

Homework 5. Solutions

1 Consider function $f = xy$ and differential forms $\sigma = xdy + ydx$ and $\omega = zdx + xdy$. Calculate differential forms $d(f\omega)$, $\sigma \wedge \omega$ and $d(\sigma \wedge \omega)$.

$$\begin{aligned} d(f\omega) &= df\omega + fd\omega = d(xy)(zdx + xdy) + xyd(zdx + xdy) = (ydx + xdy) \wedge (zdx + xdy) \\ &+ xy(dz \wedge dx + dx \wedge dy) = xzdy \wedge dx + yxdx \wedge dy + xydz \wedge dx + xydx \wedge dy = \\ &= (2xy - xz)dx \wedge dy + xydz \wedge dx. \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma \wedge \omega = (xdy + ydx) \wedge (zdx + xdy) = xzdy \wedge dx + yxdx \wedge dy = (xy - xz)dx \wedge dy$$

$$d(\sigma \wedge \omega) = d((xy - xz)dx \wedge dy) = -xdz \wedge dx \wedge dy$$

Note that $\sigma = df$, hence $d(\sigma \wedge \omega) = d(df \wedge \omega) = -df \wedge d\omega$. Here this does not simplify much calculations but in the next exercise it will help.

2 Consider embedding $\iota: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ of the sphere to \mathbf{R}^3 given by the equation $x = a \sin \theta \cos \varphi$, $y = a \sin \theta \sin \varphi$, $z = a \cos \theta$. Calculate pull-backs

a) $\iota^*(f)$,

b) $\iota^*(\sigma)$,

c) $\iota^*(\omega)$,

d) $\iota^*(\sigma \wedge \omega)$,

e) $\iota^*(d(\sigma \wedge \omega))$

where function f and forms ω and σ were defined in previous exercise.

We have that $x = a \sin \theta \cos \varphi$, $y = a \sin \theta \sin \varphi$, $z = a \cos \theta$. Hence

$$\iota^*(f) = \iota^*(xy) = (a \sin \theta \cos \varphi)(a \sin \theta \sin \varphi) = a^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin \varphi \cos \varphi$$

b)

$$\iota^*(\sigma) = \iota^*(xdy + ydx) = a \sin \theta \cos \varphi d(a \sin \theta \sin \varphi) + a \sin \theta \sin \varphi d(a \sin \theta \cos \varphi) =$$

$$a \sin \theta \cos \varphi (a \cos \theta \sin \varphi d\theta + a \sin \theta \cos \varphi d\varphi) + a \sin \theta \sin \varphi (a \cos \theta \cos \varphi d\theta - a \sin \theta \sin \varphi d\varphi)$$

Long calculations... More wise to note that $\sigma = xdy + ydx = d(xy) = df$, hence

$$\iota^*(\sigma) = \iota^*(df) = d\iota^*(f)$$

But we already calculated $\iota^*(f) = a^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin \varphi \cos \varphi$. Hence

$$\iota^*(\sigma) = \iota^*(df) = d\iota^*(f) = d(a^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin \varphi \cos \varphi) = d(a^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin \varphi \cos \varphi) =$$

$$a^2 \frac{d((1 - \cos 2\theta) \sin 2\varphi)}{4} = a^2 \frac{\sin 2\theta \sin 2\varphi}{2} d\theta + a^2 \frac{((1 - \cos 2\theta) \cos 2\varphi)}{2} d\varphi$$

c)

$$\iota^*(\omega) = \iota^*(zdx + xdy)$$

$z = a \cos \theta$, $x = a \sin \theta \cos \varphi$, $dx = d(a \sin \theta \cos \varphi)$, $dy = d(a \sin \theta \sin \varphi)$. Hence

$$\iota^*(\omega) = \iota^*(zdx + xdy) = a \cos \theta d(a \sin \theta \cos \varphi) + a \sin \theta \cos \varphi d(a \sin \theta \sin \varphi)$$

$$\text{d) } \iota^*(\sigma \wedge \omega) = \iota^*((xy - xz)dx \wedge dy) =$$

$$= (a \sin \theta \cos \varphi a \sin \theta \sin \varphi - a \sin \theta \cos \varphi a \cos \theta) d(a \sin \theta \cos \varphi) \wedge d(a \sin \theta \sin \varphi) =$$

$$a^4 \sin \theta \cos \varphi (\sin \theta \sin \varphi - \cos \theta) (\cos \theta \cos \varphi d\theta - \sin \theta \sin \varphi d\varphi) \wedge (\cos \theta \sin \varphi d\theta + \sin \theta \cos \varphi d\varphi) =$$

$$a^4 \sin \theta \cos \varphi (\sin \theta \sin \varphi - \cos \theta) \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta \wedge d\varphi$$

e) $d(\sigma \wedge \omega)$ is 3-form.

Hence $\iota^*(d(\sigma \wedge \omega))$ as a form on is equal to zero. Answer: $\iota^*(d(\sigma \wedge \omega)) = 0$.

3 Consider the embedding $\iota: M \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ of the circle S^1 in \mathbf{R}^2 given by the equation $x = a \cos \theta$, $y = a \sin \theta$. Find the pull-backs $\iota^*(\sigma)$ and $\iota^*(d\sigma)$ if $\sigma = \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2}$.

$$\iota^*\sigma = \frac{a \cos \theta d(a \sin \theta) - a \sin \theta d(a \cos \theta)}{(a \cos \theta)^2 + (a \sin \theta)^2} = \frac{(a^2 \cos^2 \theta + a^2 \sin^2 \theta) d\theta}{a^2 \cos^2 \theta + a^2 \sin^2 \theta} = d\theta$$

$$\iota^*(d\sigma) = d(\iota^*(\sigma)) = d(d\theta) = 0$$

4 Consider the embedding $\iota: M \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ of the cylinder M in \mathbf{R}^3 given by the equation $x = a \cos \theta$, $y = a \sin \theta$, $z = h$. Find the pull-backs $\iota^*(\sigma)$ and $\iota^*(d\sigma)$ for the following forms:

$$\sigma = zdy$$

$$\sigma = xdy + ydx$$

$$\sigma = \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2},$$

$$\sigma = xdy - ydx$$

$$\iota^*(zdy) = hd(a \sin \theta) = ha \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\iota^*(xdy + ydx) = \iota^*d(xy) = d(\iota^*(xy)) = d(a^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta) = a^2 \cos 2\theta d\theta$$

$$\iota^* \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{a \cos \theta d(a \sin \theta) - a \sin \theta d(a \cos \theta)}{(a \cos \theta)^2 + (a \sin \theta)^2}$$

$$\iota^*(xdy - ydx) = a^2 d\theta$$

5* Show that $\iota^*(\sigma) = \sin \theta d\theta \wedge d\varphi$, where ι is embedding of the sphere in \mathbf{R}^3 considered in the exercise 2, and the 2-form σ is defined by the formula

$$\sigma = \frac{xdy \wedge dz + ydz \wedge dx + zdx \wedge dy}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

Perform calculations

$$\iota^*(xdy \wedge dz) = a^3 \sin \theta \cos \varphi d(\sin \theta \sin \varphi) \wedge d(\cos \theta) = a^3 \sin^3 \theta \cos^2 \varphi d\theta \wedge d\varphi$$

$$\iota^*(ydz \wedge dx) = a^3 \sin \theta \sin \varphi d(\cos \theta) \wedge d(\sin \theta \cos \varphi) = \sin^3 \theta \sin^2 \varphi d\theta \wedge d\varphi$$

$$\iota^*(zdx \wedge dy) = a^3 \cos \theta d(\sin \theta \cos \varphi) \wedge d(\sin \theta \sin \varphi) = a^3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta d\theta \wedge d\varphi$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \iota^* \left(\frac{xdy \wedge dz + ydz \wedge dx + zdx \wedge dy}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \right) &= \frac{\iota^*(xdy \wedge dz) + \iota^*(ydz \wedge dx) + \iota^*(zdx \wedge dy)}{\iota^*(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)} = \\ \frac{a^3 \sin^3 \theta \cos^2 \varphi d\theta \wedge d\varphi + a^3 \sin^3 \theta \sin^2 \varphi d\theta \wedge d\varphi + a^3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta d\theta \wedge d\varphi}{a^3} &= \sin \theta d\theta \wedge d\varphi \end{aligned}$$

6 Calculate differential of 1-form $\alpha = p_1 dq^1 + p_2 dq^2 - dp_2 q^2$

$$d\alpha = d(p_1 dq^1 + p_2 dq^2 - dp_2 q^2) = dp_1 \wedge dq^1 + dp_2 \wedge dq^2 + dp_2 \wedge dq^2$$

(Note that $d(dp_2 f) = -dp_2 df$)

7 Consider in \mathbf{R}^2 a triangle $\triangle ABC$ with vertices at the points $A = (5, -1)$, $B = (-1, 6)$, $C = (-5, -1)$ and differential one-form $\omega = xdy - ydx$. By using Stokes' theorem or directly calculate the integral of 1-form ω over the boundary of the $\triangle ABC$.

The integral of the 1-form $\omega = xdy - ydx$ over the boundary of the triangle according to Stokes theorem is equal to the integral of the form $d\omega = d(xdy - ydx) = dx \wedge dy - dy \wedge dx = 2dx \wedge dy$ over the triangle:

$$\int_{\partial \triangle ABC} \omega = \int_{\triangle ABC} d\omega$$

(We suppose that orientation is chosen. The integral on boundary is taken anticlockwise.)

Hence

$$\int_{\triangle ABC} d\omega = \int_{\triangle ABC} 2dx \wedge dy = 2 \times \text{Area of triangle } ABC = 2 \times (5 - (-5))(6 - (-1)) \times \frac{1}{2} = 70$$

8 Consider in \mathbf{R}^3 the surface defined by the equation $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4z$. Show that this surface is the sphere.

Using Stokes Theorem calculate the integrals of the 2-forms $\omega_1 = zdx \wedge dy$ and $\omega_2 = dx \wedge dy$

$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4z = 0$. Hence $x^2 + y^2 + (z - 2)^2 = 4$. Hence it is the sphere of the radius 2 with the centre at the point $(0, 0, 2)$, $\int_{S^2} z dx \wedge dy = \int_{\partial B} z dx \wedge dy$, where B is a ball of the radius 2, $B: x^2 + y^2 + (z - 2)^2 \leq 4$. Hence by Stokes Theorem

$$\int_{S^2} z dx \wedge dy = \int_{\partial B} z dx \wedge dy = \int_B d(z dx \wedge dy) = \int_B dz \wedge dx \wedge dy = \int_B dx \wedge dy \wedge dz = \text{volume} B = \blacksquare$$

$$\text{volume of the sphere of the radius } 2 = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3|_{R=2}$$