

Differential Geometry II: Analysis and Geometry on Manifolds

Exercise Sheet 4

(Lie bracket, vector bundles, connections)

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Exercise 1

5 points

Calculate the commutator $[X, Y]$ of the following vector fields on $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$:

$$X = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad Y = -y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

Write X and Y in polar coordinates $(r \cos \varphi, r \sin \varphi) \mapsto (r, \varphi)$.

Exercise 2

5 points

Let $M \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ be a smooth submanifold of dimension n . Show that the normal bundle $NM = \dot{\cup}_{p \in M} (T_p M)^\perp \subset M \times \mathbb{R}^k$ is a smooth rank $k - n$ vector bundle over M .

Exercise 3

5 points

Let V_i and W denote vector bundles with connections ∇^i and ∇ , respectively. Show that the equation

$$(\hat{\nabla}_X T)(Y_1, \dots, Y_n) = \nabla_X(T(Y_1, \dots, Y_n)) - \sum_i T(Y_1, \dots, \nabla_X^i Y_i, \dots, Y_n)$$

for $T \in \Gamma(V_1^* \otimes \dots \otimes V_n^* \otimes W)$ and vector fields $Y_i \in \Gamma(V_i)$ defines a connection $\hat{\nabla}$ on the bundle of multilinear forms $V_1^* \otimes \dots \otimes V_n^* \otimes W$.