^{n-1})$ , where  $C^*(S^{n-1})$  is the space of Radon measures on  $S^{n-1}$ .

**Lemma 1.** *Regarding  $m(x)$  to be a function on  $M$ ,  $m(x)$  is a cross-section of  $C^*(s(M))$ .*

**Corollary.** *We have*

$$(2) \quad m_U(x)(g_{UV}(x)^*m_V(x))^{-1} = 1.$$

By this corollary, although  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$  is  $L^p(S^{n-1})$ , we can construct the associate  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -bundle of  $s(M)$  by identifying  $U \times \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}) \ni (x, f(y))$  and  $(x, g_{UV}(x)^*f(y)) \in V \times \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ ,  $x \in U \cap V$ . This bundle is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$ . The dual bundle of  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}^*(s(M))$ . By definition, the fibre of  $\mathcal{F}^*(s(M))$  is  $\mathcal{F}^*(S^{n-1})$ , the dual space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ . We denote the fibre of  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$  (and  $\mathcal{F}^*(s(M))$ ) at  $x$  by  $\mathcal{F}(S_x)$  (and  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_x)$ ).

**Definition.** *An element of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_x)$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector at  $x$ .*



**Note.** If we regard  $S_x$  to be a measure space  $(S_x, k(x))$ , and define  $L^p(S_x)$  by  $k(x)$ , then to define  $K_U(x)$  similarly as  $m_U(x)$ , we obtain the associate  $L^p(S^{n-1})$ -bundle of  $s(M)$  by identifying  $U \times L^p(S^{n-1}) \ni (x, f(y))$  and  $(x, [k_U(x) (g_{UV}(x))^* k_V(x)]^{-1/p} g_{UV}(x)^* f(y)) \in V \times L^p(S^{n-1})$ ,  $x \in U \cap V$ .

2. In  $\overline{M \times M \times \cdots \times M}^p$ , we set

$$(1)' \quad s^p(M) = \{(x, y_1, \dots, y_p) \mid x \in M, \rho(x, y_i) = 1, i = 1, \dots, p\}.$$

To define  $\pi : s^p(M) \rightarrow M$  by  $\pi(x, y_1, \dots, y_p) = x$ ,  $\{s^p(M), \pi, M\}$  is associate  $\overline{S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1}}^p$ -bundle over  $M$ . If the fibre of  $s(M)$  at  $x$  is considered to be the measure space  $(S_x, m(x))$ , then we consider the fibre of  $s^p(M)$  at  $x$  to be the measure space  $(S_x \times \cdots \times S_x, m(x) \otimes \cdots \otimes m(x))$ . The transition functions  $\{g_{UV}(x)\} = \{g_{UV}^p(x)\}$  of  $s^p(M)$  is given by

$$g_{UV}^p(x)(y_1, \dots, y_p) = (g_{UV}(x)y_1, \dots, g_{UV}(x)y_p),$$

where  $g_{UV}(x)$  in the right hand side is the transition function of  $s(M)$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{F}(\overline{S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1}}^p)$  or  $\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$  the function space over  $S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1}$  which is of the same type with  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ . That is  $\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$  means either of  $C(S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1})$  or  $L^p(S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1})$  with the measure  $m(x) \otimes \cdots \otimes m(x)$  in general and  $C^\infty(S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1})$  or  $C^w(S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1})$  is also considered if  $M$  is smooth or real analytic. By assumption,  $\mathcal{F}(\overline{S^{n-1} \otimes \cdots \otimes S^{n-1}}^p)$  is dense in  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1} \times \cdots \times S^{n-1})$ .

As  $\mathcal{F}(s(M))$ , we construct the associate  $\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$ -bundle of  $s^p(M)$ . It is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ . The dual bundle of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$ . The fibres of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and  $\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$  at  $x$  are denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(S_x \times \cdots \times S_x)$  or  $\mathcal{F}^p(S_x)$  and  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_x \times \cdots \times S_x)$  or  $\mathcal{F}^{p*}(S_x)$ .

**Definition.** An element of  $\mathcal{F}^{p*}(S_x)$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -vector at  $x$ .

For any  $f \in \mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$  and  $\sigma \in \mathcal{F}^p$ , we set

$$(3) \quad \sigma(f)(y_1, \dots, y_p) = f(y_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, y_{\sigma(p)}), \quad y_i \in S^{n-1}.$$

Then, since  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$  is dense in  $\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$ ,  $\sigma$  is continuous. Therefore, setting

$$A\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1}) = \{f \mid f \in \mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1}), \sigma(f) = \text{sgn}(\sigma)f\},$$

$A\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$  is a closed subspace of  $\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$ . Since  $\sigma^*$ , the adjoint operator of  $\sigma$ , is  $\sigma^{-1}$ , we have

$$(A\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1}))^* = A\mathcal{F}^{p*}(S^{n-1}).$$

As we know

$$\begin{aligned} & \sigma(f(g_{UV}(x)y_1, \dots, g_{UV}(x)y_p)) \\ & = f(g_{UV}(x)y_{\sigma 1}, \dots, g_{UV}(x)y_{\sigma p}), \quad f \in \mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1}), \end{aligned}$$

we obtain an  $A\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$ -bundle over  $M$  to be a subbundle of  $\mathcal{F}^p(s(M))$ . This bundle is denoted by  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ . Its dual bundle is denoted by  $A\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$ . The fibres of  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and  $A\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$  are denoted by  $A\mathcal{F}^p(S_x)$  and  $A\mathcal{F}^{p*}(S_x)$ .

**Note.** Similarly, to set

$$S\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1}) = \{f \mid f \in \mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1}), \sigma(f) = f\},$$

we can define an  $S\mathcal{F}^p(S^{n-1})$ -bundle  $S\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  to be a subbundle of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ . Its dual bundle is denoted by  $S\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$ . The fibres of  $S\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and  $S\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$  at  $x$  are denoted by  $S\mathcal{F}^p(S_x)$  and  $S\mathcal{F}^{p*}(S_x)$ .

**Definition.** A (continuous) cross-section  $\varphi$  of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  is called a (continuous)  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain of  $M$ . If  $\varphi$  is a cross-section of  $A\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$ , then  $\varphi$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -form of  $M$ .

**Definition.** A (continuous) cross-section of  $\mathcal{F}^*(s^p(M))$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -vectorfield of  $M$ .

In general, we call an element of  $\mathcal{F}^p(S_x) \otimes \mathcal{F}^{q*}(S_x)$  to be an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $(p, q)$ -tensor at  $x$  and a continuous cross-section of  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M)) \otimes \mathcal{F}^*(s^q(M))$  to be an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $(p, q)$ -tensorfield of  $M$ .

If  $M$  is smooth (or real analytic), then  $\mathcal{F}(s^p(M))$  and  $\mathcal{F}^*(s^q(M))$  allow the structure of smooth (or real analytic) vector bundles. Hence we can define smooth (or real analytic)  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain, etc..

3. We denote by  $r_{x,y}$  the unique curve which joins  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $y \in S_x$  and satisfies

$$\int_{r_{x,y}} \rho = 1.$$

Then for any  $a$ ,  $0 \leq a \leq 1$ , there exists unique point  $z$  in  $r_{x,y}$  such that  $\rho(x, z) = a$ . We denote this  $z$  by  $r_{x,y,a}$ .

On the other hand, if  $\rho(x, z) < 1$ , then there exists unique point  $y$  of  $S_x$  such that  $z \in r_{x,y}$ . Or, in other word,  $x, z$  determines a point  $y$  of  $S_x$ . We denote this  $y$  by  $\varepsilon_{x,z}$ .

By definition, if  $\rho(x, z) < 1$ , then

$$(4) \quad r_{x, \varepsilon_{x,z}, \rho(x,z)} = z.$$

For an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_p)$  of  $M$ , we set

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \tilde{\varphi}(x, x_1, \dots, x_p) \\ & = \varphi(x, \varepsilon_{x,x_1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{x,x_p}) \rho(x, x_1) \cdots \rho(x, x_p), \end{aligned}$$

$$x_i \in M, \rho(x, x_i) < 1, i = 1, \dots, p.$$

Then  $\tilde{\varphi}$  defines an Alexander-Spanier  $p$ -cochain of  $M$ . By definition, if  $\varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -form, then  $\tilde{\varphi}$  is alternative in  $x_1, \dots, x_p$ .

**Definition.** If  $\gamma$  is a singular  $p$ -chain of  $M$ , then we define the integration  $\int_{\gamma} \varphi$  of  $\varphi$ , an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain of  $M$  on  $\gamma$  by

$$(6) \quad \int_{\gamma} \varphi = \int_{\gamma} \tilde{\varphi}.$$

Here the right hand side means the integral of the Alexander-Spanier cochain  $\tilde{\varphi}$  on  $\gamma$  ([3]).

By the definition of the integral (cf. [3]), if  $\varphi$  is a  $C(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain and  $\gamma$  is given by  $f: I^p \rightarrow M$  where  $f$  satisfies

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} \rho(f(a_{J+1_i}), f(a_J)) &\leq N |a_{j_i+1} - a_{j_i}|, \\ a_{J+1_i} &= (a_{j_1}, \dots, a_{j_{i-1}}, a_{j_i+1}, a_{j_{i+1}}, \dots, a_{j_n}), \quad a_J = (a_{j_1}, \dots, a_{j_n}), \end{aligned}$$

for some  $N < \infty$ , then  $\varphi$  is absolutely integrable on  $\gamma$ . In fact, since  $S^{n-1}$  and  $\gamma$  both compact, to set

$$K = \max_{x \in \gamma} (\max_{y_i \in S^1 \times \dots \times S^1} |\varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_p)|),$$

$K$  is finite, and for any partition  $\Delta$  of  $I$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_J |\tilde{\varphi}(f(a_J), f(a_{J+1}), \dots, f(a_{J+p}))| \right. \\ & \leq KN^p \left( \sum_J |a_{j_1+1} - a_{j_1}| \dots |a_{j_p+1} - a_{j_p}| \right) \leq KN^p, \\ & \Delta \text{ is given by } 0 = a_0 < a_1 < \dots < a_m < 1, \end{aligned}$$

which shows the absolute integrability of  $\tilde{\varphi}$  on  $\gamma$ .

**Note.** This is also true if  $\varphi$  is an  $M(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain and it seems to be true for  $L^q(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochains if we change the definition of the integral of Alexander-Spanier cochains to the Lebesgue type.

**Definition.** For an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_p)$  of  $M$ , we define

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} & d_{\rho} \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_{p+1}) \\ & = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\alpha} (\varphi(x, y_1, \alpha, y_2, \dots, y_{p+1}) - \varphi(x, y_2, \dots, y_{p+1})). \end{aligned}$$

By definition, if  $d_{\rho} \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_{p+1})$  exists as an element of  $\mathcal{F}^p(S_x)$  for any  $x$  and continuous in  $x$ , then  $d_{\rho} \varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $(p+1)$ -cochain of  $M$ .

**Definition.** An  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -cochain  $\varphi$  is called  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth if  $d_{\rho} \varphi$  is a (con-

tinuous)  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $(p+1)$ -cochain of  $M$ .

In general we define  $d_\rho^m \varphi$  by

$$d_\rho^m \varphi = d_\rho(d_\rho^{m-1} \varphi),$$

and call  $\varphi$  to be  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $m$ -smooth if  $d_\rho^m \varphi$  is a (continuous)  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $(p+m)$ -cochain of  $M$ . If  $\varphi$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth for all  $m$ , then we call  $\varphi$  to be  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $\infty$ -smooth.

**Definition.** For an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -form  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_p)$  of  $M$ , we define

$$(8)' \quad \begin{aligned} Ad_\rho \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_{p+1}) \\ = \frac{1}{p+1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} (-1)^{i+1} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a} (\varphi(r_{x, y_i, a}, y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_{p+1}) - \right. \\ \left. - \varphi(x, y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_{p+1})) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

By definition, if  $\varphi$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth, then  $Ad_\rho \varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $(p+1)$ -form and if  $\varphi$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -3-smooth, then

$$(9)' \quad Ad_\rho(Ad_\rho \varphi) = 0.$$

By (9)', denoting  $C^p(M, \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}))$  the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $\infty$ -smooth  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -forms on  $M$ ,  $\{\sum_{p \geq 0} C^p(M, \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})), Ad_\rho \varphi\}$  is a differential complex and we can show the analogy of de Rham's theorem. Because we know

$$(9)' \quad Ad_\rho \tilde{\varphi} = \delta \tilde{\varphi},$$

where  $\delta$  is the coboundary homomorphism in the Alexander-Spanier cochain. By (9)', we also have

$$(10) \quad \int_{\partial \gamma} \varphi = \int_\gamma Ad_\rho \varphi,$$

if  $\varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $p$ -form (cf. [3]).

**Note.** By (10), we have especially

$$\int_\gamma d_\rho f = \int_{\gamma'} d_\rho f, \text{ if } \gamma \text{ and } \gamma' \text{ start from same point and end at same point.}$$

Because for a function  $f$ , we have

$$Ad_\rho f = d_\rho f.$$

Therefore, we may write  $\int_a^x d_\rho f$  if  $\rho(a, x)$  is small and we obtain

$$(10)' \quad \int_a^x d_\rho f = f(x) - f(a).$$

## § 2. Generalized vector fields.

**4. Definition.** A function  $f$  on some neighborhood of  $x$  is called to be  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $x$  if  $(d_{\rho, x}f)(y) = d_{\rho}f(x, y)$ ,  $x$  is fixed, defines a function of  $\mathcal{F}(S_x)$ .

By definition, we have

**Lemma 2.**  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $a$  if and only if  $f$  is written as

$$(11) \quad f(x) = f(a) + g(\varepsilon_{a, x})\rho(a, x) + o(\rho(a, x)),$$

where  $x$  belongs in  $U(a)$ , a neighborhood of  $a$  and  $g(y)$  is an element of  $\mathcal{F}(S_x)$ .

For example, if  $M = \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $n$ -dimensional euclidean space,  $\rho$  is the euclidean metric of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and  $f$  is smooth at  $a$ , then  $f$  is written as

$$f(x) = f(a) + \left( \sum_i \frac{\partial f(a)}{\partial x_i} (x_i - a_i) / \|x - a\| \right) \|x - a\| + o(\|x - a\|),$$

where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  and  $\|x\| = \sqrt{\sum_i x_i^2}$ . Then since  $g(y) = \sum_i$

$\frac{\partial f(a)}{\partial x_i} y_i$ ,  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$ , belongs for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ ,  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $a$  for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ .

**Definition.** A function  $f$  on some neighborhood of  $x$  is called to be  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $m$ -smooth at  $x$  if

$$(d_{\rho, x}^m f)(y_1, \dots, y_m) = d_{\rho}^m f(x, y_1, \dots, y_m), \quad x \text{ is fixed,}$$

defines a function of  ${}^m(S_x)$ . If  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $m$ -smooth at  $x$  for any  $m$ , then we call  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $\infty$ -smooth at  $x$ .

For example, if  $M = \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\rho$  is the euclidean metric of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and  $f$  is of class  $C^m$  at  $a$ , then  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ - $m$ -smooth at  $a$  for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ . In fact, in this case, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (d_{\rho, x}^m f)(y_1, \dots, y_m) \\ &= \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{i_j \leq n} \frac{\partial^m f(a)}{\partial x_{i_1} \dots \partial x_{i_m}} y_{1, i_1} \dots y_{m, i_m}, \\ & y_i = (y_{i, 1}, \dots, y_{i, n}), \quad \|y_i\| = 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, m. \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  the function space on  $M$  either of  $C(M)$  or  $L^p(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , if  $M$  is compact and either of  $C(M)$ ,  $C_b(M)$ , the space of bounded continuous functions on  $M$ ,  $L^p(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $L^p_{loc}(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  if  $M$  is not compact. Here,  $M$  is considered to be a measure space with the measure  $m(\rho)$ , the induced measure from the metric.

We assume the manifold structure of  $M$  is given by  $\{(U, h_U) | h_U : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n\}$ , then we have

**Lemma 3.** *If we have*

$$(12) \quad ||h_U(a) - h_U(x)|| = O(\rho(a, x)),$$

for any  $a, x \in M$  and  $U \in \{U\}$ , where  $a$  is regarded to be fixed and  $x$  to be a variable, then the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions on  $M$  is dense in  $\mathcal{F}(M)$ .

**Proof.** If  $f$  is a smooth function on  $\mathbf{R}^n$  with compact carrier, then the function  $h_U^*f$  on  $M$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} h_U^*f(x) &= f(h_U(x)), & x \in U, \\ h_U^*f(x) &= 0, & x \notin U, \end{aligned}$$

is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth function on  $M$  by (12) and lemma 2. Hence we obtain the lemma since  $M$  is paracompact.

**Corollary.** *Under the same assumptions about  $M$  and  $\rho$ , for any locally finite open covering  $\{V\}$  of  $M$ , there exists a partition of unity by  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions  $\{e_V(x)\}$  subordinated to  $\{V\}$  for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ .*

**Theorem 1.** *A paracompact topological manifold  $M$  always has a metric  $\rho$  such that the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions by  $\rho$  on  $M$  is dense in  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  if  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  is either of  $C(M)$ ,  $C_b(M)$  or  $L^p_{loc}(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .*

**Proof.** We take the metric  $\rho$  of  $M$  constructed in [4]. Then, since

$$0 < \int_{h_U(r)} ||\xi - \eta|| < \infty, \text{ if and only if } 0 < \int_r \rho < \infty,$$

to set

$$A = \{a | a \in M, a \text{ does not satisfy (12)}\},$$

$A$  is a discreet set of  $M$ . Hence for any  $a \in A$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U(a)$  of  $a$  such that  $U(a) \cap A = \{a\}$ . For this  $U(a)$ , we set

$$C_a(U(a)) = \{f | f \text{ is continuous on } U(a) \text{ and } f(a) = 0\}.$$

By definition, we have

$$(13) \quad C(U(a)) = \mathbf{R} \oplus C_a(U(a)),$$

where  $\mathbf{R}$  is the space of constant functions on  $U(a)$ .

We take a neighborhood system  $\{V_n(a)\}$  of  $a$  in  $U(a)$  such that

$$V_n(a) \subsetneq V_{n+1}(a), \quad \bigcap_n V_n(a) = \{a\},$$

and denote

$$C_n(U(a)) = \{f \mid f \text{ is continuous on } U(a) \text{ and } f|_{V_n(a)} = 0\}.$$

Then by lemma 3,  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions are dense in  $C_n(U(a))$  for any  $n$ . Hence  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions are dense in  $C_a(U(a))$  because  $\cup_n C_n(U(a))$  is dense in  $C_a(U(a))$ . But, since a constant function is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions are dense in  $C(U(a))$  by (13).

For each  $a \in A$ , we take a neighborhood  $V(a)$  such that  $V(a) \subseteq U(a)$  and set

$$V(A) = \cup_{a \in A} V(a), \quad U(A) = \cup_{a \in A} U(a).$$

Then we have

$$(14) \quad V(A) \subseteq U(A).$$

By lemma 3, we know that  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions are dense in  $CM - V(A)$ , and by 14, we can set

$$f = f_1 + f_2, \quad \text{car. } f_1 \subset M - V(A), \\ f_2 = \sum_{a \in A} f_{2,a}, \quad \text{car. } f_{2,a} \subset U(a),$$

for any continuous function  $f$  of  $M$ . Hence  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions are dense in  $C_b(M)$ . Since  $C_b(M)$  is dense in  $L^p_{loc}(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , we have the theorem.

**Note.** If the total measure of  $M$  by  $m(\rho)$ , the induced measure of  $\rho$ , is finite, then  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions are dense in  $L^p(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , although  $M$  is not compact.

5. We denote the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions on  $M$  by  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$ . If  $M$  is not compact, then the subspace of  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$  consisted by bounded  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions on  $M$  is denoted by  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}),b}(M)$ . We assume that  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$  is dense in  $C(M)$ .

**Lemma 4.**  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$  and  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}),b}(M)$  are both rings with the unit.

**Proof.** If  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $a$ , then we may set

$$f_i(x) = f_i(a) + g_i(\varepsilon_{a,x})\rho(a,x) + o(\rho(a,x)), \quad i = 1, 2, \quad x \in U(a).$$

Hence we have

$$f_1(x)f_2(x) \\ = f_1(a)f_2(a) + \{f_1(a)g_2(\varepsilon_{a,x}) + f_2(a)g_1(\varepsilon_{a,x})\}\rho(a,x) + o(\rho(a,x)),$$

for  $x \in U(a)$ . Since  $f_1(a)g_2(\varepsilon_{a,x}) + f_2(a)g_1(\varepsilon_{a,x})$  belongs in  $(S_a)$ ,  $f_1f_2$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth

at  $a$ . On the other hand, since we know  $d_\rho 1 = 0$ , where  $1$  is the constant function with the value  $1$ ,  $1$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ . Therefore we obtain the lemma.

**Definition.** A closed operator  $X$  defined in  $C(M)$  with the range in  $C(M)$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$  if it satisfies the following (i), (ii) (iii).

- (i).  $X$  is defined on  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$ .
- (ii). If  $|f(x) - f(a)| = o(\rho(a, x))$  at  $a$ , then  $(Xf)(a)$  is equal to  $0$ .
- (iii).  $X(f_1 f_2) = f_1 X(f_2) + f_2 X(f_1)$ .

**Lemma 5.** If  $\xi = \xi(x)$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -1-vector field of  $M$ , then to set

$$(Xf)(x) = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle, \quad x \in M,$$

$X$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$ . Here  $\langle \xi, \varphi \rangle$ ,  $\xi \in {}^* \mathcal{F}(S_x)$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}(S_x)$ , means the value of  $\xi$  at  $\varphi$ .

**Proof.** By the definition of  $d_\rho$ ,  $d_\rho$  has the following properties.

- (i). If  $\{f_n\}$  converges to  $f$  in  $C(M)$  and  $\{d_\rho f_n\}$  converges normally to some  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -1-cochain  $\varphi$ , then  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth and  $d_\rho f = \varphi$ .
- (ii).  $(d_\rho f)(a) = 0$  if  $|f(x) - f(a)| = o(\rho(a, x))$  at  $a$ .
- (iii). If  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are both  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth, then

$$d_\rho(f_1 f_2) = f_1 d_\rho f_2 + f_2 d_\rho f_1.$$

Hence we have the theorem.

**Note.** A series of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -1-cochains  $\varphi_m(x, y)$  is called converges normally to  $\varphi(x, y)$  if the series of functions on  $M$  given by  $\{|\varphi_m(x, y) - \varphi(x, y)|\}_x$  converges uniformly to  $0$  on any compact set of  $M$ . Here  $|\varphi(x, y)|_x$  means the norm of  $\varphi(x)$ ,  $\varphi(x)(y) = \varphi(x, y)$ , in  $\mathcal{F}(S_x)$ .

By the definition of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields, we have

**Lemma 6.** If  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$ , then  $X$  satisfies the following (14) and (15).

$$(14) \quad X_c = 0, \quad \text{where } c \text{ is a constant function of } M.$$

$$(15) \quad (Xf_1)(a) = (Xf_2)(a), \quad \text{if } |f_1(x) - f_2(x)| = o(\rho(a, x)).$$

**Theorem 2.** If  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$ , then there exists an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -1-vector field  $\xi(x)$  of  $M$  such that

$$(16) \quad (Xf)(x) = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle, \quad x \in M.$$

Such  $\xi(x)$  is determined uniquely from  $X$  if  $A$ , the set defined in the proof of theorem 1, is the empty set.



**Proof.** We use same notations as in the proof of theorem 1 and first assume  $x \notin A$ . Then the map

$$d_{\rho, x} : C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(S_x),$$

given by  $(d_{\rho, x}f)(y) = d_{\rho}f(x, y)$ , is onto. Then we define

$$(17) \quad \langle \xi(x), g \rangle = (Xf)(x), \quad d_{\rho, x}f = g, \quad g \in \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}).$$

By lemma 2 and (15), (17) is well defined and since  $d_{\rho, x}$  is onto,  $\xi(x)$  is an element of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_x)$  by closed graph theorem because  $X$  is a closed operator. Since  $Xf$  is continuous for any  $f \in C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$ ,  $\xi(x)$  is continuous in  $x$ ,  $x \in M-A$ . Moreover, since  $M-A$  is dense in  $M$  and  $Xf$  is continuous on  $M$ ,  $\lim_{x_n \rightarrow a} \xi(x_n) = \xi(a)$  exists as an element of  $d_{\rho, a}(C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M))^*$  for any  $a \in A$ . Hence (by the theorem of Hahn-Banach), we may consider  $\xi(a)$  to be an element of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$  and  $\xi$  is continuous at  $a$ . Therefore we obtain the theorem.

By lemma 4 and theorem 2, there is a 1 to 1 correspondence between the set of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields of  $M$  and the set of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -1-vector fields of  $M$ . Hence we identify them.

**Note 1.** If  $X, Y$  are  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields of  $M$  such that their compositions  $XY$  and  $YX$  are both defined, then  $[X, Y] = XY - YX$  also satisfies the conditions (ii), (iii) of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields.

**Note 2.** Let  $X$  be a closed operator with the domain  $\mathcal{D}(X) \subset C(M)$  and the range is in  $C(M)$  such that

- (i).  $\mathcal{D}(X)$  is a dense subring of  $C(M)$  with the unit.
- (ii). If  $f_1, f_2$  are in  $\mathcal{D}(X)$ , then  $X(f_1f_2) = f_1X(f_2) + f_2X(f_1)$ .

Then we call  $X$  is a generalized vector field of  $M$ . If  $X$  also satisfies

- (iii).  $(Xf)(a) = 0$  if  $|f(x) - f(a)| = o(\rho(x, a))$ ,

for a (fixed) metric  $\rho$  of  $M$ , then we call  $X$  is a generalized vector field of  $M$  with respect to  $\rho$ .

Since  $X$  is closed, to define the topology of  $\mathcal{D}(X)$  by taking

$$U(f, V, W) = \{g \mid g \in \mathcal{D}(X), g \in V, Xg \in W\},$$

where  $V$  and  $W$  are the neighborhoods of  $f$  and  $Xf$  in  $C(M)$ , as the neighborhood basis of  $f \in \mathcal{D}(X)$ ,  $\mathcal{D}(X)$  is a complete space and to set

$$\mathfrak{I}_a(X) = \{f \mid f \in \mathcal{D}(X), f(a) = Xf(a) = 0\},$$

$\mathfrak{I}_a(X)$  is a closed ideal of  $\mathcal{D}(X)$  by this topology. Hence setting

$$\mathcal{F}_a(X) = (\mathcal{D}(X) \cap I_a(M)) / \mathfrak{I}_a(X), \quad I_a(M) = \{f \mid f \in C(M), f(a) = 0\},$$

we can set

$$Xf(a) = \langle \xi(a), d_X f(a) \rangle, \quad \xi(a) \in \mathcal{F}_a(X)^*,$$

where  $d_X f(a)$  is the class of  $f \cdot f(a)$  in  $\mathcal{F}_a(X)$ .

If  $X$  is a generalized vector field of  $M$  with respect to  $\rho$ , then we have

$$\mathfrak{S}_a(X) \supset \{f \mid f \in \mathcal{F}(X), |f(x)| = o(\rho(a, x))\}.$$

6. For an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $X$  given by  $Xf = \langle \xi, d_\rho f \rangle$  and  $t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ , we set

$$(18) \quad U_{X,t}(f)(x) = \langle \xi(x), f(r_{x,y,t}) \rangle.$$

Here  $f(r_{x,y,t})$  is regarded to be a function of  $y$ ,  $y \in S_x$ . Since  $f$  is continuous,  $f(r_{x,y,t})$  is continuous on  $S_x$ . Hence  $U_{X,t}(f)$  is well defined for any  $X$ .

By definition,  $U_{X,t}$  is defined on  $C(M)$  and a bounded linear operator of  $C(M)$  if  $M$  is compact. We also know that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} U_{X,t}(f)$  converges normally to  $U_{X,t_0}(f)$ . Therefore, if  $M$  is compact, then  $U_{X,t}$  is strongly continuous in  $t$ . Moreover, we know

$$(19) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (U_{X,t} - U_{X,0})f = Xf, \quad \text{if } f \in C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M).$$

We note that

$$U_{X,0}f(x) = \langle \xi(x), 1 \rangle f(x),$$

where 1 is the constant function with the value 1 on  $S_x$ .

(19) shows that there is a curve in  $L(C(M), C(M))$ , the space of (bounded) linear operators of  $C(M)$  (with the strong topology), such that whose tangent at its starting point is  $X$ .

For  $U_{X,t}$ , we set

$$T_{X,a,t} = \exp\left(\frac{t}{a}(U_{X,a} - U_{X,0})\right), \quad t \geq 0.$$

Then  $\{T_{X,a,t}\}$  is a 1-parameter semi-group of  $C(M)$  with the generating operator  $(1/a)(U_{X,a} - U_{X,0})$ . Hence if  $\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} T_{X,a,t}$  exists, then to set its limit by  $T_{X,t}$ ,  $T_{X,t}$  is a 1-parameter semi-group with the generating operator  $X$ . But this limit does not exist in general. In fact, there exists an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field which does not generate any 1-parameter semi-group of  $C(M)$  or  $L^p(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

**Example.** We assume that  $M$  satisfies

- (i).  $H^1(M, \mathbf{R})$  vanishes.

(ii).  $M$  is compact.

To define a  $C(S^{n-1})$ -1-form  $\varphi(x, y)$  on  $M$  by  $\varphi(x, y) = \lambda$ , an (arbitrary) constant, we get

$$d_\rho \varphi = 0.$$

Hence by (i), there exists a  $C(S^{n-1})$ -smooth function  $n$  on  $M$  such that

$$(d_\rho h)(x, y) = \varphi(x, y).$$

Let  $X$  be the  $C(S^{n-1})$ -vector field on  $M$  given by

$$Xf(x) = \langle m(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle, \quad m(x) \text{ is the canonical measure on } S_x.$$

Then we have for the above  $h$ ,

$$Xh = \lambda, \text{ the constant function with the value } \lambda \text{ on } M.$$

For this  $h$ , we set  $k = \exp.(h) = \sum_m (h)^m / m!$ . Then we get

$$Xk = \lambda k.$$

This shows  $\lambda$  is a proper value of  $X$  in  $C(M)$  (or in  $L^p(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , because  $C(M)$  is contained in  $L^p(M)$  since  $M$  is compact), Since  $M$  is compact,  $C(M)$  is a Banach space. Then by the theorem of Hille-Yosida ([17], [18]),  $X$  can not generate any (equi-continuous) 1-parameter semi-group of  $C(M)$  (or  $L^p(M)$ ), because  $\lambda$  is arbitrary.

In general, if an  $L^2(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $X$  is given by

$$Xf = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle, \quad \xi(x) \neq 0 \text{ for any } x \in M,$$

and  $M$  is compact, then  $X$  does not generate any 1-parameter semi-group of  $C(M)$  (or  $L^p(M)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ). In fact, in this case, we may set

$$L^2(S_x) = (\xi(x))^\perp \oplus \mathbf{R}\xi(x),$$

and denote the projection to  $\mathbf{R}\xi(x)$  by  $P_{\xi(x)}$ . Then a cross-section  $f$  of the bundle  $\cup_{x \in X} \mathbf{R}\xi(x)$  is considered to be a function  $f$  of  $M$  by setting

$$f^\natural(x) = a, \text{ if } f(x) = a \frac{\xi(x)}{||\xi(x)||}.$$

(We note that this also shows that a fuction of  $M$  always defines a crosssection of  $\cup_{x \in X} \mathbf{R}\xi(x)$ ). Then by the befinition of  $X$ , we have

$$Xf(x) = ||\xi(x)|| (P_{\xi(x)} d_\rho f)^\natural(x).$$

We define  $P_\varepsilon d_\rho f$  by  $(P_\varepsilon d_\rho f)(x) = P_{\xi(x)} d_{\rho, x} f$ . Then  $P_\varepsilon d_\rho C L^2(S^{n-1})$  is dense in the space of the cross-sections of  $\cup_{x \in X} \mathcal{R}\xi(x)$ , for any constant function  $\lambda$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $L^2(S^{n-1})$ -smooth function  $f_{\lambda, \varepsilon}$  such that

$$||Xf_{\lambda, \varepsilon} - \lambda|| < \varepsilon.$$

This means  $\lambda$  is at least continuous spectre of  $X$ , because  $M$  is compact. Hence by the theorem of Hille-Yosida, we have the assertion.

**Note.** The generating operator of a 1-parameter semi-group  $\{T_t\}$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$ , if and only if  $\{T_t\}$  satisfies

$$(20) \quad T_t(f_1 f_2) - (T_t f_1)(T_t f_2) = o(t), \text{ if } f_1, f_2 \in C \mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})(M).$$

7. In this n<sup>o</sup>, we give some definitions about  $X$ , an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field on  $M$ .

**Definition.**  $X$  is called to be 0 at  $a$ ,  $a \in M$ , if  $(Xf)(a) = 0$  for all  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions.

By definition, if  $X$  is given by  $Xf = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle$ , then  $X$  is 0 at  $a$  if and only if  $\xi(a) = 0$  as an element of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$ . As usual, we set

$$\text{car. } X = \overline{\{x \mid X \text{ is not 0 at } x\}}.$$

**Definition.** For  $X$ , we set

$$(21) \quad \text{CAR.}(X) = \overline{\cup_{x \in M} \text{car. } \xi(x)}, \text{ if } (Xf)(x) = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle.$$

By definition,  $\text{CAR. } X$  is a (closed) subset of  $s(M)$  and we have

$$(22) \quad \pi(\text{CAR. } X) = \text{car. } X.$$

We note that if  $M$  is smooth and  $X$  is a usual vector field on  $M$  regarded to be a  $C(S^{n-1})$ -vector field on  $M$  and does not vanish at any point of  $M$ , then  $\text{CAR. } X$  is a cross-section of  $s(M)$  (cf. n<sup>o</sup>9).

**Definition.**  $X$  is called to be positive if  $X$  is given by  $Xf = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle$  and

$$\xi(x) \geq 0 \text{ for any } x \in M.$$

As usual, we call  $X \geq Y$  if  $X - Y \geq 0$ . Then since

$$(\sup_\alpha \{X\})f = \langle \sup_\alpha \{\xi_\alpha(x)\}, d_\rho f(x) \rangle,$$

if  $\{X_\alpha\}$  is upper (or lower) bounded, then  $\sup. \{X_\alpha\}$  (or  $\inf. \{X_\alpha\}$ ) exists to be an

$\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field. Especially, we may define  $X^+ = \max. (X, 0)$  and  $X^- = (-X)^+$  for any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $X$  and we have

$$(23) \quad X = X^+ - X^-.$$

We note that if  $Xf = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle$ , then

$$(X^+f)(x) = \langle (\xi(x))^+, d_\rho f(x) \rangle, \quad (X^-f)(x) = \langle (\xi(x))^-, d_\rho f(x) \rangle,$$

where  $(\xi(x))^+$  is  $\max. (\xi(x), 0)$  and  $(\xi(x))^-$  is  $(\xi(x))^+$ .

**Note.** Since the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$  is a vector space, these shows that this space has the structure of (complete) vector lattice. Hence to fix an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $Y$ ,  $Yf = \langle \gamma(x), d_\rho f \rangle$ , the Radon-Nykodim partition of any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field  $X$ ,  $Xf = \langle \xi(x), d_\rho f \rangle$  with respect to  $Y$  is possible. It corresponds to the Radon-Nykodim partition of  $\xi(x)$  with respect to  $\gamma(x)$ .

**Definition.** If  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector fields  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are given by  $(X_i f)(x) = \langle \xi_i(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and  $Y = [X_1, X_2]$  is defined to be an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $M$ , then we denote

$$(24) \quad \gamma(x) = [\xi_1(x), \xi_2(x)].$$

Here  $Y$  is given by  $(Yf)(x) = \langle \gamma(x), d_\rho f(x) \rangle$ .

We note that if  $x$  is fixed in (24), then (24) defines the bracket product for some elements of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_x)$ . Or, in other word,  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_x)$  contains (as a dense subset), a Lie pseudoalgebra.

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8. We denote the set of germs of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions of  $M$  at  $a$ ,  $a \in M$ , by  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}), *, a}(M)$ .

**Lemma 7.** If  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  defines same germ in  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})}(M)$  and  $|f_1(x) - f_1(a)| = o(\rho(x, a))$ , then  $|f_2(x) - f_2(a)|$  is also  $o(\rho(x, a))$ .

By this lemma, we can say  $|f(x) - f(a)|$  is  $o(\rho(x, a))$  although  $f$  is regarded to be an element of  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}), *, a}(M)$ .

**Definition.** A linear map  $\mathfrak{X}$  from  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}), *, a}(M)$  to  $R$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector of  $M$  at  $a$  if it satisfies the following (i), (ii), (iii).

- (i).  $\mathfrak{X}(f_1 f_2) = f_1(a)\mathfrak{X}(f_2) + f_2(a)\mathfrak{X}(f_1)$ .
- (ii).  $\mathfrak{X}(f) = 0$ , if  $|f(x) - f(a)| = o(\rho(a, x))$ .
- (iii).  $\mathfrak{X}(f) = (Xf)(a)$ , where  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector field of  $U(a)$ , a neighborhood of  $a$ .

By (iii) and theorem 2, we have

**Theorem 2'.** For any  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector  $\mathfrak{X}$  of  $M$  at  $a$ , there exists an element  $\xi$  of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$  such that

$$\mathfrak{X}(f) = \langle \xi, d_{\rho, a} f \rangle,$$

and such  $\xi$  is determined uniquely by  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Conversely, if  $\xi \in \mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$ , then  $\langle \xi, d_{\rho, a} f \rangle$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector of  $M$  at  $a$ .

Let  $\gamma$  be a curve of  $M$  given by  $\varphi : I \rightarrow M$  such that

$$(25) \quad \varphi(0) = a, \quad \varphi(t) \neq a \text{ if } t > 0.$$

$$(25)' \quad \rho(a, \varphi(t)) = 0(t).$$

Then we set

$$(26) \quad \mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{1}{t} [f(\varphi(t)) - f(a)] dt \right],$$

where  $f$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth function at  $a$ .

By (25) and (25)', we have

$$(26)' \quad \mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{\rho(a, \varphi(t))}{t} (d_{\rho, a} f)(\varepsilon_{a, \varphi(t)}) dt \right].$$

**Lemma 8.** If  $\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f)$  exists for all  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions at  $a$ , then  $\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}$  is an  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -vector of  $M$  at  $a$ .

**Proof.** By (26)', we only need to show (i). But, since we know

$$\begin{aligned} & (d_{\rho, a}(f_1 f_2))(\varepsilon_{a, \varphi(t)}) \\ &= f_1(a)(d_{\rho, a} f_2)(\varepsilon_{a, \varphi(t)}) + f_2(a)(d_{\rho, a} f_1)(\varepsilon_{a, \varphi(t)}), \end{aligned}$$

we have (i) by (26)'.

**Definition.** If  $\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}$  is defined on  $C_{\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1}), *, a}(M)$ , then  $\gamma$  is called  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $a$ .

By theorem 2' and lemma 8, If  $\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}$  is defined on the space of  $\mathcal{F}(S^{n-1})$ -smooth functions at  $a$ , then there exists an element  $\xi = \xi(\varphi)$  of  $\mathcal{F}^*(S_a)$  such that

$$\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f) = \langle \xi(\varphi), d_{\rho, a} f \rangle.$$

We note that since  $C^*(S_a)$  contains  $L^p(S_a)$  for all  $p$ , we may consider  $\xi$  to be a Radon-measure on  $S_a$ .

**Definition.**  $\xi(\varphi)$  is called the generalized tangent of  $\gamma$  at  $a$ .

**Note.** If  $M$  is smooth, real analytic or real algebraic, then to take  $C^{\infty}(S_a)$ ,  $C^{\omega}(S_a)$  or  $C^{alg.}(S_a)$  as  $\mathcal{F}(S_a)$ , we may define the generalized tangent for wider class of curves. Here  $C^{alg.}(S^{n-1})$ , the model of  $C^{alg.}(S_a)$ , is given by

$$\text{Calg.}(S^{n-1}) = \mathbf{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]/(x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 - 1),$$

which is dense in  $C(S^{n-1})$  or in  $L^p(S^{n-1})$  (cf. [5], [11]).

9. In this n<sup>o</sup>, we give some examples of the generalized tangent.

**Example 1.** We assume  $\gamma$  is smooth at  $a$ , that is

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon_{a, \varphi(t)} = y, \quad y \in S_a,$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho(a, \varphi(t))}{t} = c, \quad c \text{ is a (positive) real number,}$$

both exists and  $f$  is  $C(S^{n-1})$ -smooth at  $a$ , then we have by the mean value theorem

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_h^s \frac{\rho(a, \varphi(t))}{t} (d_{\rho, a} f)(\varepsilon_{a, \varphi(t)}) dt \\ &= \frac{\rho(a, \varphi(s_0))}{s_0} (d_{\rho, a} f)(\varepsilon_{a, \varphi(s_0)})(s - h), \quad h < s_0 < s. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f) = c(d_{\rho, a} f)(y).$$

Therefore, denoting the Dirac measure of  $S_a$  concentrated at  $y$  by  $\delta_y$ , we get

$$(27) \quad \mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f) = \langle c\delta_y, d_{\rho, a} f \rangle.$$

We note that if  $f$  is smooth at  $a$ , then  $\mathfrak{X}_{\varphi}(f)$  coincide to the usual definition of the (one-sided) derivation of  $f$  along  $\gamma$ .

**Note.** If  $M$  is smooth and  $X$  is a usual vector field of  $M$  which does not vanish at any point of  $M$ , then at any point  $a$  of  $M$ ,  $X$  has a smooth integral curve  $\gamma_a$  given by  $\varphi_a: I \rightarrow M$ ,  $\varphi_a(0) = a$ , and

$$(Xf)(a) = \mathfrak{X}_{\varphi_a}(f).$$

Hence we have by (27)

$$(Xf)(a) = \langle c(a)\delta_{y(a)}, d_{\rho, a} f \rangle.$$

Hence we have

$$(28) \quad \text{CAR. } X = \bigcup_{a \in M} y(a).$$

Since  $y(a)$  depends continuously on  $a$ , CAR.  $X$  is a (continuous) cross-section of  $s(M)$ .

In the following two examples, we need the following

**Lemma 9.** *If  $g(t)$  is a continuous periodic function on  $\mathbf{R}^1$  with the period  $T$ , then*

$$(29) \quad \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \int_s^{\infty} \frac{g(t)}{t^2} dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T g(t) dt.$$

**Proof.** We define a periodic function  $e_{[a,b]}(t)$ ,  $0 \leq a < b \leq T$ , with the period  $T$  by

$$\begin{aligned} e_{[a,b]}(t) &= 1, \quad t \in [a + nT, b + nT], \text{ for some integer } n, \\ &= 0, \text{ otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

Then for  $0 \leq a' \leq a < b \leq b' \leq T$ , to set

$$v_{m,a',b'}^{a,b} = \frac{b' - a'}{b - a} (t - (mT + a)) + mT + a', \quad mT \leq v_{m,a',b'}^{a,b} \leq (m+1)T,$$

we have

$$e_{[a,b]}(v_{m,a',b'}^{a,b}) = e_{[a',b']}(t), \quad mT \leq v_{m,a',b'}^{a,b} \leq (m+1)T.$$

Hence we get

$$\int_{mT}^{\infty} \frac{e_{[a,b]}(t)}{t^2} dt = \frac{b - a}{b' - a'} \int_{mT}^{\infty} \frac{e_{[a',b']}(t)}{t^2} dt.$$

Then, since we know

$$\lim_{\substack{a' \rightarrow 0 \\ b' \rightarrow T}} s \int_s^{\infty} \frac{e_{[a',b']}(t)}{t^2} dt = s \int_s^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^2},$$

we obtain

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \int_s^{\infty} \frac{e_{[a,b]}(t)}{t^2} dt = \frac{|b - a|}{T}.$$

Then, since  $g(t)$  is bounded and (uniformly) continuous, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \int_s^{\infty} \frac{g(t)}{t^2} dt \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \lim_{|a_{i+1} - a_i| \rightarrow 0} \sum_i s \int_s^{\infty} g(a_i) \frac{e_{[a_i, a_{i+1}]}(t)}{t^2} dt \right] \\ &= \lim_{|a_{i+1} - a_i| \rightarrow 0} \sum_i g(a_i) \left[ \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \int_s^{\infty} \frac{e_{[a_i, a_{i+1}]}(t)}{t^2} dt \right] \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{|a_{i+1}-a_i| \rightarrow 0} \sum_i g(a_i) \frac{|a_{i+1}-a_i|}{T} \\
&= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T g(t) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Here,  $0=a_0 < a_1 < \dots < a_m < a_{m+1} = T$  is a partition of  $[0, T]$ .

**Example 2.** Let  $M$  be  $\mathbf{R}^2$  with the euclidean metric,  $a$  the origin  $0 (= (0, 0))$  of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  and  $\gamma$  is given by  $\varphi: I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ , where  $\varphi$  is given by

$$\varphi(t) = (t \cos(\frac{1}{t}), t \sin(\frac{1}{t})), \quad t > 0,$$

$$\varphi(0) = 0.$$

Hence, if we use the polar coordinate  $(r, \theta)$  of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ ,  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and  $\theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$ , then  $\gamma$  is given by

$$r\theta = 1, \quad r > 0.$$

Then, if  $S^1 = \{(x, y) | x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$  is parametrized by  $\theta$  and  $g$  is continuous on  $S^1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} [\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{\rho(0, \varphi(t))}{t} g(\varepsilon_{0, \varphi t}) dt] \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} [\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s g(\frac{1}{t}) dt] = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} u \int_u^\infty \frac{g(v)}{v^2} dv,
\end{aligned}$$

Hence by lemma 9, we have

$$(30) \quad \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (d_{\rho, 0} f)(\theta) d\theta.$$

Or, in other word, the generalized tangent of the curve  $r\theta = 1$  at 0 is the standard measure of  $S^1$ .

**Example 3.** We take  $M$  and  $\rho$  same as above and take  $\varphi$  to be

$$\varphi(t) = (t, t \sin(\frac{1}{t})), \quad t > 0, \quad \varphi(0) = 0, \quad \text{the origin of } \mathbf{R}^2.$$

By bdefinition, we have

$$\frac{\rho(0, \varphi(t))}{t} = \sqrt{1 + \sin^2(\frac{1}{t})}, \quad \varepsilon_{0, \varphi(t)} = \tan^{-1}(\sin(\frac{1}{t})).$$

Hence we have by lemma 9,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{\rho(0, \varphi(t))}{t} g(\varepsilon_0, \varphi(t)) dt \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 v} g(\tan^{-1}(\sin(v))) dv \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} g(\theta) \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta \sqrt{\cos(2\theta)}} d\theta.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the generalized tangent of the curve  $x \sin(1/x)$  at the origin is the measure on  $S^1$  concentrated on  $-(\pi/4) \leq \theta \leq \pi/4$  with the weight  $(1/\pi)(1/\cos^2 \theta \sqrt{\cos(2\theta)})$ .

**Note.** If  $\gamma$  is given by  $(-t, t \sin(1/t))$ ,  $t > 0$ , then the generalized tangent of  $\gamma$  at the origin is similar as above but has carrier on  $3\pi/4 \leq \theta \leq 5\pi/4$ .

**10. Lemma 10.** *The generalized tangent of a curve at  $a$  is a positive measure on  $S_a$ .*

**Proof.** If  $\xi$  is the generalized tangent of  $\varphi: I \rightarrow M$ , then we have

$$\int_{S_a} g(y) d\xi = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{\rho(a, \varphi(t))}{t} g(\varepsilon_a, \varphi(t)) dt \right].$$

Hence if  $g \geq 0$  on  $S_a$ , then  $\int_{S_a} g(y) d\xi \geq 0$ . Therefore  $\xi$  is a positive measure.

**Lemma 11.** If the parameter of  $\gamma$  is changed to  $ct$  instead of  $t$ ,  $c$  is a constant, then the generalized tangent  $\xi$  of  $\gamma$  at  $a$  is changed to  $c\xi$ . In general, if the parameter of  $\gamma$  is changed to  $\alpha(t)$  and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\alpha(t)}{t} = c,$$

then the generalized tangent  $\xi$  of  $\gamma$  at  $a$  changes to  $c\xi$ .

By this lemma, we may assume the generalized tangent  $\xi$  of  $\gamma$  at  $a$  satisfies

$$(31) \quad \xi(S_a) = 1.$$

**Theorem 3.** *If  $\xi$  is a positive measure on  $S_a$ , then there exists a curve of  $M$  starting from  $a$  such that whose generalized tangent at  $a$  is  $\xi$ .*

**Proof.** Since the proof for  $n = 1$  is similar, we assume  $n \geq 2$ .

First we note that the problem is local, we may assume  $M = \mathbf{R}^n$  with the euclidean metric and  $a$  is the origin  $0 = (0, \dots, 0)$  of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Hence  $S_a$  is the unit  $(n-1)$ -sphere  $S^{n-1}$ .

We take a positive measure  $\xi$  of  $S^{n-1}$  such that  $\xi(S^{n-1}) = 1$ . By lemma 11, this is not restrictive.

We choose a countable dense subset  $\{y_p\}$  of  $S^{n-1}$  such that

$$(32) \quad y_p \neq \pm y_q, \text{ if } p \neq q.$$

For this  $\{y_p\}$ , we divide  $S^{n-1}$  by Borel sets  $\{E_p^q\}$  as follows:

$$(33) \quad S^{n-1} = \bigcup_{p \leq q} E_p^q, \quad E_{p'}^q \cap E_{p''}^q = \emptyset, \text{ if } p' \neq p'', \quad y_p \in E_p^q.$$

$$(33)' \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \text{dia. } (E_p^q) = 0.$$

Here *dia.*  $(E_p^q)$  means the diameter of  $E_p^q$ . Hence, if  $g(y)$  is a continuous function of  $S^{n-1}$ , then

$$(34) \quad \int_{S^{n-1}} g(y) d\xi = \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{p \leq q} g(y_p) \xi E_p^q.$$

On the other hand, for the above  $\{E_p^q\}$  and  $\xi$ , we take a series of (positive) real numbers  $\{t_{q,p}\}$ ,  $p \leq q$ , as follows:

$$(35) \quad t_{q,p} > t_{q,p+1}, \text{ if } p+1 \leq q, \quad t_{q,q} > t_{q+1,1},$$

$$(35)' \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} t_{q,p} = 0,$$

$$(35)'' \quad \sum_{q: t_{q,p} \leq s} \frac{1}{s} |(t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}) - \xi(E_p^q)| \leq \frac{s}{2^p}, \quad s > 0.$$

This is possible because  $\xi(S^{n-1})=1$  and  $\sum_p \sum_{q: t_{q,p} \leq s} (1/s) |t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}| = 1 - (s - t_{q_0, p_0})/s$  is sufficiently near to 1. Here,  $t_{q_0, p_0}$  is the largest  $t_{q,p}$  which is smaller than  $s$ .

Using this  $\{t_{q,p}\}$ , we set

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(t_{q,p}) &= t_{q,p} y_p, \\ \Psi(t) &= \frac{t_{q,p} - t}{t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}} \Psi(t_{q,p+1}) + \frac{t - t_{q,p+1}}{t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}} \Psi(t_{q,p}), \\ &\text{if } t_{q,p} > t > t_{q,p+1}, \\ \Psi(t) &= \frac{t_{q,q} - t}{t_{q,q} - t_{q+1,1}} \Psi(t_{q+1,1}) + \frac{t - t_{q+1,1}}{t_{q,q} - t_{q+1,1}} \Psi(t_{q,q}), \\ &\text{if } t_{q,q} > t > t_{q+1,1}, \\ \Psi(0) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then since  $\|y_p\| = 1$ , we have the definition of  $\Psi(t)$  and (32),

$$(36)'' \quad \|\Psi(t)\| \leq |t|,$$

$$(36)' \quad \Psi(t) \neq 0, \text{ if } t \neq 0.$$

We also note that by the definition of  $\Psi(t)$ ,  $\Psi(t)$  is continuous for all  $t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

By (36)', to define  $\varphi(t)$  by

$$(37) \quad \varphi(t) = \frac{\Psi(t)}{|\Psi(t)|} t, \quad t > 0, \quad \Psi(0) = 0,$$

$\varphi(t)$  is also continuous in  $t$  and satisfies similar conditions as (36)' and.

$$(36) \quad ||\varphi(t)|| = t.$$

By (36) and the mean value theorem, if  $\{y_p\}$  satisfies

$$(32)' \quad \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} ||y_{p+1} - y_p|| = 0,$$

then we have for this  $\varphi(t)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_{q,p+1}}^{t_{q,p}} \frac{||\varphi(t)||}{t} g(\varepsilon_0, \varphi(t)) dt \\ &= g(y_p)(t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}) + o(|t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}|). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$(38) \quad \begin{aligned} & \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{||\varphi(t)||}{t} g(\varepsilon_0, \varphi(t)) dt \right] \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \sum_p g(y_p) \left( \sum_{q: t_{q,p} \leq s} (t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by (35)'', we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{p \leq a} \sum_{t_{q,p} \leq s} g(y_p) \xi(E_p^q) - \frac{1}{s} \sum_p g(y_p) \left( \sum_{q: t_{q,p} \leq s} (t_{q,p} - t_{q,p+1}) \right) \right| \\ & \leq \sum_p \frac{s}{2^p} = s. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (34) and (38), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{S^{n-1}} g(y) d\xi \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_h^s \frac{||\varphi(t)||}{t} g(\varepsilon_0, \varphi(t)) dt \right], \end{aligned}$$

for this  $\varphi(t)$ . Therefore the curve  $\gamma$  given by  $\varphi: I \rightarrow M$ , has the generalized tangent at the origin and it is equal to  $\xi$ . Hence we have the theorem.

**Note.** Since  $C^*(S^{n-1})$  contains  $L^p(S^{n-1})$ , a positive linear functional of  $L^p(S^{n-1})$  always expressed as the generalized tangent of some curve.

**Example 1.** If  $\xi$  is the Dirac measure of  $S^{n-1}$  concentrated at  $y_1$ ,  $y_1 \in S^{n-1}$ , then  $\{t_{q,p}\}$  is given by

$$t_{q,1} = \frac{1}{2^q}, \quad t_{q,p} = \frac{1}{2^q} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{p-1}}\right) \frac{1}{8^q}, \quad 2 \leq p \leq q.$$

**Example 2.** If  $\xi$  is the standard measure of  $S^{n-1}$ , then we take  $E_p^q$  to satisfy  $\xi(E_p^q) = 1/q$ , Then we can take  $\{t_{q,p}\}$  to be

$$t_{q,p} = \frac{1}{q+1} + \frac{q+1-p}{p+1} \left(\frac{1}{q(q+1)}\right).$$

We note that although the curve  $\varphi(t) = y_1 t$  has the generalized tangent  $\delta y_1$ , it is not given by the above method.

**11.** We denote by  $H^+(I)$  the group of orientation preserving homeomorphisms of  $I = [0, 1]$ . The subgroup of  $H^+(I)$  consisted by those homeomorphisms that are the identity map on  $[0, \varepsilon]$  for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , is denoted by  $H_\varepsilon(I)$ . Then we set

$$H_*^+(I) = H^+(I)/H_\varepsilon(I).$$

$H_*^+(I)$  is the group of germs of the (orientation preserving) homeomorphisms of  $I$  (cf. [2]).

If  $\alpha \in H^+(I)$ , then by the theorem of Radon-Nykodim, there exists a (positive) measurable function  $m_\alpha$  on  $I$  which does not vanish almost everywhere on  $I$ , such that

$$(39) \quad \int_a^b \mu(\alpha(t)) dt = \int_{\alpha(a)}^{\alpha(b)} \mu(u) m_\alpha(u) du,$$

where  $\mu(t)$  is an (arbitrary) measurable function on  $I$ . We note that this  $m_\alpha(t)$  also satisfies

$$(40) \quad \int_0^1 m_\alpha(t) dt = 1.$$

Conversely, if  $m(t)$  is a positive measurable function on  $I$  such that to satisfy (40) and does not vanish almost everywhere on  $I$ , then  $\int_0^t m(u) du$  is an element of  $H^+(I)$ . Moreover, we know that

(i). If  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in H^+(I)$  and  $\alpha_1(\alpha_2)$  is the composition of  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  in  $H^+(I)$ , then

$$(41) \quad m_{\alpha_1(\alpha_2)} = \alpha_2^*(m_{\alpha_1})m_{\alpha_2}, \quad \alpha^*m(t) \text{ means } m(\alpha(t)).$$

(ii).  $\alpha$  belongs in  $H_\varepsilon(I)$  if and only if  $m_\alpha(t) = 1$ ,  $0 \leq t < \varepsilon$ , for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Hence to denote the set of all positive measurable functions on  $I$  which do

not vanish almost everywhere on  $I$  and satisfy (40) by  $\mathcal{M}^+(I)$  and to define a multiplication  $m_1 * m_2$  for  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathcal{M}^+(I)$  by

$$(42) \quad m_1 * m_2 = \alpha_2^*(m_1)m_2, \quad \alpha_2(t) = \int_0^t m_2(u)du,$$

$\mathcal{M}^+(I)$  is isomorphic to  $H^+(I)$  and to set

$$\mathcal{M}_e(I) = \{m \mid m \in \mathcal{M}^+(I), m(t) = 1, 0 \leq t < \varepsilon, \text{ for some } \varepsilon > 0\},$$

we have

$$(43) \quad \mathcal{M}_*(I) \cong H_*^+(I), \quad \mathcal{M}_*(I) = {}^+(I) / \mathcal{M}_e(I).$$

For  $\varphi: I \rightarrow M$ , and  $\alpha \in H^+(I)$ , we set

$$\alpha^*(\varphi)(t) = \varphi(\alpha(t)).$$

Then the image of  $\varphi$  and  $\alpha^*(\varphi)$  is same. Moreover, we know if  $\alpha \in H_e(I)$ , then  $\varphi$  has the generalized tangent at its starting point if and only if  $\alpha^*(\varphi)$  has the generalized tangent at its starting point and we have by lemma 10,

$$(44) \quad \mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f) = \mathfrak{X}_{\alpha^*(\varphi)}(f).$$

By (44), we have

$$(44)' \quad \mathfrak{X}_{\alpha^*(\varphi)} = \mathfrak{X}_{\beta^*(\varphi)}, \quad \text{if } \alpha \equiv \beta \text{ mod. } H_e(I).$$

By (43), (44)' and theorem 3, we can define an operation of the element  $m$  of  $\mathcal{M}_*(I)$  to  $\mathcal{D}_*^+(S^{n-1})$ , the set of positive linear functionals of  $\mathcal{D}(S^{n-1})$  by

$$(45) \quad \langle m(\xi), g \rangle = \mathfrak{X}_{\alpha^*(\varphi)}(f),$$

where, assuming the starting point of  $\varphi$  is  $a$ ,  $d_{\rho, a}f = g$ ,  $\mathfrak{X}_\varphi(f) = \langle \xi, g \rangle$  and the class of  $m$  in  $\mathcal{M}_*(I)$  is  $m$ . Then, since the change of parameter of  $\gamma$  corresponds to the operation of  $\mathcal{M}_*(I)$ , we may consider the generalized tangent of  $\gamma$  to be an element of  $\mathcal{F}_*^+(S^{n-1}) / \mathcal{M}_*(I)$ .

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