

Lecture 3

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① Recall: M smooth manifold $\leftrightarrow \mathcal{O} = C^\infty(M)$
 algebra of smooth functions on M

Vector field on $M \Leftrightarrow$ derivation of \mathcal{O}

$$X: \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}, \mathbb{R}\text{-linear}$$

$$X(fg) = fXg + gXf \text{ (Leibniz rule)}$$

Example: $M \simeq U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

$V: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ "usual vector field" (v_1, \dots, v_n)

$$X = \sum v_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \text{ diff. operator.}$$

Conversely, every derivation of $\mathcal{O} = C^\infty(U)$ is like that.

Action by diffeos:

$$f: U \rightarrow U'$$

diffeo $\cong \mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^n$

\Leftrightarrow

$$f^*: \mathcal{O}' \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$$

$\cong C^\infty(U') \cong C^\infty(U)$

$$X \in \mathcal{D}(U) \xrightarrow{f_*} X' = (f^*)^{-1} X f^* \in \mathcal{D}(U')$$

Exercise:

$$X \sim \sum_1^n v_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

$$X' = \sum_1^n w_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}$$

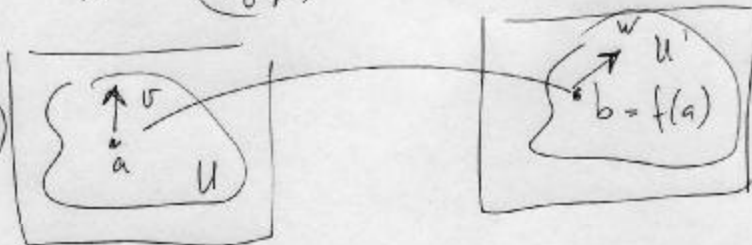
$$w_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_k} v_k \quad y_j = f_j(x)$$

$$W = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) v$$

abbreviated to

Warning:

W attached to $b=f(a)$



Local character: $f, g \in \mathcal{U} = C^\infty(M)$
 $f \equiv g$ in some nbhd of $a \in M \Rightarrow \forall X \in \mathcal{D}(M)$
 $Xf(a) = Xg(a)$

Warning: $f(a) = g(a) \not\Rightarrow Xf(a) = Xg(a)!$

Let h be a cutoff function: $\begin{cases} h \equiv 1 \text{ near } a \\ h \equiv 0 \text{ away from } a \end{cases}$
 $0 \equiv X(h(f-g)) = Xh \cdot (f-g) + h \cdot (Xf - Xg)$
 \Downarrow 1 in a nbhd of $a \Rightarrow h(f-g) \equiv 0$ everywhere

Useful trick:

$X \in \mathcal{D}(M)$, we are interested only in $U \subseteq M$
 \Rightarrow consider uX , where $u|_U \equiv 1$, $u \equiv 0$ far away.

One-parameter groups: $\{H^t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ $H^t: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
 automorphisms of algebras.

Definitions:

$H^{t+s} = H^t H^s$

$\{f^t\}$: $f^t: M \xrightarrow{\text{diffeo}} M$, $f^{t+s} = f^t \circ f^s$

Property: $\{H^t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \text{ OPG } (\mathcal{U}) \Rightarrow X = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{H^t - \text{id}}{t}$
 (if it exists!)

Conversely: Given $X = \begin{cases} \text{vector field} \\ \text{derivation} \end{cases}$ of diffeomorphisms of M
 Construct an OPG of automorphisms of \mathcal{U} such that it is "differentiable" and
 $X = \frac{d}{dt} H^t \Big|_{t=0}$

Thm If M compact, then there exists an OPG $H^t = \exp tX$.

... Proof: Local $\exists!$ of solutions

\Rightarrow Globalization: from charts to the whole of M , from small to arbitrary t .

This allows to differentiate various objects along X

Ex 1. $Xf = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} H^t f$ (tautology)

Ex 2: $X \cdot Y = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{H^{-t} \cdot H^t - Y}{t}$

- a new vector field.

Computation:

$$(X \cdot Y)f = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (YH^t f - H^t Y f)$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left[Y \cdot \frac{H^t f - f}{t} + \frac{Yf}{t} - \frac{H^t Y f - Yf}{t} \right]$$

$$= Y \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{H^t f - f}{t} - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{H^t \cdot Yf - Yf}{t}$$

$$= Y \cdot X f - XY f = [Y, X] f$$

Commutator

Example: $[X, Y] = 0 \Rightarrow H^{-t} Y H^t = Y$