

# 1 Section

## 1.1 Foundation

A fiber bundle is a structure  $(E, B, \pi, F)$ , where  $E$ ,  $B$ , and  $F$  are topological spaces and  $\pi : E \rightarrow B$  is a continuous surjection satisfying a local triviality condition outlined below. The space  $B$  is called the base space of the bundle,  $E$  the total space, and  $F$  the fiber. The map  $\pi$  is called the projection map (or bundle projection). We shall assume in what follows that the base space  $B$  is connected.

We require that for every  $x$  in  $E$ , there is an open neighborhood  $U \subset B$  of  $\pi(p)$  (which will be called a trivializing neighborhood) such that there is a homeomorphism  $\varphi : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times F$  (where  $U \times F$  is the product space) in such a way that  $\pi$  agrees with the projection onto the first factor. That is, the following diagram should commute: where  $\text{proj}_1 : U \times F \rightarrow U$  is the natural projection and  $\varphi : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times F$  is a

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & U \times F \\ & \searrow \pi \quad \swarrow \text{proj}_1 & \\ & U & \end{array}$$

Figure 1: Locally Trivialition

homeomorphism. The set of all  $(U_i, \varphi_i)$  is called a local trivialization of the bundle. Especially, if  $F$  and every  $\pi^{-1}(p)$  are vector spaces, we call this bundle vector bundle.

**Definition 1.1.** A section  $s$  on a bundle  $(E, M, \pi, F)$  is a map  $s : M \rightarrow E$  such that  $\pi \circ s = \text{Id}_M$ .

Here's the trivial bundle  $E = M \times F$  and a section on it:

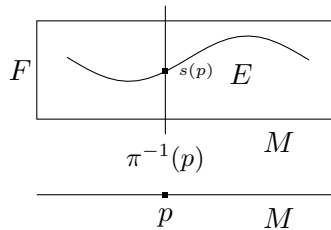


Figure 2: Trivial Bundle and its Section

For every  $p \in M$ ,  $s(p) \in \pi^{-1}(p) \cong F$ , thus  $s(p)$  is like an element in  $F$ . If  $E$  is a vector bundle,  $s(p)$  correspond to a vector in  $F$  and  $s$  play the role of a *vector field* on  $M$ . Naturally, we will have the definition below.

**Definition 1.2.** A vector field on a manifold  $M$  is a section of vector bundle  $(E, M, \pi, F)$ .

Sections have the linear structure inherited from  $F$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(s_1 + s_2)(p) &= s_1(p) + s_2(p), \\ (fs)(p) &= f(p)s(p),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f$  is a real-valued function on  $M$ .

For any vector space  $V$ ,  $L(V)$  is also a vector space, and so we can have another vector bundle  $(E', M, \pi, L(F))$  and its section  $T : M \rightarrow E'$ . In vector space, it's very important for us to research the linear map acting on a vector. The analogous research here is the section  $fo E'$  acting on a section of  $E$ . We can define it by  $T(s)(p) = T(p)s(p)$ , and it should have

$$T(s_1 + s_2) = T(s_1) + T(s_2) \text{ and } T(fs) = fT(s).$$

From now on, we will use  $\Gamma(E)$  to denote the set of all sections on bundle  $E$  and  $\text{End}(E)$  to replace  $E'$  used above.

**Example 1.1.** *Tangent bundle and Cotangent bundle:*

*The tangent bundle of a differentiable manifold  $M$  is the disjoint union of the tangent spaces of  $M$ .*

$$TM = \coprod_{x \in M} T_x M = \bigcup_{x \in M} \{x\} \times T_x M = \bigcup_{x \in M} \{(x, y) \mid y \in T_x M\}.$$

where  $T_x M$  denotes the tangent space to  $M$  at the point  $x$ . So, an element of  $TM$  can be thought of as a pair  $(x, v)$ , where  $x$  is a point in  $M$  and  $v$  is a tangent vector to  $M$  at  $x$ . There is a natural projection

$$\pi : TM \rightarrow M$$

defined by  $\pi(x, v) = x$ . This projection maps each tangent space  $T_x M$  to the single point  $x$ .

Similarly, the cotangent bundle  $T^*M$  is the vector bundle of all the cotangent spaces at every point in the manifold.

## 1.2 Vector-valued Form on $M$

Let's start from the vector-valued 1-form.

A (real-valued) 1-form  $\omega : TM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is in  $T^*M$ . Now suppose we have a topological space  $E$ , a  $E$ -valued 1-form on  $p \in M$  is locally defined by

$$v(p) \otimes \omega(\dot{p}) : T_p M \rightarrow E \otimes \mathbb{R},$$

where  $v(p) \in E$  and  $\dot{p} \in T_p M$ , and thus globally  $v \otimes \omega : TM \rightarrow E \otimes \mathbb{R}$ .

### 1.3 The geometry of the tangent bundle

Tangent bundle is also a manifold, so it's natural to talk about its tangent bundle. Suppose there are a manifold  $Q$ , tangent bundle  $TQ$  and its tangent bundle  $TTQ$ . Introducing the local coordinates  $(q^i)$  in  $Q$ ,  $(q^i, v^i)$  in  $TQ$  and  $(q^i, v^i, \dot{q}^i, \dot{v}^i)$  in  $TTQ$ , we can write their elements  $v \in T_q Q$  and  $V \in T_v TQ$  locally as

$$v = v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} \quad \text{and} \quad V = \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} + \dot{v}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i},$$

and the natural projections

$$\pi_Q(q^i, v^i) = (q^i), \quad \pi_{TQ}(q^i, v^i, \dot{q}^i, \dot{v}^i) = (q^i, v^i) \quad \text{and} \quad (\pi_Q)_*(q^i, v^i, \dot{q}^i, \dot{v}^i) = (q^i, \dot{q}^i).$$

These can be shown by the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TTQ & \xrightarrow{(\pi_Q)_*} & TQ \\ \downarrow \pi_{TQ} & & \downarrow \pi_Q \\ TQ & \xrightarrow{\pi_Q} & Q \end{array}$$

Figure 3: The Natural Projections

**Definition 1.3.** Vertical fiber bundle  $\ker(\pi_Q)_*$  is the disjoint union of the kernel of  $(\pi_Q)_*$  at each point  $v$  of  $TTQ$ .

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $v \in T_q Q$  be vector tangent to  $Q$  at some point  $q \in Q$ , the vertical lift of  $v$  at a point  $w \in T_q Q$  is the tangent vector  $\text{Vert}_w(v) \in T_w TQ$  given by

$$\text{Vert}_w(v)f = \left. \frac{d}{dt} f(w + tv) \right|_{t=0}, \quad \forall f \in C^\infty(T_q Q).$$

Given a smooth function  $f \in C^\infty(Q)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_Q)_{*w} \text{Vert}_w(v)(f) &= \text{Vert}_w(v)(f \circ \pi_Q) \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} f(\pi_Q(w + tv)) \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} f(q) \right|_{t=0} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\text{Vert}_w$  takes value in a fiber of vertical fiber bundle:

$$\text{Vert}_w : T_q Q \rightarrow \ker(\pi_Q)_{*w} \subset T_w TQ.$$

Indeed, for each  $w \in T_q Q$ , the vertical lift  $\text{Vert}_w$  is a linear isomorphism between  $T_q Q$  and  $\ker(\pi_Q)_* w$ . Using local coordinates, if  $v = (q^i, v^i)$  and  $w = (q^i, w^i)$ , then

$$\text{Vert}_w(v) = (q^i, w^i, 0, v^i).$$

**Definition 1.5.** *The vertical endomorphism is the linear map  $\mathcal{S} : TTQ \rightarrow TTQ$  that, for any vector  $V \in TTQ$ , gives the value*

$$\mathcal{S}(V) = \text{Vert}_v((\pi_Q)_* V),$$

where  $v = \pi_{TQ} V \in TQ$ .

**Definition 1.6.** *The Liouville or dilation vector field is the vector field  $\Delta$  over  $TQ$  defined by*

$$\Delta_v = \text{Vert}_v(v).$$

In adapted coordinates  $(q^i, v^i)$  of  $TQ$ , the vertical endomorphism has the local expression

$$\mathcal{S}(q^i, v^i, \dot{q}^i, \dot{v}^i) = (q^i, v^i, 0, \dot{q}^i) = dq^i \otimes \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i},$$

the second equality is valid because

$$\left\langle dq^i, \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} + \dot{v}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i} \right\rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i} = \dot{q}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i},$$

and the Liouville vector field is

$$\Delta = (q^i, v^i, 0, v^i) = v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial v^i}.$$

Another way to define the Liouville vector field is as the infinitesimal generator of the 1-parameter group of transformations  $\phi_t : v \in TQ \mapsto e^t v \in TQ$ , that is, if  $v = (q^i, v^i)$ , then  $\phi_t : v \mapsto (q^i, e^t v^i) \in TQ$ , and

$$\left. \frac{d}{dt} \phi_t v \right|_{t=0} = (q^i, e^t v^i, 0, e^t v^i)_{t=0} = (q^i, v^i, 0, v^i).$$

This definition can easily be translated to any vector bundle.

**Definition 1.7.** *A second order vector field  $X$  is a section of  $TTQ$  such that  $(\pi_Q)_* \circ X = \text{Id}_{TQ}$ .*

This means that  $(\pi_Q)_* \circ X = \pi_{TQ} \circ X$ , so a second order vector field is well defined. In adapted coordinates  $(q^i, v^i)$  of  $TQ$ ,  $X$  is a vector field

$$X = (q^i, v^i, v^i, a^i),$$

where  $(a^i)$  is arbitrary. Thus, neither the Liouville vector field nor the vertical lift of a vector field are second order vector fields. Even though, second order vector fields are characterized by the equation

$$\mathcal{S}(X) = \Delta,$$

locally, it is

$$\mathcal{S}(q^i, v^i, v^i, w^i) = (q^i, v^i, 0, v^i) = \Delta.$$

**Definition 1.8.** *Given a smooth curve  $c : I \rightarrow Q$ , its (first) lift to  $TQ$  is the smooth curve  $c^{(1)} : I \rightarrow TQ$  such that*

$$c^{(1)}(t_0)f = \left. \frac{d}{dt}(f \circ c) \right|_{t=t_0}.$$

In local adapted coordinates

$$c^{(1)} = (c^i, dc^i/dt).$$

**Proposition 1.1.** *A vector field  $X \in \Gamma(TTQ)$  is a second order vector field if and only if the integral curves of  $X$  are lifts of their own projections to  $Q$ ; that is, if  $\tilde{c}$  is an integral curve of  $X$ , then*

$$\tilde{c} = (\pi_Q \circ \tilde{c})^{(1)}.$$

*The curve  $c = \pi_Q \circ \tilde{c} : I \rightarrow Q$  is called a base integral curve of  $X$  or a solution of the second order differential equation given by  $X$ .*

If  $\tilde{c} : I \rightarrow TQ$  is an integral curve of a second order vector field  $X \in \Gamma(TTQ)$  locally given by  $X = (q^i, v^i, v^i, a^i)$  and  $c : I \rightarrow Q$  denotes its base integral curve, then

$$q^i = c^i, \quad v^i = \dot{c}^i \quad \text{and} \quad a^i = \ddot{c}^i.$$

Alternatively, the base integral curve  $c$  of  $\tilde{c}$  satisfies the system of second order differential equations

$$\ddot{c}^i = a^i(c^i, \dot{c}^i).$$