Regular *F*-manifolds: initial conditions and Frobenius metrics

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Abstract. A regular *F*-manifold is an *F*-manifold (with Euler field) (M, \circ, e, E) , such that the endomorphism $\mathcal{U}(X) := E \circ X$ of *TM* is regular at any $p \in M$. We prove that the germ $((M, p), \circ, e, E)$ is uniquely determined (up to isomorphism) by the conjugacy class of $\mathcal{U}_p : T_pM \to T_pM$. We obtain that any regular *F*-manifold admits a preferred system of local coordinates and we find conditions, in these coordinates, for a metric to be Frobenius. We study the Lie algebra of infinitesimal symmetries of regular *F*-manifolds. We show that any regular *F*-manifold is locally isomorphic to the parameter space of a Malgrange universal connection. We prove an initial condition theorem for Frobenius metrics on regular *F*-manifolds.

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