

Vector Bundles

Already seen : • TM tangent bundle with vector space

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \pi \\ M \end{matrix} \quad T_p M \text{ over } p \in M$$

• For $M \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, NM normal bundle with vector space

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ M \end{matrix} \quad N_p M := \underbrace{(T_p M)^\perp}_{\text{orthogonal complement}} \text{ over } p \in M$$

of $T_p M \subseteq T_p \mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^n$

In each case, get a family of vector spaces smoothly parametrized by points of M .

This is codified by the notion of a vector bundle over M :

A vector bundle (of rank k) over M is a space E along with surjcts map $\pi: E \rightarrow M$ s.t.

- (a) For $p \in M$, $E_p := \pi^{-1}\{p\}$ is endowed with the structure of a k -dim \mathbb{R} -vector space.
- (b) $\forall p \in M$ \exists nbhd U of p and a homeo $\Phi: \pi^{-1}U \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^k$ s.t.
 - $\pi_U \circ \Phi = \pi$ (for $\pi_U: U \times \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow U$ proj'n)
 - $\forall q \in U$, $\Phi|_{E_q}: E_q \rightarrow \{q\} \times \mathbb{R}^k \cong \mathbb{R}^k$ is a linear iso

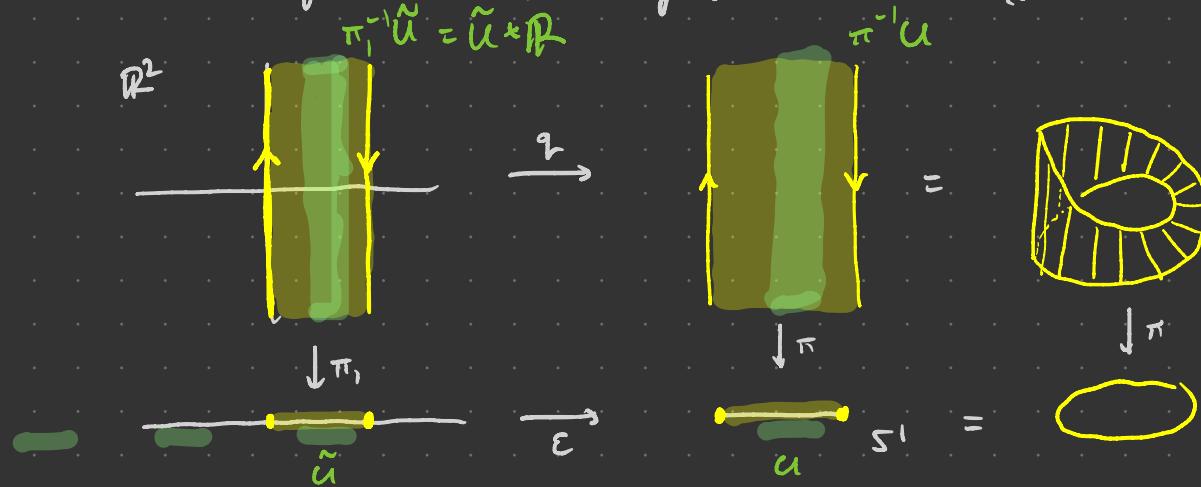
Call Φ a local trivialization. If M, E are smooth mflds and π is smooth, call $\pi: E \rightarrow M$ a smooth vector bundle.

If π admits a global trivialization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\sim} & M \times \mathbb{R}^k \\ \pi \searrow & & \swarrow \pi_M \end{array}$$

call π a (rank k) trivial bundle.

- E.g. • Trivial/product bundles $M \times \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow M$.
- Tangent bundle $TM \rightarrow M$
 - For $M \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, normal bundle $NM \rightarrow M$
 - Möbius bundle: Equiv reln on \mathbb{R}^2 : $(x, y) \sim (x', y')$
 $\Leftrightarrow (x', y') = (x + n, (-1)^n y)$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.



For any $U \in S^1$ evenly covered by ε , $\tilde{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ component of $\varepsilon^{-1}U$ evenly covered, $\tilde{U} \times \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\approx} \pi^{-1}U$ gives local triv'n of π .

Transition Functions & Cocycles

Lemma

$E_{\mathbb{R}^k}$ smooth vb of rk k , local trivializations

M $\Phi: \pi^{-1}U \rightarrow U \times \mathbb{R}^k$, $\Psi: \pi^{-1}V \rightarrow V \times \mathbb{R}^k$ with $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$

There exists a smooth map $\tau: U \cap V \rightarrow GL_k(\mathbb{R})$ s.t.

$$\Phi \circ \Psi^{-1}: (U \cap V) \times \mathbb{R}^k \longrightarrow (U \cap V) \times \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$(p, v) \longmapsto (p, \underbrace{\tau(p)v})$$

matrix $\tau(p)$ acting on v

Pf

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & (\text{U} \cap \text{V}) \times \mathbb{R}^k & \xleftarrow{\Psi} & \pi^{-1}(\text{U} \cap \text{V}) & \xrightarrow{\Phi} (\text{U} \cap \text{V}) \times \mathbb{R}^k \\
 & \searrow \pi_1 & \downarrow \pi & \swarrow \pi_2 & \\
 & \text{U} \cap \text{V} & & &
 \end{array}$$

commutes

$$\text{so } \pi_1 \circ (\underline{\Phi} \circ \underline{\Psi}^{-1}) = \pi_1 \Rightarrow \underline{\Phi} \circ \underline{\Psi}^{-1}(p, v) = (p, \sigma(p, v))$$

for some smooth $\sigma: (\text{U} \cap \text{V}) \times \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$.

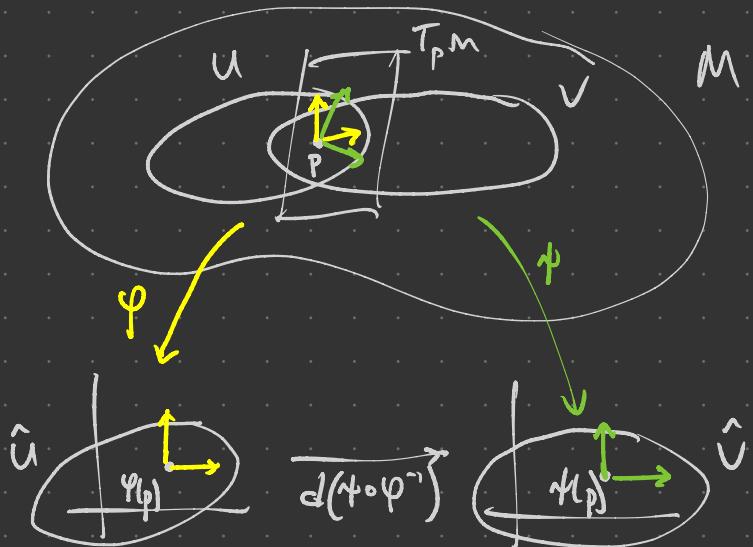
For $p \in \text{U} \cap \text{V}$ fixed, get $\mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ invertible linear map

$$\Rightarrow \exists \tau(p) \in \text{GL}_k(\mathbb{R}) \text{ s.t. } \sigma(p, v) = \tau(p)v. \quad \square$$

Call $\tau_{\text{U} \cap \text{V}}: \text{U} \cap \text{V} \rightarrow \text{GL}_k(\mathbb{R})$ the transition function for U, V .

E.g. For the tangent bundle, $\tau: \text{U} \cap \text{V} \rightarrow \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$ is the

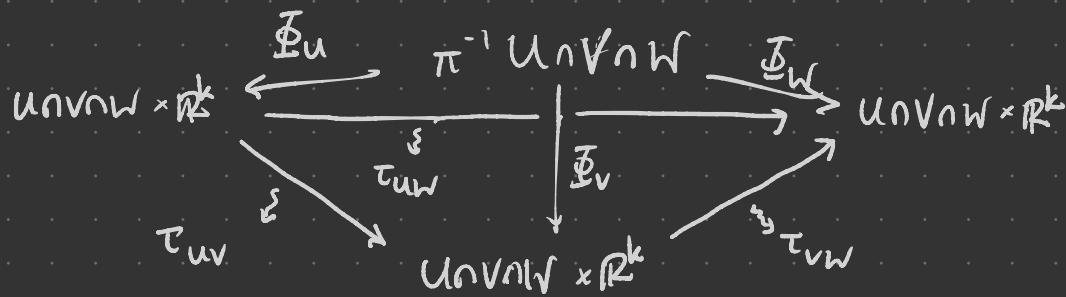
Jacobian of $\varphi \circ \varphi^{-1}$ (smooth charts):



For $E \xrightarrow{\downarrow \pi} M$, write τ_{uv} for the transition fn $U \cap V \rightarrow GL_k \mathbb{R}$

Note $\tau_{vu} = \tau_{uv}^{-1}$ (pointwise matrix inverse)

What happens on triple intersections $U \cap V \cap W$?



τ_{uw} is computed from $\Phi_W \circ \Phi_u^{-1} = \underbrace{\Phi_W \circ \Phi_V^{-1}}_{\tau_{vw}} \circ \underbrace{\Phi_V \circ \Phi_u^{-1}}_{\tau_{uv}}$

cocycle condition

$$\text{so } \boxed{\tau_{uw}(p) = \tau_{vw}(p) \cdot \tau_{uv}(p)}$$

Defn A $GL_k(\mathbb{R})$ -cocycle on M is an open cover $\{V_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$ of M along with (cts or smooth) maps $\tau_{\alpha\beta}: V_\alpha \cap V_\beta \rightarrow GL_k(\mathbb{R})$ $\forall \alpha, \beta \in A$ s.t. $\tau_{\alpha\gamma} = \tau_{\beta\gamma} \tau_{\alpha\beta} \quad \forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in A$.

Get $GL_k(\mathbb{R})$ -cocycle from any rank k vb on M .

Converse: Set $\tilde{E} = \coprod_{\alpha \in A} V_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^k$ and define equiv reln

$$(\underset{\alpha}{p}, v) \sim (\underset{\beta}{p}, w) \text{ when } \tau_{\alpha\beta}(p)v = w$$

$$(V_\alpha \cap V_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^k \quad (V_\alpha \cap V_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^k$$

Let $E = \tilde{E}/\sim$ and produce $\tilde{E} \xrightarrow{\pi} E$

$$\coprod \pi_i \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \pi$$
$$M = M$$

TPS Why is π a vector bundle?



- Two $\text{GL}_k(R)$ -cocycles are equivalent if \exists $\text{GL}_k(R)$ -cocycle in which both are contained.
- $\left\{ \text{rk } k \text{ vb on } M \right\} \underset{\cong}{\sim} \xleftrightarrow{\text{bij}} \left\{ \text{GL}_k(R) \text{-cocycles on } M \right\} \underset{\sim}{\sim}$
(we define ~~is~~ later)
- See ISM Lemma 10.6 for a less robust construction of vbs from local trivializing data.

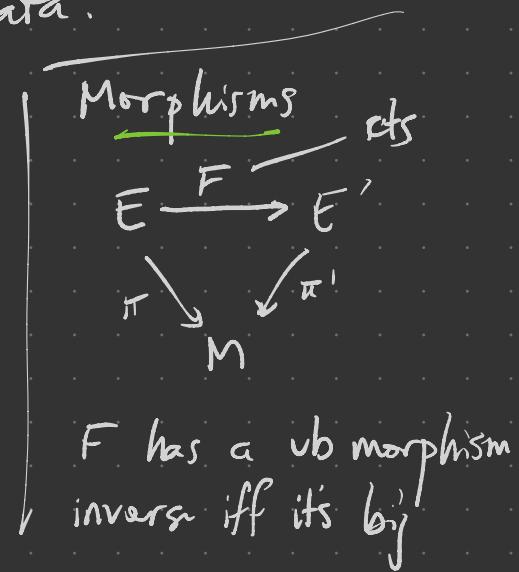
Constructions

- Whitney sum: $E \oplus E'$ vbs over M
- $\pi \downarrow M, \pi' \downarrow M$

$$E \oplus E' \text{ has } (E \oplus E')_p = E_p \oplus E'_p$$

$\downarrow M$

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{ap} & 0 \\ 0 & T'_{ap} \end{pmatrix}$$



- Tensor product : $E \otimes E'$ with $(E \otimes E')_p = E_p \otimes E'_p$.

$$\downarrow \\ M$$

- Pullback : $N \times_M E \rightarrow E$ with $N \times_M E = \{(n, e) \mid F(n) = \pi(e)\}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F^*\pi & \downarrow & \downarrow \pi \\ N & \xrightarrow{F} & M \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ (n, e) & \downarrow & n \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ & n & N \end{array}$$

Note $(N \times_M E)_n \cong E_{F(n)}$.

If $F: N \subseteq M$, this is the restriction of E to N .

- Duals : E^* with $E_p^* = \mathbb{R}\text{-linear dual of } E_p$.

$$\downarrow \\ M \qquad \qquad \tau_{\alpha\beta}^* = \tau_{\alpha\beta}^T$$

Sections

A section of a vb

$$\begin{matrix} E \\ \downarrow \pi \\ M \end{matrix}$$

(cts or smooth)

is a map

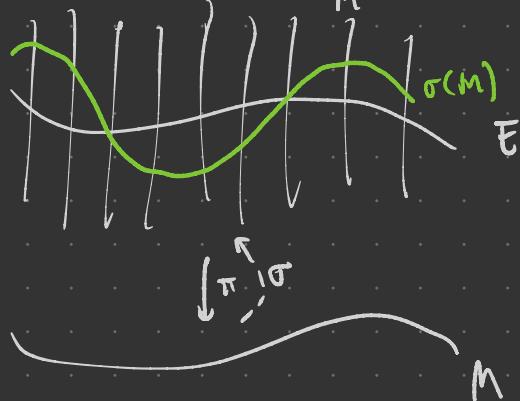
$$\begin{matrix} E \\ \downarrow \sigma \\ M \end{matrix}$$

s.t.

$$\pi \circ \sigma = \text{id}_M$$

. Write

$$\begin{matrix} E \\ \downarrow \pi \\ M \end{matrix} \quad \sigma$$



... { sections of line bundles
are "generalized functions"

E.g.

- zero section $p \mapsto 0_p \in E_p \quad \forall p \in M$
- sections of TM = vector fields

Write $\Gamma(E)$ for the \mathbb{R} -vs of global sections of E .

Note $\mathcal{X}(M) = \Gamma(TM)$.  in fact, $C^\infty(M)$ -module:

$$(f\sigma)(p) = f(p)\sigma(p)$$