EXERCISES FOR PARTIALLY HYPERBOLIC SYSTEMS

(1) Let $f: M \to M$ be a diffeomorphisms of a compact manifold and $\Lambda \subset M$ be a compact partially hyperbolic set for f. If U is a sufficiently small neighborhood of Λ , then the set

$$\Lambda_U = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f^n(\overline{U})$$

is partially hyperbolic.

- (2) Let M be a compact manifold and $f: M \to M$ be a partially hyperbolic diffeomorphism. If $g: M \to M$ is a diffeomorphism that is sufficiently C^1 close to f, then g is partially hyperbolic.
- (3) Let $f: M \to M$ be a partially hyperbolic diffeomorphism with 1-dimensional center and M be compact. In this case we know that locally the center direction can be integrated to give a not necessarily unique local center manifold. The ϵ -Bowen ball at $x \in M$ for f is

$$B_{\epsilon}(x,f) = \{ y \in M : d(f^n x, f^n y) < \epsilon \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

For ϵ sufficiently small if there exist 2 local center manifolds at x, then they agree on the Bowen ball.

- (4) For a partially hyperbolic diffeomorphism $f: M \to M$ of a compact manifold. Suppose there is an adapted metric and constants $\lambda_1 < \mu_1 \leq \mu_2 < \lambda_2$ for the splitting $E^s \oplus E^c \oplus E^u$. Then the following are equivalent:
 - $W^s(x) = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^{-n}(W^s_{\text{loc}}(f^n x))$
 - $W^s(x) = \{y \in M : d_s(f^n x, f^n y) \le (\lambda_1 + \epsilon)^n d_s(x, y) \text{ where } \epsilon > 0 \text{ is sufficiently small and } d_s(\cdot, \cdot) \text{ is the induced distance on the immersed submanifold } W^s(x).$
- (5) Assume that Λ is a partially hyperbolic topological attractor. Show that the set Λ is saturated by strong unstable manifolds W^u and that for each $x \in \Lambda$ we have $W^u(x) \subset \Lambda$.
- (6) Let $f: M \to M$ be a C^1 -diffeomorphism and $\Lambda \subset M$ be a compact partially hyperbolic set with a splitting $E^s \oplus E^c \oplus E^u$. Show that if μ is an ergodic measure that has a simple spectrum (so all Lyapunov exponents have multiplicity one), then the Oseledet's splitting respects the splitting $E^s \oplus E^c \oplus E^u$ (so every bundle is contained either on E^s, E^c , or E^u). Show more generally that if there is a continuous invariant splitting $E \oplus F$, then E is uniformly contracted if and only if for every ergodic measure μ supported on Λ the larges Lyapunov exponent of μ along E is negative.

(7) Consider the Heisenberg group of 3×3 matrices

$$\mathcal{H} := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

This group is closed under matrix products and therefore is a Lie group with Lie algebra $\mathfrak h$ that is generated by the matrices

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, Z = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the only non-trivial bracket relation is [X, Y] = XY - YX = Z. Consider the lattice \mathcal{H}_2 consisting of the matrices

$$\mathcal{H}_2 := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, z \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

Show that $N_k = \mathcal{H}/\mathcal{H}_2$ is compact. Prove that $(x, y, z) \mapsto (2x + y, x + y, z + x^2 + \frac{y^2}{2} + xy)$ is a partially hyperbolic diffeomorphism of N_2 . What are the invariant bundles? Show that the center direction integrates into a foliation by circles.

(8) Let f be a partially hyperbolic diffeomorphism of the 3-torus that preserves Lebesgue measure. Suppose that f is ergodic and that the center direction has a foliation by C^2 circles. Suppose that the Lyapunov exponent in the center direction is positive. Then there exists a set S of full measure on the 3-torus that meets every leaf of the center foliation in a set of leave-measure 0. In particular, the center foliation is not absolutely continuous.

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