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The "physicist's definition of $T_p(M)$ "

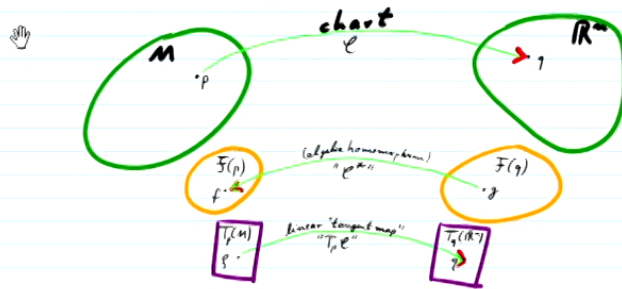
Recall: We obtain concrete representations for $p \in M$ and $f \in \mathcal{F}(p)$ and $\xi \in T_p(M)$ using a chart $\mathcal{C}: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$:

Recall: Def's used

pre-composition:

$$\mathcal{C}^*[\xi] = \xi \circ \mathcal{C}$$

$$T_p \mathcal{C}[\xi] = \xi \circ \mathcal{C}^*$$



Terminology: \mathcal{C}^* is called the "pullback" of \mathcal{C}
 $T_p \mathcal{C}$ is called the "pullback" of \mathcal{C}^*

Namely:

□ Each $p \in M$ has now a concrete image $q \in \mathbb{R}^m$, i.e., it has 'coordinates'.

□ Each $f \in \mathcal{F}(p)$ is the image of a concrete function germ $g \in \mathcal{F}(q)$.

□ Each $\xi \in T_p(M)$ has now a concrete image $\eta \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^m)$

which we know has the form:

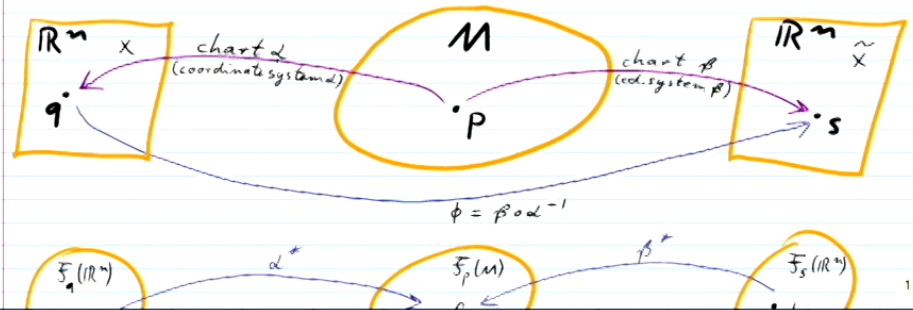
$$\eta = \sum_{i=1}^m \eta_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Big|_{x=q}$$

coefficients $\in \mathbb{R}$

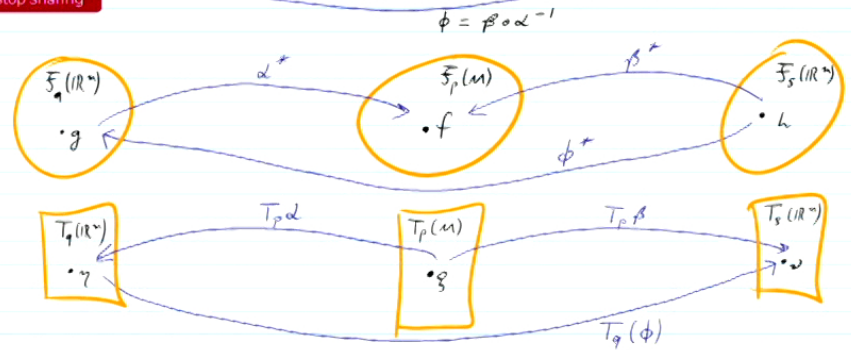
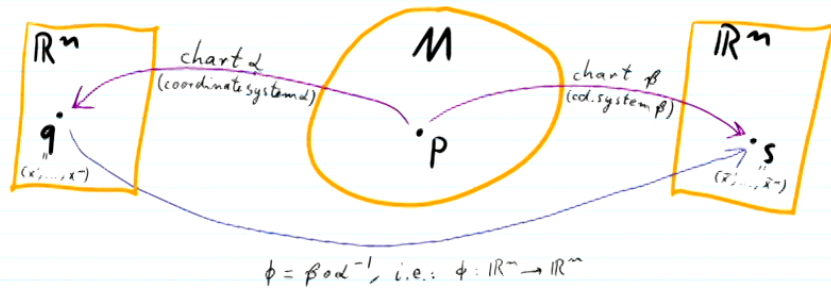
Question:

Given a $p \in M$ and a $\xi \in T_p(M)$, how do their coordinates and coefficients change under a change of charts?

⇒ When changing from chart α to chart β :



change under a change of chart



1. Every point $p \in M$ now has 2 images, $q = (x^1, \dots, x^n)$ and $s = (\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^n)$
 $(\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^n) = \phi(x^1, \dots, x^n)$
 Concretely: $\tilde{x}^i = \phi^i(x^1, \dots, x^n)$.
2. Every function germ $f \in \mathcal{F}_p(M)$ has 2 pre-images, $g \in \mathcal{F}_q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $h \in \mathcal{F}_s(\mathbb{R}^n)$, related by $f(p) = g(q) = h(s) \in \mathbb{R}$ and by $h(\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^n) = g(x^1, \dots, x^n) \quad (*)$ (in a neighborhood)
3. Every tangent vector $\xi \in T_p(M)$ now has 2 images, $\gamma \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\nu \in T_s(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

By construction: (b/c of precomposition)

$$\eta(g) = \xi(f) = \nu(h) \quad (\in \mathbb{R})$$

\Rightarrow in particular:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} g(x^1, \dots, x^n) \Big|_{x=q} = \sum_{j=1}^n \nu^j \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}^j} h(\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^n) \Big|_{\tilde{x}=s}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\nu(h)}$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{g(x^1, \dots, x^n)}$

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conversely: $x = \phi(x^1, \dots, x^m)$.

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Must be true for all g !

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} = \sum_{j=1}^n v^j \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tilde{x}^j} \Big|_{x=q} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

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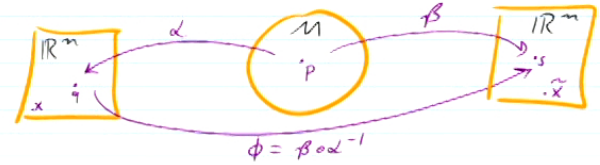
Jacobian matrix $D\phi^{-1}$ of ϕ^{-1} at s .

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Summary:



Given $\xi \in T_p(M)$, its images in charts α, β , namely $\eta = \sum_{i=1}^m \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ and $v = \sum_{j=1}^n v^j \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}^j}$, are related by

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Jacobian matrix $D\phi$

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\Rightarrow conversely:

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The "physicist's definition of $T_p(M)$ "

Def: A tangent vector $\xi \in T_p(M)$ is a map that assigns to each (germ of a) chart a coefficient vector $\in \mathbb{R}^m$, so that if

- (η^1, \dots, η^m) is coefficient vector w. resp. to chart α
- (v^1, \dots, v^m) is coefficient vector w. resp. to chart β

then:
$$v^i = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^j} \Big|_{x=\alpha(p)} \eta^j \quad \text{with } \tilde{x}^i = \phi^i(x) \quad \phi = \beta \circ \alpha^{-1}$$

So far, 2 equiv. defs. of $T_p(M)$:

In a chart, α , a tangent vector, $\xi \in T_p(M)$ is:

- algebraically: $\sum_{i=1}^m \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{x=\alpha(p)}$

i.e. it is a directional derivative

Defining property: Leibniz rule.

- physically: (η^1, \dots, η^m)

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$$\nu^i = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^j} \eta^j \quad \text{with } \tilde{x}^i = \phi(x) \\ \phi = \beta \circ d^{-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial x^i}{\partial t} \right) \Big|_{x=d(p)}$$

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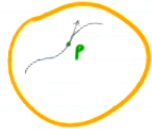
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The "geometric definition of $T_p(M)$ ":

Idea: Tangent vectors as tangents to paths.



Consider paths in M that pass through p :

$\gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$

$\gamma(0) = p$

Note: For any $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we obtain:

$f \circ \gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Define:

Two differentiable paths, γ_a, γ_b are called equivalent, if for all $f \in F_p(M)$:

$$\frac{d}{dt} (f \circ \gamma_a) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (f \circ \gamma_b) \Big|_{t=0} \quad \text{(*)}$$

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↑ Note: this includes speed and direction because (*) must hold for all $f \in F_p(M)$

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Are $T_p(M)^{(geom)}$ and $T_p(M)^{(alg)}$ equivalent? we'll usually mean $T_p^*(M)$ when we write $T_p(M)$.

Yes! really: each equivalence class of differentiable paths through p Each path γ defines a linear map $\bar{\gamma}$:

$$\bar{\gamma}: F(p) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\bar{\gamma}: f \rightarrow \left. \frac{d}{dt} (f \circ \gamma) \right|_{t=0}$$

These $\bar{\gamma}$ obey the Leibniz rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\gamma}(fg) &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} (f \cdot g)(\gamma(t)) \right|_{t=0} = \left. \frac{d}{dt} (f(\gamma(t))g(\gamma(t))) \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} f(\gamma(t)) \right|_{t=0} g(\gamma(0)) + f(\gamma(0)) \left. \frac{d}{dt} g(\gamma(t)) \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \bar{\gamma}(f)g + f\bar{\gamma}(g) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{\gamma}$ is an element of $T_p^*(M)$

The "Cotangent Space" $T_p(M)^*$:

Recall:

Given an n -dimensional vector space V , the set of linear maps $\omega: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ forms also an n -dim. vector space. It is called the "dual space", and denoted V^* .

Definition:

The dual vector space to $T_p(M)$ is called the **Cotangent Space**, and denoted $T_p(M)^*$.

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We notice:

For every (germ of a) function at p ,
 $f \in \mathcal{F}(p)$

one naturally obtains an element
"df" $\in T_p(M)^*$

called the "differential of f."

Namely:

$df : T_p(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the linear map:

$$df : \xi \rightarrow \xi(f)$$

(Note: thus, we can view "d" as a map: $d : \mathcal{F}(M) \rightarrow T_p(M)^*$. See later...)

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The dual vector space to $T_p(M)$ is called the Cotangent Space, and denoted $T_p(M)^*$.

Concretely: in a cds., i.e., in a chart,

the abstract $\xi \in T_p(M)$ and $f \in \mathcal{F}(p)$

correspond to some $\eta \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $g \in \mathcal{F}(q)$.

Then: \downarrow
 $T_p(M)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $d_g : T_q(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$d_g : \eta \rightarrow \eta(g) = \sum_{i=1}^n \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{x=q} g(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Recall: Since all $\eta \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ take the form $\eta = \sum_{i=1}^n \eta^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{x=q}$

a basis of $T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{x=q} \right\}_{i=1}^n$

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Question: What is the dual basis in $T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$?

□ Consider the coordinate functions: $x^k: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

□ Their differentials $dx^k \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ obey:

$$dx^k: T_q(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$dx^k: \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right|_{x=q} \rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} x^k \right|_{x=q} = \delta_i^k$$

\Rightarrow The dual basis in $T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ is given by

$$\left\{ dx^k \right\}_{k=1}^n$$

Then: $dg: T_q(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$dg: \eta \rightarrow \eta(g) = \sum_{i=1}^n \eta^i \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right|_{x=q} g(x^1, \dots, x^n)$$

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Thus:

Every element $\omega \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ takes the form:

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i dx^i$$

\nwarrow
 $\in \mathbb{R}$

and its action is:

$$\omega: T_q(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\omega: \sum_{j=1}^n \eta^j \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right|_{x=q} \rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j dx^j \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \eta^i \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right|_{x=q} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^n \eta^j \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right|_{x=q} x^i}_{= \delta_j^i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \eta^j$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \eta^j \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right|_{x=q} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \eta^j \quad (\text{I})$$

$$dx^k: T_q(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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\Rightarrow The dual basis in $T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ is given by

$$\{dx^k\}_{k=1}^n$$

In particular: For arbitrary $g \in \mathcal{F}(q)$, its

differential $dg \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ must be of the form:

$$dg = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_k dx^k \text{ with suitable } \omega_k \in \mathbb{R}. \quad \uparrow \text{How to calculate them?}$$

We know:

$$dg(\gamma) = \gamma(g) = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma^i \underbrace{\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} g(x) \right|_{x=q}}_{\omega_i} \quad (\text{II})$$

Compare I, II $\Rightarrow \omega_i = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} g(x) \right|_{x=q}$

$$\Rightarrow dg = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} g(x) \right|_{x=q} \right) dx^i$$

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Exercise: (the "pull back" map)

Assume that $\beta \in T_p(M)^*$, under two charts α, β , as above, corresponds to $\omega \in T_q(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ and $\mu \in T_r(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ with:

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i dx^i \text{ and } \mu = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i d\tilde{x}^i$$

Show that $\mu_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \left. \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial \tilde{x}^i} \right|_{\tilde{x}=s} \omega_j$

Notice that this is the inverse of the Jacobian matrix of $\beta \circ \alpha^{-1}$ at q .

Remark: The physicist's definition of $T_p(M)^*$ uses this.

Some notation and terminology:

- Elements of $T_p(M)$ are called *contravariant vectors*
- Elements of $T_p(M)^*$ are called *covariant vectors*
- One often writes symbolically

$$\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p \quad \text{for } \xi \in T_p(M)$$

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i dx^i \quad \text{for } \omega \in T_p(M)^*$$

even without specifying a particular chart.

We are now ready to define **tensors**:

Finally: From local to global!

Def: We call $T(M) := \bigcup_{p \in M} (p, T_p(M))$,
the **Tangent bundle**.

↑ "base point"
↑ "a fibre"

Note: $T(M)$ is itself a manifold. It is $2n$ -dimensional.

Def: $T(M)$ is then also called the "Total Space".

Def: A tensor, t , of rank (r, s) is an element of
 $T_p(M)_s^r := \underbrace{T_p(M) \otimes \dots \otimes T_p(M)}_{r \text{ factors}} \otimes \underbrace{T_p(M)^* \otimes \dots \otimes T_p(M)^*}_{s \text{ factors}}$

In a chart: $t = \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_r \\ j_1, \dots, j_s}} t_{i_1, \dots, i_r; j_1, \dots, j_s}^{\dots} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_r}} \otimes dx^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dx^{j_s}$

↑
 \mathbb{R}

Under chart change: (physicists, incl. Einstein, defined tensors this way)

$$\bar{t}_{i_1, \dots, i_r; j_1, \dots, j_s}^{\dots} = \sum_{\substack{k_1, \dots, k_r \\ l_1, \dots, l_s}} \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_1}}{\partial x^{i_1}} \dots \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_r}}{\partial x^{i_r}} \frac{\partial x^{l_1}}{\partial \bar{x}^{j_1}} \dots \frac{\partial x^{l_s}}{\partial \bar{x}^{j_s}} t_{k_1, \dots, k_r; l_1, \dots, l_s}^{\dots}$$

Thus: $T_p(M) = T_p(M)^1$ and $T_p(M)^* = T_p(M)^0$, i.e.:

- a tangent vector is a tensor of rank $(1, 0)$
- a cotangent vector is a tensor of rank $(0, 1)$

Remark: One obtains other Fibre bundles by choosing other standard fibers.

- E.g.:
- Co-tangent bundle $T^*(M)$
 - (r, s) -tensor bundle $T_s^r(M)$
 - Bundles for isospinors (vector bundles) and gauge groups (principle bundles)

Def: The map $\pi: T(M) \rightarrow M$
 $\pi: (p, T_p(M)) \rightarrow p$ (i.e.: $\pi^{-1}(p) = T_p(M)$)

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Def: We therefore call \mathbb{R}^n the "Standard Fibre".



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 - Bundles for isospinors (vector bundles) and gauge groups (principle bundles)

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$$\pi(\sigma(x)) = x \quad \forall x \in M \quad (\text{i.e.: } \pi \circ \sigma = \text{id})$$

Note: $T(M)$ is itself a manifold. It is $2n$ -dimensional.

Def: $T(M)$ is then also called the "Total Space".

Def: M is also called the "Base Space".

Recall that all $T_p(M)$ are n -dimensional real vector spaces, i.e., are isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n .

Def: We therefore call \mathbb{R}^n the "Standard Fibre".

Notice: The graph of a "field" is a section of its fibre bundle.

Recall: The graph of a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is: $\{(a, f(a))\}_{a \in A}$

Def: \square A tangent vector field is a map $\beta: M \rightarrow T(M)$

In a chart: $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta^i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$

\square A cotangent vector field is a map $\omega: M \rightarrow T^*(M)$

In a chart: $\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i(x) dx^i$

\square Similarly, tensor fields: $t: M \rightarrow T^k(M)$

In a chart: $t = \sum t_{i_1 \dots i_k}(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_1}} \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{i_k}}$

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So far, not a concern with GR, but it does come up with gauge theories.

Why then fibre bundles? To capture global nontriviality.

Fibre bundles are required to be locally trivial:
 M can be covered with neighborhoods U_α , so that $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \cong U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^n$ (or other standard fibre for other fibre bundles).

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But fibre bundles are allowed to be globally nontrivial:



For a suitable vector bundle B , we can have

$$\pi^{-1}(U_1) \cong U_1 \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\pi^{-1}(U_2) \cong U_2 \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

but in the overlap regions, the two isomorphisms may differ $\Rightarrow B \neq M \times \mathbb{R}^n$

(The isomorphisms may differ by elements of $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$, the "structure group" here)