

St: $S^2_N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 = x, y \text{ plane.}$

$p \mapsto$ point of intersection of
of the x, y plane with
the line through p & N .

The stereographic metric on S^2_N is
the pull-back of the Euclidean
metric by St.

$$p = (\cos u \cos v, \sin u \cos v, \sin v)$$

$$N = (0, 0, 1).$$

line through p & N :

$$\alpha_p(t) = (0, 0, 1) + t(\cos u \cos v, \sin u \cos v, \sin v - 1)$$

$$\cap (x, y) \text{ plane} \Rightarrow z = 0$$

$$\text{So } 1 + t(\sin v - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{1}{1 - \sin v}$$

$$\text{point } \text{St}(p) = \left(\frac{\cos u \cos v}{1 - \sin v}, \frac{\sin u \cos v}{1 - \sin v}, 0 \right)$$

Compute the differential of St at p :

$$\text{St}_* (\varphi_u) = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (\text{St}(\varphi(u, v)))$$

$$= \left(\frac{-\sin u \cos v}{1 - \sin v}, \frac{\cos u \cos v}{1 - \sin v}, 0 \right)$$

$$St_*(\psi_v) = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} (St(\psi(u,v)))$$

$$= \left(\frac{\cos u \sin v}{1 - \sin v}, \frac{-\sin u \sin v}{1 - \sin v}, 0 \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\cos v}{(1 - \sin v)^2} (\cos u \cos v, \sin u \cos v, 0)$$

$$E = \langle St_*(\psi_u), St_*(\psi_u) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$F = \langle St_*(\psi_u), St_*(\psi_v) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$G = \langle St_*(\psi_v), St_*(\psi_v) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

Example: The stereographic plane:

$$St: S_N^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$St^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow S_N^2$$

The stereographic plane is \mathbb{R}^2 with metric the pull-back of the ~~Euclidean~~ usual metric (from \mathbb{R}^3) by St^{-1} .

Homework: Compute this as above.

Construction method 3:

Can define the metric via the metric coefficients E, F, G .

First choose a coordinate chart

$$\psi: D \hookrightarrow M. \quad T_x D = T_x M$$

$\psi_u =$ image of $(1, 0)$ ψ'_u

$\psi_v =$ " " $(0, 1)$ ψ'_v

Given three smooth functions E, F, G on D s.t. $\begin{pmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{pmatrix}$ defines an inner product at every point, we obtain a metric.

Need $\begin{pmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{pmatrix}$ invertible with positive eigenvalues at every point.

Differential forms:

① Differential 1-forms.

Def: M a surface
a C^∞ differential 1-form ω on M is the

datum, for every $p \in M$, of a linear form ω_p on $T_p M$ s.t. these forms vary smoothly with p .

This means $\forall C^\infty$ vector field V on M , the function

$\omega_p(V(p))$ is C^∞ (or smooth)..

Example: $M = \mathbb{R}^2$, then $T_p M = \mathbb{R}^2$

$e_1 = (1, 0)$, $e_2 = (0, 1)$. $\forall p$.

define dx to be the differential form which at every p sends $(1, 0)$ to 1 and $(0, 1)$ to 0.

define dy to be $\approx \approx$
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 $(1, 0)$ to 0 and $(0, 1)$ to 1.

These are constant differential forms. Any other differential form on \mathbb{R}^2 is of the form $f dx + g dy$ where f, g are C^∞ on \mathbb{R}^2 .

take $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $v \in T_p \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2$

$$p = (x, y), \quad v = (\lambda, \mu)$$

then $(f dx + g dy)_p(v) = f(p)\lambda + g(p)\mu$

$$(f dx + g dy)_p = f(p) dx + g(p) dy.$$

given a function f on M , we can
a differential 1-form df :

the differential or exterior derivative

Def: M surface, f C^∞ function on M .

df is the differential form defined
as follows: $\forall p \in M, v \in T_p M$

choose a curve α in M s.t.

$$\alpha(0) = p \quad \alpha'(0) = v$$

$$\text{then } (df)_p(v) := \frac{d}{dt} (f(\alpha(t))) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$:= \nabla_v f$$

Example: $M = \mathbb{R}^2$, $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 C^∞ function.

$$p = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad v = (\lambda, \mu) \in T_p \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\text{Choose } \alpha(t) = (\lambda t + x, \mu t + y)$$

$$(df)_p(v) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} (f(\lambda t + x, \mu t + y)) \right|_{t=0}$$

$$= \lambda \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(p) + \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(p) = \nabla_v f(p)$$

$$= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(p) dx(v) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(p) dy(v)$$

$$\Rightarrow (df)_p = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(p) dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(p) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$$

② Differential 2-forms:

Def: M a surface. A differential 2-form ω is the datum for every $p \in M$ of an alternating ~~or anti~~ bilinear form ω_p on $T_p M$ which varies smoothly with p .

This means: $\forall p \in M$,

we have a map $T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$(v, w) \mapsto \omega_p(v, w)$$

$\omega_p(v, w)$ linear in v and w .

$$\text{and } \omega_p(w, v) = -\omega_p(v, w) \\ \forall v, w.$$

\forall vector fields v, w on M

$p \mapsto \omega_p(v(p), w(p))$ is a C^∞ function

Remark: Given two linear forms

$l, m: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we can define an alternating form $l \wedge m$ on \mathbb{R}^2 as follows:

$$(l \wedge m)(v, w) = l(v)m(w) - l(w)m(v)$$

Def: Given two 1-forms ω, θ on M , we can define the 2-form $\omega \wedge \theta$

as follows: $p \in M$ $v, w \in T_p M$

$$(\omega \wedge \theta)_p(v, w) := \omega_p(v)\theta_p(w) - \omega_p(w)\theta_p(v)$$

Example: $M = \mathbb{R}^2$

Notation: $\Omega^1(M) :=$ the vector space of 1-forms on M

$\Omega^2(M) :=$ the vector space of 2-forms on M .

$\Omega^0(M) :=$ the vector space of C^∞ functions on M .

Example: $M = \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\Omega^1(M) = \Omega^0(M) dx + \Omega^0(M) dy$$

$$p \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad p = (x, y) \quad T_p \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2.$$

$$v = (\lambda, \mu) \quad w = (\nu, \tau)$$

$$= \lambda e_1 + \mu e_2 \quad = \nu e_1 + \tau e_2.$$

ω alternating form on \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\begin{aligned}\omega(v, w) &= \omega(\lambda e_1 + \mu e_2, \nu e_1 + \tau e_2) \\ &= \nu \lambda \omega(e_1, e_1) + \lambda \tau \omega(e_1, e_2) \\ &\quad + \mu \nu \omega(e_2, e_1) + \mu \tau \omega(e_2, e_2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\omega(e_1, e_1) = -\omega(e_1, e_1) \Rightarrow = 0$$

$$\text{also } \omega(e_2, e_2) = 0$$

$$\omega(e_1, e_2) = -\omega(e_2, e_1)$$

$$\omega(v, w) = (\lambda \tau - \mu \nu) \omega(e_1, e_2)$$

$$= \det \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \nu \\ \mu & \tau \end{pmatrix} \omega(e_1, e_2)$$

$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_v \quad \underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_w$

We just proved:

Prop: \forall alternating form ω on \mathbb{R}^2 ,
 \exists a scalar ℓ s.t. $\omega = \ell \underline{\underline{\det}}$.

$$\begin{aligned}dx \wedge dy(v, w) &= dx(v)dy(w) - \underbrace{dx(w)}_{dy(v)} \\ &= \lambda \tau - \nu \mu \\ &= \underline{\underline{\det}}(v, w).\end{aligned}$$

Any C^∞ 2-form on \mathbb{R}^2 can be written as $f dx \wedge dy$ where f is a C^∞ function on \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$\text{So } \Omega^2(\mathbb{R}^2) = \Omega^0(\mathbb{R}^2) dx \wedge dy.$$