

Problem 91 We define the coderivative $\delta : \Lambda^p M \rightarrow \Lambda^{p-1} M$ by:

$$\delta\alpha = (-1)^{np+n+1} \star d \star \alpha$$

Observe $\delta\alpha$ is a differential form of one-less degree than α . In contrast, $d\alpha$ is a differential form of one-more degree than α . We proved, or observed, that $d^2 = 0$ and $\star\star = \pm 1$ where the sign depends both on the signature of the metric on M as well as the degree of the form and the dimension of M . However, those details need not concern us for the following question: **Show:**

$$\delta^2\alpha = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\delta\alpha) &= \pm (\star d \star) (\star d \star \alpha) \\ &= \pm \star d (d (\star \alpha)) \\ &= 0. \quad (\text{as } d^2 = 0) \end{aligned}$$

Problem 92 In the previous problem I was intentionally vague about which manifold and metric we were using. Here, I will be precise: let us consider $M = \mathbb{R}^3$ with the Euclidean metric. Find nice formulas for: here $\omega_{\vec{F}} = Pdx + Qdy + Rdz$ as usual, $P=1$

- (a.) $d\delta\omega_{\vec{F}}$ where $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$. $\hookrightarrow \delta\omega_{\vec{F}} = (-1)^{3+3+1} \star d \star \omega_{\vec{F}} = -\star d \star \omega_{\vec{F}}$
 (b.) $\delta d\omega_{\vec{F}}$ where $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$.
 (c.) is $d\delta + \delta d$ anything interesting?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a.) } d\delta\omega_{\vec{F}} &= d(-\star d \star \omega_{\vec{F}}) \\ &= -d(\star d \omega_{\vec{F}}) \\ &= -d(\star (\nabla \cdot \vec{F}) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz) \\ &= -d(\nabla \cdot \vec{F}) \\ &= -\omega_{\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{F})} = -\partial_x(\nabla \cdot \vec{F})dx - \partial_y(\nabla \cdot \vec{F})dy - \partial_z(\nabla \cdot \vec{F})dz \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b.) } \delta d\omega_{\vec{F}} &= \delta \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{F}}, \quad p=2, \quad np+n+1 = 3(2)+2+1 = 8, \\ &= \star d \star \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{F}} \\ &= \star d \omega_{\nabla \times \vec{F}} \\ &= \star \Phi_{\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{F})} \\ &= \omega_{\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{F})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c.) } d\delta + \delta d &= \omega_{\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{F})} - \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{F}) \leftarrow \text{simplifies to } \nabla^2 \vec{F} \\ &= -\nabla^2 \vec{F} = -\langle \nabla^2 P, \nabla^2 Q, \nabla^2 R \rangle \\ &\quad (\text{some folks say minus, others +. The Laplacian.}) \end{aligned}$$

Problem 93 Suppose M is a manifold with boundary ∂M and suppose α, β are differential forms on M with $\deg(\alpha) + \deg(\beta) = \dim(M) - 1$. Relate $\int_M \alpha \wedge d\beta$ and $\int_M \beta \wedge d\alpha$; that is, derive integration-by-parts for differential forms.

$$d(\alpha \wedge \beta) = d\alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)} \alpha \wedge d\beta$$

Therefore,

$$\int_M d(\alpha \wedge \beta) = \int_M d\alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)} \int_M \alpha \wedge d\beta$$

Use gen. Stokes' th^m to convert $\int_M d(\alpha \wedge \beta) = \int_{\partial M} \alpha \wedge \beta$, hence,

$$\boxed{\int_M \alpha \wedge d\beta = (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)} \left[\int_{\partial M} \alpha \wedge \beta - \int_M d\alpha \wedge \beta \right]}$$

Problem 94 In $\mathbb{R}^4$ with metric $\eta = \text{Diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1)$ I describe in my notes how Hodge duality introduces certain signs. The basic idea is very much like the simpler context of $\mathbb{R}^3$. Because I use the metric which agrees with the euclidean metric on x, y, z components the work and flux-form correspondences naturally generalize: a general one-form on $\mathbb{R}^4_{txyz}$ space has the form:

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 dt + \alpha_1 dx + \alpha_2 dy + \alpha_3 dz = \alpha_0 dt + \omega_{\vec{\alpha}}.$$

Notice, I am encouraging the notation $\vec{\alpha}$ for the spatial vector piece of the one-form α . No such simple correspondence is possible for a generic two-form since it has six independent components:

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= F_1 dt \wedge dx + F_2 dt \wedge dy + F_3 dt \wedge dz + G_1 dy \wedge dz + G_2 dz \wedge dx + G_3 dx \wedge dy \\ &= dt \wedge \omega_{\vec{F}} + \Phi_{\vec{G}} \end{aligned}$$

Clearly the formula in terms of the work and flux-form correspondance will make it easier for us to follow calculus and algebra for β . Next, a three-form has the general form:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= G_0 dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + G_1 dt \wedge dy \wedge dz + G_2 dt \wedge dz \wedge dx + G_3 dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \\ &= G_0 dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + dt \wedge \Phi_{\vec{\gamma}} \end{aligned}$$

where I am encouraging use of the notation $\vec{\gamma} = \langle G_1, G_2, G_3 \rangle$ to emphasize the correspondence between spatial 3-vectors and those components of γ . Continuing, there is just one 4-form:

$$\zeta = f dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz.$$

Please notice that all the coefficients of the forms are in fact 0-forms on $\mathbb{R}^4$, that is, functions of t, x, y, z . This introduces time derivative terms in the formulas you are to find below. Use the notation given above to calculate:

(a.) df where f is a real-valued function on $\mathbb{R}_{xyz}^4$.

(b.) $d\alpha$

(c.) $d\beta$

(d.) $d\gamma$

(e.) $d\zeta$

$$(a.) \quad df = \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt}_{(\partial_t f)dt} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz}_{\omega_{\nabla f}} = \underline{(\partial_t f)dt + \omega_{\nabla f}}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b.) \quad d\alpha &= d\alpha_0 \wedge dt + d\alpha_1 \wedge dx + d\alpha_2 \wedge dy + d\alpha_3 \wedge dz \\ &= \omega_{\nabla \alpha_0} \wedge dt + \sum_{i=1}^3 \left[(\partial_t \alpha_i) dt + \omega_{\nabla \alpha_i} \right] \wedge dx^i \\ &= \omega_{\nabla \alpha_0} \wedge dt - \sum_{i=1}^3 (\partial_t \alpha_i) dx^i \wedge dt + \sum_{i=1}^3 \omega_{\nabla \alpha_i} \wedge dx^i \\ &= \omega_{\nabla \alpha_0} \wedge dt - \omega_{\partial_t \vec{\alpha}} \wedge dt + \sum_{i=1}^3 \omega_{\nabla \alpha_i} \wedge dx^i \\ &= \left(\omega_{\nabla \alpha_0} - \frac{\partial \vec{\alpha}}{\partial t} \right) \wedge dt + \sum_{i=1}^3 \omega_{\nabla \alpha_i} \wedge \omega_{e_i} \\ &= \omega_{\nabla \alpha_0 - \frac{\partial \vec{\alpha}}{\partial t}} \wedge dt + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^3 \Phi_{\nabla \alpha_i \times e_i}}_{\Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{\alpha}}} \\ &= \underline{\omega_{\nabla \alpha_0 - \frac{\partial \vec{\alpha}}{\partial t}} \wedge dt + \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{\alpha}}} \end{aligned}$$

Curious, I think I missed this in Lecture.

oh, duh.

(b.) again, but, to the point,

$$\begin{aligned}d\alpha &= d(\alpha_0 dt + W_{\vec{a}}) \\&= d\alpha_0 \wedge dt + dW_{\vec{a}} \\&= (\partial_t \alpha_0 dt + W_{\nabla \alpha_0}) \wedge dt + \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{a}} + dt \wedge W_{\frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial t}} \\&= \underline{W_{\nabla \alpha_0} - \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial t} \wedge dt + \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{a}}}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(c.) d\beta &= d(dt \wedge W_{\vec{F}} + \Phi_{\vec{G}}) \\&= -dW_{\vec{F}} \wedge dt + d\Phi_{\vec{G}} \\&= -\Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{F}} \wedge dt + (\nabla \cdot \vec{G}) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + dt \wedge \Phi_{\frac{\partial \vec{G}}{\partial t}} \\&= \underline{(\nabla \cdot \vec{G}) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + dt \wedge \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{F} + \frac{\partial \vec{G}}{\partial t}}}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(d.) d\gamma &= d(G_0 dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + dt \wedge \Phi_{\vec{r}}) \\&= dG_0 \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + d\Phi_{\vec{r}} \wedge dt \\&= (\partial_t G_0) dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + (\nabla \cdot \vec{r}) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \wedge dt \\&= \underline{\left(\frac{\partial G_0}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \vec{r} \right) dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(e.) d\zeta &= df \wedge dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \\&= \underline{0.} \quad (\text{no non-zero 5-form in } \mathbb{R}^4)\end{aligned}$$

Problem 95 Again, using the notation introduced in the previous problem, find the explicit (and as nice as possible) formulas for: (use the results on page 221 of my notes)

(a.) $*f$ where f is a real-valued function on $\mathbb{R}^4_{txyz}$.

(b.) $*\alpha$

(c.) $*\beta$

(d.) $*\gamma$

(e.) $*\zeta$

used
to do
these $e^0 \rightarrow dt$,
 $e^1 \rightarrow dx$, $e^2 \rightarrow dy$
etc.

$$(a.) *f = \underline{f dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b.) * \alpha &= \alpha_0 * dt + \alpha_1 * dx + \alpha_2 * dy + \alpha_3 * dz \\ &= -\alpha_0 dx \wedge dy \wedge dz - \alpha_1 dy \wedge dz \wedge dt - \alpha_2 dz \wedge dx \wedge dt - \alpha_3 dx \wedge dy \wedge dt \\ &= \underline{-\alpha_0 dx \wedge dy \wedge dz - \Phi_{\vec{x}} \wedge dt}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c.) * \beta &= * (dt \wedge \omega_{\vec{F}} + \Phi_{\vec{G}}) \\ &= -*(\omega_{\vec{F}} \wedge dt) + * \Phi_{\vec{G}} \\ &= \underline{-\Phi_{\vec{F}} + dt \wedge \omega_{\vec{G}}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (d.) * \gamma &= G_0 * (dx \wedge dy \wedge dz) + * (dt \wedge \Phi_{\vec{r}}) \\ &= \underline{-G_0 dt - \omega_{\vec{r}}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (e.) * \zeta &= * (f dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz) \\ &= \underline{-f}. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 96 Derive differential identities from $d^2 = 0$ on $\mathbb{R}_{txyz}^4$. In other words, work out the analog of Problem 80 for four-dimensional Minkowski space.

In order for d^2 to be interesting $d(d\alpha)$ cannot be more than a 4-form. Thus, consider α a $p=0, 1, 2$ form.

$p=0$ $d(df) = d(\partial_t f dt + \omega_{\nabla f}) \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \alpha_0 = \partial_t f \\ \vec{\alpha} = \nabla f \end{matrix}$ part b. of P. 94

$$= (\omega_{\nabla \partial_t f - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla f}) \wedge dt + \Phi_{\nabla \times \nabla f}$$

Zero provided $\nabla \partial_t = \partial_t \nabla$.

$$= \Phi_{\nabla \times \nabla f} \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla \times \nabla f = 0}$$

$p=1$ $d(d\alpha) = d(\omega_{\nabla \alpha_0} - \frac{\partial \vec{\alpha}}{\partial t} \wedge dt + \Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{\alpha}})$

$$= d(dt \wedge \underbrace{\omega_{\frac{\partial \vec{\alpha}}{\partial t}} - \nabla \alpha_0}_{\vec{F}} + \underbrace{\Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{\alpha}}}_{\vec{G}})$$

of part c from 94

$$= (\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G})) dx dy dz$$

$$+ dt \wedge \Phi_{\nabla \times (\frac{\partial \vec{\alpha}}{\partial t} - \nabla \alpha_0) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{\alpha})}$$

$$= \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G}) dx dy dz + dt \wedge \Phi_{-\nabla \times \nabla \alpha_0} \quad \text{as } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla = \nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{matrix} \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G}) = 0 \\ \text{and } \nabla \times \nabla \alpha_0 = 0 \end{matrix}}$$

so the other terms cancel.

$p=2$ $d(d\beta) = d(\underbrace{(\nabla \cdot \vec{G}) dx dy dz}_{\vec{G}_0} + dt \wedge \underbrace{\Phi_{\nabla \times \vec{G} + \frac{\partial \vec{G}}{\partial t}}_{\vec{F}})$ part d. of 94

$$= \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \vec{G}) - \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G} + \frac{\partial \vec{G}}{\partial t}) \right] dt dx dy dz$$

$$= -\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G}) dt dx dy dz \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G}) = 0}$$

Problem 97 Suppose $L(y, \dot{y}, t) = y^3 + y\dot{y}^2$ is the Lagrangian for some model. Find the Euler-Lagrange equations for y .

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d}{dt} (2y\dot{y}) = 3y^2 + \dot{y}^2}$$

Guess I should
put one of these
on the final 😊.

Problem 98 The three-dimensional free-particle Lagrangian for mass m is simply

$$L(x, y, z, \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}, t) = \frac{m}{2} [\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2].$$

We saw in lecture the Euler-Lagrange equations for x, y, z were simply:

$$m\ddot{x} = 0, \quad m\ddot{y} = 0, \quad m\ddot{z} = 0.$$

Find the L in spherical coordinates:

$$x = r \cos \theta \sin \phi, \quad y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, \quad z = r \cos \phi$$

and derive the Euler Lagrange equations for r, θ, ϕ .

$$\dot{x} = \cos \theta \sin \phi \dot{r} - r \sin \theta \sin \phi \dot{\theta} + r \cos \theta \cos \phi \dot{\phi}$$

$$\dot{y} = \sin \theta \sin \phi \dot{r} + r \cos \theta \sin \phi \dot{\theta} + r \sin \theta \cos \phi \dot{\phi}$$

$$\dot{z} = \cos \phi \dot{r} - r \sin \phi \dot{\phi}$$

Thus, as the cross-terms cancel, well, most of them,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 &= (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) \sin^2 \phi \dot{r}^2 + r^2 (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \cos^2 \phi \dot{\phi}^2 \\ &\quad + 2r \cos \theta \sin \theta \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta} \dot{\phi} \end{aligned}$$

Also, note,

$$\dot{z}^2 = \cos^2 \phi \dot{r}^2 - 2r \cos \phi \sin \phi \dot{r} \dot{\phi} + r^2 \sin^2 \phi \dot{\phi}^2$$

Then, after using $\sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \phi = 1$ a couple times,

$$\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2 = \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \dot{\phi}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{L = \frac{m}{2} [\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \dot{\phi}^2]}$$

Problem 98 continued

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m\dot{r}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = m r \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}^2 + m r \dot{\phi}^2$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m r^2 \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = m r^2 \dot{\phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} = m r^2 \sin \phi \cos \phi \dot{\theta}^2$$

Thus, $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial r}$ and the same for θ, ϕ reveal,

$$\frac{d}{dt} (m\dot{r}) = m r \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}^2 + m r \dot{\phi}^2$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (m r^2 \sin^2 \phi \dot{\theta}) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (m r^2 \dot{\phi}) = m r^2 \sin \phi \cos \phi \dot{\theta}^2$$

Euler - Lagrange Eq^s for r, θ, ϕ .

Problem 99 Find the geodesic equations for the paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$. If it is within your power, solve them. (I'm not sure how horrible this suggestion is, but where effort is made, credit will likely flow)

$$\begin{aligned} L = V^2 &= \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2 = r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{r}^2 + \dot{z}^2 : \text{ where } V = \frac{ds}{dt} \\ &= r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{r}^2 + (2r\dot{r})^2 : z = r^2 \hookrightarrow \dot{z} = 2r\dot{r} \\ &= \underline{r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + (1 + 4r^2) \dot{r}^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (2r^2 \dot{\theta}) = 0 \therefore \underline{l = 2r^2 \dot{\theta} \text{ constant.}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} [2(1 + 4r^2) \dot{r}] = 2r \dot{\theta}^2 + 8r \dot{r}^2$$

Usually, imposing $\dot{\theta} = l/2r^2$ to eliminate θ helps,

$$\frac{d}{dt} [2\dot{r} + 8r^2 \dot{r}] = 2r \left(\frac{l}{2r^2} \right)^2 + 8r \dot{r}^2$$

$$\underline{2\ddot{r} + 16r\dot{r}^2 + 8r^2 \ddot{r} = \frac{l^2}{2r} + 8r \dot{r}^2}$$

YEP. WELL,
IT DOESN'T LOOK
TOO HARD...

Problem 100 Follow link [http : //mathoverflow.net/q/26939/24854](http://mathoverflow.net/q/26939/24854). Read page. We're on the honor system here, I just want you to scan through it to get a feel for how professional mathematicians think about forms.

Problem 101 Follow link [http : //mathoverflow.net/q/10574/24854](http://mathoverflow.net/q/10574/24854). Read page. We're on the honor system here, I just want you to scan through it to get a feel for how professional mathematicians think about forms. (if your time is limited then your time is better spend on this thread, this gives a lot of ideas for future directions and reading on differential forms)

$$df \wedge \text{vol}_M = df \wedge \frac{1}{\|f\|} * df = \frac{1}{\|f\|} df \wedge * df \text{ curious.}$$

Problem 102 Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function with non-vanishing ∇f . Let M be the hypersurface which is formed by the solution set of $f(x) = c$; that is $M = f^{-1}\{c\}$. Furthermore, let $n = \omega_{\vec{n}}$ be **unit-normal form** in the sense that $\text{Ker}(n_p) = T_p M$ for each $p \in M$ and $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{n} = 1$. We define the volume form vol_M on the hypersurface by $\text{vol}_M = *n$ where $*$ is the euclidean Hodge dual. Show:

$$df \wedge \text{vol}_M = |\nabla f| dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n$$

Notice $\underbrace{f(\vec{x}) = c}_{\text{sols fall in the "surface" } M = f^{-1}\{c\}}$ has normal vector field ∇f

Hence $\omega_{\nabla f} \sim n$, but need to normalize to $\frac{\nabla f}{\|\nabla f\|}$

thus,

$$n = \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \omega_{\nabla f} = \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} df$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vol}_M &= *n = \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \left(* \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx^1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} dx^n \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx^2 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} dx^1 \wedge dx^3 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^n} dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{n-1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} dx^{j+1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \wedge dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{j-1} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} df \wedge \text{vol}_M &= \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^k} dx^k \right) \wedge \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} dx^{j+1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \wedge dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{j-1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right)^2 dx^j \wedge dx^{j+1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \wedge dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{j-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^j} \right)^2 dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \quad \leftarrow \text{repeats wedge.} \\ &= \frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} \|\nabla f\|^2 dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \\ &= \|\nabla f\| dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n. \end{aligned}$$

other terms vanish due to ∇f
for example,
 $dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dx^3 = dx^2 \wedge dx^3 \wedge dx^1$
 $= dx^3 \wedge dx^1 \wedge dx^2$
etc...

Problem 103 Calculate, use the volume form defined in previous problem,

$$\int_{S_R} \text{vol}_M = 2\pi R$$

where $S_R = F^{-1}(R)$ for $F(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$. Suggestion,

$$n = \frac{xdy - ydx}{R}$$

has $\vec{n} = \frac{\langle -y, x \rangle}{R}$ with unit-length on S_R .

$$f = r^2, df = 2rdr$$

$$\|\nabla f\| = 2r$$

$$\frac{1}{\|\nabla f\|} df \wedge \text{vol}_M = dx \wedge dy$$

$$dr \wedge \text{vol}_M = r dr \wedge d\theta$$

But, $r = R$,

$$dr \wedge \text{vol}_M = dr \wedge \underbrace{(R d\theta)}_{\text{vol}_M}$$

$$\int_{S_R} \text{vol}_M = \int_{S_R} R d\theta = R \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta = \underline{2\pi R}.$$

$$\int_{S_R} \frac{xdy - ydx}{R} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(R \cos \theta) d(R \sin \theta) - (R \sin \theta) d(R \cos \theta)}{R} = \int_0^{2\pi} R d\theta = \underline{2\pi R}.$$

Remark: If $F = C$ is a coordinate plane for a coord. W' system then $dW' \wedge \text{vol}_M = dx' \wedge dx'' \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n$ then if we pull-back $dx' \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n$ to $W', \dots, W^n$ -coord. we can read off vol_M . This is what I did in 103 and 104.

Problem 104 Calculate, use the volume form defined in previous problem,

$$\int_{S_R} \text{vol}_M = 4\pi R^2$$

where $S_R = F^{-1}(R)$ for $F(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$.

$$F = r^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dF}{\|\nabla F\|} = dr$$

Problem 85

$$dx \wedge dy \wedge dz = \frac{1}{\|\nabla F\|} dF \wedge \text{vol}_M$$

$$R^2 \sin \phi dr \wedge d\phi \wedge d\theta = dr \wedge \text{vol}_M$$

$$dr \wedge (R^2 \sin \phi d\phi \wedge d\theta) = dr \wedge \text{vol}_M$$

$$\therefore \text{vol}_M = R^2 \sin \phi d\phi \wedge d\theta$$

$$\int_{S_R} \text{vol}_M = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi R^2 \sin \phi d\phi d\theta = R^2 \left(-\cos \phi \Big|_0^\pi \right) \left(\theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} \right) = \boxed{4\pi R^2}$$

Problem 105 Consider the 1-form $\alpha = xdz + ydw - (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2)dt$ on $\mathbb{R}^5$. Calculate $\int_S d\alpha \wedge \alpha$, where $S \subset \mathbb{R}^5$ is given by $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2 = 1$ and $0 \leq t \leq 1$. Use the generalized Stokes' Theorem and the identity $d\alpha \wedge \alpha = d(\alpha \wedge \alpha)$ to make life easier.

$\mathbb{R}^5$ has coordinates (x, y, z, w, t) (my choice here)

$$S \subset \mathbb{R}^5 : \underbrace{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2 = 1}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$S_3 = \{ (x, y, z, w) \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2 = 1 \}$$

Thus $S = S_3 \times [0, 1]$

and $\partial S = \underbrace{(S_3 \times \{0\})}_{\text{BASE}} \cup \underbrace{(S_3 \times \{1\})}_{\text{TOP}}$



Cylinder with a hyperspherical cross-section.

Notice BASE, TOP have $t=0, 1$ and thus $dt=0$ on ∂S .

Consider,

$$\int_S d\alpha \wedge \alpha = \int_S d(\alpha \wedge \alpha)$$

$$= \int_{\partial S} \alpha \wedge \alpha \quad \rightarrow \text{only terms w/o } dt \text{ survive the integration.}$$

$$= \int_{\partial S} (xdz + ydw) \wedge (d(xdz + ydw))$$

$$= \int_{\partial S} (xdz + ydw) \wedge (dx \wedge dz + dy \wedge dw)$$

$$= \int_{\partial S} x dz \wedge dy \wedge dw + y dw \wedge dx \wedge dz$$

$$= \boxed{0} \quad (x, y \text{ appear symmetrically } +/- \text{ over the 3-sphere hence the } +/- \text{ hemi-hyperspheres integrals cancel.})$$

Problem 106 The rank of a one-form ω is defined, at a point, to be the largest positive integer r for which $\omega_r \neq 0$ yet $\omega_{r+1} = 0$ where we define the **auxillary forms** $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots$ as follows:

$$\omega_1 = \omega, \omega_2 = d\omega, \omega_3 = \omega \wedge d\omega, \omega_4 = d\omega \wedge d\omega, \omega_5 = \omega \wedge d\omega \wedge d\omega, \dots$$

The auxillary forms $\{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_r\}$ form a LI set of forms in the exterior algebra of the manifold at a the given point. If the rank of the one-form is constant at all points then the form is called **regular**. Find the rank of:

$$\omega = (x+y)dt + ydz$$

on $\mathbb{R}_{txyz}^4$ space.

$$\omega_1 = (x+y)dt + ydz$$

$$\omega_2 = d\omega_1 = dx \wedge dt + dy \wedge dt + dy \wedge dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_3 = \omega \wedge d\omega &= [(x+y)dt + ydz] \wedge [dx \wedge dt + dy \wedge dt + dy \wedge dz] \\ &= \underline{(x+y)dt \wedge dy \wedge dz + ydz \wedge dx \wedge dt + ydz \wedge dy \wedge dt} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_4 = d\omega \wedge d\omega &= [dx \wedge dt + \cancel{dy \wedge dt}^0 + dy \wedge dz] \wedge [dx \wedge dt + dy \wedge dt + dy \wedge dz] \\ &= dx \wedge dt \wedge dy \wedge dz + dy \wedge dz \wedge dx \wedge dt \\ &= -dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + (-dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz) \\ &= \underline{-2dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz} \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega_5 = \omega \wedge d\omega \wedge d\omega = 0 \quad \text{thus } \boxed{\text{rank of } \omega \text{ is } 4}$$

Problem 107 Consider the one-form $\omega = xdx + ydy + zdz$ on $\mathbb{R}^3$. Find the foliation of three dimensional space into two-dimensional submanifolds whose tangent spaces are spanned by vector fields which are found in $\ker(\omega)$. Check the condition needed to show ω is dual to a two-plane field distribution on $\mathbb{R}^3$; that is verify $\omega \wedge d\omega = 0$ (see Bachman for where I'm coming from here). Incidentally, there is one point left out, perhaps it would be more honest to say find a foliation of $\mathbb{R}^3 - \{(0,0,0)\}$.

$$\omega = xdx + ydy + zdz = d\left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{2}z^2}_F\right)$$

$$\text{thus } d\omega = d(dF) = 0$$

$$\text{hence } \omega \wedge d\omega = \omega \wedge 0 = 0. \quad \text{Furthermore,}$$

$\ker(\omega)$ is given by tangents to $F(x,y,z) = C$.

The foliation here is spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = R^2$.

Notice, $\nabla F|_p = \langle x, y, z \rangle|_p$ is normal to sphere at given point p but $T_p S_R = (\nabla F|_p)^\perp$ and

$$V_p = T_p S_R \oplus N_p S_R \quad \text{where } N_p S_R = \text{span}(\nabla F|_p)$$

$$\text{thus } v \in T_p S_R \Rightarrow v \cdot \nabla F|_p = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} (p, \nabla F|_p) \text{ more} \\ \text{precisely as} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_p(v) = (dF)_p(v)$$

$$= \omega_{\nabla f(p)}(v)$$

$$= (\nabla f(v)) \cdot v$$

$$= 0 \quad \therefore v \in \ker(\omega_p) \quad \forall v \in T_p S_R$$

this holds for each $p \in S_R$
hence $\ker(\omega)$ is made of
tangents to S_R .

Problem 108 Consider $\omega = dy + dz + xydx + xzdx$. Show that $\omega \wedge d\omega = 0$ on all of $\mathbb{R}^3$. What foliation of $\mathbb{R}^3$ does ω describe. Recall, we discussed that $\omega = dz$ corresponds to foliating $\mathbb{R}^3$ into $z = c$ (a family of horizontal planes, each leaf in the foliation labeled by c). Try to find the corresponding family of surfaces for the ω given here.

$$\omega = dy + dz + xydx + xzdx$$

$$d\omega = x dy \wedge dx + x dz \wedge dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega \wedge d\omega &= (dy + dz + x(y+z)dx) \wedge (-x dx \wedge (dy + dz)) \\ &= \underline{(dy + dz)} \wedge \underline{(-x dx)} \wedge \underline{(dy + dz)} + x(y+z) \underline{dx} \wedge \underline{(-x dx)} \wedge \underline{(dy + dz)} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Consider $\omega = dy + dz + x(y+z)dx$
 $= d(y+z) + x(y+z)dx = ?$

Find S for which $T_p S = \text{Ker}(\omega_p)$. If $v = \langle a, b, c \rangle \in T_p S$

or, better, $v_p = a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + b \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + c \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \rightsquigarrow T_p S \subset \underbrace{T_p \mathbb{R}^3}_{\text{spanned by } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p}$

$$\omega_p(v_p) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b + c + a(x(y+z)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -ax(y+z) - b$$

$$\therefore v = a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + b \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + (-a(x(y+z)) - b) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p$$

$$T_p S = \text{span} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p - x(y+z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \right\}$$

Find $F: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in F^{-1}(c)$ s.t. $\nabla F(p) \in T_p S^\perp$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \left\langle \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \right\rangle \cdot \langle 1, 0, -x(y+z) \rangle &= 0 \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \right\rangle \cdot \langle 0, 1, -1 \rangle &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} *$$

Can we solve (*) ?

Remark: these sort of systems of PDEs is what Frobenius originally attached... the manifolds, distributions, forms are a later development, a modernization of the original work...

PROBLEM 108 continued

Can we solve (*) directly?

$$F_x - x(y+z)F_z = 0$$

$$F_y - F_z = 0$$

Let's guess $F = \ln(y+z)^2 + x^2$ and see what happens. Assuming $y+z \neq 0$,

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2x$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = \frac{2}{y+z}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = \frac{2}{y+z} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2x \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = \frac{2}{y+z} \end{array} \right\} F_x - x(y+z)F_z = 2x - x\left(\frac{2(y+z)}{y+z}\right) \neq 0$$

YEP. Of course, one might wonder WHY?

WHY? WHY? IS $F(x,y,z) = \ln(y+z)^2 + x^2$ the solⁿ (or are there more?). The way I found this was simply to formally solve $w = 0$

$$d(y+z) + x(y+z)dx = 0$$

$$\frac{d(y+z)}{y+z} = -x dx$$

$$\ln|y+z| = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\ln(y+z)^2 + x^2}_F = C$$

I expect the foliation is given by $F(x,y,z) = 2\ln|y+z| + x^2 = C$ with the exceptional ~~plane~~ leaf $y+z = 0$ above and below we find $y+z > 0$ or $y+z < 0$.

perhaps yes, but I didn't. Maybe the "method of characteristics" a very old method circa Euler etc... will do it, see, well, I'm not sure...

Maybe Thoe's Dover Text.

Olver's

Problem 109 Prove Cartan's Lemma. This is cleanly stated as Exercise 1.33 on page 26 of in the *Equivalence, Invariance and Symmetry* the relevant portion of which is posted as a pdf I posted in Course Content.

Let $w^1, w^2, \dots, w^k$ be a set of LI one-forms

thus $w^1 \wedge w^2 \wedge \dots \wedge w^k \neq 0$. Cartan's Lemma states, one-forms

$$\theta^1, \dots, \theta^k \text{ satisfy } \sum_{i=1}^k \theta^i \wedge w^i = 0 \iff \theta^i = \sum_j A_j^i w^j$$

for some symmetric ($A_j^i = A_i^j$) matrix of functions

We assume $w^1, \dots, w^k$ is set of (pointwise) LI one-forms.

$\Rightarrow$ Assume $\theta^1, \dots, \theta^k$ are one-forms for which $\sum_{i=1}^k \theta^i \wedge w^i = 0$

Since $w^1, w^2, \dots, w^k$ LI we may extend these to a basis

for one-forms at P , say $w^1, \dots, w^k, w^{k+1}, \dots, w^n$. Thus,

$$\theta^i = \sum_{j=1}^k A_j^i w^j + \sum_{j=k+1}^n B_j^i w^j$$

for some constants $A_j^i, B_j^i \in \mathbb{R}$. We're given $\sum_{i=1}^k \theta^i \wedge w^i = 0$,

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^k \theta^i \wedge w^i = \sum_{i,j=1}^k A_j^i \underbrace{w^j \wedge w^i}_{\substack{\neq 0 \text{ for} \\ j \neq i}} + \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=k+1}^n B_j^i \underbrace{w^j \wedge w^i}_{\substack{\neq 0 \\ \text{as } j \neq i}}$$

By LI of $w^1, \dots, w^n$ we have $w^i \wedge w^j \neq 0$ for $i \neq j$ and it follows the coefficients must vanish for all such terms. In particular, $B_j^i = 0$. However, we can rewrite the condition to see more about A_j^i .

$$0 = \sum_{i < j} A_j^i w^j \wedge w^i + \sum_{i > j} A_j^i w^j \wedge w^i + \sum_{i=j} A_j^i \underbrace{w^i \wedge w^i}_{\text{no restriction}}$$

connected $\hookrightarrow$

continued, relabel sums to see,

$$0 = \sum_{i < j} (A_{ij}^i - A_{ji}^j) \omega^j \wedge \omega^i$$

Thus, as $j \neq i$ and $\omega^j \wedge \omega^i \neq 0$ we need the coefficient expression $A_{ij}^i - A_{ji}^j = 0$ and thus $A_{ij}^i = A_{ji}^j$. It follows that

$$\Theta^i = \sum_{j=1}^k A_{ij}^i \omega^j$$

and we may do this calculation at each point p hence we create a matrix of facts as desired.

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Assume } \Theta^i = \sum_{j=1}^k A_{ij}^i \omega^j \text{ for } A_{ij}^i = A_{ji}^j$$

Calculate,

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \Theta^i \wedge \omega^i = \sum_{i,j=1}^k \underbrace{A_{ij}^i}_{\substack{\text{Sym.} \\ \text{in } (ij)}} \underbrace{\omega^j \wedge \omega^i}_{\substack{\text{antisym.} \\ \text{in } (ij)}} = 0. //$$

fundamental Lemma of tensor arithmetic.

Sym. contracted over antisym. is zero.

Remark: this Lemma appears many places as we dig deeper into differential form driven calculational techniques.