

# Introduction to Symplectic Geometry : Lecture 13

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$$c_1(E) \in H^2(M, \mathbb{Z})$$

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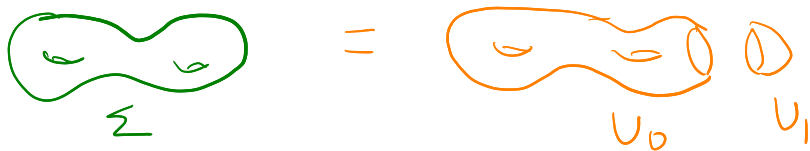
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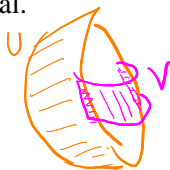
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Reason :  $\mathbb{D}$  is contractible,  $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$  is  
 connected

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By changing the trivializations  
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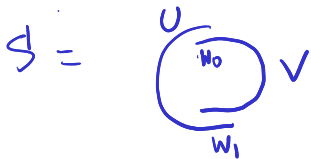
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$U \cup V$

$$U \cap V = W_0 \sqcup W_1$$

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$E$  is non-trivial if  $\Phi_{UV}(W_0) \in GL^+(n, \mathbb{R})$   
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- The first Chern number can also be defined for symplectic vector bundles in the same way.

Way 1 — look  $\pi_1(V_0 \wedge V_1) \rightarrow \pi_1(Sp(2n, \mathbb{R}))$

Way 2 — Equip symplectic vector bundle  $E \rightarrow M$   
with a compatible complex structure  $J$   
and compute 1<sup>st</sup> Chern no.

$$C_1(E, J)$$

← Rank  $C_1(E, J)$  is independent of choice of  $J$ .

Space of compatible  $\mathbb{C}$ -structures on  $E$  is contractible.

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$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(k) := (U_0 \times \mathbb{C}) \amalg (U_1 \times \mathbb{C}) / \sim \rightarrow \text{given by } \Phi_{01}$$

Def:  $M$  is a complex mfd  
if it is a smooth mfd with charts  
$$\Phi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n, \quad M = \bigcup_\alpha U_\alpha$$

and transition functions

$$\Phi_\beta \circ \Phi_\alpha^{-1} : \Phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \rightarrow \Phi_\beta(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)$$

are biholomorphisms.

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$$e^{t\xi} = \exp(t\xi) := 1 + t\xi + \frac{\xi^2}{2!} + \dots$$

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$$t \mapsto e^{t\xi}, \quad \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G \quad \text{is a homomorphism}$$
$$\text{s.t.} \quad \left. \frac{d}{dt} e^{t\xi} \right|_{t=0} = \xi$$

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$$g \in G \quad L_g : M \rightarrow M, \quad m \mapsto gm$$

$$dL_g : \text{Vect}(M) \rightarrow \text{Vect}(M), \quad v \mapsto dL_g(v)$$

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is linear and equivariant. (Equivariance means  $\mu_{Ad_g \xi} = \mu_\xi \circ L_{g^{-1}}$ .)

- Linearity of (1) implies that we may rewrite (1) as

$$\boxed{\mu : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^\vee}, \quad \text{such that} \quad \mu_\xi = \langle \mu, \xi \rangle. \quad \therefore M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Moment map

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