

**Question 1****(a)**

i. We first need to verify that  $D$  is involutive. To see this, consider the Lie Bracket of the two vector fields:

$$[X, Y] = (y - 0) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + (0 - x) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + (0 - 0) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} = y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

If we suppose  $p \in U$  with  $p = (x, y, z)$ , then we get

$$[X, Y]_p = y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

now, we need to find  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} [X, Y]_p = aX + bY &\iff y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = bz \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - az \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + (ay - bx) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \implies az = y \quad bz = x \quad ay - bx = 0 \\ \implies a = \frac{y}{z} \quad b = \frac{x}{z} \end{aligned}$$

So, we see that  $[X, Y]_p \in D_p \forall p \in U$ , and hence by definition  $D$  is involutive over  $U$ .

ii. Start by finding the integral curves generated by each of these vector fields. First, with  $X$  we see that we need to solve the following ODEs,

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -z \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = y$$

we first note that  $x(t) = a$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . The other two components are a coupled ODE, which we can solve with a simple substitution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -\frac{dz}{dt} = -y &\implies y(t) = A \cos(t) + B \sin(t) \\ \implies z(t) = -\frac{dy}{dt} &= A \sin(t) - B \cos(t). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have that our integral curves are

$$\gamma_X(t) = (a, A \cos(t) + B \sin(t), A \sin(t) - B \cos(t))$$

where the coefficients are determined depending on the point through which these curves pass at  $t = 0$ . For  $Y$  we see that we need to solve the ODEs

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = z \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = -x$$

which we see gives  $y(t) = c$  for some constant  $c$ . Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dz}{dt} = -x &\implies x(t) = C \cos(t) + D \sin(t) \\ \implies z = \frac{dx}{dt} &= -C \sin(t) + D \cos(t)\end{aligned}$$

and so we have that the integral curves all take the form of

$$\gamma_Y(t) = (C \cos(t) + D \sin(t), c, -C \sin(t) + D \cos(t)).$$

To see the comparison between the two curves, suppose we considered a point  $p = (p_1, p_2, p_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  that these curves pass through, both at  $t = 0$ , for simplicity. Then

$$\gamma_X(0) = (p_1, p_2, p_3) = (a, A, -B) \quad \gamma_Y(0) = (p_1, p_2, p_3) = (C, c, D)$$

and our new integral curves become

$$\gamma_X(t) = (p_1, p_2 \cos(t) - p_3 \sin(t), p_2 \sin(t) + p_3 \cos(t)) \quad \gamma_Y(t) = (p_1 \cos(t) + p_3 \sin(t), p_2, -p_1 \sin(t) + p_3 \cos(t))$$

which are just circles in the  $yz$ -plane and  $xz$ -plane respectively. If all such integral curves on our integral submanifold for the distribution  $D$  are of this form, then we can conclude that the integral submanifold

**(b)**

**i.** We approach this by finding an integral curve through the origin such that the tangent to the curve lies in this distribution. Doing this for both  $X$  and  $Y$  will give us a good idea of what we can get for an integral submanifold.

For  $X$ , we know we just need to solve the ODE's

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 1 \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = yz$$

from which we immediately get

$$x(t) = t + b \quad y(t) = c$$

for  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, we see that

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = yz = cz \implies z(t) = de^{ct}$$

But, we want our integral curve to go through the origin, so

$$\gamma(0) = (x(0), y(0), z(0)) = (b, c, d) \implies \gamma(t) = (t, 0, 0).$$

On the other hand, for  $Y$ , we see that we need to solve

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 1 \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = 0$$

which we see gives us

$$x(t) = a \quad y(t) = t + c \quad z(t) = d$$

for  $a, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, we need this to also go through the origin, so

$$\gamma(0) = (x(0), y(0), z(0)) = (a, c, d) \implies \gamma(t) = (0, t, 0)$$

So our integral curves from the basis vectors are the basis vectors on the  $x - y$  plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Thus, we can conclude that an integral submanifold of  $D$  at the origin is the  $x - y$  plane.

**ii.**

**Question 2**

First we show that **(a)**  $\iff$  **(b)**. To see this, suppose a local chart  $(U, \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n))$  of  $M$ . We need to show that the smoothness of  $\omega$  as a map is the same as smoothness of the component functions locally,  $\omega^i$ . We need, then, to consider how the two are related. Notice, we already know that the cotangent bundle is a smooth manifold, so we can use the associated chart on that; set  $\tilde{U} = \tilde{\pi}^{-1}(U) \subset T^*M$ , with

$$\tilde{\varphi} : \tilde{U} \subset T^*M \rightarrow \varphi(U) \times \mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

where

$$\tilde{\varphi}(p, \omega_p) = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_p^k d_p x_k = (\varphi(p), (\omega_p^1, \dots, \omega_p^n))$$

with  $p \in U$ . Consider some  $a \in \varphi(U)$ , then

$$\tilde{\varphi} \circ \omega \circ \varphi^{-1}(a) = \tilde{\varphi}(\omega_{\varphi^{-1}(a)})$$

and we can unpack this further,

$$\omega_{\varphi^{-1}(a)} = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_{\varphi^{-1}(a)}^k d_{\varphi^{-1}(a)} x_k = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega^k(\varphi^{-1}(a)) d_{\varphi^{-1}(a)} x_k$$

so we can see that

$$\tilde{\varphi}(\omega_{\varphi^{-1}(a)}) = (\varphi(\varphi^{-1}(a)), (\omega^1 \circ \varphi^{-1}(a), \dots, \omega^n \circ \varphi^{-1}(a))).$$

With this, we see that smoothness in  $\omega$  will hold if and only if the component functions are also smooth  $\omega^i \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Now, consider some smooth atlas  $\{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}_\alpha$ , giving the smooth structure to  $M$ . Then

$$\tilde{\varphi}_\alpha \circ \omega \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1} = \tilde{\varphi}_\alpha \circ \tilde{\varphi}^{-1} \circ \tilde{\varphi} \circ \omega \circ \varphi^{-1} \circ \varphi \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1}$$

which is still smooth since each part is smoothly compatible.

Now, we show that **(b)**  $\iff$  **(c)**. Suppose first that  $\omega(Y) \in C^\infty(M)$  for any  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Then, if  $(U, \varphi = (x_1, \dots, x_n))$  is a local chart of  $M$ , we get

$$\omega^i = \omega \left( \frac{d}{dx_i} \right) \in C^\infty(M)$$

since  $\frac{d}{dx_i} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Conversely, we suppose the component functions smooth, in particular  $\omega^i \in C^\infty(U_\alpha)$ ,  $\forall U_\alpha$  in our smooth atlas  $\{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$ . Suppose  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$