

Lecture 5: Derivations as tangent vectors.

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Goal: Define tangent spaces, derivatives of maps between manifolds.

Last time: $T_p \mathbb{R}^n = \{p\} \times \mathbb{R}^n$



$$C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{ \text{smooth fns } \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_a = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{set of derivations} \\ \text{at } a \in \mathbb{R}^n, \text{ i.e.} \\ w: C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} w(cf+g) = c \cdot w(f) + w(g) \\ \textcircled{2} w(fg) = w(f)g(a) + f(a)w(g) \end{array} \right\}$$

Ex: $v_a \in T_a \mathbb{R}^n$ ~~gives rise to~~ has a directional derivative $D_{v_a}: C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

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Prop: The map $T_a \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_a$ is an isomorphism of \mathbb{R} -vector spaces.

$$v_a \longmapsto D_{v_a}$$

[Think about for $n=1$.]

Pf: ^① This is a linear transformation because

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$$\begin{aligned} D_{v_a + c w_a} f &= (D_a f)(v_a + c w_a) \\ &= (D_a f)(v_a) + c (D_a f)(w_a) \\ &= D_{v_a} f + c D_{w_a} f. \end{aligned}$$

② 1-1: Suppose $v_a \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \text{const derivation} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. If

x_i is the i^{th} coordinate fm, then for any v_a we have

$$D_{v_a} x_i = (\nabla x_i) \cdot v_a = e_i \cdot v_a = v_i.$$

So if $D_{v_a} f = 0$ for all f , must have all $v_i = 0$,
i.e. $v_a = 0$. So the kernel is trivial and the map 1-1.

onto: Let $w \in \mathcal{F}_a$. Set $v_i = w(x_i)$ and

consider $\forall v \in T_a \mathbb{R}^n$. Claim: $D_v = w$.
the corresp.

Suppose $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$

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$$f(x) = f(a) + (D_a f)(x-a) + \text{Error}$$

$$= f(a) + \sum_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(a)(x_i - a_i)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (1-t)^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(a + t(x-a)) dt$$

$$+ \sum_{i,j} (x_i - a_i)(x_j - a_j) E_{ij}(x)$$

Smooth fn

Note $w(1) = w(1 \cdot 1) = 1 \cdot w(1) + w(1) \cdot 1$ vanishes at a .
 $= 2w(1) \Rightarrow w(\text{const}) = 0.$

If g and h both vanish at a , then

$$w(g \cdot h) = w(g)h(a) + g(a) \cdot w(h) = 0.$$

Thus

$$w(f) = 0 + \sum_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(a) w(x_i) + \sum_{i,j} 0$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(a) v_i = D_v f.$$

So $w = D_v.$



M^n smooth.

$$C^\infty(M) = \{ \text{smooth } M \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \} \begin{cases} \text{\mathbb{R}-vector space} \\ \text{ring} \\ \text{algebra (over } \mathbb{R} \text{)}. \end{cases}$$

Define:

$$T_p M = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} w: C^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ which are} \\ \bullet \text{\mathbb{R}-linear} \\ \bullet w(f \cdot g) = w(f)g(p) + f(p)w(g) \end{array} \right\}$$

[Prop shows this new def agrees with $M = \mathbb{R}^n$ original one for]

[So now have a vector space at each point, will show soon that it has the right dimension.]

Suppose $F: M \rightarrow N$ is smooth. The derivative/differential of F at $p \in M$

$$dF_p: T_p M \rightarrow T_{F(p)} N$$

is defined by

$$dF_p(v)(g) = v(g \circ F)$$

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in $C^\infty(N)$
Derivation!

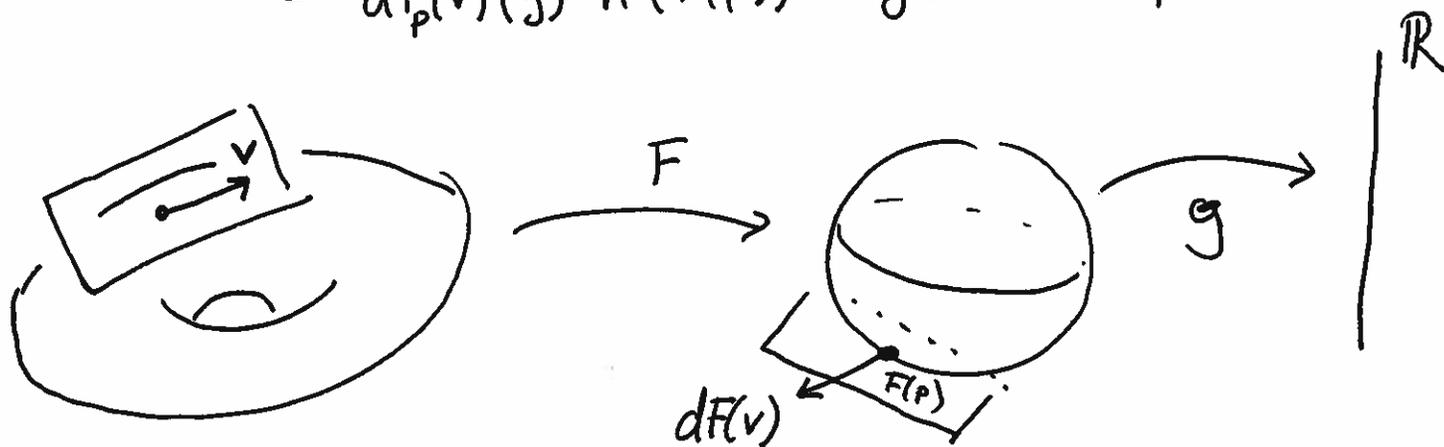
Check (Skip in class): $dF_p(v)$ is a derivation at $F(p)$, so in $T_{F(p)}N$.

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$$(dF_p(v))(g \circ h) = v((g \circ F) \cdot (h \circ F))$$

$$= v(g \circ F)(h \circ F(p)) + (g \circ F)(p) v(h \circ F)$$

$$= dF_p(v)(g) h(F(p)) + g(F(p)) dF_p(v)(h)$$



Props: $M \xrightarrow{F} N \xrightarrow{G} P$ smooth, $p \in M$.

- dF_p is linear.

- $d(G \circ F)_p = dG_{F(p)} \circ dF_p$

- $d(\text{Id}_M)_p = \text{Id}_{T_p M}$

- If F is a diffeomorphism, then

dF_p is an isomorphism with $(dF_p)^{-1} = dF_p^{-1}$.

[Pf: one-liners from the definition.]

Tangent vectors are local: $v \in T_p M$.

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If $f, g \in C^\infty(M)$ agree on a nbhd U of p , then $v(f) = v(g)$.

Proof: By next HW, there is $\psi \in C^\infty(M)$

which is 0 at p and 1 outside U .

Set $h = f - g$. Since h is 0 on U ,

$h = \psi \cdot h$. Hence

$$v(f) - v(g) = v(h) = v(\psi \cdot h) = 0$$

since both ψ and h vanish at p . ▣

Lemma: Suppose $p \in U \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} M$. If $i: U \rightarrow M$ is inclusion, then $di_p: T_p U \rightarrow T_p M$ is an isomorphism.

Pf: By preceding, can determine some $v \in T_p M$ by what it does to smooth functions supported inside U .

Prop: M^n smooth, $p \in M$. Then $\dim T_p M = n$. $\textcircled{7}$

Proof: Let (U, φ) be a smooth chart around p . Then $\varphi|_U: U \rightarrow \varphi(U)$ is a diffeomorphism, so $d(\varphi|_U)_p$ is an isom of

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_p U & \xrightarrow{\cong} & T_{\varphi(p)} \varphi(U) \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ T_p M & & T_p \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

has dim n ! \square