

§ 2004 年 台大博士班考題

1. Let $X = \sum_{i=1,2} a_i(x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$, $Y = \sum_{i=1,2} b_i(x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ be vector fields on \mathbb{R}^2 .

(a) Find a formula for the bracket $[X, Y]$

(b) Let ω be a differential p-form on an n-dimensional differentiable manifold M , and d be the exterior derivative on M .

Find the formula for $d\omega$ by using local coordinates, and show that your answer is independent of the choice of coordinates.

2. Let M be a simply connected n-dimensional differentiable manifold.

Let ω be differential 1-form. Suppose that ω is closed, i.e. $d\omega = 0$.

Show that ω is exact, i.e. there exists a differentiable function f on M such that $df = \omega$

3. Let T be a topological torus, i.e. diffeomorphic to $\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2$.

Let g be a Riemannian metric on T , written as

$g = a(x, y)dx^2 + 2b(x, y)dxdy + c(x, y)dy^2$ where (x, y) are the Euclidean coordinates on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Suppose the Gaussian curvature $K(g) \leq 0$ everywhere.

Find all possible solutions of g .

4. Prove or disprove that the tangent bundle $T(S^2)$ of the 2-dimensional sphere S^2 is a topologically non-trivial vector bundle, i.e. $T(S^2)$ is not equivalent to the trivial bundle $\mathbb{R}^2 \times S^2$ over S^2