
Homework Set 9

Floer Homology 2019

Problem 1

(i) With u, v, ξ as in Problem 3 of Set 8 show that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \Big|_{\tau=0} P_{u, \exp_u(\tau \xi)}^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \exp_u(\tau \xi) \right) = \nabla_s^u \xi$$

where the covariant derivative ∇^u on u^*TM is the pull-back of the Levi-Civita connection.

(ii) Derive the following formula:

$$D_u \bar{\partial}_{H,J} \xi := \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \Big|_{\tau=0} P_{u, \exp_u(\tau \xi)}^{-1} (\bar{\partial}_{H,J} \exp_u(\tau \xi)) = \nabla_s^u \xi + (J \circ u) (\nabla_t^u \xi - \nabla_\xi X_H) + (\nabla_\xi J \circ u) (\partial_t u - X_H).$$

(iii) Let $u \in \mathcal{B}^p(x, y)$ and x and y are periodic solutions of Hamilton's equation. Show that after (suitable?) trivialization $u^*TM \cong \mathbb{R} \times S^1 \times \mathbb{C}^n$ as complex vector bundles the linear operator in (ii) takes the form

$$D_u \bar{\partial}_{H,J} \xi(s, t) = \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial s}(s, t) + J_0 \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t}(s, t) + S(s, t) \xi(s, t)$$

where J_0 denotes the multiplication by i , $S : \mathbb{R} \times S^1 \rightarrow M(2n, \mathbb{R})$ with the identification $\mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}$. Moreover, $\lim_{s \rightarrow \pm\infty} S(s, t) = S^\pm(t)$ uniformly in t and the solutions $R^\pm : [0, 1] \rightarrow M(2n; \mathbb{R})$ of $\dot{R}^\pm = J_0 S^\pm(t) R^\pm(t)$ define paths of symplectic matrices conjugate to the linearizations of the Hamiltonian flow Φ_t at $x(0)$ and $y(0)$. In particular, if x and y are non-degenerate, then $1 \notin \text{spec}(R^\pm(1))$.

Problem 2

Remember the definitions $\mathbb{E} := \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{J}$, $\mathbb{B} := \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{J}$ and recall the section $\bar{\partial}_H(u, J) := \bar{\partial}_{H,J} u$ of the obvious bundle $\mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$. Then we defined $\mathbb{M} := \bar{\partial}_H^{-1}(0)$ and the differentiable map $\pi : \mathbb{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{J}$ given by $\pi(u, J) = J$. Let $(u, J) \in \mathbb{M}$.

(i) Show that $\text{Ker } D_{u,J} \pi \cong \text{Ker } D_u \bar{\partial}_{H,J}$

(ii) Construct an isomorphism $\text{Coker}(D_{u,J} \pi) \cong \text{CoKer}(D_u \bar{\partial}_{H,J})$

(iii) Discuss the connection between the Fredholm property of $D_u \bar{\partial}_{H,J}$ and of $D_{u,J} \pi$ and the relation of their indices.

(iv) What can be concluded if $D_{u,J} \pi$ is surjective?

Problem 3

(i) Let $L : E \rightarrow F$ be a bounded linear map. Show: If there is a bounded linear map $L' : F \rightarrow E$ such that $LL' - \text{id}_F$ and $L'L - \text{id}_E$ are finite-dimensional, then L is Fredholm.

(ii) Let $v \in E$. Find an example of a subspace $E_0 \subset E$ such that $E = E_0 \oplus \mathbb{R}v$ algebraically but E_0 is not closed or prove the opposite statement.

(iii) Let $L, L_0 : E \rightarrow F$, and $L'_0 : F \rightarrow E$ as in (i) for L_0 instead of L . Suppose $\|L - L_0\| < \frac{1}{\|L'_0\|}$. Explain why $(\text{id}_F + (L - L_0)L'_0)^{-1}$ and $(\text{id}_E + L'_0(L - L_0))^{-1}$ exist. Moreover, deduce that $L' := L'_0(\text{id}_F + (L - L_0)L'_0)^{-1}$ satisfies (i) for L .

Problem 4

(i) Let $H : S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the height function with exactly two critical points: minimum x and maximum y . The Hamiltonian flow is simply given by rotation of S^2 , the time-one map is the rotation whose size is determined by H and the symplectic form ω (the volume form). For all but a discrete set of c 's the only 1-periodic solutions to Hamilton's equation for cH are the stationary x and y . If $c > 0$ and sufficiently small the Conley-Zehnder index of x is $\mu(x) = -1$ and $\mu(y) = 1$. This changes for $c \leq 0$ and $c > 0$ and large. How does this fit with claimed invariance of Floer homology from the data given.

(ii) Let $f : T^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Morse function with exactly one maximum x , two non-extremal critical points y_1, y_2 and one minimum z . How do the Conley-Zehnder indices of these considered as 1-periodic solutions of Hamilton's equation for cf change for varying c ? What does it mean for the Hamiltonian system?