
 Geometry of Manifolds II : Exercise Sheet 5

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Diese Aufgaben sind schriftlich auszuarbeiten und am 23. Mai vor der Vorlesung abzugeben. Für jede Aufgabe gibt es 4 Punkte.

Zweierabgaben sind erlaubt. Bitte bei der ersten Abgabe Matrikelnummer(n) angeben.

Aufgabe 1. Show that the vector field that in spherical coordinates

$$(\varphi, \theta) \mapsto (\sin(\theta) \cos(\varphi), \sin(\theta) \sin(\varphi), \cos(\theta))$$

is given by $X = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}$ extends smoothly to the entire S^2 . Compute the flow of the extended vector field.

Aufgabe 2. Let X, Y be vector fields on a manifold M and denote by Φ_t the local flow of X . Then $Y(t) = (\Phi_{-t})_* Y$ satisfies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} Y(t) = (\Phi_{-t})_* [X, Y].$$

Aufgabe 3. Show that the 1-form

$$\omega = y dx - x dy + dz$$

on \mathbb{R}^3 satisfies

$$\omega \wedge d\omega \neq 0.$$

Conclude that $E|_p = \ker(\omega_p)$ defines a distribution that is non-integrable.

Aufgabe 4. The *Lie derivative* of $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$ with respect to $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{L}_X \omega := \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \Phi_t^* \omega,$$

where Φ_t denotes the local flow of X . Show that

$$\mathcal{L}_X \omega = d(\iota_X \omega) + \iota_X(d\omega),$$

where $\iota_X \omega$ denotes the so called *inner product* obtained by plugging X in the first slot of ω . (Hint: show that both sides of the equation give rise to a linear operator on $\Omega^*(M)$ that preserves degree and commutes with \wedge and d . Prove the claim using that both operators thus obtained coincide on 0-forms/functions.)