

Homework #4

**Exercise 1.**

Prove that if a tensor is symmetric (antisymmetric) in some basis it is symmetric (antisymmetric) in every basis.

**Exercise 2.**

Prove that an antisymmetric tensor of type  $(p, 0)$  or  $(0, p)$  with  $p > n$  is zero ( $\dim V = n$ ).

**Exercise 3.**

Prove that

$$\dim \Lambda^p(V) = \frac{n!}{p!(n-p)!}$$

**Exercise 4.**

Prove that

- 1)  $(\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma = \alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma)$
- 2)  $(\alpha + \beta) \wedge \gamma = \alpha \wedge \gamma + \beta \wedge \gamma$
- 3)  $k(\alpha \wedge \beta) = (k\alpha) \wedge \beta = \alpha \wedge (k\beta)$
- 4)  $\alpha \wedge \beta = (-1)^{pq} \beta \wedge \alpha$

**Exercise 5.**

Prove that

- 1)  $v \rfloor (\alpha + \beta) = v \rfloor \alpha + v \rfloor \beta$
- 2)  $(v + u) \rfloor \alpha = v \rfloor \alpha + u \rfloor \alpha$
- 3)  $v \rfloor u \rfloor w = -u \rfloor v \rfloor w$
- 4)  $v \rfloor (\alpha \wedge \beta) = (v \rfloor \alpha) \wedge \beta + (-1)^{\deg \alpha} \alpha \wedge (v \rfloor \beta)$

**Exercise 6.**

Prove that for any  $p$ -form  $w$

$$\begin{aligned} \vartheta^a \wedge (e_a \rfloor w) &= pw \\ e_a \rfloor (\vartheta^a \wedge w) &= (n-p)w \end{aligned}$$