

Note that $\text{Der } C^\infty(V)$ denotes the space of derivations 2-9 on $C^\infty(V)$, i.e., linear maps $D: C^\infty(V) \rightarrow C^\infty(V)$ that satisfy the product rule

$$D(f \cdot g) = D(f) \cdot g + f \cdot D(g) \quad \forall f, g \in C^\infty(V).$$

Proof:

① Take $\bar{X} \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$ and $f \in C^\infty(V)$.

Claim: $h: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto \underbrace{\bar{X}(x)}_{\in T_x \mathcal{M}}([f]_x)$ is smooth.

Proof: Consider the bundle atlas $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_i, \tau_i) \mid i \in I\}$ that we introduced in Definition 2.6. It suffices to show that $h|_{U_i \cap V}$ is smooth for all $i \in I$.

Fix $i \in I$. By Definition 2.7 (ii), we find a smooth function $g = (g_1, \dots, g_n): U_i \cap V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

such that $\tau_i(\bar{X}(x)) = (x, g(x))$ for all $x \in U_i \cap V$.

Thus $\bar{X}(x) = \tau_i^{-1}(x, g(x)) = (x, \Theta_{i,x}(g(x)))$ and

$$h(x) = \bar{X}(x)([f]_x) = \Theta_{i,x}(g(x))([f]_x)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n g_j(x) (\partial_j (f \circ \tau_i^{-1}))(\tau_i(x)) \quad \forall x \in U_i \cap V,$$

which shows that h is smooth on $U_i \cap V$. □

② Take $\bar{X} \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$. By ①, we have a well-defined map

$$\Phi(\bar{X}) : C^\infty(V) \rightarrow C^\infty(V), (\Phi(\bar{X})f)(x) = \bar{X}(x)([f]_x). \quad \boxed{2-10}$$

Claim: $\Phi(\bar{X})$ is a derivation.

Proof: Let $f, g \in C^\infty(V)$ be given. Then, for all $x \in V$,

$$\begin{aligned} (\Phi(\bar{X})(f \cdot g))(x) &= \bar{X}(x)([f]_x \cdot [g]_x) \\ &= \bar{X}(x)([f]_x) \cdot g(x) + f(x) \cdot \bar{X}(x)([g]_x) \\ &= (\Phi(\bar{X})(f) \cdot g + f \cdot \Phi(\bar{X})(g))(x). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

③ By ②, we have a well-defined map

$$\Phi : \mathfrak{X}(V) \rightarrow \text{der } C^\infty(V), \quad \bar{X} \mapsto \Phi(\bar{X}),$$

which is clearly linear.

④ Let U be an open neighborhood of a point $x_0 \in M$.

There exists a smooth function $\rho : M \rightarrow [0, 1]$ with

compact support $\text{supp}(\rho) := \overline{\{x \in M \mid \rho(x) \neq 0\}} \subset U$

which is identically 1 in an open neighborhood of x_0 .

We call ρ a bump function for (U, x_0) .

⑤ Take $D \in \text{der } C^\infty(V)$ and $x_0 \in M$. We define

$$D|_{x_0} : C^\infty(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad f \mapsto (D(f))(x_0).$$

Claim: $\exists f_1, f_2 \in C^\infty(V)$ satisfy $f_1|_U = f_2|_U$

for an open set $U \subset V$ with $x_0 \in U$, then

$$D|_{x_0}(f_1) = D|_{x_0}(f_2).$$

Proof: Take a bump function ρ for (U, x_0) . | 2-11

Since $\rho \cdot (f_1 - f_2) \equiv 0$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= D|_{x_0}(\rho \cdot (f_1 - f_2)) \\ &= D|_{x_0}(\rho) \underbrace{(f_1 - f_2)(x_0)}_{=0} + \underbrace{\rho(x_0)}_{=1} \underbrace{D|_{x_0}(f_1 - f_2)}_{= D|_{x_0}(f_1) - D|_{x_0}(f_2)} \end{aligned}$$

and hence the claim. □

We thus get a well-defined map

$$\Psi(D)|_{x_0}: C_x^\infty(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad [f]_{x_0} \mapsto D|_{x_0}(\rho \cdot f|_V)$$

where, for a (U, f) representing $[f]_{x_0}$, ρ is any bump function for (U, x_0) and $\rho \cdot f \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$ is defined (in fact, well-defined) by

$$(\rho \cdot f)(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x \notin \text{supp}(\rho) \\ \rho(x) f(x) & , x \in U \end{cases} \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{M}.$$

Clearly, $(\Psi(D))|_{x_0} \in T_{x_0}\mathcal{M}$.

⑥ Take $D \in \text{der } C^\infty(V)$. Then the induced map

$$\Psi(D): V \rightarrow T\mathcal{M}, \quad x \mapsto (\Psi(D))|_x$$

belongs to $\mathcal{X}(V)$.

⑦ We get by ⑥ a linear map $\Psi: \text{der } C^\infty(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}(V)$, which satisfies $\Phi \circ \Psi = \text{id}_{\text{der } C^\infty(V)}$ and $\Psi \circ \Phi = \text{id}_{\mathcal{X}(V)}$.

□

like vector spaces underly linear algebra, vector bundles underly what can be seen as "parametrized" linear algebra. Indeed, various constructions for vector spaces can be generalized to that setting: let X be a Hausdorff topological space and let E and F be vector bundles over X (both real or complex) of dimension n and m , respectively.

(i) The Whitney sum (or direct sum bundle) $E \oplus F$ is the vector bundle of dimension $n+m$ with

$$(E \oplus F)_x = E_x \oplus F_x \quad \forall x \in X.$$

(ii) The tensor product bundle $E \otimes F$ is the vector bundle of dimension $n \cdot m$ with

$$(E \otimes F)_x = E_x \otimes F_x \quad \forall x \in X.$$

(iii) The homomorphism bundle $\text{hom}(E, F)$ is the vector bundle of dimension $n \cdot m$ with

$$\text{hom}(E, F)_x = \text{hom}(E_x, F_x) \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Analogously, the dual bundle E^* (see Exercise 2A-1(i)), the exterior product $\wedge^p E$, the vector bundle $\text{mult}^p(E)$ of all p -multilinear maps, and the vector bundles $\text{sym}^p(E)$ and $\text{alt}^p(E)$ of all symmetric respectively alternating p -multilinear maps can be defined.

2.11. Definition (Riemannian metric)

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Let M be a smooth manifold of dimension n .

A Riemannian metric on M is a smooth section g of the vector bundle $\text{sym}^2(TM)$ such that

$$g_x : T_x M \times T_x M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is an inner product on $T_x M$ for each $x \in X$.

2.12. Remark:

(i) A topological space X is said to be paracompact if every open cover $(U_i)_{i \in I}$ of X has an open refinement $(V_j)_{j \in J}$ (i.e., $(V_j)_{j \in J}$ is an open cover of X and

$$\forall j \in J \exists i \in I : V_j \subseteq U_i)$$

that is locally finite (i.e., every $x \in X$ has a neighborhood V such that

$$\#\{j \in J \mid V \cap V_j \neq \emptyset\} < \infty).$$

(ii) Let X be a topological space. A partition of unity on X is a family $(\rho_i)_{i \in I}$ of

continuous functions $\rho_i : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that

• each $x \in X$ has an open neighborhood V such that

$$\#\{i \in I \mid \rho_i|_V \neq 0\} < \infty;$$

• $\forall x \in X : \sum_{i \in I} \rho_i(x) = 1.$

We say that $(\rho_i)_{i \in I}$ is subordinate to an | 2-14
open cover $(U_i)_{i \in I}$ of X , if $\text{supp}(\rho_i) \subseteq U_i$ for all $i \in I$.

(iii) On a paracompact space X , each open cover $(U_i)_{i \in I}$ of X has a subordinate partition of unity $(\rho_i)_{i \in I}$.

If $X = M$ is a paracompact smooth manifold, then each ρ_i can be chosen to be smooth.

2.13. Theorem:

Let M be a smooth manifold of dimension n . Suppose that M is paracompact. Then there exists a Riemannian metric on M .

Proof:

Take a bundle atlas $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_i, \tau_i) \mid i \in I\}$ of TM and let $(\rho_i)_{i \in I}$ be a smooth partition of unity subordinate to $(U_i)_{i \in I}$. We obtain a Riemannian metric by

$$g_x(\delta_1, \delta_2) := \sum_{i \in I} \rho_i(x) \langle \Theta_{i,x}^{-1}(\delta_1), \Theta_{i,x}^{-1}(\delta_2) \rangle$$

for all $x \in M$ and $\delta_1, \delta_2 \in T_x M$, where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^n . □

2.14. Definition (differential forms):

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Let M be a smooth manifold of dimension n .

(i) The dual bundle T^*M to the tangent bundle TM is called the cotangent bundle.

(ii) A smooth differential form of degree p (or p -form) is a smooth section of $\Lambda^p T^*M$. We put

$$\Omega^p(M) := \Gamma^\infty(M, \Lambda^p T^*M).$$

We call $\Omega^\bullet(M) := \bigoplus_{p \geq 0} \Omega^p(M)$ the exterior algebra.

(iii) The exterior derivative is the unique family $(d^p)_{p \geq 0}$ of \mathbb{R} -linear maps $d^p: \Omega^p(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{p+1}(M)$ satisfying

- $\forall f \in \Omega^0(M) = C^\infty(M) \quad \forall x \in M$

$$(d^0 f)(x) : T_x M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \delta \mapsto \delta([f]_x);$$

- $\forall p \geq 0 : d^{p+1} \circ d^p = 0;$

- $\forall \omega \in \Omega^p(M), \eta \in \Omega^q(M) :$

$$d^{p+q}(\omega \wedge \eta) = d^p(\omega) \wedge \eta + (-1)^p \cdot \omega \wedge d^q(\eta),$$

where \wedge on $\Omega^\bullet(M)$ is defined pointwise, i.e.,

$$(\omega \wedge \eta)(x) := \omega(x) \wedge \eta(x) \text{ in } \Lambda^{p+q} T_x^* M \text{ for each } x \in M.$$

(iv) Let $T^*M_{\mathbb{C}}$ be the complexification of T^*M , i.e.

$T^*M_{\mathbb{C}} := TM \otimes (M \times \mathbb{C})$, where $M \times \mathbb{C}$ is the real trivial bundle (i.e., $\pi: M \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow M, (x, \lambda) \mapsto x$) of dimension 2 ($\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}^2$).

We put $\Omega_{\mathbb{C}}^p(M) := \Gamma^\infty(M, \Lambda_{\mathbb{C}}^p T^*M_{\mathbb{C}})$.