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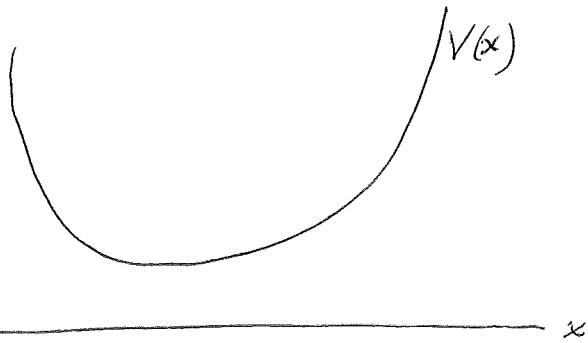
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I want to understand Cramers thm. and large deviations. The first thing is to get the physics straight and then go on to the mathematics.

I return to the effective action idea. Let me consider a particle on the line subject to the potential $V(x)$. Assume V convex + smooth.



Apply force J to the particle. This means the new potential $V(\bar{x} - Jx)$ and the particle is found at the minimum \bar{x} , where

$$(*) \quad V'(\bar{x}) = J$$

This defines \bar{x} as a function of J .

Suppose I want J as a function of \bar{x} . I make the Legendre transform

$$W(J) = J\bar{x} - V(\bar{x})$$

where \bar{x} is regarded as a fn of J by. Then if I know $W(J)$, then I get \bar{x} by

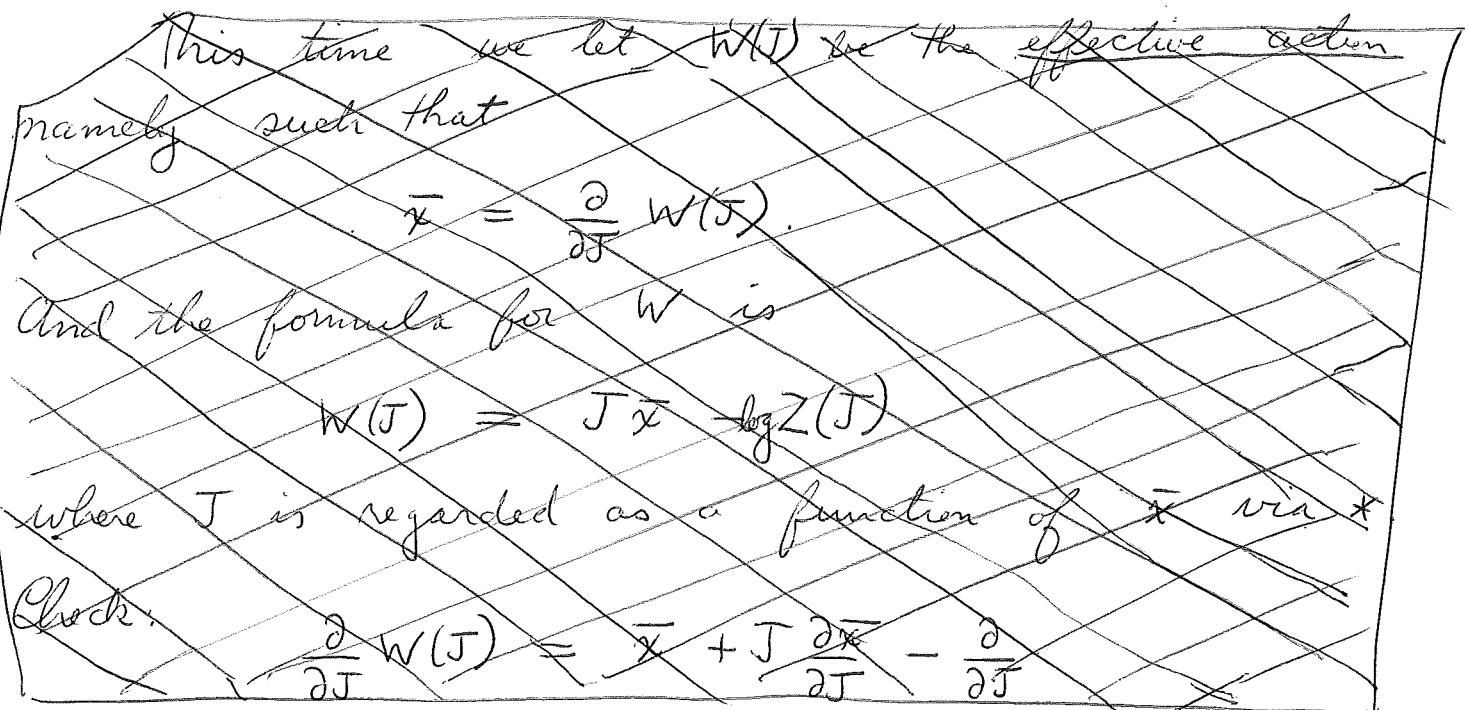
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dJ} W(J) &= \bar{x} + J \frac{d\bar{x}}{dJ} - \underbrace{\frac{d}{dJ} V(\bar{x})}_{V'(\bar{x}) \frac{d\bar{x}}{dJ}} \\ &= \bar{x} \end{aligned}$$

Now suppose the particle is connected to a heat bath, whence its position is now

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\int e^{-\beta(V(x)-Jx)} x \, dx}{\int e^{-\beta(V(x)-Jx)} \, dx}$$

Assume $\beta = 1$, put $\mu(dx) = \frac{e^{-V(x)}}{Z(J)} dx$. Then this is

$$* \quad \bar{x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial J} \log Z(J), \quad Z(J) = \int e^{Jx} \mu(dx)$$



Let $U(\bar{x})$ be the effective action which means

we want

$$J = U'(\bar{x})$$

where \bar{x}, J are related by *. Thus

$$U(\bar{x}) = J\bar{x} - \log Z(J)$$

Check:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}} U(\bar{x}) = J + \cancel{\frac{\partial J}{\partial \bar{x}} \bar{x}} - \cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial J} \log Z(J)} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \bar{x}}$$

What is the way to think? Think of the measure as being very concentrated. Now this will just give back the classical theory. Instead we want to take an ensemble of this system and average. Then we expect deviations from the mean to be very small.

So let's go on to the statement of Cramer's thm.

$$Z(J) = \int e^{Jx} \mu(dx)$$

One assumes this is finite for all $J \in \mathbb{R}$ and defines

$$I(x) = \sup_J \{ Jx - \log Z(J) \}.$$

This is the effective potential in the cases of interest to me. Conclusion is

$$\text{F closed} \quad \overline{\lim} \frac{1}{n} \log \mu_n(F) \leq -\inf_{x \in F} I(x)$$

$$\text{G open} \quad \underline{\lim} \frac{1}{n} \log \mu_n(G) \geq -\inf_{x \in G} I(x)$$

These [redacted] say roughly that

$$\mu_n(F) \leq e^{-n \inf_{x \in F} I(x) + \epsilon n}$$

$$\mu_n(G) \geq e^{-n \inf_{x \in G} I(x) - \epsilon n}$$

These can't be correct, but basically the leading term of the asymptotic expansion is OK.

Here is the heuristic way to look at things. We know

$$\int e^{Jx} \mu_n(dx) = \int e^{\sum x_i J_i} \mu(dx_1) \dots \mu(dx_n)$$

$$= Z\left(\frac{J}{n}\right)^n = e^{n \log Z(J/n)}$$

so by some sort of Fourier inversion

$$\mu_n(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-xJ} e^{n \log Z(J/n)} dJ$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int e^{-n(xJ - \log Z(J))} ndJ$$

and now uses steepest descent to get

$$\mu_n(x) \sim e^{-n I(x)} \times \left(\frac{n}{\sqrt{n} \det \cdots} \right)$$

since $I(x)$ is the minimum value of $xJ - \log Z(J)$.

This is about as far as one can go with the intuitive arguments. So where do I start.

Suppose we were to start with a nice measure, i.e. smooth with compact support or a sum of δ -measures. Then $Z(J)$ is an entire function so we ought to have good control over

$$\int e^{Jx} \mu_n(dx) = Z(J/n)^n$$

Now $Z(J) = \int e^{Jx} \mu(dx) = 1 + m_1 J + m_2 \frac{J^2}{2!} + \dots$

so that

$$Z(J/n)^n = \left(1 + m_1 \frac{J}{n} + m_2 \frac{J^2}{2! n^2} + \dots\right)^n$$

$\rightarrow e^{m_1 J}$

if J remains bounded. ~~100000000000000~~ This confirms the fact that $\mu_n \rightarrow \delta(x - m_1) dx$.

$$\int e^{\psi^t \omega \tilde{\psi} + \tilde{J}^t \tilde{\psi} + \psi^t J} = \det(\omega) e^{-\tilde{J}^t \omega^{-1} J}$$

$$= \sum_{|I|=|K|} \varepsilon(I', I) \varepsilon(K', K) \det(\omega_{I', K'}) J^I \tilde{J}^{K*}$$

We ought to be able to check this by using

$$-\tilde{J}^t \omega^{-1} J = J^t (+\omega^{-1})^t \tilde{J}$$

so this gives the formula

$$\det(\omega) \underbrace{\det((\omega^{-1})^t_{I, K})}_{\det((\omega^{-1})_{K, I})} = \varepsilon(I', I) \varepsilon(K', K) \det(\omega_{I', K'})$$

This is the generalized Cramer's rule.

Now ~~how~~ how can I really see this is true without computation? There should be some way with the fermion integrals.

$$\frac{\int e^{\psi^t \omega \tilde{\psi} + \psi^t \eta \tilde{\psi}}}{\int e^{\psi^t \omega \tilde{\psi}}} = \frac{1}{\det(\omega)} \sum \int e^{\psi^t \tilde{\psi}} \underbrace{\det(\eta_{I, J})}_{\det(\omega)} \psi^I \tilde{\psi}^{J*}$$

$$= \sum \frac{\det(\eta_{I, J})}{\det(\omega)} \varepsilon(I, I') \varepsilon(J, J') \det(\omega_{I', J'})$$

$$\frac{\det(\omega + \eta)}{\det(\omega)} = \det(1 + \omega^{-1} \eta) = \sum_{I, J} \det(\omega^{-1})_{J, I} \det(\eta)_{I, J}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\det(\omega) \det(\omega^{-1})_{J, I} = \varepsilon(I, I') \varepsilon(J, J') \det(\omega_{I', J'})}$$

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Cramér's theorem. Let μ be a probability measure on \mathbb{R} such that

$$(1) \quad Z(J) = \int e^{Jx} \mu(dx) < \infty$$

for all $J \in \mathbb{R}$. Put

$$(2) \quad W(x) = \sup_J \{ Jx - \log Z(J) \}.$$

This is the so called Fenchel transform of $\log Z(J)$ and it is essentially the Legendre transform in the present case. We first discuss this.

The first remark is that if we split the integration into $x \geq 0$ and $x < 0$, then we get two Laplace transforms which one knows to be analytic in half-planes $\operatorname{Re}(J) < \text{const}$ or $> \text{const}$. Thus $Z(J)$ is an entire function of J under the assumption (1).

Next one knows that

$$\partial_J^2 \log Z(J) = \langle (x - \langle x \rangle_J)^2 \rangle_J$$

where $\langle \cdot \rangle_J$ denotes the average wrt $\frac{e^{Jx} \mu}{Z(J)}$.

This shows that

$$J \mapsto \bar{x}_J = \langle x \rangle_J = \partial_J \log Z(J)$$

will be smooth ~~essentially in the interior~~ with derivative > 0 , provided (as we assume) the measure μ has support with at least 2 points.

unique J_x such that $\bar{x}_{J_x} = \underline{x}$. The function
 $J \mapsto J\underline{x} - \log Z(J)$

has second derivative > 0 and the first derivative

$$x - \bar{x}_J$$

vanishes at $J = J_x$. By convexity this has to be the unique minimum, i.e.

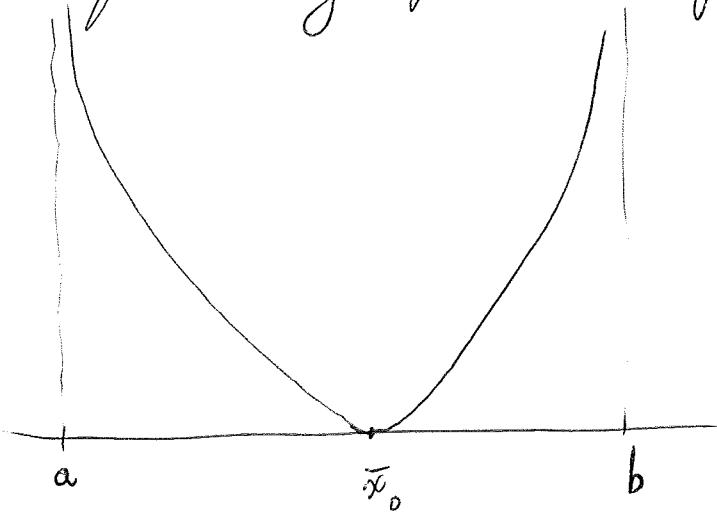
$$W(x) = J_x x - \log Z(J_x)$$

and so $W(x)$ is just the Legendre transform of $\log Z(J)$. Note that

$$\partial_x W(x) = J_x + \cancel{\partial_x J_x} x - x \cancel{\frac{\partial J_x}{\partial x}}.$$

In particular $W(x) \rightarrow +\infty$ as $x \uparrow b$ or $x \downarrow a$.

Finally as W is an upper envelope of a family of lines, it is convex and this ~~implies~~ implies that $W(x) = \infty$ if $x = a$ or b . So we have the following picture of $W(x)$



$W(x)$ is the effective potential if μ is the Boltzmann measure $\frac{e^{-\beta U(x)}}{\int e^{-\beta U(x)} dx}$

Next we discuss the ~~Cramér~~ Cramér theorem. This is a refinement of the (weak) law of large numbers which I now review.

Think of μ as the distribution of a r.v. X and then take n identically distributed independent r.v. X_1, \dots, X_n and let μ_n be the distribution of $\frac{1}{n} \sum X_j$. Thus the Laplace transform for μ_n is

$$Z_n(J) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{Jx} \mu_n(dx) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{J}{n} \sum x_i} \mu(dx_1) \cdots \mu(dx_n)$$

$$= Z(J/n)^n$$

Let's use Laplace inversion formally

$$\frac{\mu_n(dx)}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} e^{-Jx} Z(J/n)^n dJ$$

$$= \frac{n}{2\pi i} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} e^{-n(Jx - \log Z(J))} dJ$$

Now x being given we know that

$$Jx - \log Z(J)$$

has a critical point at $J = J_x$. So if we use the steepest descent method and assume there are not other contributing critical points, we get

$$\frac{\mu_n(dx)}{dx}(x) \sim e^{-nW(x)} (\star \dots)$$

as leading term.

if $x \in G$. We can suppose $W(x) < \infty$. Two cases
 ~~$x \geq \bar{x}$ or $x < \bar{x}$~~ Take the former.
Then ~~$\exists x_j \in G$ for~~
 ~~J near J_x .~~ Let's choose a $J > J_x$ such that
 ~~$x_J \in G$, and concentrate on the open interval~~
 ~~$(\bar{x}, x') \subset G$~~
~~where $x' > x_J$~~

Let us consider an open interval (y, y')
~~above \bar{x} such that~~
 ~~$W(y) < \infty$~~ . Choose J such that $\bar{x}_J \in (y, y')$,
and note that $J > J_y$. Now we consider the
measure

$$\mu_J = \frac{e^{Jx} \mu}{Z(J)}$$

which has its mean at \bar{x}_J . We want to
apply the law of large numbers to this.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(y, y')} \mu_{J,n}(dx) &= \int_{\frac{1}{n} \sum x_j \in (y, y')} e^{J \sum x_j} \mu(dx_1) \dots \mu(dx_n) / Z(J)^n \\ &= \int_{(y, y')} \frac{e^{nJ\bar{x}}}{Z(J)^n} \mu_n(dx) \stackrel{\text{LLN}}{\leq} \frac{e^{nJy'}}{Z(J)^n} \int_{(y, y')} \mu_n(dx) \end{aligned}$$

~~W.L.G. $y = 0$~~

The law of large numbers says

$$\int_{(y, y')} \mu_{J,n}(dx) \rightarrow 1$$

and then let $y' \neq x$ and we get the desired result.

This concludes the proof of Cramér's thm.

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Discuss conditional expectation. Start with a measure space (X, \mathcal{F}, μ) ; here \mathcal{F} is a σ -field of subsets of X . One supposes given a sub σ -field $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset \mathcal{F}$ and defines the conditional expectation of a measurable function f on X relative to \mathcal{F}_0 . I want to think geometrically, so I will suppose given a map

$$\pi: (X, \mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow (Y, \mathcal{F}_Y)$$

such that $\pi^*(\mathcal{F}_Y) = \mathcal{F}_0$. To simplify, suppose π onto, and then identify \mathcal{F}_Y and \mathcal{F}_0 via π^* .

Now measures push forward, so that we have a measure $\pi_* \mu$ on (Y, \mathcal{F}_0) determined by

$$(1) \quad \int_Y g \pi_* \mu = \int_X \pi^*(g) \mu$$

$$(2) \quad \int_A \pi_* \mu = \int_{\pi^{-1}A} \mu \quad \text{all } A \in \mathcal{F}_0$$

(Actually (2) should be taken as definition, and then (1) holds for all $g \geq 0$ measurable wrt \mathcal{F}_0)

If f is measurable on X , then its conditional expectation $\pi_*(f)$ is defined so that

$$(3) \quad \int_A \pi_*(f) \pi_* \mu = \int_{\pi^{-1}A} f \mu$$

l.e.

$$(4) \quad \int_Y g \pi_*(f) \pi_*(\mu) = \int_X \pi^*(g) f \mu$$

Why (and when) is $\pi_*(f)$ defined? Assume f integrable, then

$$\nu(A) = \int_{\pi^{-1}A} f \mu$$

is a signed measure absolutely continuous with respect to $\pi_* \mu$. ($\int_A \pi_* \mu = \int_{\pi^{-1}A} \mu = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{\pi^{-1}A} f \mu = 0$). Hence by the Radon-Nikodym thm. $\exists \pi_*(f) \in L^1(Y, \pi_* \mu)$

$$\nu(A) = \int_A \pi_*(f) \pi_*(\mu)$$

which yields (3).

~~██████████~~ Thus we have a geometric interpretation of ~~████~~ conditional expectation, namely, as $\pi_*(f)$.

Now I want to work in the Hilbert space picture, since I know 1) R-N thm. is proved by Hilbert space methods, 2) things simplify in the L^2 -picture.

~~████~~ The first remark is that one has an isometric embedding

$$L^2(Y, \pi_* \mu) \hookrightarrow L^2(X, \mu)$$

because

$$\int_Y |g|^2 \pi_* \mu = \int_X \pi^* |g|^2 \cdot \mu = \int_X |\pi^* g|^2 \mu$$

Hence $L^2(Y, \pi_* \mu)$ is a closed subspace of $L^2(X, \mu)$, and there is an orthogonal projection operator $E: L^2(X, \mu) \rightarrow L^2(Y, \pi_* \mu)$ characterized by

$$\langle Ef, g \rangle_Y = \langle f, \pi^* g \rangle_X$$

$$\int_Y g \pi_*(f) \pi_* \mu = \int_X \pi^*(g) f \mu \quad \text{by (4)}$$

Therefore we conclude that conditional expectation corresponds to orthogonal projection provided we work with L^2 frns.

(Recall that for prob. measures $L^1 \supset L^2 \supset L^\infty$, so that L^2 is more restrictive than integrable.)

Discuss martingales.

Suppose given an increasing sequence $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{F}_n \subset \dots$ of σ -fields and a sequence of r.v. X_n such that X_n is \mathcal{F}_n -measurable (notation of Durrett: $X_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$). Then (X_n, \mathcal{F}_n) is a martingale if the conditional expectation of X_n relative to \mathcal{F}_{n-1} is X_{n-1} for all n . One can assume $\mathcal{F}_\infty = \sigma$ -field generated by X_1, \dots, X_n . One has to assume X_n integrable so things are defined.

L^p -Martingale convergence thm. says that if $\sup \{E(X_n)\} < \infty$, then X_n converges in L^p for $p > 1$.

This result is obvious for $p=2$: An L^2 martingale is in particular a sequence X_n in L^2 such that the increments are mutually orthogonal.

so $X_n = \sum_{p=1}^n (X_p - X_{p-1})$ is an orthogonal sum

$$\|X_n\|^2 = \sum_1^n \|X_p - X_{p-1}\|^2 \quad X_0 = 0$$

and if this is bounded, then the series $\sum_{n \geq 1} (X_n - X_{n-1})$ converges.

Notice the difference between an L^2 martingale and a sequence X_n in L^2 with orthogonal increments. The σ -field F_n gen. by X_1, \dots, X_n will determine a closed subspace of L^2 containing X_1, \dots, X_n and functions of X_1, \dots, X_n . Then $X_{n+k} - X_n$ must be orthogonal to this whole subspace.

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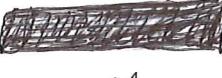
 Yesterday's lecture contained the map from cyclic cohomology to Lie algebra cohomology of $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{A})$.

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{A}) \quad A = C^\infty(M)$$

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \text{Lie}(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}}^{\mathbb{C}} \quad \mathfrak{g} = C^\infty(M, G), \quad G = U(n)$$

$C^*(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) =$ differential graded alg of cochains on $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$ which are continuous for the C^∞ topology

= diff. graded alg of left-invariant forms on \mathfrak{g} .

Denote the differential by s . It's given by an  ugly formula, but I want to reduce all calculations to the MC form.

How to construct elements of $C^*(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$. Start with a multi-linear functional $\varphi(f^1, \dots, f^p)$ on A^P which is continuous. (Such a φ is the same thing as a distribution on M^P by theory of top. tensor products.)

Extend φ to $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$.

$$\text{tr } \varphi(x^1, \dots, x^p) \stackrel{\text{defn}}{=} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_p} \varphi(x_{i_1, 1}, x_{i_2, 2}, \dots, x_{i_p, p})$$

and then skew-symmetrize to obtain

$$\diamond \quad \tilde{\varphi}(x^1, \dots, x^n) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_p} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{ tr } \varphi(x^{\sigma 1}, \dots, x^{\sigma p})$$

This $\tilde{\varphi}$ is obviously an element of $C^p(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$.

Because I don't want to compute with s on the level of multi-linear functions I now

rewrite $\tilde{\varphi}$ in terms of the MC form. This is the element

$$\theta \in C^1(\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}) = C^1(\tilde{g}, A) \otimes M_n$$

which is given by the identity map of \tilde{g} . It satisfies

$$\begin{cases} {}^L_X \theta = X & X \in \tilde{g} \\ \delta \theta = -\theta^2 \end{cases}$$

(Now I want to explain the formula

$$\tilde{\varphi} = \text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta)$$

This doesn't seem to work because the right side doesn't have an ~~an~~ a priori meaning. Except

$$\theta_{ij} \in C^1(\tilde{g}, \square A)$$

$$\text{so } \text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta) = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p} \varphi(\theta_{i_1 i_2}, \dots, \theta_{i_p i_1})$$

so it is enough to explain $\varphi(\theta_{i_1 i_2}, \dots, \theta_{i_p i_1})$. Now

$$\varphi : A^{\otimes p} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

and

$$\theta_{i_1 i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{i_p i_1} \in C^p(\tilde{g}, A^{\otimes p}) \quad \text{etc.}$$

Clearly from the definition of ~~a~~ product

$$\begin{aligned} {}^L_{X_p} {}^L_{X_{p-1}} \cdots {}^L_{X_1} (\theta_{i_1 i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{i_p i_1}) \\ = \sum_{\sigma} \boxed{\text{sgn}(\sigma)} X_{i_1 i_2}^{\sigma 1} \otimes \dots \otimes X_{i_p i_1}^{\sigma p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus I see that in order to explain the expression $\text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta)$ I have to define cup product on $C^*(\tilde{M}, ?)$. Once I do this, then I can compute that

$$i_{x_p} \dots i_{x_1} \text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta) = \sum_{\sigma} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{tr } \varphi(x_1^{\sigma_1}, \dots, x_p^{\sigma_p})$$

The next point is to see that $\text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta)$ depends on the cyclic skew-symmetrisation of φ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta) &= \sum_{\iota_1, \dots, \iota_p} \varphi(\theta_{\iota_1 \iota_2}, \theta_{\iota_2 \iota_3}, \dots, \theta_{\iota_p \iota_1}) \\ &= \sum_{\iota_1, \dots, \iota_p} \varphi(\theta_{\iota_p \iota_1}, \theta_{\iota_1 \iota_2}, \dots, \theta_{\iota_{p-1} \iota_p}) \end{aligned}$$

Set $\varphi'(a_1', \dots, a_p') = (-1)^{p-1} \varphi(a_p, a_1', \dots, a^{p-1}).$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr } \varphi'(\theta, \dots, \theta) &= \boxed{\text{skew-commutative sum}} \\ &= \varphi' \sum \theta_{\iota_1 \iota_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{\iota_p \iota_1} \end{aligned}$$

You will have to use the skew commutativity of the cup product:

$$\alpha \in C^p(\tilde{M}, M) \quad \beta \in C^q(\tilde{M}, N)$$

$$\alpha \otimes \beta \in C^{p+q}(\tilde{M}, M \otimes N)$$

$$\beta \otimes \alpha \in C^{q+p}(\tilde{M}, N \otimes M)$$

If $\tau: M \otimes N \xrightarrow{\sim} N \otimes M$ is the inter change, then

$$\tau(\alpha \otimes \beta) = (-1)^{p\beta} \beta \otimes \alpha.$$

Using this one has: $\lambda(a' \otimes \dots \otimes a^P) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{p-1} \\ a^P \otimes a' \otimes \dots \otimes a^{P-1} \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi' \sum \theta_{i_1 i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{i_p i_1} &= \varphi \lambda \sum \theta_{i_1 i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{i_{p-1} i_p} \\ &= \varphi \sum \theta_{i_2 i_3} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{i_{p-1} i_p} \otimes \theta_{i_1 i_2} \\ &= \boxed{\text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta)} \end{aligned}$$

So the essential point is that

$$\sum \theta_{i_1 i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \theta_{i_p i_1} \in C^P(\tilde{g}, A^{\otimes P})$$

is preserved by λ on $A^{\otimes P}$. Thus

$$\boxed{\text{tr}(\varphi \lambda)(\theta, \dots, \theta) = \text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta)}$$

Example: $A = \mathbb{C}$:

$$\varphi(a'_1, \dots, a^P) = a'^1 \dots a^P$$

leads to $\text{tr } \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta) = \text{tr}(\theta^P)$. As $\varphi \lambda = -\varphi$

for p even, this form λ will be zero for P even.

$$\boxed{\lambda_{x_p \dots x_1} \text{tr}(\theta^P) = \sum_{\sigma} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{tr}(x^{\sigma 1} \dots x^{\sigma P})}$$

Next we consider the boundary operator in Hochschild cohomology. Let $\varphi: A^P \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$b\varphi(a'_1, \dots, a^{P+1}) = \sum_{j=1}^P (-1)^{j-1} \varphi(\dots, a^j a^{j+1}, \dots) + (-1)^P \varphi(a^{P+1} a'_1, a^2, \dots, a^P)$$

Assume $\varphi \lambda = \varphi$, i.e. φ is cyclically skew-symmetric.

Then

$$\varphi(a'_1, \dots, a^j a^{j+1}, \dots, a^{P+1}) = (-1)^{(j-1)(P-1)} \varphi(a^j a^{j+1}, \dots, a^{P+1}, a_1, \dots, a_{j-1})$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 b\varphi(a'_1, \dots, a^{P+1}) &= \sum_{j=1}^P (-1)^{(j-1)P} \varphi(a_1 a_2 \dots a_j^{P+1}, a'_1, \dots, a'_{j-1}) \\
 &\quad + (-1)^{P^2} \varphi(a^{P+1} a'_1, a^2, \dots, a^P) \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^P (\psi t^j)(a'_1, \dots, a^{P+1})
 \end{aligned}$$

where $t(a'_1, \dots, a^{P+1}) = (-1)^P (a^2, \dots, a^{P+1}, a')$

$$\psi(a'_1, \dots, a^{P+1}) = \varphi(a^1 a^2, a^3, \dots, a^P)$$

Thus $\boxed{\text{using formula } \star}$ we get

$$\text{tr}(b\varphi)(\overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P+1}) = (P+1) \text{tr} \varphi(\overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P+1})$$

or

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$$\boxed{\text{tr}(b\varphi)(\overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P+1}) = (P+1) \text{tr} \varphi(\overbrace{\theta^2, \theta, \dots, \theta}^{P+1})}$$

assuming φ is a cyclic cochain.

Next we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta \text{tr} \varphi(\overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^P) &= - \text{tr} \left\{ \varphi(\theta^2, \theta, \dots, \theta) - \varphi(\theta, \theta^2, \theta, \dots, \theta) + \dots \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (-1)^{P-1} \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta, \theta^2) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

and because φ is cyclic

$$\text{tr} \varphi(\overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P-1}, \theta^2, \overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P-j}) = (-1)^P (-1)^{P-1} \text{tr} \varphi(\overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P-1}, \theta^2, \overbrace{\theta, \dots, \theta}^{P-j-1})$$

Conclude

②

$$\boxed{\delta \text{tr} \varphi(\theta, \dots, \theta) = -P \text{tr} \varphi(\overbrace{\theta^2, \theta, \dots, \theta}^{P-1})}$$

Introduce $C^*(A)$ the complex of cyclic cochains. First define the Hochschild complex $C^P(A, A^*)$ where $C^P(A, A^*)$ = the space of continuous multilinear maps $\varphi: A^{P+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. $C^P(A) \subset C^P(A, A^*)$ is the subspace of cyclic cochains, i.e. $\varphi(a^0, \dots, a^P)$ which are cyclically skew-symmetric. On $C^*(A, A^*)$, we have

$$(b\varphi)(a^0, \dots, a^{P+1}) = \sum_{j=0}^P (-1)^j \varphi(\dots, a_j a_{j+1} \dots) + (-1)^{P+1} \varphi(a^{P+1} a^0, a^1, \dots, a^P)$$

On the preceding page we saw that if φ is cyclic then

$$\begin{aligned} b\varphi &= \sum_{j=0}^{P+1} \varphi + \varphi \\ &= N\varphi \end{aligned} \quad \begin{cases} t(a^0, \dots, a^{P+1}) = (-1)^{P+1}(a_1, \dots, a^{P+1}, a^0) \\ \varphi(a^0, \dots, a^{P+1}) = \varphi(a^0 a_1^1, a_2^2, \dots, a^{P+1}) \end{cases}$$

and hence it follows that $C^*(A)$ is a subcomplex of $C^*(A, A^*)$.

We now have a map of degree 1

$$C^P(A) \longrightarrow C^P(\tilde{\Omega})$$

$$\varphi \longmapsto \frac{1}{P} \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}(\theta, \dots, \theta) = \tilde{\varphi}$$

and ① ② above imply

$$\delta \tilde{\varphi} = - \tilde{b}\varphi$$

showing that $\varphi \mapsto \tilde{\varphi}$ is a degree 1 map of complexes. Induces canonical map

$$HC^{P-1}(A) \longrightarrow H^P(\tilde{\Omega})$$

Examples: $A = C^\infty(M)$. Let γ be a closed p -diml current = (c. linear ful $\Omega^P \rightarrow C$ vanishing on $d\Omega^{P-1}$). Then

$$\varphi(a^0, \dots, a^P) = \int_{\gamma} a^0 da^1 \dots da^P$$

is a cyclic p -cocycle. Cyclic.

$$(-1)^{P-1} \varphi(a^1, \dots, a^P, a^0) = (-1) \int_{\gamma} a^1 da^2 \dots da^P da^0 + +$$

$$\varphi(a^0, \dots, a^P) = + \int_{\gamma} (da^1 da^2 \dots da^P) a^0$$

$$= \int_{\gamma} d(a^1 da^2 \dots da^P a^0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(a^1, \dots, a^P, a^0) = (-1)^P \varphi(a^0, \dots, a^P)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a^0 a^1 \dots, a^P) &= \int_{\gamma} a^0 a^1 da^2 \dots da^{P+1} \\ -\varphi(a^0, a^1 a^2, a^3, \dots) &= - \int_{\gamma} a^0 d(a^1 a^2) da^3 \dots \\ + \varphi(a^0, a^1, a^2 a^3, \dots) &= \int_{\gamma} a^0 da^1 d(a^2 a^3) da^4 \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$+ (-1)^{P-1} \varphi(a^0, \dots, a^P a^{P+1}) = (-1)^{P-1} \int_{\gamma} a^0 da^1 \dots d(a^P a^{P+1})$$

$$+ (-1)^P \varphi(a^{P+1} a^0, \dots, \dots) = (-1)^P \int_{\gamma} a^0 da^1 \dots da^P a^{P+1}$$

$$b\varphi(a^0, \dots, a^{P+1}) = 0.$$

This gives rise to the Lie alg cocycle

$$\frac{1}{P} \int_{\gamma} \text{tr } \Theta(d\Theta)^P$$

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Some analysis. Recall the Hölder inequalities:

$$1) \quad (\int |f+g|^p)^{1/p} \leq (\int |f|^p)^{1/p} + (\int |g|^p)^{1/p} \quad p \geq 1$$

$$2) \quad \int fg \leq (\int |f|^p)^{1/p} (\int |g|^q)^{1/q} \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

where we are integrating with respect to a (positive) measure.

Try to prove these. The first says that

$$\|f\|_p = (\int |f|^p)^{1/p}$$

is a norm (as it clearly satisfies $\|tf\|_p = |t|(\|f\|_p)$). So what we have to do is show the unit ball is convex. (Why:

$$\frac{f+g}{\|f\|+ \|g\|} = \frac{\|f\|}{\|f\|+ \|g\|} \cdot \frac{f}{\|f\|} + \frac{\|g\|}{\|f\|+ \|g\|} \cdot \frac{g}{\|g\|}$$

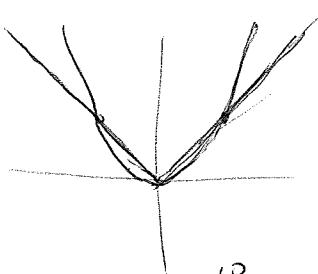
so if we know $\{f/\|f\| \leq 1\}$ is convex, then the linear combination on the right is in this ball, so

$$\|f+g\| \leq \|f\| + \|g\|.)$$

Next note that for any x

$$t \mapsto |(1-t)f(x) + tg(x)|^p$$

is convex for $p \geq 1$. The function $x \mapsto |x|^p$ is convex for $p \geq 1$:



Thus $F(t) = \int |(1-t)f(x) + tg(x)|^p$ is also convex.

$$F(t) \leq (1-t) \int |f|^p + t \int |g|^p \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

It follows that $\|f\|, \|g\| \leq 1 \Rightarrow \|(1-t)f + tg\| \leq 1$. QED.

2): We want to start from the fact that
an integral of exponential functions

$$\int e^{\int x} d\mu(x)$$

is logarithmically convex (assuming it is defined).

To prove 2) we can suppose ~~f, g~~ are > 0 .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \log \left(\int fg \right) &= \log \left(\int e^{\frac{1}{p} \log f^p + \frac{1}{q} \log g^q} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{p} \log \int e^{\log f^p} + \frac{1}{q} \log \int e^{\log g^q} \end{aligned}$$

which proves 2). Here we have used the function

$$F(t) = \log \underbrace{\left(\int e^{(1-t) \log f^p + t \log g^q} \right)}_{\text{which is convex}}$$

which is convex:

$$\int e^{+t(\log g^q - \log f^p)} \underbrace{\left(e^{\log f^p} d\mu \right)}$$

Suppose we now have a probability measure.

Then

$$\int |f| \leq \left(\int |f|^p \right)^{1/p} \left(\int |f|^q \right)^{1/q} \Rightarrow \|f\|_p \leq \|f\|_p$$

And more generally if $p < p'$, then applying the above to $|f|^p$,

$$\int |f|^p \leq \left(\int (|f|^p)^{p/p'} \right)^{p'/p} \Rightarrow \|f\|_p \leq \|f\|_{p'}$$

Thus we have for a prob. measure

$$3) \quad p \leq p' \implies \|f\|_p \leq \|f\|_{p'}$$

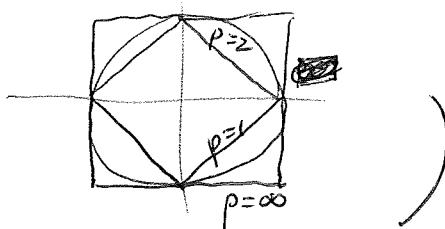
(Opposite inequalities hold for ℓ_p . The idea is that $\|x\|_p \leq 1 \implies \sum |x_n|^p \leq 1$, hence each $|x_n| \leq 1$ and so for $p < p'$

$$\sum |x_n|^{p'} \leq \sum |x_n|^p \leq 1.$$

Thus the unit ball for ℓ_p is contained in the unit ball for $\ell_{p'}$, and so

$$\|x\|_p \geq \|x\|_{p'}, \quad \text{for } p < p'.$$

Picture:



Doob's inequality. Let $X_n, n \geq 0$ be a martingale. What this means is that if $\Omega_n = \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ with the probability measure giving the distribution of X_0, \dots, X_n , then for the projective system

$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega_2 \rightarrow \Omega_1 \rightarrow \Omega_0$$

one has that X_n on Ω_n pushes forward to X_{n-1} . Also we assume that each X_n is integrable.

Doob's inequality says that for any $a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a P\left\{\sup_{m \leq n} X_m \geq a\right\} \leq \int_{\{\sup_{m \leq n} X_m \geq a\}} X_n$$

To prove this set $\bar{X}_n = \sup_{m \leq n} X_m$ and decompose the set $K = \{\bar{X}_n \geq a\}$ according to where the sequence X_0, X_1, \dots, X_n first becomes $\geq a$. Let

$$K_m = \{\omega \mid X_m \geq a, X_0, \dots, X_{m-1} < a\}$$

Then K_m comes from Ω_m , hence by definition of martingale

$$(*) \quad \int_{K_m} X_n = \int_{K_m} X_m$$

But this is $\geq a P(K_m)$, so adding up for different m we get the desired inequality.

Notice that instead of (*) we need only

$$\int_{K_m} X_n \geq \int_{K_m} X_m$$

i.e. that the pushforward of X_n from Ω_n to Ω_m is $\geq X_m$. Such a thing is called a submartingale.

It seems that if X is a martingale, then $\varphi(X)$ is ~~a submartingale~~ convex (except for the problem of integrability). e.g. $|X|$ is submartingale.

It's clear from the above proof of Doob's inequality that the essential point is (*) for different m .

This leads us to introduce the notion of stopping time which is a random variable N having value in \mathbb{N} such that $\{N \leq m\}$ comes from Ω_m . In the above example $N(\omega) = \inf \{n \mid X_n^{(\omega)} \geq a\}$.

Given a stopping time $N \leq n$, then $(*)$ says

$$\int X_n \geq \int x_N$$

for a submartingale.

Convergence in L^p : Let X_n be a submartingale with $X_n \geq 0$ and set

$$\bar{X}_n = \max_{m \leq n} X_m$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\int \bar{X}_n^p &= - \int_0^\infty \lambda^p dP\{\bar{X}_n \geq \lambda\} \\ &= \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} P\{\bar{X}_n \geq \lambda\} d\lambda \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \int X_n \right) d\lambda \\ &= \int X_n(x) \int_0^{\bar{X}_n(x)} p\lambda^{p-2} d\lambda = \frac{p}{p-1} \int X_n \bar{X}_n^{p-1} \\ &\leq \frac{p}{p-1} \left(\int X_n^p \right)^{1/p} \left(\int \bar{X}_n^{(p-1)p} \right)^{1/p}\end{aligned}$$

so dividing we get

$$\left(\int \bar{X}_n^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \frac{p}{p-1} \left(\int X_n^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\text{or } \|\bar{X}_n\|_p \leq \frac{p}{p-1} \|X_n\|_p$$

(Some limiting process is needed to do the division?)

This inequality shows that if $\|X_n\|_p$ is bdd, then \bar{X}_n (which is increasing in n) ~~converges~~ has $\sup \bar{X}_n \in L^p$. Then one uses dominated convergence to get $X_n \rightarrow X$ in L^p . (One has already proved X_n converges a.e.)

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Go over Thursday's lecture

Theorem of invariant for \mathfrak{gl}_n . Let $V = \mathbb{C}^n$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n = \text{End}(V)$. Then \mathfrak{g} acts on tensors

$$V^{\otimes p} \otimes (V^*)^{\otimes q}$$

and we are interested in ^{the} invariant subspace.

If $p = q$, then $\text{id}_V \in \mathfrak{g}$ acts on this space of tensors as $p\text{-}q$, and so there are ^{no} non-trivial invariants.

If $p = q = 1$, then

$$V \otimes V^* = \mathfrak{g}$$

is the adjoint representation, and the invariant subspace consists of the multiples of id_V . We want to generalize this.

We make the identifications

$$V^{\otimes p} \otimes (V^*)^{\otimes p} = \text{End}(V^{\otimes p}) = (\text{End } V)^{\otimes p} = \mathfrak{g}^{\otimes p}$$

Thus the space of tensors can be identified with the ring of all operators on $V^{\otimes p}$ and also with the p -fold tensor product of the ring of operators on V . We want to calculate

We identify $V^{\otimes p} \otimes (V^*)^{\otimes p}$ with the ring R

of all operators on $V^{\otimes p}$ in the obvious way.

We have an action of Σ_p on $V^{\otimes p}$ which commutes with the \mathfrak{g} -action. Let

$$A = \text{Im } \{k[\Sigma_p] \rightarrow R\}$$

$$B = \text{Im } \{U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow R\}$$

be the subrings generated by these two actions.

The space of invariants in R is the commutant B' .

Thm. $B' = A$, that is, every invariant in $V^{\otimes p} \otimes (V^*)^{\otimes p}$ is a linear combination of the invariants given by the elements of Σ_p .

Proof. First step

$$A' = R^{\Sigma_p} = (\mathcal{O}^{\otimes p})^{\Sigma_p}$$

is spanned by the operators $e^X \otimes \dots \otimes e^X$ p -times for $X \in \mathcal{O}$. (Dually any polynomial function f on \mathcal{O} homogeneous of degree p which vanishes in e^X for $X \in \mathcal{O}$ ~~on $V^{\otimes p}$, then is zero.~~) Now if $\rho(X)$ is the action of $X \in \mathcal{O}$ on $V^{\otimes p}$, then

$$e^X \otimes \dots \otimes e^X = \exp \rho(X)$$

belongs to B . Thus we have $A' = B$.

2nd step is to use the von Neumann double commutant theorem which tells us that $A = A''$, provided $V^{\otimes p}$ is semi-simple as an A -module. This latter follows from the complete reducibility of representations of finite groups in characteristic zero.

Thus $B' = A'' = A$ proving the theorem.

Notation: $\text{Id}_V = e_i \otimes e_i^* \in V \otimes V^*$

where e_i is a basis for V and e_i^* is the dual basis for V^* . ~~that's all the basis~~ $V^{\otimes p}$
has the basis $e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_p}$ and if $\sigma \in \Sigma_p$, then

the effect of σ on $V^{\otimes P}$ is

$$\sigma(e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_p}) = e_{i_{\sigma^{-1}_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_{\sigma^{-1}_p}}$$

Thus the map giving the invariants is

$$\begin{aligned} k[\Sigma_p] &\longrightarrow V^{\otimes P} \otimes (V^*)^{\otimes P} \simeq (V \otimes V^*)^{\otimes P} \\ \sigma &\longmapsto e_{i_{\sigma^{-1}_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_{\sigma^{-1}_p}} \otimes e_{i_1}^* \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_p}^* \\ &\iff (e_{i_{\sigma^{-1}_1}} \otimes e_1^*) \otimes \dots \otimes (e_{i_{\sigma^{-1}_p}} \otimes e_p^*) \end{aligned}$$

Now I want the invariant linear functionals and this means I use the duality somehow. I want $[(g^{\otimes P})_g]^* = (g^{\otimes P})^* \circ \simeq (g^{\otimes P})^* \Leftarrow k[\Sigma_p]$. Thus each σ determines an invariant linear functional by taking trace.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}_{\sigma}: X^1 \otimes \dots \otimes X^P &\longmapsto \text{tr}_{V^{\otimes P}} (\sigma \cdot (X^1 \otimes \dots \otimes X^P)) \\ &= \boxed{\quad} \quad X_{i_1 i_{\sigma^{-1}_1}}^1 X_{i_2 i_{\sigma^{-1}_2}}^2 \dots X_{i_p i_{\sigma^{-1}_p}}^P \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have the invariant, multi-linear funs.

$$\text{tr}_{\sigma}(X^1 \otimes \dots \otimes X^P) = \text{tr}_{V^{\otimes P}} (\sigma \cdot (X^1 \otimes \dots \otimes X^P))$$

on g^P , where $\sigma \in \Sigma_p$. Next note that

$$\tau(X^1 \otimes \dots \otimes X^P)^{\tau^{-1}} = X^{\tau^{-1}1} \otimes \dots \otimes X^{\tau^{-1}P}$$

$$\text{Proof: } \tau(X^1 \otimes \dots \otimes X^P)^{\tau^{-1}}(v_1^{\tau} \otimes \dots \otimes v_p^{\tau}) = \tau(X^{v_{\tau^{-1}_1}} \otimes \dots \otimes X^{v_{\tau^{-1}_p}})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x^{\tau^{-1}} v_{\tau^{-1}} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{\tau^{-p}} v_{\tau^{-p}} \\
 &= (x^{\tau^{-1}} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{\tau^{-p}}) (v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_p).
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{tr}_\sigma(x^{\tau^{-1}}, \dots, x^{\tau^{-p}}) &= \text{tr}_{V^{\otimes p}}(\sigma \tau (x^1 \otimes \dots \otimes x^p) \tau^{-1}) \\
 &= \text{tr}_{\tau^{-1} \sigma \tau}(x^1, \dots, x^p)
 \end{aligned}$$

or better

$$\boxed{\text{tr}_{\tau^{-1} \sigma \tau}(x^{\tau^{-1}}, \dots, x^{\tau^{-p}}) = \text{tr}_\sigma(x^1, \dots, x^p)}$$

Final remark is that if $n \geq p$, then one can see that

$$k[\Sigma_p] \hookrightarrow \text{End}(V^{\otimes p})$$

In effect, let v_1, \dots, v_p be independent elements of V . Then the elements

$$\sigma(v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_p) = v_{\sigma^{-1}1} \otimes \dots \otimes v_{\sigma^{-1}p}$$

are independent, etc. Thus for $n \geq p$ one has

$$k[\Sigma_p] \hookrightarrow (g^{\otimes p})^g$$

and so by duality any invariant linear functional on $g^{\otimes p}$ is uniquely a linear combination of $\underline{\text{tr}_\sigma}$.

Next we consider $\varphi \in C^P(\tilde{g})^g$, $\tilde{g} = g \text{lh } A = g \otimes A$ i.e. φ is a ~~skew-symmetric~~ skew-symmetric linear functional on \tilde{g}^P which is invariant for the

adjoint action of $g \in \tilde{G}$. Consider

$$\varphi(a_1'X^1, a_2'X^2, \dots, a_P'X^P)$$

where $a_1', \dots, a_P' \in A$ and $X^1, \dots, X^P \in \mathfrak{g}$. Keeping the a_i' 's fixed we obtain a \mathfrak{g} -invariant multi-linear fn. on \mathfrak{g}^P . Supposing $n \geq P$ it can be written uniquely

$$\varphi(a_1'X^1, \dots, a_P'X^P) = \sum_{\sigma} \varphi_{\sigma}(a_1', \dots, a_P') \cdot \text{tr}_{\sigma}(X^1, \dots, X^P)$$

~~the φ_{σ} are continuous multilinear fns. on A^P .~~ Clearly the φ_{σ} are multilinear fns. on A^P . One has

- 1) φ continuous \iff the φ_{σ} all continuous
- 2) φ skew-symm. \iff $\varphi_{\tau\sigma\tau^{-1}}(a^{\tau^{-1}1}, \dots, a^{\tau^{-1}P}) = \text{sgn}(\tau) \varphi_{\sigma}(a^1, \dots, a^P)$

Proof of the second:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a_1'X^1, \dots, a_P'X^P) &= \text{sgn}(\tau) \varphi(a^{\tau^{-1}1}X^{\tau^{-1}1}, \dots, a^{\tau^{-1}P}X^{\tau^{-1}P}) \\ &= \text{sgn}(\tau) \sum_{\sigma} \varphi_{\tau\sigma\tau^{-1}}(a^{\tau^{-1}1}, \dots, a^{\tau^{-1}P}) \underbrace{\text{tr}_{\sigma}(X^{\tau^{-1}1}, \dots, X^{\tau^{-1}P})}_{\text{tr}_{\sigma}(X^1, \dots, X^P)} \end{aligned}$$

and it's clear.

- 2) enables us to decompose:

$$C^P(\tilde{G})^{\mathfrak{g}} = \bigoplus_{\substack{\pi \text{ partitions} \\ \text{of } P}} C^P(\tilde{G})_{\pi}^{\mathfrak{g}}$$

and to identify $C^P(\tilde{G})_{\pi}^{\mathfrak{g}}$ with $C^{P-\pi}(A)$.

March 10, 1985

Clean up the periodicity mechanism and how it appears on the differential form level. I worked this out last summer (p. 95-98). The following ideas are involved:

Graphs + Cayley transform

Clifford algebras should give a uniform procedure

Reducing to $F^2 = I$, $F = F^*$.

These should be organized properly. In addition I should be able to fit the infinite diml case in also.

So let's begin ~~with~~ the basic maps of Bott.

The first embeds $U(n)$ into a space of paths in the Grassmannian $U(2n)/U(n) \times U(n)$. I see this map as associating to a unitary matrix g and real number $x > 0$ the graph of xg .

$$(x, g) \longmapsto \Gamma_{xg} = \text{Im} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ xg \end{pmatrix} : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{2n} \right\}$$

Note that this map is defined for $g \in GL(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$. Note that as g is invertible, the path starts at $\mathbb{C}^n \oplus 0 \subset \mathbb{C}^{2n}$ and ends at $0 \oplus \mathbb{C}^n \subset \mathbb{C}^{2n}$, so one obtains a map of the suspension of $U(n)$ to the Grassmannian.

We have this map

$$\mathbb{R}_{>0} \times U(n) \longrightarrow U(2n)/U(n) \times U(n)$$

and we can pull back the canonical character forms on the Grassmannian. I propose to do

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this by looking at the pull-back of the subbundle with the ~~Grassmannian~~ connection.

■ We can lift the map to the principal frame bundle

$$(x, g) \longmapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ xg \end{pmatrix} : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{2n}$$

The connection form is then

$$\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ xg \end{pmatrix}^* d \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ xg \end{pmatrix}.$$

(In general given the subbundle of a trivial bundle spanned by an orthonormal frame (s_1, \dots, s_n) , we calculate the connection form as follows: A section s of the ~~subbundle~~ subbundle is $s\psi$ where ψ is a column vector of funs. Then the Grass. connection is

$$D(s\psi) = \underbrace{ss^*}_{\text{orth. projection}} d(s\psi) = s[d\psi + s^*ds.\psi]$$

hence the connection form is $\theta = s^*ds.$)

We calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \frac{1}{1+x^2} xg^{-1} (dxg + xdg) + d \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} g^{-1} dg + \cancel{\frac{x dx}{1+x^2}} - \cancel{\frac{1}{2} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} dx} \end{aligned}$$

Thus we are getting the 1-parameter family of connection form

$$\theta_t = t g^{-1} dg \quad \text{where } t = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$$

so we can conclude that the character form $\frac{1}{k!} \text{tr}(D^2)^k$, $D^2 = cdc^{-1}$ on the Grassmannian will

go in the ~~form~~ form on $U(n)$ which one obtains via the Chern-Simons transgression process, c.e.

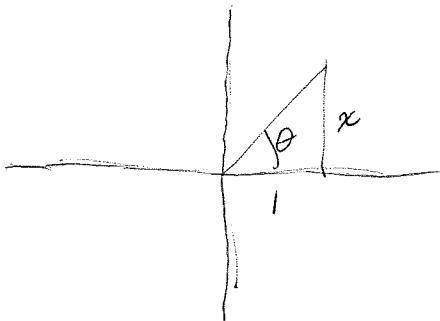
$$\frac{(-1)^{k-1}(k-1)!}{(2k-1)!} \text{tr } (g^{-1}dg)^{2k-1}.$$

(A possible computation free proof would say that as the character forms on the Grass. are invariant and the map

$$I \times U(n) \longrightarrow U(2n)/U(n) \times U(n)$$

is canonical, the pull-back form on $I \times U(n)$ is biinvariant; as transgression yields a primitive form it has to be a multiple of $\text{tr } (g^{-1}dg)^{2k+1}$.)

What is intriguing about the above is the way the time parameter on the connection side appears out of the slope parameter x in the graph construction



$$\frac{x^2}{1+x^2} = \frac{\tan^2 \theta}{\sec^2 \theta} = \sin^2 \theta$$

Let us now turn to the other map in the periodicity, the Bott map. This associates to a subspace of \mathbb{C}^n a path from I to $-I$ in $U(n)$. Let the subspace be ~~identified~~ identified with a self-adj. involution F ; $F=I$ on the subspace and $-I$ on its orthog. complement. Then the path is

$$g = \frac{F+ix}{F-ix} \quad 0 \leq x < \infty.$$

I want to pull-back the odd form

$$\frac{(-1)^k k!}{(2k+1)!} \text{ tr } (g^{-1} dg)^{2k+1}.$$

Set $A = F + ix$, $B = F - ix$ so

$$\begin{aligned} g^{-1} dg &= \boxed{(AB^{-1})^{-1}} d(AB^{-1}) = BA^{-1}(dA B^{-1} A B^{-1} dB B^{-1}) \\ &= B(A^{-1} dA - B^{-1} dB) B^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1} dA - B^{-1} dB &= \frac{1}{F+ix} (dF + idx) - \frac{1}{F-ix} (dF - idx) \\ &= \frac{-2ix}{x^2+1} dF + \frac{2F i dx}{x^2+1} \\ &= \frac{2i}{x^2+1} (xdF + Fdx) \end{aligned}$$

Now $x dF$, $F dx$ commute (strictly) as F, dF anti-commute

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{(-1)^k k!}{(2k+1)!} \int_0^\infty dx \cdot i(\partial_x) \text{ tr } (g^{-1} dg)^{2k+1} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^k k!}{(2k+1)!} \boxed{\int_0^\infty dx} \frac{(2i)^{2k+1} x^{2k}}{(1+x^2)^{2k+1}} (2k+1) \text{ tr } F(dF)^{2k} \\ &= 2i \frac{k! 2^{2k}}{(2k)!} \left(\int_0^\infty dx \frac{x^{2k}}{(1+x^2)^{2k+1}} \right) \text{ tr } (F(dF)^{2k}) \end{aligned}$$

And then one can compute the integral by the substitution $t = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$ ending up with $\frac{1}{2} \beta(k+\frac{1}{2}, k+\frac{1}{2})$

$$2i\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2^{2k+1}} \text{ tr } (F(dF)^{2k})$$

What I would like to do at this point is to combine these two calculations by introducing the Clifford algebra.

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I want to present the periodicity maps in a uniform way using the Clifford algebras C_k . The rough idea is that ~~that~~ ~~the K-theory of~~ the k -theory of C_k -modules is related to the k -th loop space of the K -theory of $C = C_0$ -modules.

I guess one begins with the ABS paper which shows how to go from graded C_k -modules to ^{virtual} vector bundles over \mathbb{R}^k with compact support. ~~that~~ Trivial K -classes are produced by graded C_k -modules which come from graded C_{k+1} -module by forgetting one of the generators.

Thus a trivialization of a graded C_k -module V is provided by an odd degree "involution" F which anti-commutes with $\gamma_j \rightarrow \gamma^k$. The space of such F is ~~that~~ the analogue of the unitary group for the k -th K -theory. (s.a.)

For example if $k=0$, then an odd involution F on a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded vector space $V = V^+ \oplus V^-$ is the same thing as a unitary isom. $P: V^+ \xrightarrow{\sim} V^-$. We have $F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & P^\dagger \\ P & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $F = F^* \Rightarrow P^{-1} = P^*$ so P is unitary.

If $k=1$, then any graded C_1 -module V is of the form $V = S_2 \otimes W$ with W an ungraded vector space, namely $W = V^+$. It might be better to say that

$$V = W \oplus W \quad \gamma' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

An odd involution F of V anti-commuting with γ' is of the form

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & P^{-1} \\ P & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad P^* = P^{-1} = -P$$

i.e. of the form

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -iJ \\ iJ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad J^2 = 1, \quad J = J^*.$$

Hence F corresponds to a grading of W , i.e. an element in a certain Grassmannian.

Summarizing: If I consider ^{on} a graded C_k -module ~~the space of~~ odd involutions ^{anti-}commuting with $\gamma'_1, \dots, \gamma'_k$, then ~~this~~ space has the homotopy type of BU for k odd and U for k even. It might be simpler to consider ungraded C_k -modules to get the parity to work out correctly.

So what we will do is to carry out the periodicity. We start with $\gamma'_1, \dots, \gamma'_k$ fixed and consider an F anti-commuting with $\gamma'_1, \dots, \gamma'_k$. Then we can form ^{with} the path of involutions anti-commuting with $\gamma'_1, \dots, \gamma'_{k-1}$.

$$\frac{x\gamma^k + F}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = (\sin \theta) \gamma^k + (\cos \theta) F$$

for $-\infty < x < \infty$, i.e. $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$. The ~~problem~~ problem

is that the endpoint at $x=0$ is F .

Let's take some examples. Take $k=1$.

Think of γ^1 as defining a grading of V :

$$\gamma^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{on} \quad V = W^+ \oplus W^-$$

and then $F = \begin{pmatrix} & P^* \\ P & \end{pmatrix}$ where $P: W^+ \hookrightarrow W^-$ is unitary. Then

$$\frac{x\gamma^1 + F}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = \begin{pmatrix} x & P^* \\ P & -x \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

is the involution belonging to the subspace

$$\text{Im } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ P \end{pmatrix} : W^+ \hookrightarrow W^+ \oplus W^- \right\}$$

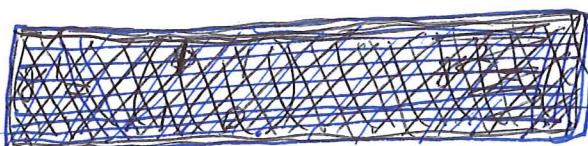
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as it is supposed to be.

Next take $k=2$. Then as a C_2 -module

$$V = S_2 \otimes W = W \oplus W$$

with



$$\gamma^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then F has the form

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -iJ \\ iJ & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where J is an involution on W . So

$$\frac{x\gamma^2 + F}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x-iJ \\ x+iJ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

 is the involution corresponding to the unitary matrix

$$g = \frac{x + iJ}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

Actually this parameter x is not the one we used before. Let's first correct the error with $k=1$. We have the involution

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \begin{pmatrix} x & g^{-1} \\ g & -x \end{pmatrix}$$

The corresponding projector is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \begin{pmatrix} x & g^{-1} \\ g & -x \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \right) & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+x^2}} g^{-1} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+x^2}} g & \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \right) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

which is the projector onto the subspace

$$\text{Im } \begin{pmatrix} y \\ Ig \end{pmatrix} \quad y = (\sqrt{1+x^2} - x)^{-1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2} + x}}$$

Thus we want x to go from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$ and y will go from \bullet to ∞ .

Similarly  in the case of

$$g = \frac{x + iJ}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \quad \text{we have}$$

$$g = \frac{x+iJ}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = \frac{y+iJ}{y-iJ} \quad \begin{array}{l} x=-\infty \\ x=+\infty \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} y=0 \\ y=\infty \end{array}$$

provided

$$\frac{x+i}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = \frac{y+i}{y-i} = \frac{(y+i)^2}{y^2+1} = \frac{(y^2-1)+2yi}{y^2+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = \frac{2y}{y^2-1} \Rightarrow y^2 - 2xy - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = x \pm \sqrt{x^2+1} \Rightarrow \boxed{y = x + \sqrt{x^2+1}}$$

So I seem to be getting the correct answers in a mysterious way.

Summary: If V is a C_k -module with inner product, let $\mathcal{I}_k(V)$ be the space of self-adjoint involutions F on V anti-commuting with $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k$. The periodicity map $\overbrace{\quad}$ $\overbrace{\quad}$ is

$$[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}] \times \mathcal{I}_k(V) \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_{k-1}(V)$$

$$(\theta, F) \longmapsto (\sin \theta) \gamma^k + (\cos \theta) F.$$

It thus assigns to F a path in $\mathcal{I}_{k-1}(V)$ going from $-\gamma^k$ to $+\gamma^k$.