

Main result of this chapter (for def of grad, div, curl, etc)

Thm. Let M be a smooth manifold, and $\Lambda(M)$ the exterior algebra,

There is a unique linear map

$d: \Lambda(M) \mapsto \Lambda(M)$ satisfying ^{this map} $d(f)$ differential of f

1) If $f \in \Lambda^0(M) = C^\infty(M)$, then $df = df \in \mathcal{T}'_0(M)$, $(df)_p(X_p) = X_p(f)$

2) If $\phi \in \Lambda^r(M)$ and $\psi \in \Lambda^s(M)$, then

$$d(\phi \wedge \psi) = (d\phi) \wedge \psi + (-1)^r \phi \wedge (d\psi)$$

3) $d^2 = d \circ d = 0$

In local coordinates, we have an explicit formula for d :

Recall that if (U, φ) is a chart, $p \in U$, then

$\{E_{j,p}\}_{j=1}^n$ is a basis for $T_p(M)$ and $\{(dx^j)_p\}_{j=1}^n$ is a basis for $T_p^*(M)$.

Then $\phi \in \Lambda^r(M)$ can be represented by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_p &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq n} a_{i_1, \dots, i_r}(p) (dx^{i_1})_p \wedge \dots \wedge (dx^{i_r})_p \quad (\text{a special case of } \mathcal{T}'^r(M)) \\ &=: \sum_I a_I(p) (dx^I)_p \quad \text{with } a_I: U \mapsto \mathbb{R} \text{ smooth.} \end{aligned}$$

Then (def)

$$(d\phi)_p := \sum_I \underbrace{(da_I)_p}_{\in \mathcal{T}'_0(M)} \wedge \underbrace{(dx^I)_p}_{\in \Lambda^r(M)} \in \Lambda^{r+1}(M)$$

Exercise: check that this def satisfies the 3 conditions

[GN p74]

Remarks

1) d is a local operator: If $U \subset M$ and $\phi \in \Lambda(U) \subset \Lambda(M)$ then $d_U \phi = d_M \phi$

2) d maps $\Lambda^r(M)$ to $\Lambda^{r+1}(M)$

3) d is called the EXTERIOR DERIVATIVE

Exercise (Thm?)

If $\omega \in \Lambda^1(M)$ and $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M) := \{\text{C}^\infty\text{-vector fields}\}$, then

$$d\omega(X, Y) = \underbrace{X\omega(Y)}_{\in C^\infty(M)} - \underbrace{Y\omega(X)}_{\in C^\infty(M)} - \underbrace{\omega([X, Y])}_{\in C^\infty(M)} \in C^\infty(M)$$

$$(\omega X)_p = \omega_p(X_p) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Proof: In a chart (U, φ) , $\omega_p = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j(p) (dx^j)_p$

For shortness, we write $\omega_p = f dg$ for $f, g \in C^\infty(M)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } d\omega(X, Y) &= d(fdg)(X, Y) \stackrel{\text{by def}}{=} (df \wedge dg)(X, Y) \stackrel{\text{by def}}{=} df(X)dg(Y) - df(Y)dg(X) \\ &= (Xf)(Yg) - (Yf)(Xg) \in C^\infty(M) \end{aligned}$$

$$X\omega(Y) - Y\omega(X) - \omega([X, Y]) = X(fdg(Y)) - Y(fdg(X)) - fdg([X, Y])$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= X(fYg) - Y(fXg) - f(XY - YX)g \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{=} XfYg + fXYg - YfXg - fYXg - fXYg + fYXg \\ &= (Xf)(Yg) - (Yf)(Xg) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
Xw(Y) - Yw(X) - w([X, Y]) &= X(\text{fdg}(Y)) - Y(\text{fdg}(X)) - \text{fdg}([X, Y]) \\
&= X(fYg) - Y(fXg) - f(XY - YX)g \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{=} XfYg + fXYg - YfXg - fYXg - fXYg + fYXg \\
&= (Xf)(Yg) - (Yf)(Xg)
\end{aligned}$$

Generalization

Prop. ["GN" 3.8.2 p.75 ~ 76] (independent of any coordinate systems)

Let $\phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathcal{M})$ and $X_1, \dots, X_{n+1} \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathcal{M})$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
[d\phi](X_1, \dots, X_{r+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (-1)^{r+1} X_i \phi(X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, X_{r+1}) \\
&\quad + \sum_{j < i} (-1)^{i+j} \phi([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \hat{X}_i, \dots, \hat{X}_j, \dots, X_{r+1})
\end{aligned}$$

omit

$\in C^\infty(\mathcal{M})$

Exercise: This satisfies conditions 1~3 of Thm.

Recall that if $F: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$ a smooth map between manifolds, then

$F^*: \mathcal{J}^r(\mathcal{N}) \rightarrow \mathcal{J}^r(\mathcal{M})$ by

$$(F^*\phi)_p(X_{1,p}, \dots, X_{r,p}) := \phi_{F(p)}(F_*(X_{1,p}), \dots, F_*(X_{r,p}))$$

$\uparrow \in \mathcal{M}$ $\in T_p(\mathcal{M})$ $\in T_{F(p)}(\mathcal{N})$

which is also $F^*: \Lambda^r(\mathcal{N}) \rightarrow \Lambda^r(\mathcal{M})$ (alternating property is preserved)

Lemma: In this framework

$$F^* \circ d_{\mathcal{N}} = d_{\mathcal{M}} \circ F^* \quad [\text{Bo Thm 8.2 p.223}]$$

Exercise for mathematicians: about de Rham cohomology

[GN, p.76 ex 5]

II.4 Orientation on a manifold (easier)

Let V be a real vector space of dim n , and $\{E_j\}_{j=1}^n$ and $\{F_j\}_{j=1}^n$ 2 bases

Set $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ by $F_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} E_j$ coeff. of the change of basis

Def. The two bases has the SAME ORIENTATION if $\det(A) > 0$

and of OPPOSITE ORIENTATION if $\det(A) < 0$

\Rightarrow There exist 2 classes of equivalence of bases.

We say either they are either POSITIVELY ORIENTED

or NEGATIVELY ORIENTED.

Def. Let M be a smooth manifold of $\dim n \geq 1$, ⚠ Convention changed

M is ORIENTABLE if there exists a covering (\equiv atlas) $\{(U_i, \varphi_i)\}$; s.t. all transition maps $\varphi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1} : \varphi_i(U_i \cap U_j) \rightarrow \varphi_j(U_i \cap U_j)$ is ORIENTATION PRESERVING
 \Leftrightarrow if $\det \text{Jac}(\varphi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1}) > 0$

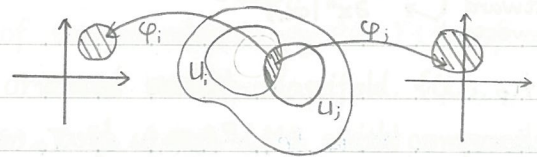
Lemma: A connected orientable manifold of $\dim \geq 1$ has only 2 possible orientations.

Remark: If $M = \{p\}$ (of $\dim 0$)

an orientation is a map from p to ± 1 . We need this because

$$\int_a^b f'(x) dx = f(b) - f(a)$$

\uparrow M of $\dim 0$, \uparrow $b \mapsto +1$, \uparrow $a \mapsto -1$ are what we need from orientations.



Thm. [Bo. p.218] (very deep but. intrusive) ϕ is called a VOLUME FORM

A manifold is orientable iff $\exists \phi \in \Lambda^n(M) \forall p \in M: \phi_p \neq 0$ ($\phi_p \in \Lambda^n(T_p(M))$)

Recall that $H^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n \geq 0\}$ and

M is a smooth manifold with boundary if every chart

$(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)$ with $\varphi_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow H^n$ is a homeomorphism. (+ atlas conditions)

The BOUNDARY of M is denoted by ∂M and is given by

$$\partial M := \bigcup_\alpha \varphi_\alpha^{-1}(\partial H^n \cap \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha))$$

which is a smooth manifold with $\dim (n-1)$

Next time: If M is oriented then it induces also an orientation on ∂M

(needed in Stoke's Thm)