

Math 254H 4/17/2020 General differential forms.

⊙  $k$ -form on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ : field of  $k$ -linear functions over  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \mathcal{C}_{\vec{a}}: \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^n \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^n}_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$\mathcal{C}_{\vec{a}}(\vec{h}_1, \dots, \vec{h}_k)$ , linear in each  $\vec{h}_i$   
alternating  $\vec{h}_i \leftrightarrow \vec{h}_j$

⊙ Basis of coordinate forms  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$f = x_i$  is a function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow$  coordinate 1-form  $dx_i$

$$dx_i(\vec{h}) = dx_i(h_{x_1}, \dots, h_{x_n}) = h_{x_i}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n} f_{i_1 \dots i_k} dx_{i_1} \wedge dx_{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{i_k}$$

coeff functions.  
 $f_{i_1 \dots i_k}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

⊙ Integrate over  $k$ -dim surface  $S^k \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$$P: \underbrace{S^k}_{\mathbb{R}^k} \rightarrow \underbrace{S}_{\mathbb{R}^n}$$

$$P(u_1, \dots, u_k) = (x_1(u_1, \dots, u_k), \dots, x_n(u_1, \dots, u_k))$$

$$\int_{S^k} \mathcal{C} = \int_{u_1} \dots \int_{u_k} \mathcal{C}\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial P}{\partial u_k}\right) du_1 \dots du_k$$

⊙ Exterior derivative:  $\mathcal{Q}$  is  $k$ -form  $\rightarrow d\mathcal{Q}$  ( $k+1$ )-form

$$d\mathcal{Q}_a = \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{rate of integral of } \mathcal{Q} \\ \text{over } k\text{-dim parallelepiped} \\ \text{spanned by } \vec{t}_1, \dots, \vec{t}_k \end{array} \right) / \begin{array}{l} (k+1)\text{-dim volume} \\ \text{enclosed} \end{array}$$

$$d\left(\sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} f_{i_1 \dots i_k} dx_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{i_k}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} (df_{i_1 \dots i_k}) \wedge dx_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{i_k}$$

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx_1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} dx_n$$

⊙ Stokes Theorem: (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus)

$k$ -dim closed  $S$  = boundary of  $(k+1)$ -dim  $R$

$$(S = \partial R)$$

$k$ -form  $\mathcal{Q}$  over  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\int_{S = \partial R} \mathcal{Q} = \int_R d\mathcal{Q}$$

Special cases: Single-var FTC, Grad Thm, Curl Thm, Div Thm

Divergence theorem in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  in terms of diff. forms.

$$\iint_{S=\partial R} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} \quad \text{(LHS)} = \iiint_R (\operatorname{div} \vec{F}) dR \quad \text{(RHS)}$$

$S=\partial R$   
total flux of  $\vec{F}$   
out of closed  
surface  $S'$

integral of rate of flux  
over region  $R$  enclosed by  $S'$

$$\vec{F} = (p, q, r)$$

↕ Hodge - star duality.

$$\text{2-form } \eta = p \, dy \wedge dz - q \, dx \wedge dz + r \, dx \wedge dy$$

(+q dz dx)

flux nt

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_S \eta$$

$$\iint_{S^*} \vec{F}(P(u,v)) \cdot \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial v} \right)}_{d\vec{S}} du dv = \iint_{S^*} \eta_{P(u,v)} \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial P}{\partial v} \right) du dv$$

Don't use dot product

$$P: S^* \rightarrow S$$

$$P(u,v) = (x, y, z)$$

RHS of Divergence thm

$$\iiint_R (dN \vec{F}) dR$$

R 2-form

$$\vec{F} = (p, q, r)$$

(rate of flux  
divergence)

$$dN \vec{F} = \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial q}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial r}{\partial z}$$

1-form

$$\left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial q}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} dz \right) \wedge dy \wedge dz + \dots$$

$$\neq \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \cancel{dy} \wedge \cancel{dy} \wedge dz + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} dz \wedge dy \wedge dz + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\partial q}{\partial y} dy \wedge dx \wedge dz$$

$$+ \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} dz \wedge dx \wedge dy$$

alternating

$$\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \phi_3 = -\phi_2 \wedge \phi_1 \wedge \phi_3$$

1-forms

$$dy \wedge dy \wedge dz = -dy \wedge dy \wedge dz = 0$$

$$= \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + \frac{\partial q}{\partial y} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz = (dN \vec{F}) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$$

$$\eta = p dy \wedge dz - q dx \wedge dz + r dx \wedge dy$$

$dy dx = -dx dy$

(exterior derivative  
rate of  $\iint \eta$   
out of box  $(h_1, h_2, h_3)$ )

3-form

$$= dp \wedge dy \wedge dz - dq \wedge dx \wedge dz + dr \wedge dx \wedge dy$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \Delta y \Delta z} \iiint_R f(x, y, z) \overbrace{dx dy dz} = \iiint_R f(x, y, z) \overbrace{dx dy dz}^{3\text{-form}}$$

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} \leftarrow \vec{F} \xrightarrow{\quad} p dy dz - q dx dz + r dx dy$$

flux

$$\int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{c} \leftarrow \vec{F} \xrightarrow{\quad} p dx + q dy + r dz$$