

Differential Forms

- Differential Forms
- Vector Spaces $\Lambda^p(M)$ $0 \leq p \leq n$
- Wedge Product
- Exterior Derivative d
- Levi-Civita Tensor ϵ
- Duality
- Hodge - $*$ operator / duality

• p -forms are important because:

* they can be differentiated

* they can be integrated

without introducing additional structure

⇒ related to topological properties of the Manifold

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$$\omega = A \omega$$

or $\omega_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} = \omega_{[\mu_1 \dots \mu_p]}$ totally antisymmetric under exchange of indices

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only antisymmetric part of (0,p) tensor contributes

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↳ defines components
in $\{dx^r\}$ basis

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the rest are obtained, up to a sign, by index permutation

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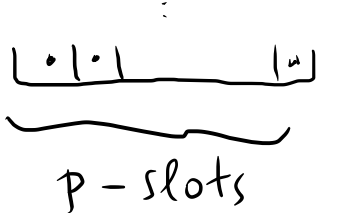
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 (order does not matter \Rightarrow p-combinations of n)

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$\Rightarrow \dim \Lambda_{\mathbb{R}}^p$ a $\binom{n}{p}$ -dim vector space

$p=0$ $\dim \Lambda^0_{\mathbb{R}} = 1$ functions

$p=1$ $\dim \Lambda^1_{\mathbb{R}} = n$ 1-forms

\vdots

$p=n$ $\dim \Lambda^n_{\mathbb{R}} = 1$ n -forms

* there are no non-trivial $p > n$ forms (e.g. $\omega_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p, \mu_{p+1}}$ has at least two same indices)

* $\dim \Lambda^p = \dim \Lambda^{n-p}$ and Λ^p, Λ^{n-p} isomorphic

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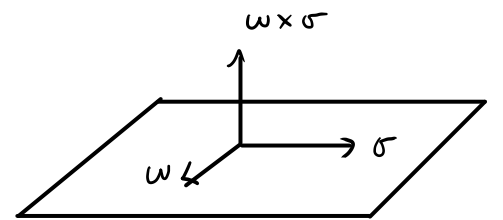
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* $\Lambda_1 \cong \Lambda_2$

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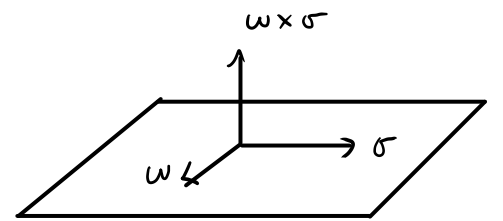
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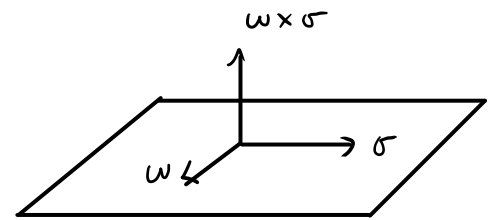
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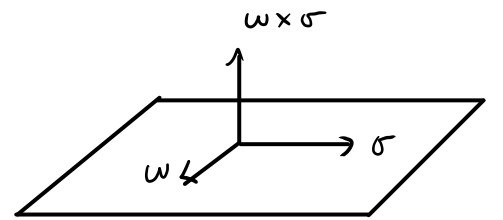
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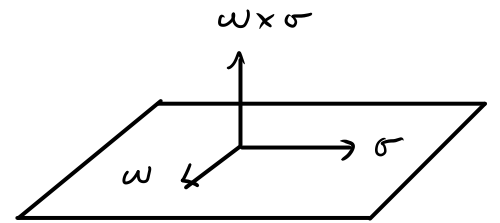
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$$p=2 \quad \omega_{xy} dx \wedge dy + \omega_{yz} dy \wedge dz + \omega_{zx} dz \wedge dx$$

$$p=3 \quad \omega_{xyz} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \quad 1\text{-dim!}$$

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 - \forall η -form field ω : $\omega = f \epsilon$ for some function $f \in F(M)$

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$$= \frac{1}{p!q!} (p+q)! \omega_{[\mu_1 \dots \mu_p \mathcal{I}_{\mu_{p+1} \dots \mu_{p+q}}]}$$

(definition of $[\mu_1 \dots \mu_{p+q}]$)

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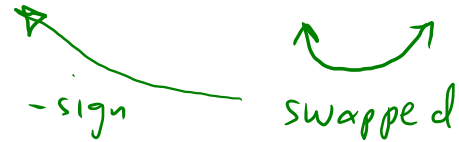
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* Not tensors : just symbols

- they do not transform under change of basis

- upstairs / downstairs indices the same - placed for convenience

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The diagram illustrates the contraction of indices in the identity $\tilde{\epsilon}_{\mu\nu} \tilde{\epsilon}^{\lambda\rho} = \delta_{\mu}^{\lambda} \delta_{\nu}^{\rho} - \delta_{\nu}^{\lambda} \delta_{\mu}^{\rho}$. Green arrows labeled "fixed" point to the upper indices λ and ρ in both terms, indicating they remain in their original positions. Red arrows labeled "exchange" point to the lower indices μ and ν , showing that their positions are swapped between the two terms: μ is in the first position in the first term and the second in the second, while ν is in the second position in the first term and the first in the second.

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n=2 (green arrow pointing to δ_{ν}^{ν})
contraction (blue arrow pointing to the contraction of $\tilde{\epsilon}_{\mu\nu} \tilde{\epsilon}^{\lambda\nu}$)

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Define p-delta symbol

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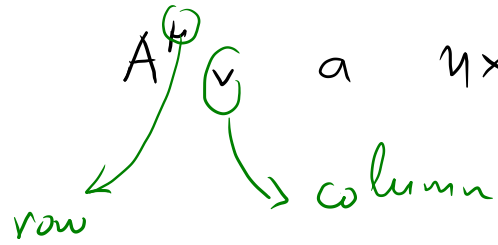
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symbol - not tensor

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Levi-Civita tensor

* We pick a metric g on M :

- g a $(0,2)$ tensor

- $g(v,w) = g(w,v)$ symmetric

- $|\det g| \equiv |g| > 0 \Rightarrow \exists g^{-1} : g^{\mu\nu} g_{\nu\lambda} = \delta^{\mu}_{\lambda}$

$$g \equiv \det g$$

- $S = \text{signature of } g = \text{number of negative eigenvalues}$

$$(-1)^S = \frac{g}{|g|}$$

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fully antisymmetric

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Levi-Civita tensor

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$$\epsilon_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} \epsilon^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n} = \sqrt{|g|} \tilde{\epsilon}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} \frac{(-1)^s}{\sqrt{|g|}} \tilde{\epsilon}^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n} = (-1)^s \delta_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n} \Rightarrow$$

$$\epsilon_{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_{n-p}} \epsilon^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \nu_1 \dots \nu_{n-p}} = (-1)^s (n-p)! \delta_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{n-p}}^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_{n-p}}$$

⋮

$$\epsilon_{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_{n-1} \nu} \epsilon^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_{n-1} \mu} = (-1)^s (n-1)! \delta_{\nu}^{\mu}$$

$$\epsilon_{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n} \epsilon^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n} = (-1)^s n!$$

Dual Forms

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$$* T = \omega(T) \equiv \omega(T, \dots)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}$
 $n-p$ slots

is the dual $(n-p)$ -form of T with respect to ω

Dual Forms

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$n!$ equal terms

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Dual Forms

$$*T_{k_1 \dots k_{n-p}} = \frac{1}{p!} \omega_{v_1 \dots v_p} T_{k_1 \dots k_{n-p}}^{v_1 \dots v_p}$$

Then

$$**T_{k_1 \dots k_p} = \frac{1}{(n-p)!} \omega_{\underline{v_1 \dots v_{n-p}}} T_{k_1 \dots k_p} (*T)_{\underline{v_1 \dots v_{n-p}}}$$

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$$\omega_{v_1 \dots v_{n-p} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p} (-1)^{p(n-p)} T^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p}$$

each one must jump over p λ -indices giving $(-1)^p$
 $(n-p)$ v -indices contributed $(-1)^p$ each

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$$= \frac{1}{p!} p! \delta_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_p}^{k_1 k_2 \dots k_p} (-1)^{p(n-p)} T^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p}$$

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λ₁ λ_p

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similarly: $** \int = (-1)^{p(n-p)} \int$

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usually $\epsilon^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}$ is used instead

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$$\equiv \frac{1}{p!} \epsilon^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p} \mu_1 \dots \mu_{n-p} \int_{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p}$$

$$\text{where } \epsilon^{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p} \mu_1 \dots \mu_{n-p} = g^{\lambda_1 \nu_1} \dots g^{\lambda_p \nu_p} \epsilon_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_p} \mu_1 \dots \mu_{n-p}$$

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• $** \omega = (-1)^{s+p(n-p)} \omega$ → comes from the definition of $\epsilon^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}$, where $\epsilon^{0 \dots 0} \epsilon_{0 \dots 0} = (-1)^s n!$

– if η is odd $p(n-p)$ is even $\forall p$

“ even “ has parity of p