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Darboux's theorem (symplectic geometry)

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If (M, ω) is a $2n$ -dimensional symplectic manifold, and $m \in M$, then there exists a neighborhood U of m with a coordinate chart

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_{2n}) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2n},$$

such that

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^n dx_i \wedge dx_{n+i}.$$

These are called canonical or Darboux coordinates. On U , ω is the pullback by X of the standard symplectic form on \mathbb{R}^{2n} , so x is a symplectomorphism. Darboux's theorem implies that there are no local invariants in symplectic geometry, unlike in Riemannian geometry, where there is curvature.