

HOMEWORK #2 - DUE FEB 9, AT NOON

Exercise 1 (Tensor fields). Prove the following:

- (1) Let $F : \mathcal{X}(M) \times \mathcal{X}(M) \times \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$ be a $C^\infty(M)$ -multilinear map. Given $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ and $\omega \in \Omega^1(M)$, prove that the value of $f = F(X, Y, \omega)$ at p only depends on $X_p, Y_p \in T_pM$ and $\omega_p \in T^*M$.
- (2) Prove that the map $\Gamma(T^{2,1}M) \rightarrow \{F : \mathcal{X}(M) \times \mathcal{X}(M) \times \Omega^1(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M) \mid C^\infty(M)\text{-multilinear}\}$ sending $\phi \in \Gamma(T^{2,1}M)$ to $F_\phi(X, Y, \omega)(p) := \phi_p(X_p, Y_p, \omega_p)$ is a $C^\infty(M)$ -module isomorphism.

For the next exercise, recall that a *Lie group* is a smooth manifold G , together with a neutral element e , a smooth (multiplication) map $m : G \times G \rightarrow G$ (denote $m(g, h) =: gh$) and a smooth (inverse) map $\iota : G \rightarrow G$ (denote $\iota(g) =: g^{-1}$), which satisfy the axioms of groups. In other words, Lie groups are both manifolds and groups at the same time, and the two structures are compatible. For any $g \in G$, denote $L_g : G \rightarrow G$ the map $L_g(h) = gh$ (*left multiplication*) and $R_g : G \rightarrow G$ the map $R_g(h) = hg$ (*right multiplication*). Denote $\mathfrak{g} := T_eG$.

Exercise 2 (Lie groups). Prove the following:

- (1) Letting $G \times \mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\pi_1} G$ denote the trivial vector bundle over G , with fiber \mathfrak{g} , prove that the map $\psi : TG \rightarrow G \times \mathfrak{g}$ sending $(g, v) \in T_gG$ to $(g, dL_{g^{-1}}v)$ is a diffeomorphism, such that $\pi_1 \circ \psi = \pi$ and such that the restriction to each fiber is a linear isomorphism (TG and $G \times \mathfrak{g}$ are *isomorphic smooth vector bundles*).
- (2) A vector field $X \in \mathcal{X}(G)$ is called *left invariant* if $L_g(X_h) = X_{gh}$ for every $g, h \in G$. Prove that the set of left invariant vector fields is a vector space, isomorphic to \mathfrak{g} .
- (3) Prove that the Lie bracket of two left invariant vector fields is again left invariant. Use this to prove that \mathfrak{g} can be given the structure of a finite-dimensional Lie algebra.
- (4) Prove that every inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_e : \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ can be extended to a Riemannian metric $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on G that is *left-invariant*, that is, such that every left multiplication $L_g : G \rightarrow G$ is an isometry.

Exercise 3 (Real projective space). Let $a : S^n \rightarrow S^n$ denote the antipodal map, sending p to $-p$.

- (1) Prove that $\{id_{S^n}, a\}$ is a group of diffeomorphisms of S^n , isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_2 , and that the action of \mathbb{Z}_2 on S^n induced by a is properly discontinuous. Therefore, the quotient S^n/\mathbb{Z}_2 is a manifold, called *real projective space* and denoted \mathbb{RP}^n .
- (2) Prove that a is an isometry of S^n with its round metric g_0 . Use this fact to produce a metric g on \mathbb{RP}^n such that the quotient $\pi : S^n \rightarrow \mathbb{RP}^n$ satisfies $g_0 = \pi^*g$.