

# Lecture notes of SW seminar

## Characteristic class

### ① Curvature matrix $\Omega$ .

Given smooth v.b.  $E$ , connection is  $\nabla^A: \Gamma(TM) \times \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & & \Gamma(E) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ M & & \Gamma(E) \end{array}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \nabla_x^A (f\sigma + \tau) = f \nabla_x^A \sigma + \nabla_x^A \tau + (Xf) \sigma$$

$$\nabla_{fX+\sigma}^A \tau = f \nabla_X^A \tau + \nabla_\sigma^A \tau$$

Given  $\nabla^A$ , we define  $d_A: \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(T^*M \otimes E)$

$$\text{s.t. } d_A(\sigma)(X) = \nabla_X^A(\sigma)$$

$$\text{Locally, } d_A \sigma = d_A \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sigma_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d\sigma_1 \\ \vdots \\ d\sigma_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \omega_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ \omega_{nj} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sigma_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Connection 2-form  $\Omega$ : locally,  $\Omega_\alpha = d\omega_\alpha + \omega_\alpha \wedge \omega_\alpha$ .

### ② Given $U(m)$ -v.b. $E$ , $\mathbb{C}$ -rank = $m$ , with Her-metric

Given unitary connection  $d + \omega_\alpha$ ,  $\Omega_\alpha$ .

We see  $(\frac{i}{2\pi} \Omega_\alpha)^k$  is Hermitian. Then  $\text{Tr}(\frac{i}{2\pi} \Omega_\alpha)^k$  is real since  $\Omega_\alpha$  is skew-Her.

proof. We know  $\omega_\alpha$  is skew-Her. Then  $d\omega_\alpha$  is skew-Her.

$$\omega_\alpha \wedge \omega_\alpha(ji) = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_\alpha(jk) \wedge \omega_\alpha(ki) = \sum_{k=1}^n -\overline{\omega_\alpha(kj)} \wedge \overline{\omega_\alpha(ik)}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n -\overline{\omega_\alpha(ik) \wedge \omega_\alpha(kj)} = -\overline{\omega_\alpha \wedge \omega_\alpha(ij)}$$

$\text{Tr}[(\frac{i}{2\pi} \Omega_\alpha)^k]$  glue together to form a form  $\mathcal{L}_k(A)$

$\text{Tr}[(\frac{i}{2\pi} \Omega_\beta)^k]$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$  char. form.

Thm.  $d\tau_k(A) = 0$ . so  $[\tau_k(A)] \in H^{2k}(M; \mathbb{R})$  is defined.

$$\begin{aligned} d\text{Tr}\left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\Omega_\alpha\right)^k &= \left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\right)^k d(\text{Tr}\Omega_\alpha^k) \\ &= \left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\right)^k (d\Omega_\alpha \Omega_\alpha^{k-1} + \dots + (\Omega_\alpha)^{k-1} (d\Omega_\alpha)) \end{aligned}$$

$$(\text{Bianchi id}) = \left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\right)^k \text{Tr}([\Omega_\alpha, \omega] \Omega_\alpha^{k-1} + \dots + (\Omega_\alpha)^{k-1} [\Omega_\alpha, \omega])$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } (\Omega_\alpha \omega - \omega \Omega_\alpha) \Omega_\alpha^{k-1} + \Omega_\alpha (\Omega_\alpha \omega - \omega \Omega_\alpha) \Omega_\alpha^{k-2} + \dots \\ + \Omega_\alpha^{k-1} (\Omega_\alpha \omega - \omega \Omega_\alpha) \\ = -\omega \Omega_\alpha^k + \Omega_\alpha^k \omega = [\Omega_\alpha^k, \omega] \end{aligned}$$

Properties. ①  $\tau_k(F^*A) = F^* \tau_k(A)$   
 $\downarrow$   
 pull back connection

②  $\tau_k(A)$  doesn't depend on choice of  $dA$  & Hermitian metric on  $E$ .

Spaces {unitary connection} and {Her. metric} are connected

So we call them  $\tau_k(E)$ . char. classes of  $E$ .

Chern character:  $ch(E) = [\text{Tr}(\exp(\frac{i}{2\pi}\Omega_\alpha))]$

$$= \text{rk}(E) + \tau_1 + \frac{1}{2!} \tau_2 + \dots + \frac{1}{k!} \tau_k + \dots$$

Thm.  $ch(E_1 + E_2) = ch(E_1) + ch(E_2)$

$$ch(E_1 \otimes E_2) = ch(E_1) ch(E_2)$$

$$E_i \sim d_{A_i}, \quad E_1 \oplus E_2 \sim d_{A_1 \oplus A_2}$$

$$(d_{A_1 \oplus A_2})^2 (\sigma_1 \oplus \sigma_2) = d_{A_1}^2 \sigma_1 \oplus d_{A_2}^2 \sigma_2$$

$$\left(\frac{i}{2\pi} \Omega^{A_1 \oplus A_2}\right)^k = \left( \left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\right)^k \Omega^{A_1} \right)^k \left( \left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\right)^k \Omega^{A_2} \right)^k$$

$$\tau_k(E_1 \oplus E_2) = \tau_k(E_1) + \tau_k(E_2)$$

$$d_{A_1 \oplus A_2}(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) = d_{A_1} \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2 + \sigma_1 \otimes d_{A_2} \sigma_2$$

$$d_{A_1 \oplus A_2}^2(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) = d_{A_1}^2 \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2 + \sigma_1 \otimes d_{A_2}^2 \sigma_2 \quad (\text{skew derivation})$$

$$(d_{A_1 \oplus A_2})^{2k}(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) = \sum \binom{k}{j} (d_{A_1}^{2j} \sigma_1) \otimes (d_{A_2}^{2k-2j} \sigma_2)$$

$$\frac{1}{k!} (d_{A_1 \oplus A_2})^{2k}(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) = \sum \frac{1}{j!} (d_{A_1}^{2j} \sigma_1) \otimes \frac{1}{k-j} (d_{A_2}^{2k-2j} \sigma_2)$$

$$\text{Then } \exp((d_{A_1 \oplus A_2})^2) = \exp((d_{A_1}^2)) \exp((d_{A_2}^2))$$

Chern classes.

$$C_1(E) := \tau_1(E), \quad C_2(E) := \frac{1}{2} [\tau_1(E)^2 - \tau_2(E)]$$

$$C_1(E^*) = -C_1(E), \quad C_2(E^*) = C_2(E)$$

Thom form

$c_1(E): \mathbb{C} \hookrightarrow \bar{E}$  geometric zeroes  $\sim$  section.  
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$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow L$   $t_1, t_2: \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $\downarrow$   $M \supset U$  open  $t_i(a_j e^j(p)) = a_j$

frame  $e_1, e_2 = ie_1$

Thom form:  $\Phi_\alpha = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-(t_1^2 + t_2^2)} [\Omega_{12} + 2(dt_1 + \omega_{12}t_2) \wedge (dt_2 - \omega_{12}t_1)]$

Def.  $\sim \omega_{12}, \Omega_{12} = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-(t_1^2 + t_2^2)} [\Omega_{12} + 2dt_1 \wedge dt_2 + \omega_{12} \wedge d(t_1^2 + t_2^2)]$

$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow L$   $e_1$ : unit length section of  $E$   
 $\downarrow$   $M$   $e_2 = ie_1, \omega_{12}: de_1 = (-i\omega_{12})e_1 = -e_2\omega_{12}$

$$F_A = \Omega_{12} = d\omega_{12}$$

Property  $\sim \Phi$

1. closed 2. rapidly decreasing 3. integral over  $\forall$  fiber is 1.

$\Delta$  We can replace  $\Phi$  by

$$\eta(t_1^2 + t_2^2) \Omega_{12} - 2\eta'(t_1^2 + t_2^2) (dt_1 + \omega_{12}t_2) \wedge (dt_2 - \omega_{12}t_1)$$

$\eta: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  smooth,  $\eta(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi}, \eta(u) \rightarrow 0$  rapidly

$\sigma: M \rightarrow L \simeq \sigma^*(\Phi)$  since  $\forall$  sections homotopic.

$[\sigma^*(\Phi)] = c_1(L) = \frac{1}{2\pi} [\Omega_{12}]$   $\sigma(\Sigma)$ : transverse intersection with 0 section at  $p$ .

$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow L \sim$  unitary connection

$$\sigma \uparrow \downarrow \sum \text{nondegenerate zero } p_1, \dots, p_k$$

$$\sum \omega(\sigma, p_i) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma} F_A = \langle C(L), [\Sigma] \rangle$$

$$\sigma_s = s\sigma \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty \quad t_i = t_i \circ \sigma$$

$$\sigma_s^* \Phi = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-s^2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)} [\Omega_{12} + 2s^2(d\sigma_1 + \omega_{12}\sigma_2) \wedge (d\sigma_2 - \omega_{12}\sigma_1)]$$

goes to 0 as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ , except nbhd  $V_1, \dots, V_t$  near  $p_1, \dots, p_t$ .

Choose frame s.t.  $\omega_{12}$  vanishes at each  $p_i$ .

$$\text{Then } \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_M \sigma_s^* \Phi = \sum_i \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_{V_i} \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-(s\sigma_1)^2 - (s\sigma_2)^2} d(s\sigma_1) \wedge d(s\sigma_2)$$

approaches  $\pm 1$  on each  $V_i$

E.g.  $L = T\Sigma$ ,  $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Morse f.

$$\text{Then } \sum_{i=1}^k \omega(\nabla f, p_i) = \# \text{ max} - \# \text{ saddle} + \# \text{ min}$$

Gauss-Bonnet formula.

$$\langle C_1(T\Sigma), \Sigma \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma} F_A = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma} K dA = \chi(\Sigma)$$

Universal bundle

$$z = (z_1, \dots, z_i, \dots) \quad w = (w_1, \dots, w_i, \dots) \in \mathbb{C}^\infty \setminus 0$$

$$z \sim w \text{ if } z = \lambda w \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$$

$$\underline{\mathbb{CP}^\infty} \quad U_i = \{ [z_j] \mid z_i \neq 0 \} \quad \text{open cover}$$

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$$\mathbb{C}^\infty \left( \frac{z_1}{z_i}, \dots, \frac{z_{i-1}}{z_i}, \frac{z_{i+1}}{z_i}, \dots \right)$$

$$\text{Universal bundle} \quad \mathbb{C} \hookrightarrow E_\infty = \{ (V, z) \in \mathbb{CP}^\infty \times \mathbb{C}^\infty \mid z \in V \}$$

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 $\mathbb{CP}^\infty$

$$g_{ij} : U_i \cap U_j \rightarrow GL(1, \mathbb{C}) = \frac{z_i}{z_j}$$

$$\text{Infinite Grassmannian} \quad G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty) = \{ V_m \subset \mathbb{C}^\infty \}$$

$$M: \text{smooth mnfd.} \quad \Gamma: [M, G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty)] \leftrightarrow \text{Vect}_m^{\mathbb{C}}(M)$$

$$\Gamma(F) = F^* E_\infty$$

① Surjectivity. Given  $\mathbb{C}^m \xrightarrow{\pi} \bar{E}$

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 $\pi$

$M \sim \{U_0, \dots, U_n\}$   
contr

$S_i^k$  :  $k$ -simplices in  $M$ .

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 $b_i^k$

barycentric subdivision  $\rightarrow U_k$ .

$\eta_k$

$$\psi_k: \pi^{-1}(U_k) \rightarrow U_k \times \mathbb{C}^m$$

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 $\pi$   
 $\mathbb{C}^m$

$$\{ \zeta_0, \dots, \zeta_n \}$$

partition of unity  
 $\sim$  open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$

$$\widehat{F}: E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{m(n+1)}$$

$$! e \rightarrow (\zeta_i(\pi(e)) \eta_i(e))$$

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$$F: M \rightarrow G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty)$$

$$D \rightarrow \widehat{F}(E, 1)$$

$$1 \leq p < \infty$$

⑧ Inj.

$$\mathbb{C}_e^\infty = \{ (z_1, \dots) \in \mathbb{C}^\infty \mid z_1 = z_3 = \dots = 0 \}$$

$$\mathbb{C}_o^\infty \quad z_2 = z_4 = \dots = 0$$

$$\tilde{T}_e \quad u_{ij} = z_j \quad \tilde{T}_o \quad u_{2j-1} = z_j \quad \mathbb{C}^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_{o/e}^\infty$$

$$\text{Induce maps} \quad T_e : G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty) \rightarrow G_m(\mathbb{C}_e^\infty)$$

$$T_o : G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty) \rightarrow G_m(\mathbb{C}_o^\infty)$$

$$\tilde{H}_e : \mathbb{C}^\infty \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\infty$$

induces map

$$(z, t) \rightarrow tz + (1-t) \tilde{T}_e(z) \quad H_e : G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty) \times I \rightarrow G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty)$$

$T_e$  to id

Similarly define  $H_o$ .

$$F, G : M \rightarrow G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty) \quad F^* E_\infty = G^* E_\infty$$

$$\text{claim } T_e \circ F \sim T_o \circ G$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \tilde{T}_e \circ \tilde{F} & & \tilde{T}_o \circ \tilde{G} \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{H} : E \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\infty, (e, t) \rightarrow t \tilde{T}_e \circ \tilde{F}(e, t) + (1-t) \tilde{T}_o \circ \tilde{G}(e, t)$$

$\downarrow$

$$H : M \times I \rightarrow G_m(\mathbb{C}^\infty), F \text{ to } G.$$

Homotopy group of  $\mathbb{C}P^\infty$

$$\mathbb{C} - \{0\} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}P^\infty$$

$\downarrow$

$$\mathbb{C}^\infty - \{0\}$$

long exact sequence ~ homotopy

$$\mathbb{C}^\infty - \{0\} \simeq S^\infty, \pi_k = 0, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}^+.$$

$$\pi_k(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) = \mathbb{Z} \quad k \text{ even}$$

$$K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \quad \text{or otherwise}$$

$$\text{Vect}_1^{\mathbb{C}}(M) \cong [M, K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)] \cong H^2(M; \mathbb{Z})$$

$\Delta$  Instead of  $\mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$ , we can work on  $\mathbb{C}P^N$ ,  $N \geq \dim M + 1$ .

On  $\mathbb{C} \hookrightarrow E_{\infty}$ , define a connection and  $C_1(E_{\infty})$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $\mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$  s.t.  $F^*(C_1(E_{\infty})) = C_1(E)$  when  
 $\Gamma(F) = E$

Similarly, we have  $\Gamma: [M, G_m(\mathbb{R}^{\infty})] \simeq \text{Vect}_m^{\mathbb{R}}(M)$   
 $\sim (H^{\infty}) \simeq \text{Vect}_m^H(M)$