

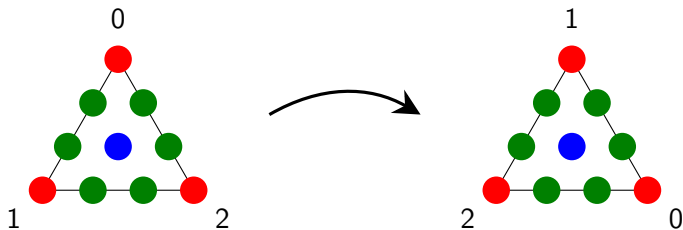
# Duality and Symmetry in Finite Element Exterior Calculus

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# Symmetry of Scalar Elements



$$\mathcal{P}_3\Lambda^0(T^2) = \langle \lambda_0^3, \lambda_1^3, \lambda_2^3, \lambda_1^2\lambda_2, \lambda_2^2\lambda_1, \lambda_2^2\lambda_0, \lambda_0^2\lambda_2, \lambda_0^2\lambda_1, \lambda_1^2\lambda_0, \lambda_0\lambda_1\lambda_2 \rangle.$$

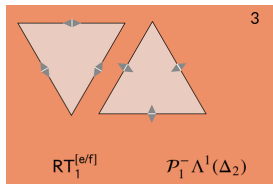
- When computing matrix of, e.g.,  $a(u, v) = \int_{T^2} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v$ , can exploit sixfold symmetry of  $T^2$  to compute fewer entries.

$$\begin{aligned} a(\lambda_0^3, \lambda_1^2\lambda_2) &= a(\lambda_1^3, \lambda_2^2\lambda_0) = a(\lambda_2^3, \lambda_0^2\lambda_1) \\ &= a(\lambda_0^3, \lambda_2^2\lambda_1) = a(\lambda_1^3, \lambda_0^2\lambda_2) = a(\lambda_2^3, \lambda_1^2\lambda_0) \end{aligned}$$

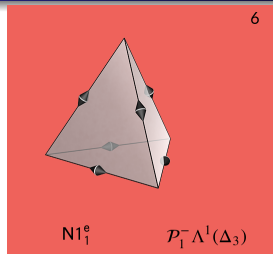
- More generally,  
$$\int_{T^2} g^{-1}(du \otimes dv) \sqrt{\det g} = \sqrt{\det g} g^{-1} \left( \int_{T^2} du \otimes dv \right).$$

# Symmetry of Vector Elements

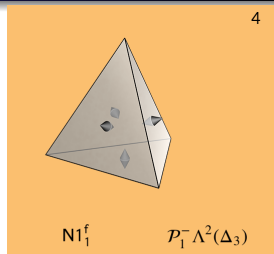
## Whitney Elements



$$\langle \lambda_1 d\lambda_2 - \lambda_2 d\lambda_1, \\ \lambda_2 d\lambda_0 - \lambda_0 d\lambda_2, \\ \lambda_0 d\lambda_1 - \lambda_1 d\lambda_0 \rangle.$$



$$\langle \lambda_1 d\lambda_2 - \lambda_2 d\lambda_1, \\ \lambda_2 d\lambda_0 - \lambda_0 d\lambda_2, \\ \lambda_0 d\lambda_1 - \lambda_1 d\lambda_0, \\ \lambda_0 d\lambda_3 - \lambda_3 d\lambda_0, \\ \lambda_1 d\lambda_3 - \lambda_3 d\lambda_1, \\ \lambda_2 d\lambda_3 - \lambda_3 d\lambda_2 \rangle.$$

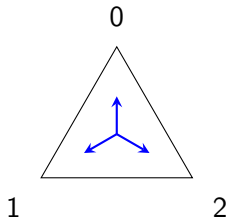


$$\langle \lambda_1 d\lambda_2 \wedge d\lambda_3 \\ + \lambda_2 d\lambda_3 \wedge d\lambda_1 \\ + \lambda_3 d\lambda_1 \wedge d\lambda_2, \\ \dots, \\ \lambda_0 d\lambda_1 \wedge d\lambda_2 \\ + \lambda_1 d\lambda_2 \wedge d\lambda_0 \\ + \lambda_2 d\lambda_0 \wedge d\lambda_1 \rangle$$

Geometric symmetry  $\Rightarrow$  basis symmetry (up to sign).

# Symmetry of Vector Elements

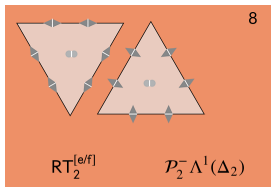
## Lack of Symmetric Bases



$$\mathcal{P}_0 \Lambda^1(T^2)$$

$$= \langle d\lambda_0, d\lambda_1, d\lambda_2 \rangle,$$

$$d\lambda_0 + d\lambda_1 + d\lambda_2 = 0$$



$$\langle \lambda_1^2 d\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2 d\lambda_1,$$

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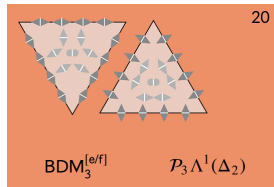
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Theorem (if: Licht, 2019; only if: YBK, 2021)

*The following spaces have symmetry-invariant bases up to sign if and only if the corresponding condition holds.*

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^1(T^2) & \text{if and only if} & r \notin 3\mathbb{N}_0, \\ \mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^1(T^2) & \text{if and only if} & r \notin 3\mathbb{N}_0 + 2. \end{array}$$

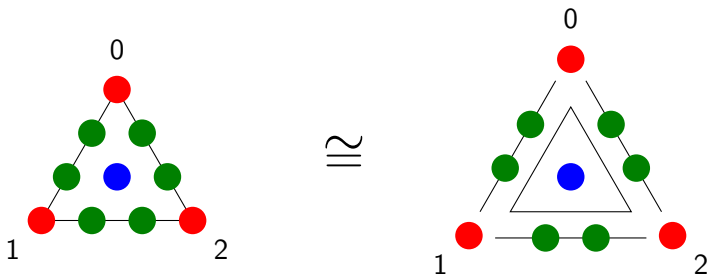
Theorem (YBK, 2021)

*The following spaces have symmetry-invariant bases up to sign if and only if the corresponding condition holds.*

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^1(T^3) & \text{always,} & \\ \mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^1(T^3) & \text{if and only if} & r \notin 3\mathbb{N}_0 + 2, \\ \mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^2(T^3) & \text{always,} & \\ \mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^2(T^3) & \text{always.} & \end{array}$$

# Methods

## Recursion

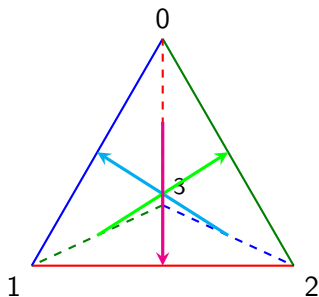


$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_3 \Lambda^0(T^2) &\cong 3\dot{\mathcal{P}}_3^{\text{red}} \Lambda^0(T^0) \oplus 3\dot{\mathcal{P}}_3^{\text{green}} \Lambda^0(T^1) \oplus \dot{\mathcal{P}}_3^{\text{blue}} \Lambda^0(T^2) \\ &\cong 3\mathcal{P}_2^{\text{red}} \Lambda^0(T^0) \oplus 3\mathcal{P}_1^{\text{green}} \Lambda^1(T^1) \oplus \mathcal{P}_0^{\text{blue}} \Lambda^2(T^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \lambda_0^3 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_1^3 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_2^3 \rangle \\ &\oplus \langle \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2, \lambda_2^2 \lambda_1 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_2^2 \lambda_0, \lambda_0^2 \lambda_2 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_0^2 \lambda_1, \lambda_1^2 \lambda_0 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_0 \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \rangle \\ \cong &\langle \lambda_0^2 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_1^2 \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_2^2 \rangle \\ &\oplus \langle \lambda_1 ds, \lambda_2 ds \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_0 ds, \lambda_2 ds \rangle \oplus \langle \lambda_0 ds, \lambda_1 ds \rangle \oplus \langle 1 dA \rangle \end{aligned}$$

# Methods

## Tetrahedron Basis



$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P}_0\Lambda^1(T^3) \\ = & \langle d\lambda_0 + d\lambda_1 - d\lambda_2 - d\lambda_3, \\ & d\lambda_0 + d\lambda_2 - d\lambda_1 - d\lambda_3, \\ & d\lambda_1 + d\lambda_2 - d\lambda_0 - d\lambda_3 \rangle \\ =: & \langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P}_2\Lambda^1(T^3) \\ = & \mathcal{P}_2\Lambda^0(T^3) \otimes \mathcal{P}_0\Lambda^1(T^3) \\ = & \langle \lambda_0^2\alpha, \lambda_0^2\beta, \lambda_0^2\gamma, \\ & \lambda_1^2\alpha, \lambda_1^2\beta, \lambda_1^2\gamma, \\ & \lambda_2^2\alpha, \lambda_2^2\beta, \lambda_2^2\gamma, \\ & \lambda_3^2\alpha, \lambda_3^2\beta, \lambda_3^2\gamma, \\ & \lambda_0\lambda_1\alpha, \lambda_0\lambda_1\beta, \lambda_0\lambda_1\gamma, \\ & \lambda_0\lambda_2\alpha, \lambda_0\lambda_2\beta, \lambda_0\lambda_2\gamma, \\ & \lambda_0\lambda_3\alpha, \lambda_0\lambda_3\beta, \lambda_0\lambda_3\gamma, \\ & \lambda_1\lambda_2\alpha, \lambda_1\lambda_2\beta, \lambda_1\lambda_2\gamma, \\ & \lambda_1\lambda_3\alpha, \lambda_1\lambda_3\beta, \lambda_1\lambda_3\gamma, \\ & \lambda_2\lambda_3\alpha, \lambda_2\lambda_3\beta, \lambda_2\lambda_3\gamma \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

# Methods

## Obstructions

### Representations of $\mathbb{Z}/3$

- The 1D representation **1** where  $\mathbb{Z}/3$  acts trivially.
- The 2D representation **2** where  $\mathbb{Z}/3$  acts by  $120^\circ$  rotations.
- The 3D representation **3** where  $\mathbb{Z}/3$  acts by permuting the coordinates.
  - $\mathbf{3} \cong \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{2}$  because  $\langle(1, 1, 1)\rangle$  is an invariant subspace.

### Invariant bases

**1** and **3** have symmetry-invariant bases, but **2** does not.



### Proposition

*A representation  $V \cong m\mathbf{1} \oplus n\mathbf{2}$  has a  $\mathbb{Z}/3$ -invariant basis up to sign if and only if  $m \geq n$ .*





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# Duality

Previously . . .



$$\langle \lambda_0 ds, \lambda_1 ds \rangle \cong \langle \lambda_0^2 \lambda_1, \lambda_1^2 \lambda_0 \rangle$$
$$\mathcal{P}_1 \Lambda^1(T^1) \cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_3 \Lambda^0(T^1)$$

FEEC Duality (Arnold, Falk, and Winther, 2006)

$$\mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^k(T^n) \cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{r+k+1}^- \Lambda^{n-k}(T^n),$$
$$\mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(T^n) \cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{r+k} \Lambda^{n-k}(T^n).$$

An explicit map (Licht, 2018)

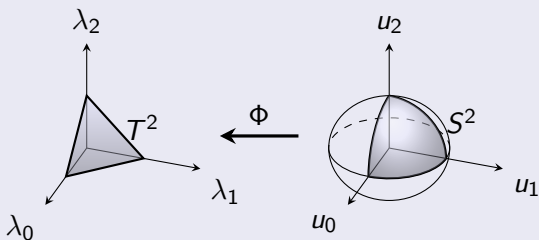
$$\mathcal{P}_1 \Lambda^1(T^2) \rightarrow \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_3^- \Lambda^1(T^2), \quad \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1(T^2) \rightarrow \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_2 \Lambda^1(T^2),$$
$$\lambda_1 d\lambda_1 \mapsto \lambda_0 \lambda_1^2 d\lambda_2 - \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2 d\lambda_0, \quad \lambda_0 d\lambda_1 - \lambda_1 d\lambda_0 \mapsto \lambda_0 \lambda_1 d\lambda_2.$$

The Hodge star (YBK, 2019)

The two maps are the same; have formula using Hodge star on  $S^n$ .

# The sphere

Change of coordinates  $\lambda_i = u_i^2, \quad d\lambda_i = 2u_i du_i$



## The duality map

- 1 Change coordinates to the sphere  $\Phi^*: \Lambda^k(T^n) \rightarrow \Lambda^k(S^n)$ .
- 2 Apply the Hodge star on the sphere.
- 3 Multiply by the bubble function  $u_N := u_0 \cdots u_n$ .
- 4 Change coordinates back to the simplex.

$$(\Phi^*)^{-1} \circ u_N * S^n \circ \Phi^*$$

# Examples

$$a = \lambda_1 d\lambda_1 \in \mathcal{P}_1\Lambda^1(T^2)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \alpha = \Phi^* a = 2u_1^3 du_1 \in \mathcal{P}_3\Lambda^1(S^2).$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad *_S \alpha = 2u_0 u_1^3 du_2 - 2u_1^3 u_2 du_0 \in \mathcal{P}_4^- \Lambda^1(S^2).$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \beta = u_0 u_1 u_2 (*_S \alpha) = 2u_0^2 u_1^4 u_2 du_2 - 2u_0 u_1^4 u_2^2 du_0 \in \overset{\infty}{\mathcal{P}}_7^- \Lambda^1(S^2).$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad b = (\Phi^*)^{-1} a = \lambda_0 \lambda_1^2 d\lambda_2 - \lambda_1^2 \lambda_2 d\lambda_0 \in \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}_3^- \Lambda^1(T^2).$$

$$a = \lambda_0 d\lambda_1 - \lambda_1 d\lambda_0 \in \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1(T^2)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \alpha = \Phi^* a = 2u_0^2 u_1 du_1 - 2u_0 u_1^2 du_0 \in \mathcal{P}_3^- \Lambda^1(S^2).$$

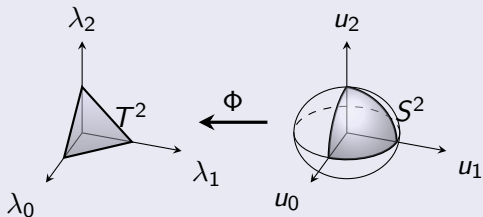
$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad *_S \alpha &= 2((u_0^3 u_1 + u_0 u_1^3) du_2 - u_0^2 u_1 u_2 du_0 - u_0 u_1^2 u_2 du_1) \\ &= 2u_0 u_1 (u_0^2 + u_1^2 + u_2^2) du_2 - u_0 u_1 u_2 d(u_0^2 + u_1^2 + u_2^2) \\ &= 2u_0 u_1 du_2 \in \mathcal{P}_2 \Lambda^1(S^2). \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \beta = u_0 u_1 u_2 (*_S \alpha) = 2u_0^2 u_1^2 u_2 du_2 \in \overset{\infty}{\mathcal{P}}_5 \Lambda^1(S^2).$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad b = (\Phi^*)^{-1} \beta = \lambda_0 \lambda_1 d\lambda_2 \in \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}_2 \Lambda^1(T^2).$$

# Polynomial forms on the simplex and the sphere

Change of coordinates  $\lambda_i = u_i^2$ ,  $d\lambda_i = 2u_i du_i$



## Theorem

The map  $\Phi^* : \Lambda^k(T^n) \rightarrow \Lambda^k(S^n)$  gives isomorphisms:

$$\mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^k(T^n) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{P}_{2r+k} \Lambda_e^k(S^n),$$

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### Example

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_0 \lambda_1^2 d\lambda_2 \wedge d\lambda_3 &\mapsto u_0^2 u_1^4 (2u_2 du_2) \wedge (2u_3 du_3) \\ &= 4u_0^2 u_1^4 u_2 u_3 du_2 \wedge du_3 \\ \mathcal{P}_3 \Lambda^2(T^3) &\rightarrow \mathcal{P}_8 \Lambda_e^2(S^3). \end{aligned}$$

### Definition

- A form is **even** if it is invariant under all coordinate reflections.
  - e.g.  $R_2: (u_0, u_1, u_2, u_3) \mapsto (u_0, u_1, -u_2, u_3)$ .
- The space of such forms is denoted  $\Lambda_e^k(S^n)$ .

### The image of $\Phi^*$ is even

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \\ & \nearrow \Phi^* & \\ T^n & & \\ & \searrow \Phi^* & \\ & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \\ & \nearrow \Phi^* & \\ \Lambda^k(T^n) & & \\ & \searrow \Phi^* & \\ & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \\ & \nearrow \Phi^* & \\ & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \\ & \searrow \Phi^* & \\ & & \Lambda^k(S^n) \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(T^n) \cong \mathcal{P}_{2r+k}^- \Lambda_e^k(S^n)$$

### A new definition of $\mathcal{P}_r^-$

- Let  $X$  denote the radial vector field

$$X = (\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n) = \lambda_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_0} + \dots + \lambda_n \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_n}$$

- Let

$$\mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(\mathbb{R}^{n+1}) := i_X \mathcal{P}_{r-1}^- \Lambda^{k+1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1}).$$

- Let  $\mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(T^n)$  and  $\mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(S^n)$  denote the restrictions of  $\mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  to  $T^n$  and  $S^n$ , respectively.

### $\Phi^*$ sends $\mathcal{P}^-$ to $\mathcal{P}^-$

- View  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  with same formula

$$(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n) = \Phi(u_0, \dots, u_n) = (u_0^2, \dots, u_n^2)$$

- Key fact:  $\Phi_* X = 2X$ .

$$\sum_{i=0}^n u_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} = \sum_{i=0}^n u_i \frac{\partial \lambda_i}{\partial u_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_i} = \sum_{i=0}^n u_i (2u_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_i} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_i}.$$

$$\mathring{\mathcal{P}}_r \Lambda^k(T^n) \cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{2r+k} \Lambda_e^k(S^n)$$

## Two notions of “vanishing trace”

Let  $\Omega$  be a domain with boundary  $\partial\Omega$  and let  $\alpha \in \Lambda^k(\Omega)$ .

- ①  $i^* \alpha = 0$ , where  $i: \partial\Omega \hookrightarrow \Omega$  is the inclusion.
  - $\alpha(X_1, \dots, X_k) = 0$  for any vectors  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  **tangent** to  $\partial\Omega$ .
  - $\alpha \in \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_r \Lambda^k(T^n)$  vanishes if we set  $\lambda_i = 0$  and  $d\lambda_i = 0$ .
- ② Evaluated at any point  $x \in \partial\Omega$ ,  $\alpha_x \in \Lambda^k T_x^* \Omega$  vanishes.
  - $\alpha(X_1, \dots, X_k) = 0$  for any vectors  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  **based** at  $\partial\Omega$ .
  - The coefficients of  $\alpha$  vanish on  $\partial\Omega$ .
  - $\alpha \in \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{2r+k} \Lambda_e^k(S^n)$  vanishes if we set  $u_i = 0$ .

## $\Phi^*$ sends $\mathring{\mathcal{P}}$ to $\mathring{\mathcal{P}}$

- Let  $S_i^{n-1} = S^n \cap \{u_i = 0\}$  and  $T_i^{n-1} = T^n \cap \{\lambda_i = 0\}$ .
- $D\Phi$  maps vectors tangent to  $S_i^{n-1}$  to vectors tangent to  $T_i^{n-1}$ .
- $D\Phi$  maps vectors normal to  $S_i^{n-1}$  to zero. ( $\frac{\partial u_i^2}{\partial u_i} = 0$  on  $S_i^{n-1}$ .)



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$$(\Phi^*)^{-1} \circ u_{N^* S^n} \circ \Phi^* : \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^k(T^n) &\cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{r+k+1}^- \Lambda^{n-k}(T^n), \\ \mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(T^n) &\cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{r+k} \Lambda^{n-k}(T^n). \end{aligned}$$

$$u_{N^* S^n} : \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{2r+k} \Lambda_e^k(S^n) &\cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{2r+n+k+2}^- \Lambda_e^{n-k}(S^n), \\ \mathcal{P}_{2r+k}^- \Lambda_e^k(S^n) &\cong \mathring{\mathcal{P}}_{2r+n+k} \Lambda_e^{n-k}(S^n). \end{aligned}$$

# The Hodge star on the sphere

## Proposition

$$\begin{aligned} *_{S^n}: \quad \mathcal{P}_s \Lambda^k(S^n) &\cong \mathcal{P}_{s+1}^- \Lambda^{n-k}(S^n), \\ \mathcal{P}_s^- \Lambda^k(S^n) &\cong \mathcal{P}_{s-1} \Lambda^{n-k}(S^n). \end{aligned}$$

## Example

$$\alpha = u_1^3 du_1 \in \mathcal{P}_3 \Lambda^1(S^2).$$

$$*_{S^2} \alpha = -i_X(*_{\mathbb{R}^3} \alpha)$$

$$= i_X(u_1^3 du_0 \wedge du_2)$$

$$= u_1^3 i_X(du_0) du_2 - u_1^3 i_X(du_2) du_0$$

$$= u_1^3 u_0 du_2 - u_1^3 u_2 du_0 \in \mathcal{P}_4^- \Lambda^1(S^2)$$

$$*_{S^2} (*_{S^2} \alpha) = u_1^3 u_0 (u_1 du_0 - u_0 du_1) - u_1^3 u_2 (u_2 du_1 - u_1 du_2)$$

$$= -u_1^3 (u_0^2 + u_1^2 + u_2^2) du_1 + \frac{1}{2} u_1^4 d(u_0^2 + u_1^2 + u_2^2)$$

$$= -\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_3 \Lambda^1(S^2).$$

# Multiplication by the bubble function

## Proposition

$$u_N = u_0 \cdots u_n: \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_s \Lambda^k(S^n) &\cong \check{\mathcal{P}}_{s+n+1} \Lambda^k(S^n), \\ \mathcal{P}_s^- \Lambda^k(S^n) &\cong \check{\mathcal{P}}_{s+n+1}^- \Lambda^k(S^n). \end{aligned}$$

## Counterexamples

- $u_N = i_X(u_1 \cdots u_n du_0) \in \check{\mathcal{P}}_{n+1}^- \Lambda^0(S^n)$ .
  - But  $1 \notin \mathcal{P}_0^- \Lambda^0(S^n)$ .
- $u_N \text{vol}_{S^n} = u_1 \cdots u_n du_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge du_n \in \check{\mathcal{P}}_n \Lambda^n(S^n)$ .
  - But  $\text{vol}_{S^n} \notin \mathcal{P}_{-1} \Lambda^n(S^n)$ .

## It's okay

- These are the only counterexamples.
- Proposition still holds if we add  $\text{span}\{1\}$  or  $\text{span}\{\text{vol}_{S^n}\}$  to the left-hand side when necessary.

## The duality map

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$$(\Phi^*)^{-1} \circ u_{N^*S^n} \circ \Phi^* : \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_r \Lambda^k(T^n) &\cong \check{\mathcal{P}}_{r+k+1}^- \Lambda^{n-k}(T^n), \\ \mathcal{P}_r^- \Lambda^k(T^n) &\cong \check{\mathcal{P}}_{r+k} \Lambda^{n-k}(T^n). \end{aligned}$$

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# A special case or a new definition?

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## Proposition

*Restricting to  $T^n$ ,*

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*except  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_0^- \Lambda^0(T^n) = \text{span}\{1\}$ .*

## Exceptions

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- $u_N \text{vol}_{S^n} = u_1 \cdots u_n du_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge du_n \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_n \Lambda^n(S^n)$ .
  - But  $\text{vol}_{S^n} \notin \mathcal{P}_{-1} \Lambda^n(S^n)$ .

## The volume form

$$\text{vol}_{S^n} = u_0^{-1} du_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge du_n.$$

Perhaps it should be in  $\mathcal{P}_{-1} \Lambda^n(S^n)$  after all?

# A vague parallel?

## The cohomology of smooth closed manifolds

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# Thank you



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