

Differential Geometry II

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(3) Everything remains valid if we consider in (1) and (2) fibre bundles of manifolds and replace continuous by smooth, homeomorphisms by diffeomorphism.

Proof of Lemma 43

$$E := \bigsqcup_{i \in I} (U_i \times F) \xrightarrow{\pi} B$$

$$\sim : \forall i, j \in I \quad \forall x \in U_i \cap U_j, \forall f \in F : \\ (x, f)_i \sim (x, g_{ij}(x, f))_j$$

Quotient topology : X top. space, \sim equivalence rel. on X

quotient topology on X/\sim : finest topology s.t.

$$p : X \rightarrow X/\sim \quad p(x) := [x] \text{ is continuous.}$$

in short: $U \subset X/\sim$ open $\Leftrightarrow p^{-1}(U) \subset X$ is open.

$$U \subset B \text{ open} \quad p^{-1}(\pi^{-1}(U)) = \bigsqcup_{i \in I} (U \cap U_i) \times F \text{ open!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U) \subset E \text{ is open} \Rightarrow \pi \text{ is continuous.}$$

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$$\bar{\tau}^{-1}(U_i) = p(U_i \times F) \subset \underline{E} \text{ open}$$

$$p|_{U_i \times F} : U_i \times F \rightarrow p(U_i \times F) \subset \underline{E} \text{ bijection!}$$

$$(p|_{U_i \times F})^{-1} : \bar{\tau}^{-1}(U_i) \rightarrow U_i \times F \text{ continuous.}$$

$$W \subset U_i \times F \text{ open}$$

need to show

$$p(W) \subset \underline{E} \text{ is open}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p^{-1}(p(W)) = \coprod_{j \in \underline{I}} \underbrace{\bar{\tau}_j^{-1}(W)}_{\text{open}} \text{ open.}$$

$$\bar{\tau}_{ij}(x, t) = (x, g_{ij}(x, t))$$

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At uniqueness: Let $\tilde{E} \xrightarrow{\tilde{\pi}} B$ be another bundle with fibre F & local trivializations

$$\tilde{\Phi}_i : \tilde{\pi}^{-1}(U_i) \rightarrow U_i \times F \quad \text{is, f.}$$

$$\rightarrow \tilde{\Phi}_i \circ \tilde{\Phi}_j^{-1} (x, \ell) = (x, \underline{g_{ij}}(x, \ell))$$

Define an isomorphism $\psi : \tilde{E} \rightarrow E$

$$\tilde{\pi}^{-1}(U_i) \xrightarrow{\tilde{\Phi}_i} U_i \times F$$

$$\downarrow \psi|_{\tilde{\pi}^{-1}(U_i)}$$

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$$g : U \cap V \longrightarrow GL(k; \mathbb{R}).$$

$$E_p := \pi^{-1}(p)$$

Remark: For two vector bundles over the same base $(E_i, B, \pi_i, \mathbb{R}^{k_i})$ denote by $E_1 \oplus E_2$ their fibre product. Then the addition defines a morphism of fibre bundles (of manifolds)

$$E \oplus E \rightarrow E$$

as well as the scalar multiplication

$$\mathbb{R} \times E \rightarrow E.$$

$$\begin{aligned} E &\xrightarrow{\pi} B \text{ vector space.} \\ 0_E &\subset E \\ \{0 \in E_p \mid p \in B\} &\xrightarrow{\pi} B \end{aligned}$$

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$$X \in \pi^{-1}(U) \mapsto (\pi(X), (X_1, \dots, X_n)) \in U \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

where

$$X = \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\pi(X)),$$

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M was a smooth manifold, the transition map ϕ is smooth, hence g is smooth.

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$$\varphi^{-1} \circ \pi \circ \Phi(x, v) = x$$

(u, φ, v) \searrow

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and is hence smooth.

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Then $X : TM \rightarrow T(TM)$ defined by

$$X(v) := v$$

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provides the local trivializations.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^* : T^*M & \rightarrow & M \\ d_\alpha \pi^* : T_\alpha(T^*M) & \rightarrow & T_{\pi(\alpha)} M = T_p M \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & X & \mapsto d_\alpha \pi^*(X) \end{array}$$

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Exercise: Express θ in coordinates of T^*M around α provided by a chart of M and compute its exterior derivative $d\theta$.

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(1) A **subbundle of E** is a submanifold $F \subset E$ such that $\pi(F) = M$ and for any $p \in M$, $\pi^{-1}(p) \cap F \subset E_p$ is a linear subspace.

(2) The **dual (bundle)**, $E^* \xrightarrow{\pi^*} M$ of E is given by

$$E^* := \coprod_{p \in M} \underline{(E_p)^*}$$

and the obvious projection map π^* together with the following trivializations: Let $\Phi : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^n$ be a local trivialization of E then $(\Phi^{-1})^* : (\pi^*)^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times (\mathbb{R}^k)^*$ assigns

$$\alpha \in \underline{T_p^* M} \mapsto \alpha \circ \Phi(p, \cdot)^{-1} \in (\mathbb{R}^k)^*$$

$\Phi(p, \cdot)^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow E_p$ linear

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Remark: This definition is only good if the rank of the bundles is finite! Then $(E_i)_p^{**} \cong (E_i)_p$. Notice that the fibre of $E_1^* \otimes E_2^*$ is given by bilinear maps $B(E_1, E_2)$.

Exercise: $\overbrace{(E_1^* \otimes E_2^*) \otimes E_3^*}^{\text{for vector spaces}} = E_1^* \otimes (E_2^* \otimes E_3^*) = \text{Mult}(E_1^*, E_2^*, E_3^*)$

