

Geometric Mechanics

Homework 7

Due on November 10

1. Let $(x^1, \dots, x^n, p_1, \dots, p_n)$ be the usual local coordinates on T^*M . Compute X_{x^i} , X_{p_i} , $\{x^i, x^j\}$, $\{p_i, p_j\}$ and $\{p_i, x^j\}$.
2. Show that in the Poincaré recurrence theorem the set of points $\alpha \in U$ such that $\psi_t(\alpha) \in U$ for some $t \geq T$ is dense in U .
3. Let $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a compact Riemannian manifold. Show that for each normal ball $B \subset M$ and each $T > 0$ there exist geodesics $c : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$ with $\|\dot{c}(t)\| = 1$ such that $c(0) \in B$ and $c(t) \in B$ for some $t \geq T$.