

Reminder:

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Vector space V

Basis e_1, \dots, e_m of V

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Get help:

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• For $\omega \in \Lambda^k V^*$, $\eta \in \Lambda^l V^*$ define their wedge product

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in \mathbb{R}^k all we need $\mathcal{D}^1(\mathbb{R}^k) = \dots$ -6-

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so that when $w \in \Lambda^k V^*$ then $\text{Alt}(w) = w$

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via formulas, with no repetitions

E.g. for $w \in \Lambda^2 V^*$, $\eta \in \Lambda^1 V^* = V^*$, $w \wedge \eta \in \Lambda^3 V^*$
 $(w \wedge \eta)(v_1, v_2, v_3) = w(v_1, v_2) \eta(v_3) - w(v_1, v_3) \eta(v_2) + w(v_2, v_3) \eta(v_1)$
 $\eta \in \Lambda^3 V^*$ $(w \wedge \eta)(v_1, \dots, v_5) = w(v_1, v_2) \eta(v_3, v_4, v_5) \pm \dots$

the k -th exterior power of V -5-

I. The k -th exterior power of V

$\Lambda^k V^* = \{ \xi: \underbrace{V \times \dots \times V}_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \xi \text{ linear in each arg, skew symmetric} \}$

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Basic properties of $\wedge^k V^* \times \wedge^l V^* \rightarrow \wedge^{k+l} V^*$ (the wedge operation) ($\dim V = m$)

$(w \wedge \eta) \wedge \zeta = w \wedge (\eta \wedge \zeta)$, $\eta \wedge w = (-1)^k w \wedge \eta$
 (for $w \in \wedge^k V^*$, $\eta \in \wedge^l V^*$)

Consequence: only $v_1, \dots, v_k \in V$ induce $v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k \in \wedge^k V^*$ and one has

$\sum_{\sigma \in S_k} \text{sgn}(\sigma) v_{\sigma(1)} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{\sigma(k)} = \text{sgn}(\sigma) v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k$

(hence: $v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k = 0$ if $v_i = v_j$ for some $i \neq j$)

Use \wedge to construct a basis: e_1, \dots, e_m of $V \rightsquigarrow$ a basis e^1, \dots, e^m of V^*

\rightsquigarrow we can form $e^I = e^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e^{i_k} \in \wedge^k V^*$ ($1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m$)

Proposition: For each k , $\{e^I: I \in \text{Ord}_k(m)\}$ forms a basis of $\wedge^k V^*$.
 In particular, $\dim(\wedge^k V^*) = \begin{cases} \frac{m!}{k!(m-k)!} & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ (Recall: $|\text{Ord}_k(m)| = \frac{m!}{k!(m-k)!}$)

proof: Like for $k=1$ (dual basis) noticing that for i_1, \dots, i_k $e^I(e_{j_1}, \dots, e_{j_k}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i_s = j_s \text{ etc} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$k \rightarrow m$
 $\xi = (e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_m})$

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for any M, p , the k th exterior power $\wedge^k T_p M = \wedge^k T_p M$

any chart (U, α) around p gives rise to a basis of $\wedge^k T_p M$

$$\left\{ (dx^i)_p \wedge \dots \wedge (dx^j)_p : I \in \text{Ord}_k(m) \right\}$$

k -form ω on M : $M \ni p \mapsto \omega_p \in \wedge^k T_p M$

which is smooth: $(\forall)(U, \alpha)$, the coefficients in writing $\omega_p = \sum_I \text{coeff}_I(p) (dx^i)_p$ are smooth

$\Omega^k(M)$ = the set of k -forms on M

$\Omega^k(M)$ is a vector space: $(\omega + \eta)_p = \omega_p + \eta_p$

$\Omega^k(M)$ is a $C^0(M)$ -module: $(f\omega)_p = f(p)\omega_p$

globally, any $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$ induces (can be interpreted as a map $\omega: \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \dots \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow C^0(M)$)

$$\omega(X^1, \dots, X^k)(p) = \omega_p(X^1_p, \dots, X^k_p)$$

$\Omega^k(M) \xrightarrow{\sim} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega: \mathfrak{X}(M) \times \dots \times \mathfrak{X}(M) \rightarrow C^0(M) \\ \omega \text{ is } C^0(M)\text{-bilinear in each argument} \\ \text{and skew symmetric} \end{array} \right\}$

consider $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$
Wedge operation with elements of degree 0: scalar multiplication/mult. by function

$$f \wedge \eta := f \eta := \eta \wedge f$$

Wedge product operation: $\omega \in \Omega^k(M), \eta \in \Omega^\ell(M)$ define $\omega \wedge \eta \in \Omega^{k+\ell}(M)$

by $(\omega \wedge \eta)_p = \omega_p \wedge \eta_p$

Now, $\omega \wedge \eta$ can be described by the same explicit formula as before

$$(\omega \wedge \eta)(X_1, \dots, X_{k+\ell}) = \sum_{\substack{I \in \text{Ord}_k(m) \\ J \in \text{Ord}_\ell(m)}} \text{sgn}(I, J) \omega(X_{I_1}, \dots, X_{I_k}) \eta(X_{J_1}, \dots, X_{J_\ell})$$

De Rham differential

$$d: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M)$$

for $k=0$: the $d: C^0(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M)$ seen before

degree $(+1)$ derivation

- linear

- increases degree by 1

$$d(\omega \wedge \eta) = d\omega \wedge \eta + (-1)^k \omega \wedge d\eta$$

$d \circ d = 0$ ($d(d\omega) = 0$ for all ω)

Example: In $M = \mathbb{R}^3$ take

$$\omega = (x^2 + y^2) dz + x dz + y dz$$

$$X = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

and compute, using these properties: $d\omega, i_X \omega, d_X \omega, i_X(d\omega), d_X(d\omega)$

For each $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$:

The Lie derivative along X

$$\mathcal{L}_X: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(M)$$

it is the usual one for $k=0$

d is a degree 0 derivation

- linear

- does not change degree

- derivation rule:

$$\mathcal{L}_X(\omega \wedge \eta) = \mathcal{L}_X \omega \wedge \eta + \omega \wedge \mathcal{L}_X \eta$$

commutes with d : $\mathcal{L}_X(d\omega) = d(\mathcal{L}_X \omega)$

$$i_X \circ d = d \circ i_X$$

The interior product with X

$$i_X: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M)$$

on 1-form $\omega \in \Omega^1(M)$: $i_X(\omega) = \omega(X)$

i_X is a degree (-1) derivation

- linear

- decreases degree by 1

$$i_X(\omega \wedge \eta) = i_X(\omega) \wedge \eta + (-1)^k \omega \wedge i_X(\eta)$$

$n=0$: the $d: C^0(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M)$ seen before

degree $(+1)$ derivation

- linear

- increases degree by (1)

- deriv rule:

$$d(w \wedge \eta) = dw \wedge \eta + (-1)^{\deg w} w \wedge d\eta$$

$$w \in \Omega^k(M)$$

$$\eta \in \Omega^l(M)$$

$$\rightarrow d \circ d = 0 \quad (d(dw) = 0 \quad \forall w)$$

Exercise: In $M = \mathbb{R}^3$ take

$$w = (x^2 + yz) \cdot dx \wedge dy \in \Omega^2(M)$$

$$X = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

and compute, using these properties:
 $dw, i_X w, d i_X(w), i_X(dw), d i_X(w)$

$\rightarrow i_X$

$\rightarrow d$

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