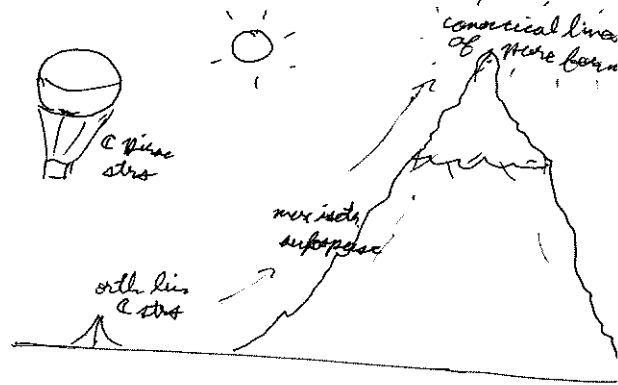


# Linear Generalized $\mathbb{C}$ Structures

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## 1. Introduction

\* Hitchin: The idea of generalized geometry is to replace...

$$TM \longrightarrow TM \oplus T^*M$$

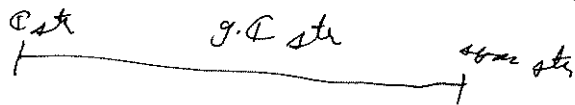
"extended tangent bundle"

$$[,] \longrightarrow \llbracket \cdot, \cdot \rrbracket$$

Courant bracket

\* This has applications in physics (string theory, supersymmetry, T-duality)

\* g.  $\mathbb{C}$  geometry encompasses both compl  $\mathbb{C}$  geometry & sym. geometry as special cases.



def. A generalized  $\mathbb{C}$  structure on  $M$  is  
 today:  $\xrightarrow{\text{fibrewise condition structure}}$  <sup>smooth</sup>  $\mathbb{C}$  <sup>orthogonal</sup> str

\* An assignment  $\mathcal{J}$  of linear  $\mathbb{C}$  str to each fiber of  $TM \oplus T^*M \rightarrow M$  such that

\* the  $\pm i$ -eigenbundle of  $\mathcal{J}$  is Courant integrable.

global condition

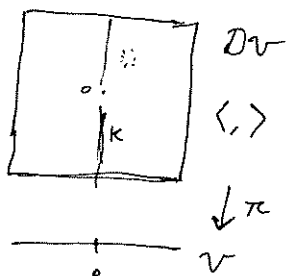
## 2. The Double

$V$  - vector space

def. The double of  $V$  comprises

- i. a  $2n$ -dim v.s.  $DV$ .
  - ii. a nondegenerate <sup>symmetric</sup> pairing  $\langle, \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,
  - iii. a projection  $\pi : DV \rightarrow V$ ,
- such that

\*  $\underbrace{\ker \pi}_K \subseteq DV$  is isotropic, i.e.  $\langle, \rangle|_{\ker \pi} = 0$ .



nts.  $K \subseteq DV$  is maximal isotropic.

def. The orthogonal of a subspace  $A \subseteq (E, \langle, \rangle)$  is  $A^\perp := \{e \in E \mid \langle A, e \rangle = 0\}$ .

fact.  $A \subseteq (E, \langle, \rangle)$  is isotropic  $\iff A \subseteq A^\perp$ .

lem. i.  $\dim A + \dim A^\perp = \dim E$

ii.  $A \subseteq E$  isotropic  $\implies \dim A \leq \frac{1}{2} \dim E$ .

prf. i. Define

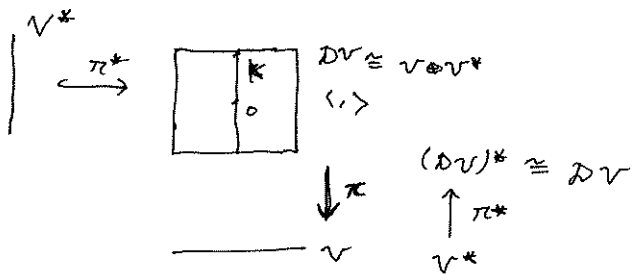
$$\begin{aligned} \varphi : E &\longrightarrow A^* \\ e &\longmapsto \langle e, \rangle|_A. \end{aligned}$$

$$\dim \underbrace{\ker \varphi}_{A^\perp} + \dim \underbrace{\text{im } \varphi}_{A^*} = \dim E.$$

ii.  $A \subseteq A^\perp \implies \dim A \leq \dim A^\perp \implies \dim A + \dim A^\perp \leq \dim E. \quad \square$

cor prop.  $K \subseteq DV$  is max. isotropic.

Equivalently,  $K = K^\perp$ .



Prop.  $\text{im } \pi^* = \ker \pi$

Prf. suffices to show  $e \in DV$

$$\begin{aligned}
 e \in \text{im } \pi^* &\Rightarrow \langle e, \cdot \rangle = \pi^* \alpha^{\vee^*} \\
 &\Rightarrow \langle e, k \rangle = (\pi^* \alpha)(k) = \alpha(\underbrace{\pi k}_0) = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow e \in k^\perp = k
 \end{aligned}$$

□

∴ s.e.s.

$$0 \rightarrow V^* \xrightarrow{\pi^*} DV \xrightarrow{\pi} V \rightarrow 0$$

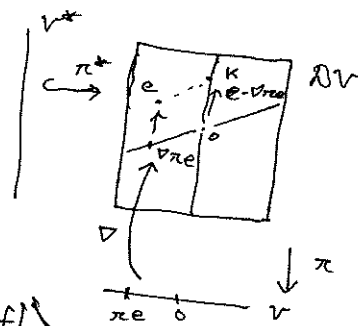
ex  $DV = V \oplus V^*$ ,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\text{can}}$

$$\langle (v, \alpha), (v', \alpha') \rangle_{\text{can}} := \alpha'(v) + \alpha(v')$$

~~Prop.  $\nabla: V \rightarrow DV$  a (right) spl~~

prop. An isotropic (right) splitting  $\nabla: V \rightarrow DV$  yields an iso.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi: (DV, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle) &\xrightarrow{\sim} (V \oplus V^*, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\text{can}}) \\
 e &\longmapsto (\pi e, e - \nabla \pi e)
 \end{aligned}$$



Prf.  $e, f \in DV$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \varphi e, \varphi f \rangle_{\text{can}} &= \langle (\pi e, e - \nabla \pi e), (\pi f, f - \nabla \pi f) \rangle_{\text{can}} \\
 &= \langle f - \nabla \pi f, e \rangle + \langle e - \nabla \pi e, f \rangle \\
 &= \langle f, e \rangle + \langle e, f \rangle - \underbrace{\langle \nabla \pi f, e \rangle - \langle \nabla \pi e, f \rangle}_{=0} - \langle e, f \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(*) \quad 0 = \langle \nabla \pi e - e, \nabla \pi f - f \rangle$$

$$= \langle \nabla \pi e, \nabla \pi f \rangle - \langle e, \nabla \pi f \rangle - \langle \nabla \pi e, f \rangle + \langle e, f \rangle$$

□

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3. Generalized linear C str as...

i. orthogonal linear C str

def. a linear generalized C str on  $V$  is

• a linear C str  $J$  on  $DV$

such that

\*  $J$  preserves  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , i.e.  $\forall e, f \in DV. \langle J_e, J_f \rangle = \langle e, f \rangle$ .

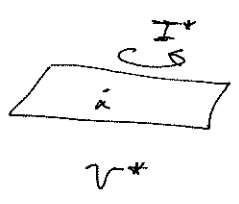
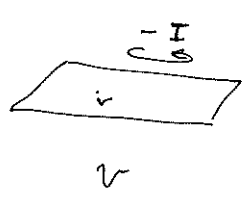
def. a linear C str on  $E$  is an endomorphism  $J \in \text{End } E$  s.t.  $J^2 = -I_E$

ex.  $I \in \text{End } V$ -linear C str on  $V$ .

$$J_I := \begin{pmatrix} -I & \\ & I^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I^* \alpha = \alpha(I \cdot)$$

$$\forall v \in V: (I^* \alpha)(v) = \alpha(Iv)$$



check: verify:

$$J_I^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -I & \\ & I^* \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} +I^2 & \\ & (I^*)^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -I_V & \\ & -I_{V^*} \end{pmatrix} = -I_{DV} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\langle J_I(v+\alpha), J_I(v'+\alpha') \rangle = \langle -Iv + I^* \alpha, -Iv' + I^* \alpha' \rangle$$

$$= (I^* \alpha')(-Iv) + (I^* \alpha)(-Iv')$$

$$= \alpha'(v) - \alpha(v')$$

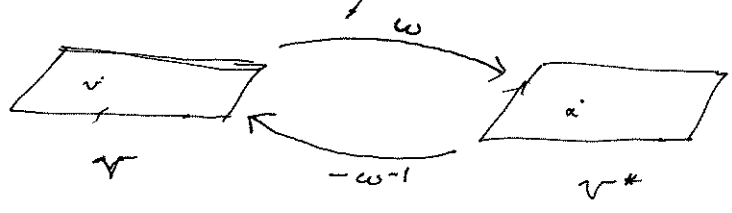
$$= \langle v+\alpha, v'+\alpha' \rangle \quad \checkmark$$

ex.

~~$\omega$~~   $\omega \in \Lambda^2 V^*$  linear sym. str on  $V$ .

i.e.  $\omega: V \times V \rightarrow V^*$   
 $v \mapsto \omega v = \omega(v, \cdot)$

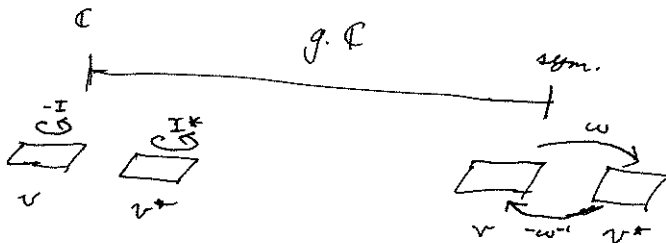
$$J_\omega = \begin{pmatrix} & -\omega^{-1} \\ \omega & \end{pmatrix}$$



verify:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_\omega^2 (v + \alpha) &= \begin{pmatrix} \omega & -\omega^{-1} \\ \omega & -\omega^{-1} \end{pmatrix}^2 \begin{pmatrix} v \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \omega & -\omega^{-1} \\ \omega & -\omega^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\omega^{-1}\alpha \\ \omega v \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -\omega^{-1}(\omega v) \\ -\omega(\omega^{-1}\alpha) \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} v \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} = -(v + \alpha) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{J}_\omega (v + \alpha), \mathcal{J}_\omega (v' + \alpha') \rangle &= \langle \omega v - \omega^{-1}\alpha, \omega v' - \omega^{-1}\alpha' \rangle \\ &= \omega v (-\omega^{-1}\alpha') + \omega v' (-\omega^{-1}\alpha) \\ &= -\langle \omega v, \omega^{-1}\alpha' \rangle - \langle \omega v', \omega^{-1}\alpha \rangle \\ &= \langle v, \alpha' \rangle + \langle v', \alpha \rangle \\ &= \langle \alpha v + \alpha, v' + \alpha' \rangle \quad \checkmark \quad \square \end{aligned}$$



ii. maximal isotropic subspaces

fact. A linear  $\mathbb{C}$  linear  $\mathbb{C}$  str  $J$  on  $E$  splits  $E$  yields a splitting  $E^{\mathbb{C}} = E^{+i} \oplus E^{-i}$  +i, -i eigenspaces

prb.  $\{e_k\}_k \subseteq E$  basis  $\Rightarrow \{ \underbrace{e_k - iJ e_k}_{\in E^{+i}}, \underbrace{e_k + iJ e_k}_{\in E^{-i}} \}_k \subseteq E^{\mathbb{C}}$  basis

(\*)  $J(e_k - iJ e_k) = J e_k - iJ^2 e_k = J e_k + i e_k = i(e_k - iJ e_k) \quad \square$

Thus  $(\mathcal{D}v)^{\mathbb{C}} = L \oplus \mathcal{T}$  +i, -i J-eigenspaces

$\langle , \rangle$  on  $DV$  extends to  $(DV)^\mathbb{C}$  by  $\mathbb{C}$ -linearity.

WARNING:  $\langle , \rangle$  on  $(DV)^\mathbb{C}$  is not a Hermitian str.

prop.  $L, \bar{L} \subseteq (DV)^\mathbb{C}$  are max. isotropic subspaces.

$(DV)^\mathbb{C} = L \oplus \bar{L}$  is a max isotropic splitting.

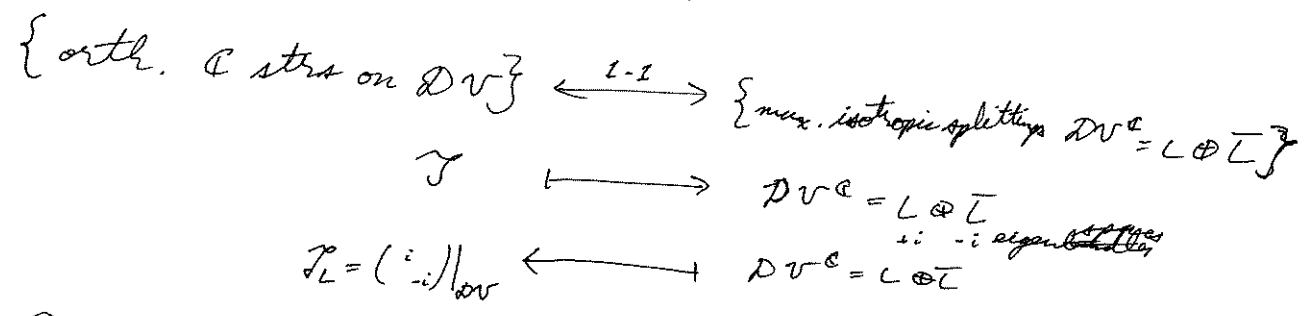
prf.  $v, w \in L$ .

$$\langle v, w \rangle = \langle \mathcal{J}v, \mathcal{J}w \rangle = \langle iv, iw \rangle = -\langle v, w \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle , \rangle|_L = 0.$$

$$\underbrace{\dim L}_{= \dim DV} = \frac{1}{2} \dim (DV)^\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow L \text{ is } \underline{\text{max. isotropic}}. \square$$

prop. There is a 1-1 correspondence,



prf. Claim  $\mathcal{J}_L$  preserves  $\sim$  on  $DV$ .

note:  $v \in DV \iff v = \bar{v} \iff v = w + \bar{w}$  for some  $w \in L$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} v = \begin{matrix} L \\ v^+ \end{matrix} + \begin{matrix} \bar{L} \\ v^- \end{matrix} \\ \bar{v} = \begin{matrix} \bar{L} \\ \bar{v}^+ \end{matrix} + \begin{matrix} L \\ \bar{v}^- \end{matrix} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow v^- = \bar{v}^+$$

$$\mathcal{J}_L v = iw - i\bar{w} = iw + \overline{iw} \in V \quad \checkmark \text{ of claim}$$

verify:

$$\begin{pmatrix} i & \\ & -i \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\langle \mathcal{J}_L(e^+ + e^-), \mathcal{J}_L(f^+ + f^-) \rangle = \langle ie^+ - ie^-, if^+ - if^- \rangle$$

$$= -\langle e^+ - e^-, f^+ - f^- \rangle = \langle e^+, f^- \rangle + \langle e^-, f^+ \rangle = \langle e^+ + e^-, f^+ + f^- \rangle \quad \checkmark \square$$

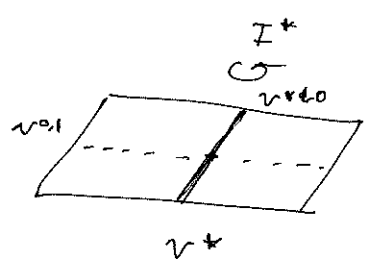
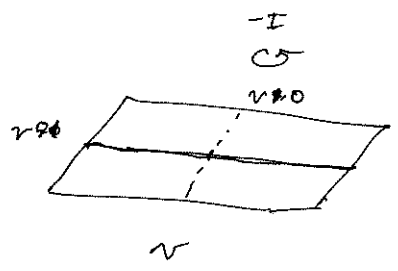
ex.  $I \in \text{End } V$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$  str on  $V$ .

$$V = \begin{matrix} v^{1,0} \\ +i \\ v^{0,1} \\ -i \end{matrix} \oplus \begin{matrix} v^{0,1} \\ -i \\ v^{1,0} \\ +i \end{matrix}, \quad \mathcal{J}_I = \begin{pmatrix} -I & \\ & I^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V^* = v^{*,1,0} \oplus v^{*,0,1}$$

$$L = v^{0,1} \oplus v^{*,1,0}$$

$$\bar{L} = v^{1,0} \oplus v^{*,0,1}$$



ex.  $\omega \in \Lambda^2 V^*$  sym str.

$$\mathcal{J}_\omega = \begin{pmatrix} & -\omega^{-1} \\ \omega & \end{pmatrix}$$

~~$L = \{e^* - i\omega e\}$~~

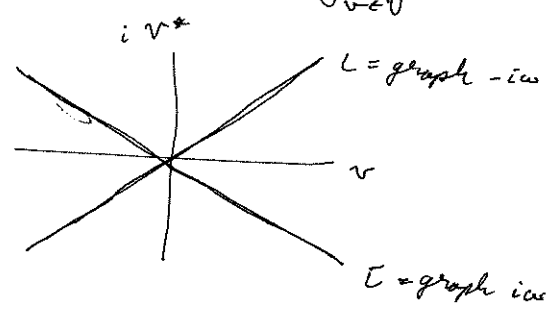
$$L = \{ (v + \alpha) - i\mathcal{J}(v + \alpha) \mid v \in V, \alpha \in v^* \}$$

$$= \{ (v - i\omega v) + (\alpha + i\omega^{-1}\alpha) \mid v \in V, \alpha \in v^* \}$$

redundant ( $v = \omega^{-1}\alpha$ )

$$= \{ v - i\omega v \mid v \in V \}$$

$$\bar{L} = \{ v + i\omega v \}_{v \in V}$$



$$DV = L \oplus \bar{L} \text{ is}$$

isotropic:  $\langle v - i\omega(v), v' - i\omega(v') \rangle = -i\omega(v)v' - i\omega(v')v$

$$= -i[\omega(v)v' + \omega(v')v] = 0$$

iii.  $\mathbb{C}$  Dirac str

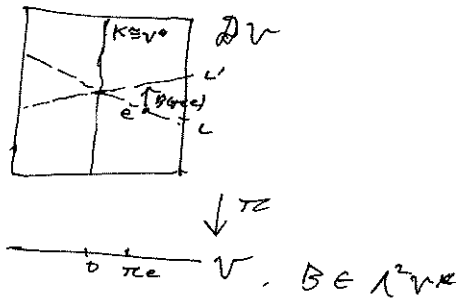
def: A linear Dirac str on  $V$  is a max. isotropic subspace  ~~$A \subseteq DV$~~   $A \subseteq DV$ .

Thus a g.c str  $L \subseteq (DV)^{\mathbb{C}}$  is a complex Dirac str. with  $L \cap \bar{L} = 0$ .

4. Preview: The B-field transform

So far: examples & characterizations of g.c str.

A 2-form  $B \in \Lambda^2 V^*$  yields a B-field transform  
 $DV \rightarrow DV$   
 $e \mapsto e - B(\pi e)$



\*  $B$  carries g.c str to g.c str

\* Any two g.c str are related by some  $B \in \Lambda^2 V^*$ .