

EXAMPLES OF PSEUDO-RIEMANNIAN G.O. MANIFOLDS

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Abstract. We modify the metrics on six-dimensional and seven-dimensional Riemannian g.o. manifolds constructed in previous published papers and we obtain pseudo-Riemannian g.o. manifolds. We describe geodesic graphs of corresponding g.o. spaces. We show that if these geodesic graphs are nonlinear, they are discontinuous on a nonempty set but they are continuous at the origin.

1. Introduction

Let M be a pseudo-Riemannian manifold. If there is a connected Lie group $G \subset I_0(M)$ which acts transitively on M as a group of isometries, then M is called a **homogeneous pseudo-Riemannian manifold**. Let $p \in M$ be a fixed point. If we denote by H the isotropy group at p , then M can be identified with the *homogeneous space* G/H . In general, there may exist more than one such group $G \subset I_0(M)$. For any fixed choice $M = G/H$, G acts effectively on G/H on the left. The pseudo-Riemannian metric g on M can be considered as a G -invariant metric on G/H . The pair $(G/H, g)$ is then called a **pseudo-Riemannian homogeneous space**.

If the metric g is a positive definite, then $(G/H, g)$ is always a *reductive homogeneous space*: We denote by \mathfrak{g} and \mathfrak{h} the Lie algebras of G and H respectively and consider the adjoint representation $\text{Ad} : H \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ of H on \mathfrak{g} . There exists a direct sum decomposition (*reductive decomposition*) of the form $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{h}$ where $\mathfrak{m} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is a vector subspace such that $\text{Ad}(H)(\mathfrak{m}) \subset \mathfrak{m}$. If the metric g is indefinite, the reductive decomposition may not exist (see [6] for an example of nonreductive pseudo-Riemannian homogeneous space). For a fixed reductive decomposition $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{h}$ there is a natural identification of $\mathfrak{m} \subset \mathfrak{g} = T_e G$ with the