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If $V \subset M$ complex submanifold, we define the normal bundle $N_{V/M}$ to V in M to ^{be} the quotient of the tangent bundle to M , restricted to V , by the subbundle,

$$T(V) \hookrightarrow T(M)|_V.$$

The conormal bundle $N_{V/M}^*$ of V in M is the dual of the normal bundle.

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$E \rightarrow M$ complex vector bundle.

Def: A hermitian metric on E = hermitian inner product on each fiber E_x of E , varying smoothly with $x \in M$ —i.e. s.t. if $\xi = \{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k\}$ is a frame for E , then the functions

$$h_{ij}(x) = (\xi_i(x), \xi_j(x)) \text{ are } C^\infty.$$

A frame ξ for E is called unitary if $\xi_1(x), \dots, \xi_k(x)$ is an orthonormal basis for E_x for each x ; unitary frames always exist locally, since we can take any frame and apply the Gram-Schmidt process.

If E is a bundle with hermitian metric, $F \subset E$ a subbundle, then the subspace $\{F_x^\perp \subset E_x\}$ form a subbundle of E , C^∞ isomorphic to the quotient bundle E/F .

(See Milnor. Characteristic classes. p. 28.)

A holomorphic vector bundle with a hermitian metric is called a hermitian vector bundle.