

Given $V, W \in T_p M \setminus \{0\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle\langle V, W, p \rangle\rangle &= (\langle V | W \rangle, \langle V \times W | v(p) \rangle) \\ &= \left(\sum_{i,j} g_{ij} V^i W^j, (V^1 W^2 - V^2 W^1) \sqrt{g} \right) \\ &= |V| |W| (\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\quad \text{iff } \theta \in \angle(V, W, p) \end{aligned}$$

if $\theta_0 \in \angle(V, W, p)$ then $\angle(V, W, p) = \{\theta_0 + 2\pi k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.

Let X be a (connected) contractible space (such as $[a, b]$ or $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ or \mathbb{R}^n).

Let $f: X \rightarrow M$ be cts. Let V and W be cts fields of nonzero vectors on M along f . (This means that V is a cts fn on X st. $\forall x \in X, V(x) \in T_{f(x)} M$ (and W)).

To say θ is a cts version of the oriented angle from V to W along f (denote $\theta \in \angle(V, W, f)$) means θ is a cts map from X to \mathbb{R} and $\forall x \in X, \theta(x) \in \angle(V(x), W(x), f(x))$ - equivalently, $\theta \in \angle(V, W, f)$

iff θ is a cts argument of the map $X \mapsto \langle\langle V(x), W(x), f(x) \rangle\rangle$ from X to \mathbb{R}_*^2 . $\angle(V, W, f) \neq \emptyset$ because X is contractible.

If $\theta_0 \in \angle(V, W, f)$, then $\angle(V, W, f) = \{\theta_0 + 2\pi n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ because a contractible space is connected.

Suppose U is another cts field of nonzero vectors on M along f . Let $\theta_1 \in \angle(U, V, f)$. Let $\theta_2 \in \angle(V, W, f)$. Then

$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 \in \angle(U, W, f), \text{ because } e^{i\theta_1} e^{i\theta_2} = e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}.$$

Let $R \subseteq M$. Let V be a cts field of nonzero vectors in R on M . Let $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow R$ be cts. and let Z be a cts field of nonzero vectors on M along γ .

Then the angular variation of Z with respect to V along $V \circ \gamma$ is $\delta(V, Z, \gamma) = \theta(b) - \theta(a)$ where θ is any element of $\mathcal{A}(V, Z, \gamma)$.
(any other $\tilde{\theta} \in \mathcal{A}(V, Z, \gamma)$ will work). Let γ be a loop in R .

Then the angular variation of Z wrt V around γ is

$$\delta(V, Z, \gamma) = \delta(V, Z \circ \tilde{e}, \gamma \circ \tilde{e}) \text{ where } \tilde{e}: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow S^1 \text{ defined by } \tilde{e}(t) = e^{it}.$$

lemma: Let $R \subseteq M$ and let V and W be cts fields of non-zero vectors in R on M , let γ be a loop in R , and let $\Psi \in \mathcal{A}(V \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}, W \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}, \gamma \circ \tilde{e})$.

(a) Let γ_0 be a loop in R which is homotopic to γ in R . Let $\Psi_0 \in \mathcal{A}(V \circ \gamma_0 \circ \tilde{e}, W \circ \gamma_0 \circ \tilde{e}, \gamma_0 \circ \tilde{e})$. Then $\Psi(2\pi) - \Psi(0) = \Psi_0(2\pi) - \Psi_0(0)$.
i.e. $\delta(V, Z, \gamma) = \delta(V, Z, \gamma_0)$

(b) suppose γ is null-homotopic in R .
Then $\Psi(2\pi) - \Psi(0) = 0$.

~~pf~~ (a) $\frac{\Psi(2\pi) - \Psi(0)}{2\pi}$ is the winding number of the loop

$\langle V \circ \gamma, W \circ \gamma, \gamma \rangle = |V \circ \gamma| |W \circ \gamma| (\cos \Psi, \sin \Psi)$ in \mathbb{R}^2_x with respect to the origin. similarly for Ψ_0 . Remember that for each $z \in S^1$, $\langle V \circ \gamma(z), W \circ \gamma(z), \gamma(z) \rangle = (\langle V(\gamma(z)) | W(\gamma(z)) \rangle, \langle V(\gamma(z)) \times W(\gamma(z)) | V(\gamma(z)) \rangle)$ and similarly for γ_0 .

Thus a homotopy between γ and γ_0 in R

gives rise to a homotopy between $\langle\langle V \circ \gamma, W \circ \gamma, \gamma \rangle\rangle$ and $\langle\langle V \circ \gamma_0, W \circ \gamma_0, \gamma_0 \rangle\rangle$ in \mathbb{R}_*^2 .

hence these two loops in \mathbb{R}_*^2 have the same winding # at the origin.

therefore $\Psi(2\pi) - \Psi(0) = \Psi_0(2\pi) - \Psi_0(0)$.

(b) if γ_0 is constant then $\Psi_0(2\pi) - \Psi_0(0) = 0$ □

Thm Let $R \subseteq M$, let γ be a loop in R , and let

Z be a cts field of nonzero vectors on M along γ .

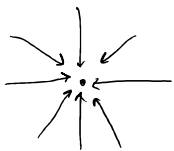
Suppose γ is null-homotopic in R . Then $\delta(V, Z, \gamma)$ does not depend on the choice of reference field

V in R of non-zero vectors on M .

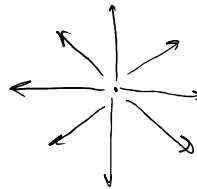
Pf Let V and W be two such reference fields. let $\Psi \in \mathcal{L}(V \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}, W \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}, \gamma \circ \tilde{e})$ and let $\Theta \in \mathcal{L}(W \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}, Z \circ \tilde{e}, \gamma \circ \tilde{e})$. Note that $V \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}$, $W \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}$, and $Z \circ \tilde{e}$ are cts fields of nonzero vectors on M along $\gamma \circ \tilde{e}$. Hence,

$\Psi + \Theta \in \mathcal{L}(V \circ \gamma \circ \tilde{e}, Z \circ \tilde{e}, \gamma \circ \tilde{e})$. by the lemma, since γ is null-homotopic in R , $\Psi(2\pi) - \Psi(0) = 0$. Hence

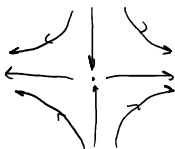
$(\Psi + \Theta)(2\pi) - (\Psi + \Theta)(0) = \Theta(2\pi) - \Theta(0)$, i.e. $\delta(V, Z, \gamma) = \delta(W, Z, \gamma)$. □



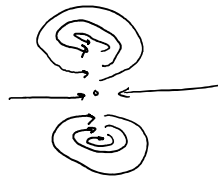
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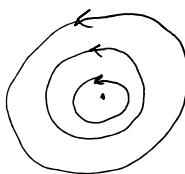
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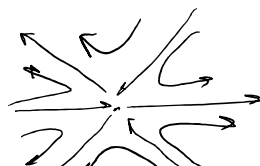
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$$i_p = 2$$



$$i_p = 1$$



$$i_p = -2$$



$$l_p = -2.$$