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RIEMANNIAN SUBMERSIONS AS PDE

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Abstract: The problem of determining the Riemannian submersions $f: (Q,g) \to (M,h)$ with a given source Riemannian manifold (Q,g) will be discussed as a PDE problem. When the dimension of the target M is greater than 1, this is an overdetermined PDE system whose local nature is not well-understood. I will describe what is known and give some new results that classify such submersions when (Q,g) is a Riemannian space form of low dimension.