

# 1 Introduction

## Preliminary

- Course home page: <http://math.kaist.ac.kr/~schoi/dgorb.htm> and <http://projectivestructures.blogspot.com/> or <http://www.is.titech.ac.jp/~schoi/dgorb.htm>
- Helpful preliminary knowledge:
  - Hatcher's "Algebraic topology" Chapters 0,1. (better with Chapter 2...) <http://www.math.cornell.edu/~hatcher/AT/ATpage.html>
  - "Introduction to differentiable manifolds" by Munkres
  - "Foundations of differentiable manifolds and Lie groups," by F. Warner.
  - "Riemannian manifolds" by Do Carmo.
  - S. Kobayashi and Nomizu, Foundations of differential geometry, Springer.
  - R. Bishop and R. Crittendon, Geometry of manifolds.
- Section 1: Manifolds and differentiable structures (Intuitive account)
  - Manifolds
  - Simplicial manifolds
  - Pseudo-groups and  $\mathcal{G}$ -structures.
  - Differential geometry and  $\mathcal{G}$ -structures.
  - Principal bundles and connections, flat connections
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  - Projective geometry and conformally flat geometry
  - Euclidean geometry
  - Spherical geometry
  - Hyperbolic geometry and three models
  - Discrete groups: examples

## Part II. Topology of 2-orbifolds Subtitles are optional.

- Section 3: Compact group actions and smooth topology
- Section 4: Topology of 2-orbifold
  - Topology and differentiable structures
  - Covering orbifolds
  - Euler characteristic.
- Section 5: The universal covers and the fundamental group.
- Section 6: Topological construction of 2-orbifolds: cut, paste, silvering, and clarifying.

### **Part III. Geometry of 2-orbifolds Subtitles are optional.**

- Section 7: Geometric structures on orbifolds.
  - Using atlas of charts
  - Using sections.
  - Covering maps of geometric orbifolds are good.
- Section 8: Constructions of geometric orbifolds: spherical, Euclidean, hyperbolic, conformally flat, projectively flat ones.
- Section 9: Deformation spaces of geometric structures on orbifolds
- Section 10: Deformation spaces of hyperbolic structures on 2-orbifolds
- Section 11: Deformation spaces of real projective structures on 2-orbifolds.

#### **Some advanced references for the course**

- W. Thurston, Lecture notes...: A chapter on orbifolds, 1977. (This is the principal source)
- W. Thurston, Three-dimensional geometry and topology, PUP, 1997
- R.W. Sharp, Differential geometry: Cartan's generalization of Klein's Erlangen program.
- T. Ivey and J.M. Landsberg, Cartan For Beginners: Differential geometry via moving frames and exterior differential systems, GSM, AMS
- G. Bredon, Introduction to compact transformation groups, Academic Press, 1972.
- M. Berger, Geometry I, Springer
- S. Kobayashi and Nomizu, Foundations of differential geometry, Springer.

## **2 Manifolds and differentiable structures (Intuitive account)**

### **2.1 Aim**

- The following theories for manifolds will be transferred to the orbifolds. We will briefly mention them here as a "review" and will develop them for orbifolds later (mostly for 2-dimensional orbifolds).
- We follow coordinate-free approach to differential geometry. We do not need to actually compute curvatures and so on.

- $\mathcal{G}$ -structures
- Covering spaces
- Riemannian manifolds and constant curvature manifolds
- Lie groups and group actions
- Principal bundles and connections, flat connections

## 2.2 Manifolds

### Topological spaces.

- Quotient topology
- We will mostly use cell-complexes: Hatcher's AT P. 5-7 (Consider finite ones for now.)
- Operations: products, quotients, suspension, joins; AT P.8-10

### Manifolds.

- A topological  $n$ -dimensional manifold ( $n$ -manifold) is a Hausdorff space with countable basis and charts to Euclidean spaces  $E^n$ ; e.g curves, surfaces, 3-manifolds.
- The charts could also go to a positive half-space  $H^n$ . Then the set of points mapping to  $R^{n-1}$  under charts is well-defined is said to be the boundary of the manifold. (By the invariance of domain theorem)
- $\mathbb{R}^n, H^n$  themselves or open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or  $H^n$ .
- $S^n$  the unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . (use [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stereographic\\_projection](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stereographic_projection))
- $\mathbb{R}P^n$  the real projective space. (use affine patches)

### Manifolds.

- An  $n$ -ball is a manifold with boundary. The boundary is the unit sphere  $S^{n-1}$ .
- Given two manifolds  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  of dimensions  $m$  and  $n$  respectively. The product space  $M_1 \times M_2$  is a manifold of dimension  $m + n$ .
- An annulus is a disk removed with the interior of a smaller disk. It is also homeomorphic to a circle times a closed interval.
- The  $n$ -dimensional torus  $T^n$  is homeomorphic to the product of  $n$  circles  $S^1$ .
- 2-torus: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Torus>

### More examples

- Let  $T_n$  be a group of translations generated by  $T_i : x \mapsto x + e_i$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then  $\mathbb{R}^n/T_n$  is homeomorphic to  $T^n$ .
- A connected sum of two  $n$ -manifolds  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ . Remove the interiors of two closed balls from  $M_i$  for each  $i$ . Then each  $M_i$  has a boundary component homeomorphic to  $S^{n-1}$ . We identify the spheres.
- Take many 2-dimensional tori or projective plane and do connected sums. Also remove the interiors of some disks. We can obtain all compact surfaces in this way. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Surface>

## 2.3 Discrete group actions

### Some homotopy theory (from Hatcher's AT)

- $X, Y$  topological spaces. A homotopy is a  $f : X \times I \rightarrow Y$ .
- Maps  $f$  and  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  are *homotopic* if  $f(x) = F(x, 0)$  and  $g(x) = F(x, 1)$  for all  $x$ . The homotopic property is an equivalence relation.
- Homotopy equivalences of two spaces  $X$  and  $Y$  is a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  with a map  $g : Y \rightarrow X$  so that  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$  are homotopic to  $I_X$  and  $I_Y$  respectively.

### Fundamental group (from Hatcher's AT)

- A path is a map  $f : I \rightarrow X$ .
- A linear homotopy in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for any two paths.
- A *homotopy class* is an equivalence class of homotopic map relative to endpoints.
- The fundamental group  $\pi(X, x_0)$  is the set of homotopy class of path with endpoints  $x_0$ .
- The product exists by joining. The product gives us a group.
- A change of base-points gives us an isomorphism (not canonical)
- The fundamental group of a circle is  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Brouwer fixed point theorem
- Induced homomorphisms.  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  with  $f(x_0) = y_0$  induces  $f_* : \pi(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi(Y, y_0)$ .

### Van Kampen Theorem (AT page 43–50)

- Given a space  $X$  covered by open subsets  $A_i$  such that any two or three of them meet at a path-connected set,  $\pi(X, *)$  is a quotient group of the free product  $*\pi(A_i, *)$ .
- The kernel is generated by  $i_j^*(a)i_k^*(a)$  for any  $a$  in  $\pi(A_i \cap A_j, *)$ .
- For cell-complexes, these are useful for computing the fundamental group.
- If a space  $Y$  is obtained from  $X$  by attaching the boundary of 2-cells. Then  $\pi(Y, *) = \pi(X, *)/N$  where  $N$  is the normal subgroup generated by "boundary curves" of the attaching maps.
- Bouquet of circles, surfaces,...

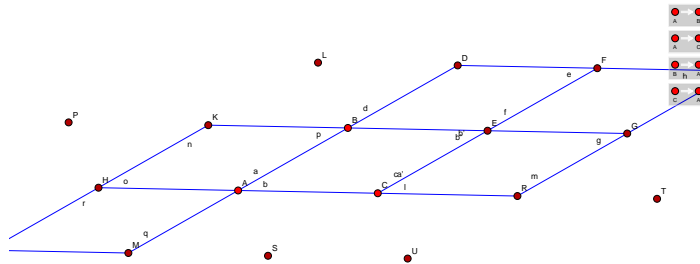
### Covering spaces and discrete group actions

- Given a manifold  $M$ , a covering map  $p : \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$  from another manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is an onto map such that each point of  $M$  has a neighborhood  $O$  s.t.  $p|_{p^{-1}(O)} : p^{-1}(O) \rightarrow O$  is a homeomorphism for each component of  $p^{-1}(O)$ .
- The coverings of a circle.
- Consider a disk with interiors of disjoint smaller disks removed. Cut remove edges and consider...
- The join of two circles example: See Hatcher AT P.56–58
- Homotopy lifting: Given two homotopic maps to  $M$ , if one lifts to  $\tilde{M}$  and so does the other.
- Given a map  $f : Y \rightarrow M$  with  $f(y_0) = x_0$ ,  $f$  lifts to  $\tilde{f} : Y \rightarrow \tilde{M}$  so that  $\tilde{f}(y_0) = \tilde{x}_0$  if  $f_*(\pi(Y, y_0)) \subset p_*(\pi_*(\tilde{M}, \tilde{x}_0))$ .

### Covering spaces and discrete group actions

- The automorphism group of a covering map  $p : M' \rightarrow M$  is a group of homeomorphisms  $f : M' \rightarrow M'$  so that  $p \circ f = p$ . (also called deck transformation group.)
- $\pi_1(M)$  acts on  $\tilde{M}$  on the right by path-liftings.
- A covering is *regular* if the covering map  $p : M' \rightarrow M$  is a quotient map under the action of a discrete group  $\Gamma$  acting properly discontinuously and freely. Here  $M$  is homeomorphic to  $M'/\Gamma$ .
- One can classify covering spaces of  $M$  by the subgroups of  $\pi_1(M, x_0)$ . That is, two coverings of  $M$  are equal iff the subgroups are the same.
- Covering spaces are ordered by subgroup inclusion relations.
- If the subgroup is normal, the corresponding covering is regular.

- A manifold has a *universal covering*, i.e., a covering whose space has a trivial fundamental group. A universal cover covers every other coverings of a given manifold.
- $\tilde{M}$  has the covering automorphism group  $\Gamma$  isomorphic to  $\pi_1(M)$ . A manifold  $M$  equals  $\tilde{M}/\Gamma$  for its universal cover  $\tilde{M}$ .  $\Gamma$  is a subgroup of the deck transformation group.
  - Let  $\tilde{M}$  be  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $T^2$  be a torus. Then there is a map  $p : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow T^2$  sending  $(x, y)$  to  $([x], [y])$  where  $[x] = x \bmod 2\pi$  and  $[y] = y \bmod 2\pi$ .
  - Let  $M$  be a surface of genus 2.  $\tilde{M}$  is homeomorphic to a disk. The deck transformation group can be realized as isometries of a hyperbolic plane.



## 2.4 Simplicial manifolds

### Simplicial manifolds

- An  $n$ -simplex is a convex hull of  $n + 1$ -points (affinely independent). An  $n$ -simplex is homeomorphic to  $B^n$ .
- A simplicial complex is a locally finite collection  $S$  of simplices so that any face of a simplex is a simplex in  $S$  and the intersection of two elements of  $S$  is an element of  $S$ . The union is a topological set, a *polyhedron*.
- We can define barycentric subdivisions and so on.
- A link of a simplex  $\sigma$  is the simplicial complex made up of simplicies opposite  $\sigma$  in a simplex containing  $\sigma$ .

- An  $n$ -manifold  $X$  can be constructed by gluing  $n$ -simplices by face-identifications. Suppose  $X$  is an  $n$ -dimensional triangulated space. If the link of every  $p$ -simplex is homeomorphic to a sphere of  $(n - p - 1)$ -dimension, then  $X$  is an  $n$ -manifold.
- If  $X$  is a simplicial  $n$ -manifold, we say  $X$  is orientable if we can give an orientations on each simplex so that over the common faces they extend each other.

## 2.5 Surfaces

### Surfaces

#### Canonical construction

Given a polygon with even number of sides, we assign identification by labeling by alphabets  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_1^{-1}, a_2^{-1}, \dots$ , so that  $a_i$  means an edge labelled by  $a_i$  oriented counter-clockwise and  $a_i^{-1}$  means an edge labelled by  $a_i$  oriented clockwise. If a pair  $a_i$  and  $a_i$  or  $a_i^{-1}$  occur, then we identify them respecting the orientations.

- A bigon: We divide the boundary into two edges and identify by labels  $a, a^{-1}$ .
- A bigon: We divide the boundary into two edges and identify by labels  $a, a$ .
- A square: We identify the top segment with the bottom one and the right side with the left side. The result is a 2-torus.
- Any closed surface can be represented in this manner.
- A  $4n$ -gon. We label edges

$$a_1, b_1, a_1^{-1}, b_1^{-1}, a_2, b_2, a_2^{-1}, b_2^{-1}, \dots, a_n, b_n, a_n^{-1}, b_n^{-1}.$$

The result is a connected sum of  $n$  tori and is orientable. The genus of such a surface is  $n$ .

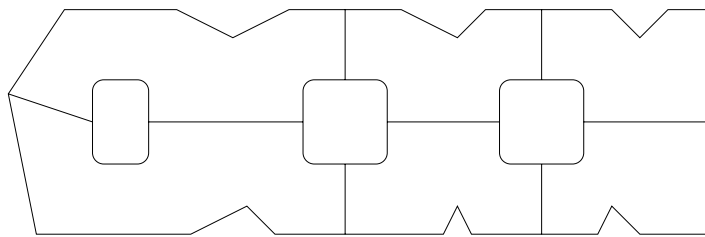
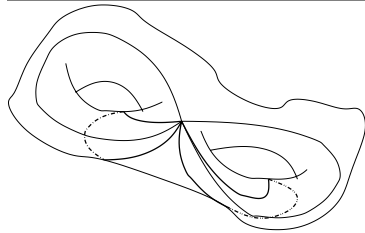
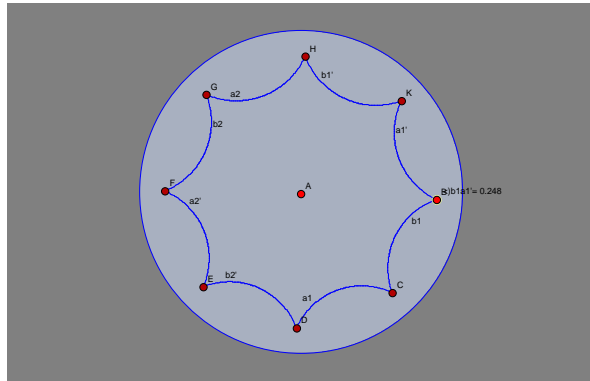
- A  $2n$ -gon. We label edges  $a_1 a_1 a_2 a_2 \dots a_n b_n$ . The result is a connected sum of  $n$  projective planes and is not orientable. The genus of such a surface is  $n$ .
- The results are topological surfaces and a 2-dimensional simplicial manifold.
- We can remove the interiors of disjoint closed balls from the surfaces. The results are surfaces with boundary.

- The fundamental group of a surface can now be computed. A surface is a cell complex starting from a 1-complex which is a bouquet of circles and attached with a cell. (See AT P.51)

$$\pi(S) = \{a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g | [a_1, b_1][a_2, b_2] \dots [a_g, b_g]\}$$

for orientable  $S$  of genus  $g$ .

- An Euler characteristic of a simplicial complex is given by  $E - F + V$ . This is a topological invariant. We can show that the Euler characteristic of an orientable compact surface of genus  $g$  with  $n$  boundary components is  $2 - 2g - n$ .
- In fact, a closed orientable surface contains  $3g - 3$  disjoint simple closed curves so that the complement of its union is a disjoint union of pairs of pants, i.e., spheres with three holes. Thus, a pair of pants is an "elementary" surface.





### 3 Pseudo-group and $\mathcal{G}$ -structures

#### Pseudo-groups

- In this section, we introduce pseudo-groups.
- However, we are mainly interested in classical geometries, Clifford-Klein geometries. We will be concerned with Lie group  $G$  acting on a manifold  $M$ .
- Most obvious ones are euclidean geometry where  $G$  is the group of rigid motions acting on the euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The spherical geometry is one where  $G$  is the group  $O(n + 1)$  of orthogonal transformations acting on the unit sphere  $\mathbf{S}^n$ .

#### Pseudo-groups

- Topological manifolds form too large category to handle.
- To restrict the local property more, we introduce *pseudo-groups*. A *pseudo-group*  $\mathcal{G}$  on a topological space  $X$  is the set of homeomorphisms between open sets of  $X$  so that
  - The domains of  $g \in \mathcal{G}$  cover  $X$ .
  - The restriction of  $g \in \mathcal{G}$  to an open subset of its domain is also in  $\mathcal{G}$ .
  - The composition of two elements of  $\mathcal{G}$  when defined is in  $\mathcal{G}$ .
  - The inverse of an element of  $\mathcal{G}$  is in  $\mathcal{G}$ .
  - If  $g : U \rightarrow V$  is a homeomorphism for  $U, V$  open subsets of  $X$ . If  $U$  is a union of open sets  $U_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in I$  for some index set  $I$  such that  $g|_{U_\alpha}$  is in  $\mathcal{G}$  for each  $\alpha$ , then  $g$  is in  $\mathcal{G}$ .
- The trivial pseudo-group is one where every element is a restriction of the identity  $X \rightarrow X$ .
- Any pseudo-group contains a trivial pseudo-group.
- The maximal pseudo-group of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is *TOP*, the set of all homeomorphisms between open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- The pseudo-group  $C^r$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , of the set of  $C^r$ -diffeomorphisms between open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- The pseudo-group PL of piecewise linear homeomorphisms between open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- $(G, X)$ -pseudo group. Let  $G$  be a Lie group acting on a manifold  $X$ . Then we define the pseudo-group as the set of all pairs  $(g|_U, U)$  where  $U$  is the set of all open subsets of  $X$ .
- The group  $\text{isom}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  of rigid motions acting on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or orthogonal group  $O(n + 1, \mathbb{R})$  acting on  $\mathbf{S}^n$  give examples.

### 3.1 $\mathcal{G}$ -manifold

#### $\mathcal{G}$ -manifold

$\mathcal{G}$ -manifold is obtained as a manifold glued with special type of gluings only in  $\mathcal{G}$ .

- Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a pseudo-group on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . A  $\mathcal{G}$ -manifold is a  $n$ -manifold  $M$  with a maximal  $\mathcal{G}$ -atlas.
- A  $\mathcal{G}$ -atlas is a collection of charts (imbeddings)  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $U$  is an open subset of  $M$  such that whose domains cover  $M$  and any two charts are  $\mathcal{G}$ -compatible.

– Two charts  $(U, \phi), (V, \psi)$  are  $\mathcal{G}$ -compatible if the transition map

$$\gamma = \psi \circ \phi^{-1} : \phi(U \cap V) \rightarrow \psi(U \cap V) \in \mathcal{G}.$$

- One can choose a locally finite  $\mathcal{G}$ -atlas from a given maximal one and conversely.
- A  $\mathcal{G}$ -map  $f : M \rightarrow N$  for two  $\mathcal{G}$ -manifolds is a local homeomorphism so that if  $f$  sends a domain of a chart  $\phi$  into a domain of a chart  $\psi$ , then

$$\psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1} \in \mathcal{G}.$$

That is,  $f$  is an element of  $\mathcal{G}$  locally up to charts.

### 3.2 Examples

#### Examples

- $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a  $\mathcal{G}$ -manifold if  $\mathcal{G}$  is a pseudo-group on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- $f : M \rightarrow N$  be a local homeomorphism. If  $N$  has a  $\mathcal{G}$ -structure, then so does  $M$  so that the map is a  $\mathcal{G}$ -map. (A class of examples such as  $\theta$ -annuli and  $\pi$ -annuli.)
- Let  $\Gamma$  be a discrete group of  $\mathcal{G}$ -homeomorphisms of  $M$  acting properly and freely. Then  $M/\Gamma$  has a  $\mathcal{G}$ -structure. The charts will be the charts of the lifted open sets.
- $T^n$  has a  $C^r$ -structure and a PL-structure.
- Given  $(G, X)$  as above, a  $(G, X)$ -manifold is a  $\mathcal{G}$ -manifold where  $\mathcal{G}$  is the restricted pseudo-group.
- A euclidean manifold is a  $(\text{isom}(\mathbb{R}^n), \mathbb{R}^n)$ -manifold.
- A spherical manifold is a  $(O(n+1), \mathbf{S}^n)$ -manifold.

## 4 Differential geometry and $\mathcal{G}$ -structures

### Differential geometry and $\mathcal{G}$ -structures

- We wish to understand geometric structures in terms of differential geometric setting; i.e., using bundles, connections, and so on.
- Such an understanding help us to see the issues in different ways.
- Actually, this is not central to the lectures. However, we should try to relate to the traditional fields where our subject can be studied in another way.
- We will say more details later on.

### 4.1 Riemannian manifolds

#### Riemannian manifolds and constant curvature manifolds.

- A differentiable manifold has a Riemannian metric, i.e., inner-product at each tangent space smooth with respect coordinate charts. Such a manifold is said to be a Riemannian manifold.
- An isometric immersion (imbedding) of a Riemannian manifold to another one is a (one-to-one) map that preserve the Riemannian metric.
- We will be concerned with isometric imbedding of  $M$  into itself usually.
- A length of an arc is the value of an integral of the norm of tangent vectors to the arc. This gives us a metric on a manifold. An isometric imbedding of  $M$  into itself is an isometry always.
- A geodesic is an arc minimizing length locally.
  
- A sectional curvature of a Riemannian metric along a 2-plane is given as the rate of area growth of a triangle (An exact formula exists.)
- A constant curvature manifold is one where the sectional curvature is identical to a constant in every planar direction at every point.
- Examples:
  - A euclidean space  $E^n$  with the standard norm metric has a constant curvature = 0.
  - A sphere  $S^n$  with the standard induced metric from  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  has a constant curvature = 1.
  - Find a discrete torsion-free subgroup  $\Gamma$  of the isometry group of  $E^n$  (resp.  $S^n$ ). Then  $E^n/\Gamma$  (resp.  $S^n/\Gamma$ ) has constant curvature = 0 (resp. 1).

## 4.2 Lie groups and group actions

### Lie groups and group actions.

- A Lie group is a smooth manifold  $G$  with an associative smooth product map  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  with identity and a smooth inverse map  $\iota : G \rightarrow G$ . (A Lie group is often the set of symmetries of certain types of mathematical objects.)
- For example, the set of isometries of  $\mathbf{S}^n$  form a Lie group  $O(n+1)$ , which is a classical group called an orthogonal group.
- The set of isometries of the euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  form a Lie group  $\mathbb{R}^n \otimes O(n)$ , i.e., an extension of  $O(n)$  by a translation group in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Simple Lie groups are classified. Examples  $GL(n, \mathbb{R}), SL(n, \mathbb{R}), O(n, \mathbb{R}), O(n, m), GL(n, \mathbb{C}), U(n), SU(n), SP(2n, \mathbb{R}), Spin(n), \dots$
- An action of a Lie group  $G$  on a space  $X$  is a map  $G \times X \rightarrow X$  so that  $(gh)(x) = g(h(x))$ .
- For each  $g \in G$ ,  $g$  gives us a map  $g : X \rightarrow X$  where the identity element correspond to the identity map of  $X$ .
- Examples:  $\mathbb{R}^n \otimes O(n)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $O(n)$  on  $\mathbf{S}^n$ .

## 4.3 Principal bundles and connections, flat connections

### Principal bundles and connections, flat connections

- Let  $M$  be a manifold and  $G$  a Lie group. A principal fiber bundle  $P$  over  $M$  with a group  $G$ :
  - $P$  is a manifold.
  - $G$  acts freely on  $P$  on the right.  $P \times G \rightarrow P$ .
  - $M = P/G$ .  $\pi : P \rightarrow M$  is differentiable.
  - $P$  is locally trivial.  $\phi : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times G$ .
- Example 1:  $L(M)$  the set of frames of  $T(M)$ .  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts freely on  $L(M)$ .  $\pi : L(M) \rightarrow M$  is a principal bundle.
- $P$  a bundle space,  $M$  the base space.  $\pi^{-1}(x)$  a fiber.
- $\pi^{-1}(x) = \{ug | g \in G\}$ .

- A bundle can be constructed by mappings

$$\{\phi_{\beta,\alpha} : U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow G \mid U_\alpha, U_\beta \text{ "trivial" open subsets of } M\}$$

so that

$$\phi_{\gamma,\alpha} = \phi_{\gamma,\beta} \circ \phi_{\beta,\alpha}$$

for any triple  $U_\alpha, U_\beta, U_\gamma$ .

- $G', G$  Lie groups.  $f : G' \rightarrow G$  a monomorphism.  $P(G', M) \rightarrow P(G, M)$  inducing identity  $M \rightarrow M$  is called a reduction of the structure group  $G$  to  $G'$ . There may be many reductions for given  $G'$  and  $G$ .
- $P(G, M)$  is reducible to  $P(G', M)$  if and only if  $\phi_{\alpha,\beta}$  can be taken to be in  $G'$ . (See Kobayashi-Nomizu, Bishop-Crittendon for details.)

### Associated bundles

- Associated bundle: Let  $F$  be a manifold with a left-action of  $G$ .
- $G$  acts on  $P \times F$  on the right by

$$g : (u, x) \rightarrow (ug, g^{-1}(x)), g \in G, u \in M, x \in F.$$

- The quotient space  $E = P \times_G F$ .
- $\pi_E$  is induced and  $\pi_E^{-1}(U) = U \times F$ . The structure group is the same.
- Example: Tangent bundle  $T(M)$ .  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $F = \mathbb{R}^n$ . Obtain  $L(M) \times_{GL(n, \mathbb{R})} \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Example: Tensor bundles  $T_s^r(M)$ .  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts on  $T_s^r(\mathbb{R})$ . Let  $F = T_s^r(\mathbb{R})$ .

### Connections

- $P(M, G)$  a principal bundle.
- A connection decomposes each  $T_u(P)$  for each  $u \in P$  into
  - $T_u(P) = G_u \oplus Q_u$  where  $G_u$  is a subspace tangent to the fiber. ( $G_u$  the vertical space,  $Q_u$  the horizontal space.)
  - $Q_{ug} = (R_g)_* Q_u$  for each  $g \in G$  and  $u \in P$ .
  - $Q_u$  depend smoothly on  $u$ .
- A *horizontal* lift of a piecewise-smooth path  $\tau$  on  $M$  is a piecewise-smooth path  $\tau'$  lifting  $\tau$  so that the tangent vectors are all horizontal.
- A horizontal lift is determined once the initial point is given.

- Given a curve on  $M$  with two endpoints, the lift defines a parallel displacement between fibers above the two endpoints. (commuting with  $G$ -actions).
  - Fixing a point  $x_0$  on  $M$ , this defines a holonomy group.
  - The curvature of a connection is a measure of how much a horizontal lift of small loop in  $M$  is a loop in  $P$ .
  - The flat connection: In this case, we can lift homotopically trivial loops in  $M^n$  to loops in  $P$ . Thus, the flatness is equivalent to local lifting of coordinate chart of  $M$  to horizontal sections in  $P$ .
  - A flat connection on  $P$  gives us a smooth foliation of dimension  $n$  transversal to the fibers.
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- The associated bundle  $E$  also inherits a connection and hence horizontal liftings.
  - The flatness is also equivalent to the local lifting property.
  - The flat connection on  $E$  gives us a smooth foliation of dimension  $n$  transversal to the fibers.
  - Summary: A connection gives us a way to identify fibers given paths on  $X$ -bundles over  $M$ . The flatness gives us locally consistent identifications.

**The principal bundles and  $G$ -structures.**

- Given a manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$ , a Lie group  $G$  acting on a manifold  $X$  of dimension  $n$ .
- We form a principal bundle  $P$  and then the associated bundle  $E$  fibered by  $X$  with a flat connection.
- A section  $f : M \rightarrow E$  which is transverse everywhere to the foliation given by the flat connection.
- This gives us a  $(G, X)$ -structure and conversely a  $(G, X)$ -structure gives us  $P, E, f$  and the flat connection.