

- (*) Assignment 5 solutions are up
- (*) Assignment 7 will be posted soon.

Cartan Calculus:

- 1) The exterior derivative d
- 2) The interior multiplication ι
- 3) The lie derivative L

how they
interact
together.

Recall: We defined the exterior derivative $d: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M)$, which satisfies, and is completely determined by, the following properties:

- 1) d is an anti derivation of degree 1 on $\Omega^*(M)$,

$$\begin{cases} * & d: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M) \text{ and is } \mathbb{R}\text{-linear} \\ * & d(w \wedge \eta) = dw \wedge \eta + (-1)^k w \wedge d\eta \text{ for } w \in \Omega^k(M) \text{ and } \eta \in \Omega^l(M) \end{cases}$$
- 2) $d: \Omega^0(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M)$ is the differential.
- 3) $d^2 = 0$

Interior multiplication

We first define it on a vector space V .

Let $\beta \in \Lambda^k(V^*)$ for $k \geq 2$. Fix $v \in V$.

Define $\iota_V(\beta) \in \Lambda^{k-1}(V^*)$ by

$$\iota_V(\beta)(v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}) = \beta(v, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}) \quad \text{for } v, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1} \in V$$

$\iota_V(\beta)$ is called the interior multiplication or contraction of β with v .

If $k=1$, $\iota_V(\beta) := \beta(v)$

If $k=0$, $\iota_V(\beta) := 0$

$\iota : V \times \Lambda^k(V^*) \rightarrow \Lambda^{k-1}(V^*)$ is linear wrt
both arguments. (Exc)

Proposition: Some properties of ι_V (fix $v \in V$)

1) If $\alpha^1, \dots, \alpha^k \in V^* = \Lambda^1(V^*)$

$$\text{Then } \iota_V(\alpha^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha^k) = \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i-1} \alpha^i(v) \alpha^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \overset{\wedge}{\alpha^i} \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha^k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha^k(v, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^1(v) & \alpha^1(v_1) & \dots & \alpha^1(v_{k-1}) \\ \alpha^2(v) & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \alpha^k(v) & \alpha^k(v_1) & \dots & \alpha^k(v_{k-1}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i-1} \alpha^i(v) \underbrace{\alpha^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \overset{\wedge}{\alpha^i} \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha^k}_{(v, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1})} \end{aligned}$$

$$2) \quad \iota_v \circ \iota_v = 0$$

$$\iota_v \circ \iota_v (\beta)(v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}) = \beta(v, v, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}) = 0$$

3) For $\beta \in \Lambda^k(V^*)$ and $\gamma \in \Lambda^l(V^*)$,

$$\iota_v(\beta \wedge \gamma) = \iota_v(\beta) \wedge \gamma + (-)^k \beta \wedge \iota_v \gamma$$

Hint: Use C1) (Exe.)

So $\iota_v : \Lambda^*(V^*) \rightarrow \Lambda^*(V^*)$ is an anti derivation
of degree -1 on the graded algebra $\Lambda^*(V^*)$ whose
square 0.

We define interior multiplication on manifolds:

Fix $x \in \mathcal{X}(M)$. Let $w \in \Omega^k(M)$

Define $\iota_x(w)$ as the $k-1$ form given by:

$$(\iota_x w)_p = \iota_{x_p} w_p \quad \left(\text{Recall } d w \text{ could not be defined first on vectorspaces and then pointwise on manifolds} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{for } x_1, \dots, x_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}(M), \quad \iota_X w(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) \\
 & \quad = w(x, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) \in C^\infty(M) \\
 \Rightarrow & \quad \iota_X w \in \Omega^{k-1}(M)
 \end{aligned}$$

If $k=1$, $\iota_X w = w(x)$

If $k=0$, $\iota_X w = 0$

So $\iota_X : \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M)$ satisfies

- 1) \mathbb{R} -linear
- 2) $\iota_X(w \wedge \eta) = \iota_X w \wedge \eta + (-1)^k w \wedge \iota_X(\eta)$
for $w \in \Omega^k(M)$, $\eta \in \Omega^l(M)$
- 3) $\iota_X^2 = 0$
 $\downarrow \iota_X \circ \iota_X$

So ι_X is an antiderivation on the graded algebra $\Omega^*(M)$
of degree -1 s.t. $\iota_X^2 = 0$

Also $\iota : \mathcal{X}(M) \times \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M)$ is C^∞ -linear
w.r.t both arguments.

\downarrow
translates to

$(\iota_X w)_p$ depends
only on x_p and w_p

Proposition: For $x, y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$,

$$l_x \circ l_y + l_y \circ l_x = 0$$

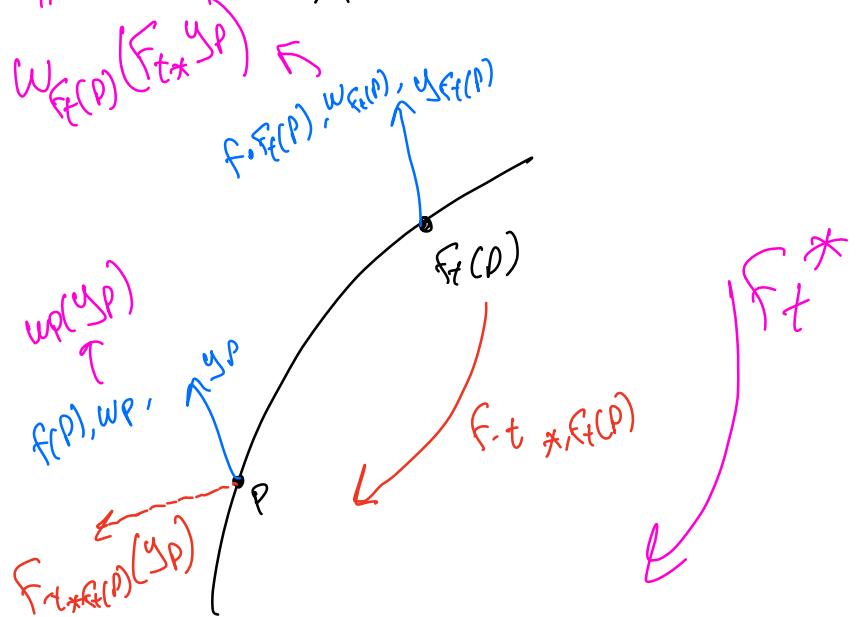
Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} & (l_x \circ l_y + l_y \circ l_x) w(x_1, \dots, x_{n-2}) \\ &= w(x, y, x_1, \dots, x_{n-2}) + w(y, x, x_1, \dots, x_{n-2}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$\overset{*}{w}_{f(P)}(y_P)$ Lie Derivative of k -form

Let $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, let f be the flow of X .



Recall we already defined \mathcal{L}_x on $\Omega^0(M)$:

let $f \in \Omega^0(M)$,

$$\textcircled{*} \quad x(f) = \mathcal{L}_x f|_p := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f \circ F_t(p) - f(p)}{t} = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f \circ F_t(p)$$

$\overset{F_t^*(f)}{\curvearrowleft}$

Recall we defined \mathcal{L}_x on $\mathcal{X}(M)$,

let $y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$,

$$\mathcal{L}_x y|_p := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{F_t \circ \varphi_{F_t(p)}(y_{F_t(p)}) - y_p}{t} = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \underbrace{F_t \circ \varphi_{F_t(p)}(y_{F_t(p)})}_{\text{1 Curve on } T_p M}$$

Similarly, we define on \mathcal{L}_x on $\Omega^n(M)$,

for $w \in \Omega^n(M)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_x w|_p &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{F_t^*(w_{F_t(p)}) - wf}{t} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} F_t^*(w_{F_t(p)}) \in \Lambda^k(T_p^* M) \end{aligned}$$

curve on $\Lambda^k(T_p^*M)$

If $w \in \Omega^0(M)$,

it agrees with the definition
above $(*)$

Proposition : The limit always exists & also
 $L_x w \in \Omega^k(M)$ whenever $w \in \Omega^k(M)$.

In coordinates :

$$L_x w|_P \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^I}|_P \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f_t^* \underbrace{w_{f_t(P)}}_{\text{---}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^I}|_P \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f_t^* \underbrace{(b_J \circ f_t(P) dx_{f_t(P)}^J)}_{\text{---}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^I}|_P$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} b_J \circ f_t(P) d f_p^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge d f_p^{j_k} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^I}|_P \right)$$

$$= \dots = ? \quad \text{etc}$$