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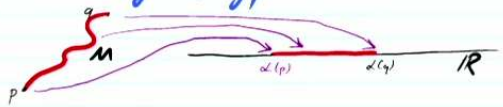
covariant tensors, i.e., about differential forms?

A: Antisymmetry ⇒ special transformation property under chart changes:
~ det (Jacobian)
⇒ suitable for integration:
s-forms have natural integrals in s-dimensional manifolds

Except: Depending on charts, sign of Jacobian may be wrong!

- Could have charts of the type



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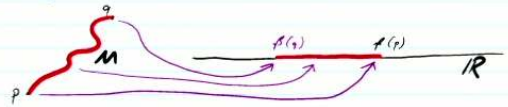

- But, since $\int f(t)\,dt = -\int f(t')\,dt'$ one needs to decide!
because $\frac{dt}{dt'} = -1$ (which is det[Jacobian])

For n-dim mflds, may need several charts.

Definitions:

- A complete collection of charts, i.e., an Atlas, A, is called oriented if among all overlapping charts with coordinates say $x, \tilde{x}$ the Jacobi determinants are positive:

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Example: Möbius strips

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An n-form $\Omega \in \Lambda_m(M)$ is called a volume form if it nowhere vanishes. We will later find a preferred volume form for space-time (using the metric).

Proposition:

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Integration:

- Recall change of cds in integration in $\mathbb{R}^m$:

For $(x^1, \dots, x^m) \to (\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^m)$:

Riemann or Lebesgue integrals

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^m} g(x^1, \dots, x^m)\, dx^1 \dots dx^m \overset{(*)}{=} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} g(x(\tilde{x}))\, \det\left(\frac{\partial x^i}{\partial \tilde{x}^j}\right) d\tilde{x}^1 \dots d\tilde{x}^m$$

($g: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}$)

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Then what is ω in an overlapping, second chart?

$$\omega = f(x(\tilde{x}))\,\frac{\partial x^{i_1}}{\partial \tilde{x}^1}\frac{\partial x^{i_2}}{\partial \tilde{x}^2}\dots\frac{\partial x^{i_n}}{\partial \tilde{x}^n}\,d\tilde{x}^{i_1}\wedge d\tilde{x}^{i_2}\wedge\dots\wedge d\tilde{x}^{i_n}$$

totally antisymmetric!

- terms are nonzero only if contain each number $1,\dots,n$ exactly once, e.g. $d\tilde{x}^1\wedge d\tilde{x}^3\wedge d\tilde{x}^2\wedge d\tilde{x}^4\wedge d\tilde{x}^5\wedge\dots\wedge dx^m$.
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Compare with equation $(*)$ above $\Rightarrow$

The following definition of the integral of n-forms in an n-dim. diffable mfld is chart-independent, i.e., is well-defined:

Definition:

Assume M is an oriented n-dim mfld and $\omega\in\Lambda_n(M)$ reads in a chart α: $\omega = f(x)\,dx^1\wedge\dots\wedge dx^m$.

Then, if one chart suffices:

$$\int_M \omega := \int_{\alpha(M)} f(x)\,dx^1 dx^2\dots dx^m$$

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Definition: The boundary operator, ∂

- Assume $G \subset M$ is a region (i.e. an n-dim., open and connected subset) of the n-dim mfld M.

  We denote the $(n-1)$ dim. boundary manifold of G by ∂G:

  (∂: the boundary operator)

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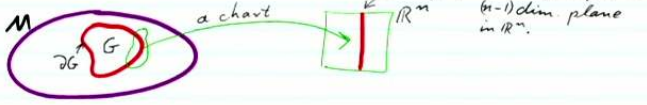

Proposition: If M is orientable, then so is G. Also, the orientation of G induces an orientation of ∂G.

We finally have all ingredients for one of Math's most important theorems:

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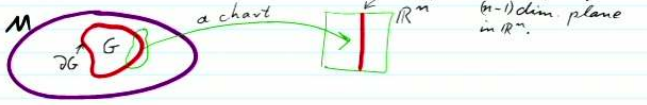

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Special case I:

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Therefore: $\partial G = \{a, b\}$

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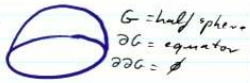

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Special case II: "Green's theorem".

- $M = \mathbb{R}^2$, $G \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ a region with (closed) boundary curve ∂G.
  - recall: this is automatic because $\partial\partial = 0$

- Consider an arbitrary 1-form $\omega \in \Lambda_1(M)$:

$$\omega = \omega_1(x)\, dx^1 + \omega_2(x)\, dx^2$$

Then:
$$\begin{aligned} d\omega &= d\omega_1(x) \wedge dx^1 + d\omega_2(x) \wedge dx^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial \omega_1}{\partial x^1} dx^1 + \frac{\partial \omega_1}{\partial x^2} dx^2\right) \wedge dx^1 \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{\partial \omega_2}{\partial x^1} dx^1 + \frac{\partial \omega_2}{\partial x^2} dx^2\right) \wedge dx^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial \omega_1}{\partial x^2} dx^2 \wedge dx^1 + \frac{\partial \omega_2}{\partial x^1} dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Longrightarrow d\omega = \left(\frac{\partial \omega_2}{\partial x^1} - \frac{\partial \omega_1}{\partial x^2}\right) dx^1 \wedge dx^2$$

Now, Stokes' theorem $\int_G d\omega = \int_{\partial G} \omega$ becomes:

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Special case of Green's theorem:

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$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{w}$: vector field

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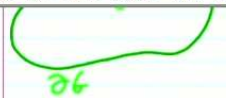

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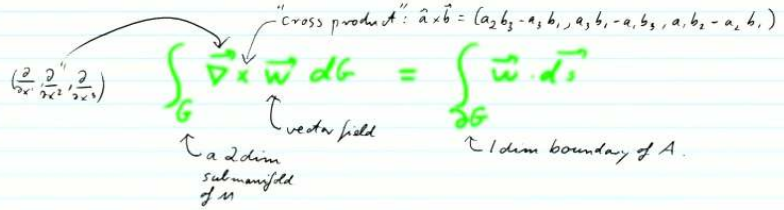

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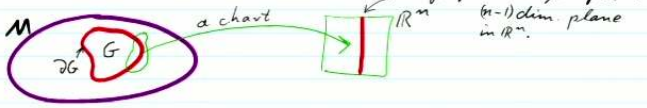

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($\tau \in T(M)^r_s$)

Strategy: If we choose τ to be the volume form, which on flat $\mathbb{R}^m$ we may choose to be $\Omega = 1\, dx^1 \wedge \dots dx^m$, then the first term will drop out on $\mathbb{R}^m$ b/c $1_{,i} = 0$, and so we may be generalizing $\xi^i_{,i}$ on $\mathbb{R}^m$!

Def: The Divergence of a vector field ξ with respect to a volume form, Ω, is defined to be:

$$\operatorname{div}_\Omega \xi := L_\xi(\Omega)$$

(L_ξ: Lie derivative)

- Assume $\Omega = a(x)\, dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^m$ (volume form) ($a(x) \in \Lambda_0(M)$)
  and $\xi = \xi^i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ (vector field)
- Then:

$$\operatorname{div}_\Omega \xi = L_\xi \Omega \overset{\text{by Leibnit rule}}{=} \xi(a)\, dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^m + \dots + a \sum_{i=1}^{m} dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge L_\xi(dx^i) \wedge \dots \wedge dx^m$$

$\left(\text{recall: } L_\xi(dx^i) = d(\xi(x^i)) = d\left(\xi^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} x^i\right) = d(\xi^j \delta^i_j) = d(\xi^i) = \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^\tau} dx^\tau\right)$ (only dx^i term survives in wedge product)

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{div}_\Omega \xi = \left(\xi^i a_{,i} + a\, \xi^i_{,i}\right) dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^m$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\operatorname{div}_\Omega \xi = \frac{1}{a}(a \xi^i)_{,i}\, \Omega}$$

Notice: If $a \equiv 1$ then $\operatorname{div}_\Omega \xi = \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^i}$ as expected for the divergence in the simplest case.

Thus: Indeed, if $a(x) = 1 \ \forall x$ then $\operatorname{div}_\Omega \xi = \xi^i_{,i}\, dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^m$

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and so we may be generalizing $\xi^i_{,i}$ on $\mathbb{R}^n$!

Def: The Divergence of a vector field ξ with respect to a volume form, Ω, is defined to be:

$$\boxed{div_\Omega \xi := L_\xi(\Omega)}$$

↑ Lie derivative

$$div_\Omega \xi = L_\xi \Omega = \xi^i(a)\, dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n + \dots$$

$$+ a \sum_{i=1}^{n} dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge L_\xi(dx^i) \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n$$

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Now, we can derive Gauss' theorem from Stokes':

- $div_\Omega \xi := L_\xi \Omega \in \Lambda_n(\mathcal{M})$
- $div_\Omega \xi = (d \circ i_\xi + i_\xi \circ d)\,\Omega$

↑ Recall: $d\Omega = 0$ because anti-symmetry doesn't allow $(n+1)$ forms.

$$\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{div_\Omega \xi = d \circ i_\xi(\Omega)}$$

We can now apply Stokes' theorem $\int_G d\nu = \int_{\partial G} \nu$:

$$\int_G d\, i_\xi(\Omega) = \int_{\partial G} i_\xi(\Omega)$$

i.e.:

$$\boxed{\int_G \overbrace{div_\Omega \xi}^{n\text{-form}} = \int_{\partial G} \overbrace{i_\xi(\Omega)}^{(n-1)\text{ form}}}$$

"Gauß' theorem"