

### Definition 1: Fiber Bundle

We call a *Smooth (Fiber) Bundle* a quadruple  $E = (E, M, Q, \pi)$  where:

- $E, M, Q$  : smooth manifolds called respectively *Total Space*, *Base Space*, *Typical Fiber*.
- $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  smooth, everywhere defined, surjective function (called *Bundle Projection*)

Such that  $\forall x \in M \quad \exists$  a *local trivialization*  $(U, \chi)$ .

### Definition 2: Local Trivialization of the Fiber Bundle $E$

A Pair  $(U, \chi)$  where:

- $U$  : neighbourhood of  $x \in M$
- $\chi : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times Q$  : diffeomorphism <sup>a</sup> <sup>b</sup>

such that the natural projection  $p_1 : U \times Q \rightarrow U$  satisfies the following equation:

$$p_1 \circ \chi = \pi|_{\pi^{-1}(U)}$$

i.e.: the following graph commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U) & \xrightarrow{\chi} & U \times Q \\ \pi \downarrow & \swarrow p_1 & \\ U & & \end{array}$$

<sup>a</sup>surjectivity  $\Rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U) \neq \emptyset$ .

<sup>b</sup>cartesian product of topological space is a topological space with the direct product topology.

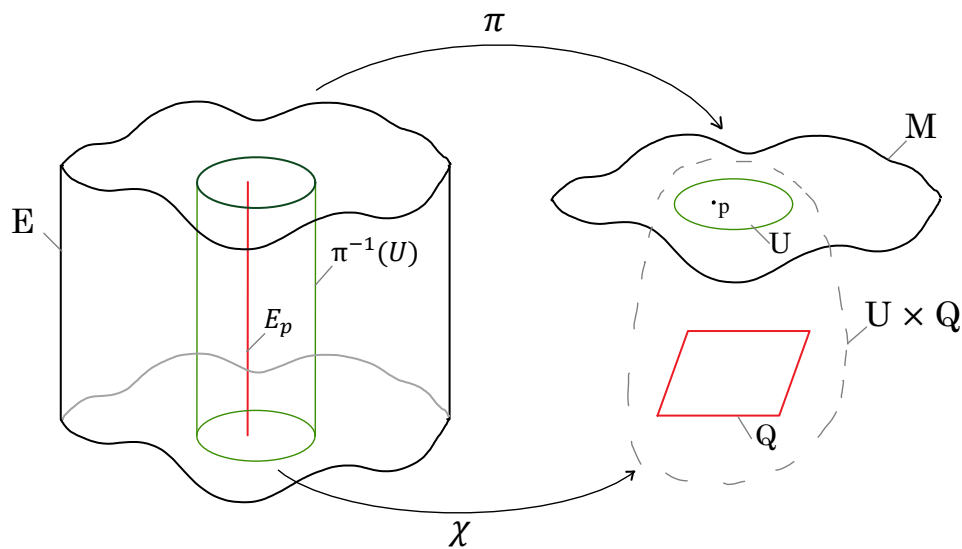


Figure 1: The complete fiber bundle Structure.

### Definition 3: Vector Bundle

We call *Vector Bundle* a smooth bundle  $E = (E, \pi, M; V)$  such that:

- The typical fiber  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space.
- All trivializations  $\chi_\alpha$  are diffeomorphisms such that:

$$\chi_\alpha|_{\pi^{-1}(p)} \in \mathbb{GL}(n, \mathbb{R}) : \pi^{-1}(p) \rightarrow \{p\} \times V \simeq V$$

#### Definition 4: Smooth (cross) Section

We call *Smooth (cross) Section* a smooth right-inverse function of  $\pi$ .

I.e. any  $\phi \in C^\infty(M; E)$  such that:

$$\pi \circ \phi = id|_M$$

#### Definition 5: Bundle map (*Fiber Preserving map*)

We call *bundle map* a smooth function  $\phi : E \rightarrow E'$  such that:

$$\phi(E_x) = F_x \quad \forall x \in M.$$

i.e. the following graph commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\phi} & F \\ \pi_E \searrow & & \swarrow \pi_F \\ & M & \end{array}$$

#### Definition 6: Bundle of homomorphisms

We call *bundle of homomorphisms* a fiber bundle  $\text{Hom}(E, E')$  over the base space  $M$  such that the fiber over a base point  $p \in M$  is the infinite dimensional manifold  $\text{Hom}(E_p, E'_p)$  isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}(Q, Q')$ .

#### Definition 7: Tangent Bundle

We call *tangent bundle of M* the smooth vector bundle  $TM = (TM, \tau, M; \mathbb{R}^m)$  such that:

- The total space is the (disjoint) union of all tangent spaces to M :

$$TM := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} T_p M \equiv \bigcup_{x \in M} x \times T_x M$$

- The bundle projection maps each tangent vector  $v \in T_p M$  to the correspondent base point  $p$ ;

$$\tau : (p, v_p) \mapsto p$$

- The *Cotangent Bundle*  $T^*M$  is the vector bundle  $T^*M$  build by disjoint union of the dual tangent space  $T_p^*M$ .
- The *Tensor Bundle*  $T^{(k,l)}M$  is build by disjoint unions of the tensor product of tangent space with itself:

$$T_p^{(k,l)}M = \underbrace{T_p^*M \otimes \cdots \otimes T_p^*M}_{k\text{-times}} \otimes \underbrace{T_pM \otimes \cdots \otimes T_pM}_{l\text{-times}}$$

- The *k-form Bundle*  $\wedge^k(T^*M)$  is build by disjoint unions of the antisymmetrized tensor product of the dual tangent space with itself.

#### Definition 8: Tautological (Poincaré) 1-form

We call *tautological form* the 1-form over  $\mathcal{M} = T^*Q$ :

$$\theta_0 \in \Gamma^\infty(T^*\mathcal{M})$$

such that the action on a generic point  $\omega_{\alpha_p} \in T_{\alpha_p}M$  ( in the fiber of  $\alpha_p$ , which in turn is a one-form on the

fiber of  $p \in Q$ ) is given by:

$$\theta_0(\alpha_p): T_{\alpha_p}\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad : \omega_{\alpha_p} \mapsto \alpha_p \circ T\tau_Q^*(\omega_{\alpha_p})$$

where  $T$  is the *tangent map*, namely the bundle-morphism which act on each fiber as the differential map  $d(\tau_Q^*)$ .

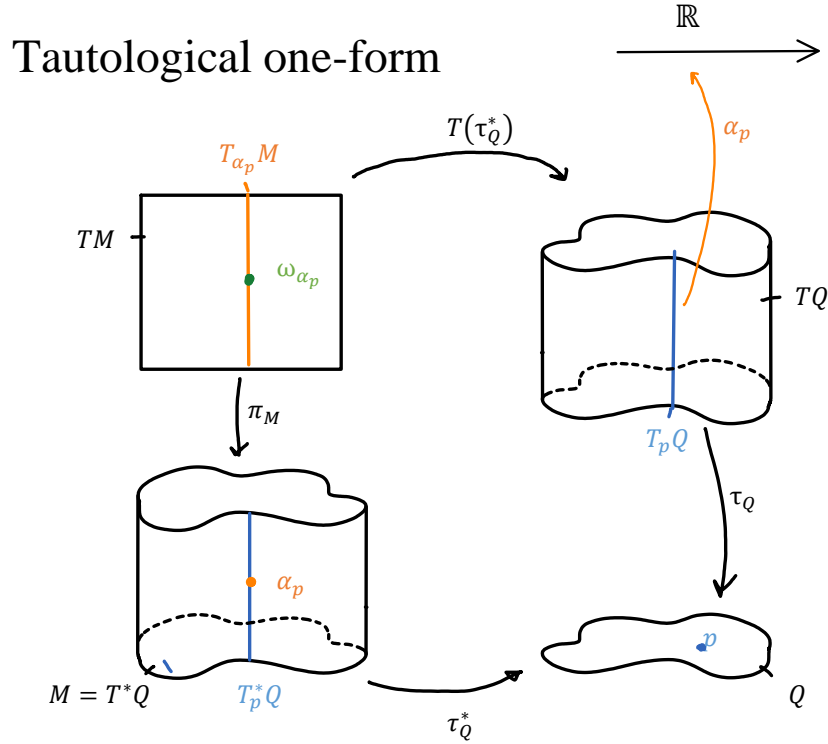


Figure 2: The definition of tautological 1-form is achieved exploiting the concept of *Tangent map* and remembering that  $\alpha_p: T_p\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  is a linear functional.

#### Definition 9: Canonical (Poincarè) symplectic form

We call *Canonical (Poincarè)* form the symplectic:

$$\omega_0 := -d\theta_0$$

In canonical coordinates it assumes the renown expression:

$$\omega_0 := \sum_{i=1}^n dq^i \wedge dp_i$$

### 0.0.1 Jet Bundles

The jet bundle is a construction that makes a new smooth fiber bundle out of a given bundle.

#### Definition 10: r-jet equivalence

Two sections  $\sigma, \eta \in \Gamma^\infty(p)$  have the same  $r$ -jet at  $p$  ( $\sigma \sim \eta$ ) iff:

$$\left. \frac{\partial^{|I|} \sigma^\alpha}{\partial x^I} \right|_p = \left. \frac{\partial^{|I|} \eta^\alpha}{\partial x^I} \right|_p \quad \forall I \in \mathbb{N}_0^m \mid 0 \leq |I| \leq r.$$

where  $I$  is a *multi-index*, see Remark 0.0.1.

**Remark:**

(multi-index notation)

A multi-index is a finite dimensional vector  $I = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m) \in \mathbb{N}_0^m$  with  $m < \infty$ .

On  $\mathbb{R}^n$  a differential operator can be identified by a multi-index:

$$\frac{\partial^{|I|}}{\partial x^I} := \prod_{i=1}^m \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right)^{I(i)}$$

(Whenever the Schwartz theorem holds, the order of derivation is irrelevant.)

The order of the multi-index is defined as:

$$|I| := \sum_{i=1}^m I(i)$$

**Definition 11: Space of r-th Jet in p**

We call *space of the r-th jet in p* the set of the equivalence class under the jet equivalence relation.

$$J_p^r(E) := \frac{\Gamma^\infty(p)}{\sim}$$

where  $\sim$  is the r-Jet equivalence.

**Notation fixing**

A r-jet with representative  $\sigma$  is denoted as  $j_p^r \sigma$ .

The integer  $r$  is also called the order of the jet,  $p$  is its source and  $\sigma(p)$  is its target.

**Definition 12: r-th Jet Bundle of E**

We call *r-th Jet Bundle of E* the smooth bundle  $(J^r(E), \pi_r, M)$  where:

- $J^r(E) := \bigsqcup_{p \in M} J_p^r(E) \equiv \{j_p^r \sigma \mid p \in M, \sigma \in \Gamma^\infty(p)\}$
- $\pi_r : J^r(E) \rightarrow M$  such that  $j_p^r \sigma \mapsto p$

**Definition 13: (Pseudo-Riemannian) Metric**

We call *(Pseudo-Riemannian) Metric* a map on the bundle product of  $TM$  with itself:

$$g : TM \times_M TM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

such that the restriction on each fiber

$$g_p : T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is a non-degenerate bilinear form.

**Definition 14: Pseudo-Riemannian Manifold**

We call *Pseudo-Riemannian manifold* a pair  $(M, g)$  such that:

- $M$  is a  $n$ -dimensional ( $n \geq 2$ ), Hausdorff, second countable, connected, orientable smooth manifold.
- $g$  is a Pseudo-Riemannian metric.

**Definition 15: Time-orientation**

We call *time-orientation* a global tangent vector field  $\mathfrak{t} \in \Gamma^\infty(TM)$  over the Lorentzian manifold  $M$  such that:

- $\text{supp}(\mathfrak{t}) = M$

- $\mathfrak{t}(p)$  is time-like  $\forall p \in M$ .

### Definition 16: Spacetime

We call *spacetime* a quadruple  $(M, g, \mathfrak{o}, \mathfrak{t})$  such that:

- $(M, g)$  is a time-orientable<sup>a</sup>  $n$ -dimensional Lorentzian manifold ( $n > 2$ )
- $\mathfrak{o}$  is a choice of orientation
- $\mathfrak{t}$  is a choice of time-orientation

<sup>a</sup>Manifold for which such *time-orientation* exists.

### Definition 17: Achronal Set

We call *achronal set* a subset  $\Sigma \subset M$  such that every inextensible timelike curve intersects  $\Sigma$  at most once.

### Definition 18: <sup>future</sup><sub>past</sub> Domain of dependence of an Achronal set

We call <sup>future</sup><sub>past</sub> *domain of dependence* of an achronal set  $\Sigma \subset M$ , the two subset:

$$\mathbf{D}_M^\pm(\Sigma) := \{q \in M \mid \forall \gamma_{\text{future}}^{\text{past}} \text{ inextensible causal curve passing through } q : \gamma(I) \cap \Sigma \neq \emptyset\}$$

### Definition 19: Cauchy Surface

We call *Cauchy surface* a closed, achronal subset  $\Sigma \subset M$  such that:

$$\mathbf{D}_M(\Sigma) \equiv M$$

### Notation fixing

We denote the set of all the Cauchy surfaces as  $\mathcal{P}_C(M)$ .

### Definition 20: Globally-Hyperbolic SpaceTime

We call a spacetime  $M$  *globally hyperbolic* if it contains at least one *Cauchy Surface*.

### Notation fixing

Let  $M$  be a globally hyperbolic spacetime and  $E = (E, \pi, M; V)$  a vector bundle of typical fiber  $V$ . We denote:

- $\Gamma_0(E)$  the space of *compactly supported* smooth sections.
- $\Gamma_{sc}(E)$  the space of *spacelike compact* smooth sections.  
(  $f \in \Gamma_{sc}(E)$  if there exists a compact subset  $K \subset M$  such that  $\text{supp } f \subset \mathbf{J}_M(K)$ . )
- $\Gamma_{fc}(E)$  the space of *future- compact* smooth sections.  
(  $f \in \Gamma_{fc}(E)$  if  $\text{supp}(f) \cap \mathbf{J}_M^+(K)$  is compact for all  $p \in M$ .)
- $\Gamma_{pc}(E)$  the space of *past- compact* smooth sections.  
(  $f \in \Gamma_{pc}(E)$  if  $\text{supp}(f) \cap \mathbf{J}_M^-(K)$  is compact for all  $p \in M$ .)
- $\Gamma_{tc}(E) := \Gamma_{pc}(E) \cap \Gamma_{fc}(E)$  the space of *timelike compact* smooth sections.

### Definition 21: Linear Partial Differential operator ( of order at most $s \in \mathbb{N}_0$ )

We call *linear partial differential operator* a linear map  $L : \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E')$  such that  $\forall p \in M$  there exists:

- $U \ni p$  open set rigged with:

- $(U, \varphi)$  local chart on  $M$ .
- $(U, \chi)$  local trivialization of  $F$
- $(U, \chi')$  local trivialization of  $F'$

- $\{A_\alpha : U \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V, V') \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^n, |\alpha| \leq s\}$  a collection of smooth maps labeled by multi-indices where  $s$  is a fixed integer said *order of the operator*.

which allows to express  $L$  locally:

$$\chi' \circ (L\sigma) \circ \varphi^{-1} = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq s} A_\alpha \partial^\alpha (\chi \circ \sigma \circ \varphi^{-1}) \quad \forall \sigma \in \text{dom}(L) \subset \Gamma(E)$$

(where we have make use of the multi-index notation 0.0.1)

### Definition 22: Formal Dual Operator ( of $L$ )

We call *formal dual operator* of  $L$  the unique linear partial differential operator  $L^* : \Gamma(G^*) \rightarrow \Gamma(E^*)$  such that:

$$\langle L^* g', f \rangle = \langle g', Lf \rangle$$

$\forall f \in \Gamma(E), g' \in \Gamma(G^*)$  which have supports with compact overlap.

( $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the 1-form evaluation:  $\langle \alpha, v \rangle = \alpha(v) \quad \forall v \in E_p, \alpha \in E_p^*$ .)

### Definition 23: <sup>retarded</sup><sub>advanced</sub> ( $\pm$ ) Green Operators

We call <sup>retarded</sup><sub>advanced</sub> ( $\pm$ ) *Green Operator* of  $L$  a l.p.d.o.  $G^\pm : \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E)$  such that:

- $\text{dom}(G^+) = \Gamma_{pc}(E) \quad \text{dom}(G^-) = \Gamma_{fc}(E)$
- $LG^\pm f = G^\pm Lf = f \quad \forall f \in \text{dom}(G^\pm)$
- $\text{supp}(G^\pm f) \subset \mathbf{J}_M^\pm(\text{supp}(f)) \quad \forall f \in \text{dom}(G^\pm)$

In others words we can say that  $G^\pm$  is the left-right inverse of the restriction of  $L$  to  $\text{dom}(G^\pm)$ .

### Notation fixing

We call *Advanced minus Retarded operator* or *Causal Propagator*[?] the operator:

$$E := G^- - G^+ : \Gamma_{tc}(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E)$$

### Definition 24: Green hyperbolic operator

We call *Green hyperbolic* a linear partial differential operator  $P$  such that  $P$  and  $P^*$  have advanced and retarded Green's operators.

For these operators uniqueness of Green's operators is guaranteed:

### Theorem 0.0.1 (Characterization of Green Hyperbolic operators)

**Hp:**

- $E = (E, \pi, M)$  a vector bundle over a globally hyperbolic spacetime  $M$ .
- $P : \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E)$  a Green hyperbolic operator,  $G^\pm$  its Green's operators and  $G_\star^\pm$  the Green's operators of the dual.

**Th:**

- $P$  possesses a unique retarded  $G^+$  and a unique advanced  $G^-$  Green's operator.
- $\langle G_\star^\pm f', f \rangle = \langle f', G^\mp f \rangle \quad \forall f \in \Gamma_0(E), \forall f' \in \Gamma_0(E^*)$

**Definition 25**

A Poisson algebra is a Triple  $(V, \cdot, \{, \})$  space]] where:

- $V$  is a vector space of field  $K$
- $\cdot : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $\{, \} : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are bilinear products

such that:

- The product  $\cdot$  forms an associative  $K$ –algebra.
- The product  $\{, \}$ , called the *Poisson Brackets* is anti-symmetric, and obeys the *Jacobi Identity* (i.e. forms a Lie Algebra)
- The Poisson bracket acts as a derivation of the associative product  $\cdot$ , i.e. for any three elements  $x, y, z$  in the algebra, one has

$$\{x, y \cdot z\} = x, y \cdot z + y \cdot x, z$$