

## Euler class of the tangent bundle

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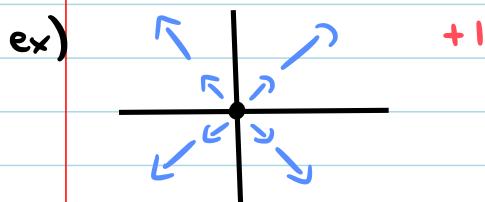
$$\int_M e(TM) = \sum_{i=1}^k \text{ind}_{p_i}(V).$$

Index:  $p_i \in U$  a zero of  $V \in \Gamma(TM)$ ,  $U$  chart with  $p_i = 0$ ,

$$V|_U = V^i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \text{ let } F: \partial B_\epsilon(0) \rightarrow S^{n-1}, \quad F^i(x) = \frac{V^i(x)}{|V^i(x)|}.$$

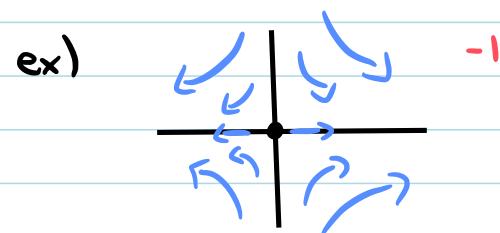
$$\text{ind}_{p_i}(V) = \deg(F).$$

ex)  $Z^k$  = vector field index  $k$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
 $\bar{Z}^k$  = vector field index  $-k$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$



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$$\deg(F) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} F^* d\theta$$

In local  $S^1$  coords:

$$F(\theta) \stackrel{\text{loc}}{=} \theta$$

$$\deg(F) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta = +1$$

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In local  $S^1$  coords:

$$F(\theta) \stackrel{\text{loc}}{=} -\theta$$

$$\deg(F) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} -d\theta = -1$$

ex)  $S^2 = \begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} u \quad \begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} \tilde{u}$  stereographic coords  
 $(u, v) \quad (\tilde{u}, \tilde{v})$

$$(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = \frac{1}{u^2 + v^2} (u, v).$$

Suppose  $\mathbf{W}$  is a vector field on  $S^2$  s.t.

$$\mathbf{W}|_u = \frac{\partial}{\partial u}. \text{ Show } \mathbf{W} = 0 \text{ at the North pole and compute index.}$$

$$\frac{\partial(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v})}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{v}^2 - \tilde{u}^2 & -2\tilde{u}\tilde{v} \\ -2\tilde{u}\tilde{v} & \tilde{u}^2 - \tilde{v}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

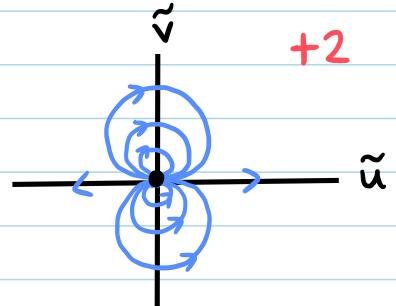
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$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^i = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^p} \mathbf{w}^p$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^1 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^2 \end{pmatrix} = \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^j} \right)_{2 \times 2} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}^1 \\ \mathbf{w}^2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^1 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{v}^2 - \tilde{u}^2 & -2\tilde{u}\tilde{v} \\ -2\tilde{u}\tilde{v} & \tilde{u}^2 - \tilde{v}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{W}|_{\tilde{u}} = (\tilde{v}^2 - \tilde{u}^2) \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{u}} - 2\tilde{u}\tilde{v} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{v}}.$$

$$\mathbf{W}|_{(0,0)} = 0 \text{ at } (\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = (0,0).$$



$$F = \frac{\mathbf{W}}{|\mathbf{W}|} : S^1 \rightarrow S^1, \quad F = (\sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta, -2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$\tilde{u} = r \cos \theta$$

$$\tilde{v} = r \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow F = (-\cos 2\theta, -\sin 2\theta). \text{ In } S^1 \text{- coords, } F(\theta) \stackrel{\text{loc}}{=} 2\theta + \pi.$$

$$\deg(F) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} F^* d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} 2 d\theta = +2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{S^2} e(TS^2) = 2.$$

Cor: Every vector field on  $S^2$  must vanish.

ex)  $S^1$ ,  $V = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$  global vector field without zeroes.

$$\int_{S^1} e(Ts') = 0.$$

ex)  $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1$ ,  $V = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'}$ .  $\Rightarrow \int_{T^2} e(TM) = 0.$

Proof of Theorem: We only prove the case  $\dim M = 2$ .  
See Bott-Tu for general case.

Equip  $TM$  with a metric  $g$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Transition functions of  $TM \rightarrow M$  can be reduced to  $SO(2) \cong U(1)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Can understand  $TM \rightarrow M$  as a  $U(1)$ -bundle.

$$\int_M e(TM) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{M_\delta} e(TM), \text{ where } M_\delta = M \setminus \cup B_\delta(p_i), p_i \text{ zeroes of } V \in \Gamma(TM)$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{M_\delta} V^* \pi^* e \quad V: M \rightarrow TM, \pi: TM \rightarrow M \\ V|_U = (x^1, x^2, V^1(x), V^2(x))$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} - \int_{M_\delta} V^* d\Psi \quad \Psi \in \Omega^1(TM^\circ) \text{ angular form} \\ d\Psi = -\pi^* e$$

$$\Psi = \frac{1}{2\pi} (d\theta - i\pi^* A) \quad (*)$$

$$-\int_{M_\delta} V^* d\Psi \stackrel{\text{Stokes}}{=} - \int_{\partial M_\delta} V^* \Psi$$

orientation of  $\partial M$

$$= + \sum_i \int_{\partial D_\delta(p_i)} V^* \Psi$$



Stokes



bulk on your left

$M_\delta$

$$(*) \Rightarrow = \sum_i \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D_\delta(p_i)} V^* d\theta - \sum_i \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{D_\delta(p_i)} \pi^* dA \quad dA = F \in \Omega^2(M)$$

$\hookrightarrow$  goes to zero as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \int_M e(TM) = \sum_i \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D_\delta(p_i)} V^* d\theta = \sum_i \text{ind}(p_i). \quad \square$$

Thm: Let  $M$  be a compact oriented mfd.

$$\int_M e(TM) = \chi(M).$$

Cor: (Poincaré-Hopf)

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$$\chi(M) = \sum_i \text{ind}_{p_i}(V).$$

Proof of Thm:

Let  $\{\omega_i\}$  basis for  $H^*(M)$

$\{\gamma_i\}$  dual basis under Poincaré duality:

$$\int_M \omega_i \wedge \gamma_j = \delta_{ij}$$

Consider  $M \times M$  with projections  $\pi: M \times M \rightarrow M$

$$\rho: M \times M \rightarrow M$$

Künneth:  $H^*(M \times M)$  has basis  $\pi^* \omega_i \wedge \rho^* \gamma_j$ .

Let  $\eta_\Delta \in H^n(M \times M)$  be the Poincaré dual of  $\Delta \subseteq M \times M$ ,  
 $\Delta = \{(p, p) : p \in M\}$ .

$$\underline{\text{Step 1}}: \eta_\Delta = \sum_i (-1)^{\deg \omega_i} \pi^* \omega_i \wedge \rho^* \gamma_i$$

$$\underline{\text{Step 2}}: \int_\Delta \eta_\Delta = \chi(M)$$

$$\underline{\text{Step 3}}: \int_\Delta \eta_\Delta = e(TM)$$

Proof of step 1:  $\eta_\Delta = c_{ij} \pi^* \omega_i \wedge \rho^* \gamma_j$  linear combo of basis.

Test  $\eta_\Delta$  against  $\pi^* \gamma_k \wedge \rho^* \omega_\ell$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{M \times M} \pi^* \gamma_k \wedge \rho^* \omega_\ell \wedge \eta_\Delta &= \int_{M \times M} c_{ij} \pi^* \gamma_k \wedge \rho^* \omega_\ell \wedge \pi^* \omega_i \wedge \rho^* \gamma_j \\ &= (-1)^{(\deg \omega_i)(\deg \gamma_k + \deg \omega_\ell)} c_{ij} \int_{M \times M} \pi^*(\omega_i \wedge \gamma_k) \rho^*(\omega_\ell \wedge \gamma_j) \\ &= (-1)^{(\deg \omega_k)(\deg \gamma_k + \deg \omega_\ell)} c_{k\ell}. \end{aligned}$$

Property of Poincaré duality:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{M \times M} \pi^* \gamma_k \wedge \rho^* \omega_\ell \wedge \eta_\Delta &= \int_{\Delta} \pi^* \gamma_k \wedge \rho^* \omega_\ell \\ &= \int_M \gamma_k \wedge \omega_\ell = (-1)^{(\deg \gamma_k)(\deg \omega_\ell)} S_{k\ell}. \\ \Rightarrow c_{k\ell} &= (-1)^{\deg \omega_k} S_{k\ell}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof of step 2:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Delta} \eta_\Delta &= \sum_i (-1)^{\deg \omega_i} \int_{\Delta} \pi^* \omega_i \wedge \rho^* \gamma_i \\ &= \sum_i (-1)^{\deg \omega_i} \int_M \underbrace{\omega_i \wedge \gamma_i}_{=} \\ &= \sum_q (-1)^q \dim H^q(M) = \chi(M). \end{aligned}$$

Proof of step 3: We claim  $T\Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  and  $N_\Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  are isomorphic bundles,  
 $T\Delta \cong TM$   
 $\Delta \cong M$

Assuming this,

$$\int_{\Delta} \eta_\Delta = \int_{\{ \text{zero section} \}} \Phi(N_\Delta)$$

Poincaré dual of  $S \subseteq M$  is  
 Thom class of  $N \rightarrow S$

$$= \int_{\{\text{zero section}\}} \Phi(T\Delta) \quad T\Delta \cong N_\Delta$$

$$= \int_{\{\text{zero section}\}} \Phi(TM) \quad T\Delta \cong TM$$

$$= \int_M e(TM)$$

Proof of claim:

$$\text{Let } E = T(M \times M)|_\Delta, \quad E \rightarrow \Delta$$

$$E = \{(p, p, v, w) : p \in M, v, w \in T_p M\}$$

$$T\Delta = \{(p, p, v, v) : p \in M, v \in T_p M\}$$

$$E = T\Delta \oplus N_\Delta, \quad \text{where } N_\Delta = \{(p, p, v, -v) : p \in M, v \in T_p M\}$$

As a bundle, trivializations on  $T\Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ : use coords on  $\Delta$ :

$$\varphi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha \times U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad U_\alpha \times U_\alpha \subseteq \Delta \\ (x, x, v^i \partial_i, v^i \partial_i) \mapsto (x, v^i) \quad \downarrow \\ x \in U_\alpha \subseteq M$$

Trivializations on  $N_\Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ :

$$\psi_\alpha : \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha \times U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^n \\ (x, x, v^i \partial_i, -v^i \partial_i) \mapsto (x, v^i)$$

$\therefore T\Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  are isomorphic bundles via  $(p, p, v, v) \mapsto (p, p, v, -v)$ .  
 $N_\Delta \rightarrow \Delta$

$$\text{Also: } \left\{ (p, v) : p \in M, v \in T_p M \right\} = TM \xrightarrow{\sim} T\Delta = \left\{ (p, p, v, v) : p \in M, v \in T_p M \right\} \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ M \xrightarrow{\sim} \Delta$$

Since  $\Delta \cong M$  are diffeomorphic, their tangent bundles are isomorphic:  
 $T\Delta \cong TM$ .



## Gauss - Bonnet Theorem

Thm: Let  $M$  be compact oriented with  $\dim M = 2$ .

$$\int_M \frac{R}{2} d\text{vol}_g = 2\pi \chi(M).$$

Riemannian Geometry: Let  $(M, g)$  be Riemannian mfd.

Let  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection of  $g$ .

For  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ , have  $\nabla_X : \Gamma(TM) \rightarrow \Gamma(TM)$  satisfying

- 1)  $\partial_k \langle X, Y \rangle_g = \langle \nabla_k X, Y \rangle_g + \langle X, \nabla_k Y \rangle_g$
- 2)  $\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y]$ .

Let  $\{e_a\}$  be a local orthonormal frame for  $TM$ .

$$\langle e_a, e_b \rangle_g = \delta_{ab}.$$

Denote:  $\nabla_k e_a = \omega_k^b {}_a e_b$  vierbein

Note:  $0 = \partial_k \langle e_a, e_b \rangle_g = \langle \nabla_k e_a, e_b \rangle + \langle e_a, \nabla_k e_b \rangle$   
 $\Rightarrow \omega_i^a {}_b = -\omega_i^b {}_a$ .

Note: If  $\tilde{e}_a = e_b g^b {}_a$  for  $g = [g^a {}_b] \in O(n)$ , then:  
 $\nabla_k \tilde{e}_a = \tilde{\omega}_k^b {}_a \tilde{e}_b$

$$\tilde{\omega} = g^{-1} \omega g + g^{-1} dg.$$

$$(\text{Expand } \nabla_k (\tilde{e}_a) = \nabla_k (e_b g^b {}_a) = (g^{-1} \omega_k g)^b {}_a \tilde{e}_b + (g^{-1} \partial_k g)^b {}_a \tilde{e}_b)$$

Curvature:  $R_m \in \Omega^2(\text{End } TM)$

$$R_m = d\omega + \omega \wedge \omega$$

$$R_m = \frac{1}{2} R_{ij}{}^k {}_l e^i \wedge e^j \otimes e_k \otimes e_l.$$

We now restrict to  $n=2$

$$\omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega'{}_2 \\ -\omega'{}_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{write } A = -i \omega'{}_2 \quad \alpha \in \Omega^1(U)$$

$$\alpha = \omega'{}_2$$

Note:  $A$  defines a  $U(1)$  connection.

Recall this means:  $\tilde{A} = A - i d\varphi$  when:  $g = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi \\ \sin\varphi & \cos\varphi \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore \tilde{\omega} = g \omega g^{-1} - dg g^{-1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi \\ \sin\varphi & \cos\varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ -\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & \sin\varphi \\ -\sin\varphi & \cos\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{v}^i = g^i_j v^j$$

$$\tilde{e}_a = e_b (g^{-1})^b_a$$

$$\tilde{v}^i \tilde{e}_i = v^i e_i$$

$$= -d \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi \\ \sin\varphi & \cos\varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & \sin\varphi \\ -\sin\varphi & \cos\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ -\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d\varphi \\ -d\varphi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \tilde{\alpha} = \alpha + d\varphi \quad \alpha = iA$$

$F = dA$  curvature of  $U(1)$ -bundle

$$R_m = d \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ -\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ -\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix} \wedge \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ -\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_m = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & iF \\ -iF & 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & R'_{12} \\ -R'_{12} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Scalar curvature:  $R = \sum_{p,i} R_{pi} {}^p_i$  orthonormal frame indices

$$\text{Claim: } \frac{R}{2} dv_{\tilde{g}} = iF \quad (\dim M = 2)$$

$$R = R_{11}{}^1{}_1 + R_{22}{}^2{}_2 = 2R_{12}{}^1{}_2 = 2iF_{12}.$$

$$dv_{\tilde{g}} = e^1 \wedge e^2$$

$$\Rightarrow R dv_{\tilde{g}} = 2iF_{12} e^1 \wedge e^2.$$

$$\int_M e(TM) = \chi \Rightarrow \int_M iF = 2\pi \chi \quad \text{since } e(L) = \frac{i}{2\pi} F$$

for  $U(1)$ -bundle

$$\therefore \int_M \frac{R}{2} dv_{\tilde{g}} = 2\pi \chi.$$