Homework 2

Introduction: one forms

To introduce one-forms, we can start from the state space representation of a generic non linear dynamic system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t)) + g(x(t))u(t) \\ y(t) = h(x(t)) \end{cases}$$

Where:

 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^m, y \in \mathbb{R}^p$; and f, g, h are meromorphic functions

We can consider the infinite set of real indeterminates:

$$C = \{x_i \quad i = 1, \dots n;$$

$$u_i^{(k)} \quad j = 1, \dots, m, k \ge 0 \}$$

A function $F: R^r \to R$, which is an element of Kr, can be written as a function in the first r indeterminates of C. In general, letting K denote $\cup_r K_r$, any meromorphic function which is element of K can then be denoted as $F\left(\left\{x_i,u_i^{(k)}\right\}\right)$.

We want to find dF, so we first define dC:

$$\begin{split} dC &= \{ dx_i \qquad i = 1, \dots n; \\ du_j^{(k)} \quad j = 1, \dots, m \ , k \geq 0 \} \end{split}$$

And we can also consider the vector space spanned over K by the elements of dC:

$$\varepsilon = span_k dC$$

Each element of epsilon is a one-form which can be generalized by the following formula:

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} F_i dx_i + \sum_{\substack{j=1,\\k \ge 0}}^{m} F_{ij} du_j^{(k)}$$

Moreover, since we saw that F can be written as $F\left(\left\{x_i,u_j^{(k)}\right\}\right)$, we can define the differential of F as an operator from K to epsilon:

$$dF\left(\left\{x_{i}, u_{j}^{(k)}\right\}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_{i}} dx_{i} + \sum_{\substack{j=1,\\k>0}}^{m} \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_{j}^{(k)}} du_{j}^{(k)}$$

Exercise analysis

Consider the following one-form

$$\frac{x+2y}{x^3y}dx + \frac{1}{xy^2}dy$$

It can be written as:

$$dF\left(\left\{x_{i}, u_{j}^{(k)}\right\}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_{i}} dx_{i} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} dy$$

Where:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = \frac{x + 2y}{x^3 y} = \frac{x}{x^3 y} + \frac{2y}{x^3 y} = \frac{1}{x^2 y} + \frac{2}{x^3}$$
$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{xy^2}$$

Exercise solution

We can compute the function F(x,y) such that the above one-form equals dF(x,y).

We initially consider the first formula $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}$ and integrate it:

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 y} dx + \int \frac{2}{x^3} dx =$$

$$= \frac{1}{y} \int \frac{1}{x^2} dx + 2 \int \frac{1}{x^3} dx =$$

$$= \frac{1}{y} \left(-\frac{1}{x} \right) + fy + 2 \left(-\frac{1}{2x^2} \right) + fy =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{xy} - \frac{1}{x^2} + fy$$

where fy is the constant of the integration result. It is a function of the variable which was not taken into consideration, namely y.

Then we take into consideration the second part:

$$\int \frac{1}{xy^2} dy =$$

$$= \frac{1}{x} \int \frac{1}{y^2} dy =$$

$$= \frac{1}{x} \left(-\frac{1}{y} \right) + fx =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{xy} + fx$$

Where fx has the same meaning as fy.

Since the two equations obtained in the previous calculus are the partial derivatives of the same function, we can compare them:

$$F(x,y) = -\frac{1}{xy} - \frac{1}{x^2} + fy$$
$$F(x,y) = -\frac{1}{xy} + fx$$

We obtain:

$$fy = 0$$
$$fx = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

So the function F is equal to the following:

$$F(x,y) = -\frac{1}{xy} - \frac{1}{x^2}$$