CDS 202 Final Examination

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Attempt five of the following six questions.

This exam has **four** pages including this cover page.

The exam time limit is three hours; no aids are permitted.

The exam must be turned in by 5pm on Tuesday, March 19.

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The 5 questions to be graded:

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You may freely use the following properties as needed. Here α and β are differential forms and X, Y, Z are vector fields on a manifold M. (In the exam, all manifolds, vector fields, and differential forms are assumed to be smooth and the manifolds are finite dimensional.)

(a)
$$\pounds_X(\alpha \wedge \beta) = (\pounds_X \alpha) \wedge \beta + \alpha \wedge (\pounds_X \beta)$$

- (b) $\pounds_{[X,Y]}\alpha = \pounds_X \pounds_Y \alpha \pounds_Y \pounds_X \alpha$
- (c) $\mathbf{i}_X(\alpha \wedge \beta) = (\mathbf{i}_X \alpha) \wedge \beta + (-1)^k \alpha \wedge (\mathbf{i}_X \beta)$, where α is a k-form.
- (d) $\pounds_X \alpha = \mathbf{d} \mathbf{i}_X \alpha + \mathbf{i}_X \mathbf{d} \alpha$
- (e) $\mathbf{i}_{[X,Y]}\beta = \pounds_X \mathbf{i}_Y \beta \mathbf{i}_Y \pounds_X \beta$
- (f) For γ a one-form,

$$\mathbf{d}\gamma(X,Y) = X[\gamma(Y)] - Y[\gamma(X)] - \gamma([X,Y])$$

(g) For ω a two-form,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}\omega(X,Y,Z) &= X[\omega(Y,Z)] - Y[\omega(X,Z)] + Z[\omega(X,Y) \\ &- \omega([X,Y],Z) - \omega([Z,X],Y) - \omega([Y,Z],X) \end{aligned}$$

(h) For a one form α and a vector field X,

$$(\pounds_X \alpha)_i = X^j \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial x^j} + \alpha_j \frac{\partial X^j}{\partial x^i}$$

1. Consider the two-tensor on \mathbb{R}^2 given by

$$g = g_{11}dx \otimes dx + g_{12}dx \otimes dy + g_{21}dy \otimes dx + g_{22}dy \otimes dy,$$

in standard coordinates (x, y) on \mathbb{R}^2 , where the matrix g_{ij} is given by

$$g_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2x^2 & x\\ x & 1+y^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the vector field X on \mathbb{R}^2 defined by

$$X = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

- (a) Compute the Lie derivative $\pounds_X g$.
- (b) Find the flow F_t of X.
- (c) Compute $\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} F_t^* g.$
- 2. (a) Let $M = S^2$ be the standard two sphere of radius 1 in \mathbb{R}^3 . Let α be the one form on \mathbb{R}^3 minus the origin defined by

$$\alpha = \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2} + dz$$

- i. Compute $\mathbf{d}\alpha$ and interpret your result in standard vector calculus language.
- ii. Let $i: M \to \mathbb{R}^3$ be the inclusion and let $\beta = i^* \alpha$. Is β closed? exact?
- (b) Let the Lie group S^1 act on M by rotations around the z-axis. Specifically, for $\theta \in S^1$, regarded as angles mod 2π , the action of θ is by rotation about the z-axis through the angle θ . Let X be the infinitesimal generator corresponding to the Lie algebra element 1 and let μ be the standard volume element on M.
 - i. Compute X
 - ii. Compute $\mathbf{i}_X \mu$
 - iii. Compute $\operatorname{div}_{\mu} X$

- **3.** Let O(4) denote the set of 4×4 real orthogonal matrices.
 - (a) Show that O(4) is a manifold and a Lie group; what is its dimension? is it connected?
 - (b) Show that its Lie algebra consists of 4×4 skew matrices
 - (c) Let ξ and η be the Lie algebra elements

Compute the Lie algebra bracket $[\xi, \eta]$.

- (d) Let X_{ξ} and X_{η} be the left invariant vector fields on O(4) equaling ξ and η at the identity and let D be the distribution that is spanned by X_{ξ} and X_{η} . Is D integrable?
- 4. Let H denote the upper hemisphere in \mathbb{R}^3 defined by

$$H = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \text{ and } z \ge 0\}$$

and let $S = \partial H$ be its boundary.

- (a) Give H and S consistent orientations; illustrate with a figure.
- (b) Let α and β be one forms on H and let X be a vector field on H. Is it true that

$$\int_{H} (\pounds_{X} \alpha) \wedge \beta - \int_{S} (\mathbf{i}_{X} \alpha) \wedge \beta = \int_{H} (\pounds_{X} \beta) \wedge \alpha - \int_{S} (\mathbf{i}_{X} \beta) \wedge \alpha?$$

(c) Let α be the one form on \mathbb{R}^3 defined by

$$\alpha = \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2} + dz$$

and let β be α pulled back to H. Compute

$$\int_H \mathbf{d}\beta.$$

- 5. (a) Let X be a vector field on a manifold M of dimension n and let N be a submanifold of dimension n-1. Suppose that X is parallel to N. Let γ be an n-form on M and let $i : N \to M$ be the embedding map. Is it true that $i^*(\mathbf{i}_X\gamma) = 0$?
 - (b) Suppose that (M, μ) is a volume manifold with boundary and X is a divergence free vector field on M that is parallel to the boundary. For functions f, g on M, is it true that

$$\int_{M} \left(\pounds_{X} f\right) g\mu = -\int_{M} \left(\pounds_{X} g\right) f\mu?$$

6. Let the one form β on \mathbb{R}^3 be defined by

$$\beta = (1+y^2)dx + 2xydy + zdz$$

and let D be the distribution defined at the point (x, y, z) to be the set of vectors with components (u, v, w) such that

$$(1+y^2)u + 2yxv + zw = 0$$

- (a) Compute the exterior derivative $\mathbf{d}\beta$
- (b) Is the distribution D integrable? Answer this in two ways
 - i. By using the Frobenius theorem directly
 - ii. By using a property of β
- (c) Find a nonzero vector field X on \mathbb{R}^3 such that $\pounds_X \beta = 0$. [HINT: Try the vector field X = (U, 0, 0), where $U(x, y, z) = 1/(1 + y^2)$.] Show that, in an appropriate sense, the distribution D is invariant under the flow F_t of X.