

## 2.3.4

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Lemma (Flexibility) Let  $(\Sigma \times \mathbb{R}_+, \beta_t + f dt)$  cct  
 mfd's with  $\beta_t \in \Omega^1 \Sigma$ ,  $f \in C^\infty \Sigma$   
 s.t.  $\beta_0 \equiv \beta_1$  near  $\Gamma$  and  $\beta_1, \beta_0$  are exact deformation  
 equivalent ( $d\beta_t$   $t \in [0,1]$  symplectic).

Then there is 1-parameter family of diffeos

$\phi_s : \Sigma \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \Sigma \times \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

(1)  $\phi_0 = \text{id}$

(2)  $T\phi_1(\text{Ker}(f dt + \beta_0)) = \text{Ker}(f dt + \beta_1)$

or equivalently  $\phi_1^*(f dt + \beta_1) = (f dt + \beta_0)g$

for nonzero  $g \in C^\infty \Sigma \times \mathbb{R}$ .

(3)  $\phi_s(\Sigma \times \{0\}) \pitchfork \partial_t$

(4)  $\phi_s \equiv \text{id}$  near  $\Gamma \times \mathbb{R}$ .

Proof Let  $X_s$  be time-dependent VF with flow  $\phi_s$ . Then we want

$\phi_s^*(\alpha_s) = g_s \alpha_0 \quad \forall s$  where  $\alpha_s = f dt + \beta_s$

are contact forms

$\phi_s^*(\mathcal{L}_{X_s}(\alpha_s) + \dot{\alpha}_s) = \dot{g}_s \alpha_0 = \phi_s^*(\mu_s \alpha_s)$

$\text{div}_{X_s} \alpha_s + i_{X_s} d\alpha_s + \dot{\alpha}_s = \mu_s \alpha_s.$

Let  $X_s \in \text{Ker} \alpha_s \quad \forall s$  and  $\mu_s = \dot{\alpha}_s(R_{\alpha_s})$

Then solve for  $i_{X_s} d\alpha_s = \mu_s \alpha_s - \dot{\alpha}_s$

(1), (2) are satisfied by construction.

Near  $\Gamma$  we have  $\dot{\alpha}_s \equiv 0$ ,  $\mu_s = 0 \Rightarrow X_s = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  (4) as well.

The  $X_s$  is  $t$ -invariant since everything else is.  
 Hence  $\mathcal{L}_{\partial_t} X_s = 0$ . It remains to show  $\phi_s \pitchfork \partial_t$ .

If  $\partial_t \in T\phi_s \mathcal{E}$  then  $\phi_s^* \partial_t \in T\mathcal{E}$ .

But  $\phi_0^* \partial_t = \partial_t \notin T\mathcal{E}$ . So  $\phi_s^* \partial_t$  not constant,

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\partial_t} \partial_t \neq 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\partial_t} X_s \neq 0 \quad \square$

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 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{x_s} \partial_t \neq 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\partial_t} x_s \neq 0 \notin \mathcal{L}$ .  $\square$