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Tutorial

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1. Grasmanian Manifold

Definition 1.0.1. Let V be a n dimensional vector space, let $Gr_k(V)$ denote the set of all k-dimensional linear subspaces of V.

We will see that $Gr_k(V)$ is a manifold of dimension k(n-k) and we will give it a structure of a projective variety.

Let W be a subspace of dimension k, then we have that $V = W \oplus W^{\perp}$ $(\dim(W^{\perp}) = n - k)$.

Exercise 1.0.1. For any $A: W \to W^{\perp}$ linear map we get a k dimensional subspace $\Delta(A) := \{x + A(x) : x \in W\}$

Notice that $\Delta(A) \cap W^{\perp} = \{0\}$, what about the other direction?

Lemma 1.0.1. Any k dimensional subspace U s.t. $U \cap W^{\perp} = \{0\}$ is of the form $\Delta(A)$ for some linear map $A \colon W \to W^{\perp}$

Proof. Let $u \in U$ then u decomposes into $u_W + u_{W^{\perp}}$, we define for such $u_W \in W$

$$A(u_W) = u_{W^{\perp}}$$

Indeed, define $Pr_1: U \to W$ be the projection and $Pr_2: U \to W^{\perp}$ then $A = Pr_2 \circ Pr_1^{-1}$ (draw the picture)

We need to show that if $u_1, u_2 \in Pr_1^{-1}(w)$ then $Pr_2(u_1) = Pr_2(u_2)$. Indeed we get $u_1 - u_2 \in \ker(Pr_1)$ so $u_1 - u_2 \in W^{\perp} \cap U$ so are the same.

Notation. Denote $L := Hom(W, W^{\perp})$ and denote by $U_W \subset Gr_k(V)$ the collection of subspaces of dim k who intersect W^{\perp} trivially.

Corollary 1.0.1. $L \cong U_W$

Clearly L is $M_{(n-k)\times k}(\mathbb{C})$ so is a manifold of dimension (n-k)k. We will give $Gr_k(V)$ the structure of a manifold by making U_W an open cover of the space.

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2. Grasmanian Variety

Let V be a n-dimentional vector space and fix a standard basis of V. Now take $S \in Gr_d(V)$ choose a basis for S and write down the basis elements in rows (w.r.t the standard basis we choose), this gives us a $d \times n$ matrix that represents S, call it A(S).

If we choose a different basis for S we get a different matrix A'(S). What is the relation between A'(S) and A(S)?

Answer: Just multiplying by some invertable $d \times d$ matrix. This relation affects all d by d minors by multiplication by the determinant of base change matrix.

We have $\binom{n}{d}$ minors in A(S) and at least one is non zero since rank of A(S) is d.

For later convenience we choose some order on the minors as follows: The left most minor and then for each column $i \leq d$ and d < j we change the i and j column then proceed by some arbitrary order. We get a map $A(S) \to \mathbb{C}^{\binom{n}{d}}$, notice that this map is dependent on the basis of S only upto scalar multiplication so we have a well defined map

$$\psi \colon Gr_d(V) \to \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n}{d}-1}$$

Theorem 2.0.1. The map ψ is injective and has a closed image

Proof. Recall from previous section that $U_S \subset Gr_d(V)$ is the subset of all k dimensional subspaces that do not intersect S^{\perp} and $U_S \cong Hom(S, S^{\perp})$.

Let $e_1, ..., e_n$ denote the standard basis for V and choose $S = \langle e_1, ..., e_d \rangle$, $S^{\perp} = \langle e_{d+1}, ..., e_n \rangle$

As usual denote the affine open sets of the projective space by $U_i \subset \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n}{d}-1}$.

Claim:

$$\psi(T) \in U_0 \iff T \in U_S$$

Indeed, assume $T \notin U_S$ thus $e \in T \cap S^{\perp}$ is non zero vector- complete it to a basis of T - the left most $d \times d$ minor has a row of zeroes! thus $\psi(T) \notin U_0$.

Conversely if $\psi(T) \notin U_0$ then the left most minor is 0 we can change a basis to make of have a row of zeros and get a basis element of T that is in S^{\perp} .

Using this claim it is enough to show that $\psi|_{U_S}: U_S \to U_0$ is injective and with closed image.

Recall that $T \in U_S$ was given by $A \in Hom(S, S^{\perp})$ by $T = \langle \{e_i + A(e_i)\} \rangle = \langle \{e_i + \sum_{j=d+1}^n a_{ij}e_j\} \rangle$ where these a_{ij} completely determine T.

So $\psi(T) = (1 : a_{ij} : ... : a_{dn} : f_1(a_{ij}) : ... : f_m(a_{ij}))$ where the f_i are polynomials in a_{ij} whose coefficients in \mathbb{Z} . So we get a one to one correspondence from U_S and these a_{ij} .

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 $\psi(U_L) \subset U_0 \cong \mathbb{C}^{\binom{n}{d}-1}$ and is closed since is the graph of the morphism $(..., a_{ij}, ...) \mapsto (..., f(a_{ij}), ...) : \mathbb{C}^{d(n-d)} \to \mathbb{C}^{\binom{n}{d}-1-d(n-d)}$

3. Moromorphic differentials and Riemann-Hurwitz

Let $\{\psi_{\alpha}: U_{\alpha} \to V_{\alpha}: \alpha \in A\}$ be a holomorphic atlas on Reimannian surface S.

A moromorphic differential η on S is given by a collection

$$\{\eta_{\alpha}: V_{\alpha} \to \mathbb{P}^1 : \alpha \in A\}$$

such that if $u \in U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}$ then $\eta_{\alpha}(\psi_{\alpha}u) = \eta_{\beta}(\psi_{\beta}u) \cdot (\psi_{\beta} \circ \psi_{\alpha}^{-1})'(\psi_{\alpha}(u))$ We denote $\eta = fdg$ if $n_{\alpha} = (f \circ \psi_{\alpha}^{-1}) \cdot (g \circ \psi_{\alpha}^{-1})'$ We then can integrate

$$\int_{\gamma} \eta = \int_{\gamma} f dg = \int_{a}^{b} f \circ \gamma(t) (g \circ \gamma)'(t) dt$$

We say that η has a pole/zero at $p \in U_{\alpha}$ if $\eta_{\alpha}(\psi_{\alpha}(p))$ is a pole/zero.

Definition 3.0.1. A divisor D is a formal sum $\sum n_p[p]$

This is an abelian group.

Definition 3.0.2. The degree of a divisor is the sum $\sum n_p$. It is a homomorphism from Div to \mathbb{Z} .

If $n_p \geq 0$ for any point then the divisor $D \geq 0$ is non negative. And we write $D \geq D'$ if D - D' is non negative.

Definition 3.0.3. A divisor of a meromorphic function f is denoted (f) and it $\sum n_p[p]$ where p is a pole/zero with muliplicity n_p . (f) is called a principle divisor.

We have an equivalent class $D \sim D' \iff D - D' = (f)$ (we say D and D' are linearly dependent)

Definition 3.0.4. a divisor of a 1 form is called a canonical divisor. It is canonical since $(\eta) = (f\omega) = (f) + (\omega) \sim (\omega)$

Theorem 3.0.1 ((Riemann-Hurwitz)). Let η be a meromorphic differential form then $deg(\eta) = 2g - 2$ (g is the genus of the surface)

$$Proof.$$
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Definition 3.0.5. RRD= all meromorphic functions satisfying $(f) + D \ge 0$

These are all f such that f is holomorphic at all p besides when $n_p > 0$ and has bounded order pf pole, also f has zero of deree at least $|n_p|$ when $n_p < 0$.

We saw in class:

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Corollary 3.0.1. If D < 0 then dim(RRD) = 0

Proof. If f is meromorphic such that $(f)+D\geq 0$ then $\deg(D)=\deg((f)+D)\geq 0$

Corollary 3.0.2. If $D \sim D'$ then $\dim(D) = \dim(D')$

Proof. If g is meromorphic such that (g) + D = D' then $f \mapsto fg$ is a isomorphism of the vector spaces