

We first introduce some important objects.

Tangent and Cotangent Bundle.

Suppose M is a n dimensional smooth manifold. $p \in M$. The **Tangent Bundle** of M , called " TM ", is the disjoint union

$$TM = \bigcup_{p \in M} T_p M = \{(p, v) : p \in M, v \in T_p M\}. \text{ We could make } TM \text{ into a manifold in the following way:}$$

Let $F: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow M$ be a local chart of M . Then F naturally induces a local chart $\tilde{F}: U \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow TM$ for TM .

$$\tilde{F}(u_1, \dots, u_n, v^1, \dots, v^n) = (F(u_1, \dots, u_n), \sum_i v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}) \text{ where } v = \sum_i v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} \in T_p M, p = F(u_1, \dots, u_n)$$

RMK One can show 2 local parametrizations are compatible with each other hence it's really a smooth structure on TM .

Similarly, the **cotangent bundle** $T^*M = \{(p, \alpha) : p \in M, \alpha \in T_p^* M\}$ can be parametrized by

$$\tilde{F}^*(u_1, \dots, u_n, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (F(u_1, \dots, u_n), \sum_i \alpha_i du^i) \text{ where } du^i \in T_p^* M, du^i(\frac{\partial}{\partial u_j}) = \delta_j^i$$

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(Smooth) Vector field. (0,1) tensor.

A smooth vector field is a smooth map $V: M \rightarrow TM$. while we view TM as a smooth manifold as described above. i.e.

$\tilde{F}^{-1} \circ V \circ F: U \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^n$ is smooth. In local coordinates, $V(p) = (p, \sum_i V^i(p) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i})$ $V^i: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are components of $V(p)$.

$$\tilde{F}^{-1} \circ V \circ F(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \tilde{F}^{-1}(F(u_1, \dots, u_n), \sum_i V^i(p) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}) = (u_1, \dots, u_n, V^1(u_1, \dots, u_n), \dots, V^n(u_1, \dots, u_n))$$

hence **Prop.** A vector field V is smooth iff its components $\{V^i: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$ are smooth functions over M .

Differential 1-form. dual of "vector field", "cotangent field". (1,0) tensor

A differential 1-form is a smooth map $\omega: M \rightarrow T^*M$ given by $\omega(p) = (p, \sum_i \alpha_i(p) du^i)$ in local coordinate $(u_1, \dots, u_n)$.

Prop. A 1-form ω is smooth iff its components $\{\alpha_i: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$ are smooth functions over M .

Differential forms. multilinear alternating tensors.

0-form: smooth functions. $f = f(u_1, \dots, u_n)$ in terms of local coordinates

1-form: cotangent vectors. $\omega(p) = (p, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i(p) du^i|_p)$ in terms of local coordinates $\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i(u_1, \dots, u_n) du^i$

k-form: constructed using wedge product " $\wedge$ " as shown in the next section

Next we introduce some operations on those objects.

Wedge product and higher forms

Let $\alpha, \beta \in T^*M$. We want to construct a 2-form (bilinear **alternating** map). So define $\alpha \wedge \beta := \alpha \otimes \beta - \beta \otimes \alpha \in T^*M \otimes T^*M$ (2,0) tensor

3-forms: $\alpha \wedge \beta \wedge \gamma = \alpha \otimes \beta \otimes \gamma - \alpha \otimes \gamma \otimes \beta + \gamma \otimes \alpha \otimes \beta - \gamma \otimes \beta \otimes \alpha + \beta \otimes \gamma \otimes \alpha - \beta \otimes \alpha \otimes \gamma = \sum_{\sigma \in S_3} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \sigma(\alpha) \otimes \sigma(\beta) \otimes \sigma(\gamma)$

$\text{sgn}(\sigma) = +1$ if σ is even, -1 if σ is odd

k-forms: Let $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_k \in T^*M$ then $\omega_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_k = \sum_{\sigma \in S_k} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \sigma(\omega_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma(\omega_k)$ (not important)

In general a k-form looks like $\omega = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} \underbrace{\omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}_{\in C^\infty(M)} dx_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{i_k}$

Important features: Proposition.

1. $\omega \wedge \omega = 0$ if $\omega \in T^*M$ (Warning: if $\omega \in \Lambda^k T^*M$, $k > 1$, $\omega \wedge \omega \neq 0$ in general.)

2. $T_1 \wedge \dots \wedge T_k = -T_{r(1)} \wedge \dots \wedge T_{r(k)}$, $T_i \in T^*M$ if r is a transposition, i.e. exchange the order of any pair, we get a negative sign.

3. $\dim \Lambda^k T^*M = \binom{n}{k}$ where $\dim M = n$.

4. $\sigma \in \Lambda^k T^*M$, $\eta \in \Lambda^r T^*M$, then $\sigma \wedge \eta = (-1)^{kr} \eta \wedge \sigma$. In particular, even-form commutes with any other forms.

5. $(T_1 \wedge \dots \wedge T_k) \wedge (S_1 \wedge \dots \wedge S_r) = T_1 \wedge \dots \wedge T_k \wedge S_1 \wedge \dots \wedge S_r$

6. Linearity: $(\alpha T + \beta S) \wedge \sigma = \alpha T \wedge \sigma + \beta S \wedge \sigma$, $T, S \in \Lambda^k T^*M$, $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma \in \Lambda^r T^*M$

7. If T^*M is of dimension n , $\omega_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} du^j \in T^*M$ then $\omega_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_n = \det(a_{ij}) du^1 \wedge \dots \wedge du^n$

Examples $\omega = e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4$, then $\omega \wedge \omega = (e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4) \wedge (e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4) = e^1 \wedge e^2 \wedge e^3 \wedge e^4 + e^3 \wedge e^4 \wedge e^1 \wedge e^2 = 2 e^1 \wedge e^2 \wedge e^3 \wedge e^4$
(Note: $e^1 \wedge e^2 = -e^2 \wedge e^1$, $e^3 \wedge e^4 = -e^4 \wedge e^3$)

Corollary If $(u_1, \dots, u_n)$ and $(v_1, \dots, v_n)$ are two local charts of a manifold M , then

$$du^1 \wedge \dots \wedge du^n = \det \left(\frac{\partial(u_1, \dots, u_n)}{\partial(v_1, \dots, v_n)} \right) dv^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dv^n$$

Proof: Recall $du^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial v^j} dv^j$ (with Einstein summation rule), then apply (7) above

For simplicity we will apply the Einstein summation convention from now on.

$$a_i b^i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b^i$$

* **Push-forward vs Pull-back** Let $\Phi: M \rightarrow N$ be a smooth map tangent map $\Phi_*: TM \rightarrow TN$.

Pull-back of a function: $f \in C^\infty(N)$. Then $\Phi^* f := f \circ \Phi, M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a smooth function on M .

Pull-back of 1-form

The pullback of 1-form $\Phi^*: T^*N \rightarrow T^*M$ is defined as:

$$(\Phi^* \omega)(V) = \underbrace{\omega}_{\in T^*N}(\underbrace{\Phi_* V}_{\in TM}) \quad \text{for all vector } V \in TM.$$

In terms of local coordinates: $M: (u_1, \dots, u_m)$ $N: (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ Recall $\Phi_* \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \right) = \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial u_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial v_k}$, $[\Phi^*] = \left[\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial u_j} \right] = \frac{\partial(v_1, \dots, v_n)}{\partial(u_1, \dots, u_m)}$

$$(\Phi^* dv^i) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \right) = dv^i \left(\Phi_* \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \right) = dv^i \left(\sum_k \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial u_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial v_k} \right) = \sum_k \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial u_j} \underbrace{dv^i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial v_k} \right)}_{\delta^i_k} = \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial u_j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi^* dv^i = \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial u_j} du_j, \quad [\Phi^*] = \left[\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial u_j} \right] \text{ w.r.t. basis are "du"}^i \text{ and "dv"}^j \text{ for } T^*M \text{ and } T^*N \text{ respectively. } [\Phi^*] = [\Phi_*]^T$$

Pull-back of a tensor (hence of a diff. form).

Let $T := T_1 \otimes \dots \otimes T_k$ be a $(k,0)$ tensor on N . then define $(\Phi^* T)_p(x_1, \dots, x_k) := T_{\Phi(p)}(\Phi_* x_1, \dots, \Phi_* x_k)$, $\forall x_1, \dots, x_k \in T_p M$
 i.e. $\Phi^*(T_1 \otimes \dots \otimes T_k) = \Phi^* T_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \Phi^* T_k$

Eg. An example on $\mathbb{R}^2$ Let $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be $\Phi(x_1, x_2) = (e^{x_1+x_2}, \sin(x_1^2 x_2), x_2)$ Then $[\Phi_*] = \begin{bmatrix} e^{x_1+x_2} & e^{x_1+x_2} \\ 2x_1 x_2 \cos(x_1^2 x_2) & x_1^2 \cos(x_1^2 x_2) \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

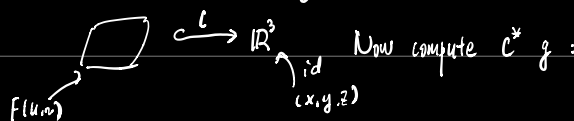
$$[\Phi^*] = \begin{bmatrix} e^{x_1+x_2} & 2x_1 x_2 \cos(x_1^2 x_2) & 1 \\ e^{x_1+x_2} & x_1^2 \cos(x_1^2 x_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \Phi^*(dy_1) = e^{x_1+x_2} dx_1 + e^{x_1+x_2} dx_2 \text{ etc.}$$

Let $f(y_1, y_2, y_3): \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a smooth function. $T := f(y_1, y_2, y_3) dy_1 \otimes dy_2$ be a $(2,0)$ tensor. The pull-back of T under Φ is: $\Phi^*(T) = \Phi^*(f) \Phi^*(dy_1) \otimes \Phi^*(dy_2) = f(\Phi(x_1, x_2)) e^{x_1+x_2} (dx_1 + dx_2) \otimes (2x_1 x_2 \cos(x_1^2 x_2) dx_1 + x_1^2 \cos(x_1^2 x_2) dx_2)$

$$= f \circ \Phi(x_1, x_2) e^{x_1+x_2} \cos(x_1^2 x_2) \cdot x_1 x_2 (dx_1 + dx_2) \otimes (2 dx_1 + x_1 dx_2)$$

$$= f \circ \Phi(x_1, x_2) e^{x_1+x_2} \cos(x_1^2 x_2) \cdot x_1 x_2 \left(2 dx_1^2 + 2 dx_2 dx_1 + x_1 dx_1 dx_2 + x_1 dx_2^2 \right)$$

Important Eg. Let $M \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ be a regular surface. $i: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the inclusion map. $g_{\mathbb{R}^3} := dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2$ be the Euclidean metric on $\mathbb{R}^3$. (2,0) tensor



$$id^* \circ (\circ F(u,v) = (x(u,v), y(u,v), z(u,v)) \quad [L_*] = \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \\ y_u & y_v \\ z_u & z_v \end{bmatrix} \quad [L^*] = \begin{bmatrix} x_u & y_u & z_u \\ x_v & y_v & z_v \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow L^*(dx) = x_u du + x_v dv$$

$$L^*(dx^2) = L^*(dx \otimes dx) = (L^* dx) \otimes (L^* dx) = (x_u du + x_v dv) \otimes (x_u du + x_v dv) = x_u^2 du^2 + x_u x_v du \otimes dv + x_v x_u dv \otimes du + x_v^2 dv^2$$

Similarly, we have $L^*(dy^2) = y_u^2 du^2 + y_u y_v du dv + y_v y_u dv du + y_v^2 dv^2$

$$C^*(dz^2) = z_u^2 du^2 + z_u z_v du dv + z_v z_u dv du + z_v^2 dv^2 \quad \text{Hence}$$

$$C^*(g) = C^*(dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2) \stackrel{\text{linearity}}{=} C^*(dx^2) + C^*(dy^2) + C^*(dz^2) =$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline (x_u)^2 du^2 + & x_u x_v du dv + & x_v x_u dv du + & (x_v)^2 dv^2 \\ \hline y_u^2 du^2 + & y_u y_v du dv + & y_v y_u dv du + & y_v^2 dv^2 \\ \hline z_u^2 du^2 + & z_u z_v du dv + & z_v z_u dv du + & z_v^2 dv^2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$= (x_u^2 + y_u^2 + z_u^2) du^2 + (x_u x_v + y_u y_v + z_u z_v) du dv + (x_v x_u + y_v y_u + z_v z_u) dv du + (x_v^2 + y_v^2 + z_v^2) dv^2$$

exactly the first fundamental form of M .

Pull-back of a differential form. $\omega \in \Lambda^k T^*N$ a k -form on N . then define

$$(\tilde{f}^* \omega)_p(v_1, \dots, v_k) := \omega_{\tilde{f}(p)}(\tilde{f}_* v_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_* v_k)$$

$\in \Lambda^k T_p^* M$ $p \in M$ $\in T_p M$ $\in \Lambda^k T_{\tilde{f}(p)}^* N$ $\in T_{\tilde{f}(p)} N$

Prop. $\tilde{f}^*(\alpha \wedge \beta) = (\tilde{f}^* \alpha) \wedge (\tilde{f}^* \beta)$

Proof. local coordinate calculations.

Exterior derivative $d: \Lambda^k T^*M \rightarrow \Lambda^{k+1} T^*M$.

Definitions via local coordinates.

(a) For $f \in C^\infty(M)$ i.e. 0-form. Define $df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u_i} du^i$ where $(u_1, \dots, u_n)$ is the local coordinate.

(b) For $\omega \in T^*M$ i.e. 1-form, $\omega = \omega_i du^i$, define $d\omega := d\omega_i \wedge du^i = \frac{\partial \omega_i}{\partial u_j} du^j \wedge du^i$ using (a)

(c) For in general $\omega \in \Lambda^k T^*M$: $\omega = \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k} dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k}$, $d\omega := d\omega_{i_1 \dots i_k} \wedge dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k}$

RMK. Definitions above are well-defined i.e. independent of local coordinates. For example, if $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is another local coordinate.

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u_i} du^i \stackrel{\text{chain rule}}{=} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_a} \frac{\partial v_a}{\partial u_i} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial v_j} dv^j = \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_a} \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial u^i}{\partial v_j} \frac{\partial v_a}{\partial u_i} \right)}_{\substack{\text{sum over } i \\ \delta_a^j}} dv^j = \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_a} \delta_a^j dv^j = \frac{\partial f}{\partial v_j} dv^j$$

The others are similar.

*** Really IMPORTANT: Theorem** $\omega \in \Lambda^k T^*M$. $d(d\omega) = 0$. i.e. $d^2 = 0$.

Proof. $\omega = \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k} dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k}$. $d\omega = \frac{\partial \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}{\partial x_j} dx^j \wedge dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k}$.

$$\begin{aligned} d(d\omega) &= d\left(\frac{\partial \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}{\partial x_j} dx^j \wedge dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k}\right) = d\left(\frac{\partial \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}{\partial x_j}\right) \wedge dx^j \wedge dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k} \\ &= \frac{\partial \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}{\partial x_j \partial x_r} dx^r \wedge dx^j \wedge dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_k} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The last "=" is because $\frac{\partial \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}{\partial x_j \partial x_r} = \frac{\partial \omega_{i_1 \dots i_k}}{\partial x_r \partial x_j}$ and $dx^r \wedge dx^j = -dx^j \wedge dx^r$

Def. Closed form if $d\omega = 0$, $\omega \in \ker(d_k)$

Exact form if $\exists \alpha \in \wedge^{k-1} T^*M$ $\omega = d\alpha$. $\omega \in \text{Im}(d_{k-1})$

By the last theorem, we have $\text{Im}(d_{k-1}) \subseteq \ker(d_k)$

$0 \xrightarrow{d_0} T^*M \xrightarrow{d_1} \wedge^2 T^*M \xrightarrow{d_2} \dots \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \wedge^n T^*M \xrightarrow{d_n} 0$ is an exact sequence.

$H_{dR}^k(M) := \frac{\ker(d_k)}{\text{Im}(d_{k-1})}$ is called the de Rham cohomology group of M .

Prop. Simple properties of d .

1. $d(\omega + \eta) = d\omega + d\eta$, $\omega, \eta \in \wedge^k T^*M$.

2. $d(f\omega) = df \wedge \omega + f d\omega$, $f \in C^\infty(M)$

3. $d(\alpha \wedge \beta) = d\alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^k \alpha \wedge d\beta$ where $\alpha \in \wedge^k T^*M$, $\beta \in \wedge^r T^*M$.

4. $d(\Phi^*\omega) = \Phi^*(d\omega)$ pullback commutes with exterior derivative.

Proof of 4. For a 0-form $f \in C^\infty(M)$: $\Phi^*f = f \circ \Phi$. $d(\Phi^*f) = d(f \circ \Phi) = \frac{\partial(f \circ \Phi)}{\partial u^i} du^i = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \circ \Phi \right) \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial u^i} du^i$ while on the other hand, $d\Phi^*f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial u^i} du^i$.

$d\Phi^*f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial u^i} du^i$, $\Phi^*(df) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \Phi^*(dx^j) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \circ \Phi \right) \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial u^i} du^i$

The other steps:

Proposition 3.57. Let $\Phi : M \rightarrow N$ be a smooth map between two smooth manifolds. For any $\omega \in \wedge^k T^*N$, we have:

$$(3.20) \quad \Phi^*(d\omega) = d(\Phi^*\omega).$$

To be precise, we say $\Phi^*(d_N\omega) = d_M(\Phi^*\omega)$, where $d_N : \wedge^k T^*N \rightarrow \wedge^{k+1} T^*N$ and $d_M : \wedge^k T^*M \rightarrow \wedge^{k+1} T^*M$ are the exterior derivatives on N and M respectively.

Proof. Let $\{u_j\}$ and $\{v_i\}$ be local coordinates of M and N respectively. By linearity, it suffices to prove (3.20) for the case $\omega = f dv^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dv^{i_k}$ where f is a locally defined scalar function. The proof follows from computing both LHS and RHS of (3.20):

$$\begin{aligned} d\omega &= df \wedge dv^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dv^{i_k} \\ \Phi^*(d\omega) &= \Phi^*(df) \wedge \Phi^*(dv^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge \Phi^*(dv^{i_k}) \\ &= d(\Phi^*f) \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_k}). \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used Exercise 3.50. On the other hand, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^*\omega &= (\Phi^*f) \Phi^*(dv^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge \Phi^*(dv^{i_k}) \\ &= (\Phi^*f) d(\Phi^*v^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_k}) \\ d(\Phi^*\omega) &= d(\Phi^*f) \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_k}) \\ &\quad + \Phi^*f d(d(\Phi^*v^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_k})) \end{aligned}$$

Since $d^2 = 0$, each of $d(\Phi^*v^{i_q})$ is a closed 1-form. By Proposition 3.42 (product rule) and induction, we can conclude that:

$$d(d(\Phi^*v^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_k})) = 0$$

and so $d(\Phi^*\omega) = d(\Phi^*f) \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(\Phi^*v^{i_k})$ as desired. $\square$

Lie derivative.

We first introduce the "dynamical" definition. For referencing purpose, here we recall some basic theorems of ODEs in $\mathbb{R}^n$.

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2 Existence and Uniqueness

Theorem 2.6 (Picard-Lindelöf's Existence Theorem). Let Ω be an open domain in $\mathbb{R}^d$, $\mathbf{x}_0$ be a point in Ω , and $I = [-T, T]$ be a closed and bounded time interval. Suppose $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t) : \Omega \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is a vector field which is locally Lipschitz continuous on $\Omega \times I$ (see Definition 2.7), then the initial-value problem

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

has a solution $\mathbf{x}(t)$ defined on an interval $[-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \subset I$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$.

Similarly, for an autonomous system with a vector field $\mathbf{G} : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ which is locally Lipschitz continuous on Ω , the IVP

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

has a solution defined on an interval $[-\varepsilon', \varepsilon']$ for some $\varepsilon' > 0$.

Remark 2.17. By Theorem 2.3, any C^1 vector field must be locally Lipschitz continuous. Therefore, Theorem 2.6 applies to all C^1 vector fields. Many examples we have seen so far are C^1 on their domain. $\square$

Theorem 2.9 (Continuous Dependence Inequality for Nonlinear Systems). Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be an open domain and I be a time interval. Suppose $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t) : \Omega \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is a vector field which is Lipschitz continuous on $\Omega \times I$ with a Lipschitz constant L . If $\mathbf{x}_1(t)$ and $\mathbf{x}_2(t)$ are both solutions to the system $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t)$, and $\mathbf{x}_1(t), \mathbf{x}_2(t) \in \Omega$ for t in some interval $I' \subset I$, then we have:

$$|\mathbf{x}_1(t) - \mathbf{x}_2(t)| \leq |\mathbf{x}_1(t_0) - \mathbf{x}_2(t_0)| e^{L|t-t_0|} \quad (2.14)$$

for any $t_0, t \in I'$.

Remark 2.23. In simpler terms, the inequality (2.14) holds as long as both solutions stay inside Ω . $\square$

Corollary 2.2 (Uniqueness Theorem: Lipschitz). Suppose $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t) : \Omega \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ be a vector field which is Lipschitz continuous on $\Omega \times I$ and $\mathbf{x}_0$ is a point in Ω . If $\mathbf{x}_1(t)$ and $\mathbf{x}_2(t)$, defined on $t \in I' \subset I$ such that $\mathbf{x}_1(t), \mathbf{x}_2(t) \in \Omega$ for $t \in I'$, are both solutions to the IVP:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t), \quad \mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}_0,$$

then we have $\mathbf{x}_1(t) = \mathbf{x}_2(t)$ for all $t \in I'$.

Remark 2.26. In simpler terms, the corollary asserts that the solution to an IVP is unique as long as the solution lies in Ω . $\square$

Corollary 2.3 (Uniqueness Theorem: Locally Lipschitz). Suppose $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t) : \Omega \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ be a vector field which is locally Lipschitz continuous on $\Omega \times I$. Let $\mathbf{x}_0$ be a point in Ω . If $\mathbf{x}_1(t)$ and $\mathbf{x}_2(t)$, defined on $t \in I' \subset I$ such that $\mathbf{x}_1(t), \mathbf{x}_2(t) \in \Omega$ for $t \in I'$, are both solutions to the IVP:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, t), \quad \mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}_0,$$

then we have $\mathbf{x}_1(t) = \mathbf{x}_2(t)$ for all $t \in I'$.

Definition. Local flow.

By those theorems, we can construct a unique local flow of a smooth vector field X to be: $\Phi_t(p) := \varphi(p, t)$

where $\varphi : M \times (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M$ smooth, $\varphi(p, 0) = p \in M$, $\frac{d}{dt} \varphi(p, t) = X(\varphi(p, t))$, $\forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$.

Note it follows from the uniqueness theorem that $\Phi_t \circ \Phi_s = \Phi_{t+s}$ $\forall t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ $t+s \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. (Just show both sides satisfy the equation)

$\Rightarrow \Phi_t^{-1} = \Phi_{-t}$, $\forall$ fixed $p \in M$, $\Phi_{t, (p)} : M \rightarrow M$ is a diffeomorphism, so called the one parameter group of diffeomorphism.

Definition. $\mathcal{L}_X f$. Given a smooth function f on M , we define. The Lie derivative of f along X at $p \in M$,

$$\mathcal{L}_X f|_p := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\Phi_t(p)) - f(p)}{t} \quad \text{So } \mathcal{L}_X : C^\infty(M) \mapsto C^\infty(M)$$

Theorem. $\mathcal{L}_X f = X(f)$ The proof is done via local coordinates:

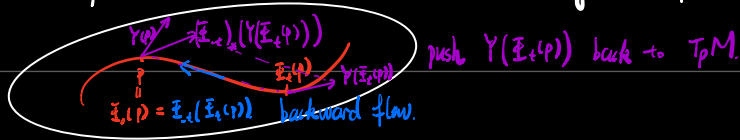
In terms of local coordinates, suppose $F(u_1, \dots, u_n)$ is a local chart around $p = F(0, \dots, 0)$. $X = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}$. WLOG we could

assume $\bar{\Phi}_t(p) = \bar{\Phi}_t \circ F(u_1(t), \dots, u_n(t))$ is also in the chart

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_X f|_p &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\bar{\Phi}_t(p)) - f(p)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f \circ F(u_1(t), \dots, u_n(t)) - f \circ F(0, \dots, 0)}{t} \\ &\stackrel{\text{chain rule}}{=} \frac{\partial (f \circ F)}{\partial u_i} \frac{du_i}{dt} \Big|_p = X^i \frac{\partial (f \circ F)}{\partial u_i} = X^i \frac{\partial f}{\partial u_i} = X(f). \end{aligned}$$

So we conclude. $\mathcal{L}_X(f) = X(f) = X^i \frac{\partial f}{\partial u_i}$ is just the directional derivative of f along X .

And then we consider compare two vectors $X(p)$ and $X(\bar{\Phi}_t(p))$ by transform both vectors to the same vector space:



Given a vector field Y over M . $Y(p) \in T_p M$, $Y(\bar{\Phi}_t(p)) \in T_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)} M \Rightarrow (\bar{\Phi}_t)_* (Y(\bar{\Phi}_t(p))) \in T_p M$ here

We use push-forward of $\bar{\Phi}_t$ to move tangent vectors at $\bar{\Phi}_t(p)$ to p . Then we define.

The Lie derivative of a vector field Y along X at $p \in M$ $\mathcal{L}_X Y|_p := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\bar{\Phi}_t)_* (Y(\bar{\Phi}_t(p))) - Y(p)}{t}$.

Before we do local calculations, we define the Lie bracket $[X, Y] = XY - YX$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In terms of local coordinates, } [X, Y] &= XY - YX = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} (Y^j \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j}) - Y^j \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} (X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}) \\ &= X^i \left(\frac{\partial Y^j}{\partial u_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} + \cancel{Y^j \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_i \partial u_j}} \right) - Y^j \left(\frac{\partial X^i}{\partial u_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_i \partial u_j} X^i} \right) \\ &= X^i \frac{\partial Y^j}{\partial u_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} - Y^j \frac{\partial X^i}{\partial u_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} \stackrel{j \rightarrow i}{=} \left(X^i \frac{\partial Y^i}{\partial u_j} - Y^j \frac{\partial X^j}{\partial u_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} \\ \Rightarrow [X, Y] &= \left(X^i \frac{\partial Y^i}{\partial u_j} - Y^j \frac{\partial X^j}{\partial u_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem. We could similarly verify the following properties:

(a) antisymmetric: $[X, Y] = -[Y, X]$. (b) $\mathbb{R}$ -Bilinearity

(c) Jacobi identity $[X, Y], Z + [Y, Z], X + [Z, X], Y = 0$

(d) Product rule: $[fX, gY] = fg[X, Y] + f \cdot X(g)Y - g \cdot Y(f)X$

Theorem. $\mathcal{L}_X(Y) = [X, Y]$.

proof. there is a proof using local coordinates but it's quite complicated. Here we adapt a proof from P. Petersen without using local coordinates.

By the def of $\mathcal{L}_X Y$, we have $(\bar{\Phi}_t)_* (Y(\bar{\Phi}_t(p))) - Y(p) = t \mathcal{L}_X Y + o(t)$. (*)

Use $(\bar{\Phi}_t)_*$ to act on both sides:

$$\Leftrightarrow Y(\bar{\Phi}_t^*(f)) - (\bar{\Phi}_t)_*(Y(p)) = t(\bar{\Phi}_t)_*(L_X Y) + o(t), \quad (***)$$

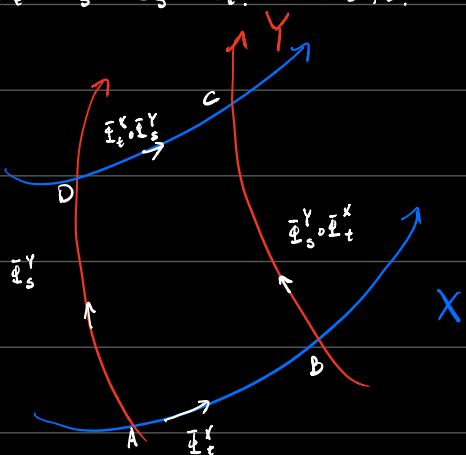
Pick $f \in C^\infty$. Consider the directional derivative of f at $\bar{\Phi}_t(p)$ along RHS of (**):

$$\begin{aligned} \left[Y(\bar{\Phi}_t^*(f)) - (\bar{\Phi}_t)_*(Y(p)) \right](f) &= Y(\bar{\Phi}_t^*(f))(f) - (\bar{\Phi}_t)_*(Y(p))(f) \\ &= Y(f) \Big|_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)} - Y(f|_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)}) \\ &= \cancel{Y(f)} + t X Y(f) + o(t) - Y(\cancel{f} + t X(f) + o(t)) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{all evaluated at } p. \end{array} \right\} \\ &= t(XY - YX)(f) + o(t) \quad (***) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow L_X Y = [X, Y]$ by comparing (*) and (***)

Corollary If $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ the space of smooth vector field, $[X, Y] = 0$.

then $\bar{\Phi}_t^X \circ \bar{\Phi}_s^Y = \bar{\Phi}_s^Y \circ \bar{\Phi}_t^X \quad \forall s, t$.



Definition. Lie derivative of 1-form. Unlike vector field case we use backward push-forward to move vectors, now we could directly apply pullback of 1-forms to drag it to p :

Let α be a 1-form. $L_Y \alpha|_p := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\bar{\Phi}_t)^*(\alpha(\bar{\Phi}_t(p))) - \alpha(p)}{t}$ where $\bar{\Phi}_t(p)$ is the local flow of X .

In terms of local coordinates, if $\alpha = \alpha_i du^i$, then $\bar{\Phi}_t^*(\alpha)|_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)} = \alpha_i|_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)} \bar{\Phi}_t^*(du^i) = \alpha_i|_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u_j} du^j$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned} L_X \alpha &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \left(\alpha_i|_{\bar{\Phi}_t(p)} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u_j} du^j \right) = \left(\frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u_j} + \alpha_i \frac{\partial^2 u^i}{\partial u_j \partial t} \right) \Big|_{t=0} du^j \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_k} \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u_j} + \alpha_i \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u_j \partial t} \right) \Big|_{t=0} du^j \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial \alpha_j}{\partial u_k} X^k + \alpha_i \frac{\partial X^i}{\partial u_j} \right) du^j \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_X \alpha = \left(X^j \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} + \alpha_j \frac{\partial X^j}{\partial u_i} \right) du^i$$

Definition. Lie derivative of $(k,0)$ -tensor field.

Now we generalize Lie derivative of 1-forms (1,0-tensors) to $(k,0)$ tensors: Suppose $T = T_{i_1 \dots i_k} du^{i_1} \dots du^{i_k}$ is a $(k,0)$ tensor on M .

$$\mathcal{L}_X T := \mathcal{L}_X (T_{i_1 \dots i_k} du^{i_1} \dots du^{i_k}) = \underbrace{\mathcal{L}_X (T_{i_1 \dots i_k})}_{\text{Lie derivative of a smooth function} = X(T_{i_1 \dots i_k})} du^{i_1} \dots du^{i_k} + \sum_{j=1}^k T_{i_1 \dots i_k} du^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{L}_X (du^{i_k}) \otimes \dots \otimes du^{i_k}.$$

As we already define $\mathcal{L}_X (du^{i_j})$, our new def. makes sense. One may also compute the local coordinates.

We now give the **axiomatic definition**.

Axiom 1. $\mathcal{L}_X f = X(f) \quad \forall f \in C^\infty(M)$

2. $\mathcal{L}_X (T \otimes S) = \mathcal{L}_X(T) \otimes S + T \otimes \mathcal{L}_X(S)$ **product rule**

3. $\mathcal{L}_X (T(Y_1, \dots, Y_k)) = (\mathcal{L}_X T)(Y_1, \dots, Y_k) + T(\mathcal{L}_X(Y_1), \dots, Y_k) + \dots + T(Y_1, \dots, \mathcal{L}_X(Y_k))$

4. $\mathcal{L}_X$ commutes with exterior derivative d on differential forms.

RMK. $\mathcal{L}_X$ does not change the tensor type.

We have something to say about 4. above. There is a nice formula for $\mathcal{L}_X$ acting on differential forms.

Cartan's magic formula. $\mathcal{L}_X \alpha = i_X(d\alpha) + d(i_X \alpha) \quad \forall \alpha \in \wedge^k T^*M$.

Definition. Given vector field X , $\omega \in \wedge^k T^*M$, define the **interior product** $i_X: \wedge^k T^*M \rightarrow \wedge^{k-1} T^*M$ given by

$$i_X \omega(Y_1, \dots, Y_{k-1}) = \omega(\underbrace{X}_{\text{vector field}}, \underbrace{Y_1, \dots, Y_{k-1}}_{(k-1)\text{-form}})$$

Properties of i_X :

1) linearity 2) $i_X i_Y \omega = -i_Y i_X \omega$ by antisymmetry of diff. forms 3) $i_{[X,Y]} = [\mathcal{L}_X, i_Y]$ (product rule) 4) $i_X(\alpha \wedge \beta) = i_X(\alpha) \wedge \beta + (-1)^p \alpha \wedge i_X(\beta)$ α p -form.

Proof of sketch of Cartan's magic formula.

Induction. for 1-form $\alpha = \alpha_i du^i$: $d\alpha = d\alpha_i \wedge du^i = \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} du^j \wedge du^i$ $\mathcal{L}_X \alpha = \left(X^j \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} + \alpha_j \frac{\partial X^j}{\partial u_i} \right) du^i$ as we've done before.

$$\Rightarrow i_X(d\alpha) = \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} i_X(du^j \wedge du^i) = \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} (-X^j du^i + X^i du^j)$$

$$i_X(du^i \wedge du^j)(Y) = du^i(X) du^j(Y) = X^i Y^j \Rightarrow i_X(du^i \wedge du^j) = X^i du^j - X^j du^i$$

$$\Rightarrow i_X(du^j \wedge du^i) = i_X(du^i \wedge du^j) - i_X(du^i \wedge du^j) = -X^i du^j + X^j du^i$$

$$i_X \alpha = \alpha(X) = \alpha_i X^i \quad d(i_X \alpha) = \frac{\partial (\alpha_i X^i)}{\partial u_j} du^j = \left(X^j \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} + \alpha_i \frac{\partial X^j}{\partial u_j} \right) du^j$$

$$\Rightarrow i_X(d\alpha) + d(i_X\alpha) = \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial u_j} x^j du^i + \alpha_i \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u_j} du^j \xrightarrow[\substack{\text{relabeling} \\ i \leftrightarrow j}]{=} L_X \alpha$$

For general case, assume Cartan's formula holds for k -form. WLOG let $\omega = \omega dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^k \in \Lambda^k T^*M$

To be continued....

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