

Last time:

Given V vec. space $/\mathbb{R} \rightsquigarrow V^{\otimes k}, T(V), \Lambda(V), \Lambda^s V$ (image of $V^{\otimes s}$
 \downarrow
 $\Lambda(V)$).

Univ. property of wedge product:

There is a canonical alt. multilinear map

$$\underbrace{V \times \dots \times V}_s \xrightarrow{\psi} \Lambda^s V$$

$$(v_1, \dots, v_s) \longmapsto v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_s. \quad (\text{image of } v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_s \text{ in } \Lambda^s V)$$

and $(\Lambda^s V, \psi)$ satisfies the following universal property:

any alt.-multilinear map

$$\underbrace{V \times \dots \times V}_s \xrightarrow{f} Z$$

$\psi \searrow \quad \swarrow \exists! \bar{f} \text{ linear map.}$
 $\Lambda^s V$

factors uniquely through ψ via a linear map $\bar{f}: \Lambda^s V \rightarrow Z$ as in diagram.

Basis:

Prop: Given $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ basis for V , a basis $\Lambda^s V$ consists of

$$\Lambda^s \mathcal{B} = \{ v_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{i_s} \mid i_1 < \dots < i_s \}$$

In particular, $\dim \Lambda^s V = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s > k = \dim(V) \\ \binom{\dim(V)=k}{s} & \text{if } s \leq k = \dim(V). \end{cases}$

ex: \mathbb{R}^3 , basis $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$.

Then $\wedge^0 \mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{R}$, basis 1 . ($\binom{3}{0} = 1$ dim)

$\wedge^1 \mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{R}^3$, basis e_1, e_2, e_3 . ($\binom{3}{1} = 3$ dim)

$\wedge^2 \mathbb{R}^3$ basis $e_1 e_2, e_2 e_3, e_1 e_3$. ($\binom{3}{2} = 3$ dim)

$\wedge^3 \mathbb{R}^3$ basis $e_1 e_2 e_3$. ($\binom{3}{3} = 1$ dim)

$\wedge^4 \mathbb{R}^3 = \{0\}$.

($\wedge^k \mathbb{R}^3 = \{0\}$ for $k > 3$)

Sketch proof of proposition:

• $\wedge^s \mathcal{B}$ spans $\wedge^s V$:

Assume we knew $\{v_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes v_{i_s} \mid i_1, \dots, i_s \text{ arbitrary in } \{1, \dots, k\}\}$ was a basis for $V^{\otimes s}$.

\Rightarrow representatives of $\wedge^s V := V^{\otimes s} / \sim$ span $\wedge^s V$.

But by applying $v \wedge v = 0$ and/or $v \wedge w = -w \wedge v$, we see that span of above collection = span of $\wedge^s \mathcal{B}$ in $\wedge^s V$.

$\Rightarrow \wedge^s \mathcal{B}$ spans.

• Linear independence of $\wedge^s \mathcal{B}$:

• case $k = \dim(V) = s$, so $\wedge^s \mathcal{B} = \{v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k\}$.

We know $v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k$ spans, need to know it's non-zero.

Consider the alternating multilinear map

$$\tau: \underbrace{V \times \dots \times V}_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

with $\tau(v_1, \dots, v_k) = 1$; (claim: τ extends to a unique alternating \mathcal{B} multilinear map; exercise.)

By univ. property, τ induces

$$\bar{\tau}: \wedge^k V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{satisfying} \quad \bar{\tau} \circ \psi(v_1, \dots, v_k) = \tau(v_1, \dots, v_k)$$

$$v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k \mapsto 1. \quad \bar{\tau}(v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k) = 1$$

In particular, $v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k \neq 0$.

• if $s < k = \dim(V)$, we want to show

$$\wedge^s \mathcal{B} = \{v_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{i_s} \mid i_1 < \dots < i_s\} \text{ is linearly independent.}$$

Suppose we have a relation
$$\sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_s} a_{i_1, \dots, i_s} v_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{i_s} = 0. \quad (\star\star\star)$$

Fix a particular $i_1 < \dots < i_s$, (want $a_{i_1, \dots, i_s} = 0$). Note \exists

a unique j_1, \dots, j_{k-s} ($\{j_1, \dots, j_{k-s}\} = \{1, \dots, k\} \setminus \{i_1, \dots, i_s\}$)

such that
$$(\star) v_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{i_s} \wedge (v_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{j_{k-s}}) = \pm v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k.$$

$$(\star\star) (\text{any other elt. of } \wedge^s \mathcal{B}) \wedge (v_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{j_{k-s}}) = 0.$$

Wedging the linear relation $(\star\star\star)$ with $v_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge v_{j_{k-s}}$, we learn

$$\pm a_{i_1, \dots, i_s} v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k = 0 \implies a_{i_1, \dots, i_s} = 0.$$

(b/c $v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k \neq 0$)

$i_1 < \dots < i_s$ arbitrary, so we're done.

□

A corollary of above argument is:

Lemma: (wedge dependence lemma): $\forall v_1, \dots, v_s \in V,$

v_1, \dots, v_s is linearly independent $\Leftrightarrow v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_s \neq 0$ in $\Lambda^s V.$

(exercise):

Functoriality and determinant:

Any map $T: V \rightarrow W$ induces $\Lambda^s T: \Lambda^s V \rightarrow \Lambda^s W$

(the corresp. alt. multilinear map $\underbrace{V \times \dots \times V}_s \rightarrow \Lambda^s W$

sends $(v_1, \dots, v_s) \mapsto T v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge T v_s.$

In particular on pure wedges, $\Lambda^s T(v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_s) = (T v_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (T v_s).$

Now say $T: V \rightarrow V$ with $\dim(V) = k.$

1-diml vector spaces.

It follows that we get a map $\Lambda^k T: \Lambda^k V \rightarrow \Lambda^k V$

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However, a linear map from a 1-D vec. space Z to itself must be mult. by a scalar.

$\Rightarrow \Lambda^k T: \omega \mapsto d\omega$ for some $d \in \mathbb{R}.$

Def: (Determinant).

$\det(T) :=$ the unique scalar $d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $(\Lambda^k T)(\omega) = d\omega$ for any

$\omega \in \Lambda^k V$ where $k = \dim(V).$

e.g. $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$
 $e_1 \mapsto a e_1 + c e_2$ i.e., $T(\vec{v}) = A\vec{v}, A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}.$
 $e_2 \mapsto b e_1 + d e_2$

Then $\Lambda^2 T(e_1, e_2) = T(e_1) \wedge T(e_2) = d e_1 \wedge e_2$ for some d . what's d ?

compute: $T(e_1) \wedge T(e_2) = (a e_1 + c e_2) \wedge (b e_1 + d e_2)$

$$= ad e_1 e_2 + bc e_2 e_1$$

$$= (ad - bc) e_1 e_2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(T) = ad - bc.$$

Tensor calculus on manifolds

We've seen that from V we can functorially associate $V^{\otimes s}$, $\Lambda^s V$ for any s .

So moreover the associated maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} GL(V) & \xrightarrow{\rho^{\otimes s}} & GL(V^{\otimes s}) \\ T & \xrightarrow{\quad} & T^{\otimes s} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} GL(V) & \xrightarrow{\rho^{\wedge s}} & GL(\Lambda^s V) \\ T & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \Lambda^s T. \end{array}$$

are Lie group representations (in particular, they're smooth).

We can therefore use $\rho^{\otimes s}$, $\rho^{\wedge s}$ to construct new vector bundles

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E^{\otimes s} & , & \Lambda^s E \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ M & & M \end{array} \quad \text{from an existing } \begin{array}{c} E \\ \downarrow \pi \\ M \end{array} \text{ rank } k \text{ vector bundle.}$$

Here's a more direct construction of $\Lambda^s E$ ($E^{\otimes s}$ is similar).

$$\text{As a set, } \Lambda^s E := \coprod_{p \in M} \Lambda^s(E_p) = \{ (p, v) \mid p \in M, v \in \Lambda^s E_p \},$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi \downarrow & \downarrow & \\ M \ni p & & \end{array}$$

Choose a cover $\{U_\alpha\}$ of M over which there are

- charts $m \in M$ $\phi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} \mathbb{R}^m$.
- trivializations of $E|_{U_\alpha}$, $\psi_\alpha: E|_{U_\alpha} \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^k$.

We define a collection of "charts" of $\Lambda^S E$: Φ_α (p,v) \longmapsto (p, $\Psi_\alpha(p)(v)$)

$$\Lambda^S E|_{U_\alpha} \longrightarrow U_\alpha \times \Lambda^S \mathbb{R}^k \cong U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^{\binom{k}{s}} \xrightarrow{\psi_\alpha \times \text{id}} \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \times \mathbb{R}^{\binom{k}{s}}$$

$(p,v) \longmapsto (p, \underbrace{\Lambda^S(\Psi_\alpha(p))}_{\Psi_\alpha(p)}(v))$ \uparrow id \times (any linear iso.)

$\Psi_\alpha(p): E_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$.

As we did for TM, T^*M , we'll use these "derived" charts to put a topology on $\Lambda^S E$ (by declaring each Φ_α to be a homeo., & each $\Lambda^S E|_{U_\alpha}$ to be open), and now need to check that

- Φ_α defines a smooth manifold str.,
 (transition functions associated to a pair of maps above, Φ_α, Φ_β ?)
 $\Phi_\beta \circ \Phi_\alpha^{-1} \Big|_{\phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \Lambda^S \mathbb{R}^k} = (\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}, \Lambda^S(\Psi_\beta \circ \phi_\beta^{-1} \circ \phi_\alpha \circ \Psi_\alpha^{-1}))$
 - π is smooth
 - $\Lambda^S E$ is locally trivial, -/ linear fibes.
- \uparrow
 smooth b/c
 the map
 $GL(V) \rightarrow GL(\Lambda^S V)$
 $T \mapsto \Lambda^S T$
 is smooth.