

Manifold Refreshment.

Recall M a smooth manifold,

Tangent bundle TM sections are vector fields $\mathcal{X}(M)$
cotangent bundle T^*M sections are 1-forms $\Omega^1(M)$
wedge powers $\wedge^k T^*M$ sections are k -forms $\Omega^k(M)$
We always work with C^∞ objects.

Given a vector field X on M , there is an associated ordinary differential equation

unknown: path $\gamma(t): \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$ equation $\frac{d\gamma}{dt} = X(\gamma(t))$ (*)

ODE theory \Rightarrow given any initial point $\gamma(0) = p$, we have existence and uniqueness for short time $\mathcal{E}(p)$
 $\exists!$ $\gamma: [0, \mathcal{E}(p)] \rightarrow M$ satisfying (*)

If solution curves exist for all points for all times, X is called a complete vector field. In this case, we get an isotopy $f_t: M \rightarrow M$, called the flow of X

$f_t(x) = \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{take } \gamma(t), \text{ where } \gamma \text{ is the solution curve} \\ \text{with initial point } \gamma(0) = x \end{array} \right)$

- If M is compact, any vector field is complete.
- All of the above also holds if the vector field X has an explicit time dependence X_t . Then the ODE is $\frac{d\gamma}{dt} = X_t(\gamma(t))$. The flow is still denoted f_t .

Exterior derivative This is a first-order differential operator
 $d: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M)$

It is determined by the following properties (which are typically most useful for computation as well)

- d is natural with respect to smooth maps $f: M \rightarrow N$:
 consider pull back $f^*: \Omega^k(N) \rightarrow \Omega^k(M)$
 then $d(f^* \alpha) = f^*(d\alpha)$
- $d^2: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+2}(M)$ is zero
- if $f \in \Omega^0(M)$ is a function, df is the differential of f :
 $df(X) = X \cdot f$ for any vector field X .
- if $\alpha \in \Omega^k(M)$, $\beta \in \Omega^l(M)$: $d(\alpha \wedge \beta) = d\alpha \wedge \beta + (-1)^k \alpha \wedge d\beta$

In an arbitrary local coordinate system $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$ on M
 if $I \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$ is a subset of size k , we have a k -form

$$dx_I = dx_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{i_k}, \quad i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \text{ being the elements of } I.$$

Any k -form has local expression $\alpha = \sum_{\substack{I \subset \{1, \dots, n\} \\ |I|=k}} f_I dx_I$

$$\text{then } d\alpha = \sum_I df_I \wedge dx_I, \quad \text{where } df_I = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial x_i} dx_i$$

Integral: Given a sufficiently smooth k -chain C in M
 (e.g. an oriented smooth submanifold of M), there is a well defined integral on k -forms

$$\int_C \alpha \quad \text{for } \alpha \in \Omega^k(M)$$

We have Stokes' theorem: $\int_C d\alpha = \int_{\partial C} \alpha$

where ∂C denotes the boundary of the chain C .

Contraction: let X be a vector field, α a k -form. There is a $(k-1)$ -form $i_X \alpha$ called the contraction of X with α . Think of α as an alternating k -multilinear form on the tangent spaces, and plug X into first input.

Derivation property: $i_X(\alpha \wedge \beta) = (i_X \alpha) \wedge \beta + (-1)^k \alpha \wedge (i_X \beta)$
if $\alpha \in \Omega^k(M)$ and $\beta \in \Omega^l(M)$.

Homework: prove this.

Lie derivative: Recall flow ρ_t of vector field X (time independent)

Then we can define $\mathcal{L}_X \alpha = \left. \frac{d}{dt} (\rho_t^* \alpha) \right|_{t=0}$

$$\mathcal{L}_X : \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(M)$$

This is an intrinsic notion of derivative that is not denormal in X

Cartan's Magic Formula (or Cartan homotopy formula)

$$\mathcal{L}_X \alpha = di_X \alpha + i_X d\alpha \quad \text{for } \alpha \in \Omega^k(M)$$

Derivative at other times: $\frac{d}{dt} \rho_t^* \alpha = \rho_t^* \mathcal{L}_{X_t} \alpha$

If the vector field is **time dependent** X_t , and ρ_t is the flow,

We also have $\frac{d}{dt} \rho_t^* \alpha = \rho_t^* \mathcal{L}_{X_t} \alpha$

In $\mathcal{L}_{X_t} \alpha$, the vector field is first evaluated at time t .

If the k -form also has an explicit time dependence

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_t^* \alpha_t = \rho_t^* \left(\mathcal{L}_{X_t} \alpha_t + \frac{d\alpha_t}{dt} \right)$$

Symplectic manifolds A two form $\omega \in \Omega^2(M)$ is called symplectic if it is nondegenerate (defines a linear symplectic form on each tangent space) and satisfies $d\omega = 0$ (ω is closed)

- By nondegeneracy, all the linear algebra carries over at the level of tangent spaces: can define isotropic, coisotropic, Lagrangian, symplectic submanifolds as those which satisfy the corresponding condition on tangent spaces. Also we have a Lagrangian grassmannian bundle $U(n)/O(n) \rightarrow \Lambda \rightarrow M$

- The closedness condition $d\omega = 0$ is what really holds the geometry together, however, as we shall see. (Vaguely: It makes symplectic geometry "locally constant")

Symplectic isotopy: ρ_t isotopy generated by X_t vector field

When is ρ_t symplectic (for all t)? $\rho_t^* \omega = \omega$

$$0 \equiv \frac{d}{dt} \rho_t^* \omega = \rho_t^* \mathcal{L}_{X_t} \omega = \rho_t^* (d i_{X_t} \omega + i_{X_t} d\omega)$$

$$= \rho_t^* (d i_{X_t} \omega) \quad (\text{since } d\omega = 0)$$

$\Leftrightarrow i_{X_t} \omega$ is closed for all t .

We call such X_t a symplectic vector field.

If $i_{X_t} \omega$ is not merely closed, but exact, X_t is called a Hamiltonian vector field.

Hamiltonian vector field: $f \in C^\infty(M)$ function $df \in \Omega^1(M)$
define vector field X_f by

$$\omega(\cdot, X_f) = -i_{X_f} \omega = df \quad (\text{uses nondegeneracy})$$

f_t time-dependent family of functions: $\omega(\cdot, X_{f_t}) = df_t$

Poisson bracket: $\{f, g\} = \omega(X_f, X_g)$ ($f, g \in C^\infty(M)$)

$$= \omega(X_f, X_g) = dg(X_f) = X_f \cdot g$$

$$= -\omega(X_g, X_f) = -df(X_g) = -X_g \cdot f$$

Lemma: If X, Y are symplectic v.f. then $i_{[X, Y]} \omega = d(\omega(Y, X))$

since ω is closed

$$0 = d\omega(X, Y, Z) = X \cdot \omega(Y, Z) + Y \cdot \omega(Z, X) + Z \cdot \omega(X, Y) \\ - \omega([X, Y], Z) - \omega([Y, Z], X) - \omega([Z, X], Y)$$

since $i_X \omega$ is closed

$$0 = d(i_X \omega)(Y, Z) = Y \cdot i_X \omega(Z) - Z \cdot i_X \omega(Y) - i_X \omega([Y, Z])$$

$$0 = Y \cdot \omega(X, Z) - Z \cdot \omega(X, Y) - \omega(X, [Y, Z])$$

$$0 = Y \cdot \omega(Z, X) + Z \cdot \omega(X, Y) - \omega([Y, Z], X)$$

since $i_Y \omega$ closed

$$0 = X \cdot \omega(Z, Y) + Z \cdot \omega(Y, X) - \omega([X, Z], Y)$$

$$0 = X \cdot \omega(Y, Z) + Z \cdot \omega(X, Y) - \omega([Z, X], Y)$$

Combrane \Rightarrow $0 = -z \cdot \omega(X, Y) - \omega([X, Y], z)$
 $\omega([X, Y], z) = z \cdot \omega(Y, X)$

Cor: if X, Y are symplectic v.f., $[X, Y]$ is hamiltonian v.f.

Prop: $[X_f, X_g] = X_{\{f, g\}}$

Proof $-i_{[X_f, X_g]} \omega = d(\omega(X_f, X_g)) = d\{f, g\}$

Prop Poisson bracket satisfies $\{f, gh\} = \{f, g\} \cdot h + g \cdot \{f, h\}$
 and $\{f, \{f_2, f_3\}\} + \{f_2, \{f_3, f_1\}\} + \{f_3, \{f_1, f_2\}\} = 0$
 (Jacobi identity)

Proof
Derivation $\{f, gh\} = X_f(gh) = X_f(g)h + gX_f(h)$
 $= \{f, g\}h + g\{f, h\}$

Jacobi: $0 = d\omega(X_1, X_2, X_3)$
 $= X_1 \omega(X_2, X_3) + X_2 \omega(X_3, X_1) + X_3 \omega(X_1, X_2)$
 $- \omega([X_1, X_2], X_3) - \omega([X_2, X_3], X_1) - \omega([X_3, X_1], X_2)$
 $= X_1 \{f_2, f_3\} + X_2 \{f_3, f_1\} + X_3 \{f_1, f_2\}$
 $- \omega(X_{\{f_1, f_2\}}, X_3) - \omega(X_{\{f_2, f_3\}}, X_1) - \omega(X_{\{f_3, f_1\}}, X_2)$
 $= \{f_1 \{f_2, f_3\}\} + \{f_2 \{f_3, f_1\}\} + \{f_3 \{f_1, f_2\}\}$
 $- \{\{f_1, f_2\} f_3\} - \{\{f_2, f_3\} f_1\} - \{\{f_3, f_1\} f_2\}$
 $= 2 \cdot (\text{Jacobi expression})$

Point $d\omega = 0 \Rightarrow$ Jacobi identity.

Conservation of energy: If X_H is vector field of H ,
 then $X_H \cdot H = 0$ i.e., H is constant along trajectories of X_H
 proof $X_H \cdot H = \omega(X_H, X_H) = 0$ by skew symmetry.

Now we justify notion that symplectic geometry is "locally constant"
 in some senses.

Moser theorem let M be compact, and let ω_t be a family
 of symplectic forms such that $\frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$ is exact
 for all t .

Then there exists an isotopy $f_t : M \rightarrow M$ such that
 $f_t^* \omega_t = \omega_0$ for all t .

Investigate using Lie-Cartan calculus

Want: for vector field X_t generating f_t :

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} f_t^* \omega_t = f_t^* \left(\mathcal{L}_{X_t} \omega_t + \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} \right)$$

$$0 = \mathcal{L}_{X_t} \omega_t + \frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$$

$$0 = d i_{X_t} \omega_t + i_{X_t} d\omega + \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} \quad \text{by Cartan Magic}$$

$$0 = d i_{X_t} \omega_t + \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} \quad \text{since } d\omega = 0$$

Now since $\frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$ is exact, we can choose β_t such that $\frac{d\omega_t}{dt} = d\beta_t$

(That β_t may be chosen to depend smoothly on t may be
 deduced from Hodge theory, for example)

Want $0 = di_{X_t}\omega + d\beta_t$. It suffices to solve

$$0 = i_{X_t}\omega + \beta_t \quad (\text{Moser's equation})$$

This equation is uniquely solvable for X_t since ω is nondegenerate. This completes the proof.

- Moser's theorem shows that a 1-parameter family of symplectic manifolds with constant cohomology class of symplectic forms is trivial.

Theorem (Darboux-Weinstein) let $N \subset M$ be a submanifold and let ω_0 and ω_1 be symplectic forms on a tubular neighborhood of N such that $\omega_0|_N = \omega_1|_N$. Then there possibly smaller tubular neighborhoods U_0 and U_1 and a diffeo $\phi: U_0 \rightarrow U_1$ such that $\phi|_N = \text{id}_N$ and $\phi^*\omega_1 = \omega_0$.

Proof $\omega_1 - \omega_0$ is a form which vanishes when restricted to N . By the "relative Poincaré lemma" on a tubular neighborhood of N , there is a 1-form β on a tubular neighborhood such that $d\beta = \omega_1 - \omega_0$ and $\beta|_N = 0$.

Consider the family of forms $\omega_t = \omega_0 + t d\beta$. There is a possibly smaller tubular neighborhood of N such that all these forms are symplectic there.

In such a neighborhood, we must solve the Moser equation $i_{X_t}\omega_t + \beta = 0$

Then the flow of X_t will satisfy $\int_t^* \omega_t = \omega_0$

Note that X_t vanishes on N since β does.
 so f_t is identity on N .

Cor (Darboux Theorem) let $p \in M$ be a point. then there exists a neighborhood U of p and a neighborhood V of $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ and a diffeomorphism $\phi: V \rightarrow U$ such that $\phi^* \omega_M = \omega_{std}$.

Proof Use linear standard form to construct $\phi: V \rightarrow U$
 $(D\phi_p)^* \omega_{M,p} = \omega_{std,0}$ holds at the level of the tangent space to p . then apply Darboux-Weinstein.

Another perspective on the Moser theorem:

What is a family of symplectic manifolds parametrized by a base B ? (Assume all manifolds are diffeomorphic to a fixed **compact** manifold M)

One answer: As above, we could have a continuous/smooth map $B \rightarrow \{\text{Symplectic forms on } M\}$
 Such families are slightly "wild"

Another "tamer" answer: A family of symplectic structures on M parametrized by B consists of

(a) a fibration $M \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$

(assume it's differentiably locally trivial) $\downarrow \pi$
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(b) a two-form $\Omega \in \Omega^2(\mathcal{M})$ such that

(i) $d\Omega = 0$ on \mathcal{M}

(ii) $\forall b \in B$ $\omega_b := \Omega|_{\pi^{-1}(b)}$ is a symplectic form on $M_b := \pi^{-1}(b)$.

Theorem Consider the case $B = I = [0, 1]$. Any family of symplectic structures (in the "tamer" sense) over I is trivial. The trivialization is constructed canonically from Ω .

Proof Let (M, Ω) be such a family.
 $\pi \downarrow$ let $t \in I = [0, 1]$ be a coordinate, and
 I let $X = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ be the standard vector field on I

Claim There is a unique vector field \tilde{X} on M such that

(a) $i_{\tilde{X}} \Omega = 0$

(b) $D\pi_p(\tilde{X}_p) = X_{\pi(p)} \quad \forall p \in M$

Proof of claim: Linear algebra. Ω is a 2-form on a $(2n+1)$ -dim space. Since $\Omega|_{\pi^{-1}(t)}$ is always non degenerate, $\text{rank } \Omega \geq 2n$ since the rank is even, $\text{rank } \Omega = 2n$, and so Ω has a one-dimensional null space at each point. Thus there is a one-dimensional space of \tilde{X} such that $i_{\tilde{X}} \Omega = 0$. Such \tilde{X} cannot be tangent to the fibers, since Ω is non degenerate on the fiber. Thus $i_{\tilde{X}} \Omega = 0 \Rightarrow D\pi(\tilde{X}) \neq 0$. Since target is 1-dim, $D\pi(\tilde{X}) = \alpha X$ for some $\alpha \neq 0$. Rescale \tilde{X} if necessary to achieve property (b).
 End proof of claim.

Now let ρ_s be the flow of \tilde{X} on M . Because $D\pi(\tilde{X}) = X$ ρ_s covers $\sigma_s := (\text{flow of } X \text{ on } I)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\rho_s} & M \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ I & \xrightarrow{\sigma_s} & I \end{array} \quad \text{Hence, } \rho_s \text{ maps } M_t = \pi^{-1}(t) \text{ to } M_{t+s} = \pi^{-1}(t+s)$$

(take obvious precautions about flow running off ends of interval)

(Note: If Fibers are not compact or have boundary, more care is needed)

Now note that β_s preserves Ω !

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{X}} \Omega &= d i_{\tilde{X}} \Omega + i_{\tilde{X}} d\Omega && \text{Cartan magic} \\ &= d i_{\tilde{X}} \Omega && \text{since } d\Omega = 0 \\ &= 0 && \text{since } i_{\tilde{X}} \Omega = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So $\beta_s^* \Omega = \Omega$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M_0 = \pi^{-1}(0) & \xrightarrow{i_0} & M \\ \beta_s|_{M_0} \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta_s \\ M_s = \pi^{-1}(s) & \xrightarrow{i_s} & M \end{array} \quad \begin{aligned} i_0^* \beta_s^* \Omega &= i_0^* \Omega = \omega_0 \text{ on } M_0 \\ (\beta_s|_{M_0})^* i_s^* \Omega &= (\beta_s|_{M_0})^* \omega_s \\ \Rightarrow \omega_0 &= (\beta_s|_{M_0})^* \omega_s. \end{aligned}$$

Conclude $\beta_s|_{M_0} : (M_0, \omega_0) \rightarrow (M_s, \omega_s)$ is a symplectic diffeomorphism for all $s \in [0, 1]$ ▣

Comparison with first proof:

Given: ω_t family such that $\frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$ is exact

What we need is to say that we can convert these data into a symplectic fibration (i.e. family in the "tamer" sense)

Indeed, Define a two-form ω on $M \times I$ Naively:
For $(p, t) \in M \times I$ $T_{(p,t)}(M \times I) = T_p M \times \mathbb{R}$

Let $\omega_{(p,t)}$ on $T_p M \times \mathbb{R}$ be $(\omega_t)_p$ on $T_p M$ and zero on \mathbb{R} factor.

Clearly ω restricted to $M \times \{t\}$ is ω_t

Then ω is not closed!

$$d\omega = \overset{\circ}{d}_M \omega_t + dt \wedge \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} = dt \wedge \frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$$

\uparrow ext. dr. on $M \times I$ \uparrow ext. dr. on M \uparrow 3-form on $M \times I$

Correction term: as before, solve $d_M \beta_t = \frac{d\omega_t}{dt}$ on M
 β_t yields a 1-form β on $M \times I$.

Define $\Omega = \omega + dt \wedge \beta$

$$d\Omega = d\omega + d(dt \wedge \beta) = dt \wedge \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} - dt \wedge d\beta$$

$$\left(\text{Now } d\beta = d_M \beta_t + dt \wedge \frac{d\beta_t}{dt} = \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} + dt \wedge \frac{d\beta_t}{dt} \right)$$

$$d\Omega = dt \wedge \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} - dt \wedge \frac{d\omega_t}{dt} - \underbrace{dt \wedge dt}_{=0} \wedge \frac{d\beta_t}{dt} = 0$$

Lastly, Ω restricted to $M \times \{t\}$ is ω_t , since $dt \wedge \beta$ restricts trivially