

B. Calculus on manifolds

let $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$

Definition 1: (i) A differentiable manifold M (of near dim. m & class C^k) is a (separable + Hausdorff) topological space with

- ("atlas")
- open cover $\{U_\alpha\}$
 - homeomorphisms $\phi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow V_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ ("charts")
- s.t. $\phi_{\alpha\beta} := \phi_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}: \phi_\beta(U_{\alpha\beta}) \rightarrow \phi_\alpha(U_{\alpha\beta})$ ("transition functions")
- is a C^k diffeomorphism (from an open $C \subseteq V_\beta$ to open $C \subseteq V_\alpha$)

(ii) For $U \subset M$ open & $0 \leq s \leq k$,
 $C^s(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong \{ \text{functions } f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} \in C^s(\phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U)) \}$

(iii) Morphisms $C^s(M, N)$ between manifolds defined in same vein

(iv) M is $\begin{cases} \text{orientable} \\ \text{oriented} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \exists \text{ atlas with all } \det(\phi_{\alpha\beta}^*) > 0 \\ \text{equipped w./} \end{cases}$
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Jacobian matrix

A derivation at $p \in M$ is any linear functional $D: C^k(M, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the "Leibniz rule" $D(fg) = f(p)D(g) + g(p)D(f)$; let

$\text{Der}_p(M)$ denote the set of these — it is a vector space $/ \mathbb{R}$. Moreover, if $V \ni p$ is a small nbhd., and $f_1|_V \equiv f_2|_V$, taking $g|_{M \setminus V} \equiv 1$ and (on a smaller nbhd.) $g|_{V'} \equiv 0$,

$$D(f_1 - f_2) = D(g \cdot (f_1 - f_2)) \equiv D(g)(f_1 - f_2)(p) + (D(f_1) - D(f_2))(g(p)) \stackrel{0}{=} 0$$

also $D(1) = D(1 \cdot 1) = 2(1 \cdot D(1)) \rightarrow D(1) = 0$

Writing $\phi_\alpha(x) = (x^1, \dots, x^m)$, note that $D \circ \phi_\alpha^* \in \text{Der}_0(\mathbb{R}^m)$. Any

$g \in C^k(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R})$ satisfies

$$g(\underline{x}) - g(\underline{0}) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} g(t\underline{x}) dt = \int_0^1 \sum x_i \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}(t\underline{x}) dt$$

* for U not open, it's the set of fcn's. with C^s extension to some open $\supset U$

$$\Rightarrow g(\underline{x}) = g(\underline{0}) + \sum x_i g_i(\underline{x}), \quad g_i(\underline{0}) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}(\underline{0}) \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{D}g = \sum \tilde{D}(x_i) g_i(\underline{0}) + \sum \tilde{D}(g_i) x_i(\underline{0}) \rightarrow 0 = \sum \tilde{D}(x_i) \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}(\underline{0})$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{D}$ is a directional derivative at $\underline{0}$. So

$\text{Der}_p(M) \cong \mathbb{R}\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \rangle$ is an m -dim' vector space

and we set

$$T_{M,p} := \text{Der}_p(M), \quad T_M^{(r)} := \bigcup_{p \in M} T_{M,p}^{(r)}$$

(cotangent bundles)

To "topologize" these, we turn to the

Definition 2: (i) A real vector bundle (of rank r & class $C^s, s \leq k$) over M is a (separable, Hausdorff) topological space E together with a map $\pi: E \rightarrow M$, such that

- the fibers $E_x = \pi^{-1}(x)$ are real vector spaces of dim. r
- \exists op. over $\{U_\alpha\}$ and class C^s homeos. $\Phi_\alpha: \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \xrightarrow{\cong} U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^r$ s.t.

$$(a) \rho_{U_\alpha} \circ \Phi_\alpha = \pi|_{U_\alpha}$$

(b) $\forall x \in U_\alpha, \rho_{\mathbb{R}^r} \circ \Phi_\alpha|_{E_x}: E_x \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$ is an isom of \mathbb{R} -vector spaces

(ii) A (class C^s) morphism $\Psi: E \rightarrow F$ of v.b.'s / M is a (class C^s)

morphism of the underlying manifolds s.t.

- Ψ is linear on fibers
- $\pi_F \circ \Psi = \pi_E$

A v.b. is trivial if \cong to $M \times \mathbb{R}^r$.

From the defn^{2.19}, it follows that the $\Phi_\alpha \circ \Phi_\beta^{-1}: \Phi_\beta(\pi^{-1}(U_{\alpha\beta})) \rightarrow \Phi_\alpha(\pi^{-1}(U_{\alpha\beta}))$ are

actually C^s functions

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{i.e. matrix} \\ \text{entries} \\ \text{are} \end{array} \right\} \text{(B.1)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi_{\alpha\beta}: U_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow GL(r, \mathbb{R}) \\ \text{s.t. } \Phi_{\alpha\beta} \circ \Phi_{\beta\gamma} = \Phi_{\alpha\gamma} \text{ on } U_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \text{ ("cocycle condition")} \end{array} \right.$$

Moreover, E is a C^s -manifold; and we can perform all the operations of linear algebra on the $\Phi_{\alpha\beta}$ hence on E — this yields bundles $\Lambda^k E, E^{\vee}, \dots$

Proposition 1: T_M is a C^{k-1} bundle over M .

Proof: The essential point here is that

(5)

$$\Phi_{\alpha\beta} = (\alpha_{\beta})_* \left(= \frac{\partial(x_1^{\alpha}, \dots, x_m^{\alpha})}{\partial(x_1^{\beta}, \dots, x_m^{\beta})} \text{ in basis} \right) \quad \square$$

Definition 3: A (class C^s) section of a vector bundle, written

$$\sigma \in C^s(M, E), \text{ is a } (C^s) \text{ morphism } \sigma: M \rightarrow E \text{ s.t. } \pi \circ \sigma = \text{id}_M$$

Example 1: sections of $\begin{cases} T_M \\ \wedge^k T_M^{\vee} \end{cases}$ are called $\begin{cases} \text{vector fields} \\ \text{differential } k\text{-forms} \end{cases}$.

Differential of a fun.: consider $\xi = \sum \xi_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \in T_{M,p}$
 $f \in C^s(p, \mathbb{R})$

The $df_p(\xi) := \xi(f) = \sum \xi_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(p)$ defines $df_p \in T_{M,p}^{\vee}$.

In particular, $dx_j(\xi) = \xi_j \Rightarrow \{dx_j\} = \{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\}$ in each $T_{M,p}^{\vee}$,

(B.2) and $df = \sum \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} dx_j \in C^s(p, T_M^{\vee})$.

Lie bracket: consider $\xi, \eta \in C^s(U, T_M)$

$$[\xi, \eta](f) := \xi(\eta(f)) - \eta(\xi(f))$$

$$\in C^s(U, T_M)$$

$$\text{In coordinates, } [\xi, \eta] = \sum_{1 \leq j, k \leq m} \left(\xi_j \frac{\partial \eta_k}{\partial x_j} - \eta_j \frac{\partial \xi_k}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$$

wedge/contraction: given $\omega \in C^s(M, \wedge^p T_M^{\vee})$ p-form

$$\sum_{|\mathcal{I}|=p} \omega_{\mathcal{I}} dx_{\mathcal{I}} \quad \text{multindex } dx_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{i_p}$$

and ξ vector field
 μ q-form

$\mu \wedge \omega$ is a $(p+q)$ -form

$\xi \lrcorner \omega$ is a $(p-1)$ -form

$$\xi \lrcorner \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \lrcorner dx_{\mathcal{I}} \right) = \begin{cases} 0, & j \notin \mathcal{I} \\ (-1)^{l-1} dx_{\mathcal{I} \setminus \{j\}}, & j = i_l \in \mathcal{I} \end{cases}$$

$$\xi \lrcorner (\mu \wedge \omega) = (\xi \lrcorner \mu) \wedge \omega + (-1)^L \mu \wedge (\xi \lrcorner \omega) \quad //$$

exterior derivative: $d\omega := \sum_{\substack{\text{loc.} \\ \text{coords.} \\ (|I|=p \\ 1 \leq k \leq m)}} \frac{\partial \omega_I}{\partial x_k} dx_k \wedge \omega_I$ definition

$$d: C^s(M, \wedge^p T_m^*) \rightarrow C^{s-1}(M, \wedge^{p+1} T_m^*)$$

Ex/ For ξ^0, \dots, ξ^p vector fields,

$$d\omega(\xi^0, \dots, \xi^p) = \sum_{0 \leq j \leq p} (-1)^j \xi_j^i \cdot \omega(\xi^0, \dots, \widehat{\xi_j^i}, \dots, \xi^p) + \sum_{0 \leq j < k \leq p} (-1)^{j+k} \omega([\xi_j^i, \xi_k^i], \xi^0, \dots, \widehat{\xi_j^i}, \dots, \widehat{\xi_k^i}, \dots, \xi^p)$$

shows $d\omega$ is intrinsically defined.

We also have $d(\mu \wedge \omega) = d\mu \wedge \omega + (-1)^q \mu \wedge d\omega$

and (5.22) $d^2 = 0$ \leftarrow equality of 2nd partials: $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{e.g. } d(dF) = \\ d(\sum_i \xi_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} dx_j \wedge dx_i) = \\ \sum_i \xi_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} dx_j \wedge dx_i = 0 \\ \text{since } dx_i \wedge dx_j = -dx_j \wedge dx_i \end{array} \right\}$

pullback: given $F \in C^\infty(M, N)$, $\nu = \sum_{\text{loc}} \nu_j \frac{dy_j}{dy_j} \in C^\infty(N, \wedge^p T_N^*)$

define the pullback $F^* \nu := \sum_{\text{loc}} \nu_j(F(x)) dF_{j_1}(x) \wedge \dots \wedge dF_{j_p}(x)$

The chain rule is (for $G \in C^\infty(M', M)$) $G^* F^* \nu = (F \circ G)^* \nu$

this is invariant w.r.t. choice of coordinates. We also have $d \circ F^* = F^* \circ d$ (1)

de Rham cohomology: set $K^p := C^\infty(M, \wedge^p T_m^*)$. since $d^2 = 0$,

$$(K, d) := \dots \rightarrow K^{p-1} \xrightarrow{d^{p-1}} K^p \xrightarrow{d^p} K^{p+1} \rightarrow \dots$$

(degree p)

is a complex,
($\text{im } d^{p-1} \subset \text{ker } d^p$)

We define $H_{dR}^p(M, \mathbb{R}) := \frac{\text{ker}(d^p)}{\text{im}(d^{p-1})} = \frac{\text{closed forms}}{\text{exact forms}}$. By (1), we have $F^*: H_{dR}^p(N, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow H_{dR}^p(M, \mathbb{R})$.

($H_{dR,c}^p(M, \mathbb{R})$ is obtained by doing everything w/ compact support, for M noncompact this gives a different result.)

So there's your differential calculus.

Now we briefly review a bit of integral calculus.

Definition 4: Let $\omega \in C^0(U, \wedge^m T_M^v)$, $U \subset U_x$.

Then $\int_M \omega := \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} f(x_1, \dots, x_m) dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_m$ is independent of coordinates by the Δ of variables formula.

If U is replaced by M , and $\{g_\alpha\}$ is a partition of unity ($\sum_{\alpha \in M} g_\alpha \equiv 1$)

$$\int_M \omega = \sum \int_{U_\alpha} g_\alpha \omega \text{ is well-defined.}$$

$F \in C^1(N, M) \rightarrow$

$$\int_N F^* \omega \text{ with sign acc. to whether } \det(\text{Jacobian of } F) > 0 \text{ (i.e. orientation preserved)}$$

Stokes theorem: Let $\omega \in C^1(M, \wedge^{m-1} T_M^v)$, and

$\Gamma \subset M$ be a compact subset with piecewise C^1 boundary

$$\text{Then } \int_{\partial \Gamma} \omega = \int_{\Gamma} d\omega.$$

Sketch of PF.: locally $\omega = \sum f_j dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{j-1} \wedge dx_{j+1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_m$

$$\partial \Gamma \cap U = \partial \Gamma \cap \{x_j = 0\} \cap U$$

locally some
locally of
form
 $x_1, \dots, x_{j-1} \leq 0$
in coords
on U

If ω comp. supp. on U ,

$$\int_{\partial \Gamma} \omega = \int_{\Gamma \cap U} \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_j} dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_m \text{ (partially } \int \text{ wrt } x_j)$$

$$\int_{\partial \Gamma} \omega = \sum (-1)^{j-1} \int_{\partial \Gamma} \omega = \int_{\Gamma \cap U} \underbrace{\sum (-1)^{j-1} \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_j}}_{d\omega} dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_m$$

General result follows from a partition of unity argument. □

Now let $\Pi: [0, 1] \times M \rightarrow M$, $I_\epsilon: M \hookrightarrow [0, 1] \times M$
 $(t, p) \mapsto p \quad p \mapsto (t, p)$

and define

$$\Pi_* : C^s([0,1] \times M, \Lambda^p T_{[0,1] \times M}^\vee) \rightarrow C^s(M, \Lambda^{p-1} T_M^\vee)$$

by integrating along the fiber. (This is called "push-forward", and kills all terms of type dx_I — only $dx \wedge dx_I$'s go somewhere.)

Ex / $\Pi_* d\omega + d\Pi_* \omega = I_1^* \omega - I_0^* \omega$ (essentially FTC with cancellations)

Observation: If $F, G \in C^s(M, N)$ are smoothly homotopic
 $(\exists H \in C^\infty([0,1] \times M, N)$ s.t. $H \circ I_0 = F, H \circ I_1 = G)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } G^* \omega - F^* \omega &= (I_1^* - I_0^*)(H^* \omega) \\ &= \underbrace{\Pi_* dH^* \omega}_{H^* d\omega} + \underbrace{d(\Pi_* H^* \omega)}_{\text{exact}} \\ &\quad \text{"} \\ &\quad \text{" } \circ \text{ if } \omega \text{ closed.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{F^* = G^* : H_{dR}^p(N, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow H_{dR}^p(M, \mathbb{R})}$$

Example 2: $N=M$ contractible, $F(M) = \{x_0\}$, $G = Id_M$

$$\Rightarrow H_{dR}^p(M, \mathbb{R}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}, & p=0 \\ 0, & p>0 \end{cases}$$

As a corollary, we obtain the

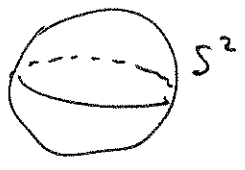
d-Poincaré Lemma: Given $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ starshaped open set (\Rightarrow contractible),
 $\omega \in C^s(U, \Lambda^p T_U^\vee)$ closed $\Rightarrow \omega$ exact.
 ($p \geq 1$) (= dx)

We conclude with some further examples of de Rham cohomology groups.

Example 3: $\dim H_{dR}^0(M, \mathbb{R}) = \#\{\text{connected components of } M\}$.

[Proof: $H_{dR}^0 = \ker(d^{(0)}) = \text{constant functions}$.]

Example 4: $H_{dR}^2(S^2, \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}$



Proof: Let $\iota: S^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ (coordinates x_1, x_2, x_3)

$$\Theta := \sum x_j \partial/\partial x_j$$

$$\Omega := dx_1 \wedge dx_2 \wedge dx_3$$

then $\xi := \iota^*(\Theta \lrcorner \Omega)$ is $\begin{cases} \text{nonzero} \\ \text{closed (slice of top degree)} \\ SO(3, \mathbb{R})\text{-invariant} \end{cases}$

and is the unique such form (up to scale).

If $\xi = d\omega$, for $\omega \in C^\infty(S^2, T_{S^2}^\vee)$, then for $g \in SO(3, \mathbb{R})$

$$(\xi =) g^* \xi = g^*(d\omega) = d(g^*\omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow \xi = d\left(\int_{SO(3, \mathbb{R})} g^*\omega \, d\mu\right)$$

Haar measure: $\int_{SO(3)} d\mu = 1, g^*d\mu = d\mu \ (\forall g)$
(for compact Lie gr)

is $SO(3)$ -invariant, in particular invariant under reflection through any line through the origin (which is $-id$ on $T_{S^2}, \ln S^2$)

$$= d(0) = 0, \text{ a contradiction. } \square$$

NOTE: Averaging does not change coh. class, because any g^* is homotopic to identity; moreover, averaging kills any form with zero \int_{S^2} .

Ex/Example 5: using a group action one can also show

(a) $H_{dR}^1(S^2, \mathbb{R}) = \{0\}$

(b) $\dim H_{dR}^k(\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{R}) = \begin{cases} 1, & k=0 \\ 2, & k=1 \\ 1, & k=2 \end{cases}$

Example 6: If M is compact & connected, then $\dim H_{dR}^m(M, \mathbb{R}) = 0$ or 1 ,

and M orientable $\Leftrightarrow \dim H_{dR}^m(M, \mathbb{R}) = 1$.

Ex/ Use a partition of unity + Stokes theorem to prove:

$$M \text{ orientable} \Rightarrow H_{dR}^m(M, \mathbb{R}) \neq \{0\}.$$