

- gauge theory: geometry of fibre bundles / esp- principal bundles
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principal G -bundles. G is a Lie-Group

1 Lie Groups and Lie algebras

Definition 1.1. A **Lie Group** is a smooth mfd. which is also a group in such way that

$$\begin{aligned} m : G \times G &\rightarrow G & i : G &\rightarrow G \\ (a, b) &\mapsto a \cdot b & a &\mapsto a^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

are smooth maps.

Remark 1.2. i is a diffeomorphism $g \in G$ defines $l_g : G \rightarrow G, a \mapsto g \cdot a$. This is smooth since m is. l_g is a diffeomorphism with inverse $l_{g^{-1}} = (l_g)^{-1}$

Definition 1.3. A **Lie algebra** (\mathfrak{g}) is a vector space V with a map

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : V \times V \rightarrow V$$

s.t.:

- (1) is bilinear
- (2) is skew- symmetric
- (3) satisfies the Jacobi- identity:

$$[X, [Y, Z]] + [Z, [X, Y]] + [Y, [Z, X]] = 0$$

Example 1.4. M is a smooth mfd. $V = \mathfrak{X}(M) = \Gamma(TM)$ the vector space of smooth vector fields on M . V is a Lie algebra w.r. to $[\cdot, \cdot]$ defined by:

$$L_{[X;Y]}f = L_X L_Y f - L_Y L_X f \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M), f \in C^\infty(M)$$

Take $M = G$ a Lie Group, Let $\mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{X}(G)$ be the subspace of **left-invariant vector fields**, that is vector fields X which satisfy:

$$D_a l_g(X(a)) = X(g \cdot a) \quad \forall a, g \in G$$

\mathfrak{g} is closed under $[\cdot, \cdot]$ (exercise!)

Definition 1.5. $\mathfrak{g} = L(G)$ is the **Lie algebra of G** .

Example 1.6. • G any group, with the discrete topology. If G is countable, then this is a 0-dim. mfd and m, i are smooth, so G is a Lie group. In this case \mathfrak{g} is trivial.

- $G = \mathbb{R}^n, m = +$. $(G, +)$ is a Lie group, $n = \dim G$. $\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{R}^n, [\cdot, \cdot] \equiv 0$
- $G = S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$ is a 1-dim Lie-Group with $\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{R}, [\cdot, \cdot] \equiv 0$.

- $G = S^3 = \{q \in \mathbb{H} \mid |q| = 1\}$ with m given by quaternion multiplication.
 $\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{R}^3, [\cdot, \cdot] \neq 0$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} ev : \mathfrak{g} &\rightarrow T_e G \\ X &\mapsto X(e) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 1.7. *ev is an isomorphism of vector spaces.*

Proof. ev is linear. suppose $ev(x) = 0$. Then $X(e) = 0$ and $X(g) = D_e l_g(X(e)) = 0 \forall g \in G$, so $X \equiv 0$. So ev is injective.

Let $v \in T_l G$. Define $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ by $X(g) = D_e l_g(v)$.

$$D_g l_{g'}(X(g)) = D_g l_{g'}(D_e l_g(v)) = (D_e l_{g'g})(v) = X(g'g)$$

so X is indeed left invariant. Then $ev(X) = v$, so ev is surjective. \square

Corollary 1.8. *Every Lie group G has a well-defined dimension as a mfd. (i.e. all connected components have the same dimension) and this coincides with the dimension of \mathfrak{g} as a vector space.*

Corollary 1.9. *Every Lie group is **parallelizable**, i.e. it has trivial tangent bundle.*

Proof. Consider $G \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow TG, (g, X) \mapsto X(g)$.

Claim: "this is an isomorphism of vector bundles over G "

Proof. the map is smooth. Restricted to $\{g\} \times \mathfrak{g}$ we have $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow T_g G, X \mapsto X(g)$. This is a linear injective map between vector spaces of same dimension, so it is an isomorphism. \square

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Definition 1.10. A **1-parameter subgroup** of a Lie group G is a smooth map $s : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$ with $s(0) = e$ and $s(t_1 + t_2) = s(t_1)s(t_2) \forall t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$(\mathbb{R}, +) \xrightarrow{s} (G, \cdot)$$

is a homomorphism which is smooth.

Proposition 1.11. *Let G be a Lie Group with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . Fix $X \in \mathfrak{g}$. Then:*

1 X is complete

2 there is a unique 1- parameter subgroup $s_x : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$ s.t. $\dot{s}_x(0) = X(e)$
 The flow of X is given by $\varphi_t(g) = g s_x(t)$

Proof. 1 there exists a local flow for X around e : there is a $\epsilon > 0$ and U an open neighbourhood of e in G s.t.: $\varphi : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \times U \rightarrow G, (t, g) \mapsto \varphi_t(g)$. is defined and smooth with $\dot{\varphi}_t(g) = X(g)$. Take $a \in G$ arbitrary. Consider

$$\phi : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \times l_a(U) \rightarrow G, (t, b) \mapsto l_a \varphi_t(l_{a^{-1}}(b)) = a \cdot \varphi_t(a^{-1}b)$$

This is a smooth local flow for X around a . Since ϵ does not depend on a , these local flows are part of a global flow for X .

2 suppose we have s_x so that $\varphi_t(g) = g \cdot s_x(t)$ for $g \in U, |t| < \epsilon$. Then $\dot{\phi}_t(a) = a \cdot \dot{\varphi}_t(e) = a \cdot e \cdot s_x(t)$ By (1) X has a global flow $\varphi : \mathbb{R} \times G \rightarrow G$. Define $s_x(t) = \varphi_t(e) = \varphi(t, e)$. Then $s_x(0) = e$ and $s_x(t_1 + t_2) = \varphi_{t_1+t_2}(e) = \varphi_{t_1} \circ \varphi_{t_2}(e) = s_x(t_1) \cdot s_x(t_2)$. This means that s_x is a 1-parameter subgroup. Claim: "The global flow of X is given by $\varphi_t(g) = g s_x(t)$ "

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Vorlesung 2:

Example 1.12.

$$G = GL_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{Mat(n \times n, \mathbb{R}) | \det \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$$

is a Lie group $x \in \mathfrak{g} = Mat(n \times n, \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow s_x(t) = \exp(tx)$

Definition 1.13. For any Lie Group G with algebra \mathfrak{g} define

$$\exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G \quad x \mapsto s_x(1)$$

the **exponential map of G** .

Lemma 1.14. $\exp(tx) = s_x(t)$

Proposition 1.15. *The map \exp is smooth.*

Definition 1.16. A **homomorphism $\varphi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ of Lie Groups** is a smooth map which is also a group homomorphism. $\varphi(e) = e$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_e G_1 & \xrightarrow{D_e \varphi} & T_e G_2 \\ \text{ev} \uparrow & & \text{ev} \uparrow \\ \mathfrak{g}_1 & \xrightarrow{\varphi_*} & \mathfrak{g}_2 \end{array}$$

φ_* is the unique map which makes the diagram commute.

Proposition 1.17. φ_* is a Lie algebra homomorphism, i.e. a linear map satisfying $\varphi_*[X, Y] = [\varphi_*X, \varphi_*Y]$.

Proof. φ_* is linear bec. it is a composition of linear maps. \square

Lemma 1.18. *If $\varphi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is a Lie Group homomorphism, then $(D_g\varphi)(X(g)) = (\varphi_*X)(\varphi(g))$ for all $g \in G_1, X \in \mathfrak{g}$*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} (D_e\varphi(X(g))) &= (D_g\varphi)(D_e\varphi_g(X(e))) = D_g\varphi(D_e\varphi_g(ev(X))) \\ (\varphi_*X)(\varphi(g)) &= (ev^{-1} \circ D_e\varphi \circ ev)(X)(\varphi(g)) = (ev^{-1} \underbrace{(D_e\varphi(X(e)))}_{\in T_e G_2})(\varphi(g)) \\ &= (D_e\varphi_{\varphi(g)})(D_e\varphi(X(e))) \stackrel{(1)}{=} D_e\varphi_{\varphi(g)} \circ D_e\varphi(ev(X)) \end{aligned}$$

(1): $\varphi(l_g(a)) = \varphi(g \cdot a) = \varphi(g) \cdot \varphi(a) = l_{\varphi(g)}(\varphi(a))$, $\varphi \circ l_g = l_{\varphi(g)} \circ \varphi$ since it is diff. at $e \in G_1$ we follow: $D_g\varphi \circ D_e l_g = D_e l_{\varphi(g)} \circ D_e\varphi$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G_1 & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & G_2 \\ \downarrow l_g & & \downarrow l_{\varphi(g)} \\ G_2 & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & G_2 \end{array}$$

\square

Lemma 1.19. *Let $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$ be a smooth map of smooth mfd's. Suppose $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ and there exist vector fields $\bar{X}, \bar{Y} \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$ s.t.:*

$$D_x\varphi(X(x)) = \bar{X}(\varphi(x)) \quad D_x\varphi(Y(x)) = \bar{Y}(\varphi(x)) \quad \forall x \in M$$

Then

$$D_x\varphi[X, Y](x) = [X, Y](x)$$

Proof. Let $f \in C^\infty(N)$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} (L_{D_x\varphi(x)}f)(\varphi(x)) &= L_X f \circ \varphi(x) L_{\bar{X}} f(\varphi(x)) \\ L_{D\varphi[X, Y]}f &= L_{[X, Y]}(f \circ \varphi) = L_X L_Y - L_Y L_X (f \circ \varphi) \\ &= L_X(L_Y(f \circ \varphi)) - L_Y(L_X(f \circ \varphi)) = L_X(L_{\bar{Y}}f) - L_Y(L_{\bar{X}}f) \\ &= L_{\bar{X}}L_{\bar{Y}}f - L_{\bar{Y}}L_{\bar{X}}f = L_{[\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]}f \end{aligned}$$

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now proof of 1.17:

Proof. Set $\bar{X} = \varphi_*X, \bar{Y} = \varphi_*Y$. By 1.18 this means that 1.19 is applicable. So 1.19 gives us $\varphi_*[X, Y] = [\varphi_*X, \varphi_*Y]$ \square

Recall the Frobenius Thm:

Theorem 1.20. Let M be a smooth mfd., $\dim M=n$ and $E \subset TM$ a smooth subbundle of rank $0 \leq k \leq n$. The following conditions on E are equivalent:

- (1) E is integrable (i.e. $E=TF$, F a k -dim foliation on M . For every $x \in M$ there is a local k -dim. submanifold through x s.t. the tangents to the submanifold are exactly E i.e. $T_y S = E_y \forall y \in S$)
- (2) E is involutive (i.e. $\Gamma(E) \subset \mathfrak{X}(M)$ is closed under $[\cdot, \cdot]$.)
- (3) around every point $x \in M$ there is a chart $(U, \varphi), \varphi : U \rightarrow \varphi(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $E|_U$ is the span of $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$

Vorlesung 3: G a Lie group

Definition 1.21. A subset $H \subset G$ is a **Lie subgroup** if it is an abstract subgroup and it can be given a smooth mfd. structure such that it is a Lie group and the inclusion $i : H \hookrightarrow G$ is an immersion.

Example 1.22. $G = T^2 = \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2 = S^1 \times S^1$ Every line through e gives a 1-par. subgroup. If the slope of the line is in \mathbb{Q} . Then the 1-par. subgroup is an embedded submfd. diffeomorphis to S^1 . If the slope is irrational, then the 1-par. subgroup is an inj. immersed copy of \mathbb{R} with dense image in T^2 . In both cases, these are Lie subgroups.

Theorem 1.23. There is a bijective correspondence between connected Lie subgroups of G and Lie subalgebras of \mathfrak{g} .

Proof. First direction:

Suppose $H \subset G$ is a Lie subgroup with incl. $i : H \hookrightarrow G$. Then i is an immersion and so $D_h i$ is injective $\forall h \in H$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_e H & \xrightarrow{D_e i} & T_e G \\ ev \uparrow & & ev \uparrow \\ \mathfrak{h} & \xrightarrow{i_*} & \mathfrak{g} \end{array}$$

i_* is injective so we may identify \mathfrak{h} with $i_*(\mathfrak{h}) \subset \mathfrak{g}$. This $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is a Lie subalgebra corresponding to $H \subset G$. *Second direction:*

Suppose $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is a Lie subalgebra.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{ev} & T_e G \\ \downarrow \subset & & \downarrow \subset \\ \mathfrak{h} & \xrightarrow{ev|_{\mathfrak{h}}} & E_e \end{array}$$

Define $E_g = D_e l_g(E_e)$. This is the evaluation of h at g for all $g \in G$.

Claim: "This defines a smooth subbundle $E \subset TG$ "

Proof. $k = \dim \mathfrak{h}, X_1, \dots, X_k$ a basis for \mathfrak{h} . These are smooth v.f.s. and they are everywhere linearly independent. $E = \text{span}\{X_1, \dots, X_k\} \rightsquigarrow E$ is a smooth subbundle. \square

Claim: "E is involutive"

Proof. $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ Lie subalgebra $\Rightarrow [X_i, X_j] \in \mathfrak{h}$. Every $X, Y \in \Gamma(E)$ are of the form $X = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i X_i$ and $Y = \sum_{i=1}^k y_i Y_i$.

$\Rightarrow [X, Y]$ is a linear comb. of $[X_i, Y_j]$ ad $X_i \Rightarrow [X, Y] \in \Gamma(E)$

By 1.20 E is integrable. Let \mathfrak{F} be the foliation whose leaves L_g are the maximal connected integral mfd. for E. Let $H = L_e$ \square

Claim: "H is a Lie subgroup with Lie algebra \mathfrak{h} "

Proof. H has the smooth mfd. str. of a leaf of \mathfrak{F} , ad is inj. immersed. For any $g \in G$ we have $L_g = l_g(L_e)$. $D_p l_g(E_p) = E_{gp}$, so E is invariant under $l_g \Rightarrow l_g$ maps leaves of \mathfrak{F} to leaves of \mathfrak{F} , so $l_g(L_e)$ is a leaf of \mathfrak{F} through the point g. by uniqueness of leaves, $l_g(L_e) = L_g$.

Claim "g $\in G$ is in H if and only if $L_g = H$ "

Proof. If $g \in H$, then $L_g = H$ by uniqueness of leaves. Conversely, assume $L_g = H$. Then $H = L_e = l_{g^{-1}}(L_g) = g^{-1} \cdot H \Rightarrow g \in H$ \square

Suppose $h_1, h_2 \in H = L_e$. Then $h_1 \cdot L_e = L_{h_1} = H \Rightarrow h_1, h_2 \in H$. if $h \in H$, then

$$h^{-1} \cdot L_e = L_{h^{-1}} = L_e = H \Rightarrow h^{-1} \in H$$

$\Rightarrow H \subset G$ is an abstract subgroup. Multiplication and inversion are smooth, so H is a connected Lie subgroup. The Lie algebra of H is the \mathfrak{h} we started with.

$$\mathfrak{h} \rightsquigarrow H \rightsquigarrow \mathfrak{h} \tag{1}$$

$$H \rightsquigarrow \mathfrak{h} \rightsquigarrow H \tag{2}$$

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Example 1.24. • $G = T^2, \mathbb{R} \subset \mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{R}^2$

• In $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ we can consider subgroups $O(n), SO(n), U(n/2)$ for n even,...

2 Smooth Lie group actions

M a smooth mfd. G a Lie group.

Definition 2.1. A **smooth action** on the left of G on M is a smooth map:

$$\varphi : G \times M \rightarrow M \quad (g, p) \mapsto \varphi_g(p) = g(p) = g \cdot p$$

s.t.:

$$\varphi_e = Id_M \quad \varphi_{g_1}(\varphi_{g_2}(p)) = \varphi_{g_1 g_2}(p) \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G, p \in M$$

smooth action on the right is a smooth map :

$$\varphi : M \times G \rightarrow M \quad (p, g) \mapsto \varphi_g(p) = g(p) = p \cdot g$$

s.t.:

$$\varphi_e = Id_M \quad \varphi_{g_1}(\varphi_{g_2}(p)) = \varphi_{g_2 g_1}(p) \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G, p \in M$$

Left and right actions agree if and only if G is Abelian.

Example 2.2. $G = (\mathbb{R}, +)$. In this case any G -action is a smooth flow on M .

Terminology:

Assume G acts smoothly on M . The **orbit of a point** $p \in M$ is the subset $\{\varphi_g(p) | g \in G\} \subset M$.

$\varphi^p : G \rightarrow M \quad g \mapsto \varphi_g(p)$ is a smooth map for every p , parametrizing the orbit of p

For every $p \in M$ we define $G_p := \{g \in G | \varphi_g(p) = p\}$, the **isotropy group** of p . This is a Lie subgroup. It is also closed as a subset of G . The action is **effective** if :

$$\forall g \in G/e \exists p \in M \text{ s.t. } : \varphi_g(p) \neq p$$

The action is **transitive** if :

$$\forall p, q \in M \exists g \in G \text{ s.t. } : \varphi_g(p) = q$$

Example 2.3. • $G \times g \rightarrow G \quad (g, p) \mapsto g \cdot p = l_g(p)$ is a transitive effective left action.

• *similarly:*

• $G \times g \rightarrow G \quad (g, p) \mapsto p \cdot g = r_g(p)$ is a transitive effective right action.

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$$\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow G \quad (g, p) \mapsto \varphi_g(p) = g p g^{-1}$$

$$\varphi_{g_1} \varphi_{g_2}(p) = \varphi_{g_1}(g_2 p g_2^{-1}) = g_1((g_2 p g_2^{-1}) g_1^{-1}) = (g_1 g_2) p (g_1 g_2)^{-1} = \varphi_{g_1 g_2}(p)$$

\rightsquigarrow This is a left action of G on itself!

Vorlesung 4:

Proposition 2.4. *If $\varphi : G \rightarrow H$ is a Lie group homomorphism, then the following diagram commutes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{\varphi_*} & \mathfrak{h} \\ \downarrow \text{exp} & & \downarrow \text{exp} \\ G & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & H \end{array}$$

Proof. Since φ is a homomorphism the upper diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_e G & \xrightarrow{D_e \varphi} & T_e H \\ \text{ev} \uparrow & & \text{ev} \uparrow \\ \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{\varphi_*} & \mathfrak{h} \\ \downarrow \text{exp} & & \downarrow \text{exp} \\ G & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & H \end{array}$$

Take $X \in \mathfrak{g}$. Then:

$$\text{exp}(\varphi_*(tX)) = \text{exp}(t \underbrace{\text{ev}^{-1} \circ D_e \varphi \circ \text{ev}(X)}_{=: Y}) = \text{exp}(tY)$$

$\varphi(\text{exp}(tX))$ is a 1-par.subgroup of H . The conclusion follows if we check that these two 1-par. subgroups are subgroups for the same element in \mathfrak{h} .

$$\frac{d}{dt} \varphi(\text{exp}(tX))|_{t=0} = D_e \varphi \left(\frac{d}{dt} \text{exp}(tX)|_{t=0} \right) = D_e \varphi(\text{ev}(X))$$

By uniqueness of 1-par. subgroup follows equivalence. □

Let $\varphi : G \times M \rightarrow M$ be a smooth action of G on M . Let G_p be the isotropy subgroup of a point $p \in M$.

Lemma 2.5. *φ induces a linear representation $\zeta_p : G_p \rightarrow GL(T_p M)$. This is called the **isotropy representation** at p .*

Proof. Let $g \in G_p \subset G$, so $\varphi_g(p) = p \Rightarrow D_p \varphi_g : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$. We define

$$\zeta_p : G_p \rightarrow GL(T_p M), g \mapsto D_p \varphi_g$$

φ_g diffeo. $\Rightarrow D_p \varphi_g$ invertible for all $p \in M$. If $g_1, g_2 \in G_p$, then $D_p \varphi_{g_1 g_2} = D_p(\varphi_{g_1} \circ \varphi_{g_2}) = D_{g_2(p)} \varphi_{g_1} \circ D_p \varphi_{g_2} = D - p g_1 \circ D_p \varphi_{g_2}$, so ζ_p is a homomorphism. □

Consider

$$a : G \times G \rightarrow G \quad (g, p) \mapsto gpg^{-1}$$

This is a left action of G on G . In this action $G_e = G$. This gives isotropy rep.:

$$\zeta_e : G \rightarrow GL(T_e G) \cong GL(\mathfrak{g})$$

Definition 2.6. The **adjoint representation** of G on \mathfrak{g} is:

$$Ad = \zeta_e : G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_e G & \xrightarrow{D_e Ad} & T_e G \\ ev \uparrow & & ev \uparrow \\ \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{Ad_* := ad} & End(\mathfrak{g}) \\ \downarrow exp & & \downarrow exp \\ G & \xrightarrow{Ad} & GL(\mathfrak{g}) \end{array}$$

Definition 2.7.

$$ad : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow End(\mathfrak{g})$$

is Ad_* .

Definition 2.8. The **Center of G** :

$$C(G) := \{g \in G | gg' = g'g \quad \forall g' \in G\}$$

If $g \in C(G)$, then $a_g = Id_G$.

Lemma 2.9. $C(G) \subset Ker(Ad)$. In particular Ad is the trivial rep. if G is abelian.

Proof.

$$a_g : G \rightarrow G \quad p \mapsto gpg^{-1}$$

is a Lie group homomorphism. $a_g(p \cdot q) = g(p \cdot q)g^{-1} = (gpg^{-1})(gqg^{-1}) = a_g(p) \cdot a_g(q)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_e G & \xrightarrow{D_e a_g} & T_e G \\ ev \uparrow & & ev \uparrow \\ \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{(a_g)_*} & \mathfrak{g} \\ \downarrow exp & & \downarrow exp \\ G & \xrightarrow{a_g} & G \end{array}$$

Claim: " $(a_g)_* = Ad(g)$ "

Proof. $Ad(g)$ was defined as $D_e a_g$. But so was $(a_g)_*$. □

Take V a finite dim. \mathbb{R} -vector space and $G = GL(V)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{Ad(g)} & \mathfrak{g} & & GL(V) & \xrightarrow{Ad} & GL(End(V)) & & GL(V) & \xrightarrow{a_g} & GL(V) \\
 \downarrow exp & & \downarrow exp & & exp \uparrow & & exp \uparrow & & exp \uparrow & & exp \uparrow \\
 G & \xrightarrow{a_g} & G & & End(V) & \xrightarrow{ad} & End(End(V)) & & End(V) & \xrightarrow{Ad(g)} & End(V)
 \end{array}$$

Claim: " $Ad(g)(M) = gMg^{-1}$ "

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Ad(g)(M) &= \frac{d}{dt} a_g(exp(tM))|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (g exp(tM) g^{-1})|_{t=0} \\
 &= g \left(\frac{d}{dt} exp(tM)|_{t=0} \right) g^{-1} = gMg^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition 2.10. Consider $G = GL(V)$ and $ad : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow End(\mathfrak{g})$. Then $ad(X)(Y) = [X, Y]$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 ad(X)(Y) &= \frac{d}{dt} Ad(exp(tY))(Y)|_{t=0} = ev^{-1} \left(\frac{d}{dt} D_e a_{exp(tX)}(Y_e)|_{t=0} \right) \\
 &= ev^{-1} \left(\frac{d}{dt} D_{exp(tX)} r_{exp(-tX)} \circ D_e l_{exp(tX)}(Y_e)|_{t=0} \right) \\
 &= ev^{-1} \left(\frac{d}{dt} D_{exp(tX)} r_{exp(-tX)}(Y_{exp(tX)})|_{t=0} \right) \\
 &= ev^{-1}((L_X Y)_e) = ev^{-1}([X, Y](e)) = [X, Y]
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Vorlesung 5: G a Lie group, $g \in G$:

$$a_g : G \rightarrow G, h \mapsto ghg^{-1} \quad Ad_g = D_e a_g : T_e G \mapsto T_e G$$

The adjoint representation of G is the isotropy representation of a_g at $e \in G$ i.e.:

$$Ad : G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g}) \quad g \mapsto Ad_g$$

Lemma 2.11. *Let G be connected. Then: $\ker(\text{Ad}) = C(G)$ is the centre of G .*

Proof. If $g \in C(G)$, Then $a_g = \text{Id}$ so $\text{Ad}_g = D_e a_g = D_e \text{Id} = \text{Id}$. This means $g \in \ker(\text{Ad})$. Conversely, if $g \in \ker(\text{Ad})$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{a_g} & G \\ \text{exp} \uparrow & & \text{exp} \uparrow \\ \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{\text{Ad}_g} & \mathfrak{g} \end{array}$$

Let $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, then:

$$g \exp(X) g^{-1} = a_g(\exp(X)) = \exp(\text{Ad}_g(X)) = \exp(X)$$

In particular, since \exp is a diffeomorphism near $0 \in \mathfrak{g}$, \mathfrak{g} commutes with an open neighborhood of $e \in G$. Since any open nbhd. of $e \in G$... the connected component of G containing e (exercise), and since G is connected, \mathfrak{g} commutes with all of G , i.e. $g \in C(G)$. □

Definition 2.12. The centre of \mathfrak{g} is the Lie algebra:

$$C(\mathfrak{g}) := \{X \in \mathfrak{g} \mid [X, Y] = 0 \forall Y \in \mathfrak{g}\}$$

Corollary 2.13. *Let G be a connected Lie group. The $C(G)$ is a closed Lie subgroup of G , where Lie algebra is the centre of \mathfrak{g} .*

Proof. By previous Lemma $C(G) = \ker(\text{Ad} : G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g}))$, i.e. $C(G)$ is a closed subgroup of G . By the "Cartan closed subgroup thm.", $C(G)$ is an embedded Lie subgroup of G .

$C(\mathfrak{g}) \subset LC(G)$:

$X \in C(\mathfrak{g})$, Then for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$ we have:

$$\text{Ad}_{\exp(tX)} = \exp(\underbrace{\text{ad}_X}_{=0 \text{ since } X \in C(\mathfrak{g})}) = \text{id}$$

i.e.: $\exp(tX) \in \ker(\text{Ad}) = C(G)$. Hence, $X \in LG(G)$.

$C(\mathfrak{g}) \supset LC(G)$:

$X \in LC(G)$, so $\forall t \in \mathbb{R} : \exp(tX) \in C(G)$. Let $Y \in \mathfrak{g}$, then:

$$Y = \text{Ad}_{\exp(tX)}(Y) \underset{\text{com.diag.}}{=} \exp(\text{ad}_{tX})(Y) = e^{\text{ad}_{tX}}(Y) \Rightarrow e^{\text{ad}_{tX}} = \text{Id}$$

Choosing $t > 0$ small enough, this implies $\text{ad}_{tX} = 0$, i.e. $t \cdot \text{ad}_X = 0$, i.e. $\text{ad}_X = 0$. This means $X \in C(\mathfrak{g})$ □

Let G be a Lie group, $H \subset G$ closed Lie group. Let $G/H := \{aH \mid a \in G\}$ be the set of left-cosets of H .

Theorem 2.14. G/H has the structure of smooth manifold of dimension $\dim(G) - \dim(H)$ and such that:

$$\pi : G \rightarrow G/H \quad a \mapsto aH$$

is a smooth map that admits local smooth section.

Remark 2.15. G/H is called a **homogeneous space** for G .

Proof. Step 1: Topological observations

G/H is given the quotient topology, defined by $U \subset G/H$ is open $\Leftrightarrow \pi^{-1}(U) \subset G$ is open.

- $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$ is an open map: let $U \subset G$ open, then $\pi^{-1}(\pi(U)) = U \cdot H = \bigcup_{k \in H} U \cdot k$ is open, hence so is $\pi(U)$.
- G/H has a countable basis for its topology. If \mathfrak{B} is a basis for the top. on G , then $\{\pi(B) | B \in \mathfrak{B}\}$ is a basis for top. on G/H .
- G/H is Hausdorff. Suppose $aH \neq bH$ i.e. $a^{-1}bH \neq H$ i.e. $a^{-1}b \notin H$.

Consider

$$f : G \times G \rightarrow G \quad (g_1, g_2) \mapsto g_1^{-1}g_2$$

By continuity of f and the assumption that H be closed. $f^{-1}(H) \subset G \times G$ is closed we have $(b, a) \in (G \times G) - f^{-1}(H)$, i.e. there are open sets $U, V \subset G$ s.t. $b \in U, a \in V$ and $(U \times V) \cap f^{-1}(H) = \emptyset$. Then $\pi(U)$ and $\pi(V)$ are disjoint open nbhd. of bH and aH . respectively. Step 2: Constructions of the coordinate charts

Let \mathfrak{g} be the Lie algebra of G and $\mathfrak{k} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ the Lie subalgebra corresponding to H . Choose a complement of \mathfrak{k} in \mathfrak{g} (as vector spaces) : $\mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{g}$. Consider the smooth map:

$$\varphi : \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow G \quad (X, Y) \mapsto \exp(X) \cdot \exp(Y)$$

CLaim:” $D_{(0,0)}\varphi$ is an isomorphism”

Proof. Let $X \in \mathfrak{k}$ and $\gamma(t) = \varphi(tX, 0) = \exp(tX)$. Then $(D_{(0,0)}\varphi)(X, 0) = \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} \exp(tX) = X$. i.e. $\text{Im}(D_{(0,0)}\varphi) \supset \mathfrak{k}$. Similarly, $\text{Im}(D_{(0,0)}\varphi) \supset \mathfrak{h}$. Since $\dim(G) = \dim(\mathfrak{g}) = \dim(\mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{h})$, $D_{(0,0)}\varphi$ is an isomorphism. \square

CLaim:” $V_1 \subset \mathfrak{k}$ and $V_2 \subset \mathfrak{h}$ be open nbhd. around 0, such that $\varphi : V_1 \times V_2 \rightarrow U$ is a diffeomorphism onto an open nbhd. U of $e \in G$. Then there is an open set $U_1 \subset V_1$ s.t.: $((\exp U_1)^{-1} \exp(V_2)) \cap H \subset \exp(V_2)$ ”

Proof. Since $\exp(V_2)$ is an open nbhd. of $e \in G$ and H has the subspace topology of G , there exists an open nbhd. W of e in G s.t. $\exp(V_2) = W \cap H$. Now choose U_1 s.t. $\exp(U_1)^{-1}\exp(V_2) \subset W$. Lets assume w.l.o.g. that $V_1 = U$. \square

Claim:” Define $\phi_e : V_1 \rightarrow \pi(U)$ by $\phi_e(X) := \exp(X) \cdot H$. Then ϕ_e is bijective.”

Proof. ϕ_e is surjective: By def $\varphi(V_1 \times V_2) = \exp(V_1) \underbrace{\exp(V_2)}_{\subset H}$, so $\pi(U) =$

$\pi(\exp(V_1)) = \phi_e(V_1)$.

ϕ_e is injective: Suppose $\phi_e(X) = \phi_e(Y)$ i.e. $\exp(X)H = \exp(Y)H$, for some $X, Y \in V_2$. Then

$$\exp(X)^{-1}\exp(Y) \in (\exp(V_1)^{-1}\exp(V_2)) \cap H \subset \exp(V_2)$$

So there is some $Z \in V_2$ s.t. $\varphi(Y, 0) = \exp(Y) = \exp(X)\exp(Z) = \varphi(X, Z)$ i.e. $Y = X$. \square

For each $a \in G$ define a chart around $aH \in G/H$ by $U_2 = a \cdot \pi(U)$, $\phi_a : V_1 \rightarrow a\pi(U)$, $\phi_a := l_a \circ \phi_e$.

Claim:” The transition map $\phi_b^{-1}\phi_a : \phi_e^{-1}(U_a \cap U_b) \rightarrow \phi_b^{-1}(U_a \cap U_b)$ are smooth”

Proof. We’ll write $\phi_b^{-1}\phi_a$ as a composition of smooth maps. Let $p \in U_a \cap U_b$ then:

$$p = a\exp(X)H = b\exp(Y)H \quad \text{for some } X, Y \in V_1$$

Note $(\phi_b^{-1}\phi_a)(X) = Y$. Hence $\exists h \in H : \exp(X)h = \underbrace{(a^{-1}b)}_{\in l_{a^{-1}b}(U) \subset \text{Gopen}} \cdot \exp(Y)$.

By continuity of multiplications, there is an open nbhd. A and X in $X \in \phi_a^{-1}(U_a \cap U_b)$ s.t. $\exp(A)h \subset l_{a^{-1}b}(U)$. \square

Define smooth maps:

$$\nu : A \rightarrow l_{a^{-1}b}(U) \quad X' \mapsto \exp(X')h$$

$$p : l_{a^{-1}b}(U) \rightarrow V_1, p := \pi_1 \circ \varphi^{-1} \circ l_{b^{-1}a}$$

Claim:” $\phi_b^{-1}\phi_a|_A = p \circ \nu$ ”

Proof. Let $X' \in A$. Then

$$\nu(X') = \underbrace{\exp(X')h}_{\in l_{a^{-1}b}(U)} (a^{-1}b) \underbrace{\exp(Y')}_{\in H} \exp(Z')$$

With uniquely determined $(Y'Z') \in V_1 \times V_2$. $\Rightarrow a\exp(X')H = b\exp(Y')H$ i.e. $(\phi_b^{-1}\phi_a)(X') = Y'$. Easy to check also $p(\nu(X')) = Y'$ also. \square

Claim: " $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$ is smooth "

Proof. It suffices to check that $\pi|_U : U \rightarrow \pi(U)$ is smooth. Can easily check that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 \times V_2 & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & U \\ \downarrow \pi_1 & & \downarrow \pi|_U \\ V_1 & \xrightarrow{\phi_e} & \pi(U) \end{array}$$

i.e. $\phi_e^{-1} \circ \pi \circ \varphi = \pi_1$. Since π_1 is smooth, so is $\pi|_U$. The diagram also shows that $U \rightarrow \pi(U)$ has a smooth section because π_1 does. □

□

Prime example of a principle H-bundle:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 \times H & \xrightarrow{*} & G \\ \downarrow \pi_1 & & \downarrow \cdot \\ V_1 & \xrightarrow{\phi_e} & G/H \end{array}$$

$* = (X, h) \rightarrow \exp(X)h$

Vorlesung 6:

3 Principal Bundles

G Lie group, M a smooth manifold.

Definition 3.1. A smooth **principal G-bundle** over M is a smooth manifold P together with the following:

- (1) a smooth map $\pi : P \rightarrow M$
- (2) a smooth right G -action on P :

$$P \times G \rightarrow P \quad (p, g) \mapsto \phi_g(p) = p \cdot g$$

satisfying:

- (a) the G -action preserves the fibres of π i.e.: $\pi(p \cdot g) = \pi(p) \forall p \in Pg \in G$

- (b) there is a covering of M by open sets $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ together with diffeomorphism:

$$\Phi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \xrightarrow{\cong} U_\alpha \times G \quad p \mapsto (\pi(p), \phi_\alpha(p))$$

such that $\phi_\alpha(p \cdot g) = \phi_\alpha(p) \cdot g \quad \forall p \in \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) g \in G$.

[i.e. ϕ_α is G -equivariant, wrt. the ... right G -action on the second factor of $(U_\alpha \times G)$, $f : X \rightarrow Y$ **map of G -spaces is G -equiv.**, if $f(x \cdot g) = f(x) \cdot g \forall x \in X g \in G$]

Terminologie:

- P total space
- M base space
- G structure group
- π projection map
- Φ_α local trivialisations
- $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ trivialising open cover of M

Remark 3.2. Suppose $P \xrightarrow{\pi} M, (P, \pi, M), G \hookrightarrow P$ is a principal G -bundle.

- (i) π admits local smooth sections: by local triviality:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) & \xrightarrow{\Phi_\alpha} & U_\alpha \times G \\ & \searrow \pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)} \quad \swarrow \pi_1 & \\ & U_\alpha & \end{array}$$

but π_1 has smooth sections, namely:

$$s : U_\alpha \rightarrow U_\alpha \times G \quad x \mapsto (x, g)$$

for some fixed $g \in G$. [more generally, can take any smooth function $t : U_\alpha \rightarrow G$ then $x \mapsto (x, t(x))$ is a section] But the $\phi_\alpha^{-1} \circ s$ is a section of $\pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)} \rightarrow U_\alpha$

- (ii) π is always surjective submersion: Surjectivity follows from (b), since the U_α cover H . Submersion: because locally it is diffeomorphic to $\pi_1 : U_\alpha \times G \rightarrow U_\alpha$, which is a submersion.
- (iii) $\pi^{-1}(x)$ is diffeomorphic to G for all $x \in M$. Thus follows from local triviality, by restricting to fibres.

- (iv) On each fibre $\pi^{-1}(x)$ the G -action is **simply transitive** (free and transitive) i.e.: transitive with trivial This follows from $\pi^{-1}(x) \cong G$ compatibly with the G -action and the fact that the right-action of G on itself is simply transitive.
- (v) M is homeomorphic with P/G . Because the action of G on P is fiberwise, the map $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ factors through $P/G \rightarrow M$. This is an open, continuous bijection i.e. a homeomorphism.

Example 3.3. (1) $P = M \times G$ with $\pi = \pi_1$ the projection onto M and the obvious right action of G on the second factor, is a principle G -bundle for any smooth mfd. M and Lie group G . H is called the **product bundle**.

- (2) G a Lie group, $H \subset G$ a closed subgroup. Then the canonical projection $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$ together with the obvious H -action on the right of G , is a principle H -bundle by yesterday's lecture. We showed that G/H can be covered by charts $U_g, g \in G$ such that:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 \times H & \xrightarrow{*} & \pi^{-1}(U_g) \\ \downarrow \pi_1 & & \downarrow \pi \\ V_1 & \xrightarrow{\varphi_g} & G/H \end{array}$$

(*): Φ^{-1}, \cong . Commute, where $\Phi^{-1}(X, h) = \exp(X) \cdot k. (V_1 \subset \mathfrak{k}$ open nbhd. of 0, $\mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{g}$). Since

$$\Phi_g^{-1}((X, h) \cdot h') = \Phi_g^{-1}(X, hh') = \exp(X) \cdot h \cdot h' = (\Phi_g^{-1}(X, h)) \cdot h'$$

we see that Φ_g^{-1} is H -equivalent hence, Φ_g is also H -equivalent.

- (3) M is a smooth n -manifold, P the set of bases for the tangent space $T_x M, x \in M$.

$$\pi : P \rightarrow M \quad (v_1, \dots, v_n) \in T_x M \mapsto x$$

P has a smooth manifold structure so that $P \xrightarrow{\pi} M$ is a smooth principle $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ -bundle. This is called the tangent frame bundle of M .

Definition 3.4. Let $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ and $\pi' : P' \rightarrow M$ be two principle G -bundles over the same ... manifold M . An **isomorphism between P and P'** is a diffeomorphism $f : P \xrightarrow{\cong} P'$ satisfying:

- $\pi' \circ f = \pi$ i.e. the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P & \xrightarrow{f} & P' \\ & \searrow \pi & \swarrow \pi' \\ & & M \end{array}$$

- $f \circ r_g = r_g \circ f \quad \forall g \in G$ i.e. f is G -equivalent.
- clearly, f is smooth
- for $h \in G$ we have : $f(x, g) \cdot h = f(x, gh) = s(x) \cdot (gh) = f(x, g) \cdot h$ i.e. f is equivalent.
- $\pi(f(x, g)) = \pi(s(x) \cdot g) = \pi(s(x)) = x = \pi_1(x, g)$ so f is a map compatible with the projections to M .
- f maps $\{x\} \times G$ bijectively onto $\pi^{-1}(x)$, since f is G -equivalent and G acts simply transitively on the fibres (e.g. $f(x, g) = f(x, g') \Leftrightarrow s(x) \cdot g = s(x) \cdot g' \Leftrightarrow s(x) = s(x)(g' \cdot g^{-1}) \Leftrightarrow g' \cdot g^{-1} \in G_{s(x)} = \{e\} \Leftrightarrow g = g'$)

Lemma 3.5. *A principle G -bundle P admits a global smooth section $s : M \rightarrow P \Leftrightarrow$ it is isomorphic with the product bundle $\pi_1 : M \times G \rightarrow M$.*

Proof. " \Leftarrow " The product bundle has a section $s : M \rightarrow M \times G \quad x \mapsto (x, e)$ If $f : M \times G \rightarrow P$ is an isomorphism, $f^{-1} \circ s : M \rightarrow P$ is a section for π .
" \Rightarrow " Conversely, suppose P admits a global section $s : M \rightarrow P$. Define

$$f : M \times G \rightarrow P \quad (x, g) \mapsto s(x) \cdot g$$

It remains to show that f^{-1} is smooth. Let $U \subset M$ be open such that $\pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U)} : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U$ is trivial.

$$\begin{aligned} U \times G &\xrightarrow{f|_{U \times G}} \pi^{-1}(U) \xrightarrow{\Phi, \cong} U \times G \\ (x, g) &\mapsto s(x) \cdot g \mapsto (x, \varphi(s(x))) = (x, t(x) \cdot g) \end{aligned}$$

Since φ is G -equivalent, $\varphi(s(x) \cdot g) = t(x) \cdot g$ for some smooth $t : U \rightarrow G$. Thus, the inverse is given by $(x, g) \mapsto (x, t(x)^{-1} \cdot g)$. This is a smooth map. \square

Terminology: P is called (globally) trivial if it is isomorphic to the product bundle.

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G a Lie group $g \in G$:

$$a_g : G \rightarrow G \quad p \mapsto gpg^{-1}$$

$$Ad : G \rightarrow GL(T_e G)$$

Lemma 3.6. *$Ad(g)$ is given by the composition of $D_e r_{g^{-1}}$ with the identification $T_{g^{-1}}G \rightarrow T_e G$ given by left multiplication (with g).*

Proof. Consider a $v \in T_{g^{-1}}G$. There is a unique left-invariant vector field $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ s.t. $X(g^{-1}) = v$. Then $f(v) = X(e) \Leftrightarrow D_{g^{-1}}l_g(v) = X(e)$.

$$\begin{aligned} Ad(g)(Y(e)) &= D_g r_{g^{-1}} \circ D_e l_g(Y(e)) = D_g r_{g^{-1}}(Y(g)) \\ &= D_{g^{-1}} l_g \circ \underbrace{D_e r_{g^{-1}}(Y(e))}_v = X(e) \end{aligned}$$

□

$P \rightarrow M$ a principle G-bundle, $P \times G \rightarrow P$ the right G-action. Each $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ determines a 1-par. subgroup $exp(tX)$. By restriction of the right G-action, $exp(tX)$ defines a flow on P:

$$\mathbb{R} \times P \rightarrow P \quad (t, p) \mapsto p \cdot exp(tX)$$

Definition 3.7. X^* is the vector field on P obtained by differentiating this flow. X^* is called the **fundamental vector field** defined by $X \in \mathfrak{g}$.

Properties:

- (a) $X^* \in ker(D\pi)$
- (b) $X^*(p) \neq 0 \forall p \in P$ if $X \neq 0$
- (c) $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(P) / X \rightarrow X^*$ is an injective homomorphism.
- (d) At every point $p \in P$, the values of $X^*(p)$ as X varies in \mathfrak{g} from $ker(D_p\pi)$

Lemma 3.8. For $g \in G$ and $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ we have:

$$D_p r_g(X^*(p)) = (Ad(g^{-1})X)^*(p \cdot g)$$

Proof. Following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{a_{g^{-1}}} & G \\ \exp \uparrow & & \uparrow \exp \\ \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{Ad(g^{-1}):X \mapsto Y} & \mathfrak{g} \end{array}$$

$exp(tY) = g^{-1}exp(tX)g$ Define $s, s' : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow P$ by $s(t) = p \cdot exp(tX)$ and $s'(t) = p \cdot g \cdot exp(tY) = p exp(tX)g$. $D_p r_g(X^*(p)) = D_p r_g \circ D_0 s(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}) = D_0 s'(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}) = Y^*(p \cdot g) = (Ad(g^{-1})X)^*(p \cdot g)$ □

$\pi : P \rightarrow M$ a principle G-bundle. There is a covering of M by open sets $U_\alpha, \alpha \in I$ s.d.

$$\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha \rightarrow U_\alpha) \times G \quad p \mapsto (\pi(p), \varphi_\alpha(p)) \quad \varphi_\alpha(p \cdot g) = \varphi_\alpha(p) \cdot g$$

$$(x, g) \longrightarrow (x, \psi_{\alpha, \beta}^{-1}(x, g))$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times G & \xrightarrow{Id \times ?} & (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times G \\ & \searrow (\pi \times \varphi_\beta)^{-1} \quad \swarrow (\pi \times \varphi_\alpha) & \\ & M & \end{array}$$

Define $\psi_{\alpha, \beta}(x) = \psi_{\alpha, \beta}^{-1}(x, e)$ Then $ps\bar{i}_{\alpha, \beta}(x, g) = \psi(x) \cdot g \quad \forall g \in G$.

$\psi_{\alpha, \beta} : (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \rightarrow G$ are smooth maps

Properties:

- (1) $\psi_{\alpha, \alpha} : U_\alpha \rightarrow G$ is the constant map to $e \in G$
- (2) $\psi_{\beta, \alpha}(x) = \psi_{\alpha, \beta}^{-1}(x) \quad \forall x \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$
- (3) if $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma \neq \emptyset$, then

$$\psi_{\alpha, \beta}(x) \cdot \psi_{\alpha, \gamma}(x) = \psi_{\alpha, \gamma}(x) \quad \forall x \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma$$

These properties are the **cocycle conditions** for the maps $\psi_{*,*}$

One can reconstruct P (up to isomorphism) just from the cocycle $\psi_{*,*}$

$$\left(\coprod_{\alpha \in I} (U_\alpha \times G) \right) / \simeq = P$$

$(x, g) \in U_\alpha \times G$ is equivalent to $(y, h) \in U_\beta \times G$ if $x = y$ in M and $h = \psi_{\alpha, \beta}(x) \cdot g$. This is an equivalence relation because $\psi_{*,*}$ satisfies the cocycle conditions. P is smooth mfd. with local parametrization given by the projections of $U_\alpha \times G$ to P . Define :

$$P \times G \rightarrow P \quad ([(x, g)], g') \mapsto [(x, gg')]$$

This is a well-def., smooth right G -action on P . This action is free and the space of orbits is M.

Let:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P & \xrightarrow{f_1} & P' \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi' \\ M & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_1} & M' \end{array}$$

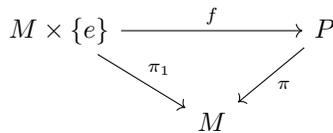
be a principle $(G-)G'$ -bundles.

Definition 3.9. A **homomorphism of principle bundles** is a pair of smooth maps $f_1 : P \rightarrow P', f_2 : G \rightarrow G'$ s.t.: f_2 is a Lie group homomorphism and $f_1(p \cdot g) = f_1(p) \cdot f_2(g) \quad \forall p \in P, g \in G$

Notation: We usually write f for both f_1 and f_2 . We often consider the case $\bar{f} = Id_M$. Let $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ be a principle G -bundle and $H \subset G$ a Lie subgroup.

Definition 3.10. A reduction of the structure group of P from G to H is a princ. H -bundle $P' \rightarrow M$ together with an injective homomorphism $f : P' \rightarrow P$ (with $\bar{f} = Id_M$). s.t. $f_2 : H \rightarrow G$ is the inclusion.

Example 3.11. $H = \{e\}$ then $P' = M \times \{e\}$ and an injective homomorphism to $P \Rightarrow P$ has a section defined by $s(x) = f(x, e)$.



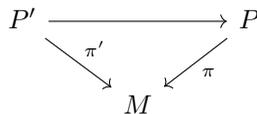
A princ. G -bundle $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ has a reduction of the structure group to $\{e\} \Leftrightarrow$ it is globally trivial.

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Proposition 3.12. A princ. G -bundle $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ has a reduction to $H \subset G$ if and only if there is a system of lo. trivialisations for P s.t. the corresponding cocycle $\psi_{\alpha, \beta} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow G$ takes values in H .

Proof. " \Leftarrow ": Suppose we have a cocycle $\psi_{*,*}$ for P s.t. the values are in $H \subset G$. then there is a princ. H -bundle P' defined by $\psi_{*,*}$. Moreover there is an inclusion $P' \hookrightarrow P$, which is a homomorphism of princ. bundles. $\Rightarrow P'$ is a reduction of the structure group of P to H .

" \Rightarrow ": Suppose we have a reduction:



Take any system of loc. trivialization for f' , then the corresponding $\psi_{*,*}$ takes values in H . Composing: $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \xrightarrow{\psi_{\alpha, \beta}} H \hookrightarrow G$ we can think of $\psi_{*,*}$ as a cocycle with values in G . This is a cocycle for P with values in H □

4 Associated bundles

Let $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ be a princ. G -bundle and $G \times F \rightarrow F$ a smooth G -action on the left on some smooth mfd. F . Associated to this data is $E := P \times_G F := (P \times F)/G = (P \times F)/\simeq$ where

$$(p, f) \simeq (p \cdot g, g^{-1}f) \quad \forall g \in G$$

Claim: " $(P \times F) \times G \rightarrow P \times F, ((p, f), g) \mapsto (p \cdot g, g^{-1}f)$ defines a smooth right G -action on $P \times F$ "

We will see that E is a smooth mfd. with a smooth submersion $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$ s.t. $\pi_E^{-1}(x)$ is diffeomorphic to F for every $x \in M$. Let $U \subset M$ be an open set over which P is trivial. Pick a loc. trivialization:

$$\pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times G \quad p \mapsto (\pi(p), \varphi(p))$$

The construction of E with M replaced by U and P replaced by $\pi^{-1}(U)$ gives:

$$\pi_E^{-1}(U) = (\pi^{-1}(U) \times F)/G = (U \times G \times F)/G$$

with G acting as follows: $(x, g', f) \cdot g = (x, g'g, g^{-1} \cdot f)$. Define:

$$\sigma : (U \times G \times F)/G \rightarrow U \times F \quad [(x, g', f)] \mapsto (x, g' \cdot f)$$

Suppose $(x, g', f) \simeq (x, g'', f')$. Then there exists a $g \in G$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} g'' &= g' \cdot g & f' &= g^{-1} \cdot f \\ \Rightarrow g'' \cdot f' &= (g'g)(g^{-1}f) = (g'gg^{-1}) \cdot f = g' \cdot f \end{aligned}$$

Define:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau : U \times F &\rightarrow (U \times G \times F)/G & (x, f) &\mapsto [(x, e, f)] \\ \sigma \circ \tau(x, f) &= \sigma([(x, e, f)]) = (x, f) \\ \tau \circ \sigma([(x, g', f)]) &= \tau(x, g'f) = [(x, e, g'f)] = [(x, g', f)] \end{aligned}$$

We give E the mfd. structure which makes each $\pi^{-1}(U)$ an open set diffeomorphic to $U \times F$ then define $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M, [(p, f)] \mapsto \pi(p)$. In the charts for E constructed above, π_E is:

$$\pi_1 : U \times F \rightarrow U \quad ((p, f), g) \mapsto (p \cdot g, g^{-1}f)$$

Therefore, π_E is smooth, a submersion, and $\pi_E^{-1}(x) \cong F \forall x$.

Example 4.1. Fix $\pi : P \rightarrow M$:

- (0) Take $G \times F \rightarrow F$ the trivial G -action with $g \cdot f = f \quad \forall g \in G, f \in F$.
Then $E = P \times_G F = M \times F$ with $\pi_E = \pi_1$.

(1) Let $\rho : G \rightarrow GL(V)$ be a linear rep. of G . This defines a left action of G on V via $G \times V \rightarrow V, (g, v) \mapsto \rho(g) \cdot v$. Then $E = P \times_G V$ is a vector bundle over M with fiber V . Notation: E is denoted $P \times_G V$

Converse construction: start with a rank k vector bundle $E \rightarrow M$. The set of local frames for the fibers of E form a $GL_k(\mathbb{R})$ -principal bundle $P \rightarrow M$. Now take $\rho = Id$. Then the vector bundle associated to P via ρ is isomorphic to E .

Special case: $\rho = Ad : G \rightarrow GL(\mathfrak{g})$. Then $E = P \times_{Ad} \mathfrak{g}$. Is the adjoint bundle P denoted $Ad(P) = P \times_{Ad} \mathfrak{g}$

(2) $H \subset G$ a closed Lie subgroup. Then G acts on the left on the space G/H :

$$G \times G/H \rightarrow G/H \quad (g, g'H) \rightarrow gg'H$$

Taking $F = G/H$ with this G -action we have an associated bundle $E = (P \times^{G/H})/G$ over M with fiber G/H .

Lemma 4.2. This $E = (P \times^{G/H})/G$ is diffeomorphic to P/H , where $H \subset G$ acts on the right via the p.b.action.

Proof. Define:

$$\nu : E \rightarrow P/H \quad [(p, gH)] \mapsto [p \cdot g]$$

If $(p, gH) \simeq (q, g'H)$ then there is a $\alpha \in G$ such that $p \cdot \alpha = q$ and $\alpha^{-1}gH = g'H \Leftrightarrow (g')^{-1}\alpha^{-1}g \in H \Leftrightarrow g^{-1'} \in H$. $[p \cdot g] = [(p \cdot g) \cdot (g^{-1}\alpha g')] = [p \cdot (\alpha g')] = [q \cdot g']$ so ν is well-def. Define:

$$\tau : P/H \rightarrow E \quad [p] \mapsto [p, e \cdot H]$$

This is also well-defined. ν and τ are inverses of each other. They are smooth because they are smooth in loc. trivializations. \square

Vorlesung 9:

$$G \times G/H \rightarrow G/H$$

$$E = P \times_G (G/H) = P/H$$

Proposition 4.3. P admits a reduction to the subgroup $H \subset G \Leftrightarrow E$ has a section

Proof. " \Rightarrow ": Suppose P' is a princ. H -bundle and $f : P' \rightarrow P$ is a reduction.

$$P' \xrightarrow{f} P \xrightarrow{g} P/H = E$$

g the projection.

Claim: " $g \circ f$ is constant on every fibre of P' "

Proof. Suppose $p, g \in P'$ are in the same fibre. Then $\exists h \in H$ s.t. $q = p \cdot h \Rightarrow f(q) = f(p) \cdot h \Rightarrow gf(q) = gf(p)$. \square

Define:

$$s : M \rightarrow E \quad s(x) = gf(p) \quad \text{for any } p \in \pi^{-1}(x)$$

This is a smooth section of E . " \Leftarrow ": Suppose E has a section $s : M \rightarrow E$. Consider the projection $g : P \rightarrow P/H = E$ and define $P' = g^{-1}s(M)$. Over every point $x \in M$ we have:

$$G \xrightarrow{g} G/H \quad g^{-1}s(x) \mapsto s(x)$$

Claim: " P' is a princ.H-bundle"

Proof. $g^{-1}s(M) \subset P$. G acts on P by the princ. bundle action and we restrict this action to $H \subset G$. If $p \in g^{-1}(s(M))$ and $h \in H$, then $p \cdot g \in g^{-1}(s(M))$ the right action by H maps $g^{-1}(s(M))$ to itself and acts simply transitively on its fibres over M . So $P' = g^{-1}(s(M))$ is a princ. H -bundle giving a reduction of P to H . \square

\square

5 Connections

Let $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ be a princ. G -bundle. $V := \ker D\pi \subset TP$ is a smooth subbundle called **vertical bundle**.

Definition 5.1. A **connection on P** is a choice of complementary subbundle $H \subset TP$ that is invariant under the right G -action, i.e. $D_p r_g(H_p) = H_{p \cdot g}$

Terminology: H is called a **horizontal bundle** (Connexion = connection)

Reminder: $\alpha \in \Omega^1(M)$ s.t. $\alpha(p) \neq 0 \forall p \in M \Rightarrow \alpha(p) \neq 0 \in T^*M \Rightarrow \ker \alpha$ is a smooth subbundle of TM of codim 1. If $\alpha \in \Omega^1(M, V)$ a smooth 1-form with values in V , V a \mathbb{R} -vector space, then $\alpha(p) : T_p M \rightarrow V$, $\alpha(p) \in T_p^* M \otimes V$. If $\alpha(p)$ is surjective onto V , then $\ker \alpha$ is a subspace of codimension equal to the dimension of V . Whenever this is true for all $p \in M$, $\ker \alpha$ is a smooth subbundle of TM of codimension equal to $\dim V$.

Given a connection H on $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ we define $w \in \Omega^1(P; \mathfrak{g})$ by:

$$w(X) = 0 \text{ for } X \in H \quad w(X_p) = Y \text{ if } X_p = Y_p^* \text{ for some } Y \in \mathfrak{g}$$

Terminology: w has $\ker w = H$ and is called **the connection 1-form** for H .

Claim: " w is well-def."

Proof.

$$T_p P = V_p \oplus H_p \quad V_p = \ker D\pi = \text{span}\{Y^* | Y \in \mathfrak{g}\}$$

□

Lemma 5.2. $r_g^* w = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})w$

Proof.

$$r_g^* w_p(X_p) = w_{p \cdot g}(D_p r_g(X_p))$$

Both sides of the Claim are linear, so it is enough to check separately the values on horizontal and vertical tangent vectors. Takes $X_p \in H_p$. Then $w_p(X_p) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Ad}(g^{-1})(w_p(X_p)) = 0$

$$(r_g^* w)(X_p) = w_{p \cdot g}(\underbrace{D_p r_g(X_p)}_{\in H_{p \cdot g}}) = 0$$

Take $X_p \in V_p : \exists! Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ s.t. $Y_p^* = X_p$.

$$\begin{aligned} (r_g^* w)(X_p) &= w_{p \cdot g}(D_p r_g(X_p)) = w_{p \cdot g}(D_p r_g(Y_p^*)) \\ &= W_{p \cdot g}(Z_{p \cdot g}^*) = Z = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})Y \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ad}(g^{-1})w(X_p) = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})w_p(Y_p^*) = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})Y$$

where $Z = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})Y$

□

Conversly, suppose we have an arbitrary $w \in \Omega^1(P; \mathfrak{g})$ satisfying $r_g^* w = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})w$ and $w(Y^*) = Y \quad \forall Y \in \mathfrak{g}$

Lemma 5.3. $\ker w$ is a connection on P .

Proof. $\dim T_p P = \dim M + \dim G$, $\dim \mathfrak{g} = \dim G$. At every point $p \in P$, $w_p : T_p P \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ is surjective $\Rightarrow \ker w_p$ has $\dim = \dim M \quad \forall p \in P \Rightarrow H := \ker w \subset TP$ is a smooth subbundle.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} w_p : T_p P & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathfrak{g} \\ & \cong \nearrow & \\ V_p \subset T_p P & & \\ & & Y_p^* \mapsto Y \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow H_p = \ker w_p$ is a complement to V_p , so H is complementary to V . Suppose $X_p \in H_p$. Then $w_{p \cdot g}(D_p r_g(X_p)) = r_g^* w(X_p) = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})\underbrace{w_p(X_p)}_{=0} = 0$ implies

$$D_p r_g(X_p) \in H_{p \cdot g}$$

□

Definition 5.4. $w \in \Omega^1(P, \mathfrak{g})$ is called a **connection 1-form** if $w(Y_p^*) = Y$ $\forall Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ and $r_g^*w = Ad(g^{-1})w \quad \forall g \in G$. There is a 1-1 correspondence between connection H and connection 1-forms w :

$$\{H\} \longrightarrow \{w\} \longrightarrow \{H\}$$

$$w \longrightarrow \ker(w)$$

Proposition 5.5. *Every princ. G -bundle $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ has a connection 1 form*

Proof. Let U_α be open sets in M s.t. $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ is trivial: $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times G$ has a connection with $H_{(x,g)} = T_x U_\alpha \times \{0\}$. Let w_α be the corresponding connection 1-form in $\Omega^1(\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha), \mathfrak{g})$. We may cover M by such U_α and take a partiion of unity ρ_α :

$$\text{supp}\rho_\alpha \subset U_\alpha \quad \rho_\alpha \in C^\infty(M) \quad \rho_\alpha \geq 0 \quad \sum_\alpha \rho_\alpha \equiv 1$$

Define $w := \sum_\alpha \pi^*(\rho_\alpha) \cdot w_\alpha = \sum_\alpha (\rho_\alpha \circ \pi) w_\alpha$

Claim: " w is a connection 1-form on P "

Proof. to prove:

- (1) $w : T_p M \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ is surjective $\forall p \in P$
- (2) $\ker(w)$ is complementary to V
- (3) $\ker(w)$ is preserved by r_g

where $w(Y_p^*) = Y \quad \forall Y \in \mathfrak{g}, r_g^*w = Ad(g^{-1})Y$

Vorlesung 10:

$$\begin{aligned} r_g^*w &= \sum_\alpha (\rho_\alpha \circ \pi) r_g^*w_\alpha = \sum_\alpha (\rho_\alpha \circ \pi) Ad(g^{-1})w_\alpha \\ &= Ad(g^{-1}) \sum_\alpha (\rho_\alpha \circ \pi) w_\alpha = Ad(g^{-1})w \\ w(Y^*) &= \sum_\alpha \pi^*(\rho_\alpha) w_\alpha(Y^*) \\ &= \sum_\alpha \pi^*(\rho_\alpha) Y = Y \quad \forall Y \in \mathfrak{g} \end{aligned}$$

So w is a connection 1-form on P □

□

Theorem 5.6. *The set of connections on P is actually an affine space for the vector space $\Omega^1(M, Ad(P)) = \Gamma(T^*M \otimes Ad(P))$ where $Ad(P) = P \times_{Ad} \mathfrak{g}$.*

Proof. Fix a connection w_0 on P . As w_1 ranges over all connection on P , we want to prove that $w_1 - w_0 = \tilde{w}$ ranges over $\Omega^1(M, Ad(P))$. If $s \in \Omega^1(M, Ad(P))$ and $Y_* \in TM$ $x \in M$, then $s(y) = [(p, Z)]$ for some $Z \in \mathfrak{g}$ $\pi(p) = x$.

$$Ad(P) = (P \times \mathfrak{g}) / \simeq \text{ with } (p, Z) \simeq (p \cdot g, Ad(g^{-1}Z)) \quad \forall g \in G$$

$$\tilde{w}(X^*) = w_1(X^* - w_0(X^*)) = X - X = 0 \Rightarrow V \subset \ker(\tilde{w})$$

Take $p \in \pi^{-1}(x)$, consider $D_p\pi : T_pP \rightarrow T_xM$. This is surjective, so $\exists \tilde{Y} \in T_pP$ s.t. $D_p\pi(\tilde{Y}) = Y$. Consider $\tilde{w}(\tilde{Y}) \in \mathfrak{g}$. This is independent of the choice of lift \tilde{Y} for Y , because any two lifts differ by a vector in $V \subset \ker(\tilde{w})$. Define a section $s \in \Gamma(T^*M \otimes Ad(P))$ by:

$$s_x(Y_x) = [(p, \tilde{w}(\tilde{Y}))]$$

Take another $q \in \pi^{-1}(x)$. Then $\exists g \in G$ s.t. $q = p \cdot g$ We may take $\tilde{\tilde{Y}} = (D_p r_g)(\tilde{Y})$ as a lift of Y to T_qP .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{Y} \in T_pP & \xrightarrow{D_p r_g} & \tilde{\tilde{Y}} \in T_qP \\ & \searrow D_p\pi & \swarrow D_q\pi \\ & y \in T_xM & \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} P & \xrightarrow{r_g} & P \\ & \searrow \pi & \swarrow \pi \\ & M & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (q, \tilde{w}(\tilde{\tilde{Y}})) &= (p \cdot g, \tilde{w}(D_p r_g(\tilde{Y}))) = (p \cdot g, (r_g^* \tilde{w})(\tilde{Y})) \\ &= (p \cdot g, (r_g^* w_1)(\tilde{Y}) - (r_g^* w_0)(\tilde{Y})) = (p \cdot g, Ad(g^{-1})w_1(\tilde{Y}) - Ad(g^{-1})w_0(\tilde{Y})) \\ &= (p \cdot g, Ad(g^{-1}\tilde{w})(\tilde{Y})) \simeq (p, \tilde{w}(\tilde{Y})) \\ &\Rightarrow s \text{ is well-defined} \end{aligned}$$

From w_1 we get $w_1 - w_0 = \tilde{w}$ and from this we constructed s . Suppose we are given w_0 and an $s \in \Omega^1(M, Ad(P))$. We want to check that the combination gives a connection 1-form w_1 on P . For every $x \in M$ and $Y_x \in T_xM$, $s_x(Y_x) = [(p, Z)]$ for any $p \in \pi^{-1}(x)$ and some $Z \in \mathfrak{g}$. Define a \mathfrak{g} -valued 1-form \tilde{w} on P as follows: for $A \in T_pP$ with $\pi(p) = x$ set $\tilde{w}(A) = Z$ if $s_x(D_p\pi(A)) = [(p, Z)]$.

$$\begin{aligned} (r_g^* \tilde{w})(A) &= \tilde{w}_{p \cdot g}(D_p r_g(A)) = Z = Ad(g^{-1})(Z) \\ [(p, Z)] &= s_x(D_p\pi(A)) = s_x(D_{p \cdot g}\pi(D_p r_g(A))) = [(p \cdot g, Z')] \\ &= [(p, Ad(g)(Z'))] \\ &\Rightarrow Z = Ad(g)Z' \Rightarrow Z' = Ad(g^{-1})Z \\ &\Rightarrow r_g^* \tilde{w} = Ad(g^{-1})\tilde{w} \end{aligned}$$

Define $w_1 = w_0 + \tilde{w}$. Then:

$$r_g^* w_1 = r_g^* w_0 + r_g^* \tilde{w} = Ad(g^{-1})(w_0 + \tilde{w}) = Ad(g^{-1})w_1$$

Let $Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ and Y^* the corresponding fundamental vector field. Then $w_1(Y^*) = \underbrace{w_0(Y^*)}_{=Y} + \underbrace{\tilde{w}(Y^*)}_{=0 \text{ since } Y^* \in \ker D\pi} = Y$. So w_1 is a connecten 1-form. Fix w_0

$$w_1 \longrightarrow \tilde{w} \longrightarrow s$$

$$w_1 \longleftarrow \tilde{w} \longleftarrow s$$

□

Vorlesung 11: $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ a princ. G -bundle, w a connection 1-form on P . $\{U_i\}$ an open cover of M by trivializing sets for P .

$$\psi_i : \pi^{-1}(U_i) \rightarrow U_i \times G$$

$$s_i : U_i \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U_i) \quad x \mapsto \psi_i^{-1}(x, e)$$

Define: $w_i = s_i^* w \in \Omega^1(U_i, \mathfrak{g})$. If $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$, we want to relate $w_i|_{U_i \cap U_j}$ to $w_j|_{U_i \cap U_j}$. The transition map

$$\psi_i \circ \psi_j^{-1} : (U_j \cap U_j) \times G \rightarrow (U_j \cap U_j) \times G$$

is of the form:

$$(x, g) \mapsto (x, \psi_{ij}(x) \cdot g)$$

where $\psi_{ij} : U_j \cap U_i \rightarrow G$ is a smooth map. On G we define

$$\theta \in \Omega^1(G, \mathfrak{g}) \quad \theta_g(X_g) = Y \text{ if } X_g = (Y^*)_g$$

Lemma 5.7. *If $x \in U_j \cap U_i$ and $X \in T_x M$, then*

$$w_j(X) = Ad(\psi_{ij}(x))^{-1} w_i(X) + \psi_{ij}^* \theta(X)$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} s_j(x) &= \psi_j^{-1}(x, e) = \psi_i^{-1} \circ \psi_i \circ \psi_j^{-1}(x, e) = \psi_i^{-1}(x, \psi_{ij}(x) \cdot e) \\ &= \psi_i^{-1}(x, e \cdot \psi_{ij}(x)) = \psi_i^{-1}(x, e) \cdot \psi_{ij}(x) = s_i(x) \cdot \psi_{ij}(x) = r_{\psi_{ij}(x)} s_i(x) \\ w_j(X) &= s_j^* w(X) = w(D_x s_j(X)) \\ &= w((D_{s_i(x)} r_{\psi_{ij}(x)} \circ D_x s_i + D l_{s_i(x)} \circ D_x \psi_{ij})(X)) \\ &= w(D_{s_i(x)} r_{\psi_{ij}(x)}(D_x s_i(X))) + w(D_x \psi_{ij}(X)) \\ &= (r_{\psi_{ij}(x)}^* w)(D_x s_i(X)) + \psi_{ij}^* \theta(X) \\ &= Ad(\psi_{ij}^{-1}(x)) w(D_x s_i(X)) + \psi_{ij}^* \theta(X) \\ &= Ad(\psi_{ij}(x))^{-1} w_i(X) + \psi_{ij}^* \theta(X) \end{aligned}$$

□

6 Parallel Transport

$\pi : P \rightarrow M$, w as before, $H = \ker w$. At every point $p \in P$ we have $T_p P = V_p \oplus H_p$ with $H_p = \ker w_p$. $D_p \pi : T_p P \rightarrow T_{\pi(p)} M$ has kernel V_p .

$\Rightarrow D_p \pi|_{H_p} : H_p \rightarrow T_{\pi(p)} M$ is a isomorphism

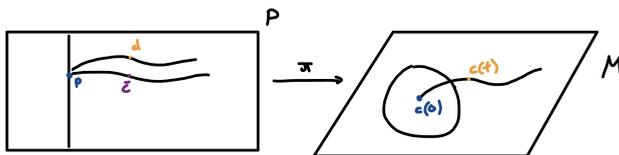
\Rightarrow every $X \in T_{\pi(p)} M$ has a unique lift $X^* \in H_p \subset T_p P$ under this isomorphism

Every $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ has a unique lift to a horizontal vector field $X^* \in \mathfrak{X}(P)$, i.e. $X^* \in \Gamma(H)$. Properties:

- (1) $(fX)^* = \pi^*(f)X^*$
- (2) $(X + Y)^* = X^* + Y^*$
- (3) $([X, Y])^* = \mathfrak{H}[X^*, Y^*]$ where $\mathfrak{H} : TP \rightarrow H$ is the projection with kernel V .

[We will see that $[X^*, Y^*] - \mathfrak{H}[X^*, Y^*]$ is zero if and only if w is flat, i.e. H is integral]

Let $c : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ be a smooth curve. A **horizontal lift** \bar{c} of c is a smooth curve $\bar{c} : [0, 1] \rightarrow P$ with $\pi \circ \bar{c} = c$ and $\dot{\bar{c}}(t) \in H_{\bar{c}(t)} \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$.



Proposition 6.1. For every $p \in \pi^{-1}(c(0))$ there is a unique horizontal lift \bar{c} of c with $\bar{c}(0) = p$

Proof. Given $p \in \pi^{-1}(c(0))$ choose an arbitrary smooth $d : [0, 1] \rightarrow P$ with $d(0) = p$ and $\pi \circ d = c$. Every other smooth lift of c is obtained from d by $\bar{c}(t) = d(t) \cdot g(t)$ for a smooth map $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow G$. If $\bar{c}(0) = p = d(0)$, then $g(0) = e$. We want to find such a curve g in G so that $\dot{\bar{c}} \in H$.

$$\dot{\bar{c}}(t) = D_{d(t)} r_{g(t)}(\dot{d}(t)) + ((D_{g(t)} l_{g(t)^{-1}} \dot{g}(t))^* d(t) \cdot g(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= w(\dot{\tilde{c}}(t)) = (r_{g(t)}^* w)(\dot{d}(t)) + D_{g(t)} l_{g(t)^{-1}} \dot{g}(t) \\
&= Ad(g(t)^{-1}) w(\dot{d}(t)) + D_{g(t)} l_{g(t)^{-1}} \dot{g}(t) \\
&= D l_{g^{-1}(t)} \circ D r_{g(t)} (w(\dot{d}(t))) + D l_{g(t)}^{-1} (\dot{g}(t)) \\
&= D l_{g^{-1}(t)} (D r_{g(t)} w(\dot{d}(t)) + \dot{g}(t)) \\
&\Leftrightarrow D r_{g(t)} \underbrace{w(\dot{d}(t))}_{=X} + \dot{g}(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow D r_{g(t)}(X) = \dot{g}(t) \\
&\Leftrightarrow D r_{g(t)}^{-1}(\dot{g}(t)) = X
\end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 6.2. Let $X : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ be a smooth map. There is a unique smooth $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow G$ with $g(0) = e$ and $D_{g(t)} r_{g(t)}^{-1}(\dot{g}(t)) = X(t) \quad \forall t$.

Proof. Consider $G \times [0, 1]$. On this we have a time-independent vector field Y given by $Y(g, t) = (X_g(t), \frac{\partial}{\partial t})$. This Y is complete with flow: $\varphi_t(e, 0) = (g(t), t)$. This $g(t)$ solves the equation and is the only solution with $q(0) = e$. □

Vorlesung 12: $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ a princ. G -bundle with connection $H = \ker w$. For every smooth $c : [0, 1] \rightarrow P$ with $\bar{c}(0) = p$ and $\pi \circ \bar{c} = c$ and $\dot{\bar{c}}(t) \in H_{\bar{c}(t)} \forall t$. This extends in the obvious way to a piecewise smooth c .

$$P_c : \pi^{-1}(c(0)) \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(c(1)) \quad \bar{c}(0) \mapsto \bar{c}(1)$$

is the **parallel transport map** along c w.r.t. H . P_c does not change under orientation-preserving re-parametrization of c . P_c is invertible with inverse $P_{\bar{c}}$, where $\bar{c}(t) = c(1 - t)$. Fix a basepoint $x_0 \in M$ and consider c with $c(0) = x_0 = c(1)$. Then the P_c are self-maps of $\pi^{-1}(x_0)$.

Claim: "The maps P_c as s runs over all piecewise smooth c with $c(0) = c(1) = x_0$ form a group"

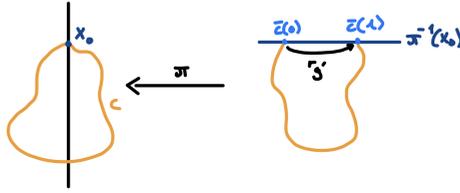
Proof. If $c(t) \equiv x_0$ then $P_c = Id$. If c_1, c_2 are two such loops, we concatenate them and get $P_{c_1 * c_2} = P_{c_2} \circ P_{c_1}$. This operation is associative! Inverse: $P_{\bar{c}} = P_c^{-1}$. □

$\forall c \exists! g \in G$ such that $\bar{c}(1) = \bar{c}(0) \cdot g$ I.e. $P_c(\bar{c}(0)) = \bar{c}(0) \cdot g$

Claim: " g depends only on c (up to conjugation), and not on the choice of $\bar{c}(0) = p$ "

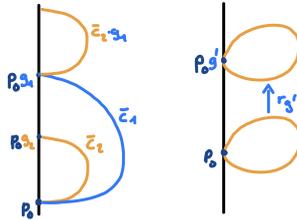
Proof. Suppose $c' : [0, 1] \rightarrow P$ is the unique horizontal lift of c with $c'(0) = q$. Then $\exists! g' \in G : q = p \cdot g'$. Then $c'(t) = \bar{c}(t) \cdot g'$ by uniqueness of the horizontal lift. Then:

$$c'(1) = \bar{c}(1) \cdot g' = \bar{c}(0) g g' = (\bar{c}(0) g') (g')^{-1} g g' \quad c'(0) = \bar{c}(0) \cdot g'$$



Fix $p_0 \in \pi^{-1}(x_0)$. For all loops c starting and ending at x_0 we consider the loc. lifts \bar{c} with starting point p_0 . Then we have a $g \in G$ depending on c s.t. $\bar{c}(1) = \bar{c}(0) \cdot g = p_0 \cdot g$ \square

Claim: " The map $\{P_c\} \rightarrow G$ $P_c \mapsto g$ is an injective group homomorphism.



Proof.

$$P_{c_1 * c_2}(p_0) = P_{c_2} \circ P_{c_1}(p_0) = P_{c_2}(p_0 \cdot g_1) = p_0 \cdot (g_2 g_1)$$

Suppose c is such that the corresponding $g \in G$ is e . Then $P_c(p_0) = p_0 \cdot e = p_0$. Consider $q = p_0 \cdot g'$:

$$P_c(q) = P_c(p_0) \cdot g' = p_0 g' = q \Rightarrow P_c = Id$$

\square

Fix $p_0 \in \pi^{-1}(x_0)$.

Definition 6.3. $Hol(H, p_0) \subset G$ the **holonomy group** of H w.r.t. p_0 is the subgroup obtained as the image of $\{P_c\}$, where c ranges over all piece-wise smooth loops based at x_0 . The **restricted holonomy group** $Hol_0(H, p_0)$ is the subgroup coming from contractible loops c .

Proposition 6.4. (1) $Hol(H, p_0 \cdot g) = g^{-1} Hol(H, p_0) g$

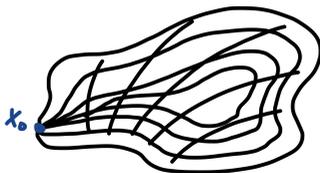
(2) If $q \in \pi^{-1}(x_0)$ is obtained from p_0 by parallel transport, then $Hol(H, q) = Hol(H, p_0)$

(3) If q is obtained from p by parallel transport, then $Hol(H, q)$ and $Hol(H, p_0)$ are conjugate.

Theorem 6.5. *The restricted holonomy group $H = Hol_0(H, p_0)$ is a connected Lie subgroup of G .*

Proof. By definition, H is a subgroup of G .

(1) For every $h \in H$ there is a path $\mu : [0, 1] \rightarrow G$ s.t. $\mu(0) = e, \mu(1) = h$ and $\mu(t) \in H \forall t$



(2) The proof is completed by the following Prop.:

□

Proposition 6.6. *Let G be a Lie group, $H \subset G$ an abstract subgroup. If H has the property that every $h \in H$ can be connected to $e \in G$ by a piece-wise smooth curve in G with values in H , then H is a connected Lie subgroup.*

Proof. Define

$$\mathfrak{h} := \{\dot{c}(0) | c : [0, 1] \rightarrow G \text{ piecewise smooth } c(0) = e \text{ and } c(t) \in H \forall t\}$$

It is clear that $\mathfrak{h} \subset T_e G \xrightarrow[\cong]{ev^{-1}}$ \mathfrak{g} is a linear subspace. [If c, d are such curves with $\dot{c}(0) = X, \dot{d}(0) = Y$, consider $\alpha : [0, 1] \rightarrow G, t \mapsto c(t) \cdot d(t), \dot{\alpha}(0) = X + Y$ Claim: " \mathfrak{h} is a Lie subalgebra "

Proof. Take X, Y as above. Then consider:

$$\beta(t) = c(\sqrt{t})d(\sqrt{t})c(\sqrt{t})^{-1}d(\sqrt{t})^{-1} \quad \dot{\beta}(0) = [X, Y]$$

There is a connected Lie subgroup $K \subset G$ with Lie algebra \mathfrak{h} . We claim that $K=H$. $D_e l_g(\mathfrak{h}) = E_g$ defines a subbundle $E \subset TG$. Since \mathfrak{h} is a Lie subalgebra, E is involutive, so integrable by Frobenius. K is the leaf of the corresponding foliation through e .

$$l_{c(t_0)^{-1}} : G \rightarrow G \quad c(t_0) \mapsto e \quad D_{c(t_0)} l_{c(t_0)^{-1}}(\dot{c}(t_0)) \in T_e G$$

is the velocity vector of $c^{-1}(t_0) \cdot c(t) \Rightarrow$ this is in $\mathfrak{h} \Rightarrow$ by def. of E we conclude $\dot{c}(t_0) \in E_{c(t_0)} \Rightarrow c(t_0) \in K$ for all t_0 , so $h \in K$. □



□

Vorlesung 13:

7 Curvature

$\pi : P \rightarrow M$ a princ. G -bundle, $H = \ker w$ a connection.

Definition 7.1. The **curvature 2-form** Ω of H is:

$$\Omega(X, Y) := dw(\mathfrak{H}(X), \mathfrak{H}(Y))$$

where $\mathfrak{H} : TP \rightarrow H$ is the projection with kernel V .

$$\Omega \in \Omega^2(P, \mathfrak{g})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (r_g^* \Omega)(X, Y) &= \Omega(Dr_g(X), Dr_g(Y)) \\ &= dw(\mathfrak{H}Dr_g(X), \mathfrak{H}Dr_g(Y)) \\ &= dw(Dr_g \mathfrak{H}(X), Dr_g \mathfrak{H}(Y)) \\ &= r_g^* dw(\mathfrak{H}(X), \mathfrak{H}(Y)) \\ &= d(r_g^* w)(\mathfrak{H}(X), \mathfrak{H}(Y)) \\ &= d(Ad(g^{-1}w)(\mathfrak{H}(X), \mathfrak{H}(Y))) \\ &= Ad(g^{-1})dw(\mathfrak{H}(X), \mathfrak{H}(Y)) = Ad(g^{-1})\Omega(X, Y) \end{aligned}$$

(dont want Ω with \mathfrak{H} in it)

Proposition 7.2. (Structure equation)

$$\Omega(X, Y) = dw(X, Y) + [w(X), w(Y)] \quad \forall X, Y \in TP$$

Proof. Both sides of the equation are bilinear and skew-symmetri. Therefore, it is enough to check the structure equation in the following 3 cases:

1. " $X, Y \in H$ ": $w(X) = 0 = w(Y)$ and $\Omega(X, Y) = dw(X, Y)$.

2. "X, Y ∈ V": W.l.o.g. A*, B* with A*, B* ∈ g, A, B ∈ g. Then w(X) = A, w(Y) = B. Ω(X, Y) = 0.

$$\begin{aligned} dw(X, Y) &= L_{A^*}(\underbrace{w(B^*)}_{\cong B}) - L_{B^*}(\underbrace{w(A^*)}_{\cong A}) - w([A^*, B^*]) = 0 - 0 - [w(A^*), w(B^*)] \\ &= -[A, B] \end{aligned}$$

In this case the str. equation is true because both sides vanish.

3. "X ∈ H, Y ∈ V":

$$\Omega(X, Y) = dw(\mathfrak{H}(X), \mathfrak{H}(Y)) = dw(X, 0) = 0$$

Choose X* horizontal v.f. with the given value X at p ∈ P and A* s.t. A* = Y, A ∈ g.

$$\begin{aligned} dw(X, Y) &= L_{X^*}(\underbrace{w(A^*)}_{\cong A}) - L_{A^*}(\underbrace{w(X^*)}_{\cong 0}) - \underbrace{w([X^*, A^*])}_{\substack{\in H \\ 7.3 \\ = 0}} \\ &= [w(X), w(Y)] = [w(X^*), w(A^*)] = \underbrace{[w(X^*), A]}_{= 0} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Again in case 3. the str.eq.holds because both sides are = 0 by 7.3.

□

Lemma 7.3. *If X* is hor. and A* is fundamental, then [X*, A*] is horizontal.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} [X^*, A^*] &= -[A^*, X^*] = -L_{A^*}X^* \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}D\varphi_t(X^*)|_{t=0} \quad \text{where } \varphi_t \text{ is the flow of } A^* \end{aligned}$$

Since A* is fundamental, we have φ_t(p) = r_{exp(tA)}(p). Since X* ∈ H and H is invariant under r_g∀g ∈ G, Dφ_t(X*) is again horizontal. ⇒ L_{A*}X* is horizontal. □

Define ℳ an differential form on P by:

$$\mathfrak{D}\alpha(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1}) = d\alpha(\mathfrak{H}(X_1), \dots, \mathfrak{H}(X_{k+1})) \quad \text{if } \deg\alpha = k$$

ℳα is called the **covariant derivative of α**(w.r.t. H). Ω = ℳw

Proposition 7.4. *(Bianchi identity): DΩ = 0*

Proof. Take $X, Y, Z \in H$. We have to prove that $d\Omega(X, Y, Z) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
dw(X, Y, Z) &= L_X(\Omega(Y, Z)) - L_Y(\Omega(Z, X)) + L_Z(\Omega(X, Y)) - \Omega([X, Y], Z) \\
&\quad - \Omega([Z, X], Y) - \Omega([Y, Z], X) \\
&\stackrel{(*)}{=} L_X(dw(Y, Z)) + L_Y(dw(Z, X)) - L_Z(dw(X, Y)) \\
&\quad - dw([X, Y], Z) - dw([Z, X], Y) - dw([Y, Z], X) \\
&= d(dw)(X, Y, Z) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$(*) : \Omega(X, Y) = dw(X, Y) + \underbrace{[w(X), w(Y)]}_{=0} \quad \square$$

Proposition 7.5. *Let $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ be a princ. G -bundle with a connection $H = \ker(w)$. The following are equivalent:*

- (1) $\Omega \equiv 0$
- (2) H is involutive
- (3) H is integrable

Proof. (2) \Leftrightarrow (3) by 1.20.

$$\Omega(X, Y) = 0 \text{ if } X \text{ or } Y \text{ is vertical. If } X, Y \text{ are both horizontal, then } \Omega(X, Y) = dw(X, Y) = \underbrace{L_X(w(Y))}_{=0} - \underbrace{L_Y(w(X))}_{=0} - w([X, Y])$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega \equiv 0 &\Leftrightarrow \Omega(X, Y) = 0 \quad \forall X, Y \in H \Leftrightarrow w([X, Y]) = 0 \quad \forall X, Y \text{ hor.} \\
&\Leftrightarrow [X, Y] \text{ is hor. if } X, Y \text{ are } \Leftrightarrow H \text{ is involutive}
\end{aligned}$$

\square

Definition 7.6. A connection is **flat** if $\Omega \equiv 0$

Let H be any connection (not. nec. flat). For $p \in P$ define

$$H(p_0) := \{q \in P \mid q \text{ can be obtained by parallel transport from } p_0\}$$

[If $\Omega \equiv 0$, then $H(p_0)$ is the leaf of p_0 in the hor. foliation integrating H .]

$$H(p_0) \cap \pi^{-1}(\pi(p_0)) = p_0 \cdot \text{Hol}(H, p_0)$$

$\text{Hol}_0(H, p_0)$ is a connected Lie subgroup of G . $\text{Hol}(H, p_0)$ has $\text{Hol}_0(H, p_0)$ as its connected component of e and it has countably many components, so $\text{Hol}(H, p_0)$ is a Lie group.

Proposition 7.7. *If M is connected, then $H(p_0)$ is a princ. $\text{Hol}(H, p_0)$ -bundle.*

Proof. $\pi : H(p_0) \rightarrow M$ is the restriction of $\pi : P \rightarrow M$. We restrict the right G -action on P to the subgroup $Hol(H, p_0)$.

Claim: " This restricted action is simply transitive on the fibers of $\pi : H(p_0) \rightarrow M$ ":

Proof. It is enough to prove transitivity on the fiber of p_0 . $Hol(H, p_0)$ is transitive on the fibre of p_0 by definition of $Hol(H, p_0)$. \square

To prove that this simply transitive $Hol(H, p_0)$ - action on $H(p_0)$ makes $H(p_0)$ into a princ. bundle we have to prove local triviality. Pick an open set U , s.t. $\pi(p_0) \in U$ and $\pi^{-1}(U)$ is trivial on P .

$$\psi : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times G \supset U \times Hol_0(H, p_0) \quad (\text{has smooth mfd. str.})$$

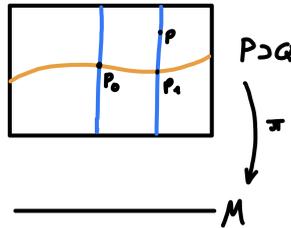
as does : $U \times Hol(H, p_0)$. We can adjust ψ so that it sends $\pi^{-1}(U) \cap H(p_0)$ to $U \times Hol(H, p_0)$. This proves local triviality. \square

Vorlesung 14:

$\pi : P \rightarrow M$ princ. G -bundle, H a connection. $H(p_0)$ the set of points in P that are parallel transports of p_0 w.r.t. H . If M is connected then $H(p_0)$ is a princ. $Hol(H, p_0)$ -bundle. Suppose we have a reduction $f : Q \rightarrow P$ of the structure group of P to $G' \subset G$. Let H be a connection on Q .

Claim: " H extends uniquely to P "

Proof. For $p \notin Q \exists g \in G \exists p_1 \in Q : p = p_1 \cdot g$. Define $H_p := D_{p_1} r_g(H_{p_1}) \subset T_p P$. Well defined: p_2 another point in Q s.t. there is a $g' \in G$ with $p = p_2 \cdot g'$, then



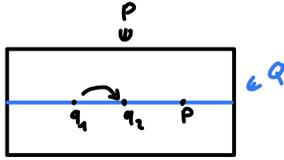
p_1, p_2 are both in Q and are in the same fiber of Q . $\exists! h \in G' : p_2 = p_1 \cdot h$.

$$p_1 \cdot g = p = p_2 \cdot g' = (p_1 \cdot h) \cdot g' = p_1 \cdot (hg') \Rightarrow g = h \cdot g' \Rightarrow g' = h^{-1} \cdot g$$

$$D_{p_2} r_{g'}(H_{p_2}) = D_{p_2 \cdot h^{-1} r_g} \circ D_{p_2} r_{h^{-1}}(H_{p_2}) = D_{p_1} r_g(H_{p_1})$$

so its well-defined and unique.

Claim: "This definition defines a connection on P "



Proof. The definition gives a horizontal subbundle on P . Check invariance under the right G -action: Suppose $q_1, q_2 \in P$ in the same fiber.

$$H_{q_1} = D_p r_{g_1}(H_p) \quad \text{if } p \cdot g_1 = p_1$$

$$H_{q_2} = D_p r_{g_2}(H_p) \quad \text{if } p \cdot g_2 = p_2$$

$$q_2 = p \cdot g_2 = (q_1 \cdot g_1^{-1})g_2 = q_1(g_1^{-1}g_2) \quad r_{g_1^{-1}q_2} = r_{g_2} \circ r_{g_1^{-1}}$$

$$D_{q_1} r_{g_1^{-1}g_2}(H_{q_1}) = D_p r_{g_2} \circ \underbrace{D_{q_1} r_{g_1^{-1}} \circ D_p r_{g_1}}_{Id}(H_p) = D_p r_{g_2}(H_p)$$

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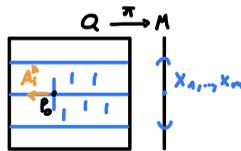
Definition 7.8. A connection H on P is **reducible** to a proper subgroup $G' \subset G$ if there is a connection $Q \rightarrow P$ of the structure of P to G' and a connection on Q whose extension to P is H .

Every connection H on P is reducible to $Hol(H, p_0)$.

Theorem 7.9. (Ambrose-Singer): Let $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ be a princ. G -bundle with connection $H = \ker w$. For $p_0 \in P$ define

$$\mathfrak{g}' = \{\Omega_{p_0}(X, Y) \mid X, Y \in T_{p_0}P\} \subset \mathfrak{g}$$

Then \mathfrak{g}' is the Lie algebra of $Hol(H, p_0)$.



Proof. We replace P by the holonomy subbundle $Q = H(p_0)$ with structure group $Hol(H, p_0)$. \mathfrak{g}' is a sub-vectorspace of \mathfrak{g} , let A_1, \dots, A_k be a basis. Pick a local frame X_1, \dots, X_n for TM around $\pi(p_0)$. Lift the X_i to horizontal vector fields X_i^* . The $\{X_i^*\}$ form a local frame for H in a neighbourhood of p_0 .

$$S := span\{A_1^*, \dots, A_k^*, X_1^*, \dots, X_n^*\} = span\{A_1^*, \dots, A_k^*\} \oplus H$$

Claim:” S is integrable”:

Proof. By 1.20 we only need to check that S is closed under $[\cdot, \cdot]$ (involutive). By bilinearity of $[\cdot, \cdot]$ we reduce to the following cases:

- $[A_i^*, A_j^*] = [A_i, A_j]^*$, so we need to prove that $\mathfrak{g}' \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is closed under $[\cdot, \cdot]$. More generally, we prove that for every $A \in \mathfrak{g}'$ and $B \in \mathfrak{g}$ we have $[B, A] \in \mathfrak{g}'$. $A = \Omega_{p_0}(X, Y)$ for some X, Y .

$$[B, A] = ad(B)(A) = \frac{d}{dt} Ad(exp(tB))(A)|_{t=0} \in \mathfrak{g}'$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_g^* \Omega &= Ad(g^{-1}) \Omega \quad Ad(g^{-1}) \Omega_{p_0}(X, Y) = (r_g^* \Omega)(X, Y) = \Omega_{p_0 g}(D_{p_0} r_g(X), D_{p_0} r_g(Y)) \\ &\Rightarrow Ad(g^{-1}) A \in \mathfrak{g}' \quad \forall g \in G \end{aligned}$$

- $[A_i^*, X_j^*]$ is horizontal if X_j^* is horizontal by a previous Lemma.
- $[X_j^*, X_i^*] = \underbrace{\mathfrak{H}[X_i^*, X_j^*]}_{\in H} + \underbrace{\mathfrak{V}[X_i^*, X_j^*]}_{=B^*}$ for some $B \in \mathfrak{g}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{p_0}(X_i^*, X_j^*) &= dw(X_i^*, X_j^*) = L_{X_i^*} \underbrace{w(X_j^*)}_{=0} - L_{X_j^*} \underbrace{w(X_i^*)}_{=0} - w([X_i^*, X_j^*]) \\ &= -w(\mathfrak{V}[X_i^*, X_j^*]) = -B \in \mathfrak{g}' \\ &\Rightarrow \mathfrak{V}[X_i^*, X_j^*] \in S \end{aligned}$$

□

Let L be the leaf of the foliation defined by S passing through p_0 . Every point in Q can be obtained from p_0 by parallel transport along some curve c . The horizontal lift \bar{c} of c with starting point p_0 is everywhere tangent to $H \subset S \Rightarrow \bar{c}$ is contained in L , in particular its endpoint is in $L \Rightarrow L = Q$.

$$\begin{aligned} rdim(\mathfrak{g}') + dim(M) &= k(S) = dim(L) = dim(Q) = dim(M) + dim(Hol(H, p_0)) \\ &\Rightarrow dim(Hol(H, p_0)) = dim(\mathfrak{g}') \end{aligned}$$

With $\mathfrak{g}' \subset L(Hol(H, p_0))$ we follow $\mathfrak{g}' = L(Hol(H, p_0))$

□

Vorlesung 15:

Remark 7.10. From last time: $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ a princ. G -bundle with connection $H = \ker w$. $Q = H(p_0)$ the reduction to $Hol(H, p_0)$. The Lie algebra of $Hol(H, p_0)$ is the subspace of \mathfrak{g} consisting of the values of Ω . We may work on Q .

$$\mathfrak{g}' = \{\Omega_p(X, Y) | \forall p \in Q; X, Y \in T_Q\} \subset L(Hol(H, p_0))$$

$$S = \text{span}\{A_1^*, \dots, A_k^*\} \oplus H$$

If $X^*, Y^* \in H$, then $r_g^* \Omega = Ad(g^{-1})\Omega$ gives :

$$\underbrace{\Omega(Dr_g(X), Dr_g(Y))}_{\in \mathfrak{g}'} = (r_g^* \Omega)(X, Y) = Ad(g^{-1}) \underbrace{\Omega(X, Y)}_{\in \mathfrak{g}'}$$

$$\Omega(X, Y) = -w([X, Y])$$

$\mathfrak{g}' \subset L(Hol(H, p_0))$ is invariant under $Ad(g)$ if $g \in Hol(H, p_0) \Rightarrow \mathfrak{g}'$ is an ideal, in partic. it is a sub-Lie algebra.

Suppose $\pi_P : P \rightarrow M$ is a princ. G -bundle, and $\rho : G \rightarrow Gl(V)$ is a linear representation. Then $\pi_E : E \rightarrow M$ is the vector bundle associated to P via ρ :

$$E = P \times_{\rho} V = (P \times V) / \simeq \quad (p, v) \simeq (p \cdot g, \rho(g)^{-1} \cdot v) \quad \forall g \in G$$

Let $s \in \Gamma(E)$. Then $s(x) \in E_x = \pi_E^{-1}(x) \quad \forall x \in M$. Consider $p \in P$ as a map $p : V \rightarrow E, v \mapsto [(p, v)]$ This parametrizes $E_{\pi_P(p)}$. Take $p \in \pi_P^{-1}(x)$, so that $\pi_P(p) = x$. Given s , there is a unique $v \in V$ such that $p(v) = s(x)$. This construction defines a map:

$$f : P \rightarrow V \quad f(p) = v$$

where v is the unique element of V with $p(v) = s(\pi_P(p))$ For $g \in G$, consider $f(p \cdot g) = w$, where

$$(p \cdot g)(w) = s(x) = p(v) = (p \cdot g)(\rho(g)^{-1} \cdot v) \quad x = \pi_P(p)$$

$$\Rightarrow w = \rho(g)^{-1} v$$

$$f(p \cdot g) = \rho(g)^{-1} f(p) \quad \forall p, g$$

Converse construction: Suppose $f : P \rightarrow V$ satisfies $f(p \cdot g) = \rho(g)^{-1} f(p)$. For $x \in M$ pick any $p \in \pi_P^{-1}(x)$ and define $s(x) = [(p, f(p))] \in E_x$. If $q \in \pi_P^{-1}(x)$, then $\exists! g \in G : q = p \cdot g$. Then:

$$(q, f(p)) = (p \cdot g, \rho(g)^{-1} f(p)) \simeq (p, f(p))$$

so s is well-defined. s smooth $\Leftrightarrow f$ smooth.

Proposition 7.11. *The curvature Ω of a connection $H = \ker w$ on P can be interpreted as a section $F^w \in \Gamma(\wedge^2 T^*M \otimes \text{Ad}(P)) = \Omega^2(M; \text{Ad}(P))$*

Proof. Suppose $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$: We want to define $F^w(X, Y)$ as a section of $\text{Ad}(P)$. Given H , X, Y have a unique hor.lifts $X^*, Y^* \in \Gamma(H)$. For a point $x \in M$ define:

$$F^w(X, Y)(x) := [(p, \Omega_p(X^*, Y^*))] \quad \text{where } p \in \pi_P^{-1}(x)$$

This defines a section by the previous construction if $f = \Omega(X^*, Y^*) : P \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ satisfies $f(p \cdot g) = \text{Ad}(g)^{-1}f(p)$.

$$\Omega_{p \cdot g}(X^*, Y^*) = \text{Ad}(g^{-1})\Omega_p(X^*, Y^*)$$

Since X^*, Y^* are invariant under r_g , the LHS. is $(r_g^*\Omega)_p(X^*, Y^*)$. So the desired equation for f holds. Given F^w , we can reconstruct Ω as follows: given $Z, T \in \mathfrak{X}(P)$ we need to compute $\Omega(Z, T)$ through F^w . For $p \in P$:

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$$\Omega_p(Z_p, T_p) = A \quad \text{if } F^w(D_p\pi(Z_p), D_p\pi(T_p)) = [(p, A)]$$

2 $\Omega(Z, T) = dw(\mathfrak{H}Z, \mathfrak{H}T)$

1,2 agree if one of Z and T is vertical. Both are bilinear. So it is enough to check that they agree on pairs of hor. vectors. If Z, T are horizontal, we may $Z = X^*, T = Y^*$ with $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. Then:

$$F^w(D\pi(Z), D\pi(T)) = [(p, \Omega_p(Z, T))]$$

□

8 Gauge transformations

Definition 8.1. A **global gauge transformation** on P is a diffeomorphism $\psi : P \rightarrow P$ s.t. $\psi(p \cdot g) = \psi(p) \cdot g$ and $\pi \circ \psi = \pi$

psi is an automorphism of the princ. bundle $\pi : P \rightarrow M$

Definition 8.2. $\mathfrak{G} = \text{Aut}(P)$ is the **gauge group** of P .

Proposition 8.3. \mathfrak{G} consists of the sections of $\pi_F : F \rightarrow M$ with fibre G associated to P by the conjugation action of G on itself.

Proof. $F = (P \times G)/\simeq$ with $(p, h) \simeq (p \cdot g, g^{-1}hg)$ Suppose $\phi \in \mathfrak{G}$. Then $\exists! u : P \rightarrow G$ such that $\phi(p) = p \cdot u(p)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(p \cdot g) &= (p \cdot g)u(p \cdot g) = \phi(p) \cdot g = p \cdot (u(p) \cdot g) = (p \cdot g) \cdot (g^{-1}u(p)g) \\ &\Rightarrow u(p \cdot g) = g^{-1}u(p)g \end{aligned}$$

Claim: "u defines a section of F"

Proof. For $x \in M$ define $s(x) = [(p, u(p))] \in F_x$. Well defines: $q = p \cdot g : (q, u(p)) = (p \cdot g, g^{-1}u(p)g) \simeq (p, u(p))$. Conversely ever section s of F gives a function $u : P \rightarrow G$ which defines $\phi : P \rightarrow P$ by $\phi(p) = p \cdot u(p)$ \square

\square

Remark 8.4. $\psi : Id_p = e \in \mathfrak{G}$ corresponds to $u : P \rightarrow G$ which is the constant map to $e \in G$. So F has a section. Since it is not usually trivial, it cannot be a princ. G -bundle.

Vorlesung 16:

$\mathfrak{G} = Aut(P)$ If $\phi \in \mathfrak{G}$, then ϕ acts on connections w by pullback : ϕ^*w . Let C be the space of connections on P . Define:

$$\mathfrak{G} \times C \rightarrow C \quad (\phi, w) \mapsto \phi^*w$$

$(\psi\phi)^*w = \phi^*\psi^*w$ This is a right G -action of C . Recall $Ad(P) = P \times_{Ad} \mathfrak{g} = (P \times \mathfrak{g})/\simeq$ where $(p, A) \simeq (p \cdot g, Ad(g^{-1})A) \quad \forall g \in G$. Define:

$$\phi([(p, A)]) = [(\phi(p), A)] = [(p, Ad(u(p))A)]$$

$$\phi([(p \cdot g, Ad(g^{-1})A)]) = [(\phi(p \cdot g), Ad(g^{-1})A)] = [\phi(p) \cdot g, Ad(g^{-1})A] = [(\phi(p), A)]$$

$$\mathfrak{G} \times Ad(P) \rightarrow Ad(P) \quad (\phi, [(p, A)]) \mapsto [(\phi(p), A)]$$

is a left action of \mathfrak{G} . Suppose $H = ker w$:

$$(\phi^*H)_p = (D_p\phi)^{-1}H_{\phi(p)}$$

$ker \phi^*w \ni X \Leftrightarrow 0 = (\phi^*w)(X_p) = w_{\phi(p)}(D_p\phi(X_p)) \Leftrightarrow D_p\phi(X_p) \in H_{\phi(p)} \Leftrightarrow X_p \in (D_p\phi)^{-1}(H_{\phi(p)})$ So $\phi^*H = ker(\phi^*w)$ if $H = ker w$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C & \xrightarrow{\phi^*} & C \\ \downarrow w \mapsto F^w & & \downarrow \phi^*w \mapsto F^{\phi^*w} \\ \Omega^2(M; Ad(P)) & \xrightarrow{?} & \Omega^2(M; Ad(P)) \end{array}$$

[Therefore take $X, Y \in T_x M$, $p \in \pi_P^{-1}(x)$, X^*, Y^* horizontal lifts of X, Y for

ϕ^*w :

$$\begin{aligned}
F^{\phi^*w}(X, Y) &= [(p, \Omega_p^{(\phi^*w)}(X^*, Y^*))] = (**) \\
\Omega_p^{(\phi^*w)}(X^*, Y^*) &= d\phi^*w(X^*, Y^*) + \underbrace{[\phi^*w(X^*), \phi^*w(Y^*)]}_{=0} \\
&= (\phi^*dw)(X^*, Y^*) = \phi^*(\Omega - [w, w])(X^*, Y^*) \\
&= \phi^*(X^*, Y^*) - \underbrace{[w(D\phi(X^*)), D\phi(Y^*)]}_{=0} \\
&= \phi^*\Omega(X^*, Y^*) \\
\phi^*\Omega_p^w(X^*, Y^*) &= \Omega_{\phi(p)}^w(D_p(X^*), D_p\phi(Y^*)) = (*) \quad \phi(p) = p \cdot u(p) \\
\Omega_{\phi(p)}(Z, T) &= \Omega_{p \cdot u(p)}(Z, T) = \Omega_{p \cdot u(p)}(D_p\phi(Z'), D_p\phi(T')) \\
&= r_{u(p)}^*\Omega(Z', T') = Ad(u(p))^{-1}\Omega(Z', T') \\
(*) &= Ad(u(p))^{-1}\Omega_p(X^*, Y^*) \\
(**) &= [(p, (\phi^*\Omega^w)_p(X^*, Y^*))] = [(p, Ad(u(p))^{-1}\Omega(X^*, Y^*))]
\end{aligned}$$

X^*, Y^* are hor. lifts of X, Y w.r.t. ϕ^*w , \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} hor. lifts w.r.t. w . $D\phi(X^*) = \tilde{X}, D\phi(Y^*) = \tilde{Y}$ so we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow F^{\phi^*w}(X, Y) &= [(p, Ad(u(p))^{-1}\Omega(X^*, Y^*))] \\
F^w(X, Y) &= [(p, \Omega(X^*, Y^*))] = \underbrace{[(p \cdot u(p), Ad(u(p))^{-1}\Omega(X^*, Y^*))]}_{=\phi(p)} = \phi F^{\phi^*w}(X, Y)
\end{aligned}$$

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NEU: X^*, Y^* are hor. lifts of X, Y w.r.t. ϕ^*w , \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} hor. lifts w.r.t. w . $D\phi(X^*) = \tilde{X}, D\phi(Y^*) = \tilde{Y}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
F^{\phi^*w}(X, Y) &= [(p, (\phi^*\Omega^w)_p(X^*, Y^*))] = [(p, (\phi^*\Omega^w)_p(D\phi_{\phi(p)}^{-1}(\tilde{X}), D_{\phi(p)}\phi^{-1}(\tilde{Y})))] \\
&= [(p, \Omega_{\phi(p)}^w(D_p\phi \circ D\phi_{\phi(p)}^{-1}(\tilde{X}), D_p\phi \circ D\phi_{\phi(p)}^{-1}(\tilde{Y})))] \\
&= [(p, \Omega_{\phi(p)}^w(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}))] \\
F^w(X, Y) &:= [(p, \Omega_p^w(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}))] \stackrel{7.11}{=} [(p, Ad(u(p))\Omega_{p \cdot u(p)}^w(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}))] \\
&= [(\phi(p), \Omega_{\phi(p)}^w(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}))] = \phi F^{\phi^*w}(X, Y)
\end{aligned}$$

We get that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
C & \xrightarrow{\phi^*} & C \\
\downarrow F & & \downarrow F \\
\Omega^2(M; Ad(P)) & \xrightarrow{\phi^{-1}} & \Omega^2(M; Ad(P))
\end{array}$$

Proposition 8.5. The curvature map $F : C \rightarrow \Omega^2(M; Ad(P))$ is \mathfrak{G} -equivariant for the right actions on C by pullback and on $\Omega^2(M; Ad(P))$ by acting with the inverse to turn the left action into a right action.

Definition 8.6. Two connections are **gauge equivalent** if there is a $\phi \in \mathfrak{G}$ s.t. ϕ maps one to the other under pullback.

Corollary 8.7. Flatness of connections is gauge invariant.

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C_P the space of connections on $\pi : P \rightarrow M$, \mathfrak{G}_P the gauge group of P . $C_P^{flat} \subset C_P$ the subset of flat connections.

Theorem 8.8. $\prod_P C_P^{flat} / \mathfrak{G}_P \xrightarrow[1:1]{\cong} Hom(\pi_1(M), G) / conj.$ for fixed M, G , M is connected.

Lemma 8.9. If $H = ker w$ is a flat connection, then P_c depends only on the homotopy class of c (With fixed endpoints).

Proof. H flat $\xRightarrow{A.S.Th.}$ the Lie algebra of $Hol_0(H, p_0)$ is zero. $\Rightarrow Hol_0(H, p_0) = \{e\}$ this says that the holonomy is trivial for all null-homotopic paths. Suppose c_1, c_2 are closed loops based at x_0 that are homotopic with fixed endpoints. Then the composition $c_1 \cdot c_2$ is null-homotopic with fixed endpoints, so

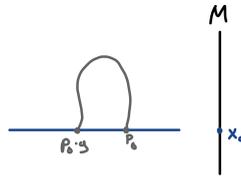
$$Id = P_{c_1 \cdot c_2} = P_{c_2} \circ P_{c_1} = P_{c_2}^{-1} \circ P_{c_1}$$

$\Rightarrow P_{c_1}(p_0) = p_0 \cdot g_1, P_{c_2}(p_0) = p_0 \cdot g_2 \Rightarrow g_1 = g_2$ □

Suppose H is flat. Fix $p_0 \in \pi^{-1}(x_0)$, define:

$$\rho : \pi_1(M, x_0) \rightarrow G \quad [c] \mapsto g^{-1} \quad \text{where } P_c(p_0) = p_0 \cdot g$$

This is well-defined by 8.9.



$$\rho([c_1] * [c_2]) = g^{-1} \quad \text{if } P_{c_1 \cdot c_2}(p_0) = p_0 \cdot g = P_{c_2}(P_{c_1}(p_0)) = P_{c_2}(p_0 \cdot g_1) = P_{c_2}(p_0) \cdot g_1 = p_0 \cdot (g_2 \cdot g_1)$$

$\Rightarrow g = g_2 \cdot g_1, g^{-1} = g_1^{-1} \cdot g_2^{-1} \Rightarrow \rho$ is a homomorphism.

Replace p_0 has $p_1 = p_0 \cdot h$ for some $h \in G$. $P_c(p_0) = p_0 \cdot g_0 \Rightarrow P_c(p_1) = P_c(p_0 \cdot h) = P_c(p_0) \cdot h = p_0 \cdot g_0 \cdot h = p_1 \cdot \underbrace{h^{-1} \cdot g_0 \cdot h}_{g_1} \cdot h$. $g_1^{-1} = h^{-1} g_0^{-1} h$. Conclusion:

the conjugacy class of ρ is independent of the choice of $p_0 \in \pi^{-1}(x_0)$.

Lemma 8.10. *If H_1, H_2 are gauge equivalent flat connections on P , then there holonomy representations ρ_1, ρ_2 are conjugate.*

Proof. Let $\phi \in G$ be a gauge transformation with $D\phi(H_1) = H_2$. Pick $p_1 \in \pi^{-1}(x_0)$ to define ρ_1 w.r.t. H_1 . Use $\phi(p_1) = p_2$ to define ρ_2 w.r.t. H_2 . Fix a loop c beginning and ending at $x_0 \in M$.

$$P_c^{H_1}(p_1) = p_1 \cdot \rho([c])^{-1}$$

$$p_2 \cdot \rho_2([c])^{-1} = P_c^{H_2}(p_2) = P_c^{D\phi(H_1)}(\phi(p_1)) = \phi(p_1 \cdot \rho_1([c])^{-1}) = \phi(p_1) \cdot \rho_1([c])^{-1} = p_2 \cdot \rho_1([c])^{-1} \Rightarrow \rho_1 = \rho_2. \quad M \text{ connected } x_0 \in M. \quad \pi_1(M, x_0).$$

$$\pi : \tilde{M} := \{(x, [\gamma])\} \rightarrow M \quad (x, [\gamma]) \mapsto x$$

with $x \in M, \gamma$ a path from x_0 to x . \tilde{M} the **universal covering** of M . $\pi_1(M, x_0)$ acts on \tilde{M} on the left by:

$$\pi_1(M, x_0) \times \tilde{M} \rightarrow \tilde{M} \quad ([c], (x, [\gamma])) \mapsto (x, [c \cdot \gamma])$$

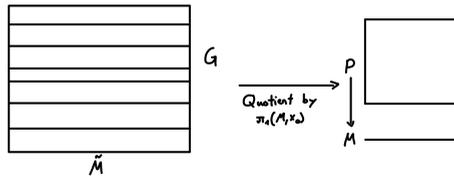
Let $\rho \in \text{Hom}(\pi_1(M, x_0), G)$. Define $P = \tilde{M} \times_{\rho} G = (\tilde{M} \times G) / \simeq$ where $((x, [\gamma]), g) \simeq ((x, [c \cdot \gamma]), \rho([c]) \cdot g)$.

CLaim: " P is a princ. G -bundle on M "

Proof. G acts on the right on P as follows

$$P \times G \rightarrow P \quad (((x, [\gamma]), g), h) \mapsto [(x, [\gamma]), g \cdot h]$$

This is well-defined. The G - action is simply transitive on the fibers of $P \rightarrow M$. $\tilde{M} \times G \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ is a product princ. G -bundle. It has a flat connection whose foliation is the foliation by the $\tilde{M} \times \{g\}$ for fixed $g \in G$. The action of $\pi_1(M, x_0)$ on $\tilde{M} \times G$ preserves this foliation. Therefore, the foliation descends to P and gives a foliation complementary to the fibers of P .



The hor. foliation on P is invariant under the right G -action that makes P into a princ. G -bundle. So it defines a flat connection on P . □

□

Lemma 8.11. *If $\bar{\rho}$ is conjugate to ρ , then the flat connections constructed in this way from ρ resp. $\bar{\rho}$ are gauge equivalent.*

Proof. Suppose $\bar{\rho}(g) = \alpha \cdot \rho(g) \cdot \alpha^{-1} \quad \forall g \in G$ and a fixed $\alpha \in G$.

$$P_{\bar{\rho}} = (\tilde{M} \times G) / \simeq \quad ((x, [\gamma]), g) \simeq ((x, [c \cdot \gamma]), \alpha \rho([c]) \alpha^{-1} g)$$

Define :

$$\psi : P_{\bar{\rho}} \rightarrow P_{\rho} \quad [((x, [\gamma]), g)] \mapsto [((x, [\gamma]), \alpha^{-1} g)]$$

We claim that ψ is an isomorphism of $P_{\bar{\rho}}$ with P_{ρ} that sends the flat connection to the flat connection. If

$$\begin{array}{ccc} ((x, [\gamma]), g) \underset{w.r.t.\bar{\rho}}{\simeq} & & ((x, [c \cdot \gamma]), \alpha \rho([c]) \alpha^{-1} g) \\ \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \psi' \\ ((x, [\gamma]), \alpha^{-1} g) \underset{w.r.t.\rho}{\simeq} & & ((x, [c \cdot \gamma]), \rho([c]) \alpha^{-1} g) \end{array}$$

So ψ is well-defined and $P_{\rho} \circ \psi = P_{\bar{\rho}}$.

$$\psi([((x, [\gamma]), g)] \cdot h) = \psi([((x, [\gamma]), g \cdot h)]) = [((x, [\gamma]), \alpha g h)] = \psi([((x, [\gamma]), g)]) \cdot h$$

This ψ sends the hor. fol. of $P_{\bar{\rho}}$ to the hor. fol. of P_{ρ} □

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Last time:

$$\begin{array}{l} H \text{ flat} \rightarrow \text{hol} : \pi_1(M, x_0) \rightarrow G \\ (\tilde{M} \times G) / \pi_1(M) = P_s = \underset{\rho}{\tilde{M}} \times G \leftarrow \rho \end{array}$$

proof of 8.8:

Proof. Start with $\rho \in \text{Hom}(\pi_1(M, x_0), G)$ and construct P_{ρ} with its flat connection H as above. Given $[c] \in \pi_1(M, x_0)$ and $p_0 \in \pi^{-1}(x_0) \subset P_{\rho}$ we let \tilde{c} be the hor.lift (w.r.t. H) of c with starting point p_0 . \tilde{c} is a curve in the leaf of the foliation defined by H passing through p_0 . $\text{hol}([c]) = g^{-1}$ if the endpoint of \tilde{c} is $p_0 \cdot g$. Points in P_{ρ} are of the form $[((x, [\gamma]), h)]$ where $((x, [\gamma]), g) \simeq ((x, [c \cdot \gamma]), \rho([c]) \cdot h)$ for all $[c] \in \pi_1(M, x_0)$.

$$p_0 = [((x_0, [\text{const.}]), e)] \quad c : [0, 1] \rightarrow M \text{ with } c(0) = c(1) = x_0$$

We lift c to $\tilde{c} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ with starting point $(x_0, [\text{const.}])$. Then define $\tilde{c}(t) = [(\tilde{c}(t), e)] \in P_{\rho}$ This is horizontal for H and it is a lift of c with

$$\begin{array}{l} \tilde{c}(0) = [(\tilde{c}(0), e)] = [((x_0, [\text{const.}]), e)] = p_0 \\ \tilde{c}(1) = [(\tilde{c}(1), e)] = [((x_0, [c]), e)] = [((x_0, e), \rho([c])^{-1})] = p_0 \cdot \rho([c])^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow \text{hol rep. of } H \text{ is } \rho \end{array}$$

Conversely: [Idea: start with a flat connection on some $\pi_P : P \rightarrow M$. Construct its holonomy rep. hol . Using hol , construct P_{hol} with its flat connection \bar{H} . We need to prove that P and P_{hol} are isomorphic in such a way that H corresponds to \bar{H} under the isomorphism.]

Fix $p_0 \in \pi_P^{-1}(x_0)$ and let $H(p_0)$ be the holonomy bundle of p_0 w.r.t H . $H(p_0)$ is the leaf through p_0 of the foliation defined by H . Then $H(p_0) = \tilde{M}/\Gamma$, $\Gamma \subset \pi_1(M, x_0)$. We write $p \in H(p_0)$ as $[x]$ where $x \in \tilde{M}$. $P_{hol} = (\tilde{M} \times G)/\pi_1(M, x_0)$
Define:

$$\phi : H(p_0) \rightarrow P_{hol} \quad [x] \mapsto [x, e]$$

Suppose $[y] = [x]$. Then $\exists [c] \in \Gamma \subset \pi_1(M, x_0) : y = [c] \cdot x$

$$[(y, e)] = \underbrace{[[c] \cdot x, e]}_{\in \tilde{M} \times G} = [(x, hol([c])^{-1})] = [(x, e)] \quad \text{since } \Gamma = \ker(hol)$$

ϕ is well-defined and smooth. Let $q \in P$ there is a $g \in G$ s.t.: $q \cdot g \in H(p_0)$. Define: $\phi(q) = \phi(q \cdot g) \cdot g^{-1}$ This is well-defined, smooth and invertible. ϕ is an isomorphism from P to P_{hol} s.t. $D\phi(H) = \bar{H}$. \square

M compact $\Rightarrow \pi_1(M, x_0) = \langle g_1, \dots, g_a | r_1, \dots, r_b \rangle$ is a finitely presented group. $Hom(\pi_1(M, x_0)) = S \subset \underbrace{G \times \dots \times G}_{a\text{-times}}$ where S consists of the a -tuples (g_1, \dots, g_a) satisfying r_1, \dots, r_b .

9 The Yang-Mills functional

$\pi : P \rightarrow M$ a princ. G -bundle over a connected mfd. M . Assume M is compact, oriented and equipped with a Riemannian metric. The orientation together with the metric defines a volume form $dvol$ on M by the requirement that $dvol(e_1, \dots, e_n) = +1$ on any pos. oriented orthonormal basis e_1, \dots, e_n .

$$\int_P \|\Omega\|^2 = ?$$

For w a connection on P consider $F^w \in \Gamma(\wedge T^*M \otimes Ad(P))$. Choose a pos.definite $Ad(G)$ -invariant scalar product on \mathfrak{g} . This defines a fibre-wise scalar product or metric on $Ad(P)$.

Definition 9.1.

$$\mathfrak{YM}(w) := \int_M \|F^w\|^2 dvol \quad \mathfrak{YM} : C_P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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Lemma 9.2. For any $\phi \in \mathfrak{G}_P$, we have $\mathfrak{YM}(\phi^*w) = \mathfrak{YM}(w)$, so \mathfrak{YM} is gauge invariant. So \mathfrak{YM} descends to C_P/\mathfrak{G}_P

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Proposition 9.3. Let ψ be a one-form on P with values in \mathfrak{g} s.t. $r_g^*\psi = Ad(g)^{-1}\psi$ and such that $\psi(X) = 0$ if X is vertical. Then

$$D\psi(X, Y) = d\psi(X, Y) + [w(X), \psi(Y)] + [\psi(X), w(Y)]$$

with D defined by $D\psi(X, Y) = d\psi(\mathfrak{H}X, \mathfrak{H}Y)$ where \mathfrak{H} is horizontal projektion w.r.t. w .

Proof. Both sides are bilinear and skew-symmetric. So it suffices to check the following 3 cases:

Case 1: $\mathfrak{H}X = X, \mathfrak{H}Y = Y$ and so $D\psi(X, Y) = d\psi(X, Y)$ by definition; moreover $w(X) = 0, w(Y) = 0$.

Case 2: $X, Y \in V \Rightarrow \psi(X) = 0, \psi(Y) = 0$ and also $\mathfrak{H}X = 0 = \mathfrak{H}Y$, so $D\psi(X, Y) = 0$. We may assume $X = A^*, Y = B^*$. Then

$$d\psi(X, Y) = L_X(\psi(Y)) - L_Y(\psi(X)) - \psi([X, Y]) = L_{A^*}(\psi(0)) - L_{B^*}(0) - \underbrace{\psi([A, B]^*)}_{=0} = 0$$

Case 3: We may take $X = A^*$, Y be the value of a G -invariant hor.vector field Y^* . $x \in H \Rightarrow D\psi(X, Y) = 0, \psi(X) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} d\psi(X, Y) &= L_{A^*}(\psi(Y^*)) - L_{Y^*}(\underbrace{\psi(A^*)}_{=0}) - \underbrace{\psi([A^*, Y^*])}_{=0} \\ L_{A^*}(\psi(Y^*)) &= \frac{d}{dt}\psi(Y^*)_{\psi_t(p)}|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt}(r_{g_t}^*\psi)(Y^*)|_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}Ad(g_t)^{-1}\psi(Y^*)|_{t=0} = [-A, \psi(Y^*)] \\ &= -[w(A^*), \psi(Y^*)] \\ &\quad \phi_t \text{ the flow of } A^* \quad \phi_t(p) = p \cdot \exp(tA) =: p \cdot g_t \end{aligned}$$

□

Let w_0 be a connection 1-form on P and ψ as in 9.3. Then $w_t = w_0 + t\psi, t \in [0, 1]$ is a smoothly varying family of connection 1-forms.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_t &= D_t w_t \stackrel{\text{str.eq.}}{=} dw_t + [w_t, w_t] = d(w_0 + t\psi) + [w_0 + t\psi, w_0 + t\psi] \\ &= dw_0 + [w_0, w_0] + t(d\psi + [w_0, \psi] + [\psi, w_0]) + t^2[\psi, \psi] \\ &= \Omega_0 + tD_0\psi + t^2\dots \quad w_t \text{ with } \dot{w}_0 = \psi \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Omega_t|_{t=0} = D_0\psi = D_0((\dot{w})|_{t=0})$$

As ψ as in 9.3 can be thought of as $\psi \in \Omega^1(M; Ad(P))$

$$D_0 : \Omega^1(M; Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega^2(M; Ad(P)) \quad \psi \mapsto D_0\psi$$

Having chosen a Riemannian metric on M and a $Ad(G)$ -invariant scalar product on \mathfrak{g} , we have metrics on the domain and tangent of D_0 . For $\psi, \phi \in \Omega^1(M, Ad(P))$ we put :

$$\langle \psi, \phi \rangle_{L^2} := \int_M \langle \psi, \phi \rangle \, dvol \quad M \text{ cpt, orientable}$$

Let

$$D_0^* : \Omega^2(M; Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M; Ad(P))$$

be the formal adjoint of D_0 . Let w_t be a smooth family of connection 1-forms as above.

$$\mathfrak{YM}(w_t) = \int_M \|F^{w_t}\|^2 \, dvol \quad F^{w_t} \text{ corresponds to } \Omega_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \mathfrak{YM}(w_t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \int_M \langle F^{w_t}, F^{w_t} \rangle \, dvol = 2 \int_M \langle F^{w_t}, \frac{d}{dt} F^{w_t} \rangle \, dvol|_{t=0} \\ &= 2 \int_M \langle F^{w_0}, D_0\psi \rangle \, dvol = 2 \int_M \langle D_0^* F^{w_0}, \psi \rangle \, dvol \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 9.4. w_0 is a critical point of $\mathfrak{YM} \Leftrightarrow D_0^* F^{w_0} = 0$

Remark 9.5. $D_0 F^{w_0} = 0$ always by the Bianchi identity.

Remark 9.6. The **YM-equation** $D_0^* F^{w_0}$ is a 2nd order PDE for w_0 .

Example 9.7. $G = S^1 = SO(2) = U(1)$, $\mathfrak{g} = (i)\mathbb{R}$ is Abelian $\Rightarrow Ad$ is the trivial rep. $\Rightarrow Ad(P)$ is trivial of rank 1 over M . For any princ. S^1 -bundle $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ the space of connections is an affine space for $\Omega^1(M)$. The curvature of any connection on P is just a 2-form on M . $F^w \in \Omega^2(M)$ s.t.

$$\pi^* F = \Omega = dw + \underbrace{[w, w]}_{=0}$$

$dF^w = 0$ by the bianchi identity. $[0 = d\Omega = d\pi^* F^w = \pi^*(dF^w) \Rightarrow dF^w = 0$ because π^* is injective] Since dF^w is closed, it defines $[F^w] \in H_{dR}^2(M) = \frac{\ker(d: \Omega^2 \rightarrow \Omega^3)}{\text{Im}(d: \Omega^1 \rightarrow \Omega^2)}$.

Lemma 9.8. $[F^w]$ is independent of the choice of w .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
& & \mathbb{R} \\
& \nearrow \tilde{u} & \downarrow \text{exp} \\
M & \xrightarrow{\bar{u}} & S^1
\end{array}$$

\bar{u} lifts to $\tilde{u} \Leftrightarrow \bar{u}$ is null-homotopic. $[M, S^1] = H^1(M; \mathbb{Z})$ the set of homotopy classes of maps $M \rightarrow S^1$.

$[M, S^1] \xrightarrow{1:1} H^1(M, \mathbb{Z}) \quad [f] \mapsto f^* \alpha \quad \text{where } \alpha \text{ is the generator of } H^1(S^1, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$

putting this together we get the map:

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &\rightarrow \mathfrak{G}_0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}_P \rightarrow H^1(M; \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow 0 \\
&\quad \bar{u} \mapsto [\bar{u}]
\end{aligned}$$

\mathfrak{G}_0 is the space of null-homotopic \bar{u} , which is the connected component of $e \in \mathfrak{G}_P$. Suppose $\bar{u} \in \mathfrak{G}_0$, so it lifts to $\tilde{u} = f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $\bar{u}(x) = e^{2\pi i f(x)}$. Let ψ be the gauge transformation defined by \bar{u} for $u = \pi^* \bar{u}$. Then $\psi^* w = w + u^* \theta \Rightarrow \psi^* w - w = \bar{u}^* \theta$ (as a one form on the base) Note $\bar{u} = \text{exp} \circ \tilde{u}$ and $\bar{u}^*(\theta) = \tilde{u}^* \circ \text{exp}^*(\theta) = \tilde{u}^*(dt) = f^* dt = df$

$$\text{curv} : C_P \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}_P \quad \text{curv}^{-1}(F) = \ker(d : \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow \Omega^2(M))$$

\mathfrak{G}_0 acts on C_P preserving the fibres of curv . so in particular \mathfrak{G}_0 acts on $\text{curv}^{-1}(F)$.

$$\text{curv}^{-1}(F)/\mathfrak{G}_0 = \frac{\ker(d : \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow \Omega^2(M))}{\text{Im}(d : \Omega^0(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M))} = H_{dR}^1(M)$$

\mathfrak{G} acts on C_P and is constant on the fibers of the map $\text{curv} : C_P \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}_P$. So the map descends to $\mathfrak{B} := (C_P/\mathfrak{G}) \xrightarrow{c} \mathfrak{D}_P$. Here $c^{-1}(F) \cong H_{dR}^1(M)/H^1(M; \mathbb{Z}) = T^{b_1(M)}$. If $b_1(M) = 0$, this is a point.

Proposition 9.11. *The gauge equivalence classes of connections on P having a prescribed curvature 2-form F are parametrized by $T^{b_1(M)}$.*

If P admits a flat connection, then $\mathfrak{e}(P) = 0$. Take P to be the trivial bundle. The space of gauge equivalence classes of flat connections on P is parametrized by $T^{b_1(M)}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Hom}(\pi_1(M, x_0), S^1)/\text{conj} &= \text{Hom}(\pi_1(M, x_0), S^1) = \text{Hom}(H_1(M; \mathbb{Z}), S^1) \\
&= \underbrace{S^1 \times \dots \times S^1}_{\text{rk } H_1(M; \mathbb{Z}) = b_1(M)}
\end{aligned}$$

For arbitrary P , the **YM-connections** are the ones satisfying $D_0^* F w_0 = 0$. If $G = S^1$, then $D_0 = d$ is the exterior derivative. For any connection w we have $dF^w = 0$. The YM-equation for w is $d^* F^w = 0$.

$$\Delta = dd^* + d^*d \quad \text{the laplace operator}$$

Definition 9.12. A form α is **harmonic** is $\Delta\alpha = 0$

Lemma 9.13. M compact, oriented, Riemannian:

$$\Delta\alpha \Leftrightarrow d\alpha = 0 = d^*\alpha$$

Proof. "⇔": clear.

"⇒": Suppose $\Delta\alpha = 0$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_M \langle \Delta\alpha, \alpha \rangle d\text{vol} = \int_M \langle dd^*\alpha, \alpha \rangle d\text{vol} + \int_M \langle d^*d\alpha, \alpha \rangle d\text{vol} \\ &= \int_M |d^*\alpha|^2 d\text{vol} + \int_M |d\alpha|^2 d\text{vol} \\ &\Rightarrow d\alpha = 0, d^*\alpha = 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 9.14. (Hodge Theorem) M cpt., orientable, Riemannian. Every $[\alpha] \in H_{dR}^k(M)$ has a unique harmonic representative.

Proposition 9.15. For every princ. S^1 -bundle over M , a connection W is a YM-connection if and only if $\frac{1}{2\pi}F^W$ is the unique harmonic representative of $\epsilon(P) \in H_{dR}^2(M)$. The gauge equivalence classes of YM-connections on P are parametrized by $T^{b_1}(M)$

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M a cpt. oriented Riemannian manifold $\langle, \rangle d\text{vol}$ is the volume form defined by $d\text{vol}(e_1, \dots, e_n) = 1$ for any oriented o.n. basis e_1, \dots, e_n . \langle, \rangle on TM induces a metric on all $\bigwedge^{n-k} T^*M$.

Definition 9.16.

$$* : \bigwedge^k T^*M \rightarrow \bigwedge^{n-k} T^*M$$

the **hodge star** is defined by $\alpha \wedge *\beta = \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle d\text{vol} \quad \forall \alpha, \beta$.

V an orient. n -dim \mathbb{R} -vector space with scalar product \langle, \rangle_0 the scalar product defines an isomorphism:

$$f_0 : V \rightarrow V^* \quad v \mapsto (w \mapsto \langle v, w \rangle_0)$$

The scalar product on V^* is defined by requiring that f_0 is an isometry.

Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1 := \lambda^2 \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0$ with $\lambda > 0$. Suppose e_1, \dots, e_m is o.n. w.r.t. $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle e_j, e_i \rangle_1 &= \lambda^2 \underbrace{\langle e_j, e_i \rangle_0}_{=1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda} e_1, \dots, \frac{1}{\lambda} e_n \text{ a o.n.b. w.r.t. } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1 \\ f_1 : V &\rightarrow V^* \quad v \mapsto (w \mapsto \langle v, w \rangle_1) \\ f_1(v)(w) &= \lambda^2 \langle v, w \rangle_0 = \lambda^2 f_0(v)(w) \quad \forall w \in V \\ &\Rightarrow f_1 = \lambda^2 f_0 \end{aligned}$$

On V^* we have :

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \langle f_1(\frac{1}{\lambda} e_i), f_1(\frac{1}{\lambda} e_i) \rangle_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \langle f_1(e_i), f_1(e_i) \rangle_1 \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \langle \lambda^2 f_0(e_i), \lambda^2 f_0(e_i) \rangle_1 = \lambda^2 \langle f_0(e_i), f_0(e_i) \rangle_1 \\ &\Rightarrow \langle f_0(e_i), f_0(e_i) \rangle_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \langle f_0(e_i), f_0(e_i) \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are o.n. w.r.t. $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0$ on V^* , then $\alpha_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_{i_k}$ are o.n. in $\bigwedge^k V^*$. This defines $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0$ for $k \geq 2$.

$dvol_1 = c \cdot dvol_0$ with $c > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= dvol_1(\frac{1}{\lambda} e_1, \dots, \frac{1}{\lambda} e_n) = \frac{1}{\lambda^n} dvol_1(e_1, \dots, e_n) \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda^n} c \cdot \underbrace{dvol_0(e_1, \dots, e_n)}_{=1} \end{aligned}$$

On 1-forms $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_0$. If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are o.n.w.r.t. $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0$, then $\lambda \alpha_1, \dots, \lambda \alpha_n$ are o.n.w.r.t. $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \lambda \alpha_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \lambda \alpha_{i_k} \text{ are o.n.w.r.t. } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1 \text{ on } \bigwedge^k V^* \\ &= \lambda^k (\alpha_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_{i_k}) \Rightarrow \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda^{2k}} \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_0 \text{ on } \bigwedge^k V^* \end{aligned}$$

Let $*_0$ and $*_1$ be the hodge star operators defined by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0$ resp. $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$, using the same orientation of V . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \wedge *_1 \beta &= \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_1 dvol_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda^{2k}} \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_0 \cdot \lambda^n dvol_0 \\ &= \lambda^{n-2k} \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_0 dvol_0 = \lambda^{n-2k} \alpha \wedge *_0 \beta \\ &\Rightarrow \text{On } \bigwedge^k V^* \text{ we have } *_1 = \lambda^{n-2k} \cdot *_0 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 9.17. *If $\dim M = n$ is even and $k = \frac{1}{2}n$, then the Hodge star on $\Omega^k(M)$ is conformally invariant.*

Remark 9.18. $\langle, \rangle_1 = f^2 \langle, \rangle_0$ with $f > 0$, f does not have to be constant.

M cpt., oriented, without boundary:

$$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_{L^2} := \int_M \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \, d\text{vol}$$

Lemma 9.19. *The formal adjoint of $d : \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M)$ w.r.t. \langle, \rangle_{L^2} is :*

$$d^* = (-1)^{1+k+n(n-k)} * d *$$

Proof. Take $\alpha \in \Omega^k(M), \beta \in \Omega^{k+1}(M)$.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_M \underset{\text{stokes}}{d(\alpha \wedge * \beta)} = \int_M (d\alpha \wedge * \beta + (-1)^k \alpha \wedge d(*\beta)) \\ &= \int_M \langle d\alpha, \beta \rangle \, d\text{vol} + (-1)^k \int_M \alpha \wedge * * d(*\beta) \cdot (-1)^{n(n-k)} \\ &\Rightarrow \langle d\alpha, \beta \rangle_{L^2} = (-1)^{1+k+n(n-k)} \int_M \alpha \wedge *(* d * \beta) \\ &= (-1)^{1+k+n(n-k)} \langle \alpha, * d * \beta \rangle_{L^2} \\ &\Rightarrow d^* = (-1)^{1+k+n(n-k)} * d * \end{aligned}$$

□

Exercise: $** = (-1)^{n(n-k)}$ on $\bigwedge^k V^*$
 $d^* \alpha = 0 \Leftrightarrow d(*\alpha) = 0$

Corollary 9.20. *Harmonic 2-forms on a 4-mfd are conformally invariant.*

Take $\dim M = 4$. Fix \langle, \rangle and a orientation.

$$H_{dR}^2(M) = \mathfrak{H}(M) = \{\alpha \in \Omega^2(M) \mid \Delta \alpha = 0\} = \{\alpha \in \Omega^2(M) \mid d\alpha = 0 = d(*\alpha)\}$$

$$Q_M : H_{dR}^2(M) \times H_{dR}^2(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad ([\alpha], [\beta]) \mapsto \int_M \alpha \wedge \beta$$

the intersection/cup product pairing of M .

- well-defined (by stokes)
- symmetric
- non-degenerate, i.e. $\forall [\alpha] \in H_{dR}^2(M) \exists [\beta] \text{ s.t. } \int_M \alpha \wedge \beta \neq 0$

$*$: $\Omega^2(M) \rightarrow \Omega^2(M)$ maps $\mathfrak{H}^2(M) \subset \Omega^2(M)$ to itself. $** = Id$, so we can split $\mathfrak{H}^2(M) = \mathfrak{H}^2_+ \oplus \mathfrak{H}^2_-$ into the (+1/-1) eigenspaces of $*$.

Definition 9.21. A 2 form α is called **SD** if $*\alpha = \alpha$ and is called **ASD** if $*\alpha = -\alpha$

Suppose $0 \neq \alpha \in \mathfrak{H}^2_+$. Then:

$$Q_M([\alpha], [\alpha]) = \int_M \alpha \wedge \alpha = \int_M \alpha \wedge *\alpha = \|\alpha\|_{L^2}^2 > 0$$

$\Rightarrow Q_M$ is pos. definite on $\mathfrak{H}^2_+ \subset H^2_{dR}(M)$. If $0 \neq \alpha \in \mathfrak{H}^2_-$, then

$$Q_M([\alpha], [\alpha]) = \int_M \alpha \wedge \alpha = - \int_M \alpha \wedge *\alpha = -\|\alpha\|_{L^2}^2 < 0$$

$\Rightarrow Q_M$ is neg. definite on \mathfrak{H}^2_- .

Take $\alpha \in \mathfrak{H}^2_+, \beta \in \mathfrak{H}^2_-$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_M([\alpha][\beta]) &= \int_M \alpha \wedge \beta = - \int_M \alpha \wedge *\beta = - \int \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle dvol \\ &= 0 \quad \text{bec. } \alpha, \beta \text{ are positive orthogonal} \\ \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle dvol &= \alpha \wedge *\beta = -\alpha \wedge \beta = -(*\alpha) \wedge \beta = -\beta \wedge (*\alpha) \\ &= - \langle \beta, \alpha \rangle dvol = - \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle dvol \end{aligned}$$

If $\pi : P \rightarrow M$ is a princ. S^1 -bundle, then the \mathfrak{YM} -connections on P are the connections whose curvature 2-form is the harmonic rep. of $\mathfrak{e}(P) \in H^2_{dR}(M)$. The curvature form F^w of every w is closed. If $*F^w = +/- F^w$, then $d(*F^w) = 0$ follows from $dF^w = 0$. (bild) If Q_M is negative definite, then $\mathfrak{H}^2_+ = 0$ and $\mathfrak{H}^2 = \mathfrak{H}^2_-$. In this case all \mathfrak{YM} -connections on S^1 -bundle P are ASD \mathfrak{YM} -connections in the sense that F^w is ASD.

Vorlesung 22:

$\pi : E \rightarrow M$ a vector bundle, M oriented 4-dim., Riemannian. \langle, \rangle a metric on E . Define:

$$* : \Omega^2(E) \rightarrow \Omega^2(E) \quad \alpha \wedge *\beta = \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle dvol$$

where if $\alpha = w \otimes s \in \Omega^2(M) \otimes \Gamma(E)$ and $\beta = \nu \otimes t \in \Omega^2(M) \otimes \Gamma(E)$. Then $\alpha \wedge \beta = \langle s, t \rangle w \wedge \nu$.

$** = +1$ on 2 - forms

$\Omega^2(E) = \Omega^2_+(E) \oplus \Omega^2_-(E)$ where $\Omega^2_{(+/-)}(E)$ are (+/-1)-eigenvalues of $*$. Suppose ∇ is a connection on E compatible with \langle, \rangle in the space that:

$$d \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \langle \nabla \alpha, \beta \rangle + \langle \alpha, \nabla \beta \rangle$$

∇ defines a 1st order D0 from k-forms with values in E to (k+1)-forms with values in E .

If M is compact we can consider L^2 -norms on spaces of forms/sections. The formal adjoint of ∇ w.r.to the L^2 -scalar produkts is $+/- * \nabla *$. Take $P \rightarrow M$ to be a princ. G -bundle, $E = P \times_{Ad} \mathfrak{g}$ with a metric defined by an Ad -invariant scalar product of \mathfrak{g} .

If $H = \ker w$ is a connection P , then $F^w \in \Omega^2(E)$. w is a \mathfrak{YM} -connection if $(D^w)^* F^w = 0$ For M , $(D^w)^* F^w = 0$ follows from $D^w(*F^w) = 0$ (YM-eq). If M is 4-dim, then this follows from $*F^w = +/- F^w$ (A/SD YM-eq.). The w which solve the (A)SD YM-eq. are called **instantons**. [1st order eq. \Rightarrow 2nd order YM-eq.]

Theorem 9.22. *For any connection w on P , the 4-form $F^w \wedge F^w$ is closed as a 4-form on M . The de Rham coh. class of this form is independent of the choice of w .*

Example 9.23. 1) $G = S^1$: F^w is a closed 2-form on M , its colohomogy class is, up to a constant, the euler class $\mathfrak{e}(P)$. So ,up to a constant, $F^w \wedge F^w$ represents $\mathfrak{e}(P)$.

2) $G = SU(n), n \geq 2$: Then cohomology class of $\frac{1}{8\pi^2} F^w \wedge F^w$ is called $c_2(P)$ (the 2nd **Chern class** of P).

3) $G = U(n), n \geq 2$: The cohomology class of $\frac{1}{8\pi^2} F^w \wedge F^w$ is $c_2(P) - c_1(P)$. [A $U(n)$ - bundle over M has Chern classes $c_i(P) \in H^{2i}(M)$]

4) $G = SO(n), n \geq 3$: The coh. class of $F^w \wedge F^w$ is , up to a constant, $p_1(P)$ (**first Pontryagin class**)

Proof.

$$d(F^w \wedge F^w) = \underbrace{(D^w F^w)}_{=0} \wedge F^w + F^w \wedge \underbrace{(D^w F^w)}_{=0} = 0 \quad \text{by bianchi}$$

Let w_0 and w_1 be two connection 1-forms on P . Define

$$w_t = tw_1 + (1 - t)w_0 \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1]$$

Consider $P \times [0, 1] \rightarrow M \times [0, 1]$ as a princ. G -bundle and w_t as a connection 1-form on this bundle. The curvature $F^{\tilde{w}}$ is a 2-form on $M \times [0, 1]$ and $F^{\tilde{w}} \wedge F^{\tilde{w}}$ rep. a de Rham class $k \in H^4(M \times [0, 1])$. If i_0, i_1 are the inclusions of M into $M \times [0, 1]$ as $M \times \{0\}$ resp. $M \times \{1\}$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} F^{w_0} \wedge F^{w_0} &= i_0^*(F^{\tilde{w}} \wedge F^{\tilde{w}}) & F^{w_1} \wedge F^{w_1} &= i_1^*(F^{\tilde{w}} \wedge F^{\tilde{w}}) \\ \Rightarrow [F^{w_0} \wedge F^{w_0}] &= i_0^*k = i_1^*k = [F^{w_1} \wedge F^{w_1}] \end{aligned}$$

□

$$F^w = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(F^w + *F^w)}_{F_+^w \in \Omega_+^2(E)} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(F^w - *F^w)}_{F_-^w \in \Omega_-^2(E)}$$

$$F^w \wedge F^w = (F_+^w + F_-^w) \wedge (F_+^w + F_-^w) = F_+^w \wedge F_+^w + F_-^w \wedge F_-^w$$

$$= F_+^w \wedge *F_+^w - F_-^w \wedge *F_-^w = |F_+^w|^2 dvol - |F_-^w|^2 dvol$$

Rewrite:

$$\mathfrak{YM}(w) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M |F^w|^2 dvol = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M |F_+^w|^2 + |F_-^w|^2 dvol$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left| \int_M |F_+^w|^2 - |F_-^w|^2 dvol \right| = \left| \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M F^w \wedge F^w \right| = |c(P)|$$

e.g. $c = c_2$ if $G = SU(2)$

Theorem 9.24. $\mathfrak{YM}(w) \geq |c(P)|$ with equality $\Leftrightarrow w$ is (A)SD YM.

If $c(P) \neq 0$, then P has no flat connection. \mathfrak{YM} is minimal precisely for (A)SD YM connections.

Vorlesung 23:

$\pi : \bar{P} \rightarrow M$ a princ. G-bundle. $\dim M = 4$, M cpt. oriented, Riemannian. The SDYM equation for w on P is that the $*F^w = F^w \Leftrightarrow F_-^w = 0$. [ASDYM eq. ... $*F^w = -F^w \Leftrightarrow F_+^w = 0$] Write:

$$F^w = F_+^w + F_-^w$$

C_P the space of connections on P . \mathfrak{G}_P the gauge group $Aut(P)$.

Definition 9.25.

$$\mathfrak{M} = \{w \in C_P | F_+^w = 0\} \subset C_P / \mathfrak{G}_P$$

the space of gauge equiv. classes of connections on P . The **moduli space** of ASD connections on P .

$$f : C_P \rightarrow \Omega_+^2(Ad(P)) \quad w \mapsto F_+^w$$

The ASD connections are precisely the zeroes of f . Take $w \in f^{-1}(0)$. To study $f^{-1}(0)$ locally near w , we need to look at $D_w f$.

Take $A \in T_w C_P = \Omega^1(Ad(P))$:

$$D_w f(A) = \frac{d}{dt} f(w + tA)|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (F_+^{w+tA})|_{t=0}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (F^w + t \underbrace{D^w A}_{\nabla^w A} + t^2 + \dots)|_{t=0}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (F_+^w + t(D^w A)_+ + t^2 \dots)|_{t=0} = (D^w A)_+$$

$$D_w f : \Omega^1(Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega_+^2(Ad(P)) \quad A \mapsto (D^w A)_+$$

This may or may not be surjektive. In any case, its kernel is infinit-dimensional because it contains $T_w G(w)$.

$$[w] = G(w) \in C_P/\mathfrak{G}_P \quad T_{[w]} C_P/\mathfrak{G}_P = T_w C_P/T_w \mathfrak{G}_P(w)$$

$$T_e \mathfrak{G}_P = \Omega^0(Ad(P)) \ni s, x \in M:$$

$$\exp(ts(x)) \text{ acts on } P \text{ by } \exp(ts(x))(p) = p \cdot \exp(ts(x))$$

$$o : \mathfrak{G}_P \rightarrow C_P \quad \psi \mapsto \psi(w)$$

parametrises the \mathfrak{G}_P -Orbit of w :

$$T_w \mathfrak{G}_P(w) = Im(D_e o)$$

$$U_t = \exp(ts(x)), o(U_t) = U_t w:$$

$$\begin{aligned} (D_e o)(s) &= D_e o(\dot{u}(0)) = \frac{d}{dt} o(u_t)|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (u_t(w))|_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} (u_t^{-1} \nabla^w u_t)|_{t=0} \end{aligned}$$

[Remember: $\psi : P \rightarrow P, \psi^* w = Ad(u^{-1})w + u^* \theta, \psi(p) = p \cdot u(p)$]. If ∇^w is covariant derivative induced by w , then $\nabla^{u(w)}$ is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^{u_t(w)}(s') &= u_t^{-1} \nabla^w u_t(s') = u_t^{-1} (u_t \nabla^w s' + (\nabla^w u_t) s') \\ &= \nabla^w s' + u_t^{-1} (\nabla_{u_t}^w) s' = \nabla^w s' + (u_t^{-1} du_t) s' \\ &\Rightarrow \nabla^{u_t(w)} = \nabla^w + u_t^{-1} du_t \end{aligned}$$

$$u_t^{-1} u_t = e \Rightarrow u_t^{-1} du_t + d(u_t^{-1}) u_t = 0 \text{ differentiating this: } (u_t^{-1}) \cdot u_t + u_t^{-1} \cdot \dot{u}_t = 0 \Rightarrow (u_t^{-1}) = -u_t^{-1} \dot{u}_t u_t^{-1} [$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \nabla^{u_t(w)}(s')|_{t=0} &= \dot{u}_t^{-1} (\nabla^w u_t(t))(s') + u_t^{-1} (\nabla^w \dot{u}_t)(s')|_{t=0} \\ &= -s \nabla^w u \nabla^w s \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \nabla^{u_t(w)}|_{t=0} &= \left(\frac{d}{dt} (u_t^{-1}) \underbrace{du_t} \right) = 0 + u_t^{-1} \frac{d}{dt} (du_t)|_{t=0} \\ &= 0 + \nabla^w s \end{aligned}$$

$$\Omega^0(Ad(P)) \xrightarrow{D_e o} \Omega^1(Ad(P)) \xrightarrow{D_w f} \Omega_+^2(Ad(P)) \quad \mapsto A \mapsto (D^w A)_+$$

We have $Im(D_e o) \subset ker(D_w f)$:

$$H_w^0 := ker(D_e o) = ker(\nabla^w) \quad H_w^1 := ker(D_w f)/Im(D_e o) \quad H_w^2 := coker D_w f$$

Fact: The H_w^i are finite-dimensional, because the *ASDYM* modulo gauge is an elliptic PDE.

$$\begin{aligned} dim H_w^1 - dim H_w^0 - dim H_w^2 &= dim ker(D_w f \oplus (D_e o)^*) - dim coker(D_w f \oplus (D_e o)^*) \\ &= \text{fredholm index of } D_w f \oplus (D_e o)^* \end{aligned}$$

= expression in top. invariants of M and P given by the "Atiyah-singer index theorem"

$$\Omega^1(Ad(P)) \xrightarrow{(D_e o)^* \oplus D_w f} \Omega^0(Ad(P)) \oplus \Omega_+^2(Ad(P))$$

(H^1, H^2 vanish: nice situation)

Vorlesung 24:

$$\Omega^0(Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega^1(Ad(P)) \xrightarrow{D_w f} \Omega_+^2(Ad(P))$$

M compact oriented Riemannian mfd., $dim M = n$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^0(M) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^1(M) \xrightarrow{d} \dots \rightarrow \Omega^{n-1}(M) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^n(M) \rightarrow 0$$

$d^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$ this is a complex, called the **de Rham complex of M**. **Hodge decomposition** for the de Rham complex:

$$\Omega^k(M) = \underbrace{\mathfrak{H}^k \oplus Im d \oplus Im d^*}_{ker d}$$

\Rightarrow every de Rham coh.class has a unique harmonic rep.

$$\mathbb{X}(M) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k dim H_{dR}^k(M)$$

$$\Omega^{even}(M) = \bigoplus_k \Omega^{2k}(M) \quad \Omega^{odd}(M) = \bigoplus_k \Omega^{2k+1}(M)$$

$$d \oplus d^* : \Omega^{even}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{odd}(M) \quad ker(d \oplus d^*) = \bigoplus_l \mathfrak{H}^{2k} \quad coker(d \oplus d^*) = \bigoplus_k \mathfrak{H}^{2k+1}$$

$$ind(d \oplus d^*) = dim ker(d \oplus d^*) - dim coker(d \oplus d^*) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \mathfrak{H}^k = \mathbb{X}(M)$$

Assume $n=4$:

$$\Omega^0(M) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^1(M) \xrightarrow{d_+} \Omega_+^2(M) \quad d_+ = \pi_+ \circ d$$

$$\pi_+ : \Omega^2(M) \rightarrow \Omega_+^2(M) \quad ker \pi = \Omega_-^2(M)$$

Proposition 9.26. *This is a complex, whose cohomology is: $H_{dR}^0(M), H_{dR}^1(M), \mathfrak{H}_+^2$. This cx. is called the **half de Rham complex**.*

Proof. $d_+ \circ d = \pi_+ \circ \underbrace{d \circ d}_{=0} = 0$ so we do have a complex.

$H^0 = \ker(d: \Omega^0(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M)) =$ the vector space of constant functions on M
 $= \mathbb{R}$ if M is connected

if $\alpha \in \Omega^1(M)$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 & \underset{\text{stokes}}{=} \int_M d(\alpha \wedge d\alpha) = \int_M d\alpha \wedge d\alpha = \int_M (d_+\alpha + d_-\alpha) \wedge (d_+\alpha + d_-\alpha) \\ & = \int_M \underbrace{|d_+\alpha|^2}_{=0} d\text{vol} - \int_M |d_-\alpha|^2 d\text{vol} \end{aligned}$$

So $d_+\alpha = 0$ implies $d_-\alpha = 0$ and therefore $d\alpha = 0$. \Rightarrow The coh. of the half de Rham cx. in the middle is $H_{dR}^1(M)$.

Let $h \in \mathfrak{H}_+^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle h, d_+\alpha \rangle_{L^2} & = \int_M \langle h, d_+\alpha \rangle d\text{vol} = \int_M h \wedge (d_+\alpha + d_-\alpha) = \int_M h \wedge d\alpha \\ & = \int_M \underbrace{d(h \wedge \alpha)}_{\text{stokes}} = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow \text{Im}d_+ \text{ is } L^2\text{-orthogonal to } \mathfrak{H}_+^2 \end{aligned}$$

Take $w \in \Omega_+^2(M) \subset \Omega^2(M)$. w has a Hodge decomposition: $w = h + d\alpha + d^*\beta$.
Apply $*$ to get:

$$w = *w = *h + \underbrace{*d^*\beta}_{\in \text{Im}d} + \underbrace{*d\alpha}_{\in \text{Im}d^*}$$

By uniqueness of the Hodge decomposition we have $*h = h$, so $h \in \mathfrak{H}_+^2$, $*d^*\beta = d\alpha$ and $*d\alpha = d^*\beta$

$$\Rightarrow w = h + d\alpha + *d\alpha = h + \frac{1}{2}(Id + *)d\alpha = h + d_+\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{coker}d_+ = \mathfrak{H}_+^2 \quad \square$$

In the case of the half de Rham cx we have computed:

$$\dim H^1 - \dim H^0 - \dim H^2 = \dim H_{dR}^1(M) - \dim H_{dR}^0(M) - \dim \mathfrak{H}_+^2 = b_1(M) - b_0(M) - b_2^+(M)$$

$$H_{dR}^2(M) = \mathfrak{H}^2 = \mathfrak{H}_+^2 \oplus \mathfrak{H}_-^2 \quad b_2(M) = b_2^+(M) + b_2^-(M)$$

Definition 9.27.

$$\sigma(M) = b_2^+(M) + b_2^-(M)$$

the **signature** of M

$$\begin{aligned} b_1(M) - b_0(M) - b_2^+(M) &= \frac{1}{2}(2b_1(M) - 2b_0(M) - 2b_2^+(M)) \\ &\stackrel{P.D.}{=} \frac{1}{2}(b_1(M) + b_3(M) - b_0(M) - b_4(M) - (b_2(M) + \sigma(M))) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{X}(M) + \sigma(M)) \\ \Omega^2(Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega^1(Ad(P)) &\xrightarrow{D_w f} \Omega_+^2(Ad(P)) \end{aligned}$$

If $Ad(P)$ is trivial, then $\dim H_0^1 - \dim H_w^0 - \dim H_w^2 = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{X}(M) + \sigma(M)) \cdot \dim G$
For general P one gets from the Atiyah-singer index theorem:

$$v - \dim \mathfrak{M} = \dim H_w^1 - \dim H_w^0 - \dim H_w^2 = 8k - \frac{1}{2} \dim G (\mathbb{X}(M) + \sigma(M))$$

where $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a top invariant of P .

Example 9.28. $G = SU(2) \Rightarrow \dim G = 3$: In this case $k = -c_2(P)$, with $c_2(P) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M F^w \wedge F^w$ for any connection w on P . If P admits an ASD connection, then $c_2(P) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M F_-^w \wedge F_-^w = -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M |F_-^w|^2 dvol \leq 0$
For $G = Su(2)$, $k = +1$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned} v - \dim \mathfrak{M} &= 8 - \frac{3}{2}(\mathbb{X}(M) + \sigma(M)) \\ &= 8 - 3(1 - b_1(M) + b_2^+(M)) \end{aligned}$$

using: M connected $\Rightarrow b_0 = 1$. In particular, if $b_1(M) = 0$ and $b_2^+(M) = 0$ then $v - \dim \mathfrak{M} = 5$

[dim 4: YM equationio reduced to SD, ASD (no relatable in other)]

$$\nu : \mathfrak{G}_P \rightarrow C_P \quad \psi \mapsto \psi(W)$$

G acts on M the G -orbit of p is $G(p)$, diffeomorphic to G/H where $H = \text{stab}(p)$.

Definition 9.29.

$$\text{Stab}(w) = \{\psi \in \mathfrak{G}_P \mid \psi(w) = w\} \quad (\text{Stabiliser group})$$

Lemma 9.30. Assume M is connected. Write $\psi(p) = p \cdot u(p)$. Then $\psi \in \text{stab}(w) \Leftrightarrow u$ is a connected map into the centralizer of $\text{Hol}(H, p) \subset G$, $H = \ker w$.

Proof. If $\psi(w) = w$, then ψ preserves the holonomy subbundles of $H = \ker w$.

$$\psi^*(w) = Ad(u^{-1})w + u^*\theta = w$$

gives us:

- u constant
- $Ad(u^{-1})w = w$

\Rightarrow the value of u commutes with elements of the holonomy group. □

Example 9.31. *The constant maps u to $C(G) \subset G$, the center of G , are always in $stab(w)$ for all w . In particular, if G is Abelian, then $C(G) = G$, so $stab(w) = G$ for all w . If $G = SU(2)$, then $C(SU(2)) = \mathbb{Z}_2$.*

Vorlesung 25:

$\pi : P \rightarrow M^4$, w satisfies $*F^w = -F^w$ so w is ASDYM.

$$\Omega^0(Ad(P)) \xrightarrow{D_0} \Omega^1(Ad(P)) \xrightarrow{D_1} \Omega^2_+(Ad(P))$$

$$H_w^0 \quad H_w^1 \quad H_w^2$$

$$\Omega^0(Ad(P)) = Lie(\mathfrak{G}) \supset \ker D_0 = L(stab(w))$$

The expected dimension of \mathfrak{M} is $dim H_w^1 - dim H_w^0 - dim H_w^2$. In sufficiently nice situations $H_w^0 = 0 = H_w^2$. By the vanishing of H_w^2 , w is a transverse or regular zero of the map:

$$C \rightarrow \Omega^2_+(Ad(P)) \quad w \mapsto F^w_+$$

Then \mathfrak{M} is a mfd. of dimension equal to $dim H_w^1$.

$$f : P \rightarrow Q \quad f(p) = q \quad D_p f \text{ not surjective}$$

If $dim P \geq dim Q$, we can perturb f slightly, so that $\forall p \in f^{-1}(q) : D_p f$ is surjective.

In our situation for ASDYM eq. one can often achieve surjectivity of D_1 by perturbing the Riemannian metric on M .

Definition 9.32. w is called reducible if $stab(w)$ has positive dimension, equivalently $H_w^0 \neq 0$. If $H_w^0 = 0$, but $H_w^1 \neq 0$, then locally near w , \mathfrak{M} looks like the zero-set of a map $\psi : H_w^1 \rightarrow H_w^2$ with $D_0 \psi = 0$.

If both H_w^0 and H_w^2 are $\neq 0$, then $stab(w)$ acts on H_w^1 on H_w^2 (normal case H_w^i are products of \mathbb{C} and $stab(w)$ is S^1 acting on them by rotation) and $\psi : H_w^1 \rightarrow H_w^2$ is $stab(w)$ -equivariant, and a neighborhood of $[w]$ in \mathfrak{M} looks like $\psi^{-1}(0)/stab(w)$.

Example 9.33. $G = S^1 : G = C(G)$ the Ad-representation is trivial so $Ad(P)$ is the trivial bundle.

$$\Omega^0(M) \rightarrow \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow \Omega_+^2(M)$$

For any w this is the deformation cx. with cohomology :

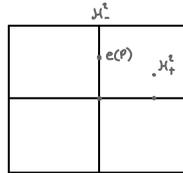
$$H_w^0 = \mathbb{R} \quad H_{dR}^1(M) \quad \mathfrak{H}_+^2$$

The expected dimension of \mathfrak{M} is $b_1(M) - 1 - b_2^+(M)$ For S^1 the ASDYM connections are exactly, those w for which F^w is an ASD 2-form representing $\mathfrak{c}(P)$. The space of gauge equivalence classes such connections \mathfrak{M} is either empty, or a torus of dimension $b_1(M)$.

case 1: $b_2^+ = 0$ In this case $\mathfrak{c}(P)$ is represented by a unique ASD harmonic form $\Rightarrow \mathfrak{M} \neq \emptyset$. Therefore the moduli space is a torus of dimension $b_1(M)$. The 'expected' dimension is $b_1(M) - 1$. Here $\text{stab}(w) = S^1$ and this acts trivially H_w^1

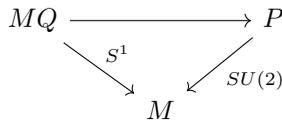
case 2: $b_2^- = 0, H_{dR}^2(M) = \mathfrak{H}^2 = \mathfrak{H}_+^2$. If $\mathfrak{c}(P) \neq 0$, then $\mathfrak{c}(P)$ cannot be represented by an ASD harmonic form, so there are no solution to the ASDYM equation. If $\mathfrak{c}(P) = 0$, then the ASDYM connections are exactly the flat connections.

Case 3: $b_2^+ > 0, b_2^- > 0 H_{dR}^2(M) = \mathfrak{H}^2 = \mathfrak{H}_+^2 \oplus \mathfrak{H}_-^2$. $\mathfrak{M} = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{c}(P) \in \mathfrak{H}_-^2$. In this



case, given P , one can perturb the metric so that $\mathfrak{c}(P) \notin \mathfrak{H}_-^2$

Example 9.34. $G = SU(2), C(G) = \mathbb{Z}_2$: One often replaces \mathfrak{G} by $\mathfrak{G}/\mathbb{Z}_2$. If a connection w on an $SU(2)$ -bundle P reduces to S^1 , then we can discuss whether it is ASDYM through the above dimension for S^1 . we can look at a reduction :



in terms of the associated vector bundles.

$$E = P \times_{\rho} \mathbb{C}^2$$

where $\rho : SU(2) \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ is the standard rep. of $SU(2)$.

$$U(1) = S^1 \rightarrow SU(2) \quad a \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Preducesto S^1 if and only if $E = L \oplus L^{-1}$.

If $L \rightarrow M$ is a rank 1 vector bundle, a cx. line bundle, then $L_{\mathbb{R}}$ is a oriented rank 2 real vector bundle. The orientation is defined by saying that multiplication by $i \in \mathbb{C}$ in a fibre of L is rotation by $+90$ in $L_{\mathbb{R}}$. Conversely, if V is an oriented rank 2 vector bundle. We define multiplication by $i \in \mathbb{C}$ to be the rotation by $+90$. Then we extend linearly to $a + ib$. This makes V into a cx. line bundle L with $L_{\mathbb{R}} \cong V$. This equivalence comes from $SO(2) = U(1)$. The cx. line bundles over M form a group w.r.t. \otimes . The neutral element is the trivial bundle and the inverse L^{-1} of L is $Hom(L, \mathbb{C}) = L^*$.

Definition 9.35. $c_1(L) := \epsilon(L_{\mathbb{R}}) \in H^2(M)$ the **first chern class** of L .

$$Vect_1(M, \mathbb{C}), \otimes \xrightarrow{c_1, \cong} (H^2(M, \mathbb{Z}), +)$$

$[Vect_1(M, \mathbb{C}), \otimes] = \text{iso. classes of cx. rank 1 vector bundle on } M$ This is a homomorphism and in fact an isomorphism.

In general, for cx. vector bundles of arbitrary rank, we have c_1, c_2, \dots

$$\epsilon(E) = 1 + c_1(E) + c_2(E) + \dots \in \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} H^{2i}(M; \mathbb{Z})$$

if $E = E_1 \oplus E_2$ then $\epsilon(E) = c(E_1) \cup c(E_2)$.

A cx. vector bundle E has structure group $SU(k)$ instead of $U(k)$, $k = rkE \Leftrightarrow c_1(E) = 0$.

Assume $rk(e) = k = 2$. Then E is an $SU(2)$ -bundle $\Leftrightarrow c_1(E) = 0$. Then, in this case, assume $E = L_1 \oplus L_2$. Then:

$$0 = c_1(E) = c_1(L_1) + c_1(L_2) \Rightarrow c_1(L_2) = -c_1(L_1) \Rightarrow L_2 = L_1^{-1}$$

$$c_2(E) = c_2(L_1) \cdot 1 + c_1(L_1) \cdot c_1(L_2) + 1 \cdot \underbrace{c_2(L_2)}_{=0 \text{ since } 2 > rkL_2} = -c_1^2(L) \text{ where } L = L_1$$

Hence $c_2(E) \in H^4(M, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$ if M is connected, cpt., oriented 4-mfd.

$$\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M F^w \wedge F^w = k \quad \text{if } c_2(E) = k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Fact: $SU(2)$ -bundles over M^4 are classified up to isomorphism by $c_2(E)$. In particular, for every k there is a $SU(2)$ -bundle, unique up to isomorphism. The 'expected' dimension of \mathfrak{M} for an $SU(2)$ -bundle is $8 \underbrace{k}_{=1} - 3(1 \underbrace{-b_1}_{=0} + \underbrace{b_2^+}_{=0}) =$

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Vorlesung 26:

$\pi : P \rightarrow M, M^4$ a cpt. oriented smooth 4-mfd. the princ. $SU(2)$ -bundle with $c_2(P) = -1$. Assume: $b_2^+(M) = 0$ and $\pi_1(M) = \{1\}$, so M is simply connected. If we pick a Riemannian metric on M we can study $\mathfrak{M} := \{w \in C_P \mid *F^w = -F^w\} / \mathcal{G}$. The expected dimension of \mathfrak{M} is

$$8k - 2(1 - b_1(M) + b_2^+(M)) = 8 \cdot 1 - 3(1 - 0 + 0) = 5$$

$E_P \times_{\rho} \mathbb{C}^2$. For every splitting $E = L \oplus L^{-1}$ there is a reducible ASD connection.

Since $b_1(M) = 0$, this is unique up to gauge equivalence. We have

$$+1 = c_2(E) = -c_1(L)^2 = -Q_M(c_1(L), c_1(L))$$

where $G_M : H^2(M; \mathbb{Z}) \times H^2(M; \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, (\alpha, \beta) \mapsto \langle \alpha \cup \beta, [M] \rangle$

$$[c_2(P) = \frac{-1}{8\pi^2} \int_M F^w \wedge F^w = \frac{-1}{8\pi^2} \int_M |F_+^w|^2 - |F_-^w|^2 dvol \geq 0 \quad \text{if } P \text{ admits an ASD con.}]$$

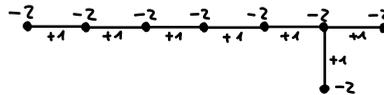
For every $\alpha \in H^2(M, \mathbb{Z})$ there is a unique cx. line bundle $L \rightarrow M$ with $c_1(L) = \alpha$. The number of reductions of E to $L \oplus L^{-1}$ is given by the number of pairs $+/- \alpha \in H^2(M, \mathbb{Z})$ with $\alpha^2 = Q_M(\alpha, \alpha) = -1$. The number of pairs is $\leq rkQ_M = b_2(M) = b_2^-(M)$

Example 9.36. $M = S^2 \times S^2 : Q_{S^2 \times S^2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ w.r.t. α_1, α_2 given by the two factors.

$$Q_{S^2 \times S^2}(\alpha, \alpha) = Q_{S^2 \times S^2}(ax_1 + bx_2, ax_1 + bx_2) = 2ab \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

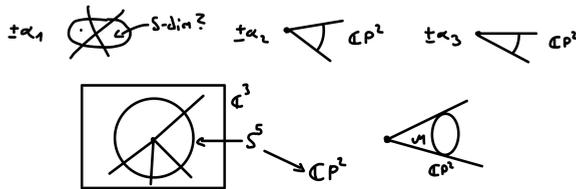
This $Q_{S^2 \times S^2}$ is even so there are no $\alpha \in H^2(S^2 \times S^2)$ with $\alpha^2 = +/- 1$

Example 9.37. E_8



$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

this is negative definite, so if $Q_M = E_8$, then $b_2^+(M) = 0$. E_8 is even, so there would be no α with $\alpha^2 = +/ -1$. If we linearize at a reducible ASD connection we get:



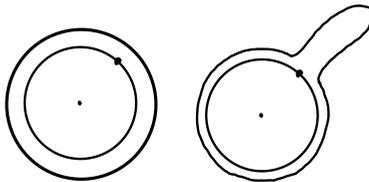
$$\Omega^0(Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega^1(Ad(P)) \rightarrow \Omega_+^2(Ad(P))$$

$$\mathbb{R} = H_w^0 \quad h_w^1 = \mathbb{R}^6 = \mathbb{C}^3 \quad H_w^2 = 0$$

A neighbourhood of $[w]$ in \mathfrak{M} looks like ψ^{-1}/S^1 for an S^1 -equivariant map $\psi : H_w^1 \rightarrow H_w^2$. $H_w^2 = 0$ implies $\psi \equiv 0$, so

$$\psi^{-1}/S^1 = \mathbb{C}^3/S^1 = \text{cone}(\mathbb{C}P^2)$$

Example 9.38. $M = S^4, g = g_0$ (standard metric) $S^4 = SO(5)/SO(4)$: $H^2(S^4) = 0 \Rightarrow$ there are no reducible solutions. However, there are irreducible ones! There is a homogeneous solution (looks same at every point):

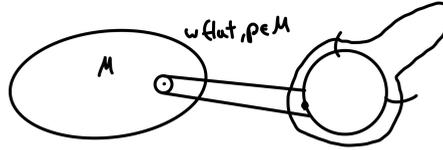


$$\mathfrak{M} = \text{Conf}(S^4, g_0)/\text{Isom}(S^4, g_0) = SO(5, 1)/SO(5) \cong B^5$$

In some sense $\partial\bar{\mathfrak{M}} = S^4$, where $\bar{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a compactification of \mathfrak{M} .

Theorem 9.39 (Uhlenbeck weak compactness). *The only non-compactness in \mathfrak{M} arises from concentration of curvature at isolated points in M .*

For the 1-instanton moduli space there can be only one point of concentration.



Theorem 9.40 (Taubes existence theorem). *If M^4 is closed, oriented with a Riemannian metric and $b_2^+(M) = 0$, then there exists irreducible ASD connections on the 1-instanton bundle obtained by gluing concentrated 1-instantons on S^4 into the flat connection on M .*

One splices together the flat connection on M with an instanton on S^4 to obtain an approximate solution to the ASDYM eq. on $M^4 \# S^4$. Because $b_2^+(M) = 0$, this approximate solution can be perturbed to an actual solution.